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TRINITY VISION



Horton Hatches the Egg - an Easter Story

As you read the title of the column for this month's newsletter, "Horton Hatches the Egg - an Easter Story," I'm sure you probably thought something like, "Huh? Has he lost his mind?" Well, to answer your question, no, I haven't lost my mind. In Theodor Geisel's book, "Horton Hatches the Egg" (Dr. Seuss) we find many similarities and character traits between Horton the Elephant and Jesus. Please read on.

The thesis of Dr. Seuss' book was the faithfulness of Horton the Elephant in doing, despite adverse circumstances, what he said he would. Horton is persuaded to sit on an egg while its mother, the good-for-nothing bird, Lazy Maysie, takes a semi-permanent vacation to Palm Springs. Horton waits and waits for Lazy Maysie to return. He endures a freezing winter and insults from his friends. "They taunted. They teased him. They yelled 'How Absurd! Old Horton the Elephant thinks he's a bird!'" Then some hunters trapped Horton the Elephant and sold him to a circus where he traveled the world. However, despite every insult and every adverse circumstance he encounters, Horton continues to sit on the egg. He exclaimed, "I meant what I said, and I said what I meant. And an elephant's faithful, one hundred percent!" Then one week shy of a year, the egg begins to hatch, and who should make her way back into the story but Lazy Maysie. She came to claim what was rightfully hers.

However, she was surprised to see that when the egg hatched, it was as much an elephant as it was a bird!

As I have already stated, there are many shared character traits between Horton the Elephant and Jesus. Take faithfulness for example.

As Horton the Elephant, Jesus committed Himself to a task. And once He committed He would not quit. That task was the redemption of mankind. As with Horton, it meant saving an innocent life that wasn't conceived of Him. Mankind is conceived in sin, born in sin, and has no hope but to live and die a sinner - except for the intervention of a Savior. Just as Horton was the savior to the life contained in the egg, so is Jesus our Savior.

As with Horton the Elephant, Jesus endured the most hurtful taunting and the most adverse circumstances. He was mocked and ridiculed. Then he was scourged (beaten) with a whip called: A Cat of Nine Tails. In this beating the recipient was tied to a whipping post. His back was made bare. The ends of the nine tails of the whip had shards of bone and rock woven into them. The person doing the flogging was trained on how to inflict maximum pain and damage. They would throw the whip and as it hit the person's back and lapped around them - they would violently jerk back on the whip causing the shards of bone and rock to grip into and tear the flesh. In all likelihood, Jesus looked more like a piece of

hamburger meat than a human. Then He allowed Himself to be crucified on a cross. And all of this was done to redeem life which was not conceived of Him. He did this to redeem you, me, and all humanity. I'm thankful that when Jesus agreed to become the Savior of mankind, He meant what He said, and said what He meant. In His birth, life, death, and resurrection - Jesus was faithful 100 percent!

The same Savior Who redeemed my soul lovingly cares for me in this life. And just like the life inside Horton the Elephant's egg, when my spiritual birthparent, Satan, returns and attempts to take possession of me, he discovers that because of the love of Jesus, just like the life inside Horton's egg, I have been transformed. I find great solace in 1 John 3:2(KJV), "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him ..."

Easter is a reminder to us of Jesus' faithfulness. The greatest message ever proclaimed is very simply, "He arose!" He meant what He said, and He said what He meant. Jesus was/is faithful 100 percent! And He is still transforming lives today! When it comes to our commitment to Jesus, can it be said of us that - we meant what we said, and said what we meant - that we were faithful 100 percent?

Brother Aaron



CHURCH NEWS



Sunday School:

We would like to invite you to join us in Sunday School at 9:15am each Sunday morning. Please feel free to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us. We look forward to seeing you.



Choir Notes:

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.." *Psalms 100:1-2*

Spring is fast approaching, and Easter will be here before we know it. We have begun rehearsals for the Easter Cantata, and I am so excited! If you would like to join us to sing in the choir, we would love to have you. Practice is Wednesday night after prayer meeting at 7:30. I also want to remind everyone that we will be participating in the Roanoke City-wide Revival Community Choir this month. Trinity is hosting the rehearsal on March 12th at 5:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars. Thank you for taking the time to sing His praises! I love you all!

Singing His praises,
Mandy



MissionMakers:

Thank you to everyone who helped with the "Country Store" at Traylor's Nursing and Rehab. on February 8th. This project greatly helps free up funds for other needs they have.

