

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



As you read this, no doubt you are aware that we are finishing up our January series entitled Re:Set 2021, which has helped us look at "where do we go from here?" We have received numerous phone calls, emails, and text messages with suggestions, thoughts and prayer requests as we journey together as church family! Rest assured that we are listening/reading/considering all of your thoughts, and are incredibly thankful for your encouragement and dreams shared! I believe with all of my heart that God is giving us a fresh start in many ways as we explore new ways to reach people with the message of God's love as demonstrated by the life, death and resurrection of His Son!

As a follow-up to **Re:Set 2021**, during the month of February, I will be preaching a series entitled "**Get Real!**" My hope and prayer is that through this series of sermons (which includes the beginning of the season of Lent), we will discover, or rediscover, what it means to be real in our faith, and "live it out" daily. I'm concerned that 2020 has conditioned too many of us to live a life motivated by fear and anger, and my hope is that by looking at the life and teachings of Jesus, we can correct our course and live a life of **real faith!**

Please join us in praying that hearts will be blessed and changed as we worship and do missions together during the month of February, and look forward to March when hopefully we will be able to be back out on the front lawn on Wednesday evenings together! In the meantime, please do not hesitate to call if we can help you in any way!

Blessings & Peace,

Ramon

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

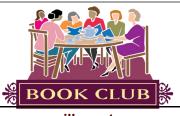


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A NOTE FROM MARY

The last couple of weeks in worship and in our group study, there's been a lot of discussion about love and also about forgiveness. At some point in our discussion each week someone has said, "But that is really hard!" And I've had to confess, it really is. I would love to say that the one thing that Jesus said would show others we belong to Him is something that comes naturally, but for most of us, it doesn't. It is easy to talk big about love and a whole lot harder to live it out. But love has to be lived out. It is a verb. Love as a noun is a great concept. We can talk about it as something to attain and hold on to. You know, "All we need is love." However, love as a verb means getting our hands dirty. It requires giving up something of our selves: our rights, our desires, our time, our position, our right-ness, our need to be understood. It is hard. But Jesus said it would



will meet on Monday, February 22nd at 7 pm This month's book is: *Sold on a Monday* by Kristina McMorris

define us. Others will know us by our love. In a world that talks about love as a concept and so lacking in love, God is challenging me more and more to live out love. And that means looking for people to love and ways to express His love to them. Funny thing is, you don't have to look far. I invite you to join me in finding tangible ways to love others, others who may be hurting, others who are different from us, others who are difficult to love. We don't get a choice who to love. When we do the hard work of loving, God sends the people. Thankfully, He also sends His Spirit to help us love. We could never do it on our own, but He doesn't leave us to do it in our own power.

IN TOUCH...with Jeff

Family Ministry Update

Our volunteers work very hard to provide safe, effective resources for in-person and virtual learning experiences. Here is just one of the great resources available to our families.

Virtual Sunday School

Each week, Mrs. Leigh Ann creates some fun learning activities for all of our children. It is called "Virtual Sunday School" and it is so much fun! These activities are sent out weekly by email and we also put them up on our website:

(<u>https://collegepark.ws/children-wp/</u>) for families to use. It's like having Mrs. Leigh Ann and Mrs. Alice at home with you! We hope kids of every age enjoy this great resource!



<u>GUYS GETAWAY 2021</u> (Fort Caswell, October 22-24) Come to the coast, be recharged, leave with renewed strength.

Over the last couple of months, we have been telling you about a new event for the men in our congregation. Due to the coronavirus concerns, the retreat is being moved to October 22-24. We will continue to update you in the coming months about this opportunity. For now, here is a quick look.

We are heading to the North Carolina coast for a great weekend at Fort Caswell, near Wilmington. Caswell has been the home of lifechanging retreats for decades. We will travel to this amazing location for worship, food, and fun of all kinds. Golf, fishing, cornhole, rocking on the front porch – all are possible at **our guy's getaway**. We invite you to save the third weekend of October for this unforgettable weekend. More details will be announced soon. Let's get excited about **our Guys Getaway!**



Senior Adults & Family Recreation

Family Game Night Sunday Feb. 21st @ 5:00pm





Church Ski Trip @ Winterplace WV

What's Included

Feb. 26th and 27th Friday night lift (4-10 pm) 1 night's hotel lodging (F) Continental breakfast Ski/Snowboard rental(s) Lunch voucher



Cost: \$161 @ 4 per room \$168 @ 3 per room \$183 @ 2 per room

Sign up by Feb. 14th

Contact Matt for more information.



May 21, 1946 to January 6, 2021

Member of College Park since October 2014

In Loving Memory of Anne McDonald

March 23, 1919 to January 14, 2021

Member of College Park since January 1990

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

February 7 Lee Hinesley

February 21

Barry Nelson

February 14 Doug Somers

February 28 Noah Goodman February 21

February 7

Jim Pernell

Carolyn Matthews

DEACON OF THE WEEK

February 28 Carolyn Ely

February 14

Chris May

INFORMATION CENTER

R.J. Westphal June Crabbe



We miss seeing you! So come by and just say hi or stay and chat for a while. Tues. Feb. 16th 10:00 am — 4:00 pm

Clear your calendar, fill up the tank, and check Realm for more information in the coming weeks.

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for February

~ Instant Potatoes ~

Items collected in January

8 boxes of saltine crackers 7 cans of beef stew 3 cans of black eye peas

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 month:

> **Glen Arvey** Andy Hewitt Wayne Lewis Frank Martinez Sonny Patterson **Beth Sabbagh**

Notes of appreciation have been received from: Fleet Feet Carolyn Matthews the family of Cherry Parnell

Christian sympathy is extended to:

- * the family of Sarah Knopf
- * the family of Anne McDonald

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Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students & Families Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education Matt Wilson, Minister/Senior Adults & Family Recreation Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

"Jesus, teach us to love as You love, and teach us the meaning of love as Your Word defines it. Help us practice patience and kindness. Remove from us envy and pride, rudeness and selfishness, and the holding of grudges. Teach us to protect one another from harm, to trust each other without cynicism, to hope for one another's best and to persevere even when we feel like walking away. You have taught us to overcome evil with good; teach us also to overcome hatred and indifference with Your holy, heavenly love."



ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>1/3</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>1/17</u>	<u>1/24</u>
Re:Creation Worship	55	62	69	62
11:00 Worship	68	76	69	63

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Budget ~ December 2020	MTD	YTD
Budget	\$74,118.98	\$889,427.74
Receipts	\$124,761.33	\$983,938.29
Expenditures	\$84,449.76	\$867,777.27

Building Fund ~ December 2020

Beginning Balance	\$61,860.63	\$77,984.27
Receipts	\$10,688.00	\$94,739.23
Expenditures	\$9,074.17	\$109,249.04
Ending Balance	\$63,474.46	\$63,474.46
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Loan Balance

\$913,850.75

The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread. Mother Teresa

Share the *love of Christ* on Valentine's Day.