

# From Your Pastor...

Our Mission ...

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

"What a wonderful worship service!" That was one of the more common expressions I've heard regarding this past Sunday's morning worship service. It's always an inspiring experience to see new believers baptized and to share the joy of that moment with them and their families. As I said Sunday, we should let that joy fill us to overflowing so that it is our hearts' desire that all should come to know Christ...and that we would make ourselves available to God so He can use us to reach others for Christ! Whether it's making ourselves available to go to Abaco (as many of our senior high students did over Spring Break), walking across the street to share our life story with a neighbor, or inviting a co-worker to our "Side-Swiped" revival services later this month, our motivation should be that God is glorified through the expressions of our hearts, the words of our mouths, and the works of our hands! All of this has to do with being good stewards of the time that God has given us here on earth.

This Sunday we will continue our discussion of how to invest ourselves as a part of God's stewardship plan. We will have a spiritual gifts inventory available for you, to help you discover what your spiritual gifts are and how you can use them for God's glory. Come join us for another "wonderful worship service!"

See You Sunday!

Ramon



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, April 13, 2008 10:45 a.m.

Stewardship of Time (week 2)

No Hands But Yours Sanctuary Choir

Eternal Investments
Ephesians 5:15-16; James 4:13-14
Ramon Smith

Sunday, April 20, 2008 10:45 a.m.

Youth Sunday Telling Our Story

yoU-Turn EyeWitness Ainesis Puppets and all of our Youth Ministry

# CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY Gift for April: Jelly

Collected last month at CPBC:

- 41 laundry detergent
  - 3 applesauce

**Easter Missions Offering** 

Goal: \$5,000.00

Received to Date:

Annie Armstrong CBF Global \$3,905.87 1,471.00

\$5,376.87

N.C. Baptist Retirement Homes Offering

Goal: \$2,000.00

Received to Date: \$1,155.00



Workday - April 19, 2008



# Clothing Give-Away Saturday, April 19

The Youth Mission Team and Team IAM are collecting clothing to be given away. The Youth Mission Team took some of the clothes to the Bahamas and gave them away (with the assistance of a local pastor).

Team IAM will host a giveaway at College Park on April 19. We need good, usable, clean clothing - especially spring and summer weights.

Bring your clothing to Smith Hall. There will be boxes for various sizes and types. God bless you as you trim down your closet!

# A NOTE FROM MARY



As we begin to focus on stewardship of our time, I am once again reminded of the story of Mary and Martha. Jesus was at the home of the sisters, and as he taught, Mary sat at his feet listening to what he had to say. But scripture says Martha was distracted by the preparations that had to be made. Now, I must confess that I have a tendency to be very Martha-like. Anyone who has spent any time with me knows that I am easily distracted, and those who know me well know that I can be very task focused at times. I am a to-do list kind of woman, and often those lists are full of great, godly kinds of things. However, I am reminded that Jesus says, "Only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better." You see, often we spend time doing great "church-y" things to the neglect of spending time at the feet of Jesus. We get so focused on things to do for Christ that we neglect to spend time with Christ, the One who enables and equips us to serve. The result is service that is done in our own power instead of being empowered by Christ. And, so I challenge you, as I am once again challenged, to choose the better thing and to spend time at the feet of Jesus.



This year in our REVIVAL services, we will be talking about how to deal with unexpected circumstances in life. We have a choice...when a situation "side-swipes" us, we can either make a correction and get back on course or we can let it put us "in the ditch." Bring your own supper (except Wednesday when the youth will have a fund-raising cook-out), and join us on the front lawn beginning at 5:30 p.m. each evening. Services will begin under the tent at 6:30! Back by popular demand, our speaker again this year will be Randy Weeaks! Come...bring a friend...and experience revival with us!

The Sunday School Council would like to invite anyone who may be interested in serving on the council in the future to join us for our next meeting on April 23, at 6 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Joint Sunday School Lesson for all adults and youth Sunday, April 13th Smith Hall Topic: Stewardship of Time

#### **IN THE HOSPITAL**



Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospi-

tal in the last two weeks:

Karly Bertram John Snodgrass Mary Ruth Wilson

# Prison and Jail Ministry Are you feeling called to serve?

Once a month, a unique opportunity comes our way to serve those either in the Cherry Street State Prison or the Forsyth County Downtown Jail. It would be easy to dismiss the jail as a place of seeking God's children, but it only takes one trip to know that God is there. In the 142nd Psalm, David's words from the cave echo that of many today who are in jail/prison:

I cry aloud with my voice to the Lord; I make supplication with my voice to the Lord.