Mission Makers will be collecting offerings the entire month of **March** for the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**. **Our goal this year is \$ 3,000.00.** Your prayers and gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provide support for thousands of missionaries. Since 1895, the offering has empowered Southern Baptists' missional work to reach the United States.

100% of your Annie Armstrong Easter Offering gifts go directly to the mission field.

Your gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering:

- Support more than 2,900 missionaries and their families
- Have enabled Southern Baptist Churches to plant more than 10,000 churches in North America since 2010.
- And continue the SBC's almost 200 year commitment to North American missions.

Our next meeting will be in the Old Fellowship Hall on March 19th at 11:00 am. Hope to see you then,

Blessings,
Iris & Sandra

Young At Heart:

Hello to all the Young at Heart.



Please come join me on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 11 AM in the Family Life Center for our monthly meeting. We will have soup and sandwiches for our meal and some fun activities to participate in. As usual, please let me know if you plan to attend so I will have a head count. Looking forward to seeing you on March 14th..

Love you all,
Rhonda



We have empty chairs in the youth department on Wednesday nights that we would love to see filled. So, here's an open invitation for all 6-12th graders to come and fill those chairs! I also want to encourage all parents, grandparents, and any church member with family or friends in this age group, to encourage/bring them to the Family Life Center on Wednesday nights at 6pm. I want to meet our youth and have fun with them learning about God's Word. I want to engage them in a ministry that builds relationships and prepares them to become leaders in the church. Also, I want to encourage you to bring them to Sunday School at 9:15am each week where we will dive a little deeper into God's Word. Can I count on you to help me build and strengthen this ministry? I am looking forward to seeing what God has in store in 2024!

Tommy Jeter
Youth Director



VOLUNTEERS



Deacon of the Month for March: Tommy Mitchum (334) 338-2673

Children's Church:

- Mar 03 Ginger Head
- Mar 10 Peggy Mitchum
- Mar 17 Ann Marie Pruitt
- Mar 24 Mandi Greer
- Mar 31 Peggy Mitchum

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Peggy Mitchum or call another committee member and trade.

Counting Committee:

- Mar 03 Mandi Greer & Teresa Farmer
- Mar 10 Sandra Webb & Becky Hill
- Mar 17 Fred Hill & Matthew Mote
- Mar 24 Iris Shurick & Michelle Fetner
- Mar 31 Mandi Greer & Teresa Farmer

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please call another committee member and trade. This is a vital service that needs to be covered each Sunday.

Flowers:

- Mar 03 In Memory of Ellen Farmer by Keith & Teresa Farmer
- Mar 10 Open
- Mar 17 In Memory of Johnny Smith by Ann Smith & Family
- Mar 24 Easter
- Mar 31 Easter

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Teresa Farmer or call another committee member and trade.

Greeters:

- Mar 03 Dianne Warren
- Mar 10 Brenda Lee
- Mar 17 Tammy Ramsey
- Mar 24 Teresa Cotter
- Mar 31 Barbara Burroughs

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Teresa Cotter or call another committee member and trade.

Nursery Workers:

- Mar 03 Millie Greer & Brenda Jeter
- Mar 10 Cindy Reese & Kylie King
- Mar 17 Mandi Greer & Claire Orr
- Mar 24 Teresa & Keith Farmer
- Mar 31 Jessica Sprayberry & Madisyn Butler

If you are unable to serve on your designated day, please trade with another team member for that day. Please help us keep this vital ministry staffed.

Ushers:

- Mar 03 Keith Farmer & Harold Cotter
- Mar 10 David Harmon & Allen Ramsey
- Mar 17 Daniel Fetner & Cody Cottle
- Mar 24 Tommy Jeter & Michael Swann
- Mar 31 Dayl Harmon & Harold Cotter

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Teresa Cotter or call another committee member and trade.

All Ministry Leaders:

If you would like to announce a meeting or upcoming event in the Church Bulletin or Newsletter, please get that information to Robin Reid a minimum of two weeks prior to the event. You may send it to her via email at: Trinity2@teleclipse.net or call her at (334) 863-8129.

Don't forget to check the mailboxes for the Ministry Leaders located in the Old Fellowship Hall Kitchen.

Church Prayer Team:

If you are interested in joining our Wednesday Morning **Prayer Team**, that meets every Wed. at 11:00am in the Choir Room, please contact Bro. Aaron or the Church office. We'd love to have you join us.

Church Choir:

If you are you interested in joining the choir, they meet every Wed. evening at 7:30pm in the Choir Room. All are welcome. Please contact **Mandy Whaley** if you have any questions.



