

# HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church  
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## From Your Pastor...

Thank you for your kind words and encouragement this month as we looked at our response to God's mercy by our personal stewardship. As we know, stewardship is a matter of the heart...Jesus was very clear on that point. This week we begin anew a time in our church year when matters of the heart continue to be at the forefront. The season of Lent is when personal examination is emphasized at every turn, and Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the journey to the cross. I invite you to walk with us as we examine *all areas* of our lives!

I also encourage you to begin praying (if you're not already) for those people you know who are not yet believers! As we discussed Sunday (and will continue this Sunday), it is a matter of eternal conse-

quence that we do not give up on these people! We will have many opportunities as we journey to the cross and Holy Week for you to invite people to special services and activities here at College Park. I challenge you not to waste these opportunities! For those not raised in a church environment, one of the best opportunities we have to introduce people to the gospel message in a creative way is *The Passion Rock Opera*, April 8th and 11th!

Until then, I reissue the challenge of this past Sunday: *Live out the Truth*, and *preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified!* Live as children of Light!

Blessings and peace...  
Come Worship with Us Sunday!

*Ramon*

## Our Mission...

*"A people gathered in Christ;  
nurtured in His Spirit;  
and sent in His name."*

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, March 1, 2009  
10:45 a.m.

*Baptism & Communion*  
Great Is Thy Faithfulness  
Sanctuary Choir  
Set Me as a Seal  
Channels

*An Image of God's Grace*  
I Peter 3:18-22  
Ramon Smith

Sunday, March 8, 2009  
10:45 a.m.

God of Our Life  
Sanctuary Choir  
Eyewitness  
Psalm 8:2  
*How Trusting are We...Really*  
Romans 4:13-25  
Ramon Smith

# A NOTE FROM MARY



While seen by some as a time strictly for somber reflection and penitence, I have to admit that Lent carries a double meaning for me. While it is a time for introspection and repentance, it is also a time to reflect upon God's grace. And I am reminded that both are necessary and important. Without introspection and repentance, I forget my need for God. Instead, I take advantage of God's grace, taking for granted that I am deserving of what He has offered in the death and resurrection of His Son. However, there is danger in introspection and repentance without full realization of the grace and love God has to offer. I can begin to beat myself up, waiting for God's coming wrath, feeling like I am incapable of offering God my service due to my failures. Yes, we all fail, and we all need to be well aware and very seriously repentant of those failings; however, we need to know that we have a God who loves us enough that He sent His Son to

die for exactly those things which cause Him to mourn. And so, in celebration and introspection, I want to offer a few gospel song Lenten lyrics for coming days:

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

*For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim: I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.*

*Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!*

*There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins; and sinners plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.*

*With His blood He has saved me; With His power He has raised me; To God be the glory for the things He has done.*

## Welcome New Members

### **Vernon & Peggy Ingram**

339 Petree Road  
Winston-Salem, NC 27106  
765-7513

Vernon and Peggy came February 22 requesting membership upon transfer of their letters.

**Welcome to the  
College Park family!**

## **N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes Offering**

**Our Goal:  
\$2,000.00**

**Received to Date:  
\$980.00**

## **Week of Prayer for North American Missions**

**March 1 - March 7**

Joyce Love will be our  
guest speaker on  
Wednesday night,  
March 4.

**Our Goal: \$5,000.00**



# the Passion Rock Opera

.com

*The message is in the music!*

Please call the church office if you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor of or in memory of someone. We have many dates available .

## RECREATION MINISTRY

### Children/Youth Basketball Banquet

March 3, 6:00-7:30

Well, it's time to celebrate another great year of basketball at College Park! So all team members, coaches, and parents are invited to attend our annual Basketball Banquet in Smith Hall on March 3, 2009. We will enjoy a hamburger/hot dog dinner, a trophy ceremony, and reliving some of the fun stories from the season. Make sure you make plans to attend this great event. There is no charge, but a love offering will be taken to help defray some of the cost for the banquet. We look forward to celebrating CPBC basketball together!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### Youth Spring Break Retreat

April 2-5, Caswell

Our youth group is going to the beach for Spring Break for a great retreat of fun, food and merriment (how many times have you seen THAT word used in a sentence?! We will be staying at Caswell for a long weekend. We will be doing it all - going to Myrtle Beach, doing missions work, shopping, eating out, hanging out on the beach, doing some Bible studies, playing games and enjoying tons of free time. The total cost is \$125 for one youth and \$100 for any more youth from the same family. Sign-ups are going on now until Wednesday, February 25th. We need a non-refundable deposit of \$50 turned in by February 25. Get your deposit check in now so that you will not miss this great event! Make sure you are not the only one staying in Winston-Salem for Spring Break! Sign up today!

