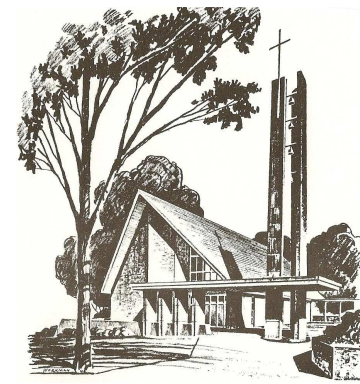


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Vacation Bible School August 8—12

Volunteers are needed!

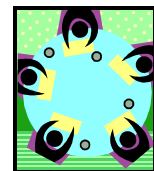
We need teachers, kitchen help, crafts, nursery & group leaders.

Help for a day or for all five.

Please let Jennifer or Brandon Hiatt know if you would like to help!

Nominating Committee Report Presented @ July 28 Church Conference

The Quarterly Church Conference will be on Wednesday night July 28 at 6:30pm in the Fireside Room. The Nominating Committee will



present their recommendations and the Finance committee will present their recommendations for new committee responsibilities.

VBS Supplies Needed

large cans of mixed tropical fruit
sugar free or low sugar drink mixes

nacho chips

nacho cheese

salsa

cookies

rice krispie treats

chips

mustard

mayo

mini marshmallows

chex cereal

M&Ms

mini pretzels

3 oz cups

napkins

Toilet Paper

VBS Support Committee Meeting

We will hold a VBS Support committee meeting

July 26 at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

BOOK CLUB WILL BE CANCELLED THIS NIGHT.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you would like to continue receiving the below magazines please contact the church office by phone 336.786.5185 or email marie@fbcmountairy.org by Tuesday, August 31

Biblical Recorder

(New or Renewals) \$13.79 per year.

BAPTISTS Today

(New or Renewals) \$20.00 per year



Statistics	Date: 7-18-10	
Sunday School Enrollment	363	
Sunday School Attendance	133	
Worship Attendance	161	
Tithes and Offerings	This Week	To Date
Weekly Needs	\$9,690.00	\$281,010.00
Budget Offering	\$5,294.37	\$245,527.13
Amount Needed/Budget	\$4,395.63	\$35,482.87
Designations	\$3,629.00	\$82,700.65
Total Offering	\$8,923.37	\$328,227.78
Designations		
Building Fund	\$1,440.00	
Miscellaneous	\$2,065.00	
Designated Missions	\$124.00	
Loan		
Building Fund Bal to Date	\$6,357.00	
Loan Bal as of 7-13-10		
Building	\$211,098.28	
Bus	\$22,569.40	

Memorials And Honorariums

General Fund

In memory of Frank and Lorene Longest by
The Family of Louise Hill

In memory of Blum and Elizabeth Ashburn by
The Family of Louise Hill

In memory of Louise Hill by
Elaine Snow
Carolyn Rook

David and Geraldine Hamilton
Charles and Denise Reap
White Plains United Methodist Church—Bible Study SS class

Building Fund

In memory of Frank and Lorene Longest by
Barbara and Larry Blood

In Memory of Louise Hill by
John and Bobbie Collins
Dean and Carole Simmons
Dorcas-Electa Sunday School
Ed and Sarah Lee McGee

In memory of Patsy Rosenbluth by
Ed and Sarah Lee McGee

Music Ministry

In memory of Louise Hill by
Barbara and Larry Blood

Hymnal Funds

In honor of Mary Rowe by
Betsy Beamer Reeves

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, July 25, 2010

9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
Communion

MONDAY, July 26, 2010

6:30pm VBS Support committee Meeting
—fellowship hall
7:00pm Quarterly Associational Meeting @ First
Baptist Sparta

WEDNESDAY, July 28, 2010

6:30pm Quarterly Church Conference
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, July 29, 2010

5:30pm *Feeding Friends Meal—Fellowship Hall
7:00pm *Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

SATURDAY, July 31, 2010

3:00pm 100 Years of Scouting Celebration—WS

SUNDAY, August 1, 2010

9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
Finance Committee Presentation

THURSDAY, August 5, 2010

5:30pm *Feeding Friends Meal—Fellowship Hall
6:30pm Prayer Shawl—Fireside Room
7:00pm *Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

SUNDAY, August 8, 2010

9:15am Prayer Time—Prayer Room
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
5:15-8 pm Vacation Bible School

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

HOME COMING

Sunday, October 10

Speaker: Dr. Richard Wynne

More details to follow at a later date.

Please mark your calendars for this

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

John & Bobbie Collins

Ministry for Sunday, July 25: Sermon: Dr. Roger Gilbert;
Scripture: Mark 4:1-9, 13-20; **Sunday School Greeters:**
Benny Brannock & Becky Keesler; **After Worship Greeters:**
John Collins & Bobbie Collins; **Kid's Korner:** Linda Hiatt &
Robin Draughn; **Nursery Workers:** Henri Bingman & Ron
Johnson, Abby Bledsoe & Deidra Gilbert; **Sound:** Danny
Judd & Andy Webb

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

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PASTOR TO PEOPLE

As a child I can remember waking up before day break on the day of some exciting trip or event. I would lay there waiting for day light to come, eager and excited for what the new day held for me. As an older child and adolescent, my Daddy took me squirrel hunting. We would arrive in the woods just at dawn, take our place under a tree and wait for the rising sun that would awake the world of wildlife. As a young adult I did a lot of duck hunting. Many mornings my friends and I slogged through the swamps in total darkness, getting in place before the ducks began to fly. Little by little the first lines of light began to form on the horizon. Little by little the darkness was chased away by light and the world around us took shape.

