

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church
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From Your Pastor...

As human beings we have very short memories. That is, we remember what is convenient and pleasant and push to the back things that are uncomfortable or disturbing. We also take much for granted and are somewhat spoiled in our outlook. By this point, you are probably wondering, "Where is the preacher going with this?" I guess my point is that we take church for granted; and by "church" I mean the fellowship of believers that assembles itself for worship and fellowship, and then is sent into the world to be salt and light. It is very easy to see the need to worship together when we are facing national and/or personal tragedies. I recall the record attendances that accompanied the first Gulf War in 1991, and the attendance spikes at churches all across the nation following 9/11/2001! But how quickly we forget... we need each other, and that is

not limited to just the challenging times! We need you! Others need you! You need us (whether you are aware of, or will acknowledge that)! I guess what breaks my heart the most is seeing so many who take church for granted or reject it all together. This is a challenge for us: Be a shining example of Christ's love in such a way that it will stand out in marked contrast to the rest of the world. We have a tremendous church and have so much to offer, but the word is obviously not getting out! Help us (and by us, I mean all of the church) enlarge our fellowship by being faithful this week to go out of your way to invite someone to church this Sunday! Let's just see how much of a difference we can make!

Blessings and Peace,
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, April 25, 2010
11:00 a.m.

There's a Quiet Understanding
Sanctuary Choir

Ainosis
Sanctuary Bells

Still Waters
Psalm 23
Ramon Smith

Sunday, May 2, 2010
11:00 a.m.

I Will Sing Praise
Sanctuary Choir

Aubrey Atwater & Elwood Donnelly,
dulcimer

Even to the Gentiles
Acts 11:1-18
Ward Page

A NOTE FROM MARY



Our wealth and abundance of human resources have positioned us to accept a paradigm that provision precedes vision. This has been the foundation of building no-risk faith. This is a tragedy when part of the adventure is the discovery that vision always precedes provision.

-Erwin Raphael McManus

As Christ followers we use the word *faith* a lot. We talk about *our faith*, *having faith*, and *keeping the faith*. However, like a lot of other really good church words we use, I suspect we have made a noun out of what should be a verb. And face it, it is a whole lot easier to use the noun-faith than to live out a verb-faith. You see, the noun-faith consists of a held belief, something we can hold on to. Interestingly, I think that sometimes in holding on to the noun-faith, we neglect to hold on to God. Verb-faith requires action, and lots of times it requires uncomfortable action. It means acting on the Spirit's prompting with promise of no other result than, possibly, our being obedient. It requires acting on a God-given vision when that vision seems impossible. (And, by the way, who wants to serve a God who only does the possible?) Verb-faith, active faith, means taking risks. It means living out the noun-faith knowledge that we serve a God who is bigger than the obstacles placed in our path. What is God asking you to risk for Him?

Coming soon!

**A Sunday School class for Newlyweds and Young Married Couples with no (or very young) children.
Interested? Contact Mary in the church office.**

May 2

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!

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY *Gift for April:*

Applesauce

*"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."
Matthew 25:40*

The Bible Study Class is beginning a series of lessons focusing on the significance of Old Testament Scriptures—studying history and prophecies of the birth of Christ—as the foundation and rise of Christianity. The Scripture to be discussed will be posted on the classroom door (Adult Three hall) a week in advance. Everyone interested in these topics, or in one particular Scripture, will be welcomed. The class is led by Carol Teeter and Ed Hendricks.

2010 N.C. Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup

Items needed include food (please check for expired dates), cleaning supplies, paper products, personal hygiene items. Please place in boxes in Smith Hall.

Gift cards for Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Food Lion or Lowes are greatly appreciated. Please give gift cards to Gail Holland.

All items should be in by April 25, 2010.



COLLEGE MINISTRY

College Exam Pack Items Needed

April 25, 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 25!** Thanks so much!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Camp for 1st-6th graders

May 28-30

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 \$95.** If there is more than one child from a family going, the second child pays **\$80.** **The sign-up deadline is May 16.** Make sure you turn in the **entire balance to Jeff** to get your name on the list! Check out the church web site for more info!!

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:

*Peggy Copley
Sandra Cultra
Levy Goodrich
Karen Rose
John Snodgrass*

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Debbie Maurer in the death of her father.

Dear church member,

We don't have to look far to see the detrimental effects of the economy on our friends, neighbors, coworkers and ourselves. It should come as no surprise there is a similar effect on our church. During the first quarter of 2010, we received 80.9% of our approved budget. This is the lowest quarterly percentage received in many years. Quarterly expenses, although not over budget, exceeded contributions by \$23,000 and at the end of March, our general operating fund balance is \$20,000. The year is shaping up to be very difficult financially.

The purpose of this message is to encourage each member to be supportive and effective stewards of our church resources. Please prayerfully consider your contributions. Make conscious efforts to reduce church expenses. We all must be good stewards. With everyone's prayerful cooperation, we hope to see a more positive trend in the coming months.

Sincerely,
College Park Finance
Committee



Youth Camp Deposit Deadline May 2 ~ \$75 per person

We are headed to Nags Head, June 27-30.
\$200 per youth
(\$175 for other youth from the same family)

BARBEQUE DINNER

Fundraiser for Youth Missions

May 2 ~ 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Our Youth Ministry is sponsoring a Barbeque Dinner on May 2 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, delivery 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.



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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

<p><u>April 25</u> Trudy Elkins Julie Barnes Elizabeth Hinson Jason Hunn Lana Hunn Melissa May Lora Clayton</p>	<p><u>May 2</u> Dianne Baker Laurie Cook Karen Lefler Saundra Smith Jim Pernell Leigh Ann Pernell</p>
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Greeters

<p><u>April 25</u> Ann Baker David Voss</p>	<p><u>May 2</u> Sarah Hauser Ed Lane</p>
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Properties Committee

<p><u>April 25</u> N'Earl Godwin</p>	<p><u>May 2</u> David Page</p>
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Information Center for April

James Cobbler	Becky Haney
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Information Center for May

Joyce Baxley	Tom Hurst
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Deacon of the Week

<p><u>April 25 - May 1</u> Russell Talley</p>	<p><u>May 2 - May 8</u> Joseph Alexander</p>
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ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

<u>April 11</u>	
Re:Creation Worship	75
Sunday School	243
11:00 Worship	256
Brookridge	43
<u>April 18</u>	
Re:Creation Worship	83
Sunday School	248
11:00 Worship	259
Brookridge	37

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU APRIL 18

Budget Requirement To Date	\$259,830.75
Budget Receipts To Date (83.52%)	217,000.41
Building Fund to Date	217,957.47

Family Night Supper News

We are now offering a kid's menu. The meals will be called "Park Packs" and will be bagged as "to go" meals. The cost will be \$2.00. Make your reservations for the new "Park Packs" for your children and come enjoy the fellowship of Family Night Supper.

Wednesday, April 28

Ham
 Sweet Potato
 Green Beans Roll
 Chocolate Delight
Park Pack
 Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich
 Chips
 Fruit Flavored Snack
 Juice Drink
 Pastor's Pal Bucks

Wednesday, May 5

Lasagna
 Salad
 Garlic Bread
 Cake
Park Pack
 Chicken Nuggets
 Mac and Cheese Crackers
 Fruit Flavored Snack
 Juice Drink
 Pastor's Pal Bucks

Family Night Suppers