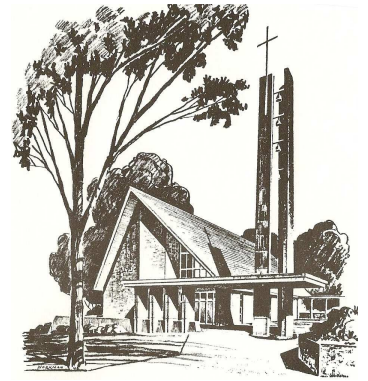


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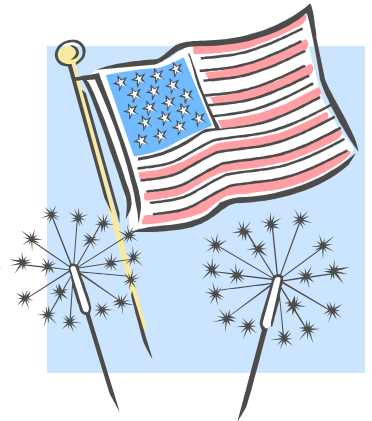
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## Church-Wide July 4th Picnic

Immediately following the worship service on Sunday, July 4th, the congregation is invited to head on over to Fisher River Park in Dobson for our annual picnic.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and the trimmings will be provided. You are asked to bring either a dessert, drinks, chips or watermelon to share. A sign up sheet will be in the church office and the Go Between so please notify them or fill out the Go Between by Friday, June 30th if you plan to attend and which food item you are bringing.



Don't forget your lawn chairs!!



## Hymnal Dedication This Sunday, June 13

Our service of music to dedicate our new hymnals and hand bells is this Sunday, June 13.



### PRIMETIMERS

#### Trip to CBF National Assembly Thursday, June 24



Everyone is invited to go with the PrimeTimers to attend a session of the CBF National Assembly on Thursday, June 24 @ Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church in Charlotte. **Please**

**sign up by calling the church office by Wednesday, June 16.** The cost will be about \$10 for lunch. We will leave @ 9:30am. Please join the PrimeTimers and support our church and the CBF.

### PRIMETIMERS

#### SPENCER RAILROAD MUSEUM TRIP TUESDAY, JUNE 22

Bus leaves @ 8:00am

Tour @ 10:00am.

**RESERVATIONS AND \$8 due to church by  
Friday, June 18**

Please call the church office 336-786-5185 or email [marie@fbcmountairy.org](mailto:marie@fbcmountairy.org).



## PASTOR TO PEOPLE

### Thankful for Electricity....And Offices!

The replacement of a large electrical transformer on the church property went a lot smoother than we anticipated. The power outage that might have lasted close to two weeks turned out to be less than a full week. We are very grateful that we did not have to move Sunday worship service out of the sanctuary.

And, we are very grateful that the time out of our offices was only a week. I want to thank all those who helped us make this a smooth transition. As usual, Bob Demcio was extremely helpful in helping to work things out with Duke Power and Sanders Electric. Josh Cox made sure that we had telephone and computer connections over in the nursery area where the temporary offices were set up, and updated my computer so that I had wireless connections. In addition to the staff, Jerry Simmons, Phil Mappa, and, our student intern, Adam Canosa helped us with the moving, disconnecting and reconnecting. I may not be aware of others who helped in various ways. Be assured that we are most grateful for all who helped and for all of you who have been patient and worked with us during this transition. Heather and Marie were a big part of the "moving team" and maintained a good spirit throughout the ordeal.

The week reminded us again of how much we take for granted, lights and air conditioning being two of those conveniences! It would be good for all of us to daily look around and reflect on and give thanks for the many ways that we are blessed.

### Music and the Faith

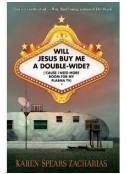
The *Baptist Hymnal* that I remember best (1975 Edition) has Colossians 3:16 printed across the page from the first hymn. **Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.** Christianity is a singing faith. Look up the words "sing" and "song" and "music" in a biblical concordance and read the many references to expressing our faith through music. **And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord** (Psalm 40:3). **O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all he earth. Sing unto the Lord, bless his name....** (Psalm 96:1-2). Psalm 42:8 reads. **Yet the Lord will command his loving kindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.**

## ◆ BULLETIN BOARD ◆

**Wednesday, June 16**  
**NO ACTIVITIES except book club**

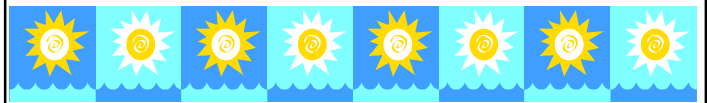
### Book Club

Our next book will be "Will Jesus Buy Me a Double Wide?" by Karen Spears Zacharias. The discussion date will be June 16 @



## VBS DATES: August 8—12

Please mark your calendars!



