

# Good News

## A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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### **From Your Pastor...**

#### **JULY! What an outstanding month of serving the Lord this church has enjoyed!**

We are in the middle of **Vacation Bible School** with a great turnout at **50 children** as of Monday morning. There were a gracious plenty of good adult and youth volunteers to help. Though I am tempted to list all our workers, it must do to give the 'guesstimation' of the numbers, which stand at **51 Adults and 23 youth!** I have heard nothing but enthusiastic attitudes and joyful spirits! This is a wonderful demonstration of love for children and for our church! Many hours of sacrificial love and talent have been offered up to make it a great success. Let us all pray for lasting results with children and workers, that as they see the love of Jesus Christ in action, and "Take a Hike" through God's word that minds and hearts are claimed for God's eternal family.

This was a first for me, to experience the **GRANTING OF CHURCH SCHOLAR-**

**SHIPS!** I felt the pride that the congregation had for these students and the privilege felt in taking this encouraging part in their lives. The names of the **16 recipients** this year are listed below:

Cale Burrell, Western Carolina University; Casey Collins, UNC-Charlotte (Maxie N. & Mary C. Foster Scholarship); Justin Covil, UNC-Chapel Hill; Kasey Campbell, University of Virginia; Jarrett Culbreth, Emory & Henry College (Ann W. Fincher Memorial Scholarship); Andrew Harding, Wingate University; Anna Feagan, UNC-Chapel Hill; Aaron Goforth, Gardner-Webb; Will Henderson, Wake Forest Divinity School; Greg Lair, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary; Mandy Ligon, UNC-Chapel Hill; Matt McCallister, Wingate University; Keen McFarland, Wake Forest University; Andrew McKaig, UNC-Charlotte; Ashley Scoggins, NC State University; Jordan Stratford, UNC-Asheville (Meredith McCallister Memorial Scholarship).

The above scholarships were \$500 each; two \$1,000 Angie Scoggins Memorial Scholarships

were awarded to Cale Burrell and Ashley Scoggins.

Finally, the impact given and taken with the **YOUTH MISSION to Charleston**

will be shared and celebrated with the church on Sunday evening, **August 3 at 5:30 PM** in the Activity Building.

Our eyes were opened to the unusual needs of inner city children of a declining, drug infested neighborhood. The answers and vision of one devoted ministry couple led a local church to an amazing response of Christian grace and courage. The results we experienced brought tears to our eyes and love from our hearts. Bring your favorite dessert for this youthful display of missions. The following were participants (17 youth and college students and 11 adults): Casey Collins, Jarrett Culbreth, Lorenna Farreno, Alyssa Fincher, Lyric Flood, Aaron Goforth, Carrie Greene, Jamie Greene, Gaby Hooker, Louis Rossi, Theresa Rossi, Brooke Scoggins, Kathryn Smith, Mary Margaret Smith, Megan Stone, Alex Tapp, Rachel Vining; Elizabeth Burrell, Peggy Constance; Ellis & Linda Fincher; Di Greene, Kay Greene, Bill Henderson, Judy Lair; Susan Smith, Joe & Frances Wray.

## Library News

Susan Smith



### New Books for children

Boelts, Maribeth: Sarah's Grandma goes to heaven (Helping kids heal series)

Boelts, Maribeth: Sometimes I'm afraid (Helping kids heal)

Boelts, Maribeth: With my Mom, with my Dad (Helping kids heal)

Bostrom, Kathleen: When Pete's Dad got sick (Helping kids heal)

Carlson, Melody: Project mystery bus (faiThGirLz! Series)

The Elves and the shoemaker / retold by John Cech

Egeilski, Richard: Jazper

Graham, Franklin: A Wing and a prayer

Machlin, Mikki: My name is not Gussie

Morrison, Taylor: The Neptune fountain

Osborne, Rick: I want to know about the church

Rue, Nancy: Lily's ultimate party

Rue, Nancy: Sophie breaks the code

Rue, Nancy: Sophie flakes out

Rue, Nancy: Sophie tracks a thief

Rue, Nancy: Sophie's encore

Saytterfield, Barbara: The Story dance

Smith, Simon: Bodge plants a seed (Claypot parables series)

Smith, Simon: Stumpy stomps off (Claypot parables)

Wangerin, Walter: In the beginning there was no sky

It is not too late to sign up for our Summer Reading challenge! Visit the library for a sign-up sheet, check-out and read books, and join us at the end of the summer for an ice-cream treat.



