

HIGHLIGHTS

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



From Your Pastor...

I am looking forward to National *Back-to-Church Sunday* this year, on September 18th!. For those who weren't with us last fall, Back-to-Church Sunday is a day when we join other churches from all around America, of all denominations, in making a concerted effort to invite people...well, back to church. This year, at College Park, we have been focusing on making contact with every-one on our church records that we have not seen or heard from recently. We have made tremendous progress, and I am so grateful to those who have chosen to help with this!

But before we get to September the 18th, we start up all of our fall and school-day activities around the church. Fall is an exciting time, but it is also a stressful time! It can be stressful for parents sending children back to school, and for teachers and administrators as the students come back. Fall is also usually

stressful for church staff and committees, as we have much to get done with the startup of Wednesday Family Nights and all that is involved in making that work.

Fall is also stressful for the Finance Committee as they look at receipts that generally fall off during the summer months, and try to project what contributions will be as we close out the year. Please remember to be faithful in the giving of your tithe. If all the people of College Park truly tithed, Finance Committee would be meeting to decide what to do with all of the money received above our needs! I am confident you will be faithful in your response, and giving!

Blessings and Peace!
Ramon

Our Mission...

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



September 4, 2016
11:00 a.m.

Lord-Built House
Sanctuary Choir

3 Kinds of Clay
Jeremiah 18:1-11
Ramon Smith

September 11, 2016
11:00 a.m.

Seek the Lord
Sanctuary Choir

Paul & I
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Ramon Smith

September 18, 2016
11:00 a.m.

Back to Church Sunday

The Power of the Cross
Sanctuary Choir

A Different Look at Grace
Luke 16:1-13

September 25, 2016
11:00 a.m.

I Will Always Rejoice
Sanctuary Choir

"Yes, Virginia, There Is a Hell!"
Luke 16:19-31
Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



Written over 1300 years ago, these words are just as relevant today:

Who are my friends? Are they Christians or not? Or some of each? If my friends are mostly Christians I am in danger of disappearing into a little Christian ghetto which will not be good for me.

My contact with non-Christians should not remain superficial-friendship, when it happens, comes from a mutual liking, beyond having just interests in common. It means being glad to spend time together; it means developing trust.

Friendship requires honesty. Friends do not need you to be 'up' all the time-instead they enable you to be more vulnerable.

-Abbess Ebba (Taken from the book *Celtic Daily Prayer*)

Years ago I had a minister friend who had become really interested in martial arts. When I asked him what had prompted him to take up his new hobby, he told me, "I looked around and realized one day that I was surrounded by only Christians. When I went to work, I worked with Christians. When I socialized, I socialized with Christians. I realized that I could go all week without any significant contact with unbelievers, and I knew that God had called me to reach out to those who did not already know Him." God has called us to do the same. He's called us to form real relationships with those who don't know Him, not to make them our next evangelism project, but to make them our friend. He's called us to reach out and form relationships that will mirror the unconditional love He's shown to each of us.

Next book club meeting:

**Monday, September 25
at 7:00 pm**

**We will be discussing:
*Sister Dear***

by Laura McNeill

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

September 4 - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Janie Bass, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

September 11 - Carolyn Ely, Cathy Chinlund, Dana Norman, Josh Norman, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle

September 18 - Carolyn Ely, Pam Nicholson, Melanie Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Bet Matthews, David Matthews

September 25 - Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Kathy McDaniel, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Terry Lefler, Sarah Hauser

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

September 4 - Rachel Eller, Selma Ray, Carolyn Matthews, Clara Edmonds, Karen Lefler, Lora Clayton, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

September 11 - Janice Jordan, Nell Baker, Melissa May, Lori Cogdill Sybil McBride, June Crabbe

September 18 - Courtney Gruver, Michael Gruver, Donna Bates, Bernice Hudspeth, Carolyn Britt, Ann Heller, Anita Hatchett

September 25 - Friends & Partners SS Class, Linnea Cauble, Jeremy Cauble, Marla Andrews, Scott Andrews, Julie Barnes, Barney Barnes

September 4
Russell Talley

September 18
Ken Hatchett

September 4
Scott Andrews

September 18
Doug Somers

Sept. 4 - 10
Lori Cogdill

Sept. 18 - 24
Terry Lefler

Greeters

September 11
Sarah Hauser
Tony Perkins

September 25
Dennis Palmer

Properties Committee

September 11
Michael Gruver

September 18
David Matthews

Deacon of the Week

Sept. 11 - 17
Alice Wilson

Sept. 25 - Oct. 1
Joseph Alexander

CHRISTA'S

CORNER

"How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?" (1 Thessalonians 3:9). Ken and I want to express to you how much joy you bring into our lives! For us, College Park is a place of joy and friendship, prayer and support, acceptance and genuine spirit.... Please know what a very special Body of Christ this is! You can be

be thankful and rejoice that you are part of Christ's Body that looks outward, not inward; that cares about all people from all walks of life; that has a place for everybody... the love of Christ is in the air at CP! It has delighted us to be a part of this great fellowship of believers!

