

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church

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From Your Pastor...

Let me say that I am so proud of our young people and their leaders! Youth Sunday was once again a wonderful example of all that is right with our youth today. I sense in them a real desire to know what it means to truly worship God. They have no desire for, or patience with, showy substitutes, but deeply desire to encounter the living God in worship. The Jesus of the Gospels is very real to them, and they want to share that with others! Granted, the media for presenting the Gospel changes with each generation, but the message of unconditional love is the same!

And speaking of "each generation," I was so pleased with the feedback we received after our "1st Decade" service two weeks ago. The first ten years of College Park were times when family and sacrifice were so vital to the future of the church.

Tough decisions were made to insure that College Park would continue to reach families in our community for many years to come. In many ways, you could say we are in the same circumstances today, and we will explore some of those issues during our "2nd Decade" service at the end of this month...stay tuned for more details.

This Sunday is Mother's Day, and a time in our church year when we pause and give thanks for the gift of children. It is also a time for each of us to remember that we, as a church, have a responsibility to help nurture the children in our midst. It truly is a blessing, and we invite you to be with us Sunday!

Blessings and peace...

Ramon

Our Mission...

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, May 10, 2009
10:45 a.m.

Mother's Day

Through the Window
Psalm 8:2, Sing for God &
Sanctuary Choir

Perfected Love
I John 4:7-21
Ramon Smith

Sunday, May 17, 2009
10:45 a.m.

In Praise of God Service

Worship led by the musical groups
of College Park

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A NOTE FROM MARY



The church was not designed to be a reservoir, ever-receiving and retaining for itself God's spiritual blessings, but rather a conduit, conveying them on and out to others everywhere. -Robert Glover

I've been doing a little self-reflection lately, and I have to admit that my extroverted self does not really enjoy the process of self-reflection too much. I find it really draining. However, through it God is reminding me why I do what I do. While I could name dozens of reasons why I do what I do, ultimately, I know it is what God created me to do. Yes, it sounds cheesy even to me. It sounds a little too ministerial and pat. However, I am convinced that God has created each of us with a purpose. We may not all be called to vocational ministry, but we are called to serve. We are called to share the love of Christ with those we encounter

each day. We are called to worship our God in such a way that others want to know what is different about us. We are called to live lives that express that God is our Father, Savior, Strength, and Purpose (thank you, Youth!). And so, I share the words of an old chorus with you:

*When I look into Your holiness,
When I gaze into Your loveliness,
When all things that surround become
shadows in the light of You,
When I've found the joy of reaching Your heart,
When my will becomes enthralled in Your love,
When all things that surround become
shadows in the light of You,
I worship You. I worship You.
The reason I live is to worship You.
I worship You. I worship You.
The reason I live is to worship You.*

-Cathy & Wayne Perrin

IN TOUCH...with Jeff

Wheew! What an amazing week! The last week of April started with a Youth Choir tour and the exam pack delivery to many of our college students. This started the week with a bang. Then it got even better! I spent most of the week with some of our amazing preschool volunteers at the Orange Conference in Atlanta. While our small group was considering the next steps for our family ministry during this conference, many other people were in Winston preparing for one of the most significant weekends our family ministry has ever experienced.

So many people using so much energy and passion. I am thankful for EVERY second that EVERY person spent on making Choir Tour, Exam Packs, Youth Sunday, Spring Fling, and our BBQ Fundraiser such memorable experiences.

Sometimes in the midst of such a busy time it is easy to forget the purpose behind it all. While I admit some changes will be made as we evaluate everything that went on last week, the basic purpose remains true. **God is not satisfied with where**

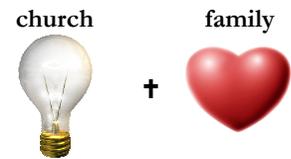
we are today. He wants us to never be complacent in seeking a deeper relationship with Him and seeing the world as a place that needs us to work diligently everyday to make this world brighter. Here is how a difference was made...

- Teenagers experienced a different kind worship during the choir tour
- College students felt God's love through the gift of food and time
- People of every age were moved as our youth designed, planned, and led our church in a God-honoring worship experience
- Guests of every age laughed and connected at our Spring Fling, exhibiting true community
- Over \$3000 were raised that will be used to spread the love of God through youth missions

For every person who worked last week, know that God used you to make our world a place which reflects His love and power! I am thankful for your devotion to Him!

