

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



It has already been a busy Summer and much has been accomplished to build up the body of Christ. Our Youth/ Adult mission team has been to the mountains of Tennessee and returned. Our Loaves & Fishes Food Distribution Team has been busy providing for the needs of our community. Our ministry and presence at the bus station is ongoing as our youth and their leaders share the reason for our hope. Our building seems to be constantly filled with people ... the body of Christ ... worshipping, fellowshipping ... building each other up ... encouraging one another on to love God and love people!

So in the midst of all of this, it is good to pause and reflect on God's goodness, and our response to that. Many of the mission and ministry efforts require our faithfulness financially. I know that our Stepping Up emphasis has been a great reminder of our financial obligation for the building that we use as our ministry base. Thank you for your faithfulness to give to this special emphasis, as well as your continued support of our Ministry Action Plan (Budget)!

So what about the rest of the Summer? There is much to do and many opportunities to serve our Lord daily. VBS and Youth Camp are coming up soon! We will continue to gather on Wednesday evenings to fellowship together and pray for our people as we journey together. We will pray for our community who desperately needs to know Jesus personally! My prayer for each of us is that we would find joy in serving the Lord! It gives us the proper perspective on life when we tune our hearts to the Giver of Life.

> Shalom, *Ramon*

July 7, 2024 11:00 a.m. <i>Where There Is Love</i> Sanctuary Choir <i>Truly Free</i> John 8:31-36 Ramon Smith	July 14, 2024 11:00 a.m. In This Very Room Sanctuary Choir Church at Its Best Mark 6:14-29 Ramon Smith	Our Mission "A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name."
July 21, 2024 11:00 a.m. Men's Chorus Body Building Ephesians 2:11-22 Ramon Smith	July 28, 2024 11:00 a.m. <i>You Are Loved</i> Sanctuary Choir <i>Retreat Interrupted</i> John 6:1-21 Ramon Smith	od Bless Imerica

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A NOTE FROM MARY

2 Timothy 2:23-24

Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. Those who oppose him he must gently instruct them in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of truth.

We live in an interesting time (said everyone in every time throughout history). It seems that in a very short time society has lost the ability to treat others with respect. The internet has made it possible to hurl comments and insults without ever seeing the effects of those comments. Many feel the need to share their unsolicited opinions on every topic, and it's often done in a way that tears down



will meet on Monday, July 29th at 7 pm in the Garden Lobby

This month's book is: The Memory of Butterflies by Grace Greene

others. We had an interesting discussion in Monday morning Bible study this week about being prepared to make our defense to one who asks us for the reason for the hope in us. One of the questions we discussed was how to give a defense without being defensive. Our passage of scripture from 1 Peter instructed us to answer with gentleness and respect. As we interact with one another and with those outside the church walls, we are called to be gentle. In fact, Paul tells us that gentleness is one of the fruits of the Spirit. As Christ's love grows in us, we become more gentle in the way we handle others, and even in the way we handle the truth of God's word. Gone is the need to prove our rightness and spiritual authority. Instead, we grow in humility, gentleness, self-control, and love. Our words become tools that build others up. We rely on God to do the changing in the lives of all involved. And, as we interact in love and humility, we may find that the changes God enacts are in us.

CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY

Gift for July

~ canned pastas ~ (Chef Boyardee, SpaghettiOs, Beefaroni, Ravioli, etc.)

Items collected in June:

- 27 bottles of condiments
- 2 cans of vegetables
- 6 containers of spices
- 2 lbs. of flour

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:

Tommy Aldridge Calvin Barto Jean Dzeskewicz Beverly Hamblen Carol Hewitt Thomas Southard



Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for July:

Our menu for Wednesday night dinners in July 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.

- 7/3: Cookout burgers and hotdogs, potato chips, pasta salad, Tom's Tasty Treat
- 7/10: Grub Club at Little Richard's BBQ on Stratford Road sign-up sheet available in the Garden Lobby
- 7/17: chicken filet sandwiches, tater tots, brownies
- 7/24: Vacation Bible School
- 7/31: baked ham, pineapple casserole, green beans, rolls, chocolate cake

A World From Wil

Missed out on the Frescoes, Boondocks, and a quick stop at Ashe County Cheese in June? Come join us this month for an afternoon of laughter and games followed by a trip to The Depot for supper. Sign-up is on the Garden Lobby desk.

The Frescoes were stunning. The use of light and shadow made the frescoes come alive. Boondocks was delicious! (My first time there). The Cheese factory was fun, and some had a bit of ice cream. Love spending time on adventures with everyone!

