

# HIGHLIGHTS

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



I continue to be blessed, but admittedly not surprised, by your faithfulness to **Stepping Up**. In my thirty-two years as a part of this congregation, we have always risen to the occasion once a need is identified ... and that is why I can joyfully say “not surprised”! I look forward to hearing more good news from our steering committee, but in the meantime, Keep Up the Good Work.

And speaking of work ... September is that month that we “celebrate” Labor Day as Americans. As a teenager, I was always a little confused by this whole notion of celebrating work. Don’t get me wrong, I was raised to work hard and to take pride in a job well done, and all of that ... but celebrate work?!! Yes, I understand the distinction now, but I’m afraid that many of the generations that followed mine were taught something different in regard to work. As such, there may be a bit

of a disconnect for them when they read the passage I will be preaching from on Sunday, September 1st. James writes in verse 22 of chapter 1:

*“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.”*

Said another related way: “Practice what you preach.” Of course, with this statement there is the assumption that you have something to preach! So there’s a lot going on with this scripture, and modern saying, but underlying all of it is the notion of doing/action/labor/work ... at least at some level. Bottom line, if we are going to call ourselves Christians — literally “Christ-ones” — then we should act like it, or change what we call ourselves! This is related to witness, and we’ll dig into all of this during the month of September! Come join us!

Shalom,  
*Ramon*

 <b>THE WORSHIP OF GOD</b> 	
<p><b>September 1, 2024</b> 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>The Love of God</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>When our Labor is Consistent</b> James 1:17-27 Ramon Smith</p>	<p><b>September 8, 2024</b> 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>By the Gentle Waters</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>Beyond Unhappy</b> Mark 7:24-37 Ramon Smith</p>
<p><b>September 15, 2024</b> 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>“Surely Not!”</b> Mark 8:27-38 Ramon Smith</p>	<p><b>September 22, 2024</b> 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>God’s Peace</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>A Child?!</b> Mark 9:30-37 Ramon Smith</p>

**Our Mission...**  
*“A people gathered in Christ;  
nurtured in His Spirit;  
and sent in His name.”*

<p><b>September 29, 2024</b> 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>Almighty Father</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>More Shocking Words...</b> Mark 9:38-50 Ramon Smith</p>
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# A NOTE FROM MARY



Attention handbell ringers of all ages!

Maybe you have years of experience, maybe you have never played but would love to learn. If you have any interest in playing handbells, we would love to have you join us this fall as we begin to play together again. This is open to all ages and experience levels. If you are interested, please contact Mary.

Glorify Him in life. In waking and sleeping, glorify Him. In labors and leisure, in joy, in sorrow, in suffering and healing, glorify Him. Shine with excellence in all things, and in all things you will glorify Him. ~ John Randall Dennis

will meet on  
**Monday, September 30th**  
at 7 pm  
in the Garden Lobby

This month's book is:  
***More Than I Imagined***  
by Sarah Loudin Thomas



Notes of appreciation have been received from:

Tommy and Jeannette Aldridge  
Bryan, Bryn, and Thomas Southard

## CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

*Gift for September*

~ *instant grits and oatmeal* ~

Items collected in August:  
125 rolls of toilet paper

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

### Wednesday Night Dinner Helpers:



We are in need of individuals willing to serve in a variety of ways for our Wednesday Night Dinners. 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 Donna Bates know how you can help each week through the fall.



### Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for September:

Our menu for Wednesday night dinners in September is listed below. **Don't forget that the cost is \$10.00 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.**

- 9/4: sloppy joes, corn on the cob, salad, and dessert
- 9/11: country style steak, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls, and cookies
- 9/18: baked potato bar, salad bar, cookies
- 9/25: country fried steak, mac and cheese, salad, and pumpkin pie

# *A Word From Wil*

Fall is nearly upon us. We begin our regular College Parkers Luncheon schedule on September 19th. We will gather in Smith Hall @11:30am, for hot dogs and hamburgers, chips and fixings. You all bring your favorite dessert!

We will be welcoming David and Kathy Parsons who are missionaries with the North American Mission Board. They work with local churches in North Carolina reaching marginalized children, youth, and families with the gospel of Jesus Christ. They make contacts through multifamily housing areas and inner-city churches and build relationships with these families and children by providing for spiritual, mental, physical and social needs. Come and eat, fellowship and learn about a special missionary couple.

Make sure and mark your calendars for September 29th, we will be having a churchwide picnic to kick off our 75th Anniversary week! Details in this newsletter.

~ 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. We look forward to gathering together people across generations.

## **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, there are copies of the dessert recipes on the Garden Lobby counter and Welcome Desk. Feel free to take a copy with you as you plan what delicious treat you will be bless us with.

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.

Live by faith  
grow in grace  
walk in love.



In Loving Memory  
of  
**Evelyn Goodrich**

September 4, 1942  
to  
August 3, 2024

Member of College Park  
since  
September 2004

## **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:

**Sonny Patterson**  
**Marti Waller**



# September Creation Kids' News



***"The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever." ~ Isaiah 40:8***

*"What we learn with pleasure we never forget." ~ Alfred Mercier*

*My hope for our children is to experience the Word of God with joy and pleasure, so the Gospel will be alive in their hearts, active in their minds, and will guide their steps.*

*Trusting in His Word, Leigh Ann*

## ***Prayer Partner Ministry***

As this year's Prayer Partner Ministry gets underway, I would like to share the words of Mother Teresa: ***"Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself."***

What more beautiful gift could we ever give?

Please consider participating in this meaningful opportunity to enrich our students through the gifts of prayer and encouragement. As we pray for our students, we build up these young believers in faith while strengthening our own relationship with our Father in heaven.

