

Salt and Light

College Students Helping with Ministries this Summer

As final exams wind down at area colleges and universities, I am very pleased to report that several of our college-age church members are returning home this summer to help us with a very busy schedule of summer ministries and missions.

Sara Black, who has just completed her sophomore year at UNC-Charlotte, will be working with us again part-time this summer as a Youth Ministry Intern. With our new Minister of Youth and Family Life Jeff Prince now on the scene, Sara's role will be more limited than it was last summer and fall, when she and Matthew Lineberger did a fabulous job helping to sustain the youth ministry during a lengthy interim period. But she will provide vitally important help primarily on three planned youth mission trips—to Jamaica, to Charleston, SC (youth M-Fuge Camp), and to Crosspointe (for younger youth) in Spartanburg. She will also help in the area of outreach and support Jeff and other youth leaders in various aspects of youth ministry this summer.

Matthew, who also just finished his sophomore year at Gardner-Webb, will continue to volunteer as he is able, primarily in the areas of music and children's ministry. He will assist Mrs. Linda Faulk with her annual Jubilate Children's Music Camp and will help Rev. Fred Schuszler on a limited basis with children's ministry and Summerfest activities. An incredibly gifted singer and pianist, with a genuine heart for Christian ministry, Matthew continues to bless all of us with his presence in our fellowship.

Allison Benfield, having just completed her junior year at UNC-Chapel Hill, will also be volunteering, mainly with our children's ministry. When she is in Chapel Hill, Allison attends University Baptist Church, where she works with younger children. At UNC-CH, Allison is very active in the Baptist Student Union and other Christian organizations, and she is seriously exploring and engaging in various aspects of Christian ministry.

Jennifer Price, who has just finished her freshman year at UNC-CH, will not be volunteering here but will be going at the end of May to Mabopane, South Africa, to work with Momma Mary (who visited here several years ago) in her incredible ministry to orphans and AIDS victims. Greg and Hannah Poe made us aware some years ago of Momma Mary's ministry, and Jennifer senses a strong and clear calling to go to Mabopane this summer.

I am exceedingly proud of, and grateful for, these and other young people who grew up in our church and are dedicating themselves during the summer months in various ways to making an impact in Jesus' name on our very, very troubled world. They are an inspiration to me.

Let us covenant together to pray for and support these and all of our youth and college students!

Love,
Tom

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Come one, Come All, to the Old Fashioned Church Family Picnic

Coming Wednesday, May 27th at 5:30 p.m. on the front lawn

Fried Chicken and all the fixings

Home Made Ice Cream (and popsicles)

Adults \$7.00 Children over 3 years \$4.00

Come and enjoy Food, Fellowship and FUN!!

Bring your picnic blanket, chair and don't forget your favorite homemade ice cream!

Bounce House for the Kids, basketball, Frisbee and more...

JUBILATE! SING TO THE LORD!

A Free Children's Choir Camp

For ALL Rising 4th, 5th, 6th Graders

June 14 - 18, 2009 6:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Activities Include

Multicultural Movement and Dance

Handbells

Choral Singing and other Instruments

ENROLL TODAY!

Call Mrs. Faulk @ 437-2544, Ext. 17 or email lhfaulk@hci.net.

Enrollment deadline is June 15!



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Troops recalled to Afghanistan

MISSIONARY PARTNERS

Nunzio Loiudice - Italy
Annette Hall - France
Robert Dunlop - Ireland
Janos Katona - Romania
Laura Francis - Uganda

SERVICE MEMBERS IN ACTION

P. J. Chapman	Erienne Davidson
Shawn Graham	Veronica Graham
Roland Berger	Mark Scannell
Ryan Moya	Marcus Smith
Joshua Davidson	James Gillon
Richard Tucker	Eric Duckworth

JUST 4 YOUTH

Sunday, May 10

- o 9:45am – Sunday School
- o No 'regular' evening activities

Spring Splash

Tuesday, May 12
[6:00pm – 7:00pm]

The Pre-School Ministry at FBC Morganton has requested between five and seven youth to help out in the Playground area. Students will assist Pre-School leaders as we attempt to provide a quality 'play' environment for interested children. If you would like to volunteer, please see Jeff Prince.

CROSSPOINT CAMP

June 22-26

Converse College in Spartanburg, SC

M-Fuge Camp

- July 13 – 18
- Charleston Southern University, Charleston, SC

Easter Offering for Missions

in the United States

Church Goal: \$4,000

Received to Date: \$1,742

2009 FOOD CHALLENGE

BURKE UNITED

CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

MAY – Canned Meats & Peanut Butter
Place the cans in the big box across from the church office.

THANKS AND THOUGHTS FROM HAL MITCHELL

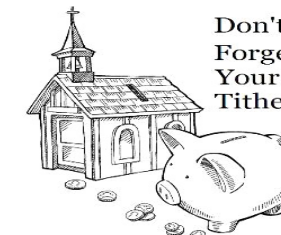
My Morganton friends sure did make me feel (old) special as I hit the big 4-0! Your cards were hilarious and your written words were so meaningful. Cards, e-mails, phone calls, treats... it all helped me realize that it was actually true – I am getting old and gray. Hey, youth, it was great to hear from you too! And, don't forget I was your age, like 3 days ago, or something! It goes by so fast!