Sunday:

- 8:30-9am (EST) WTRP 620AM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WTRP 98.9FM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WRLA 1490AM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WRLA 92.3FM
- 8:30-9:30am (CST) WELR 102.3FM

Thursday:

- 11-11:30pm (CST) WELR 102.3FM

Friday:

- 1:30-2pm (CST) WBSA 1300AM
- 1:30-2pm (CST) WBSA 93.5FM
- 6-6:30pm (EST) WOAK 90.9FM

Internet:

Bro. Aaron's sermons may be heard at any time by going to: www.freshfireministries.com or www.tbcroanokeal.org and clicking "Media" and scrolling down and clicking on 'Brother Aaron's Sermon Archives.'

INFORMATION

MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

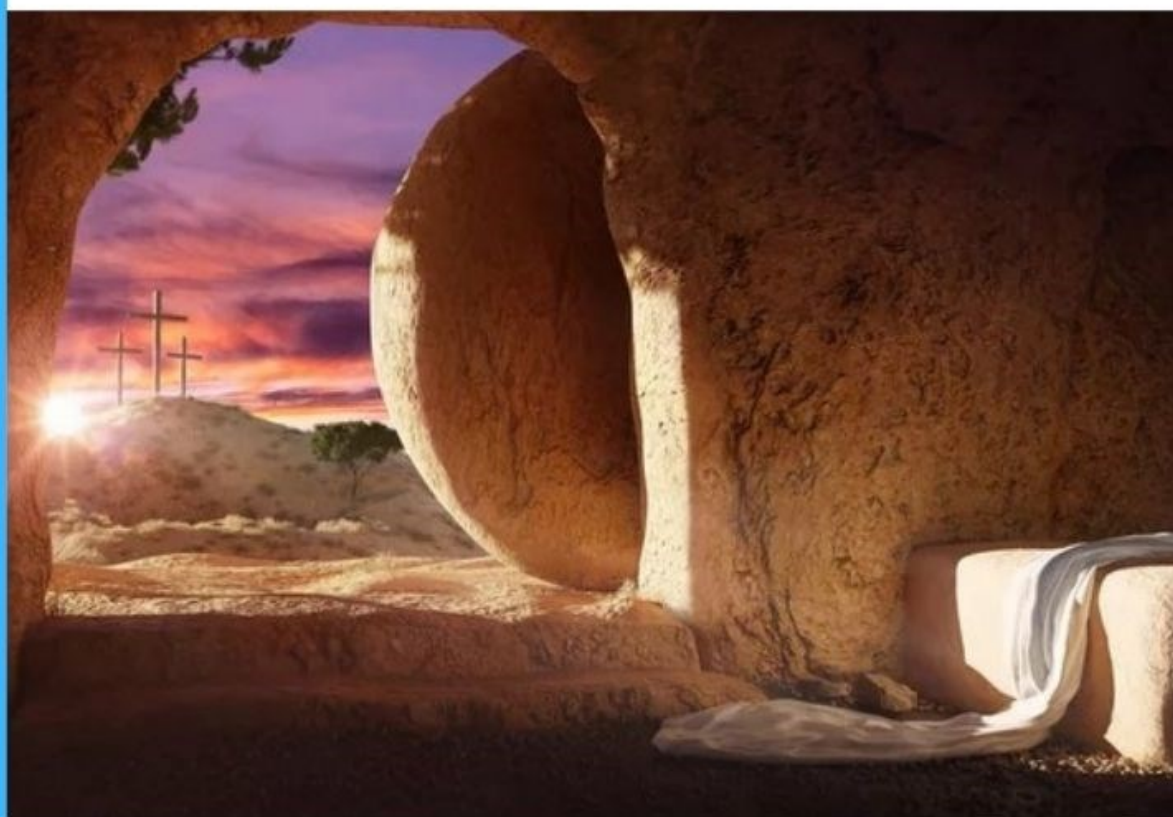
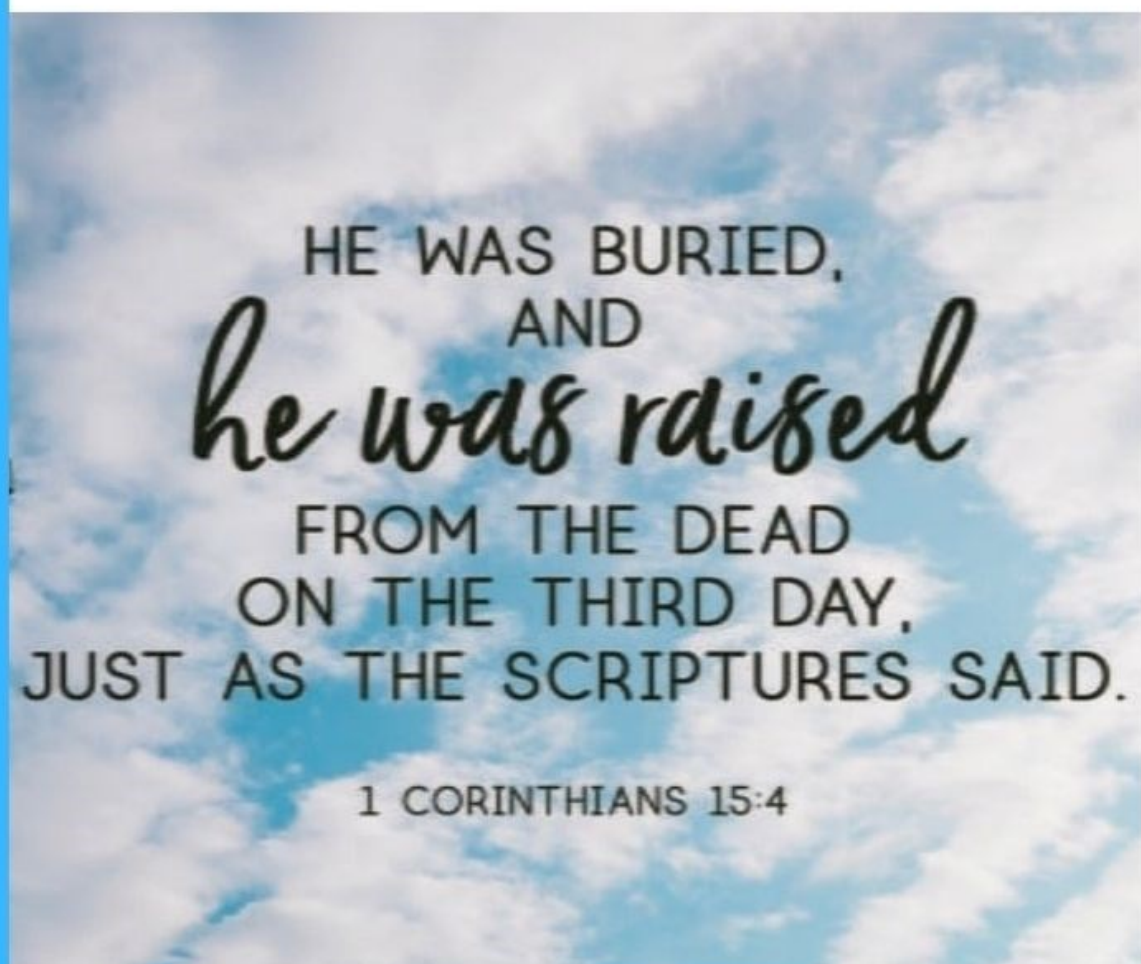
- 1 Katherine Williams
- 4 Harvey McDow
- 4 Hallie Frye
- 10 David Heard
- 12 Jean Stitt
- 13 Pat Whaley
- 15 David Hamil
- 19 Kelly Frye
- 22 Jacky Warren
- 24 Ricky Sledge
- 26 Ken Foster



