

# HIGHLIGHTS

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



Indeed you are Stepping Up! What a remarkable response! After a tremendous start, our giving has remained strong, and that is encouraging for our future...and the future is very bright at College Park. We continue to have new families visit and join, and our ministries are growing and expanding. As I write this, I am reflecting on the sermon I preached on Sunday, July 21, where I spoke of how God grows the body of Christ, and how we are temples for His Spirit (Ephesians 2:22). I am thankful and humbled to be your pastor as we look forward to continuing to grow as His body!

The month of August will be very interesting this year. One reason will be the fact that school starts so early, so we will have our Service of Affirmation sooner in the month than usual. I will be away with yoU-Turn, our Youth Praise Band on the weekend of August 4th. Our

teenage band members, along with adult leaders, will be helping conduct a one-day VBS (Backyard Bible Club) event at a sister church in Supply, NC (Brunswick Island Baptist Church). We will also be leading them in worship on Sunday morning August 4th. Please pray for us as we travel and lead, and for their members as they seek to find new ways to reach their community for Christ!

On August 11th, we will have another combined worship service here at College Park (9:00 Worship and 11:00 Worship combined in one service at 11:00 in the sanctuary). I am excited that we will be baptizing two precious souls that day, and will share in communion together.

So much happening, and we're glad you're journeying with us!

Shalom,  
*Ramon*



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD



**August 4, 2024**  
**11:00 a.m.**

*People Need the Lord*  
Sanctuary Choir

**9 Chairs**  
**Acts 2:42-47**  
Matt Wilson

**August 11, 2024**  
**11:00 a.m.**

**Combined Service**  
**Baptism & Communion**

*Gonna Sit Down and Rest Awhile*  
Sanctuary Choir

**August 18, 2024**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
**Service of Affirmation**

*Joyful Noise*  
Sanctuary Choir

**A God-Breathed Masterpiece**  
**Psalms 111:1-10**  
Leigh Ann Pernell

**August 25, 2024**  
**11:00 a.m.**

*Softly and Tenderly*  
Sanctuary Choir

**The Nones**  
**John 6:56-69**  
Ramon Smith

### Our Mission...

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



# A NOTE FROM MARY



This last year I have had opportunity to do a lot of reading and reflection on God's calling in our lives. Calling comes in a lot of different ways. We hear stories and read scriptures where God seems to "out of the blue" call a person: think Moses and the burning bush or Saul/Paul's blinding light on the road to Damascus. There is a voice, a sign, something that makes the call obvious and real, kind of like those billboards I would love for God to send my way. Other times calling is a process. One of my favorite things in getting to know people in divinity school was hearing the stories of how they got there. There were plenty of young men and women who just always knew they were going in ministry, but I was fascinated by the large number of individuals who had very successful professional careers in the secular sector who were giving up those careers to follow a call. Often that call was a desire, passion, or need that God had placed in their hearts years before and had continued to grow in them over time. It wasn't that they had rejected an earlier call; it was that God had planted a seed in them that prepared them and shaped them long before the call came to vocational ministry. I've had opportunity over the years to observe that in the lives of friends as well, to see God growing them to the place where they were excited to be doing that thing they never thought they would ever do but which had always had a piece of their heart. God places those things in us for a reason. Pay attention to those things which stir your heart. Find ways to come alongside God's work in those areas. It may not be a calling to vocational ministry, but it may be a calling to serve and support.

**will meet on  
Monday, August 26th  
at 7 pm  
in the Garden Lobby**

**This month's book is:  
*These Tangled Threads*  
by Sarah Loudin Thomas**

## Wednesday Night Dinner Helpers:



As we look toward our Wednesday Night Dinners in the fall, we are in need of individuals willing to serve in a variety of ways.

We need folks who are able to set up, serve, as well as clean up after the meals.

If you are willing to help in any of these capacities, please let Teresa know or sign-up in the garden lobby where you can indicate how you can help each week through the fall.



## Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for August:

Our menu for Wednesday night dinners in August 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.**

- 8/7: Grub Club  
Little Italy in King
- 8/14: Chicken Sandwiches, tots  
cookies
- 8/21: Tacos (chicken or beef), chips & salsa  
dessert
- 8/28: Pork Chops, turnips, mac and cheese, rolls  
peach cobbler

## CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

*Gift for August*

*~ toilet paper ~*

### Items collected in July:

- 1 box of cornmeal
- 1 can of salt
- 43 jars of canned vegetables and meats
- 1 jar of pepper
- 1 jar of vanilla

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

# *A Word From Wil*

Missed out on the Frescoes, Boondocks and a quick stop at Ashe County Cheese in June? Couldn't join us for an afternoon of laughter and games followed by a delicious supper at The Depot? You have one last opportunity to join in the fun this summer. August 15th, we will be going to 13 Bones for lunch in Mount Airy followed by a trip to the Farmers Market. Maybe we can convince our driver to swing by downtown Mount Airy for some ice cream or a bag of candy before heading home. Bus will leave at 10 am and return no later than 4 pm. Sign-up is on the Garden Lobby desk.

Our Fall luncheon schedule:

Sept 19th — Lunch (Hamburgers/Hot Dogs) and pack Backpacks for the schools

Oct 17th — Lunch (Meat provided/You bring a side) and we may have music from the King.

Sign-up at the Garden Lobby desk.

~ Wil



## **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](mailto: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.

## **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:

**Ann Butler**  
**Jean Dzeskewicz**

**Vernon Ingram**  
**Jo Ellen Scott**  
**Alice Sullivan**

## **College Park is Still Cooking ... after 75 Years!**

We are reprinting the *College Park is Cooking* cookbook and they will be for sale at the 75th Anniversary Celebration on October 6th. For \$10 you can take home a new copy of this classic cookbook with delicious recipes from so many people who were part of the history of College Park.

Also, we are looking for volunteers to make a dessert from this cookbook and bring it to share at the luncheon on October 6th. If you don't have a copy of the cookbook and are interested in looking for a recipe, stop by the church office. We have a copy of the book and are happy to make a copy of a recipe to take with you.

Cards will be available at the celebration for you to indicate the name of your recipe and who originally submitted it to the *College Park is Cooking* cookbook.



## **Notes of appreciation have been received from:**

Kate Anthony  
Vince and Glennis Helmtoller  
Phyllis Worley

# August Creation Kids' News

As our families prepare for the school year ahead, we entrust our children of God to our Heavenly Father's loving care! We are all safest in His hands and He has amazing plans in store!

*"Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life."* Philippians 4:6-7 (MSG)



## Sunday of Affirmation

The summer break is drawing to a close and the new school year is about to begin! On Sunday, August 18th, we will have a special Service of Affirmation. This will be a time to wrap our students, families, and educators in prayer as they prepare for the year ahead.

## Prayer Partner Ministry

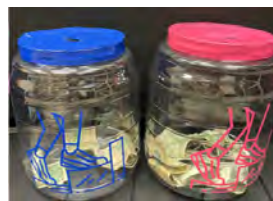
On the Sunday of Affirmation you will find a table outside of Smith Hall filled with envelopes. Each envelope will have the name of a child, teen, or college student. Adults who feel called to participate will select an envelope and this will be your Prayer Partner for the year. Our hope is that every child will have someone who will remember them in prayer each day.

**We would like to request that all participants select a new Prayer Partner for this year.**

This is not to discourage you from continuing to pray for your current student, but to provide an opportunity to build even more relationships throughout our church family. A heartfelt prayer is one of the most powerful and precious gifts we can ever share!



## 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!  
**So, please bring in those coins!**

## School Supplies

During the month of August, we will be collecting school supplies to share with students in our neighborhood schools. Many young ones are in need of pencils, crayons, glue sticks, and notebooks and we can help them get their year off to a positive start! You will find a collection area outside of Smith Hall to place your donations. Thank you for helping these young scholars have the needed tools for a successful academic year!



# Youth, College Students & Recreation



Church Wide Retreat @ Ft. Caswell

Aug. 29th — Sept. 2nd

Cost \$50 per person, per night.

