HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastor...

The tragic events of this weekend serve to remind us once again how precious each day is and how youth is no guarantee of another day of life. When Matthew Gfeller woke up Friday morning, he was no doubt excited about "game day!" Football and Friday nights come hand-in-hand for many high school students (and their parents), but last Friday night's elation turned into desperation for Matthew's parents as they struggled to make sense of Matthew's fatal injury. And all those questions come back to mind like: "Why would God allow this to happen to such a good boy?" "Why did the 'one in a million' chance have to be Matthew?"

I wish I had the answers for these

and other questions that scream for answers that will satisfy our hurt. Yet after searching, my heart returns to the passage we studied Sunday before last:

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

"Who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?"

"Who has ever given to God, that God should repay him?"

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be the glory forever! Amen.

Come Worship with Us Sunday!

Raman

(Romans 11:33-36 NIV)

Our Mission...

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

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Information Lobby

THE WORSHIP OF GOD



Sunday, August 31, 2008 10:45 a.m.

Servants of Peace Sanctuary Choir

10 Commandments of Fellowship Romans 12:9-21 Ramon Smith Sunday, September 7, 2008 10:45 a.m.

Teach Us to Love Sanctuary Choir

Downshift...Speed Up Romans 13:8-14 Ramon Smith

A NOTE FROM MARY

In my lifetime I have had the privilege of knowing extraordinary some women. Young, old, professionals, stay-at-home moms, greatgrandmothers, married and single women, vocational ministers, seekers, Sunday school teachers, prayer warriors, encouragers, women who were still trying to figure out their giftedness and those who strove to help others find theirs -- each was unique and beautiful in their own way. Each

gifted me in various ways to help me on my journey. This is why I am so excited about a new ministry starting here at College Park.

We are beginning a women's ministry which will include opportunities for women of all ages to share together in Bible study, fellowship, and outreach. I am hoping that all women — young and old — will come to discover the wonderful passion, gift-



edness, experiences, wisdom, and wit which God has brought together in this place. Our first celebration will be September 13th. We will gather for a time of food and fun as we celebrate each other and the God who makes us family.



IN TOUCH... with Jeff

FAMILY MINISTRY INTERN POSITION

The application period is new now open for the Family Ministry Intern position for the 2008-2009 school year. This is a part-time position (15-20 hours) and open college to students/graduate school students. primary requirement for position is the individual must be interested in teaching or feeling God's call to ministry. If you are interested, please give me There is an a call. application to be filled out and it must be turned in by August 31. Let me know if you have any questions!

PROMOTION TIME!

Well, it is time for some new Sunday School classes. So here is the list to get you in the right spot this coming Sunday! Bring your Bible, your smile, and a friend!!

PRESCHOOL (MAIN FLOOR, EDUCATION BUILDING)

<u>Babies/Toddlers</u> Sarah Talley, Carolyn Ely

2-3 Year Olds Bernice Hudspeth, Janet Somers

4-5 Year Olds Sheryl Burnett, Debbi Patterson, Robin Cohen

CHILDREN (TOP FLOOR, EDUCATION BUILDING)

<u>1st-3rd grade</u> Leigh Ann Pernell, Jim Pernell

4th-6th grade Robert Hill, Charlie Jones

YOUTH (YOUTH AREA)

7th/8th grade Kent Hobson, Angie Somers, Cynthia Ryder

9th/10th grade Julie Blink, Larry Burnett

> 11th/12th grade Carolyn Matthews, David Shannon

Tie One On Women's Breakfast

for women of all ages

Saturday September 13 9-11a.m. in Adult III

Food Fellowship Special guest speaker

Sign-up sheet at the information lobby on level B1

Or call the office to reserve your seat

Childcare will be provided.

By yourself you're unprotected. With a friend you can face the worst. Can you round up a third? A three-stranded rope isn't easily snapped. Ecclesiastes 4:12 (MSG)

SPEAKING OF THE NEW YEAR...