If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to make sure our records are correct.

MARCH CALENDAR:

- 5 Sisterhood - 6:00pm FLC
- 8 Young at Heart - 11:00am FLC
- 10 Brotherhood - 8:00 am FLC
- 10 Daylight Savings Time (2:00 am)
- 11 Ladies Night -Dinner/Games
4:00 Dinner & 5:30 Games OFH
- 11 Finance Committee Mtg.
5:30 pm
- 12 Deacon's Mtg.
5:30 pm Faith Classroom
- 12 Roanoke City-wide Revival
Rehearsal @ TBC 5:00/6:00pm
- 13 Business Mtg.
6:30 pm Worship Center
- 19 Mission Makers
11:00 am Old Fellowship Hall
- 19 Concert - Fellowship 6:00 pm
Colin Elliot, Stephanie Walker,
& Bryan Elliot
- 26 Ladies Night -Dinner/Games
4:00 Dinner & 5:30 Games OFH
- 29 Good Friday
- 30 Church Easter Egg Hunt
- 31 Easter Sunday - Cantata 10:00





FUN & FELLOWSHIP



2024 Valentines Gathering



This former "Acteens" group met to reminisce and celebrate their time together. Sabrina Voss, Maisie Diamond, Brenda Belyeu & Michele Head



He is Risen

Let us give thanks for the good news of the resurrection and know that through Him all things are possible.



