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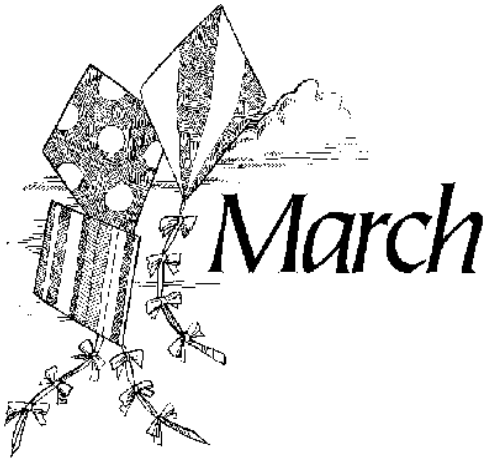
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# THE MISSION



[www.broaduschurch.org](http://www.broaduschurch.org)



## CARITAS!

For one week beginning Saturday evening, March 14, families in need of shelter will come to us through the CARITAS organization. CARITAS means "charity" or "loving-kindness" in Latin, and locally stands for "Congregations Around Richmond Involved to Assure Shelter." Thank you for supporting this wonderful ministry through donations and volunteer hours as we supply food, beds, showers, laundry and friendship. There is more information and a sign-up sheet on a table in the Commons.



**March 6-7 in Lynchburg, VA**

Be praying for our group of men and boys who will be attending this inspiring conference.

## Holy Week Schedule

**March 29 Palm Sunday**

- ◆ Our Children's Choirs will be singing in both services.

**April 2 Maundy Thursday**

- ◆ 5:30 Dinner (by reservation)
- ◆ 6:30 Worship Service

**April 5 EASTER SUNDAY**

- ◆ 7:00 Sunrise Service
- ◆ 7:30 Fellowship Breakfast
- ◆ 8:45 Worship
- ◆ 10:00 Sunday School
- ◆ 11:00 Worship



FREE!!

**Broadus Church**

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# Spring Fling

**Saturday, March 28th**

**11:00 am - 2:00 pm**

Gather the family and invite all of your friends to the greatest thing to hit Mechanicsville since last year! Sign up in the Commons to help.

- Inflatables!** **Balloon Artist!**
- Petting Zoo!** **FUN BUS!**



**Easter Egg Hunt**

**Hot Dogs Popcorn**

**Snow Cones**




**Face Painting**

**Games & Prizes**



# March 2015

**SUNDAY MORNING**  
 8:45 - Traditional Service  
 10:00 - Sunday School  
 11:00 - Contemporary Service

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 12:15 EOC Mtg  6:30 Youth Connect Groups	2	3 9:45-Broadus Bells	4  5:15 Dinner 6-7:15 Programs 7:15 Choir Practice	5  6:30-Praise Team	6  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Men's Impact Weekend at LU</div>	7
8  2:30-Prayer Shawl 4:30-Youth Band 6:30 The Gathering Youth Worship	9	10 9:45-Broadus Bells	11  5:15 Dinner 6-7:15 Programs 7:15 Choir Practice	12  6:30-Praise Team	13  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">High School Retreat at E.E.</div>	14 8:30 AM CARITAS Set-Up  <b>CARITAS Begins</b>
15 6:00 Finance Cmt 6:30 Youth Connect Groups 7:00 Business Mtg <b>CARITAS</b>	16 MCEF Night at Stevi B's  <b>CARITAS</b>	17 9:45-Broadus Bells  <b>CARITAS</b>	18  5:15 Dinner 6-7:15 Programs 7:15 Choir Practice <b>CARITAS</b>	19  6:30-Praise Team  <b>CARITAS</b>	20   <b>CARITAS</b>	21 <b>CARITAS Ends</b> 7:30 Clean-Up  2:00 Camp Alkulana Centennial Celebration at FBC Rich.
22 4:00-Youth Band 5:00-Worship Choir 6:30 Youth Connect Groups	23	24 9:45-Broadus Bells	25  5:15 Dinner 6-7:15 Programs 7:15 Choir Practice	26  6:30-Praise Team	27	28  <b>11:00-2:00 Spring Fling!</b>  7:00 Bluegrass Gospel Hymn Sing CB
29  6:30 Youth Connect Groups	30	31 9:45-Broadus Bells	For more information about Broadus Church and a PDF of this Mission newsletter, visit <a href="http://www.broaduschurch.org">www.broaduschurch.org</a> .			

**the pastor's paragraphs**

I first became acquainted with Camp Alkulana in the summer of 1982. I had just graduated from high school overseas and

found myself whiling away the vacation at my parent's new home in Richmond as I waited for my freshman year at Mississippi College. Leaving behind my little mission school in Korea and all the friends of my youth, I felt like a fish out of water. A summer job would have been a nice distraction, but neither my brother Kevin nor I had any success finding one. So there I sat—insecure, bored, and culture-shocked!

Then later in July, an invitation came by way of Dr. Copeland, my parents' new pastor at Derbyshire. He had heard of a pressing need at the rustic little summer camp in Bath County operated by the Richmond Baptist Association. They had lost a couple of counselors in mid-summer and needed some fresh recruits to help out for the last 2-week session. I wasn't thrilled by the prospect, but that's how Kevin and I ended up at Camp Alkulana.