## Caring and Sharing in Our Church Family

*1 Corinthians 12:14 and 26*

Write a note, make a telephone call, or pay a visit to the following:

### **HOMEBOUND**

Louise Blue

1000 Ridgecrest Lane., Room 215, Mt. Airy

Nadine Bradley

1199 Hayes Forest Dr., Winston Salem, NC

27106-3377

## PASTOR TO PEOPLE cont...

That phrase **in the night his song shall be with me** has special meaning for me because Alice Storey, dear and beloved wife of Minister of Music Charles Storey, bravely battled cancer for a number of years. About two weeks before her death I visited with her and she told me that in those dark nights when pain would not let her sleep, she found encouragement in singing in her mind those great hymns of the faith.

Ours is a singing faith and we have a great God to praise and a great reason for singing. Join us this Sunday in **Celebrating Grace** as we dedicate our new hymnal..

Grace, peace and joy,  
Roger

## BIRTHDAYS

6/1	Diana Ellis	6/14	George Speight, Jr
6/2	Mike Fussell	6/15	Nolan Sheets
6/4	Elizabeth "Lib" Boyles	6/16	McKennon Hiatt
6/5	Michelle Blood	6/16	Nancy Pyles
6/5	Samuel Brannock	6/16	Jeanette Chappell
6/5	Louise Hill	6/17	Susan Gentry
6/7	Rhonda Parker	6/19	Zack Blackmon, III
6/8	Betty Blackmon	6/19	Erin Blackmon Haymore
6/8	Heather O'Neal Jacobs	6/19	Morgan Haitt
6/8	Jim Redman	6/20	Steve Dowell
6/9	Al Laster	6/20	Silas Hall
6/9	Zachary Towe	6/23	John Guyer
6/10	Zack Blackmon, Jr	6/26	Darron Hill
6/10	Suzanne Foy Hennis	6/27	J C Newsome
6/12	Myrtle (Sis) Hennis	6/27	Andy Cooke
6/13	Deidra Gilbert	6/28	Joshua "Josh" Martin
6/14	Jeanette Jordan	6/30	Cindy Williams
6/14	Barbi Manchester	6/30	Rebecca "Becky" Hennis



The Kindergarten class had PERFECT ATTENDANCE Sunday, May 30. Thank you to all the parents for making this possible. What better place for our children to be on Sunday Morning than in First Baptist Sunday School learning the good Christian Values that we all cherish. Lets all take this as a challenge to strive for perfect attendance in our classes and invite our other friends to visit.  
John Collins, Director

## WMU NEWS

### WMU Workers Needed

Our WMU will be providing lunch for the workers at the new Habitat for Humanity build on Saturday, July 10. Two new houses will be started that day here in Mount Airy. If you could help for a couple of hours, please email Janice Demcio ([demcio@gmail.com](mailto:demcio@gmail.com)) or call her (786-7178).

### Delta Jewels Project in Elkin

The Delta Jewels Project from Helena, AR will be in Elkin on Monday, June 21 from 10:00am—1:00pm at the Craft Guild on Main Street. Many of our WMU groups have contributed to this project. If you would be interested in seeing their work and need a ride to Elkin please call the church office

## Grace Notes

If you read my column last week you remember that I was obsessing about no power, no air, instruments out of tune...all of which have been resolved. Even though the sanctuary was hot, not ideal for tuning, Kelly Grooms was able to tune the organ and have time to touch up some things a day later. The pianos will be tuned on Friday this week. Yes, I am telling myself I wasted a lot of energy fretting about possibilities that never materialized, and I am looking forward to celebrating the grace of God with the hymnal that bears the same name, not only this Sunday, but for years into the future.

Sunday's hymn festival will be organized the way *Celebrating Grace* is organized:

### I Will Be Your God

God the Trinity: Mystery of Three-in One

God the Father: The Source of All Being

God the Son: The Incarnate One

God the Spirit: Transforming Presence

### You Shall Be My People

God's People: The Church as Community

God's People: The Church at Worship

God's People: The Church on Mission

In each section we will sing or listen to songs and hymns old and new that will exalt the mystery of God's abundant grace. Granite City Ringers will play several of the hymns, using the new bells you will see at each end of the tables. We will offer prayers of gratitude for both the new bells and the new hymnals.

