

HIGHLIGHTS

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



Church Renewal Nights!

We are excited about our upcoming time to learn, discuss, and worship together! In small group sessions, we will be discussing the book "I Am A Church Member" by Thom Rainer (which you can begin picking up at church on Sunday, November 5th). In worship, we will be placing the proper focus on worship, as the body of Christ! It should be an incredible time to get to know God, and each other, better!

Sunday, November 19th:

4:00-4:45 pm Session #1
4:45 pm Break
5:00 pm Supper Provided
5:45-6:30 pm Session #2
6:30 pm Break
6:45-7:30 pm Worship

Monday & Tuesday (11/20 & 11/21):

5:00 pm Bring Your Own Supper
6:30 pm Session (#3 & #4)

For the Bring Your Own Supper on Monday and Tuesday, we will have Smith Hall set up with tables, so we can eat supper together! Mark your calendar for November 19-21 and plan to attend each evening for a great time of fellowship, discussion, and worship!

It is no accident (or coincidence) that we will have Church Renewal Nights kicking off the week of Thanksgiving! On Wednesday night (11/22) we will meet to enjoy a meal together at 6:00, and then have our Thanksgiving Eve service at 7:00. Then on Sunday, we will continue the theme of Thanksgiving as we worship together and take up our annual Harvest Offering. Please be in prayer for all of these services, as well as what you can give sacrificially to this year's offering.

Blessings & Peace,

Ramon

Look for important information about the book and Sunday night dinner on page 7 of this newsletter!

Our Mission...

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

Thanksgiving Eve Service:

**Wednesday, Nov. 22nd
7:00 pm
Sanctuary**



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

**November 5, 2023
11:00 a.m.**

Draw Me Nearer
Sanctuary Choir

The Most Prized Title
Matthew 23:1-12
Ramon Smith

**November 12, 2023
11:00 a.m.**

Fill My Cup, Lord
Sanctuary Choir

Therefore, Encourage ...
I Thessalonians 4:13-18
Ramon Smith

**November 19, 2023
11:00 a.m.**

Everlasting Arms
Sanctuary Choir

Well Done!
Matthew 25:14-30
Ramon Smith

**November 26, 2023
11:00 a.m.**

Sing to the Lord of Harvest
Sanctuary Choir

Faithful Be Grateful
2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Ramon Smith

A NOTE FROM MARY



“Every full-time Christian worker needs a prayer team standing with him, strengthening him, and covering him with intercession...Blessed is that person or ministry that has not only enlisted the aid of prayer helpers, but has an intercessor-watchman who carry a continual burden for ministry...When God entrusts you with a special prayer burden, accept it with joy and be faithful to it. It is a special commission from the Lord.” ~ Wesley I. Duewel

will meet on
Monday, November 27th
at 7 pm
in the Garden Lobby

This month's book is:
The Big 5-Oh!
by Sandra Bricker

Coming out of Pastor Appreciation Month, I am sure many of you have read articles and postings on how to honor your ministers. I am blessed by all of the cards of encouragement and the gifts I have received. They are gifts of the heart, and I treasure them and each of you. God has put us in this place to serve together, and I am thankful for that. If you will indulge me, I would love to impress upon you another gift you can give: your prayers. If you will, remember each of your ministers (and teachers, and those you serve with) in prayer. Pray that our time spent serving God is strengthened by our time with God, that our programming and preparation do not take the place of our being with God. Pray that we spend more time listening to God than talking, that we can be still and know Him. Pray that we rightly divide the Word of truth, that it takes root within our hearts and becomes part of us. Pray that we love like He loves and forgive as He forgives. Pray that we don't equate busyness with holiness or numbers with success. Pray that we resist the evil one and listen for the voice of the Spirit in all that we do. Pray that God gives us wisdom and discernment to know the difference between good and godly. Pray that we discern and follow His leading for our church. Pray for our families. Pray however the Spirit leads you, but pray for your ministers, your lay leaders, and for the church. Prayer is a powerful weapon and a calling from God.



Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for November:

Our menu for Wednesday night dinners in November is listed below. **Don't forget that the cost is \$7.00 per person. We appreciate your willingness to assist with covering the cost of the meals so that we may continue to provide this opportunity to spend time together with delicious food and warm fellowship.**

- 11/1: chicken and dumplings, cornbread, Tom's Tasty Treat
- 11/8: country style steak, mashed potatoes, Green beans, rolls, cookies
- 11/15: fried catfish, baked apples, slaw, Hush puppies, dessert
- 11/22: potato bar, mini brownies
- 11/29: sloppy joes, mac and cheese, cupcakes

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for November

~ sugar, flour, baking items ~

Items collected in October:

- 21 cans of beef stew
- 1 jar of peanut butter

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 individuals who are part of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last month:

Beverly Hamblen	Buddy Priest
Debi Martinez	Bernie Rae
Frank Martinez	Shirley Waddill
Earl Parker	

A Word From Wil

I want to thank everyone for the cards, gifts and words of encouragement during Pastor appreciation last month. That was something I have not been a part of before in ministry. My family and I have begun to find our place in this community of Christ. This community is encouraging, loving, and alive for Christ. Thank you!