God has called, so we will move down the road to minister at West Side Baptist Church. This decision comes after much prayer, wanting only to do what God wants us to do. Pray for us as we begin to serve with this body of believers, and as I move into the role of pastor. When I served as a senior pastor before, it brought great fulfillment to my soul and was a wonderful experience, with, of course, a steady spiritual deepening that occurs as you prepare sermons and carry that particular weight of leadership (Ramon and Charles know!)

You are blessed to have a gifted pastor that not only shares stirring sermons, but has a heart that hurts with the hurting, celebrates the good in your lives, and genuinely loves others. Ramon longs to see people find Christ and looks for opportunities wherever he is. Jeff and Mary, also gifted, serve generously, longing to glorify God. Christ shines in Joan and Grace's service of love. Pray for your staff daily. And please pray for Ken and me (and Mama) as we begin our new ministry at West Side on September 11th. We hope to visit with you for some special events, as you are lifetime friends. Perhaps our congregations can occasionally join in ministry and fellowship together. Thanks again for your love, support and prayers!

Blessings,

Christa Wanise



Sunday, September 18

We will be contacting members that we have not seen in a while.

**CRISIS CONTROL
MINISTRY**

Gift for September

Grits and Oatmeal

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 month:

- Van Baber**
- Bill Baker**
- Wanda Foster**
- Vince Helmintoller**
- Jennie Lewis**
- Wayne Lewis**
- Rusty Rose**
- Troy Wood**

Christian love and sympathy are extended to Virginia Stines in the death of her brother, to Virgil & JoAnn Jessup in the death of their grandson, to Sarah Hauser and Jean Bumgardner in the death of their brother, to Anne Carter in the death of her husband, and to Bobby Haymore in the death of his father.

Thank-you notes have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Vicky Palmer and from the family of Bill Wright.

In Loving Memory
of
Harold B. Moore

January 5, 1931
to
August 6, 2016

Member of College Park
since
February 1992

In Loving Memory
of
Willis "Bill" M. Wright

October 7, 1919
to
August 7, 2016

Member of College Park
since
August 1960

In Loving Memory
of
Marcellus E. Waddill

April 28, 1930
to
August 24, 2016

Member of College Park
since
December 1962

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CHURCH**

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>8/7</u>	<u>8/14</u>	<u>8/21</u>	<u>8/28</u>
Re:Creation Worship	88	101	87	96
Sunday School	175	201	211	206
11:00 Worship	148	175	173	163
Brookridge	47	47	44	44

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of July 2016

Budget Beginning Balance	\$-37,898.95
Budget Receipts	62,368.38
Budget Expenditures	76,121.02
Budget Ending Balance	\$-51,651.59

Year to Date July 2016

Budget Beginning Balance	\$-7,711.56
Budget Receipts	476,885.06
Budget Expenditures	520,825.09
Budget Ending Balance	\$-51,651.59

Building Fund - Month of July 2016

Building Fund Beginning Balance	\$74,685.86
Building Fund Receipts	5,685.00
Building Fund Expenditures	5,468.44
Building Fund Interest	4,572.47
Building Fund Balance	70,329.95
Loan Balance	\$1,320,366.75

- The **Budget Planning** Committee will be available during the supper hour on **Wednesday, October 5**, for questions concerning the proposed 2017 budget.
- Representatives from the Budget Committee and/or the Finance Committee will be available during the Sunday School hour on **Sunday, October 9** for questions concerning the upcoming budget.
- The proposed budget for 2017 will be presented for discussion on **Wednesday, October 12**, at 6:30 p.m. in Smith Hall.
- The vote on the proposed 2017 budget will be held on Sunday morning, **October 23**, in both services.



The Winston Salem Day Women's class of Bible Study Fellowship will begin the study of John on Wednesday, September 14. The class meets at College Park from 9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. every

Wednesday.

There is also a children's program for ages 6 weeks through 5 years old.

Come join us and register for this year's study on September 14. Children may be registered on September 14 as well.

For more information, please contact Frances Hunsucker at 336-416-4567.