

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church

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From Your Pastor...

It is going to be an exciting spring at College Park! This Sunday we will have the first of six monthly “Decade Worship Services” which will lead us up to October 4th, our 60th Anniversary Celebration! (Technically our anniversary date is October 2nd, but obviously we wanted to celebrate on a Sunday.) Each of these decade services will focus on the music and church events that occurred in the respective decade in the life of College Park. We have a rich heritage, and it will be meaningful to set aside time to thank God for His blessings on this congregation. I also encourage you to share stories of your experiences here at College Park. We have many stories of the first fifty years of our history compiled by our history committee, and written by Helen Howard in our

church history “College Park Baptist Church: A New Testament Church 1949-1999.” If you would like to purchase a copy of this historical record of missions in action, they are available from the church office.

As I look forward to the worship services in May, I am also excited about Youth Sunday, In Praise of God, and Parent/Child Dedication on Mother’s Day. We are fortunate to be part of a church that has such a broad range of ministries, and I challenge you to “get the word out” about College Park! Invite someone to church this week/month!

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.”*



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, April 26, 2009

10:45 a.m.

History Highlight - The First Decade

The Holy City - Sandy Mills, soloist

Standing on the Solid Rock - Men’s Chorus

What a Difference a Week (or 3) Makes!

Luke 24:36b-48; Acts 3:12-19

Ramon Smith

Sunday, May 3, 2009

10:45 a.m.

Youth Sunday

God is...

Designed and led by all of our youth, including yoU-Turn, EyeWitness, and Ainesis.

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A NOTE FROM MARY



The Prodigal

The father saw him
 -there were eyes of mercy;
 He ran to meet him
 -there were legs of mercy;
 He put his arms around his neck
 -there were arms of mercy;
 He kissed him
 -there were kisses of mercy;
 He said to him
 -there were words of mercy;
 Bring here the best robe
 -there were deeds of mercy;
 Wonders of mercy
 -all mercy!
 Oh, what a God of mercy he is!

Matthew Henry

One of my favorite books is *The Return of the Prodigal Son* by Henri Nouwen. In the book Nouwen says that at differing points in our lives, we are called upon to fill the role of the prodigal's father and to offer forgiveness, welcome, and celebration to those who seek forgiveness, acceptance, and mercy. In light of this thought, read the poem again. Mercy is not something about which we theorize. Mercy is something that we live. Mercy looks for the prodigal, runs to find the lost one, loves, and cares for the hurting and broken. Mercy is the character of God because He is love. Therefore, mercy should also be the character of those who love the Father.



SPRING CLEANING DRIVE

Our GA's are collecting cleaning supplies needed by Baptist Children's Home. Collection boxes are located in the lobby of Adult I.

Supplies desperately needed:

Ajax or Comet
 Windex Window Cleaner
 Clorox II, Clorox Bleach
 Fabric Softener
 Laundry Soap
 Dishwashing Detergent



Food Roundup

It's time for the annual "Food Roundup" for the Baptist Children's Homes. Help meet this year's goal by bringing food and supplies or by giving gift cards to purchase perishable items to the boxes in Smith Hall. Please help make a difference in the lives of children!

Reminder: During the month of April we are celebrating our Sunday School teachers. **Please take a few moments to show your appreciation to your teacher by writing a note, delivering some baked goods, buying lunch or some other way.** We look forward to hearing how you honored those who honor Christ by teaching each week. *Your Sunday School Council*

May 3

4-7 PM

Spring Fling

Come enjoy an afternoon of fun at the College Park Baptist Spring Fling! We will provide everything you need, you provide the people!! There will be music, inflatable games, and fun activities for people of every age. Come for the free games and events; then stay for our Youth Barbeque Supper Fundraiser! It will be a great way to spend a beautiful Sunday at the Park!

Dulcimer Festival May 1-2

This year there are more opportunities to enjoy music and witness to visitors. If you think that the dulcimer may be the instrument for you, why not rent one and take a beginner class during this event. Details for the festival are posted at musicfestival.collegeparkbaptist.org or you may see one of the committee members: Jerry Osborne, Leigh Cohen or Terry Lefler.

