

**AND THE PEOPLE CAME...**

- Week of February 26, 2023 -

Sunday Morning Service	-----	23
Sunday Evening Service	-----	20
Wednesday Eve., 03/01/23 Service	-----	11

**AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...**

- Week of February 26, 2023 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	-----	\$ 4,788.44
Foundation Piering Fund	-----	\$ 560.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 02/26/23:</b>		<b>\$ 5,348.44</b>

- Week of February 19, 2023 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	-----	\$ 1,180.97
Foundation Piering Fund	-----	\$ 183.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 02/19/23:</b>		<b>\$ 1,363.97</b>

- Week of February 12, 2023 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	-----	\$ 1,227.00
Foundation Piering Fund	-----	\$ 2,000.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 02/12/23:</b>		<b>\$ 3,227.00</b>

- Week of February 5, 2023 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	-----	\$ 2,701.93
Foundation Piering Fund	-----	\$ 130.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 02/05/23:</b>		<b>\$ 2,831.93</b>

- Week of January 29, 2023 -

<u>Undesignated</u> Tithes & Offerings	-----	\$ 998.00
Foundation Piering Fund	-----	\$ 120.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIVED FOR WEEK OF 01/29/23:</b>		<b>\$ 1,118.00</b>

Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed for church operating expenses EACH WEEK, as a minimum = \$ 1,600.00



**FOUNDATION PIERING FUND -**

Amount Received, Week of 02/26/23:	\$ 560.00
Amount For Entire Project	----- \$13,600.00
50% Deposit Needed by 04/03/23	----- \$ 6,800.00
Amount currently on hand for Deposit	----- \$ 6,993.00
<b>Amount Still Needed For Deposit:</b>	<b>\$ 0.0 !!!</b>
<b>Total Still Needed To Pay Off Entire Repair:</b>	<b>\$ 6,607.00</b>

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**WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED**

1. Admit that you are a sinner.
2. Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.
3. Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.
4. You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).
5. By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, Who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.



**THANK YOU For Your Continued Faithfulness In Giving!**

During the early part this pandemic, we were unable to meet in the church-house. But - that did not mean that the expenses of having a church-house were suspended. We still had bills to pay - electricity, gas, water, trash pickup, phone, internet, facility insurance, copier lease, office supplies, etc., and, praise the Lord, His people kept praying, watching online, & supporting their church with their giving.

Sadly, some people only give when they are in attendance at church - sort of like paying for "services rendered" - but the truth is that they are robbing **THEMSELVES** of God's blessings when they withhold their tithes and offerings and only give when they are here (see Malachi 3:10). Thankfully, most of our people have remained faithful, in so many ways, during this crisis, including financially.

**WE HAVE 3 WAYS YOU CAN GIVE:**

1. **By mail** - 23 East Wells Blvd., Sapulpa, OK 74066
2. **Drop it off** - call the Church Office to arrange it. 224-1924
3. **Online** - Go to the link below and give electronically:

<https://tithe.ly/give?c=433047>

**WE ARE GLAD WE CAN NOW GATHER TOGETHER TO PRAISE GOD & STUDY HIS WORD TOGETHER IN THE CHURCH-HOUSE!  
YOUR FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS GIFTS WILL HELP US KEEP UP WITH THE BILLS AND CONTINUE OUR RENEWED OUTREACH EFFORTS!**

**Church Directory**

Todd W. White	-----	Pastor
Debra Carlton, Mickie Shatwell, Lois Mae Floyd	-----	Pianists
Derek Quinnely	-----	Greeter
Larry & Mary Byars	-----	Outreach
LeAnna White	-----	Custodian
GinaMarie Shufelt	-----	Flowers
Seth White	-----	Sound/Video
Larry Byars, David Smith, Derek Quinnely	-----	Trustees

SOUTH HEIGHTS BAPTIST'S WEEKLY  
**REMINDER**

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**STATE QUESTION 820 FACTS**

- ☛ **It's NOT OK** to smoke Marijuana around children, but this state question expressly changes the threshold for child endangerment by specifically permitting smoking of marijuana around children.
- ☛ **SQ 820 HAMPERS SINGLE PARENTS TRYING TO PROTECT THEIR CHILDREN.** The fine print on the state question prohibits courts from considering abuse of marijuana in child custody and visitation cases.
- ☛ **CHILD OVERDOSES WILL BE MORE SEVERE.** SQ 820 does **NOT** limit THC content. This puts our kids at even more risk. According to medical doctors, when children ingest high THC edibles that look like candy, cookies, or chips, they are at risk for seizures or even a coma.
- ☛ **SQ 820 WILL ENCOURAGE MORE VIOLENCE.** We have already had execution style killings in Oklahoma related to the marijuana black market. It will only get worse if SQ820 is passed. **Law enforcement agrees passage of SQ 820 will provide more cover for illegal activity.**
- ☛ **SQ 820 FAILS TO ADDRESS** the very real concerns of foreign ownership of our land, as well as excessive water and electricity usage that will strain our infrastructure.

