

HIGHLIGHTS

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



It's great to think about the changes in seasons, because it is a reminder of the fact that life's circumstances change constantly, and the dynamics of church life change equally fast. As I think back on this past year, our congregation has experienced some wonderful changes that we need to celebrate. We have many new people who have recognized the special nature of this church and have come to join with us in worship and ministry. We are blessed to have so many that have a genuine desire to reach beyond the walls of the building and minister to the folks in our community...and beyond (especially our partnership with Refuge Baptist for hurricane relief)! This has also been obvious this year with the growth of our Backpack program and the addition of community food distribution days. In addition, many other people work daily and diligently through local agencies to bless

people in our community on a regular basis. Our youth continue to reach and bless so many through the bus station ministry, and special events sponsored by our youth and children's ministries remind us that we have the privilege of reaching out in the name of Jesus.

We also have experienced a significant growth in our stewardship this year, thanks to the leadership of our Stepping Up Committee, and the Finance & Budget Planning Committee! The numbers that reflect that growth are impressive, and so encouraging to us as we look forward to another great year in 2025... But for now, let's pause for a moment and just give thanks for the many ways that God has blessed us this year, AND for the ways He has blessed our community through us!

Shalom,
Ramon

 THE WORSHIP OF GOD 	
<p>November 3, 2024 11:00 a.m. Combined Service Celebration of Baptism All Saints Day and Special Appearance by "Lottie Moon"</p> <p><i>Let All Things Praise the Lord</i> Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>November 10, 2024 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>Worthy of Your Name</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>Passion Reconsidered Mark 12:38-44 Ramon Smith</p>
<p>November 17, 2024 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>My Hope</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>Yes, Priests! Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 Ramon Smith</p>	<p>November 24, 2024 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><i>Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord</i> Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>Biblical Expressions of Thanksgiving Psalm 100 Ramon Smith</p>

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

**Thanksgiving Eve
Service:**

Wednesday, Nov. 27th
7:00 pm
Sanctuary



A NOTE FROM MARY



“Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.” Philippians 4:4-5 (NIV)

“Celebrate God all day, every day. I mean revel in him! Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you’re on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute!” Philippians 4:4-5 (MSG)

“Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do. Remember the Lord is coming soon.” Philippians 4:5 (NLT)

We’re only a few short weeks from Advent. While often during Advent we are focused on Christ’s coming in the past tense, sometimes we neglect to remember that there is another Advent for which we wait. Advent is not only “He came” but also “He is coming.” Our lives are to reflect that Jesus is coming. What does that look like? First of all, it looks like joy. We rejoice. We celebrate the God who came and walked among us, whose Spirit is within us now, and Who is coming to bring us home where we will live with Him for eternity. We rejoice because we have hope and a future. What else does it look like to live in anticipation? We live in such a way that that we draw others to Christ. We live out His love in the ways that He did. We are gentle and patient, working for the good of others, not against them. We share His love, His grace, and His gospel with joy.

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

This month’s book is:
Double Indemnity
by Robert Whitlow

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:

Garry Crist
Chester Southern
Joyce Treadway



Wednesday Night Dinner Plans for November:

Our menu for Wednesday night dinners in November 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.**

- 11/6: pork chops, macaroni & cheese, salad, cornbread, Tom’s Tasty Treat
- 11/13: vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, salad, apple cobbler
- 11/20: bacon, eggs, gravy, grits, biscuits, dessert
- 11/27: baked ham, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls, banana pudding



A Word From Wil

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving? I'm thankful for my grandboys, this church and each of YOU! I will be feeding you all on November 21st @ 11:30 am. Menu will be baked ham and fixins plus dessert. All you have to do is, come hungry! Sign-up in the Garden Lobby. When you sign-up, check out the other church happenings on the desk.

Our special guest for the October meeting will be Paige Reilly, Meals on Wheels Volunteer Coordinator. She will be sharing about their mission in the community and how you can be a part of their delivering meals and smiles! We look forward to the fellowship and fun of this time together!