## Music

Anne Shu

*There's room in the choir for you! Rehearsals resume at 7:00 P.M. September 3. We need more singers. Every anthem sounds so much better when there's a full choir. It takes dedication and commitment from you, but you'll find the sacrifice is worth the satisfaction you'll enjoy. Just ask any of the choir members.*

*We're working out scheduling our third not-exactly-annual intergenerational musical, The Legend of the Christmas King. Please give prayerful consideration to joining us in this production. More information will be given soon.*



## Camp Mundo Vista

Jamie Greene

During my week at camp, I learned that we are supposed to Fit Into God's Plan, but Stand Out for Him. We gave to a mission offering called Pure Water, Pure Love, which gives water filters to missionaries in foreign countries. We also did fun things like archery and have campfire breakfasts. Every day we swam and had canteen (snack time). I had a blast at Camp Mundo Vista, and if you get a chance, please read 1 Timothy 4:12

Mary Smith

At Camp Mundo Vista we had a fantastic time. Lyric Flood and I were in the same cabin. We signed up for archery. We enjoyed missions and learning about Christ. Our missionaries were from Honduras and Kenya. We appreciate the church sending us. I hope to go back next year as an Acteen.

## A History Book

Elizabeth Burrell

The history sub-group of the transition team is in the process of compiling a history book using the information each of you submitted for History Day June 1.

If you did not turn in your information for history day you may give it to a member of the team. We would like to have information from every member of TFBC. This would be a good resource for a new minister and our church records.



## Leadership/Decision Making Subgroup Transition Team Report

Judy Lair

Our sub-group of the Transition Team was directed to examine leadership and decision-making concerns with our congregation. We are making it a two-step process. On July 1, 40 elected leaders of our church met for 90 minutes to discuss leadership including training and development of new leaders.

Over 40 great ideas were shared by our committee members and the group chose five key ideas to address as recommendations to be implemented. A written report on the meeting and recommendations was distributed in all the adult Sunday School Classes on Sunday, July 20. The report was also distributed to members of our congregation before the worship service that Sunday. The report is available for any members who were not in Sunday School or worship on July 20.

In order to address decision making, the Transition Team sub-group, Phil Scoggins, Shelvie Foust, and Judy Lair, will be meeting with the By-Laws Committee on August 4 to share feedback gathered during the last six months.



## UPCOMING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Di Greene and Judy Lair

1. August - Fundraiser for Brotherhood - Auction - Watch for details.
2. October - Operation Christmas Child (Shoe Boxes) - Contact person is Rick McCallister.
3. October - Rutherford County Work Week-End - Contact person is Joe Wray.
4. December - Please remember we have several giving opportunities (Lottie Moon, Christmas in Bosnia, Stocking Tree, Angel Tree).

CORRECTION to page 1: Following the Youth Mission Team's report on August 3, a light meal will be served; bring your favorite dessert for the meeting with Tony Cartledge on August 10.



What's the deal?

Come find out at the

**-BROTHERHOOD AUCTION-**

August 6 - Activity Building

Dinner (no charge) - 6:00

Live Auction - 7:00



## A Ride of a Lifetime

Di and Carrie Greene

One of the highlights of our Charleston trip was a BIG surprise. We were invited to take a boat ride Friday night around the harbor. We all agreed and paid our money. When we arrived at the dock we should have known this was not your typical harbor tour since the name of our boat was THE THRILLER and it was a bright yellow SPEED-BOAT. Besides, the two crewman were encouraging rain ponchos and life jackets before we even left the dock! They were also instructing the older riders to sit near the center of the boat!

We were troopers so there was no turning back and our ride began. An easy ten minute start turned into the ride of our lives. The left side of the boat quickly began to be covered with salty spray as our right side friends stayed dry. They proceeded to laugh at us with our wet hair and wet clothes. As soon as the boat made a sharp turn, our right side friends got soaked. Meanwhile, we were trying to hang on and listen as one of the crewmen pointed out historic landmarks, although those of us who had removed our glasses had no clue where to look.

Needless to say the ride came to an end after only 45 minutes! We were safely returned to dry land and shook our heads in disbelief that we had ridden THE THRILLER!



## God Loves the Little Children

Ellis Fincher, Jr.

As Linda and I were traveling up I-26 from Charleston last Saturday we began discussing all of the wonderful and exciting things that happened the past week during our teenagers' mission trip. In addition to the many blessings and eye-opening experiences our teens had it was apparent to me that our adults were blessed in the same manner.

A special time for Linda occurred near the end of lunch on the second day of the mission. She noticed a six or seven year old boy looking in her direction so she went over and kneeled beside him. He looked at her and said, "You all are white." Linda replied to him, "God made us all different and we look different to you, but we are all God's children. We are all special to God and God loves us." Linda then looked at him and said "And God loves you." With that said he simply leaned his head over against hers and held it there for the longest moment. Our Lord does indeed bless the giver and the receiver.

## PULPIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Bob Lair

The Pulpit Committee has received 45 resumes. Each has been acknowledged. Qualified applicants received a letter requesting additional information and either a DVD or VHS video of a sermon delivered by the applicant. Further screening of applications and personal interviews with the best candidates will be completed in future months.