We have a busy November coming up! College Parkers will travel to the Southern Women's Christmas Show in Charlotte on November 14th. College Parkers Luncheon will be on the 16th. Then a very important time in our church life will occur November 19th to 21st. We will all gather to learn and discuss "I Am A Church Member" by Thom S. Rainer. Please set aside this time to come be a part of the discussion.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."
1 Corinthians 12:27

In Loving Memory
of
Bernice Lemons

September 13, 1927
to
October 7, 2023

Member of College Park
since
May 1961

COLLEGE PARKERS MEETING PLANS 2023--2024

College Parkers meetings are happening! The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 in Smith Hall. The meals will be a combination of catered or meat provided with people providing sides and desserts. The menu for each meeting will be shared as we get closer to each 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.

November's meeting will feature our own member, Beth Hinesley! She will speak about her work as the Community Relations Coordinator at HonorBridge. HonorBridge is devoted to building connections that save and heal lives through organ and tissue donation. Their purpose is to recover donated organs, eyes, and tissues from deceased donors for transplantation and other life-enhancing procedures.



Poinsettias

*We will once again decorate the Sanctuary with red poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to give a plant in honor...or in memory...of someone, please complete an order form which is available at the church (garden lobby counter, welcome desk, volunteer desk in office) and return it to the church office **along with your payment***, **no later than Wednesday, November 22nd**. (Please do not place your order in the offering plate.) Or you may email the dedication information to Teresa at teresa@collegetpark.ws. **The price is \$10.25 per plant.***

* You may pay via cash, check, or on-line.

Youth, College Students & Recreation



Momentum Tour Rally

November 5, 2023

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

The Reynolds Auditorium (Bus leaves at 4:15 pm)

STOKES COUNTY CHRISTIAN YOUTH RALLY

JESUS
THE ANSWER
THE WAY. THE TRUTH. THE LIFE.

SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

6:00 - 8:00 PM

NORTH STOKES HIGH SCHOOL

1350 NORTH STOKES SCHOOL RD. | DANBURY, NC 27016

@STOKESYOUTHRALLY   #STOKESYOUTHRALLY

MESSAGE BY: AL WOOD - UNC TARHEEL ALL AMERICAN

WORSHIP MUSIC: TAYLOR VADEN

ALL MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WELCOME

FOOD PROVIDED AT 6PM

SPONSORED BY: STOKES COUNTY CHURCHES, FCA & FCS

Bus Leaves at 5:00pm

Bus Returns 9:00pm



November 26th
2:00 pm
Meet at Church

Youth, College Students & Recreation

NOVEMBER YOUTH SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday, November 1st: Operation Christmas Child Packing Party
5:30 pm in the gym
- Sunday, November 5th: Momentum Tour
5:00—7:00 pm at Reynolds Auditorium
(bus leaves at 4:15 pm)
- Wednesday, November 8th: Bus Station
6:15 pm
- Sunday, November 12th: Stokes County Youth Rally
6:00—8:00 pm at North Stokes High School
- Wednesday, November 15th: Youth Mission Study
7:00 pm
- Sunday, November 19th: I Am A Church Member Renewal Service
4:00-4:45 pm Session #1
4:45 pm Break
5:00 pm Supper Provided
5:45-6:30 pm Session #2
6:30 pm Break
6:45-7:30 pm Worship
- Monday, November 20th: I Am A Church Member Renewal Service
5:00 pm Bring Your Own Supper
6:30 pm Session #3
7:15-8:00 pm Worship
- Tuesday, November 21st: I Am A Church Member Renewal Service
5:00 pm Bring Your Own Supper
6:30 pm Session #4
7:15-8:00 pm Worship
- Wednesday, November 22nd: Thanksgiving Eve Service
7:00 pm in the Sanctuary
- Sunday, November 26th: Normal Sunday Night
5:00 pm
- Wednesday, November 29th: Youth Mission Study
7:00 pm



November Creation Kids' News

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel." I echo Paul's words and am so thankful for this church family!