N.C. Baptist Hospital Offering

Our Goal:
\$2,000.00
Received to Date:
\$467.00



**Two
combined
influences
make a
greater
impact than
just two
influences.**

Reggie Joiner, *Think*

FAMILY MINISTRY

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

- 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
- Day Camp begins – the week of June 14
- Mountain Outreach – June 28–July 3
- Youth Camp – July 20–24
- VBS – July 26–30
- And much more!!!

Graduate Information Needed

May 31

Spring is in the air and you can hear graduate processions playing throughout the area. Our church will be honoring this year's graduating class on Sunday, June 7, during the morning worship service. We would like to recognize all of the high school and post-high school graduates. Please contact Jeff if you or someone in your family is graduating this year. We need to know this information by May 31. We look forward to celebrating this extraordinary accomplishment with you on Sunday, June 7. Our church is proud of you!

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!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

College Parkers

Thursday, May 21, 11:30 a.m.

Please join us on Thursday, May 21, at 11:30 a.m. as we enjoy a delicious covered-dish luncheon and program by College Park's own Chris Morris, Chaplain at Hospice.

Baby Shower for Newborns in Need Saturday, May 16, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

The GA's of College Park are hosting a baby shower for Newborns in Need in Smith Hall on Saturday, May 16. You're invited to come and spend some time with our wonderful GA's, enjoy some refreshments, and help them to make a difference in the lives of young families in our community by bringing a baby gift. What an incredible opportunity to share the love of Christ in a tangible way!

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for May:

Canned Fruit

Collected last month at CPBC:

25 jars of peanut butter

24 jars of jelly

12 cans of food

*"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:

*JoAnn Crotts
James Edmonds
Irv Grogan
Mahautta Hartsoe
John Hewitt
Dot Miller
Marcellus Waddill*

Our Christian love and sympathy are expressed to:

Doris Morgan
in the death of her sister-in-law

Robin Cohen
in the death of her mother

Ruth Austin
in the death of her sister

Ann Baker
in the death of her daughter

Bonnie Simms
in the death of her mother

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Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

<u>May 10</u>	<u>May 17</u>
Sybil McBride	Carolyn Matthews
June Crabbe	Linda Palmer
Ann Heller	Jeanne Hobson
Nita Royal	Donna Bates
Jennifer Allen	Janet Somers
Haley Hendrix	Joseph Alexander
Jason & Brandi Smith	Melanie Alexander

Greeters

<u>May 10</u>	<u>May 17</u>
John Vogler	Dennis Palmer
Jim Pernell	Chuck Barbee

Properties Committee

<u>May 10</u>	<u>May 17</u>
Tony Bates	A.C. Larrimore

Information Center for May

Joyce Baxley Tom Hurst

Deacon of the Week

<u>May 10 - May 16</u>	<u>May 17 - May 23</u>
Terry Lefler	Kent Hobson

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU MAY 3

Budget Requirement To Date	\$287,532.48
Budget Receipts To Date (101.25%)	\$291,117.96
Building Fund to Date	\$92,612.14

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

APRIL 26	
Sunday School	222
Morning Worship	250
Brookridge	42
L.I.F.E. Worship	27
MAY 3	
Sunday School	244
Morning Worship	318
Brookridge	45
L.I.F.E. Worship	Not Available

Family Night Suppers

Wednesday, May 13
Spaghetti
Tossed Salad
Breadstick
Chocolate Sheet Cake

Wednesday, May 20
Fried Chicken
Baked Potato Casserole
Green Beans
Yeast Roll Lemon Pie

"History Highlight"



Rev. Walter L. Warfford was the Pilot Mountain Baptist Associational Missionary. In this capacity, Rev. Warfford led the weekly prayer meetings at the Shermer's home, and assisted in organizing the new Baptist Mission Sunday School. In fact, Rev. Warfford composed the letter to First Baptist Church which announced that the Mission Sunday School wanted to take the step to become constituted as a church. On October 1, 1950, Rev. Warfford became the first full-time pastor of College Park Baptist Church, and served as pastor until September 1, 1955.