**PRAY.VOTE.PRAY.**

Pray Before You Vote



**GREG LAURIE'S  
"JESUS REVOLUTION"  
PRESENTS A FALSE  
GOSPEL THAT  
FORGOES  
REPENTANCE**

You've probably heard of the recently released *Jesus Revolution* movie that's based on Greg Laurie's book by the same name. The movie is being promoted by several high-profile Evangelicals including former Southern Baptist president, James Merritt and former U.S. Vice President, Mike Pence.

The movie is based on the life of Harvest Christian Fellowship pastor, **Greg Laurie**, and features several well-known actors including Kelsey Grammer, who plays **Chuck Smith**, Jonathan Roumie, who plays the part of Christian hippie, **Lonnie Frisbee**, and Joel Courtney, who plays Greg Laurie himself as they take part in the California "Jesus Movement" of the 60s.

**But - As With Anything That Claims To Be Christian, It Must Be Looked At With Deep Scrutiny To See If it Actually IS.**

Greg Laurie has been a prominent figure in Christendom for quite some time. Many have touted him as being the next Billy Graham. In the likeness of Billy Graham's crusades, Laurie has invested endless efforts in his *Harvest Crusades* since the early 1990s, reaching audiences in the hundreds of thousands at every event. Laurie's popular style of watered-down preaching and making the adulterated Word of God more palatable to the world has helped his empire grow tremendously, and transform Laurie into a celebrity.

A with nearly all celebrity Christian luminaries, there comes a time when the message they deliver has become so devoid of any convicting biblical substance that nearly anyone, whether they profess Christ or not, will be lured in by their seductive charisma. Their following essentially becomes a cult of *personality*, and their notoriety gains them indiscriminate immunity from nearly all criticism.

Statistics from Greg Laurie's crusades show that among the thousands of people who touted their "decision" for Jesus at these gatherings, **only 3 to 6 percent of them show any fruits of salvation one year later.** Why could this be? Phil Johnson from **Grace to You** says that Greg Laurie's current associations are representative of his theological drift, and that his *"doctrinal boundaries are so hazy that there's hardly any variety of popular religion or spiritual chicanery that he won't align himself with, as long as it calls itself 'Christian,' and gains a large following."*

And the same is absolutely true of Laurie's movie, *Jesus Revolution*.

**Most Notably the Movie Presents a False Gospel.** THE Bible Gospel is that Christ, the Son of God, who is fully God, came to earth in the likeness of man, lived the perfect life that God requires of man, yet, stood in our place on the cross bearing the

punishment of God for us, died, was buried, and rose again on the third day and ascended into Heaven so that those of us who would repent and believe on Him would have eternal life.

During Jesus' ministry on earth, he never wavered on the message of repentance. His first words during his ministry were **"Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand"** (Matt. 3:2). And Jesus echoes His call to repentance all throughout, including twice in Luke 13:3-5.

There is no shortage of the call to repent in the New Testament, so it cannot be a doctrine that is easily dismissed or overlooked. Yet, the entire theme of the false gospel presented in *Jesus Revolution* is devoid of any real call to true repentance. **In fact, it presents an "inclusive" gospel that presents the bride of Christ as being filled with those who lack true repentance.** For them, repentance is merely an emotion, a feeling, and the word itself a meaningless platitude, and does not involve becoming a new creation in Christ.

Other prominent characters in the movie include **Chuck Smith**, who is played by Kelsey Grammer. Chuck Smith was a charismatic false prophet who preached the funeral of Christian Hippie, Lonnie Frisbee (who is credited with starting the Jesus Movement) saying that Frisbee was a "Samson figure" who was powerfully anointed by God. Yet, Lonnie Frisbee was a practicing homosexual who eventually died of AIDS after his lifestyle caught up with him. Even so, Smith, in real life, preached to him right into Heaven at his funeral.

It should not be surprising that former Southern Baptist Convention president, James Merritt, who has an openly homosexual son who preaches at a progressive church in NYC whom he has praised as "faithful", is a fan of this movie.