Thanks also for your thoughts regarding the fires here. It is contained now. It will take weeks and weeks to put it out completely. We drove by there yesterday and saw places that are smoldering and burning even still.

My thoughts are with you and Burke County during this turbulent time with the school system. Every day I will pray that the situation eases soon.

The Mitchell Five misses you very much!

Hal



Don't Forget Your Tithe

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Offering Received April 26 \$13,987
Offering Received May 3\$30,177
Budget Required to Date..... \$337,194
Received to Date \$303,809
Under Budget \$33,385

TURNING DREAMS INTO DEEDS

Pledged \$807,000
Building Fund Rec to Date \$721,686
Building Fund Expenditures \$589,474
Building Fund Balance\$132,212

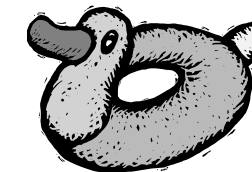
MEMORIALS

A memorial has been received to honor the memory of Mary Reep, mother of Tom Reep.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

May 10 - Chuck Benfield

May 17 - John Bennett



SPRING SPLASH

Our Preschool/Afterschool invites you to join them for their annual Spring Splash. This family, fellowship celebration will be held on the front lawn on Tuesday, May 12 at 5:30. A hot dog supper will be available along with a children's art show and an auction of classroom projects and donated items. Support this wonderful ministry of our church!

THANKS

Thanks to all who helped with the Food Distribution. We ministered to over 273 households with 765 individuals served. Our neighbors in need were helped in Christ's name by all the loving, enthusiastic, multigenerational (thanks, home-schoolers) First Baptist Church workers! We are especially grateful to the **Huffman Sunday School Class** for donating the funds to bring the food truck here.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Notes of appreciation have been received from Tom & Libby Reep and the Friendly Tuesday Group.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



Ed and Debbie Morse

We welcome Debbie and Ed into our church family. They come to us by letter from First Baptist Church of Lexington, NC, where they were very active in many areas of church life. They are members of our Koinonia Sunday School class. Ed is retired from Davidson County Community College where he served as Dean. Debbie is retired from Lexington City Schools where she was Special Populations and Career Development Coordinator. They have one son, Brian, who is a Wildlife Biologist and lives with his wife Maggie near Charlottesville, VA. They enjoy reading, travel, and Corvettes.

Ed and Melissa Cavallone

We welcome Melissa and Ed into our church family. They come to us by letter from Central Church of God in Charlotte, and both were previously members of Baptist Churches. They are members of our Christians-in-Action Sunday School class. Ed is a retired engineer and Melissa is a register nurse working in Hickory. Melissa enjoys knitting and reading, while Ed likes gardening, golf, and collecting Native-American artifacts. They enjoy traveling and outdoor activities together.



COMING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

◆ Sunday, May 10

9:30 a.m. - Morning Star
Bible Adventures - 304
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:55 a.m. - Worship
No Youth Activities

◆ Tuesday, May 12

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Spring
Splash

◆ Wednesday, May 13

4:30 p.m. - Young Musicians &
Music Makers Choirs
5:30 p.m. - Supper
6:00 p.m. - Blessings &
Celebrations
6:10 p.m. -
Children's Celebration -304
Youth Newz - 306A
6:30 p.m. -
Baden Mission Trip
Presentation
Children's Discipleship
Youth Discipleship
7:00 p.m. - Children's
Discipleship Ice Cream
Fellowship

◆ Thursday, May 14

6:00 p.m. - Finance Comm.

◆ Sunday, May 17

9:30 a.m. - Morning Star
Bible Adventures - 304
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:55 a.m. - Deacon-Led
Worship

◆ Wednesday, May 20

Last Church Family Night

4:30 p.m. - Young Musicians &
Music Makers Choirs
Middle School Car Wash
5:30 p.m. - Supper
6:00 p.m. - Blessings &
Celebrations
6:30 p.m. Children's Choir
Program

WORSHIP WITH US THIS SUNDAY!

Sunday, May 10 Mother's Day
Sermon: "The Greatest Gift"
(Matthew 20: 20-28)

Dr. Tom Bland, Jr. will be preaching.

Children to be dedicated are:

Sara Claire Black Parents: Laura & Scott Black
Heather Marie Holleman Parents: Marsha & Mitchell Holleman
Greyson Kenan Snipes Parents: Allison & Kelly Snipes



Parent/Child
Dedication
Service

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT

Only *Two More* (Until Summer Break)! Don't Miss A Single One!

Coming Up:

May 13 – Mexico Mission Trip Presentation by Dr. Jim and Sandy Baden

Last children and youth discipleship meetings

Parent/Child Ice Cream Fellowship at 7:00 p.m.

May 20 – Children's Choirs Concert

Youth Car Wash with Gift Basket Fundraiser

Menus

May 13, 2009

**CELEBRATE A BELATED CINCO DE MAYO
ON TRECE DE MAYO!**

with some authentic Mexican food!! Not Spicy...just very flavorful with "extra heat" available for those who have rocks in their stomach!! Delicious "Churros" Dessert Included!

May 20, 2009

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs Cookout!

Grilled burgers and dogs with all the trimmings will be served along with dessert!