SHARING LOVE

Mission Makers

'Country Store'

Traylor's Nursing Home & Rehab.



(L-R) Frances McDow, Barbara Burroughs, Kathy Potts, Sis Webb, Marianne McCollough, & Alice Brown



HELPING HANDS



Freddie Reese & Alan Workman working hard.



Look what an awesome job our Building and Grounds Team did to spruce up the Music Director's office. A big Thank you for all the hard work, Alan Workman and team. It looks great!



Shout out to the **Randolph Baptist Association Ramp Building Team!** Recently, Edna Shellnut (Teresa Farmer's mother) had some health issues that necessitated a ramp being installed at her home. Brother Aaron was able to contact the associational ramp team, and in a week it was done. Praise the Lord and thank you, team!



Easter Egg Hunt

March 30, 2024
2:00 - 4:00pm FLC

Family, Fun, Fellowship & Food

Please bring plastic refillable eggs and individually wrapped candy and leave in the old kitchen.



Mark
your
calendar



ROANOKE CITY WIDE REVIVAL

MASS CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

MARCH 5 - HERITAGE BAPTIST
MARCH 12 - TRINITY BAPTIST

WEEKLY

EAT @ 5:00 PM
REHEARSAL @ 6:00 PM

Upcoming

SPECIAL EVENTS



Trinity Baptist Church Fellowship Concert

March 19, 2024
6:00 pm



Colon Elliott
From
Northern
Ireland

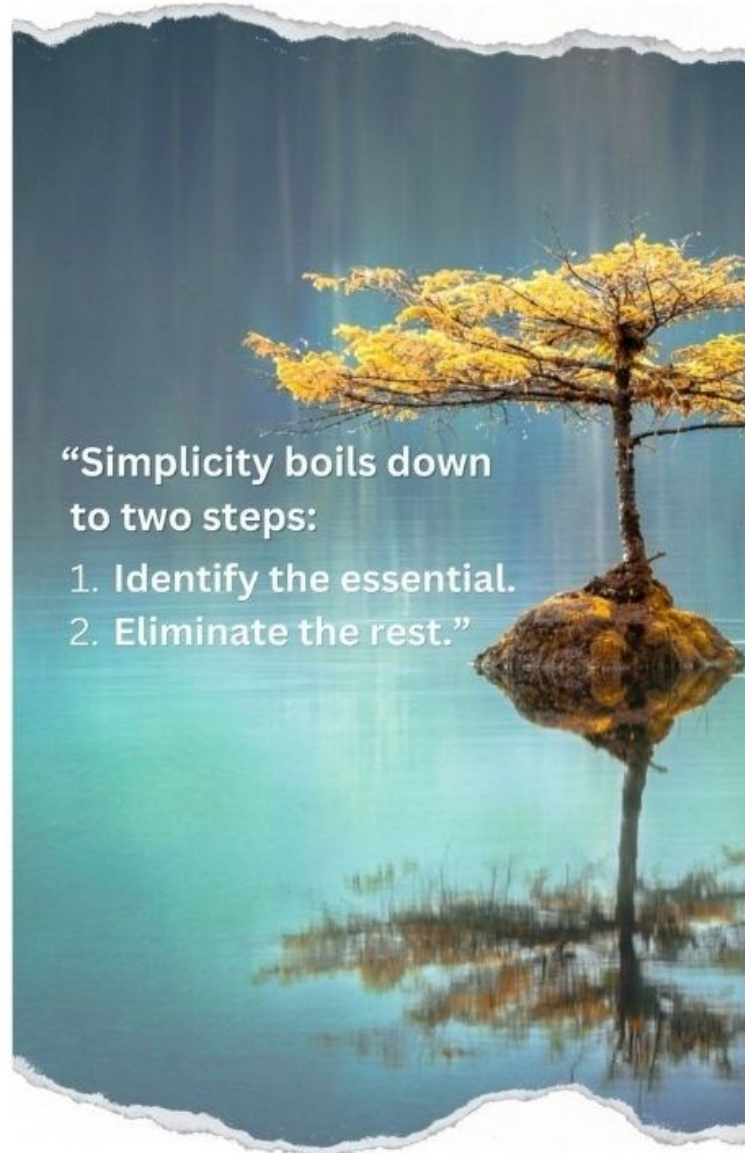


Stephanie Walker
Soloist



Bryan Elliott
Pianist

***We Are Better Together!
ALL things Through Prayer.***



**Good Things are Happening at
Trinity Baptist Church.**

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