

HIGHLIGHTS

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



From Your Pastor...

Well, it's here! The season of Advent is upon us and it is one of the most exciting times in our church year! We will have a lot of special programs, class parties, BRIDGES group meetings, family activities, places to go, and things to do. In the midst of all the things to do, let us not lose sight of what is most important about the season: celebrating the birth of our Savior...God with us...Immanuel. That may sound like an overstatement of the obvious, but it is very easy to get so wrapped up in schedules that we miss our meeting with the Son of God! Trust me, those who do not believe as we do will not hesitate to try to deflect the joy of the season, and try to substitute something cheap in its place. Something like materialism, or skepticism, or cynicism, or fear concerning 12/21/12 (that whole Mayan calendar...planet alignment...end of the age thing). All of these (and many more) are the instruments that Satan would use to keep us distracted from one of our

true purposes that Christ outlined pretty concisely in Matthew 5:16:

"...let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

So this Christmas when you start to see all of the Christmas lights going up, let it serve as a reminder of what Jesus said a couple of verses before:

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden." (Matthew 5:14)

Remember, the Christmas season is one of those seasons when people think more about going to church. As people become more convinced that materialism is not satisfying and that there must be more to life, we have the opportunity to point them to the King of Kings who came to give hope, peace, joy and love! Let us be bold and loving as we share the good news of Jesus Christ!

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



December 2, 2012
11:00 a.m.

1st Sunday of Advent: HOPE

Children's Sunday

*God of Hope—Psalm 8:2
All This Glory—Kid's
Praise Band*

December 9, 2012
11:00 a.m.

2nd Sunday of Advent: PEACE

*And on Earth...Peace
A cantata presented by the
Sanctuary Choir*

A NOTE FROM MARY



You are cordially invited to join us as we celebrate
the season of Advent:

Sunday, December 2nd, 9 & 11 a.m.-

Children's Sunday at Christmas

Sunday, December 9th, 11 a.m.-

And on Earth...Peace, a cantata presented by the Sanctuary Choir

Sunday, December 16th

9 a.m.-Christmas Rock Opera

11a.m.- worship led by *Channels* and Sanctuary Bells

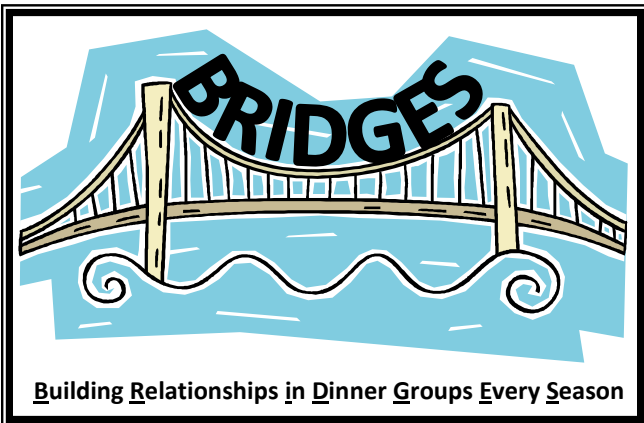
6 p.m.- *Christmas Shoe Tree*, musical led by our youth & children

Sunday, December 23rd, 11 a.m.

Worship led by *Channels* & Sanctuary Bells

Monday, December 24th, 5 p.m.

Christmas Eve Service



**2013 BRIDGES
Ministry sign
up period is
now open!**

Read more...

What is BRIDGES? BRIDGES is a dinner group fellowship ministry for fun loving folks that enjoy good times

Why are we doing this? To build relationships across the generations

When will the groups meet? Once every three months or so

Who makes up the groups? Adults of all ages (singles, couples, single-again)

Where will the groups meet? At the choice of the group

How to get involved? Fill out an information card and place it in the basket at the Welcome Center by December 2

Questions? See Jeff Allen or any member of the Family Ministry Team

CHRISTA'S CORNER

The PMBA Senior Adult Candle Tea is at Union Grove Baptist Church in Kernersville on December 6, 2:00 p.m., Dr. Charles Edwards will be participating in this year's service. This is a worshipful way to begin the Advent Season! Let Christa know by December 3 if you would like to go with a group from church at 1:00 p.m.

On December 20, 11:30 a.m., the College Parkers welcome an Arbor Acres singing group, Sharps and Flats. Join us for the covered dish luncheon time of Christmas fellowship!

The next meeting of the Home Ministry Team will be December 5, 5:00 p.m., in the Conference Room. If you can't attend and would like to be a part of this ministry team, please contact Alice Wilson or Christa (ext. 25).

Remember our College Parkers in prayer as they travel to the coast, leaving November 28th and returning on the 30th.

Christa Warise



We are ending our previous three-year building fund campaign in November and starting the new one at the beginning of December. Please keep in mind the completion of your original pledge and start on your new one, if you have not done so. Many of you have started your pledges already, and we appreciate it. If you have any questions, please contact Grace in the church office.

**NC Baptist
Children's Homes Offering**

**Goal: \$3500.00
Received to Date:
\$2255.00**

FAMILY MINISTRY

Children's Sunday

December 2, during Morning Worship

Our children will be leading us in worship on Sunday, December 2 during both the 9:00 am and 11:00 am services. This "Children's Sunday" will feature all the ages of our preschool and children's ministry. Our precious children will be leading us through praying, singing, speaking, and various other ways. Don't miss a wonderful time of worship as we begin the season of advent with this powerful service of hope!

COLLEGE MINISTRY

College Exam Pack Goodies Needed!

December 2

It is time for this semester's college exam pack run. We need people to help us make this happen by bringing individually wrapped goodies, homemade or otherwise, to the small kitchen (below the sanctuary) by Sunday, December 2. These items will help make up the exam packs. We will be making approximately 50 exam packs. Thanks for your help with this important ministry to our college students.