## FYI

### RECORDS ARE IMPORTANT!--

The Carolina Baptist Associational year ends August 31. All church leaders will receive copies of their section of the Annual Church Profile along with instructions. Please fill these in and return to Jane ASAP!

Dr. and Mrs. Henderson will be vacationing on August 11-17. A Pulpit Guest for the 17th will be announced soon.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS - Kim Burrell Culbreth (local business person) Jarrett Culbreth (college student), July 27, 2008

### CONGRATULATIONS!

**James Bodie** - Tryon Lions Club Vice-President.

**Wesley Brady** - Homerun in Cooperstown, NY 12U baseball tournament, July 2008.

**Ellis Fincer, Sr.** - Tryon Lions Club Treasurer.

**Carrie Greene and Alex Tapp** - PCHS Band's pre-olympic performances in China.

**Andrew Harding** - Wingate University Trustees' Scholarship award.

**Chuck Huneycutt** - Columbus Lions Club President.

**Tim Jackson** - Tryon Kiwanis Golf Tournament longest drive award.

**Malik Miller** - Polk Central "A" honor roll.

**Otis, Lydia and Malik Miller** - Birth of Olivia July 12.

**Reed Phillips** - Appalachian State University Dean's List for Spring 2008.

**Mark & Laura Smith** - Married July 26, 2008, TFBC.

**Jordan Stratford** - Kiwanis Club of Tryon Scholarship.

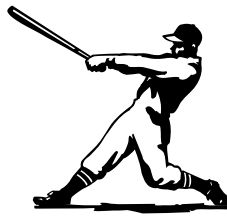
**Harold Taylor** - Tryon Lions Club Secretary.

### DON'T MISS THIS! SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

### "Being Baptist in N. C."

Dr. Tony Cartledge, Guest  
Sunday School Assembly  
Preaching

5:30 P.M. Questions & Answers



### Youth Baseball

Stephen Brady

This past year, Wesley played for a 12U travel team based out of Spartanburg SC. The team is basically made up of players from five counties surrounding Spartanburg. The team plays a year round schedule averaging about two tournaments per month. The tournaments are normally in the Carolinas, but we will travel to Georgia on occasion.

The highlight of our season was a July trip to Cooperstown, NY. Cooperstown is about the size of Tryon and is located in the mountains in Upstate NY. The draw to Cooperstown is that the first baseball field was built there in 1839 and is now the home of the Baseball Hall of Fame. The tournament facility where we played is known as Cooperstown Dreams Park. During the summer, they host a week long tournament featuring teams from all over the country.

The week we were in attendance had 98 teams and 86 umpires participating. We played teams from Michigan, Georgia, Florida, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, Arizona and Colorado. This was a wonderful week for Wesley and our family. The team ended up with nine wins and one loss and finished sixth in the tournament. We lost in the round of eight to a team from Lakeland, FL that ultimately won the tournament.

There were many highlights from the week, but Wesley would tell you his favorite moment was the homerun he hit in Cooperstown. He did get the ball back and I'm sure he would be happy to show it to you if you ask.



### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Rick & Beth McCallister
- 7 Bernard & Peggy Edwards
- 12 Robert & Ruth Ann Arledge
- 15 Darryl & Doris Maxwell
- 18 Joe & Frances Wray
- 19 Ron & Sandy Frady
- 19 Phillip & Hilda Pleasants
- 26 Joe & Gigi Covil
- 27 Fred & Shirley Edwards



### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 3 James Bodie
- 6 Elliott Whiteside
- 8 Jan Rasmussen
- 9 Shannon Bishop
- 14 Jane Edwards
- 15 Mona Kimble
- 23 Kathy Ashley
- 23 Debby Covil
- 25 Geoff Tennant
- 28 Lewis Hawkins
- 29 Jan Ponder
- 30 Steve Stott

### NURSERY HAPPENINGS

Olivia Whiteside

The nursery committee is on a search for some fabulous workers to keep and teach the children ages two through second grade during church each Sunday. Our teens have done a great job but they need to attend church and continue their spiritual journey. This would be a teaching position and very appropriate for a creative adult with a love for children. The possibilities are endless. If several people are interested we could rotate so that each can attend church Sundays when he/she is not working with the children. Please consider this position as there is a great need to grow this area of our church ministry. We have a loving group of children who are eager to learn. So much can be done in one hour with all that you have to offer with love and guidance. If you are interested in this position, please contact anyone on the nursery committee (Olivia Whiteside, Tim Jackson, Paula Edwards, or Benny Goodwin). We would very much prefer to hire teachers (MEN or WOMEN) within our church and it will be a paid position. We need to fill it as soon as possible. In the meantime, we need volunteers to help the Nursery Committee keep the class until the position is filled.