***"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Eph 6:18***

## ***Family Corn Maze Trip - Oct. 13th***



Please plan to join us for a trip to [Johnson's Strawberry Farm and Corn Maze](#)! The cost is \$10 per person and kids 4 and under are free! The church

bus will pull out at 2:00 and we will return by 6:00. There are lots of fun activities, corn maze, and a wagon ride. We also have a scarecrow entered in their annual scarecrow contest! The scarecrow that earns the most votes will win a grand prize of \$200 - which we plan to add to the building fund if we win! **Please sign up at the Garden Lobby desk**, so we will know how many folks are going. You can ride the bus or meet us there! We hope you will join in the fun!

## ***College Park's Fall Outing***

Please plan to join us for a day of fun at [Horizons Park](#) on Sunday, Sept. 29th. You can head out anytime after church and stay until dusk, so come when you can! There will be softball, frisbee golf, horseshoes, volleyball, walking trails and a wonderful covered dish meal at 5:00 at the pavilion. Bring something yummy to eat and come for a day of fun! There will be bus transportation to the park or feel free to meet us there. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Garden Lobby.

## ***Please Mark Your Calendars***

- **Sunday, Sept. 29th** - College Park's Fall Outing at Horizons Park
- **Sunday, Oct. 6th** - College Park's 75th Anniversary Celebration
- **Sunday, Oct. 13th** - Trip to the Corn Maze 2:00-6:00
- **Sunday, Oct. 27th** - Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat - Fun on the lawn from 4:00-7:00
- **Sunday, Dec. 8th** - Children's Sunday  
Our children will lead us in worship.



*Youth, College Students & Recreation*

**Youth Fall Retreat  
OCT. 18-20, 2024**

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



 **BEDOTELL 2024 Fall Retreat**

**Marriage Retreat 2024  
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee**



*of Marriage*

Nov. 1st-3rd

Cost: \$450 per Couple

(Includes Breakfast and Lodging)



## DEACON NOMINATIONS:

It is once again time to consider qualified members to serve as Deacons. In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws and as voted on at the July 2023 church conference, we will be electing four individuals. Each member may nominate up to four nominees, aged 21 or older, to serve as Deacons. The Deacon nomination process will begin on Sunday, October 6th and close on Sunday, October 20th. Church members may submit their nominations through one of several formats:

- complete a paper ballot (found in various locations in the church)
- complete an on-line nomination form which will be available from 9:00 am on Sunday, October 6th through 5:00 pm on Sunday, October 20th
- call Teresa on her cell phone (336.817.7468) or email her at [teresa@collegetpark.ws](mailto:teresa@collegetpark.ws).

Please pray and seek the Lord's guidance concerning nominating individuals to serve as Deacons.



## FISH AND LOAVES MINISTRY AND BLESSINGS BOX:

**The item-of-the-month for September will be:  
canned green beans and pinto beans**

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](mailto: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, September 12th 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.

**September's donation focus is:  
games**

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.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION ... PART 12:

### Deacons:

#### Did you know ...

**that College Park has a Board of Deacons?** The Deacons are elected from among those members who have proved themselves to have Scriptural qualifications according to I Timothy 3 and Acts 6:3, are 21 years of age or older, and are active, resident members in good standing of this church for at least one year.

#### Duties

The Deacons shall at all times regard themselves as servants of the church. Therefore as the Holy Spirit may direct, the Deacons shall assist the Pastor in carrying out the ministries of:

- a. Leading the church in the accomplishment of its mission and assuring that programs conducive to spiritual growth are provided for the fellowship.
- b. Proclaiming the Gospel to believers and non-believers.
- c. Caring for the church's members and other persons in the community.
- d. Assisting in the observance of the ordinances.
- e. Having oversight of the discipline of cultivating and maintaining spiritual and amicable relations among all members of the church.



***The nomination process for Deacons will begin on Sunday, October 6th and goes through Sunday, October 20th.***

**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.

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

**STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

<u>September 1</u> Teresa Driver	<u>September 8</u> Tom Merritt
<u>September 15</u> Hutch Hutchison	<u>September 22</u> Jason McCrary
<u>September 29</u> Mike Beeson	

**GREETERS**

<u>September 1</u> Jeff Stultz	<u>September 8</u> Dennis Palmer
<u>September 15</u> Bob Pleasants	<u>September 22</u> Tony Perkins
<u>September 29</u> Sarah Hauser	

**INFORMATION CENTER**

Scott Andrews  
 Rachel Eller

**PROPERTIES**

<u>September 1</u> Chris Phillips	<u>September 8</u> Hutch Hutchison
<u>September 15</u> Lee Hinesley	<u>September 22</u> Ishmael Stowe
<u>September 29</u> Bill Minton	



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

Congratulations, College Park, on surpassing \$100,000 in gifts to Stepping Up! Support our youth as they work to fill their buckets in the boys against the girls competition. Thank you for your gifts, prayers, and your encouragement.



**ATTENDANCE STATISTICS**

	<u>8/4</u>	<u>8/11</u>	<u>8/18</u>	<u>8/25</u>
Re:Creation Worship	51	0	74	90
11:00 Worship	120	186	116	139

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES**

<u>Budget ~ July 2024</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget	\$72,556.84	\$507,897.89
Receipts	\$65,966.04	\$485,252.36
Expenditures	\$62,315.20	\$508,594.87
<b><u>Building Fund ~ July 2024</u></b>		
Beginning Balance	\$95,973.04	\$37,651.72
Receipts	\$21,063.00	\$137,044.20
Expenditures	\$9,609.98	\$67,269.86
Ending Balance	\$107,426.06	\$107,426.06
Loan Balance	\$663,343.50	