RECREATION MINISTRY

Hoops4Him Basketball

Upcoming Game Schedule

December 1

11:00 AM Junior Boys (at Calvary Baptist Church)
 12:00 PM Intermediate Boys (at St. John's Lutheran Church)
 1:00 PM Girls (at Beck's Baptist Church)
 1:15 PM High School Boys (at Calvary Baptist Church)

December 8

9:00 AM Junior Boys (at Calvary Baptist Church)
 10:00 AM Intermediate Boys (at St. John's Lutheran Church)
 12:45 PM High School Boys (at Christ Wesleyan Church)

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

College Parkers

Thursday, December 20

The Christmas gathering of the *College Parkers* will begin with a delicious covered-dish luncheon on Thursday, December 20 at 11:30. The *Sharps and Flats*, a singing group of 25 persons from Arbor Acres, will be the guests. You are invited to bring a guest and join the fellowship and entertainment.

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for December

24 oz. Cooking Oil

"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:

Karly Bertram
 T.D. Brann
 Jim Cooke
 Evelyn Goodrich
 Laura Hauser
 Jack Hoyle
 Marie Murphree

A thank you note has been received and placed on the bulletin board from Levy & Evelyn Goodrich.

Welcome New Members

Lee & Beth Hinesley
 4429 Eagles Nest Drive
 Winston Salem, NC 27127
 784-3021

Chuck & Roxanne Rothrock
 Emily & Tyler
 4248 Wallburg Road
 Winston Salem, NC 27107
 293-6997

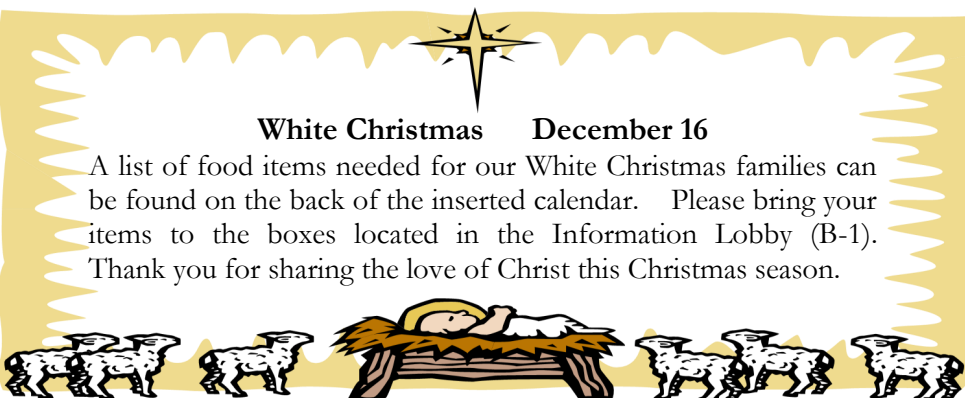
Vaughn & "Charlie" Shaffer
 216 Bradberry Lane
 Winston Salem, NC 27104
 768-4433

Leah Spare
 104 Glen Eagles Drive
 Winston Salem, NC 27104
 354-3357

Welcome to the College
 Park family!

White Christmas December 16

A list of food items needed for our White Christmas families can be found on the back of the inserted calendar. Please bring your items to the boxes located in the Information Lobby (B-1). Thank you for sharing the love of Christ this Christmas season.



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www.Re-Creation.ws
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

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

9:00 Worship Nursery Workers

December 2 - Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Rachel Eller, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Donna Beeson, Mike Beeson

December 9 - Carolyn Ely, Chris May, Kathy McDaniel, Kim Jones, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Tammy Cashwell, Craig Cashwell

11:00 Worship Nursery Workers

December 2 - Beth Huff, Garlene Grogan, Jeanne Hobson, Donna Bates, Sarah Burnett, Beth SabbaghRabaiotti, Leigh Ann Pernel, Whitney Pernel

December 9 - Wanda Foster, Nell Baker, Stefanie Morris, Janice Jordan, Stephanie Cayton, Jeff Cayton, Sybil McBride, June Crabbe

Greeters

December 2
Dennis Palmer
Wayne Lewis

December 9
Russell Talley

Properties Committee

December 2
N'Earl Godwin

December 9
Charlie Jones

Information Center for December

Bob Baker

Trudy Elkins

Deacon of the Week

Dec. 2 - Dec. 8
Charlie Jones

Dec. 9 - Dec. 15
Mary Nell Page

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>Nov. 18</u>	<u>Nov. 25</u>
Re:Creation Worship	98	126
Sunday School	259	230
11:00 Worship	205	228
Brookridge	38	34

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of October 2012

Budget Beginning Balance	\$4,009.45
Budget Receipts	\$55,209.73
Budget Expenditures	\$64,220.44
Budget Ending Balance	\$(5,001.26)

Year to Date 2012

Budget Beginning Balance	\$32,252.61
Budget Receipts	\$603,002.04
Budget Expenditures	\$640,255.91
Budget Ending Balance	\$(5,001.26)

Building Fund-Month of October 2012

Building Fund Beginning Balance	\$337,154.74
Building Fund Receipts	\$11,846.99
Building Fund Expenditures	\$48,668.06
Building Fund Balance	\$300,333.67
Loan Balance	\$271,013.76

Family Night Supper

December

"No Time to Cook"

Pizza

Deluxe Salad Bar

Dessert

We will once again decorate the Sanctuary with white poinsettias. If you would like to give a plant in honor of, or in memory of someone, please complete an order form and return it to the church office **along with your payment, no later than Sunday, December 2.** (Please do not place your order in the offering plate.) The price is **\$10.25 per plant.**

Given by: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____