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Got Some Bad News and Some Good News



Have you ever had someone start off a conversation with, "I've got some bad news, and some good news. Which you want first?" The dilemma this question presents is, do you want to feel good before you feel bad, or bad before you feel good?

Easter is a bad and the good news story. I heard about a woman who said to her friend: "I just got married." Her friend said, "That's good news." She said, "No, it's bad news, he's ugly." Her friend said, "That's bad news." She said, "No, it's good news, he's rich." Her friend said, "That's good news." She said, "No, it's bad news, he's stingy." She said, "that is bad news." She said, "No, it's good news, he built me a house." Her friend said, "That's good news." She said, "No, it's not, it burned to the ground." Her friend said,

"That's bad news." She said, "No, it's good news, he was in it." So, you must be sure that you separate the good news from the bad news.

The word, "Gospel" means "Good News." However, the truth of the Gospel is that before the "good news" there was the bad news. The Apostle Paul put it this way to the church of Corinth. *"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, (the Bad News) and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"* (1 Cor. 15:3-4)

The Bible is a book which gives us some bad news and good news. The bible tells us the bad news that we are all sinners. We don't like to hear that. Yet, the Bible says, *"for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."* The Bible gives us the bad news that we are helpless to do anything about it. We don't like that either. We think we can solve all of our own problems. Yet, the Bible makes it very plain that we are sinners, and it gives us the bad news that we can't do anything about. The Bible tells us the bad news that if people die in their sins, without a Savior, they go to hell.

The Bible also is a book that is filled with good news. The Apostle Paul says in these verses *"I declare unto you the gospel."* The word, gospel, means good news. Proverbs 25:25 says, *"as cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."* The bible has a message of good news. The Apostle Paul lays out for us the essential ingredients of the message of good news in 1 Corinthians 15. He declares unto us the gospel. He wants us to understand. He wants us to know that good news of Easter is (20) *"But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept."* (57) *"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

Happy Easter!

Bro. Bobby

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March Calendar of Events

- 1-7– New England Mission Trip
- 7– Good Friday (Office Closed)
- 9– Easter Sunday
- 16– Associational Bible Drill (Liberty Point) 2:00 p.m.
- 17– Semi-Annual Meeting (East Cadiz BC) 7:00 p.m.
- 24– E-Map with Rob Patterson
- 27- VBS Clinic (East Cadiz) 6:30 p.m.



Little River
Baptist Association
Semi Annual Meeting
April 17, 2023
East Cadiz Baptist Church

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH

Church	Regular	Special
Bethany	0	
Blue Spring	1,722.89	
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	930.06	600.00
Canton	792.08	250.00
Cerulean	378.00	
Crossroads	100.00	
Delmont	917.48	
Donaldson Creek	703.96	1,500.00
East Cadiz	824.34	
Hurricane	400.00	
Liberty Point	768.77	12,439.35
Locust Grove	945.00	
Maple Grove	350.00	
New Hope	164.19	300.00
New Jerusalem	0	
New Light	50.00	
Oak Grove	222.58	
Ponderosa	479.64	
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	305.00	
South Union	152.30	
Wallonia	0	
Misc. Income	400.00	
Total	10,806.29	15,089.35

25,895.64

Interest NOW Acc.	2.64	
Deaf Ministry		250.00
Van Replacement Fund		1,500.00
Mev Fredenburg		8,336.24
Bus Maintenance Fund		5,003.11
Subtotals	10,808.93	15,089.35

Total income		\$25,898.28
Monthly expense		\$20,043.32

Regular Fund	
Beginning Balance	34,626.67
Interest Received	2.64
Gifts	10,863.29
Trans– Contingency Fund	(100.00)
Trans– Van Replacement Fund	
Trans– Building Maintenance Fund	(100.00)
Trans– Mev Fredenburg Fund	
Expense Checks Written	(8,194.73)
Ending Balance	\$37,097.87

Treasurer: Louise Fuller 3/25/23

VBS Clinic

(Leading Children to Christ)
 East Cadiz Baptist Church
 April 27, 6:30 p.m.
 Led by Bro. Nicholas Clark

Happy Birthday!

Nicholas Clark– 4/30