I have not hunted squirrels or ducks in years but I still love to watch the first lines of light stretch across the horizon, night give way to day, the darkness disappear in the beauty of a new day. One thing I have become more and more aware of is the fact that not once have I been able to make the sun rise or set. Nor can I hurry the process. There is a lot we humans can do, but for all of our fuss and hurry, God is still Lord of the universe. Sometimes the most important thing we can do is to remember and practice the instructions of Psalm 46:10, **Be still and know that I am God**, and Psalm 27:14, **Wait on the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait on the Lord!**

Grace and peace,
Roger

Blood Drive



A blood drive will be held on Saturday, August 14 here @ the church from 9:30 am—2:00pm. **There is a desperate need for all types.** Please make plans to attend this very important event. There will be a sign up sheet available in the office or please see the sign ups in your Sunday School classes.

BULLETIN BOARD

Wednesday, July 28
6:30pm Quarterly Church Conference
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Quarterly Business Conference

Financial Report

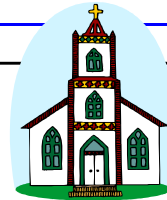
June 30, 2010

	2010	2009
Cash balances as of 6-30-10		
General Fund	\$133,538	\$129,263
Perpetual Fund	\$500	\$0
Boggs Scholarship Fund	\$75,098	\$67,049
Irvin Gentry Fund	\$9,963	\$9,381
Building Fund	\$8,316	\$8,826
Ben Brannock Bus Fund	\$1,126	\$175
Willard Benevolent Fund	\$4,954	\$6,291
Maintenance Reserve Funds	\$28,131	\$27,993
Restricted Music Funds	\$5,250	\$0
Other Funds	\$30,349	\$35,980
	<u>\$297,225</u>	<u>\$284,958</u>
Loan balances		
Building loan as of 6-30-10	\$215,114	\$279,861
Bus loan as of 6-30-10	\$23,695	\$31,004
Contributions as of 6-30-10		
General Fund (\$29,687 under budget)	\$222,265	\$256,013
Building Fund	\$39,593	\$40,494
Ben Brannock Bus Fund	\$1,913	\$525
Restricted Music Funds	\$8,468	\$0
Total budgeted expenses	\$224,826	\$241,761
(\$27,126 under budget- we have spent less than we budgeted—2010)		
(\$9,160 under budget—we spent less than we budgeted—2009)		
Budget deficit to date	-\$2,561	+\$15,058
(we have spent more than we've taken in—2010)		
(We spent more than we took in 2009)		
Mission Expenditures as of 6-30-10		
Budgeted missions	\$29,045	\$29,618
Unbudgeted missions	\$18,611	\$20,962
(home/world missions/Soup Kitchen/etc)		
	<u>\$47,656</u>	<u>\$50,580</u>
Interest paid on debt as of 6-30-10	\$7,581	

BIRTHDAYS

7/23	Abby Bledsoe	7/30	James Hayes
7/23	Roger Gilbert	7/30	Laurie McGee
7/23	Hilda Watson	7/31	Taylor Hiatt
7/28	Daniel Taylor	7/31	Ken Street
7/29	Rocelle Hart		

**SBA Quarterly Meeting
Monday, July 26 @ 7:00
First Baptist Church
Sparta, NC**



Congratulations to Andrew & Jordan Inman on the birth of their son Easton Inman (Herbert Inman's grandson & Helen Inman's Great grandson)



Congratulations to Chris & Katie Greene on the birth of their daughter Rebecca Greene (Katie Jordan's great granddaughter)

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:

HOSPITAL

Helen "Honey" Rowe—Forsyth

SYMPATHY

To Family of Louise Hill

HOMEBOUND

Helen May

2037 N Main St Apt. B

Frank Marquet

3156 Westfield Road, Mt. Airy

Grace Notes

On one of my many searches for worship ideas, I came across a collection called *And Jesus Said—Parables in Song*. It is a small collection so I ordered it, not knowing that Roger would within a few months do a series of sermons on the parables of Jesus. The choir will sing several of the songs that were written for the parables we will study, and you will be invited to join us for some of them. There were several possibilities for this week's parable of the sower (Mark 4:1-9, 13-20). One song by Carl Daw (mentioned last week) is particularly good. Here are the last two verses:

Teach us discernment as the quickened seeds sprout,

When weeds and good plants have together grown,

To tell temptations from the worth they mimic,

To seek your purpose rather than our own.

Gird us with patience when no harvest ripens,

Lest we despair and think our labors vain;

Though it seem slow, your word of life will prosper;

Seedtime at length will yield abundant grain.

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It is like having a commentary on the scripture, isn't it? As I say often, the singing of a concept helps us to internalize it, much more than simply listening to it. Sunday's first hymn will look back to Psalm 126, also sung, with words of God's redemptive purpose for his people. Notice how they connect, and in your singing absorb the lesson that God is ever faithful.

Sing to the Lord!

Linda