Hope to see you on Sunday December 15th (6-8 pm) as we celebrate the Christmas Follies and Treats @ College Park Baptist Church! Details in this newsletter and on-line!

~ Wil

In Loving Memory
of
Lillian Aycock

January 10, 1933
to
September 11, 2024

Member of College Park
since
July 2017



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 Teresa in the church office **along with your payment***, **no later than Friday, November 23rd.** (Please do not place your order in the offering plate.) Or you may email the dedication information to Teresa at teresa@collegepark.ws. **The price is \$8.00 per plant.***

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

In Loving Memory
of
Phyllis Burleson

August 1, 1940
to
September 30, 2024

Member of College Park
since
October 1998

DEACON ELECTION

The Deacon election process will occur between Nov. 4, 2024 and Nov. 10, 2024. There are three options to cast your vote for the nominees. In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws, you may vote for a maximum of four individuals and may vote by one of the following methods.

Electronic voting begins Mon., Nov. 4th; closes at 5 pm on Fri., Nov. 8th. Call-in to the church office begins Mon., Nov. 4th; closes at 5 pm on Fri., Nov. 8th. Please call 336-817-7468. If you reach a voice mailbox, please leave your first and last name and 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 Sun., Nov. 10th 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:

Lee Hinesley

Frank Martinez

Debi Huskins

Tony Perkins

Melanie Jones



November Creation Kids' News

"I couldn't stop thanking God for you—every time I prayed, I'd think of you and give thanks. But I do more than thank. I ask the God of our Master, Jesus Christ, the God of glory—to make you discerning in knowing him personally, your eyes focused and clear, so that you can see exactly what it is he is calling you to do, grasp the immensity of this glorious way of life he has for his followers, oh, the utter extravagance of his work in us who trust him—endless energy, boundless strength!"

~Ephesians 1:16-19 (MSG)

I give thanks for the way God's Word shines through you as we fellowship in the Gospel!

Blessings, Leigh Ann

Packing Operation Christmas Child Boxes

Please join us on Wednesday evening, Nov. 13th, to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! The wonderful items you have donated throughout the year will be lovingly packed and sent to children in need all around the world!



Click here to find out more about [Samaritan's Purse and the Operation Christmas Child Ministries.](#)



Christmas is a Love Story - Let's Share the Love of Christ

Families in our mountain areas will be dealing with the effects of Hurricane Helene for quite a while. Our hope is to lift their spirits and bring a little joy their way! We will be collecting toys and other needed items to share the love and light of Christ with some of these families this Christmas season. More details will be coming your way, so check the table outside of Smith Hall to learn more.

Children's Sunday, December 8th, Combined Service at 11:00

Our children will have the privilege of leading us in worship on Sunday morning, December 8th. We will have a combined service at 11:00 and the children will gather in the sanctuary for practice that morning at 9:00. We want all of our children (birth through 5th grade) to be a part of this special service.





Youth, College Students & Recreation


YOUTH RALLY Bus leaves at 4:30pm

WHY JESUS? **PULL UP, FIND OUT!**

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 10, 2024
5:00 - 7:30 PM
WEST STOKES HIGH SCHOOL
1400 PRIDDY ROAD | KING, NC 27021

@STOKESYOUTHRALLY    **#STOKESYOUTHRALLY**

MESSAGE BY: ANDY LAMBERT
WORSHIP MUSIC: TAYLOR VADEN
ALL MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WELCOME
FOOD PROVIDED AT 5:00 PM



Nov. 17th

6:00-8:00pm

LASER TAG
WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Pizza, Salad, and Drinks
Don't Forget to Sign up

Save the
Date!

