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From Your Pastorm

This past Sunday we had a larger than usual number of visitors in Sunday School and in worship. This served to remind me once again that life is ever changing, and as new people move into our community we need to be ready to receive them and share the love of Christ with them! This theme is consistent with the study of Romans 11 that we will undertake this coming Sunday (17th). Our study of Romans has really challenged me, and based on your responses, I know that many of you are feeling the same.

I also want to say a huge "Thank You" to all who helped make our Vacation Bible School a huge success this year! College Park is a genuinely welcoming church, and those who come from our community to events like VBS continually affirm this. Understand that the impact of ministries we offer to families in our community should never be underestimated. As God gifts us and leads us to ministry, He is also directly involved in changing the hearts and lives of those who need the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. As we are obedient to His leadership, I believe He will bless our efforts and give us the resources for ministry.

On a personal note: Thank you for your prayer and support of my father and our family...you are truly a blessing!

See You Sunday!

Ramon

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, August 17, 2008 10:45 a.m.

> Offertory Sanctuary Choir & APB

Absolutely Not! Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Ramon Smith Sunday, August 24, 2008 10:45 a.m.

> Holy Lord of Hosts Sanctuary Choir

> > Sacrifice? Romans 12:1-8 Ramon Smith

## Our Mission...

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

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## A NOTE FROM MARY

"My people have been lost sheep; their shepherds have led them astray and caused them to roam on the mountains. They wandered over mountain and hill and forgot their own resting place." -Jeremiah 50:6

This verse is underlined in my Bible for a couple of reasons. The first reason is that it is a huge reminder to me of the responsibility granted to those who are in any area of leadership with God's people. And while it does place a special responsibility on those in vocational ministry, I also believe that the responsibility

extends to those who teach little ones and adults, who serve on committees, and who minister in any way in the name of Christ. How easily our teaching, words, and attitudes can lead others astray! But having said that, I have to say that in addition to the underlining in my Bible, the following words are circled: they forgot their own resting place. You see, I have noticed that often in my life I forget that my resting place is really not a place. Instead, my resting place is in a person and my relationship with Him. I forget that my



Savior has said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Instead, I trudge on thinking "getting away" or taking a break will make my stress level better, and I forget that God has called us to take time with Him. And so when the to-do list gets full and I am tempted to put off my personal worship time, I am reminded that in the busy times I need time with God even more. I need to rest in Him so I will be strengthened and equipped to carry out all my tasks in His name.

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A thank-you note has been received and posted on the bulletin board from A.C. Larrimore.

#### Welcome New Members

Norman & Jean Pridgen 130 Thornbury Ridge Ct. Winston-Salem, NC 27106 923-5544

Mike & Donna Beeson 4291 River Ridge Road Pfafftown, NC 27040 945-4760

Welcome to the College Park family!

In Loving Memory of *William "Bill" Foy Fields* March 10, 1914 to July 29, 2008 Member of College Park since July 1987

## IN TOUCH ... with Jeff

So much to say, so little space!! Let's get started...

## SUMMER 2008!!

I am not sure if it is my age, but it seems like the summers go by faster each year. When I think about the summer, it is tempting to look at the number of things that we did in our Family Ministry and call the summer a success. The true definition of success for our ministry is not to be found in the amount of things we did, but the way so many people were changed. If the work of God in the lives of people is our standard, then this summer will be remembered for a long time. I am thankful for every person who

played a role in making this ministry such a powerful movement of God! I am especially thankful for the great work done by our interns—Brittany Phillips and Ward Page. I owe them the greatest thanks!

### FACILITY UPDATE

One the busiest of committees this summer has been our Facility Update Committee. This is the group of men and women who have taken the desires of the church and put together a plan. This committee will be holding several open presentations over the next few weeks to unveil the proposed plan. These sessions are in preparation for a Called

Church Conference on September 3rd. Every church member will receive a letter in the coming week that includes all of the details. The committee asks for your prayers over the coming weeks. A lot of hard work has been done to prepare for this next step in the life of College Park. I look forward to see what happens in the coming weeks!

### A PERSONAL NOTE...

The events of recent weeks have been full of emotion for Jennifer and me. I am thankful to everyone who has prayed for us, written caring notes, spoken kind words, and loved on us. Please know that God touched us with your love and we are thankful!!

## FAMILY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

## Family Ministry Team Planning Retreat

August 16

Attention all members of the following councils/committees: Preschool, Children, Youth, Family Enrichment. This is just a friendly reminder of our upcoming FMT planning retreat. This event is free to all council members who are able to attend. We need to get a firm count of who is planning on going, so please contact Jeff by phone or by email to get your name on the list by Wednesday, August 13. Please check your calendar and make plans to attend this fun retreat.

