

HIGHLIGHTS

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



It's about 10 weeks away, but it's not too early to start planning to attend! What am I talking about? Our first Church Renewal Nights! Yes, it's a fair question to ask what that is! On the evenings of November 19-21 we will meet together to study and worship! We will be exploring what makes the church so special, and discovering ways we can better serve as one body!

This is not revival services like we've had in the past where there is a strong evangelistic emphasis. Rather, it is a focus on building the body so that we, in turn, can go out and serve our Lord in many ways with the ultimate goal of "making disciples."



And yes, I know November is a busy month, so we planned this on Sunday through Wednesday evenings so hopefully there will be minimal schedule conflicts. The schedule for the evenings will be released in a couple of weeks, but best guess is we are looking at small group

study at 6:30, and worship at 7:15, with an "end time" approximately 8:00. Sunday's schedule will be slightly different. It's likely we could have Smith Hall set up with tables, so if we want to bring to-go supper and eat together, that could be an option. Mark your calendar for November 19-21 and plan to attend each evening for a great time of fellowship, discussion and worship!

Let me also encourage you to be a part of our Prayer Partner Ministry. I cannot stress enough how important it is for children to grow up in an environment of many different generations...something that we enjoy that many others do not. Sign up now and bless a life!

Blessings & Peace,

Ramon

 THE WORSHIP OF GOD 	
<p>September 3, 2023 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Church Lite Matthew 16:21-28 Ramon Smith</p>	<p>September 10, 2023 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Doing It By the Book Matthew 18:15-20 Ramon Smith</p>
<p>September 17, 2023 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>"When Is Enough, Enough?" Matthew 18:21-35 Ramon Smith</p>	<p>September 24, 2023 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Joy In the Prison! Philippians 1:21-30 Ramon Smith</p>

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

Church Conference:
Wednesday,
October 18th
at 7:00 pm
in Smith Hall

A NOTE FROM MARY



Being still has never been my thing. I am a type-A, to do list kind of girl who enjoys being on the run. Not only that, I tend to be a super independent “I can do this on my own” woman. And those are characteristics that the world we live in encourages: be productive, be busy, do it on your own. We wear our busyness like badge of honor. Busyness equals importance and significance. And, even though I am at a point in my life where I intentionally carve out time to be still before God on a daily basis, I must confess that my time in scripture and prayer is a prelude to more busyness.

And yet we are reminded in Psalm 46 to “Be still and know that I am God.” This summer has been an interesting lesson is being still. I have been more physically still than ever before. I have had to lay aside plans and goals I had, things I felt I needed to do. I have had to rely on friends and family for things as small as a glass of water. And, in all honesty, I have fought it every step of the way. But God has met me in it. He has reminded me that my worth is not in my busyness. My plans are not as important as His. And He is in control, even when life is out of my control. He is indeed my “refuge and strength,” on the days when I feel strong and the days I am not.

will meet on
Monday, September 25th
at 7 pm
in the Garden Lobby

This month's book is:
What She Left Behind
by Ellen Marie Wiseman



Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for the Fall and Spring:

We will begin the fall version of our Wednesday night meals on Wednesday, September 6th. We are grateful that the meals will be catered by Chris and Jessica Sostaita and the cost will be \$7.00 per person.

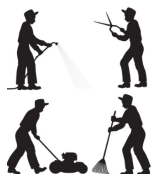
We need volunteers in a variety of ways each week. Please be in consideration for how you can help with setting up, serving, and cleaning up. We are pleased to have your assistance in any way and when it is convenient for your schedule. Sign-up sheets are available for you to indicate how you can serve throughout the fall and spring.

The menu for each week in September will be:

- 9/6: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls
- 9/13: country style steak, mac and cheese, broccoli casserole, cornbread
- 9/20: taco bar
- 9/27: chicken alfredo, salad

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

If you have an extra knee scooter, rollator, or wheelchair ... or any other type of home health equipment that you no longer need, the church would be happy to receive your donation to be placed in our Mobility Room to be loaned out to individuals who need to borrow this type of equipment.