I loved the outdoors and was fairly adept at camp crafts, but I was also a little shy around strangers and a bit intimidated about working with inner-city kids. There were numerous times during those two weeks that I swore I would never get sucked into that again! But then something happened. Alkulana got into my blood. For six out of the next eight summers, I spent at least a few weeks as a camp counselor. Alkulana became my home away from home. The campers gave me a purpose, the counselors became my friends, and Gracie the camp director was a model of so much that is good about Christian ministry. And the place itself—a tiny camp of old weathered buildings and evergreens nestled in a little valley with a babbling brook—it is still dear to my heart.

You may not know this, but if it weren't for Alkulana, I might not be your pastor. I met a young college girl there named Gina George back in '83. She went on to marry a guy named Hazelgrove. I'm pretty sure that's how my name came up to the pastor search committee. The rest is history!

Anyway, Camp Alkulana is celebrating 100 years of ministry, primarily to the inner city children of Richmond. Broadus has been supporting that ministry for many years through our financial gifts and some personal involvement. Alkulana was also recently entered into the Virginia Landmarks Registry by the Department of Historic Resources. What an honor! It is the oldest continually operating camp in Virginia.

I am very thankful for what Alkulana has meant to me and thousands of others. I plan to attend the centennial celebration at FBC Richmond on March 21. If you would like to attend, check out the information on the back page of this newsletter, and be sure to RSVP so the planning committee can prepare for the crowd.

God bless you all!

*Pastor Phil*

**Guest Speaker**

On Sunday, March 8th, we will have the privilege of hearing from David Crocker, executive director and founder of Operation Inasmuch. Don't miss this opportunity!

For some time now I've been wanting to add a worship choir to our 11:00 service. I have been very blessed on the occasions the choir, band and praise team have all been together, and it doesn't happen often enough. I also realize there are many people in our contemporary service, including youth, who might want to use their musical gifts in leading worship.

My vision is to have this choir participate once every couple of months. It would only involve a couple of practices before the scheduled worship, so it's not a huge time commitment.

Easter (April 5) will be the debut of this new music ministry group. They will sing at the 11:00 service only. To prepare for this day, there is a practice scheduled for Sunday, March 22 at 5:00 in the choir room, and also Wednesday, April 1 at 6:30 in the worship center.

Please give some thought to your involvement in this worship choir. I've already got some young adults on board and I would love to see some new faces as well as our regular singers! Let's lift our voices together in jubilant song!

See you in worship,  
Carol

**Elevate Youth!**

Upcoming Events:

- ♦ March 13-15- Journey High School Retreat @ Eagle Eyrie. Cost is \$75. Balance due Mar.8
- ♦ April- Spring Break Service Project & ONE Day Get-Away
- ♦ Apr. 24-26- Spring Retreat @ Watermarks Camp
- ♦ June 7- Youth Sunday & Sr. Recognition Service
- ♦ July 6-11- Mission FUGE Camp in Philadelphia.

*Don't forget about Sunday School each Sunday @ 10am & Connect Groups on Sunday nights 6:30-8pm.*

*Wednesday night ELEVATE 6-7:15pm in Community Bldg*

**Elevate- Each Wed 6-7:15pm New Series, "The Gospel According to Hashtags"**

**Sunday School -Each Sunday @10am-Nehemiah**

**THE GATHERING"- A worship experience with youth & their friends.**

**- Coming Mar.8th & May 3rd.**

**@6:30-8pm**

**In the Worship Center.**



**THE GATHERING**

# Broadus Bulletin Board

## Welcome New Members!

**Jamie Potter**  
4372 Sandy Valley Road  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

**JoAnn McKay**  
6142 Dijon Drive  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

## MCEF Food Pantry for March: Soups

MCEF needs 500 cans of tuna and 250 cans of chicken **every month** to support our hungry neighbors. Please give generously.

## Camp Alkulana's 100th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, March 21, 2015  
2:00 at FBC Richmond  
Anniversary Program and Reception  
Everyone is invited to attend. Please RSVP ASAP at [www.alkulana.org](http://www.alkulana.org) or by calling the RBA office at 329-1701.

## Ladies Book Club

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13 at 6:30 pm. Our new book is *Yada Yada Prayer Group* by Neta Jackson. Read it, then come join us in the Community Building.

## The Gathering

March 8, 6:30 PM  
(changed from March 1)  
In the Broadus Worship Center  
A Unique Experience of Worship for youth, their friends and families!

## Church Directory Roster

More copies have been printed. Pick up one in the Commons.

Bluegrass Gospel Hymn Sing  
Saturday, March 28 at 7:00  
Broadus Community Building

New Wed. PM Women's Class  
Beginning March 4th at 6:00

## "Missing Pieces" By Jennifer Rothschild

Tia Campbell will lead this 7-session study in room 254. Examine the hard questions of the faith and the mysterious ways of God.

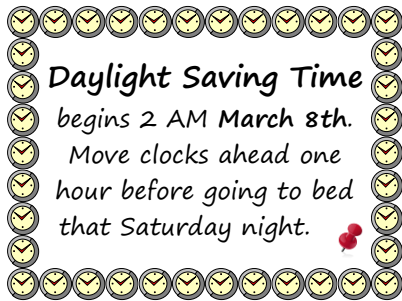
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Church Business Meeting  
March 15 at 7:00 PM



## The March Mission

**Broadus Memorial Baptist Church**  
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ADDRESS SERVICES REQUESTED

## Ministerial Staff

**Phil Peacock**  
*Senior Pastor*

**Randy Cooksey**  
*Minister of Youth*

**Carol Golden**  
*Minister of Music*

**Karen Tucker**  
*Minister of Children & Families*

**Garry Bone**  
*Ministry Coordinator for Pastoral Care*