

# GOD'S GOOD HAND

## SERVING UNDER SOVEREIGNTY

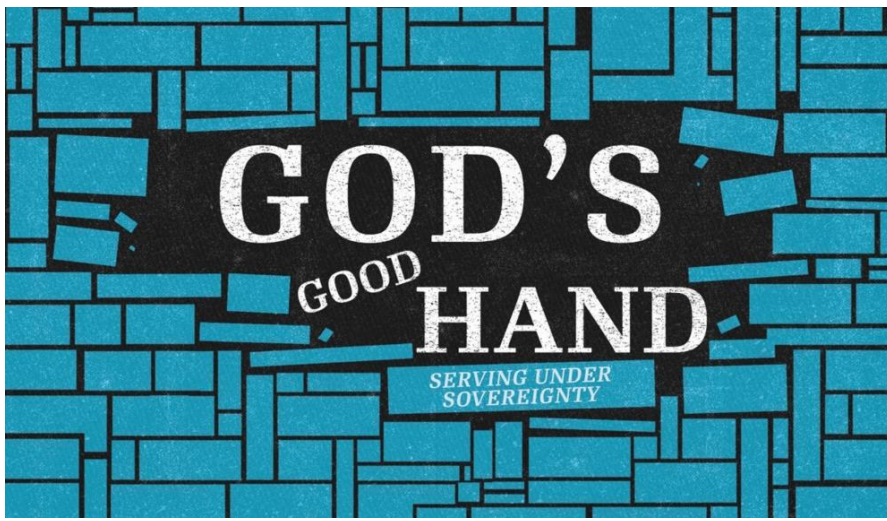
### *Overcoming Fear and Discouragement*

Nehemiah 4:9-23

April 19, 2026

**Sovereign Truth: When on mission with God, He will help you press on.**

1. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ His help during threats and attacks.
2. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ panicking and retreating during rumors, negativity, doubts, and dissension.
3. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ the strategy as needed.
4. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ others (and yourself) about His attributes during times of fear and discouragement.
5. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ to work as soon as possible.
6. When on mission with God, \_\_\_\_\_ alert while working.



**WORSHIP GATHERING**

“A Christmas Hymn”  
 WELCOME & PRAYER  
 “Thousand Tongues”  
 “Our God Will Go Before Us”  
 PRAYER  
 “Press On”  
 MESSAGE  
 PRAYER AND COMMITMENT  
 CLOSING PRAYER  
 (9:00 - Gerald Lawrence / 10:30 - Michael Wise)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

EXCITING UPDATE - Our **capital campaign strategy** called for an early appeal for “advance commitments” prior to having our churchwide commitment Sunday for all 2-year pledges to be submitted. We are excited and thankful to announce that these early commitments totaled \$862,992 from 45 family units! Glory to God for this jump-start to our campaign trying to reach our goals for campus expansion. If you plan to submit a pledge card, please plan to do so Sunday morning, April 26. The plan is to announce the grand total of pledges for this 2-year campaign that night during the Meal & Message. Feel free to mail it or take it to the church office if needed.

There will be a **deacons’ meeting** today at 4:30 p.m. in Room 125.

Everyone is invited to attend the **children’s spring program**, *The Born Again Identity*, tonight at 6:00 p.m. The children will be hosting a bake sale in the Welcome Center area immediately following the program. All bake sale proceeds (and donations) will help offset camp expenses for families.

The **Wednesday evening church-wide fellowship meal** menu is Fernando’s tacos, rice, beans, and chips & salsa. Meals are served in Boatner Hall from 4:45-5:45 p.m. (\$6 for adults, \$4 for children, and \$25 family max). Sign up at the Welcome Center or with the QR code by Monday at 9:00 a.m.



Ladies, you are invited to a **bridal shower** honoring Shelby Grace Boykin, bride elect of Eli Rank, Saturday, April 25 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in Boatner Hall. Call the church office for registry information.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the next **Meal & Message** Sunday, April 26 at 5:15 p.m. in the gym. We will hear updates from the men’s ministry, women’s ministry, and the SE Asia mission team. The menu for that night is pulled pork, baked beans, and mac & cheese (\$5 per meal / \$20 family max). Childcare will be available (4 and under) during the message portion. The evening will end with an update of the total amount of pledges received. This will be a wonderful day to celebrate lots of different things that God is doing in the life of our church!

**Graduate recognition** is Sunday, May 3 during the 10:30 a.m. service. All graduating high school and college seniors who wish to be recognized should submit their info by Monday, April 27.



**Deacon nominations** are being accepted. Use the forms and box provided on the counter at the Welcome Center. Please read carefully the biblical qualifications for the role of deacon found in Acts 6:1-6 and 1 Timothy 3:8-13 before writing in your nomination. Prayerfully consider all names alongside these scriptures.

**Standing wooden crosses** are available at the Welcome Center for a minimum donation of \$10 with all proceeds going to “Blessed” - campus expansion. Drop your donation in the box adjacent to the crosses.

The **VIP (Volunteers in Preschool) Ministry** is in need of 3 workers to join the rotation. Contact Sarah Scoggin at 601-319-0735 for requirements and more information.

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT  
4/12/26**

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$29,963
Weekly Budget Required	\$35,629
Giving over (under) budget	(\$5,666)
“Blessed” (Campus Expansion)	\$590
Global Impact	\$188
Other	\$361
Total Received	\$31,102
<b>YTD Budget Needed</b>	<b>\$534,428</b>
<b>YTD Budget Received</b>	<b>\$514,416</b>

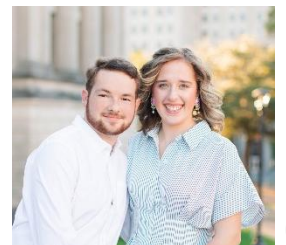
**REJOICING OVER  
DECISIONS MADE**

**Last Week**



DD Cooper

*Requesting Church Membership  
by Transfer of Letter*



Shelby Grace Boykin & Eli Rank\*

*Requesting Church Membership  
by Statement*

\*Current Member