♥ *With a grateful heart,
Leigh Ann*



Backpack Ministry Info

Our wonderful backpack ministry makes it possible for many children in our area to have the food they need. Each month, we will be focusing on a special item to share. For November, we will be collecting individual **Mac & Cheese Cups**. You can help by bringing in your donations and placing them in the box outside of Smith Hall. If you would like to make a monetary donation to this valuable mission, please see Stephanie Phillips.



Children's Sunday

The children are blessed by the opportunity to lead in worship on **Sunday, Dec. 3rd**, during the 11:00 service. We want to encourage all of our children to be a part of this event. This will be the first Sunday of Advent - the Sunday of Hope. We will be practicing each Sunday and Wednesday evening leading up to the big day and each child will have an important role to play.

Church Renewal Nights

Nov. 19th, 20th, & 21st

This will be a great time for building up the body of Christ! While the adults gather for worship, fellowship, and the discussion of ***I Am A Church Member*** by Thom Rainer, our children will gather for their own study of how we can also grow, honor, and serve as part of our church family.

Sun. Nov. 19: 4:00 - 7:30 (Snack supper provided)

Mon. Nov. 20: 5:00 - 6:30 (Bring your own supper)

6:30 - 8:00 (Children's Discipleship)

Tues. Nov. 21: 5:00 - 6:30 (Bring your own supper)

6:30 - 8:00 (Children's Discipleship)

We hope your whole family will attend!

Christmas Toy Store

We are excited to be participating in the Christmas Toy Store again this year. The date is set for **Saturday, Dec. 9th**, and we have been asked to help supply volunteers, toys, and monetary donations. We have been asked to bring in all toy donations by Nov. 22nd. Please check out the table just outside of Smith Hall for more details. Thank you for making a difference for the children in our community.



Operation Christmas Child - Nov. 1st - 5:30



We will be packing Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes - Wednesday, Nov. 1st.

We will gather in the gym at 5:30 to begin assembling these wonderful gifts! We will then move to Smith Hall for a delicious dinner, followed by our All Saints Service in the sanctuary at 7:00 for the adults. The children will meet for their regular mission study time from 6:30-7:30 that evening.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

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

**November's donation focus is: pack a box at home ...
and join us as we pack boxes at the church!**

This month we ask that you pack your own box at home which you can bring to the church. And then we would love for you to join us on Wednesday night, November 1st at 5:30 as we meet in the gym to pack boxes with the items which have been donated throughout the year. Thank you for your willingness to donate to this meaningful missions project.

Upcoming Activities:

- **Marriage Retreat:** Friday, November 3rd through Sunday, November 5th at The Inn on the River, Pigeon Forge, TN
- **Time Change:** Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 5th! We will send an email reminder so you don't forget.
- **Youth Momentum Tour Rally:** Sunday, November 5th — 5:00—7:00 pm at Reynolds Auditorium (the bus will leave at 4:15 pm)
- **College Park Travel:** Tuesday, November 14th: Southern Christmas Show and Julia's Talley House Restaurant
- **Called Church Conference:** We will have a called church conference at both the 9:00 and 11:00 services to vote on the proposed 2024 budget.
- **Renewal Services:** Sunday, November 19th through Tuesday, November 21st. (See Ramon's information box and the box below for detailed information.)
- **Thanksgiving Eve Service:** Wednesday, November 22nd. We will enjoy dinner at 6:00 in Smith Hall before moving to the Sanctuary for our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service and observe communion.
- **Children's Sunday:** Sunday, December 3rd — The children will lead us in worship as we begin the season of Advent — the time of preparing to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior.
- **The Christmas Toy Store:** Saturday, December 9th — Once again, College Park will be donating toys, sending volunteers, and collecting money to buy Food Lion gift cards. There will be a table outside of Smith Hall with more details.

IMPORTANT RENEWAL BOOK AND DINNER INFORMATION:

In order to offset the cost of the book, "I Am A Church Member," we are asking that you contribute \$5.00 per copy. There are envelopes next to the treasure chest on the table outside of Smith Hall. Please place your money in an envelope and drop it in the giving kiosk in the hallway outside of Smith Hall or give it to Grace or Teresa in the church office.

We are planning to have a catered meal on Sunday night, November 19th. There are sign-up sheets on the Welcome Desk, the Garden Lobby Counter, and on the table with the Treasure Chest. We ask that everyone donate \$5.00 per person to offset the cost of the meal. We hope you will plan to join us as we enjoy baked potatoes, chili, and cornbread that night.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ... PART 3:



FOOD PANTRY

Did you know that we have a pantry in the basement next to the mobility room and a blessings box in the parking lot which are available for people to visit. We have been blessed to be able to offer food, household, and toiletry items to those in our community who are in need.