**DEACON CHURCH-WIDE
WORK DAY
AT THE PARK:
September 23rd:
8 am — 12 pm**

Interested in helping us beautify and organize our church spaces? We would love to have your help!

Contact Donna Bates if you can help so that she can adequately prepare and assign tasks.

Phone/Text: 336-608-7220
Email: dbates@triad.rr.com

In Loving Memory
of
Margaret Honbarrier

August 12, 1926
to
June 28, 2023

Member of College Park
since
July 2017

A Word From Wil

Alright, what happened to summer? I blinked and its over! Hopefully, you had the chance to join us on one of the adventures we had this summer. We watched the Winston-Salem Dash win in a most unusual way in June. In July we played games. (Life Size Battleship was amazing!) And had some excellent food at the Depot. Then just a few weeks back we enjoyed lunch at 13 Bones, a trip to the Border Farmers Market, and satisfied our sweet tooth at Bear Creek Candy Store in Mount Airy!

This Fall is looking to have just as much adventure awaiting us. The churchwide trip to Caswell over Labor Day. In October, we will travel to Mrs. Hanes for a tour and some cookies. November will be the Southern Christmas Show and dinner at the Talley House in Charlotte. We are also seeing if there is interest in having a early December trip to Wohlfahrt Haus Theatre for the production of "A Christmas Carol." The sign-up sheets with dates, times, and cost are on the table in the main hallway at church. Come on and be adventurous with us!

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it"
Psalm 118:24



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

We are continuing to collect items each month for our Operation Christmas Child shoe box event.

September's donation focus is: clothing items.

There is a box in the hallway outside of Smith Hall where you can drop off your items.

We look forward to getting together in November to pack the shoe boxes with all of the items you have provided for this meaningful missions project.

IN APPRECIATION:

A note of appreciation has been received from:

- ◆ Teresa Hill

IN THE HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following individuals who are part of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last month:

**Jean Bumgarner
Keaton Huff
Bernie Rae**

COLLEGE PARKERS MEETING PLANS 2023--2024

College Parkers are set to start their monthly meetings! The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 in Smith Hall. The program committee has been meeting and planning guest speakers and a variety of entertainment through the fall and spring. The meals will be catered and the menu for each meeting will be shared as we get closer to the event.

We will have sign-up sheets available each month for you to indicate you plan to be a part of the lunch and program. We hope you will join us for these entertaining and informative meetings.

The September 21st meeting will feature guest speaker, Jan Kelly of Samaritan Ministries. Come hear what's new at Samaritan and consider ways you can get involved!

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for September

~ canned greens (collards & spinach) ~

Items collected in August:

- 1 box of Saltine crackers**
- 12 jars of jelly**
- 21 jars of peanut butter**
- 2 rolls of paper towels**
- 14 rolls of toilet paper**

Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."
Matthew 25:40

Youth, College Students & Recreation

Youth Fall Retreat



Black Mountain, NC
Oct. 20-22, 2023
Cost \$150

Sign up by
September 17th



How to Pray Your Friends to Christ

September 24, 2023 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

River Oaks Church, Clemmons

Share Jesus Without Fear

October 8, 2023 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Old Town Baptist Church, Winston-Salem

Nov. 3rd-5th
Pigeon Forge, TN
\$410 Per Couple

MARRIAGE RETREAT



Creation Kids' News



Dear Friends,

As the new school year begins, I pray that our Heavenly Father will enliven our minds and prepare our hearts to learn more about His Word and His Will for our lives!

Trusting in Him,
Leigh Ann

Wednesdays at the Park

Starting Wednesday, Sept. 6th

6:30 - 7:30 Kids' Missions and Music



Sunday Evening Discipleship

Kids' Praise Band 4:30 - 5:00

Kids' Bible Study 5:00 - 6:00

We are exploring:

Ordinary People - Extraordinary God



Thank you for helping to provide school supplies for the children of Speas and Old Town Schools!

Your kindness has made a difference!