From the foreword to *Celebrating Grace*: "The mystery of God is too awesome for words; with poetry and music, we are able to sing even when we cannot speak. Hymns are rarely meant simply to instruct. Their power lies in enabling us to join our hearts and to lift our spirits in a celebration of God's abundant and enduring grace." I hope we all share that experience Sunday as we

Sing to the Lord!

Linda



## To the Personnel Committee and

On behalf of the congregation, the Personnel Committee recently hosted the church staff to a Staff Appreciation Luncheon at Cross Creek Country Club. In addition to a delicious lunch and good fellowship, each staff member was presented with gifts. Each staff member greatly appreciates this expression of encouragement and support.  
Thank you again from your Church Staff

**Statistics****Date: 6-6-10**

Sunday School Enrollment	356
Sunday School Attendance	153
Worship Attendance	170

**Tithes and Offerings****This Week To Date**

Weekly Needs	\$9,690.00	\$222,870.00
Budget Offering	\$10,122.06	\$198,045.17
Amount Needed/Budget	\$0.00	\$24,824.83
Designations	\$1,846.25	\$70,356.78
Total Offering	\$11,968.31	\$268,401.95

**Designations**

Building Fund	\$1,357.00
Wednesday Night Meals	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$169.25
Designated Missions	\$195.00
Ben Brannock Bus Fund	\$125.00

**Loan**

Building Fund Bal to Date	\$4,357.00
Loan Bal as of 6-8-10	
Building	\$215,114.10
Bus	\$23,695.40

**The Week Ahead**

**SUNDAY, June 13, 2010**      **HYMNAL DEDICATION**  
 9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am \*\*The Church at Worship & Praise  
 6:00pm Granite City Ringers, dinner @ the Demcio's

**WEDNESDAY, June 16, 2010**  
 6:30pm Book Club Discussion Meeting  
 7:30pm Finance Committee Meeting  
 NO OTHER WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES  
 Adult Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, June 23

**THURSDAY, June 17, 2010**  
 5:30pm \*Feeding Friends Meal—Fellowship Hall  
 7:00pm \*Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

**SUNDAY, June 20, 2010**  
 9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am \*\*The Church at Worship & Praise

**TUESDAY, June 22, 2010**  
 PRIMETIMERS Trip to Spencer Railroad Museum

**WEDNESDAY, June 23, 2010**  
 6:30pm Bible Study Resumes  
 NO OTHER WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

**THURSDAY, June 24, 2010**  
 PRIMETIMERS Trip to Prichard Memorial in Charlotte  
 5:30pm \*Feeding Friends Meal—Fellowship Hall  
 7:00pm \*Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

**SUNDAY, June 27, 2010**  
 9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am \*\*The Church at Worship & Praise

\*Community Ministry    \*\*Hearing Assists / Valet Parking Available upon request - Wheelchair spaces available in the sanctuary for the convenience of those who need to stay in their chair.

**Memorials And Honorariums****Building Fund****In memory of Frank Longest by:**

Clarence & Nelda Goings  
 Nanci Jo & Smith Goad  
 Bray Poplin Sunday School Class

**In memory of Frank & Lorene Longest by:**

Roger & Liz Harris

**In memory of Rex Tilley by:**

Clarence & Nelda Goings

**In honor of Herbert Inman by:**

Helen Inman

**In honor of Linda Denney & Joyce Simmons by:**

Revel & Bonnie Young

**In memory of Greg Watson by:**

Zeo Stone

**General Fund****In memory of Rex Tilley by:**

John & Judy Stevens

**Old Hymnals Available**

Would you like to have one of our old hymnals to take home? The Church Council voted to donate 200 of our old hymnals to a church that needed them, but there are still hymnals available for our members to take home if you would like to have one. They are on a table in the fireside room. Also on the table are some earlier hymnals; feel free to take one if you like.

**DEACONS OF THE WEEK  
Sam & Susan Gentry**

**Ministry for Sunday, June 13:** Dedication of New Hymnal; **Sunday School Greeters:** Zack & Sherry Blackmon; **After Worship Greeters:** Sam & Susan Gentry **Kid's Korner:** Denise Chappell; **Nursery Workers:** Amy & Ellie Bledsoe, Robin Draughn, Eddie & Penny Slatel; **Sound:** James Hayes & Ryan Parker

**Church Staff:** Dr. Roger Gilbert, Pastor (email: roger@fbcmountairy.org); Linda Denney, Minister Through Music (email: linda@fbcmountairy.org); Joyce Simmons, Accompanist; Heather Sawyers, Financial Secretary (email: heather@fbcmountairy.org); Marie Conzone, Church Secretary (email: marie@fbcmountairy.org); Phone 336-786-5185; Fax: 336-789-3982. **Church Website:** www.fbcmountairy.org