We are always in need of a variety of food or toiletry items (travel sizes are acceptable). We would appreciate any donations you are willing to provide to help with this ministry need. A list of items needed on a regular basis is noted below. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, you can give the money to Grace and indicate "food pantry" on your contribution envelope. We will be happy to do the shopping for you! You may drop items off in the church office and we will take them to the pantry room.

Thank you for your generosity and caring for those in our community who are struggling and in need of basic necessities.

Breakfast foods
(cereal, pop tarts, oatmeal)
Canned Fruit
Canned Meat
Canned Soup
Dishwashing detergent

Feminine hygiene products
Jelly
Laundry Detergent
Peanut Butter
Rice
Shampoo





The Esther Project Shop is returning!

The Esther Project Shop is a company created to help women combat human trafficking in their country by providing them with a place to market their products, creating a sustainable income for themselves and their children.

When: Wednesday, November 29th at 7:00 pm

Where: Smith Hall

Plan to join us for dinner at 6:00 and then stay to hear about The Esther Project Shop. You will have an opportunity to shop for amazing items after the presentation.

For more information, visit: <https://www.theestherprojectshop.com/>

DEACON ELECTION

The Deacon election process will occur between November 6, 2023 and November 12, 2023. There are three options to cast your vote for the nominees:

- on-line electronic voting
- call-in to the church office
- paper ballot (during 9:00 and 11:00 services on November 12th)

In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws and as voted on at the July 2023 church conference, you may submit a maximum of four names and may choose one of the following:

Electronic voting begins Monday, November 6th and closes at 5 pm on Friday, November 10th. Members who have email can obtain a Google Deacon Election Ballot for electronic submission by clicking on:

<https://forms.gle/cD1nqrQmVo4oCgnh7>

Call-in to the church office begins Monday, November 6th and closes at 5 pm on Friday, November 10th. Please call 336-768-5870 x670. In the event you reach a voice mailbox, please leave your first and last name along with the names of the candidates you are voting for in order that the Election Committee may verify church membership. In-person voting will occur on November 12th by submitting a paper ballot during one of the morning services. Members can only vote once using one of the methods listed above.

The following candidates have been nominated for the office of Deacon:

Mike Beeson
Bill Clapp
Ken Hatchett

Brad Jones
Kelsey Koontz

Debi Martinez
Chris Phillips

Lamarr Pope
Ishmael Stowe

ARTISANS FAIR

Artisans Celebrate the Holidays

December 1st: Noon - 7pm

December 2nd: 10am - 3pm

Location:

College Park Church
[lobby, fellowship hall & hallway]
1701 Polo Road
Winston Salem, NC 27106

Food Trucks - Bake Sale - Crafts

*Local artisans with unique
handcrafted items... jewelry, pottery,
florals, wooden creations, fabric
crafts, crochet designs, clocks,
home décor, soaps, glass art,
Moravian designs, art on canvas
& so much more!*

Presented by:
Triad Craft & Art Guild



An outreach opportunity! Mission groups are invited to use this even as a fundraiser. Teens need service hours for school? Adults — There are always tasks to help with. Contact LaDonna at lwcris@gmail.com or 336-692-6481

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 Pernell, 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 COLLEGE PARK, space, a dollar sign (\$), and amount (i.e., COLLEGE PARK \$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

November 5 Jim Pernell	November 12 Donna Bates
November 19 Robert Huff	November 26 Kent Hobson

**Baptist Children’s Home
 of NC**
 Our Goal:
 \$3,000

Vote on Budget:
 Sun., November 19th
 9:00 and 11:00 am

GREETERS

November 5 Jeff Stultz	November 12 Dennis Palmer
November 19 Tony Perkins	November 26 Bob Pleasants

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>10/1</u>	<u>10/8</u>	<u>10/15</u>	<u>10/22</u>	<u>10/29</u>
Re:Creation Worship	53	53	74	46	
11:00 Worship	101	101	99	118	

INFORMATION CENTER

Barbara Collie
 Tom Hurst

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Budget ~ September 2023	MTD	YTD
Budget	\$75,157.07	\$676,413.63
Receipts	\$48,291.10	\$558,500.99
Expenditures	\$72,079.29	\$646,982.62

PROPERTIES

November 5 Chris Sostaita	November 12 Tom Hurst
November 19 Chris Phillips	November 26 Marty Minton

Building Fund ~ September 2023		
Beginning Balance	\$48,965.39	\$70,841.63
Receipts	\$4,739.00	\$59,382.60
Expenditures	\$9,609.98	\$86,489.82
Ending Balance	\$43,512.54	\$43,734.41
Loan Balance	\$742,137.28	