WFU
Basketball
Dec. 17th



MaxForsythSports.com



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

**The item-of-the-month for November will be:
canned meats
(beef stew, chili, ham)**

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, November 14th 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

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY

Gift for November

*~ baking items ~
(cooking oil, baking mixes, etc.)*

Items collected in October:

- 3 bags of beans
- 3 bags of oatmeal or grits
- 7 bags of whole cornmeal
- 14 cans of refried beans
- 6 cans of salt and pepper

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



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

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

**November's donation focus is:
pack a box at home and bring it to church and then help us pack boxes on
Wednesday, November 13th**

Thank you for your willingness to donate to this meaningful missions project.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ... PART 13:

Mobility Room:

Did you know ...

that College Park has a mobility room that provides equipment and materials to be used by individuals who have temporary or permanent disability issues?

These items are available to be loaned to people within the church, family members of College Park members, as well as those who are part of our community. Some of the items we have are:

- ace bandages
- bedside commodes
- crutches
- knee scooters
- rollators
- shower benches/chairs
- walkers
- walking boots
- wheelchairs (manual and electric)

If you have equipment that you no longer need, please consider donating it to the church. Or if you run across an item at a yard sale or consignment shop, please let us know so that we can consider purchasing it for our mobility room. We most frequently have people contact us to see if we have wheelchairs and knee scooters available for them to borrow.

We have had so many people who have expressed appreciation for the fact that we had an item they could borrow to be used while they recover from an accident, surgery, etc.



Back by popular demand!

Really!

Our craft event last December was so very well received that College Park members were asking *before* the event ended if we would return in

2024. **YES!** Triad Craft & Art Guild returns December 6th & 7th to host an even larger event! Vendor booths will be in Smith Hall & the Gym. Applications are open for vendors of all things handcrafted & food trucks. *Please share this information with friends & family that may be interested in participating.*

Request an application: TriadCraftAndArtGuild@gmail.com 336-345-5721 [Sherry Kye, Guild president] or lwcris@gmail.com 336-692-6481 [LaDonna Crist, Guild member & Church member contact] And... as last year... Church members *will not* be charged any fees to set-up a booth or provide a food truck.





LOTTIE MOON

Lottie Moon is arriving at College Park Baptist Church on Sunday, November 3rd.

Lottie Moon, portrayed by Paula Matthis, will be with us this Sunday, November 3, during the 11:00 am worship service to tell her story. Her life is a reminder of why we must give to send and support missionaries serving among unreached peoples in unreached places. Today, when gifts aren't growing as quickly as the number of workers God is calling to the field, her call for sacrificial giving rings with more urgency than ever. Invite a friend to hear Lottie's story!



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 20th at 6:45 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/>

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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.

Vote on Budget:
 Sunday,
 November 17th
 at 9:00 and 11:00 am

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

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

DEACON OF THE WEEK

November 3 Coleman Hastings	November 10 Becky Haney
November 17 Beth Hinesley	November 24 Robert Huff

GREETERS

November 3 Jeff Stultz	November 10 Dennis Palmer
November 17 Bob Pleasants	November 24 Tony Perkins

INFORMATION CENTER

Ron Cauble
 Tom Hurst

PROPERTIES

November 3 Lee Hinesley	November 10 Ishmael Stowe
November 17 Bill Minton	November 24 Barry Nelson



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

Thank you, College Park, for Stepping Up! We are continuing our push through December and, with your support, we hope to reach \$200,000. Our new goal is to reduce the loan balance. Let’s do it!



ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>10/6</u>	<u>10/13</u>	<u>10/20</u>	<u>10/27</u>
Re:Creation Worship	—	50	70	60
11:00 Worship	233	125	115	122

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

<u>Budget ~ September 2024</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget	\$72,556.84	\$653,011.57
Receipts	\$61,019.52	\$603,531.55
Expenditures	\$68,545.61	\$659,241.17

<u>Building Fund ~ September 2024</u>		
Beginning Balance	\$108,924.14	\$37,651.72
Receipts	\$18,872.60	\$167,024.86
Expenditures	\$9,609.98	\$86,489.82
Ending Balance	\$118,186.76	\$118,186.76

Loan Balance \$647,416.07