Our summer schedule:

July 18th:	from 2:00-4:00 pm — Games in Smith Hall and then
	Supper @ The Depot (The bus leaves at 4 pm)
July 22nd-26th:	from 5:30-8:00 pm Vacation Bible School
	Volunteers needed, come welcome our community into the church
August 15th:	13 Bones/Farmers Market/Mount Airy (The bus leaves 10 am)

~ Wil



Live by faith grow in grace walk in love.

In Loving Memory of **Wayne Lewis** November 7, 1946 to June 12, 2024 Member of College Park since August 1999 Church Conference: Wednesday, July 3 1 st at 7:00 pm in Smith Hall



75 Years of College Park Baptist Church Celebration

Mark your calendars — Sunday, October 6th!!! We are excited to be celebrating 75 years of College Park Baptist Church. If

you have friends and family members we may invite to the festivities, email Teresa at teresa@collegepark.ws with the names and mailing/email addresses as soon as possible! In the meantime, go ahead and tell them to save the date. We look forward to gathering together people across generations. Be on the lookout for additional details to be provided.

July Creation Kids' News

As we prepare for VBS and the many other wonderful opportunities here at College Park . . . "May the God of hope fill you up with joy, fill you up with peace, so that your believing lives, filled with the life-giving energy of the Holy Spirit, will brim over with hope! " ~ Romans 15:13 MSG

Blessings of hope and joy, Leigh Ann



Vacation Bible School We will be Scuba Diving into Friendship with God! July 22nd - July 26th

Our kids will be exploring how God is actively working in their lives, just as He did in the lives of those in the Bible.

5:30: Snack Supper and Fellowship 6:00 - 8:00: Worship, Bible Study, & Fun Activities

We will need LOTS of faithful volunteers!

If you feel called to serve, **please sign up outside of Smith Hall**, contact Danielle Phillips, or me and we will make sure to put your gifts and talents to work! VBS is a wonderful opportunity to share the love of God with our community.

Let's Dive In!

Faster - Higher - Stronger - Together

The Olympic motto is Faster Higher Stronger Together and we will be building an Olympic sized faith this summer! Put these dates on your calendar: Wednesday, July 3 & Wednesday, July 31 Plan to stay all day and join in the fun as we worship God with all our hearts, bodies, and minds! We will have flexible drop off and pick up times starting at 8:30. Kids can stay all day through our regular Wednesday evening activities or be picked up at a time most convenient for you. The cost will be \$15 each day and lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the Garden Lobby and come dressed for fun!



Stepping Up Campaign for Kids

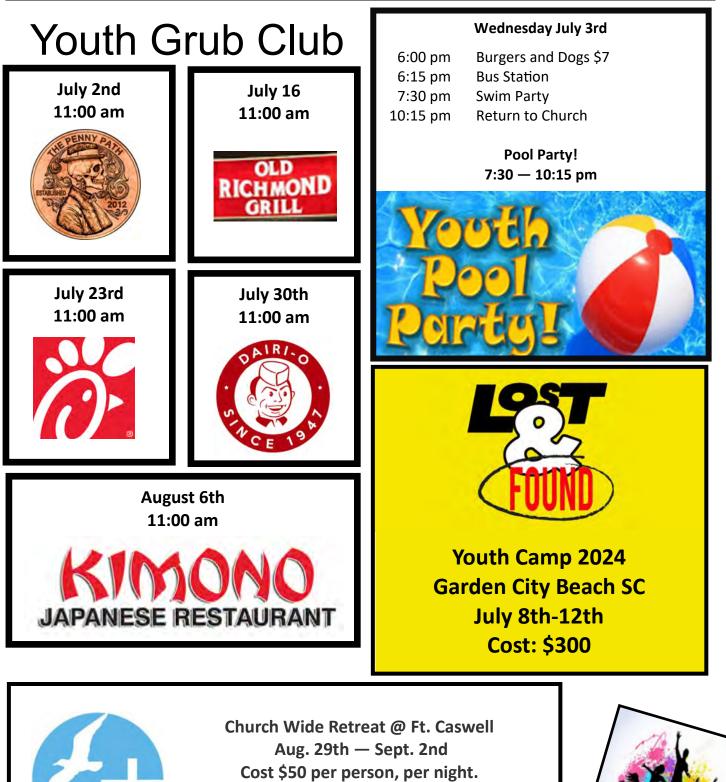
We know that every good and perfect gift is from God and we are eager to be good stewards! The children are collecting coins (and dollars) to add to the building fund. There will be 2 jars at the Welcome Desk - the blue one for the boys and the pink one for the girls. We will also have small collection jars in our classrooms. We are striving to fill those containers, so we can take care of this wonderful facility that God has provided. And . . . the team with the most



money gets to throw pies at me!