## Youth Fall Retreat at Ridgecrest

## November 21-23; Deposit due August 31

Every fall, our youth travel to Ridgecrest with other churches from the Winston-Salem area for a weekend. This retreat is going to be another great time for our youth. The sign-up deadline and the retreat price are a little different this year. There are two prices and two deadlines - early sign-up cost is \$105, and the regular sign-up cost is \$115. To take advantage of the early sign-up discount, you must turn in a **\$50 deposit by August 31**. Any deposits received after August 31 will be applied toward the regular sign-up fee. Look for flyers coming soon and get your deposit in today!

## Prayer Partner Ministry Set to Begin Again

## August 24

A powerful part of what we do at College Park is our prayer partner ministry. Every child, youth, and college student in our church is partnered with an adult who prays for them on a regular basis throughout the year. With the new school year about to begin, we will be reshuffling our prayer partners. At the end of the Service of Affirmation on August 24, every student in our church will have an envelope available to be picked up. All we ask of our adults is to keep these students in their ongoing prayers as well as communicate with them on a periodic basis. This is a simple task that has eternal impact. Please pray about being part of this invaluable ministry. **PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to continue with your current prayer partner for the upcoming school year, please let Jeff know no later than Wednesday, August 13. Otherwise, every student will be available for a new partner.** 

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

## **College Parkers**

The College Parkers invite you to join them at their monthly meeting on Thursday, August 21. The meeting will begin at 11:30 with a covered-dish luncheon and will include a program brought by Charles Fox of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation.

## **Called Church Conference**

Wednesday, September 3

Thursday, August 21

There will be a Called Church Conference on Wednesday, September 3, for the purpose of: 1) voting on the proposed plan presented by the Facilities Update Committee; 2) voting on approval of funds to be spent on the architect for the proposed plan; 3) voting on the position of Family Ministry Intern for the school year; and 4) election of a deacon to fill the vacancy on the diaconate.

## CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY Gift for August: Cooking Oil

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

#### <u>IN THE</u> HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital in the last two weeks:

> Judy Edwards Amber Gibbs Norma Howard Julia Rickman Myrtle Shermer

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Tom Hurst in the death of his mother and to Hugh Wells in the death of his brother.

## CONCERT FOR A CAUSE

Join us for a benefit concert in Smith Hall on Sunday, August 24, at 7PM as we enjoy new and original music and discover how God is moving in South Africa.

Please consider bringing one of the following ministry-related items:

- Household scissors/children's scissors
- Craft glue sticks
- Popsicle sticks
- Loose leaf construction paper
- Small paper bags
- Stickers
- Crayons
- Duct tape
  - Zip Lock bags (all sizes)
  - Baby clothes
- Socks

Music, friends, coffee...and a qlobal cause.

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

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## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU AUG. 10

Budget Requirement To Date	\$500,893.76
Budget Receipts To Date (91.27%)	\$457,173.28

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#### ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

AUGUST 3	
Sunday School	236
Morning Worship	301
Brookridge	43
L.I.F.E. Worship	150
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AUGUST 10	
Sunday School	251
Morning Worship	310
Brookridge	44
L.I.F.E. Worship	75

## Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bittmann and Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson *request the honor of your presence* at the marriage of their children Victoria Lynn and Matthew David on Saturday, the twenty-third of August

two thousand and eight at twelve o'clock noon First Baptist Church Dunn, North Carolina

Reception immediately following Chicora Country Club

RSVP to dunnbaptist youth@embargmail.com or 910-985-0641

#### **BETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

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## STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

## Worship Nursery Workers

August 17 Garlene Grogan Beth SabbaghRabbaiotti Lori Cogdill, Angie Somers Jason & Lana Hunn

August 24 Gary & Trudy Elkins Kevin & Christy Tuttle Chris & Melissa May

### Greeters

August 17 Sarah Hauser

Ed Lane

August 24 John Vogler Jim Pernell

August 17 Charlie Jones **Properties Committee** August 24

**Bobby Hunt** 

August 24 - August 30

**Information Center for August** Wilbert McBride June Crabbe

**Deacon of the Week** 

August 17 - August 23 Craig Cashwell

Cecelia Cauble

## Wednesday, August 20

6:30 p.m. - Cook-Out 7:00 p.m. - Live & Learn Bible Study

## Wednesday, August 27

## "First Family Night of the Season"

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Rice with Gravy Mixed Vegetables

Reservations are needed for Family Night Suppers. (Permanent reservations do not carry over from last year.) Please sign-up or call the office with your reservation no later than 12 noon on Tuesdays.