CBC Connect

Bishop Charles & CoPastor Alaine Jackson

700 S Converse Street Spartanburg, SC 29306



HAPPY Thanksgiving

Happy Birthday CoPastor

November 2026

Cbconthegrow.com



Bishop's Heart

THANKSGIVING

In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. -1 Thessalonians 5:18 KJV

Thanksgiving is a time to come together and enjoy family and friends around the dinner table, but it can also be bittersweet. It can be solemn because loved ones aren't there. Paul's letter to the church of Thessalonica encourages us. Being thankful is an intentional choice, not just a happy reaction to a good day, and it is the opposite of complaining. There is always something to be thankful for. We are never placed in a circumstance in which there is nothing to thank God for. Sometimes the circumstances of our lives aren't the best. In fact, they may seem really bad, but we should look for something to be thankful for! **In** every situation and **opportunity, we should find something to be grateful for**. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Paul reminds the Thessalonians that no one knows the time of the Lord's coming, so they must remain awake and alert, focusing together on living God's word. Paul concludes with a series of reminders of what it means to live out God's word. One reminder is to give thanks **in** everything.
1 Thessalonians 5:28 does not instruct believers to be thankful **for** evil things, tragedies, pain, or sickness. Instead, it uses the Greek preposition **en** ("in"), meaning to maintain a posture of gratitude in the midst of any circumstance. True thankfulness is a contentment that does not depend on good things happening. It comes from trusting that God remains good, present, and active even through difficult trials.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving and enter the holiday season, let us intentionally maintain a posture of gratitude, knowing our loving Father and our Savior Jesus Christ remain good even in difficult times.

Shalom!

Bishop

CBC EVENTS November 2026

WORSHIP • GROW • SERVE • CONNECT

SUN NOV 1

DIACONATE PICTURE DAY



Please wear all black or black & white.

SAT NOV 7

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING & VISION CASTING 2027

10:00 am

Joint Diaconate Meeting: 9:00 am

LUNCH & LEARN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

11:00 am

Sign up ends Sunday, November 1st.

WED NOV 4, 11, 18 & 25

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY & EMPOWERMENT

In-person: 12 noon
& Virtually: 6:30 pm

SILVER WARRIOR CAFÉ

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4, 11, 18 & 25

SUN NOV 8

DEACONESS CONSECRATION & DEDICATION CEREMONY

3:00 pm

MON NOV 9

Happy Birthday CoPastor Alaine Jackson

WED NOV 11

HAPPY VETERANS' DAY

Thank you to all who have served!

SUN NOV 15

THE BLESSING OF THE BABIES DEDICATION

Forms are due by Sunday, November 8th to receive a certificate.

SAT NOV 21

CBC 3RD ANNUAL SHOPPING TRIP TO *Asheville, NC*

- $50 per person
- ALL payments are due by November 20th

SUN NOV 22

CBC HARVEST BREAKFAST & DEACONESS ANNUAL BAKE SALE

THU NOV 26

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

CBC CARES

Joint Ministry Leaders of the month

Trustees: Charlie Mae Boyd, Divinity Mickel, Earnestine Mickel, Joesph Wells

Deacons: Claude Sears, Rodney Tidwell, Larry Porter

Deaconesses: Valerie Sullivan, Psyche Tidwell, Carutha Porter



Just remember, while you worship and while you tarry... **NO FOOD OR DRINK** in the sanctuary!

Paxton

Attention Ministry Leaders and Members-

Paxton is working!

We apologize for the inconvenience.

Tithes and OFFERINGS

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Pay your tithes with ease with credit card, debit card, online through PayPal or the CBC App, Text to Give (833-878-3783), In-person or by mail.

PayPal

Cbconthegrow.com

PUSHPAY



GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

Follow us on Facebook & YouTube
(CB Church Spartanburg) for all worship experiences & virtual Bible Study on Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm!

Download our CBC App, create a profile and save **864-689-2996** in your contacts on your phone for important notifications. Please note this number is for outgoing messages only and cannot receive incoming messages or calls.

LIVE

YouTube LIVESTREAM



Encouraging Corner with CoPastor

STAY THANKFUL

8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humankind, 9 for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.
Psalm 107:8-9 NIV

Thanksgiving in my parents' home was a time of immaculate preparation, togetherness, good food, and reflection. My mom would start preparing the 20-24 pound turkey the day before. Then, early on Thanksgiving morning, my mom seasoned the turkey to perfection inside and out, then stuffed it with delicious scratch cornbread stuffing or her famous oyster dressing. The turkey was cooked to a golden brown then set aside to rest to make room for the other side dishes that would need to be prepared and baked. Collards or mixed greens, fried cabbage, potato salad, mac and cheese, deviled eggs, candied yams, chitterlings, rice and mashed potatoes, homemade yeast rolls and the list could go on and on. Everything was cooked to perfection and placed strategically on the table. For dessert we had my dad's famous southern pound cake, and my mom's signature deep dish sweet potato pie. Everything was southern stapled and made from scratch. My dad would also prepare his signature bone in ham covered with a sugary, homemade glaze, with pineapple and marinchino cherry garnish on top . No Honey Baked Ham store run in those days. Everything was made with love as our hearts filled with gratitude. I was the official sous chef right at my mom and dad's side and my brother was the table setter which was completed with cloth napkins and a full place setting. We both were expected to be the cleanup committee and the dishwasher and dryer. If you didn't pay you were expected to work. Our finest china was moved from the china cabinet to the dining room table complete with goblets, polished silverware along with my mom's finest lace table cloth and serve ware. The kid table which doubled as my mom's pinochle club card table was camouflaged and dressed in similar fashion with a beautiful embroidered table cloth concealing its usage and a kid size set up with cloth napkins, silverware and kid size glasses. It was a whole production of our best at a time where families sat down to a formal dining table and ate together. Thankfulness was the foundational conversation centered around old times, good times, amazing memories and testimonies of the goodness of God over the years. It was almost as if our parents kept gratitude in front of us. They were hardworking middle class folk who valued and took care of what they had and taught us to do the same. We never went hungry because you were expected to eat what was put in front of you. Excellence not perfection was expected. We were thankful because the Lord allowed us to do the best we could with what we had and we were grateful and gracious in our attitude and perspective. That was a Harris Family Thanksgiving, and it is my prayer that we share some of the same sentiments of gratitude and graciousness today in all of our families. Beloved please be encouraged by these words!

Lord we thank you for everything we have, for everything YOU have done and for keeping us in the midst of uncertainty and difficulty. We are and will remain thankful knowing that Your unfailing love and wonderful deeds, will satisfy us and sustain us.

Stay Thankful,
Co-P

CBC DECEMBER

Save the Dates

WORSHIP • GROW • SERVE • CONNECT

SAT DEC 5TH

Mother's & Father's Ministry

Christmas BRUNCH

10:00 am

Please fill out a form to register in the concourse.



SAT DEC 12TH

Christmas TEA

FUNDRAISER



SUN DEC 20TH

UGLY SWEATER Sunday

