

# Our Members Serving

<u>Nursery</u> <u>Jan 5</u>	<u>Nursery</u> <u>Jan 12</u>	<u>Nursery</u> <u>Jan 19</u>	<u>Nursery</u> <u>Jan 26</u>
Janice Stamey Paiton Reynolds	Robin Coffey Rhaina Coffey	Debbie Black Harlee Black	Kayla Bumgarner Emma Bumgarner

## USHERS

<u>Jan 5</u>	<u>Jan 12</u>	<u>Jan 19</u>	<u>Jan 26</u>
Jerry Reynolds Josiah Coffey Mike Stamey Josh Carpenter	Bob Goode Brian Bumgarner Matt Farmer Kyle Withers	Matt Farmer Josiah Coffey Jerry Reynolds Josh Carpenter	Matt Farmer Allen Dudley Mike Stamey Brian Bumgarner

<u>Deacons</u>		
Chris Poole	704-735-7795	Jan 5
Brian Bumgarner	704-530-1805	Jan 12
Brian Crisson	704-472-5969	Jan 19
Sonny Wise	704-732-9632	Jan 26
James Webber	704-735-4349	Feb 2

<u>Sound &amp; Video</u>	
Jan 5	David Coffey
Jan 12	Brian Crisson
Jan 19	David Coffey
Jan 26	Chris Poole

# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 New Year's Day No regular Wed Night services	2 House & Grounds Meeting 7:00	3	4
5 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM No Choir Practice Evening Worship 6:00 PM	6 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM	7	8 AWANA, Youth Bible Study, Adult Prayer & Bible Study & DivorceCare 6:30 PM Stewardship Mtg. 8:15 PM	9	10	11
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19 Sanctity of Life Sunday Sunday School 9:45 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Choir Practice 5:00 PM Business meeting 6:00 PM Evening Worship 6:00 PM	20 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM	21 Happy Hearts	22 AWANA, Youth Bible Study, Adult Prayer & Bible Study and DivorceCare 6:30 PM AWANA Staff Mtg. 8:15 PM	23	24	25
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# THE LINK

Connecting the members of River View Baptist Church

## Keep Looking Up

The end of a decade and the beginning of another can cause one to look down and feel discouraged. Our vision determines our end. Mark it down. We are what we see.

Max Lucado once shared this story:

“A group of climbers set out to scale a large mountain in Europe. The view boasted a breathtaking peak of snowcapped rocks. On clear days the crested point reigned as king on the horizon. Its white tip jutted into the blue sky inviting admiration and offering inspiration.

On days like that the hikers made the greatest progress. The peak stood above them like a compelling goal. Eyes were called upward. The walk was brisk. The co-operation was unselfish. Though many, they climbed as one, all looking to the same summit.

Yet on some days the peak of the mountain was hidden from view. The cloud covering would eclipse the crisp blueness with drab, gray ceiling and block the vision of the mountaintop. On those days the climb became arduous. Eyes were downward and thoughts inward. The goal was forgotten. Tempers were short. Weariness was an uninvited companion. Complaints stung like thorns on the trail.”

As long as we can see our dream, our goal within eyesight, there is no mountain we can't climb. But take away our vision, block our view of the summit and the result is as discouraging as the journey.

We were never meant to dwell in the fog with no vision of our Creator. God sent Immanuel, God with us, to be near to us, to be seen by us. That's why those who saw Jesus were never the same. They saw the summit, the end of the trail; and they refused to quit climbing until they reached the top.

Seeing Jesus is what Christianity is all about. Imitating what we see by His declared majesty. Keep looking up believer. Acquire a vision of your Maker. Begin this new decade with a fresh new beginning. May we also be able to say, “there's no mountain we can't climb.”

If Jesus is who He says He is, there is no truth more worthy of your time and no god more worthy of your devotion!

Taken from “The Gift” by Max Lucado

*River View Baptist Church is prayerfully focused on Christ, our community, and the people of the world with the mandate to reach and equip individuals for spiritually healthy lives.*



### Men's Bible Study Group

The dates for the Men's Bible Study group in January will be Tuesday, January 7th and 21st at 6:30 PM. We are studying the life and walk of Peter.

### 2020 WINTER SESSIONS

**DivorceCare Support Group** (for individuals who are currently separated or divorced) will start again on **Wednesday evenings beginning January 15, 2020 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.** and will meet for 13 weeks. The cost for the workbook is **\$15.00**. If you have children ages three through high school, we would love to have them come and be a part of our regular Wednesday evening activities, while you are participating in the group (see the back of this announcement for more details).

DATE	SESSION TITLE
January 15, 2020	1 - What's Happening to Me?
January 22, 2020	2 - The Road to Healing, Finding Help
January 29, 2020	3 - Facing my Anger
February 5, 2020	4 - Facing my Depression
February 12, 2020	5 - Facing my Loneliness
February 19, 2020	6 - What Does the Owner's Manual Say?
February 26, 2020	7 - New Relationships
March 4, 2020	8 - Financial Survival
March 11, 2020	9 - KidCare
March 18, 2020	10 - Single Sexuality
March 25, 2020	11 - Forgiveness
April 1, 2020	12 - Reconciliation
April 8, 2020	13 - Moving On, Growing Closer to God

You may obtain additional information about the sessions and/or pre-register by going to: [www.riverviewbaptistchurchonline.org/DivorceCare.html](http://www.riverviewbaptistchurchonline.org/DivorceCare.html) or by contacting Kim Fisher at (704) 740-9667 or her co-leader Melissa Elmore at (980) 429-3147. It's hard to know how to help someone whose family is experiencing separation or divorce. If you know someone, please "reach out" and pass along this information.

*The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and heals those who are crushed in spirit.*  
Psalm 34:18



**There will be no regular Wednesday night services on January 1st due to the New Year's Holiday,**



### POOR MAN'S LUNCHEON

THE YOUTH WILL BE HAVING A POOR MAN'S LUNCHEON ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH, AFTER THE MORNING WORSHIP. THIS IS A CAMP FUND RAISER. IT IS EAT BY DONATION.

Pastor Ricky and Alison's new address is:

Rev. Ricky and Alison Brown  
1089 Avenue K  
Lexington, NC 27292



**2020 Offering envelopes are on the table in the hallway. They are arranged in alphabetical order. Please make sure you pick up your family's envelopes. If you do not find your envelopes contact the church secretary.**



Happy Hearts will meet on Tuesday, January 21st at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a Soup & Salad luncheon. Bring your favorite salad or soup and come join us for a time of fellowship.



### January Birthdays

7 Eric Butler  
11 Glenda Turney  
14 Brian Crisson  
Jude Thompson  
17 Bob Goode  
Lindsey Williams  
21 Deanna Laws  
23 Rachel Ballenger  
24 Amy Crisson  
Vickie Wise  
25 Lorrie High  
29 Tim Johnson  
Kelsey Poole



### January Anniversaries

15 Bill & Janice Stamey  
29 Bob & Linda Goode  
30 Ann & Parris Fisher

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