🎄 Operation Christmas Child 🎄

We are continuing to collect items for the shoe boxes that will travel worldwide to share the love of Christ. You can learn more about this here:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christ-mas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/>



Looking Ahead

- **Our 2023 - 2024 Prayer Partner Ministry is underway!** Our hope is to build intergenerational relationships within our church family. Adults, please grab an envelope from the table outside of Smith Hall. Write your name on the list next to the student you have chosen. Please keep this young one in your prayers and offer encouragement along the way. ***"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are doing."*** 1 Thessalonians 5:11
- **Preschool and Children's Ministry Council Planning Meeting** - Sunday, Sept. 10th, at 4:00. We will be making plans for fall festival possibilities and the months ahead.
- **Church Yard Sale - Saturday, Sept. 30th** - Please start saving your quality treasures for this children's fundraiser. We ask that you hold onto your things for now. We will welcome items beginning Monday, Sept. 25th. Please let me know if you would like to lend a helping hand the day of the sale too!
- **Pack Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes - Wednesday, Nov. 8th** (More details to come!)
- **Children's Sunday - December 3rd** - The children will lead us in worship as we begin the season of Advent. Make sure to mark your calendars!

***"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!
And that is what we are! ~ 1 John 3:1***



School Supply Collection

105 Boxes of Crayons	45 Packs of Paper
45 Packs of Markers	18 Pencil Pouches
60 Pens	7 Pencil Boxes
4 Paint Pallets	1 Wooden Puzzle
22 Pairs of Scissors	80 Erasers
22 Bottles of Glue	29 Portfolio Folders
140 Glue Sticks	12 Rulers
22 Packs Colored Pencils	2 Protractors
886 Pencils	8 Pencil Sharpeners
3 Backpacks	3 Sets of Post-It Notes
144 Notebooks	12 Packs of Index Cards

COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
Matt Wilson, Assoc. Pastor/Youth, College, & Recreation
Leigh Ann Pernel, Minister to Children
Wil Worley, Minister to Senior Adults and Communications Specialist
Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

GIVING OPPORTUNITY:

Make a difference in the ministries of College Park Baptist Church.

- Scan the QR Code to the right with your camera on your cell phone.
- Text 73256 with COLLEGEPARK, space, a dollar sign (\$), and amount (i.e., COLLEGEPARK \$900)
- Place your cash or check in an envelope and leave in the:
 - * Offering plate
 - * Treasure chest
 - * Giving center in the main hallway
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (check age requirements)
- Stock
- Include College Park in your estate



Contact Grace in the church office if you have any questions (336.768.5870 ext. 671) or grace@collegepark.ws.

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

DEACON OF THE WEEK

<u>September 3</u> Sonny Patterson	<u>September 10</u> Coleman Hastings
<u>September 17</u> Ken Hatchett	<u>September 24</u> Barry Nelson

NC Missions Offering:
Our Goal:
\$3,000

GREETERS

<u>September 3</u> Jeff Stultz	<u>September 10</u> Dennis Palmer
<u>September 17</u> Tony Perkins	<u>September 24</u> Bob Pleasants

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>8/6</u>	<u>8/13</u>	<u>8/20</u>	<u>8/27</u>
Re:Creation Worship	64	60	65	0
11:00 Worship	122	124	110	160

INFORMATION CENTER

Scott Andrews
Rachel Eller

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Budget ~ July 2023

	MTD	YTD
Budget	\$82,286.23	\$576,003.62
Receipts	\$60,768.87	\$450,915.02
Expenditures	\$74,223.96	\$493,662.89

PROPERTIES

<u>September 3</u> Chris Sostaita	<u>September 10</u> Tom Hurst
<u>September 17</u> Chris Phillips	<u>September 24</u> Marty Minton

Building Fund ~ July 2023

Beginning Balance	\$54,052.35	\$70,841.63
Receipts	\$7,229.00	\$48,099.60
Expenditures	\$9,609.98	\$67,269.86
Ending Balance	\$51,671.37	\$51,671.37
Loan Balance	\$757,592.76	