

# HIGHLIGHTS

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



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

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## *From Your Pastor...*

It is not coincidence that "the Passion of the Christ" began showing on Ash Wednesday...it was intentional on the part of the movie's producer. This brings us to the point where we need to face the meaning of Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. There is no verse in the Bible that says, "Thou shalt celebrate Lent." There are several traditions that tell about Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent, and I will tell you about these in more detail when we are gathered together; but the important thing is that Ash Wednesday is the beginning of 40 days of self-examination, with the help of the Holy Spirit. We can use the temptation of Christ for 40 days as our model, as we seek to cleanse ourselves of those things (thoughts, actions, attitudes) that are not pleasing to God. It is important to understand that it's not just about giving up soft drinks or chocolate...it's about yielding to the leadership of the Holy Spirit as we seek to give up all selfishness and take on "Christ-likeness."

God has prepared the way for us as we take on His likeness more fully, and that has been His plan from the very beginning! This Sunday, we will begin a series of worship experiences around the theme of "God's Promises." As we worship together, it is our prayer that God will transform us, so that we may be salt and light!

See you Sunday!

**Ramon**

## *In Touch...*

*Closed door, open window*

As many of you may already know, our mission trip to Haiti has been canceled due to the escalating violence that seems to be rolling through much of the country. As I was thinking about how our team would be missing an opportunity to minister in Haiti, God struck me with a simple and profound thought - "Just because you can not physically be present to serve in My name does not mean you cannot make a difference through prayer." I believe there will be a time for us to return to Haiti, but until then, we can all make a difference in that country with our prayers. When God closes a door, He always opens a window!

*Jeff A.*



## *Jeff's Notes*

What a great weekend we had in Blowing Rock! The members of our youth choir went beyond our expectations in their hard work and their other participation. They were truly an integral part of Sunday morning worship at Rumples Memorial Presbyterian, who, as always, were very gracious hosts. My thanks to each of the youth who went and to Jim and Leigh Ann Pernell, Bill and Donna Hinson (and William and Elizabeth), Jeff Allen, and Jenny P. for going beyond any sense of duty and being wonderful chaperons and role models.

**Ainesis Members and Parents:** Don't forget our meeting this Sunday at 5:15 p.m. in the Chapel. This is a must attend meeting so we can cover all the details and questions about our trip in March. We will begin **Ainesis rehearsal at 4:00 p.m.** for the next two weeks. See you then!!

**Speas School Volunteers Needed:** We still need 6-8 additional volunteers to help with the annual Book Fair on March 8-11. If you can help, please give me a call.

**Channels Christmas Concert CD's** are available for order in the office. The cost is only \$5 and must be paid when you order.

*Jeff P.*

## "Highlights" on the Web January Statistics

Below are the statistics for the number of times the following newsletters were viewed on the website:

"Current Issue"- 922

(alternate source for each week's mailing)

Dec. 31 - 500

Jan. 7 - 410

Jan. 14 - 432

Jan. 21 - 304

This is a huge readership online. Those who receive their newsletter online save the church approximately \$20 per year in copy and mailing costs, which is a significant savings. We are very grateful to **Rick Matthews** for all the hard work he puts into making our website such a wonderful outreach (and inreach) instrument that reaches so many people! Check it out!! [www.collegeparkbaptist.org](http://www.collegeparkbaptist.org)

## Ministry Emphases

*"Questions about the movie?"*

**Open Discussion**

**Coffee House**

**Saturday, February 28 @ 7:00 PM**

at *The Park*



*"God's Promises"*

**A special five-week series beginning**

**Sunday, February 29 @ 10:45 AM**

Sanctuary at *The Park*

ATTENTION! ATTENTION!  
ALL BASKETBALL PLAYERS,  
COACHES, AND PARENTS

Please make plans to attend the...

**Basketball Banquet**  
**March 1, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**  
**Smith Hall**

*Don't miss a great night of fun,  
food, and fellowship!*



## Family Night Supper March 3

Spaghetti  
Tossed Salad Bread Sticks  
Dessert

## Crisis Control Gift for February: Instant Grits

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to  
Marcellus Waddill in the death of his sister-in-law.



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:

*Sarah Francour, Ralph Means*

Notes of appreciation have been received and  
posted on the bulletin board from Kathryn Holt  
and from Sheila Hutcherson.

*Thank  
You*

Week of Prayer for  
North American Missions and the  
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
March 7 - 14

**Monday, March 8**  
Prayer Breakfast, Smith Hall  
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday - Friday**  
Prayer Room open for individual prayer  
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Mark your calendar for the  
Prayer Breakfast on Monday, and  
take advantage of the opportunity to pray for the  
missionaries each day in the  
Prayer Room (off the Adult 4 Assembly Room).

Goal: \$4,000.00

### REPORT FROM FEBRUARY 22, 2004

Sunday School	300
Worship	342
Brookridge	45
Budget Requirement To Date	\$101,927.04
Budget Receipts To Date (110.81%)	\$112,941.82
<b>FULFILLING THE PROMISE</b>	
New FTP Pledges	\$289,522.00
New FTP Pledged Gifts to Date (50.31%)	\$145,660.68
Total Building Fund Receipts To Date	\$2,756,528.79
Balance Due on Building	\$322,857.77
Sound System to Date	<b>\$15,650.00</b>

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 29 - MARCH 6

### Sunday, Feb. 29

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  
4:00 *Ainesis* Rehearsal  
4:30 Children's Ministry Council - E305  
5:15 *Ainesis* Parents Meeting  
5:30 Youth Snack Supper  
6:00 *Channels* Rehearsal, Adult Bible Study  
Children's and Youth Discipleship  
7:00 *Sanctuary Bells* Rehearsal

### Monday, March 1

10:00 a.m. Monday Bible Study  
6:00-7:30 p.m. Basketball Fellowship - Smith Hall  
7:00 Boy Scout Troop 907

### Tuesday, March 2

10:00 a.m. *Grace Notes* Rehearsal

### Wednesday, Mar. 3

5:30 p.m. Media Center Open  
5:30-6:30 Supper Line Open  
6:00 *Cherub Choir, Sing for God, and Psalm 8:2* Rehearsals  
6:15 Sunday School Council  
6:45 Ash Wednesday Service  
Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Challengers, Acteens  
7:30 *Sanctuary Choir, EyeWitness* Rehearsals

### Saturday, Feb. 28

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
Basketball Championship Saturday - Calvary Baptist

**Workers in Worship Nursery:** February 29, 10:30 a.m.  
Bill & Donna Hinson; Bernice Hudspeth; Jo Sessoms; Jennie  
Lewis; Barbie Morgan; Jan & Jim Hylton  
**Deacon of the Week:** Wes Morgan (768-1761)

**Greeters:** Feb. 29 Wayne & Jennie Lewis  
**Properties Comm. Member on Duty:** Roy Johnson  
**Brookridge Driver:** Feb. 29 Larry Jones  
**Information Center for Feb:** Wilbert McBride, June Crabbe



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, February 29

10:45 a.m.

*THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT*

*Hallelujah*  
*May the Mind of Christ My Savior*  
- Sanctuary Choir

*In the Beginning, Genesis 3:15*  
- Ramon Smith

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