The entire Jesus Movement/Jesus Revolution that Greg Laurie and this movie are promoting is a false gospel devoid of any actual repentance and faith and it is a denial of the Holy Spirit's ability to change the hearts and minds of those who come to Christ in faith. **The reality is that anyone who is truly born-again should be able to see, according to Scripture, that this movie is not Christian and should be avoided at all costs.**

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**NEWS OF INTEREST TO CHRISTIANS**

○ **SOUTHERN BAPTISTS DISFELLOWSHIP SADDLEBACK** - The following is excerpted from "Southern Baptists," DailyWire, Feb. 22, 2023:

"California megachurch Saddleback Church, founded by prominent Christian leader and best-selling author Rick Warren, was disfellowshipped from the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) on Tuesday over having a female pastor. Officials on the Executive Committee voted out one of the largest churches in the United States less than a year after Warren delivered his final sermon as Saddleback's senior pastor and ushered in lead pastor Andy Wood and his wife, Stacie, who serves as a teaching pastor. Due to the church continuing to have a female functioning in the office of pastor, SBC Executive Committee Chairman Jared Wellman told The Daily Wire in a statement that the convention

ousted the 43-year-old megachurch, as it is 'not in friendly cooperation' with the denomination. Wood told The Associated Press last year that the Bible *'teaches that men and women were given spiritual gifts by God. The church should be a place where both men and women can exercise those spiritual gifts. My wife has the spiritual gift of teaching and she is really good. People often tell me she's better than me when it comes to preaching, and I'm really glad to hear that.'*

The move from the convention also comes after Warren ordained three women as pastors in May 2021, sparking the initial discussion to remove the church from the SBC, arguing it defied Biblical principles and Article VI in the Baptist Faith and Message. *'While both men and women are gifted for service in the church, the office of the pastor is limited to men as qualified by Scripture,'* the article reads.

... Warren tweeted, *'We'll respond to #SBC in OUR time & way thru direct channels: Our newsletters to 600,000 church leaders...1 million PDC alumni pastors list, 11 million social media followers.'*

**CONCLUDING NOTE BY DAVID CLOUD:** Warren's arrogant response revealed his pragmatism which overrules Scripture. As for the Southern Baptist Convention, this is "too little, too late." Saddleback should have been disfellowshipped decades ago for its gross heresies and radical ecumenism. By its inaction and failure to speak out for truth, the SBC has allowed Warren's heresies to spread far and wide.

○ **WOMAN PASTOR WHOSE CHURCH WAS BOOTED BY SBC RESPONDS DURING SERMON** - In recent years, there has been a growing trend in some Christian denominations toward the ordination of women as pastors and the trend has been growing in the Southern Baptist Convention as well. However, this trend is not without controversy, and the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) has made it clear, despite its many, many flaws, that they do not believe that women should be in positions of pastoral leadership.

This is due to the undeniable teaching of Scripture, specifically in *1 Timothy 2:12* which states **"But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man..."** Also, in *1 Timothy 3:12*, the

Apostle Paul clearly states that **"A bishop [pastor] then must be blameless, the husband of one wife..."**

Furthermore, the Baptist Faith and Message 2000, which is the SBC's statement of faith, affirms that *"While both men and women are gifted for service in the church, the office of pastor is limited to men as qualified by Scripture."* Despite women preachers and pastors being overlooked in years past even in light of this clear, biblical teaching, the SBC has now decided to take action against churches that ordain women.

Recently, the SBC expelled five churches from their convention because they had women pastors. **Linda Barnes Popham**, a "pastor" at one of these expelled churches, Fern Creek Baptist in Louisville, Ky, spoke out against this decision in an interview with NPR. Popham, who has been serving at the church for 40 years, with 30 of those years as a "pastor", said that **"why now?"** was the first thought that came to her mind and the minds of many others when they received the news.

Popham argues, as most leftists, racial instigators, and feminists do, that this decision is not just about Scripture, but about "power" and those in control of the SBC.

"So therefore, it has to be more than that. It has to be something about power, those in control," she said. Right.

She also mentioned that her congregation was "shocked" by the decision and that they consider themselves to be very Southern Baptist. Again, right.

Barnes Popham also addressed the decision from the pulpit this week, essentially telling her congregation that she will not answer to God, that she will do what she wants despite what God's word has to say about it.

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**DAYLIGHT SAVING  
TIME BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY!**

**Don't Experience The Horror  
Of Arriving At Church Just  
When Everyone Else Is Leaving!**

**SET YOUR CLOCK 1 HOUR  
AHEAD BEFORE YOU GO  
TO BED NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT!**

**SEE YOU ON TIME NEXT SUNDAY!**