Please bring in those coins!

Youth, College Students & Recreation



Sign up by June 30th





FISH AND LOAVES MINISTRY AND BLESSINGS BOX: The item-of-the-month for July will k

The item-of-the-month for July will be: monetary donations and gifts cards (Dollar Tree, Lidl, or Sam's Club)

These can be dropped off in the church office or placed in the offering plate. Please make a note to let us know it is for the Fish and Loaves and Blessings Box ministry.

If you are interested and willing to help with this ministry, please contact Deb Clinard at d_clinard@hotmail.com or

540.326.5583

The food distribution is the 2nd Thursday of the month and volunteers are always welcome! Our next event is scheduled for Thursday, July 11th from 2-4 pm in the Garden Lobby.

Don't forget to be kind to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it! ~ Hebrews 13:2



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

We are continuing to collect items each month for our 2024 Operation Christmas Child shoe box event.

> July's donation focus is: clothing / flip flops

This month we ask that you donate items from the list above and place them in the box that is located in the hallway outside Smith Hall. Thank you for your willingness to donate to this meaningful missions project.

GRUB CLUB ... JULY EDITION Wednesday night, July 10th at 6:00 pm (the bus will leave the church at 5:30 pm)



Please plan to join us as we gather at Little Richard's BBQ on Stratford Road for dinner. If you have not had the opportunity to

participate in a grub club event, you are in for a wonderful time of delicious food and delightful company. Lots of laughter and smiles will be a part of your night. A sign-up sheet is available on the garden lobby counter.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ... PART 11:

REALM:

Did you know ...

College Park Baptist Church uses a software called Realm?

This program allows us to:

- * access contact information for anyone in the system so that we can stay in touch
- * send emails and text messages based on the groups of which you are a member
- * organize participants into groups (i.e., Sunday School classes, age groups for children and youth, committee members, etc.)
- * create a church directory with contact information and your picture.
- * post and keep track of your contributions to the church
- * process registration payments for events (i.e., youth camp, missions trips, etc.)
- * record attendance for Sunday School and church services

Have you signed up for a Realm account with College Park? If not, then you can scan the QR code to the right. Once you have submitted your information, we can send you an invite and you can then provide your contact information. Or you can let Teresa in the office know and she can send an invitation.



We plan to have several opportunities in the fall for you to stop by an information table on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights in the fall. This will allow you to review your profile report so that you can let us know of updates to your information and take your picture to be used with the system.



COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor Mary Keltner, Associate Pastor of Music & Education Matt Wilson, Associate Pastor of 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 the 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

- Giving center in the main hallway
- Treasure chest
- Giving Station in Garden Lobby
- 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

July 7 Ken Hatchett

July 14 Ishmael Stowe

July 21 Sonny Patterson

July 28 Coleman Hastings

July 14

GREETERS

July 7 Jeff Stultz

July 21

Bob Pleasants

Dennis Palmer

July 28 **Tony Perkins**

INFORMATION CENTER

Pat Blackwell **Ron Cauble**

PROPERTIES

July 7 Tom Hurst

<u>July 21</u>

July 14 Chris Phillips

July 28 Hutch Hutchison Lee Hinesley

STEPPING UP INITIATIVE: Building a Secure Future & Commitment to Our Faith & Community



You should have received an email and a letter with information about the Stepping Up Initiative that is being launched.

Please consider participating in this effort to raise funds to cover our monthly mortgage and to restore the Building Fund Reserve. Our goal is to raise a total of \$140,000. Through our successful efforts, this will relieve the stress of constricting resources in many areas.



Our committee invites you to join us for this important effort. If you have been unable to participate in one of our presentations, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or suggestions to share with us.

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	6/2	6/9	6/16	6/23	6/30
Re:Creation Worship	80	67	0	77	0
11:00 Worship	126	118	138	120	194

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Budget ~ May 2024 Budget Receipts Expenditures	<u>MTD</u> \$72,556.84 \$78,986.84 \$73,836.59	<u>YTD</u> \$362,784.20 \$335,121.29 \$374,844.50
Building Fund ~ May 20 Beginning Balance Receipts Expenditures Ending Balance	224 \$27,448.40 \$56,920.00 \$9,609.98 \$74,758.42	\$37,651.72 \$85,156.60 \$48,049.90 \$74,758.42
Loan Balance	\$679,244.85	