

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church
1701 Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106



From Your Pastor...

It's hard to believe the year is already half-way through! Before we know it, we will be talking about school starting and Fall Festival and Advent services! That seems to be the pattern in life...we look forward to events, etc. and then when they come to pass we long for the pace of life to slow down some. In our walk with Christ, we often keep promising we will do better in the future, when perhaps He just wants us to relax and enjoy the present relationship we share with Him and other people in our daily paths. Don't get me wrong; it's not necessarily a bad thing to look forward...maybe we just shouldn't do it at the sacrifice of the here and now... Ponder that this week.

As we are publishing this edition of Highlights, we are looking forward to the 4th of

July. Although we generally don't have a big July 4th celebration here at the church, that fact does not diminish the grateful hearts that we have for the freedoms we enjoy daily! We have truly been blessed to live in a nation that expresses and allows so many personal freedoms, and yet most of us did nothing to earn or deserve citizenship...we were simply "born into it." The same could be said for the freedom we have in Christ! It is not something we deserve or earned...it is a gift from God through the sacrifice of His Son, and is granted as we enter into a relationship with Him! Think on those things too, as you eat a burger on the 4th!

Blessings & Peace,

Ramon

Our Mission...

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



July 5, 2015
11:00 a.m.

From the Rising to the Setting of the Sun
Sanctuary Choir

It Comes With the Territory
Mark 6:1-13
Ramon Smith

July 12, 2015
11:00 a.m.

It's in the Music!
Ephesians 1:3-14
Ramon Smith

July 19, 2015
11:00 a.m.

Hosanna
Sanctuary Choir

Cornerstone
Ephesians 2:11-22
Ramon Smith

July 26, 2015
11:00 a.m.

Softly and Tenderly
Sanctuary Choir

"Meet My Needs!"
John 6:1-21
Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



Worship is giving God the best that He has given you. Be careful what you do with the best you have. Whenever you get a blessing from God, give it back to Him as a love gift. Take time to meditate before God and offer the blessing back to Him in a deliberate act of worship. -Oswald Chambers

Sometimes we worship God with closed hands. It's an easy kind of worship that happens when we keep our hands closed. We can sit where we are comfortable and speak to those with whom we are comfortable. We can choose which songs we want to sing, or if we want to sing at all. We can choose whether to share our gifts with others or keep them to ourselves. We can choose whether to give part of what God has given to us. We can choose whether to offer up to him all of ourselves: our time, our talents, our lifestyle, or our whole hearts. Unfortunately, it is easy to worship with closed hands, to say, "God I'll do whatever You ask, except go _____," or, "God, I'll give this much but no more," or "God, do whatever you want but don't touch _____." or "God, I'm too _____ to do that."

I think most of us would never think of expressing these thoughts to God openly (yet He knows them anyway), however, our lives and attitudes and our worship reflect whatever it is we hold back from our Savior.

I have to think, though, when we worship with closed hands, are we really worshipping at all?

Next book club meeting:

Monday, July 27
at 7 p.m.

We will discuss the book:

**Whistling Past the
Graveyard**
By Susan Crandall

Please remember that residential extension cords are not allowed to be used throughout the church. You must use power strips. You are also asked to unplug appliances (coffee pots, etc.) after using them.

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

July 5 - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Janie Bass, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Julie Blink, Earl Blink

July 12 - Carolyn Ely, Cathy Chinlund, Dana Norman, Josh Norman, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Tammy Cashwell, Craig Cashwell

July 19 - Carolyn Ely, Pam Nicholson, Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Bet Matthews, David Matthews

July 26 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Kathy McDaniel, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Terry Lefler, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

July 5 - Rachel Eller, Selma Ray, Carolyn Matthews, Clara Edmonds, Karen Lefler, Lora Clayton, Leigh Ann Pernell

July 12 - Janice Jordan, Nell Baker, Jennifer Allen, Melissa May, Sybil McBride, June Crabbe

July 19 - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Jeanne Hobson, Donna Bates, Bernice Hudspeth, Carolyn Britt, Ann Heller, Wanda Foster

July 26 - Friends & Partners Sunday School Class, Linnea Markham, Jeremy Cauble, Marla Andrews, Scott Andrews, Julie Barnes, Barney Barnes