## COLLEGE MINISTRY

### Our College Mission team needs your help!

Our college students are headed to Charleston, SC for our annual Spring Break Trip in the next week. We will once again be working with Jimmy Creech and Charleston Outreach as we do some rebuilding of homes and lives.

When you take a group of college students and adults on a trip, food is always vital. So we are asking for church people to help us by providing snacks, chips, desserts, and any other goodies. If you are able, please bring some kind of snack donation to the kitchen in Adult I on **Sunday morning, March 1**. Thanks for your generosity!!

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

### College Parkers

Thursday, March 19, 11:30 a.m.

Please join us on Thursday, March 19, at 11:30 a.m. as we enjoy a delicious covered-dish luncheon and a musical program by Emily Hull. Emily is the granddaughter of Bruce and Mary Shannon. She is a student at Wake Forest School of Divinity and is a soloist for Centenary Methodist Church. Ward Page will accompany her.

**Attention GA's:** There are 4 possible dates for the Mother/Daughter mini camps for girls that have completed grades 1-3, and many GA Camp dates for girls who have completed grades 4-6. These camps are wonderful! They offer fun opportunities and great bonding experiences for moms and daughters (or grandmothers, aunts & friends). Please see Lora Clayton, Brandi Smith or Beth Huff if you have questions.

## CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

*Gift for March:*

**Laundry Detergent**

### IN THE HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital in the last two weeks:

*Lori Cogdill  
Evelyn Goodrich  
Cindy Huffman  
Larry Jones  
Frances Newton*

Our Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Christy Tuttle in the death of her grandmother, to Kathy McDaniel in the death of her father, and to Jennie Lewis in the death of her father.

A gracious note of appreciation has been received and posted on the bulletin board from the family of Henry Thornton. Vennie Davis also wishes to express her appreciation for all of the prayers, cards, and thoughtfulness shown to her during her recent hospitalization and recuperation.



**MARCH 22, 2009**

**9:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.**

**SMITH HALL**

**OUR GA'S WILL SERVE  
A MUFFIN AND A CUP OF  
COFFEE OR JUICE**

**\*A LOVE OFFERING WILL  
BE TAKEN AND  
PROCEEDS DONATED TO  
THE NORTH AMERICAN  
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 Jason Cogdill, Minister of Senior Adults & Congregational Care  
 Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**Worship Nursery Workers**

<b><u>March 1</u></b> Dianne Baker Laurie Cook Beth Huff Karen Lefler Sandra Smith Jim Pernell Leigh Ann Pernell	<b><u>March 8</u></b> Sybil McBride June Crabbe Ann Heller Nita Royal Jennifer Allen Haley Hendrix Jason & Brandi Smith
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**Greeters**

<b><u>March 1</u></b> John Vogler Jim Pernell	<b><u>March 8</u></b> Dennis Palmer Chuck Barbee
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**Properties Committee**

<b><u>March 1</u></b> A.C. Larrimore	<b><u>March 8</u></b> Tony Bates
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**Information Center for March**

Van Crotts  
 Sybil McBride

**Deacon of the Week**

<b><u>March 1 - March 7</u></b> Carolyn Matthews	<b><u>March 8 - March 14</u></b> Tony Perkins
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**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU FEB. 22**

Budget Requirement To Date	\$126,387.92
Budget Receipts To Date (92.58%)	\$117,006.59

**ATTENDANCE STATISTICS**

<b><u>FEBRUARY 15</u></b>	
Sunday School	249
Morning Worship	307
Brookridge	36
L.I.F.E. Worship	85
<b><u>FEBRUARY 22</u></b>	
Sunday School	259
Morning Worship	351
Brookridge	51
L.I.F.E. Worship	37

Family Night Suppers

**Wednesday, March 4**

Pulled Pork  
 Baked Beans    Cole Slaw  
 Cornbread  
 Strawberry Shortcake

**Wednesday, March 11**

Spaghetti  
 Tossed Salad  
 Breadstick  
 Chocolate Sheet Cake

“History Highlight”



Gilbert and Charlotte Shermer heard the request from the First Baptist Church pulpit in 1948. The request was made by Dr. Ralph Herring for a meeting place in the northwest part of the city to gather people interested in beginning a church in that area. The Shermers offered their home and their large backyard at 149 Rosedale Circle as a meeting place. The first gathering took place on July 22, 1948, and two weeks later a small group of interested adults held the first Thursday night prayer meeting at the Shermer home. Throughout the summer the group grew and continued to meet there until cooler weather forced them to seek a facility with indoor meeting capabilities. What they chose was an unlikely worship shelter, a pavilion at a swimming pool called Crystal Lake.