I pour out my complaint before Him; Look to the right and see;

For there is no one who regards me;

No one cares for my soul.

I cried out to Thee, O Lord;

I said, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.

Give heed to my cry, for I am brought very low; bring my soul out of prison."

Not all will be called for this experience, for there are many places to serve and share your fruits. But if you want to share in the experience of serving the Lord from behind the locked doors for lives that are seeking to be set free, call me at 336-519-5250. We will be updating our individual certifications to be eligible to serve inside — so please join us for the session.

# May 18, 2:30 p.m.

Greater Cleveland Ave. Christian Church

5095 Lansing Drive

# Back-up Training Session July 27, 2:30 p.m.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church 520 Summit Street

# **NEWS AND SCHEDULES**

# FAMILY MINISTRY

Here is the Family Ministry schedule for the next few months...

# **April**

- ♦ Youth Ministry Council Meeting April 13, 9:00 AM
- ♦ Family Ministry Team Meeting April 13, 4:00 PM
- ♦ Children's Celebration April 13
- ♦ Youth Sunday April 20
- ♦ CPBC Revival April 27-30

## May

- ♦ Spring Fling May 4
- ♦ Youth Lock-in at the West Forsyth YMCA May 9-10
- ♦ Mother's Day Parent/Child Dedication May 11
- ♦ Children's Camp May 23-25
- ♦ Graduate Cookout May 31

#### Summer

- ♦ Graduate Sunday June 1
- ♦ Last Day of School June 10
- ♦ Graduation Trip week of June 15
- ♦ Mountain Outreach June 29-July 4
- ♦ Youth Camp July 14-18
- ♦ Vacation Bible School July 27-31

# SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

## College Parkers

### Thursday, April 17

"Way Back When" will be the theme of the College Parkers gathering on Thursday, April 17. Members and guests are invited to bring an item from the past to share with the group. It may be a mystery object, long since out of use, for others to identify or simply an item with a story. It is always fun to remember, so bring a guest and join the fun. The meeting begins with a covered-dish luncheon at 11:30.

# Our Preschool Department is Growing!

We are so excited that our preschool department is growing! We thank our preschool teachers who teach and love the children of our church each week. These teachers have put together a wish list of <u>new</u> items that will "revive" our

classrooms. You will find specific items displayed on the preschool hall and outside Smith Hall. If you would like to purchase one of these items or give a monetary gift, please take an idea card from the window and then bring your items to church as you come to our revival April 27-30. (Monetary gifts may be marked "Preschool Toys" and given to Gail in the church office or to Stephanie Phillips, Laurie Cook, or any preschool Sunday School teacher.)

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
& Families
Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education
Jason Cogdill, Minister of Senior Adults &
Congregational Care
Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

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<u>Worship Nursery Workers - April 13:</u> Beth Huff, Kelsey Phillips, Bernice Hudspeth, Sydney Sauers, Marla Andrews, Pat Blackwell

Worship Nursery Workers - April 20: Garlene Grogan, Lori Cogdill, Angie Somers, Jason & Lana Hunn

Greeters: April 13
Greeters: April 20
Dennis Palmer & Chuck Barbee
Russell Talley & Kate Thomas

**Properties Committee Member on Duty (April 13):** 

Charlie Jones

**Properties Committee Member on Duty (April 20):** 

**Bobby Hunt** 

**Information Center for April:** James Cobbler, Becky Haney

**Deacon of the Week (April 13 – April 19): Deacon of the Week (April 20 - April 26):**Robert Huff
Charlie Jones

### FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH APRIL 6

Budget Requirement To Date \$219,141.02 Budget Receipts To Date (94.4%) \$206,866.57

#### **ATTENDANCE STATISTICS MARCH 30**

Sunday School	207
Morning Worship	255
Brookridge	44
L.I.F.E. Worship	44

#### ATTENDANCE STATISTICS APRIL 6

Sunday School	244
Morning Worship	305
Brookridge	48
L.I.F.E. Worship	35



### **Davis Huff**

1908 Loch Lomond Court Winston-Salem, NC 27106 768-6853

#### Noriko Zafuto

261 Village Creek Circle, Apt. F Winston-Salem, NC 27104 659-9335

# Family Night Suppers

# Wednesday, April 16

Marinated Chicken Breast Baked Potato Tossed Salad with Dressing Yeast Roll Cheesecake

## Wednesday, April 23

Orange-Glazed Pork Loin Baked Sweet Potato Tossed Salad with Dressing Yeast Roll Carrot Cake

Reservations must be made/changed no later than Tuesdays at noon.