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

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From Your Pasion ...

Let me begin with a personal note: Thank you very much for your prayers, kind acts, and words during our family's recent loss. Through it all, we continue to learn what a precious gift each day is for us! Maybe we all need to be reminded of that, but it seems to have become a theme for us at College Park. Through all the sickness, death, and crises, it would be understandable for a church to experience a minor depression of sorts. But as we heard Sunday, the voice of Truth tells us not to fear, and to hear His encouragement. As we read the book of Job, it would be easy for us to put ourselves in Job's place and ask "Why, God? Why would You allow this to happen?" But we would be asking the wrong question! The underlying question of Job is not why would God allow this to happen, but how, in the face of all that he experienced, could Job continue to worship God and say "Blessed be the name of the Lord!" Sometimes we don't get answers to our questions because we ask the wrong questions.

This Sunday we will continue our Lenten journey together as we will look at our role as "restorers." If God provided a path for restoration for us, through Jesus, shouldn't we be willing to help each other with our struggles?

We'll see you Sunday!

Ramon

In Touch

College Financial Planning Seminar Comes to CPBC

If you are a parent of a child, from babies through the 8th grade, then CPBC has a deal for you! One of the greatest concerns of a parent is how to pay for college that is just a few short years away. One of the keys to paying for college is to get an early start on the process. With this in mind, the Family Ministry of College Park is offering a seminar entitled, "College Financial Planning," on Tuesday, March 1 from 6:00-7:30 PM. This particular seminar is for parents of younger children, babies to 8th grade, as the topic will focus on long-term planning.

A light dinner will be provided during the seminar and the "hat" will be passed to help pay for the meal. Other than the food, there is no cost to this seminar. It is a ministry we are offering to you. Also, if you are interested in child care, please give the church office a call as soon as possible. If you plan on attending the seminar, **please call the church by Monday, February 28**. This will allow us to plan the food accordingly. Please feel free to call me with questions.

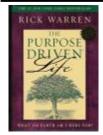
New York Mission Trip Update

The journey to New York takes a big step forward this Sunday as any youth (rising ninth grader through high school senior) and any potential chaperones will be having an interest meeting luncheon immediately following worship. Please plan to be at this important meeting since the signup deadline is next Wednesday, March 2.

Jeff

Host Homes Needed for Singing College Students

The William and Mary College Choir will be performing with the Wake Forest University Choir on March 22. The 30-person William and Mary Choir is in need of host homes for one evening, March 22. Pick up will be at 9:30 p.m. on the WFU campus. No meal is required as the choir members will need to be back to WFU early on March 23. If you are able to take 1,2, or more of the students, please call Robin Godwin at 758-4188 (work) or 922-2203 (home). Thanks for showing some College Park care to these college students.



The Purpose Driven Life Discipleship Series Presented on Sunday Evenings Beginning March 6th

If you are interested in participating, please call the church office and let us know. When you call, please indicate whether you already have a copy of the book or would like for us to furnish one.

N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes Offering Our Goal: \$2,000.00 Received to Date: \$1,405.00

College Financial Planning Seminar *A Long Term Solution*



For Parents of Babies through 8th Grade Youth *Tuesday March 1, 2005* Adult I Assembly

Call the church office by Monday, February 28 to register.

NEW YORK CITY MISSION TRIP INTEREST Meeting

Sunday, February 27

Lunch Meeting After Worship (until 1:30 p.m.)



Children's Ministry Council Meeting

Sunday, February 27 4:00 p.m.



Family Night Supper - Wednesday, March 2 **Chicken Cordon Bleu** Rice Vegetable Yeast Rolls **Dessert**

Please make your reservation by noon on Tues., March 1.

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital in the last week:

> Mary Fisher, Melba Jones, Sandy Orrell, Dr. A. L. Parker

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Saundra Smith in the death of her sister-in-law, to Randy Duncan in the death of his mother, and to Georgie Kitchen in the death of her sister.



Crisis Control Gift for February: **Applesauce**

January Collections: 65 shampoo, 6 Peanut Butter, 4 Pork & Beans, 1 Dish Detergent, 1 Macaroni & Cheese, 5 Laundry Detergents

REPORT FROM FEBRUARY 20, 2005

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Sunday School	264
Worship	336
Brookridge	41
Budget Requirement To Date	\$107,437.52
Budget Receipts To Date (82.15%)	\$88,260.56
FULFILLING THE PROMISE	
New FTP Pledges	\$289,522.00
New FTP Pledged Gifts to Date (109.10%)	\$315,880.91
Total Building Fund Receipts To Date	\$2,926,749.02
Balance Due on Building	\$155,099.99

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 5, 2005

Sunday, February 27		
9:15 a.m.	Media Center Open	
9:30	Sunday School Classes	
10:45	Gathering in Sanctuary for Worship	
12:15 p.m.	Visitation Assignments	
_	Youth Mission Trip Interest Luncheon Meeting	
3:30	Youth Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal	
4:00	Children's Ministry Council	
4:30	Ainesis Rehearsal	
5:30	Youth Snack Supper	
6:00	Discipleship	
	Channels Rehearsal	
7:00	Handbells Rehearsal	
Monday, February 28		

10:00 a.m. Monday Bible Study 7:00 Boy Scout Troop 907 Tuesday, March 1

10:00 a.m. Grace Notes Rehearsal 6:00-7:30 p.m. College Financial Planning Seminar Wednesday, March 2 5:30 p.m. Media Center Open

5:30-6:30 Supper Line Open Cherub Choir, Sing for God, & Psalm 8:2 Rehearsals 6:00 6:15 Sunday School Council 6:45 **Prayer Meeting** Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Acteens, Challengers 7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 4

6:30-8:00 p.m. Hoops for Him Banquet - Old Town Baptist

Saturday, March 5

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Workers in Worship Nursery: February 27, 10:30 a.m. Lori & Jason Cogdill; Ann Keith; Janet Somers; Carolyn Matthews; Anne Heller

Deacon of the Week: Chuck Barbee

David & Barbara Page **Greeters:** February 27 Properties Comm. Member on Duty:

Brookridge Driver: Larry Jones Wilbert McBride, June Crabbe **Information Center February:**



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, February 27th 10:45 a.m. THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord Oh Lord, You're Beautiful Cherub/Sing For God Combined Choirs

> Grant Peace We Pray Sanctuary Choir

Who Am I? **Eye-Witness**

Operation Restoration Ramon Smith

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