Contact Matt if interested

## Youth Grub Club

August 6th  
11:00 am

**KIMONO**  
JAPANESE RESTAURANT

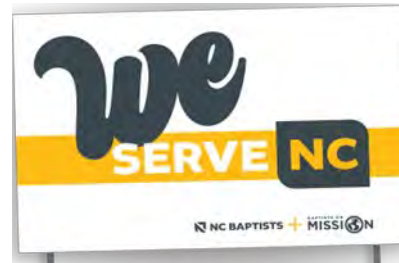


Tuesday night, August 6th

6:00—8:00 pm

Old Town Baptist Church

Bus leaves at 5:30 pm



Youth Fall Retreat  
October 18-20, 2024

Cost: \$150  
Plus \$\$\$ for 3 meals

**JESUS**

 **BEDOTELL 2024 Fall Retreat**



**FISH AND LOAVES MINISTRY  
AND  
BLESSINGS BOX:**

**The item-of-the-month for August will be:  
peanut butter and saltine crackers**

Thank you for the many ways you are helping to provide food for individuals in our community as they struggle to feed their families. The smiles on their faces each month as they “shop” for food and personal items will bring you joy!

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, August 8th 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.

**August's donation focus is:  
school supplies**

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 ... AUGUST EDITION  
LITTLE ITALY (King)  
Wednesday night, August 7th at 6:00 pm  
(the bus will leave the church at 5:30 pm)**



Please plan to join us as we gather at Little Italy in King 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 12:

### Enlistment Committee:

Did you know ...

that College Park has an Enlistment Committee that works hard to fulfill a variety of positions of leadership at the church. Their purpose is to enlist and recommend to the church all volunteer workers who are church elected (except for Deacons).

This is a rotating committee of three persons nominated by the deacons, elected by the church to serve three years from January to December. Persons elected to this Committee are not eligible to serve again until at least one year has expired.

These three elected members nominate the following general officers:

Director of Sunday School; Director of Discipleship Training; Director of Baptist Men; and Director of Women's Missionary Union. When elected, these general officers, or representatives of the aforementioned ministry groups, join the committee of three to form a working committee charged with nominating church elected leadership.

The members of this committee will enlist qualified persons to vacant leadership positions, based on their gifts to serve in that capacity.

Church officers and committee chairs are elected by the church for one-year terms. All church committee positions are for three-year terms unless stated otherwise. Nominations for all places of service are presented for election at regular/called business meetings. The individual must consent to serve on the committee or office before being presented to the church for election.

Each person nominated must be a member of College Park Baptist Church or a non-member who has demonstrated engagement in the life of the church. When a non-member is recommended for a committee or council, these names will be reviewed by the active deacon board, for engagement, prior to being presented to the church for election.



**The Enlistment Committee will be contacting individuals to serve in a variety of positions at the church over the coming months. Please be in prayer for how God can use you to serve in the ministries of the church. We look forward to seeing how God will use your gifts and talents!**

**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 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
  - 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

<u>August 4</u> Becky Haney	<u>August 11</u> Beth Hinesley
<u>August 18</u> Robert Huff	<u>August 25</u> Kent Hobson

GREETERS

<u>August 4</u> Jeff Stultz	<u>August 11</u> Dennis Palmer
<u>August 18</u> Bob Pleasants	<u>August 25</u> Tony Perkins

INFORMATION CENTER

June Crabbe  
 R. J. Westphal

PROPERTIES

<u>August 4</u> Ishmael Stowe	<u>August 11</u> Bill Minton
<u>August 18</u> Barry Nelson	<u>August 25</u> Tom Hurst

**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**

	<u>7/7</u>	<u>7/14</u>	<u>7/21</u>	<u>7/28</u>
Re:Creation Worship	75	78	65	67
11:00 Worship	141	123	120	131

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES**

<u>Budget ~ June 2024</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget	\$72,556.84	\$435,341.05
Receipts	\$84,165.03	\$419,286.32
Expenditures	\$71,435.17	\$446,279.67
<u>Building Fund ~ June 2024</u>		
Beginning Balance	\$74,758.42	\$37,651.72
Receipts	\$30,824.60	\$115,981.20
Expenditures	\$9,609.98	\$57,659.88
Ending Balance	\$95,973.04	\$95,973.04
Loan Balance	\$671,331.10	