Greeters

July 5
Sarah Hauser
Tony Perkins

July 19
Dennis Palmer

July 12
John Vogler
Ken Hatchett

July 26
Jim Pernell

Properties Committee

July 5
Earl Blink

July 19
David Matthews

July 12
James Stoneman

July 26
David Bass

Information Center for July

Garry Crist

Pat Blackwell

Deacon of the Week

July 5 - 11
Matt Hamby

July 19 - 25
Ken Hatchett

July 12 - 18
Jay Edmonds

July 26 - Aug. 1
Terry Lefler

CHRISTA'S

CORNER

A group from our church will be attending **Caswell SummerFest, August 17-21**. Many changes have taken place at Caswell regarding retreats offered for retired or semi-retired adults. Experienced leadership from across our state is seeking to offer the best experience possible. Last summer atten-

dance was high, and we were blessed with music by Pepper Choplin and touched by messages from Rev. Jack Causey. This summer's retreat includes Christian artist Cynthia Clawson and a morning Bible Study led by our own Dr. Charles Edwards. Pray for our group, that God will use this time to refresh spiritually and deepen our faith.

On **July 8th** those signed up will travel to the **Wohlfahrt House in Wytheville, Va** for "**Gospel Jubilee**," a revue of Christian songs that have given strength to people throughout the years.

August 14th takes our group to **Shatley Springs and a Cheese Factory Tour**. Our trip planning team is looking ahead to 2016 if you have any suggestions you would like to offer.

For information on the **New England Fall Foliage Tour September 26-October 2**, contact Ken Hatchett.

College Parkers will begin again **September 17th**, with **Barbershop Quartet music and hotdogs!**

Many thanks to Charles Edwards, Chair of College Parkers; Ken Hatchett, Trip Coordinator; Bill Clapp, Chair of Program Committee... and to all those who serve on these planning and action teams!

Blessings,

Christa Wanise



Summer Wednesday Nights

We want to invite you to join us at 6:00 on Wednesday evenings by "bringing your own" bag supper for your family. Bible study will begin at 6:30. This will offer us the opportunity for fellowship in a casual environment as we eat together before studying God's word.

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for July

*Natural Peanut Butter
and Jelly*

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 four weeks:

Jim Cooke
Grace Cowden
Steve Foster
Katherine Hobson
Roger Jones
Myrtle Lytle
Brittany Phillips
Kelsey Phillips
Vonnie Wood

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Vennie Davis in the death of her sister-in-law, to Sheila Vogler in the death of her cousin, to Donna Beeson in the death of her father, and to Mary Shannon in the death of her sister.

Thank-you notes have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Donna Beeson, from the family of Sam Mason and from Garlene Grogan.

In Loving Memory
of

Dolores H. Browne

August 15, 1927
to
June 20, 2015

Member of College Park
since
November 2002

In Loving Memory
of

Samuel G. Mason

February 6, 1926
to
June 4, 2015

Member of College Park
since
December 1955

In Loving Memory
of

Helen H. Simmons

February 5, 1922
to
June 5, 2015

Member of College Park
since
June 1956

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Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
 Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
 & Families
 Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
 Christa Warise, Minister of Senior Adults and
 Congregational Care
 Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

WMU Salad Supper
Tuesday, July 14
6:30 p.m.

Speaker: Erin Littleton
with the Mighty River Project

	<u>6/7</u>	<u>6/14</u>	<u>6/21</u>	<u>6/28</u>
Re:Creation Worship	96		110	
Sunday School	230	191	199	208
11:00 Worship	193	158	163	167
Brookridge	N/A	54	57	47

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

WMU Brunch

Mark your calendars now for **October 3 at 9:30 a.m.!**
WMU is hosting a brunch at College Park with Tana Hartsell, past president of North Carolina Women's Missionary Union, as the speaker. All women are invited!

Month of May 2015

Budget Beginning Balance	\$45,193.71
Budget Receipts	54,070.69
Budget Expenditures	67,300.68
Budget Ending Balance	\$31,963.72

Year to Date May 2015

Budget Beginning Balance	\$4,904.06
Budget Receipts	356,646.07
Budget Expenditures	329,586.41
Budget Ending Balance	\$31,963.72

Welcome New Members

David & Kathryn Adams
 4700 Duffer Lane
 Pfafftown, NC 27040
 923-4010

Welcome to the College Park family!

Building Fund - Month of May 2015

Building Fund Beginning Balance	\$100,676.84
Building Fund Receipts	7,783.00
Building Fund Expenditures	4,767.88
Building Fund Interest	4,803.53
Building Fund Balance	98,888.43
Loan Balance	\$1,387,572.36