COLLEGE MINISTRY

College Exam Pack Items Needed

April 26, Adult I Kitchen

It is time for this semester's exam pack run. We need snack food donations to send to our college students in North Carolina and around the US. Please show your support to our students by providing individually wrapped "goodies" for the exam packs. These snacks can be homemade or store-bought. Please bring them to the **Adult I kitchen by Sunday, April 26!** Thanks so much!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Camp for 1st-6th graders

May 22-24

We are headed back to Camp Kanuga in the mountains of North Carolina for this year's Children's Camp. We are looking forward to another fun weekend. We will be enjoying Bible study, worship, recreation, and a great time together. **The cost is \$100.** If there is more than one child from a family going, the second child pays **\$80.** **The sign-up deadline is May 13.** Make sure you turn in the **entire balance to Jeff** to get your name on the list!

FAMILY MINISTRY

Here is the Family Ministry schedule for the next few weeks...

- Youth Sunday – May 3
- Spring Fling/Youth BBQ Supper Fundraiser – May 3
- Mother's Day – Parent/Child Dedication - May 10
- GA Baby Shower – May 16
- Children's Camp – May 22-24
- Graduate Cookout Celebration – June 6
- Graduate Sunday – June 7

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for April:

Peanut Butter and/or Jelly

"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."

Matthew 25:40

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 during the last two weeks:

*Mahautta Hartsoe
Eleanor Harward
Marcellus Waddill*

Our Christian love and sympathy are expressed to:

Irv Grogan in the death of his brother-in-law

Doris Scott in the death of her son

Buddy Daniels in the death of his brother

Ruth Austin in the death of her brother

Jo Ann Crofts in the death of her brother-in-law

Rita Lee in the death of her sister

BARBEQUE DINNER

Fundraiser for Youth Missions

May 3 ~ 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Our Youth Ministry is sponsoring a Barbeque Dinner on May 3 from 5 until 7 p.m. The BBQ pork dinner will come with all the fixings, including drinks and dessert. Tickets are available for \$8 by calling the church office or from one of our youth. Also, kids 6-12 years old get in for \$6, while children under 6 eat for free. There is a family maximum (immediate family only) of \$25. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Take out and "by the pound" options will be available.

All proceeds go to support Youth Missions.

HOMEMADE DESSERTS NEEDED!!

We do need volunteers to make desserts for the BBQ. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk if you can bring homemade cookies, brownies, or cakes.

In Loving Memory
of

Mrs. Marjorie Sale Fox

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to

April 15, 2009

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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

<u>April 26</u>	<u>May 3</u>
Gary Elkins	Dianne Baker
Trudy Elkins	Laurie Cook
Kevin Tuttle	Beth Huff
Christy Tuttle	Karen Lefler
Melissa May	Sandra Smith
Lora Clayton	Jim & Leigh Ann Pernell

Greeters

<u>April 26</u>	<u>May 3</u>
Ann Baker	Sarah Hauser
David Voss	Ed Lane

Properties Committee

<u>April 26</u>	<u>May 3</u>
John Valentine	John Thomasson

Information Center for April

James Cobbler Becky Haney

Information Center for May

Joyce Baxley Tom Hurst

Deacon of the Week

<u>April 26 - May 2</u>	<u>May 3 - May 9</u>
Wayne Lewis	James Cobbler

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU APRIL 19

Budget Requirement To Date	\$256,725.42
Budget Receipts To Date (102.20%)	\$262,380.16

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

<u>APRIL 12</u>	
Sunday School	247
Morning Worship	426
Brookridge	43
L.I.F.E. Worship	N/A
<u>APRIL 19</u>	
Sunday School	221
Morning Worship	292
Brookridge	47
L.I.F.E. Worship	25

Family Night Suppers

Wednesday, April 29
 Fried Chicken
 Baked Potato Casserole
 Green Beans
 Yeast Roll
 Lemon Pie

Wednesday, May 6
 Pulled Pork
 Baked Beans Cole Slaw
 Cornbread Strawberry Shortcake



“History Highlight”

On October 2, 1949, the Missionary Baptist Church was officially constituted at a special afternoon service. Rev. Walter L. Warfford led the worship services for the church in his role as Pilot Mountain Baptist Associational Missionary. Dr. Ralph A. Herring, minister at First Baptist Church, delivered the sermon. The above photograph was taken in our first church during this special constitution service which officially established the church and recognized our seventy-four charter members. Several ministers from local Baptist churches also participated in this special business and worship service which concluded with the hymn, *Blest be the Tie that Binds*.