The full slate of activities for youth and children will start up after Labor On Wednesday night September 3, at 6:00 PM, all children's choirs will meet as well as the vouth Crosstraining teams. Then at 6:45, the children and youth will go to their mission groups. On Sunday, September 7, the full youth schedule (Choir-4:30PM, Snack Supper-5:30PM, Youth Online-6PM) will start up. Come be a part of all the activities!

FAMILY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Fall Retreat at Ridgecrest

November 21-23;

Deposit due date extended to Sept. 14

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 September 14. Any deposits received after this date will be applied toward the regular sign-up fee.

Prayer Partner Ministry Sign-ups Happening Now

A powerful part of what we do at College Park is our prayer partner ministry. Envelopes are available now for you to pick up outside of Smith Hall. There is an envelope that contains information about each student in our church. We ask our adults to keep these students in their prayers and communicate with them on a regular basis. This is a simple task that has eternal impact. Please pray about being part of this invaluable ministry. **NOTE:** When you choose your young person, make sure you fill out the form on the table with your name written in next to the name of your partner.



Serve Now...Here's How

Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

(Romans 12:4-5)

PRAYER PARTNERS

Several adult prayer partners still needed for students in our church

WORSHIP NURSERY

Several open spots available, one Sunday, every other month

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Toddler Class (Preschool SS) needs 2 leaders/caregivers

Call Jeff in the office if you are interested in serving!

Called Church Conference

Wednesday, September 3

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 September:

Shampoo

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

The Crisis Control Ministry food pantry is in need of spaghetti noodles, rice, canned fruit, canned juice, and beef stew. Their food orders are up over 30% this summer. The need is increasing daily. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of hurting people.

IN THE 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:

> Annette Elkins Julia Rickman

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Lawrence Hudspeth in the death of his sister.

Gracious notes of appreciation have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Jeff & Jennifer Allen, from the family of Silas Wood, and from Tom Hurst.

Welcome New Members

Jeff & Stephanie Cayton 4140 Benton Creek Drive Winston-Salem, NC 27106 830-9478

Welcome to the College Park family!

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor
Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students
& Families
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Jason Cogdill, Minister of Senior Adults &
Congregational Care
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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

August 31September 7Bill & Donna HinsonDianne BakerJennie LewisKaren LeflerBarbie MorganSaundra SmithCharlie JonesJim & Leigh Ann Pernell

Greeters

August 31	September 7
Dennis Palmer	Russell Talley
Chuck Barbee	Kate Thomas

Properties Committee

August 31September 7John ValentineJohn Thomasson

Information Center for September

Van Crotts Sybil McBride

Deacon of the Week

August 31 - Sept. 6
Ed Hendricks

Sept. 7 - Sept. 13
James Cobbler

Wednesday, September 3

Pulled Pork
Baked Beans Cole Slaw
Cornbread Strawberry Shortcake

Wednesday, September 10

Spaghetti
Tossed Salad with Dressing
Breadstick Chocolate Sheet Cake

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.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU AUG. 24

Budget Requirement To Date \$532,199.62 Budget Receipts To Date (90.21%) \$480,103.03

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

AUGUST 17 Sunday School Morning Worship Brookridge L.I.F.E. Worship	219 272 43 32
AUGUST 24	
Sunday School	244
Morning Worship	310
Brookridge	60
L.I.F.E. Worship	94

Information LUVIV)

Question: How do we keep everyone informed and keep our entrance neat and clean so that our visitors are given a good impression of College Park?

Answer: Create an "Information Lobby" on B-1 level. This is the lobby that is immediately down the stairs from the main level. All youth, Adult I, and Adult III people pass through this lobby on the way to their classes. Adult IV people who do not use the elevator also pass through this lobby on the way to their classes or can look for information in the Adult IV assembly area.

Please make a point to check out all the information that is available in this newly-created area. Thank you for helping to make College Park a "visitor friendly" church.