

VOICE OF FRIENDSHIP

New Friendship Baptist Church

From the Pastor's ❤️...

“But the angel answered and said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him.’”

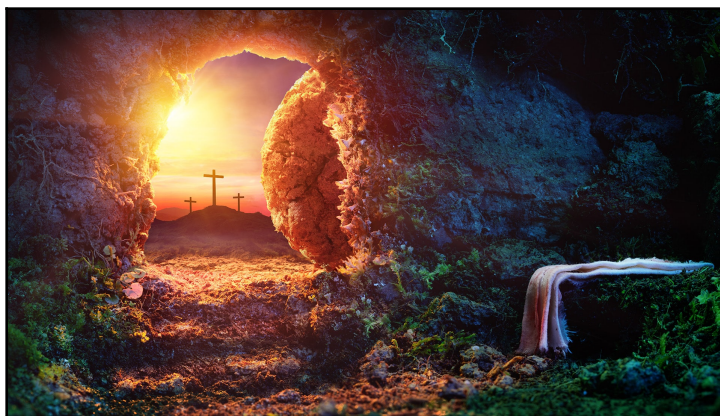
~Matthew 28:5-7

Our local community is so much more diverse than it ever has been before. The “melting pot” is no longer just in New York City. This year I’ve met people from Egypt, Pakistan, Ukraine, The Congo, Lebanon and Gaza. Add to that neighbors in our area from places like China and India, each with its own theological ideas.

This experiment in self-government that is the United States of America is founded on a principle of religious freedom and we are exposed to anything, everything and nothing. But here is a solemn dividing line, only one faith, **the faith**, worships a Savior who conquered death and rose from the grave!

Many founders of world religions have left lasting legacies for better or worse. As Christians we can say, **“Jesus is alive!”** Say it and live it today!

Love,
Pastor Chris



April 5, 2026 Easter Sunday Schedule:

- ✦ 7:00AM ~ Sunrise Service
- ✦ 7:45AM ~ Deacon Breakfast for the entire church
- ✦ 9:00AM ~ Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- ✦ 9:15AM ~ Sunday School
- ✦ 10:30AM ~ Worship including the Celebration Choir Cantata

SEVERAL OF OUR MEMBERS ARE FACING SURGERY SOON: Cheryl Hawkins (4/6), Scott Dagenhart (4/7), Brenda Hutchins (4/9), Amy Hnasko, Tom Allen

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

As we prepare our hearts and minds for the **Annie Armstrong Easter offerings**, please be in prayer for more than 3,000 North American missionaries who are making Jesus known in unreached places all over the United States and Canada. The **ANNIE ARMSTRONG Easter Offering** will be taken up in **April**. **New Friendship's AAEO goal is \$3,000.**

PASTOR BRANDON'S YOUTH CORNER:



(This picture was taken at the Trampoline Park in March. We Praise the Lord for no broken bones!)

YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

On Wednesday, **April 15th** at 6PM, the Youth will have a movie night in the Pod. See Pastor Brandon for more information.

YOUTH TO CAMP CASWELL

June 29th - July 3rd

TEENWEEK

July 26th - 30th



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER **APRIL** MENUS:

1st - Hamburgers, French Fries

8th - Chicken Casserole, Peas/Carrots

15th - Meatloaf, Pintos, Potatoes, Slaw

22nd - (Breakfast) Pancakes, Sausage Casserole, Bacon, Eggs

29th - Chicken Filet Sandwiches, Chips, Pasta Salad

(We are still in need of desserts!)

PRAY FOR THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

The church is referenced as the Bride of Christ twice in the Book of Revelation. The Deacons are inviting you to join them on the first Sunday of the month for a focused time of prayer for our church. Our next meeting is Sunday, **April 5th**.

HILLBILLY HIDEAWAY

*(The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, **April 8th**)* The Senior Adults are heading to Hillbilly Hideaway in Walkertown for dinner and gospel music on Saturday, **April 25th**. The meal is family style and includes drinks, dessert and tax. Your tip is extra...all this and gospel music too! Cyndi has reserved 20 seats but can add or delete within two weeks of our reservation. The church bus will leave at 3PM and should be back around 8PM.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The WMU will meet on Monday, **April 13th** at 10:30 and the "After Hours" WMU will meet at 6PM. We will have a guest speaker for both meetings.

LADIES' BANQUET

Join us **April 18th** at 6PM for our Annual Ladies' Banquet. **Glow Up~Shine On** is our theme this year and our guest speaker is Renee Christensen. **(RENEE IS A SPEAKER, AUTHOR, PODCASTER AND BUSINESS OWNER. HER PASSION IS TO ENCOURAGE DISCIPLESHIP, HELP OTHERS BECOME BIBLICALLY LITERATE AND ESTABLISH A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW.)** We encourage every woman at NFBC to plan on attending and bring a guest with you. For those of you who love to decorate, see Angie Mahaffey and sign up to decorate a table. **The tables are one of the highlights each year.** Tickets are \$10 each and will be available through Angie Mahaffey.

MILLS BAPTIST CHILDREN’S HOME WORKDAY

The WMU will working at the **Mills Baptist Children’s Home** in Thomasville on Saturday, **April 25th** from 9AM to 2PM. More information and a sign up sheet will be available soon.

CENTRIKID CAMP 2026

CentriKid Camp will be Monday, **June 15th** to Friday, **June 19th** at Eagle Eyrie Baptist Conference Center in Lynchburg, VA for current 3rd-6th graders. Cost per participant is \$220. A deposit of \$110 was due in March and the balance of \$110 is due Wednesday, **May 20th**. Please see Joanna Lookabill for additional questions.

COATS 4 THE CITY

In December, dozens of churches from NC and SC distributed thousands of winter coats with local churches in New York City. As temperatures warm and we transition our closets to warmer weather, feel free to drop off any coats you don’t plan to use again at the church building. We are already collecting for next time.

KENYA MISSION TEAM

We are currently collecting Smarties Candies to give to the children at the schools we will be visiting. (Approximately 18 schools). We are also collecting soccer balls and pumps so that we can leave at least 2 balls with each school. The balls need to be a size 4 or 5. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the church office if you would like to sponsor a ball or two.

WITH SINCERE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We express our sincere Christian sympathy to:

- ~ the family of Ruby Embler who passed away March 8th.
- ~ the family of Jewell Gordon Hoggard who passed away on March 11th

<u>March Numbers</u>	2026	2025
Sunday School Average:	123	124
Avg AM Worship Attendance:	174	167
General Offering:	\$56,137	\$65,441

Christmas with a “Capital C” is self-supporting. You can contribute any time using an offering envelope. All donations are appreciated.

If you need to reserve the building or the bus for any reason, please call the church office at 336-788-3112 or email us at newfriendship@icloud.com as soon as you know about your event so that we can keep the calendar organized. If you have information that needs to be put in the bulletin, please have that to the church office by **10AM on Thursday mornings**. If you have information that needs to be put in the monthly newsletter, please have this information to the church office by the **20th of each month**.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday - Friday (8AM to 1PM)

