HIGHLIGHTS



From Your Pastorna

It doesn't seem possible, but next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday! That means we begin our Lenten journey to the cross. Granted, our journey will be several weeks, but it only seems like yesterday we were talking about preparing for Advent! In many ways the short time between Christmas and Easter illustrates how short was the time of Jesus' earthly life and how short was His public ministry. These facts should serve as a challenge to us because our time here on earth is very short in comparison to eternity. So we have a short period of time to get to know God as much as possible...

So, now for the question of the day: How much time do you spend out of your day getting to know God better by reading His Word and/or living out your faith through acts of service (since Jesus was pretty big on that...)?

Our usual response to such questions is to begin to list all of the things that seem to absorb our time, and then make excuses for why we just don't seem to have time for reading about God or serving Him...

Isn't it interesting that the Gospel

seems to boil down to "Love God, and love other people" and yet we try to defend doing other things? If we can agree that relationships built and developed (between us and God, and us and other people) are all that last for eternity, then why would we bother with anything else?

Now don't bow up and get defensive on me, because I'm preaching to myself too. There is many a day that I catch myself stuck in a rut doing "ministry" that really doesn't affect eternity one way or another...and yet it is soaking up precious time like a sponge! I'm going to make every effort to eliminate those "time-soaks for nothing" in my life, and I challenge you to do the same. Maybe this year during our Lenten journey we will discover what it truly means to walk with Christ instead of staggering along on our own path...

Blessings and Peace,

Ramon

THE WORSHIP OF GOD



February 19, 2012 11:00 a.m.

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me Sanctuary Choir

> Discipleship 101 Mark 9:2-9 Ramon Smith

February 26, 2012 11:00 a.m.

Echo Anthem Sanctuary Choir

"Ready for Anything..." Mark 1:9-15 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



I have to admit I have done a lot of reading lately, looking for books for Book Club. I'm in the middle of a good read right now, and I have a couple more lined up that have been recommended to me. Book Club has been a great excuse for me to get to do something I have always loved but had a gotten a little too busy to do. In all honesty, I think my many years of school had started to make me forget that reading could be educational and fun. Yet, it has always been something I have loved. I was talking to someone this morning about how exciting it is that God allows us to use those things we are already passionate about to serve Him. My question today is: What is it that you are passionate about? For what has God given you a love and excitement? Maybe He has a way for that passion to be used for Him. Just a thought.

Join us for College Park's Book Club Monday, February 27 @ 7 pm or Thursday, March I @ 10 am This month's book: Have a Little Faith by Mitch Albom Forsyth Jail & Prison
Ministry's

2012 Hope on the
Inside

Featuring

Football Hall of Fame and Two Time Super Bowl Champion

Deion Sanders

Friday, April 27 7:00 p.m. Winston Salem First 3730 University Parkway

Community-Wide





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Saturday March 10 7-11 am

All proceeds will go to support
Youth mission efforts
including the upcoming trip to St.
Ann's Bay, Jamaica.



Girls in Action and Royal Ambassadors will team up this year to participate in the 5k run on March 31st. You will be receiving a letter in the mail about how you can help sponsor one of our children. Thanks, as always, for your support.

Welcome New Members

Scott Andrews Murphy Andrews

2339 Bethabara Haven Drive Winston Salem, NC 27106 997-4268

Kathryn Clayton 2691 Greencrest Drive Winston Salem, NC 27106 725-8968

Welcome to the College Park family!

RECREATION MINISTRY

Hoops4Him Basketball

Upcoming Game Schedule

The tournament is set to begin. Please check the web site, <u>www.hoops4him.org</u>, for the most up-to-date schedule.

Children/Youth Basketball Banquet March 1, 6:00-7:30

Well, it's time to celebrate another great year of basketball at College Park! So all team members, coaches, and parents are invited to attend our annual Basketball Banquet in Smith Hall on March 1. We will enjoy a hamburger/hot dog dinner, a trophy ceremony, and reliving some of the fun stories from the season. There is no charge, but a love offering will be taken to help defray some of the cost for the banquet. We look forward to celebrating CPBC basketball together!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

College Parkers

Thursday, February 16

College Parkers will hear Treble Makers on February 16. They are a group of women who have been singing throughout Forsyth County for 16 years focusing on seniors and retirement centers. Following a delicious covered-dish luncheon we will enjoy their music. It all begins at 11:30 on February 16.

Muffins for Missions

On Sunday, March 4, Girls in Action will be serving muffins and breakfast beverages in Smith Hall and the Adult I lobby from 8:45 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. We will be collecting a love offering for Annie Armstrong and World Missions.



CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY Gift for February

Juice

Collected last week at CPBC:

85 canned goods

35 boxed goods

8 bottles of juice

12 soup packs

3 jars of spaghetti sauce

3 jars of peanut butter

2 bottles of laundry detergent

14 rolls of toilet tissue

"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."

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 during the last two weeks:

> Peggy Copley Vennie Davis Jack Hoyle Jo Ann Lehman Doris Morgan

Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Sue Buitendorp in the death of her father.

A thank-you note has been received from Jim Hamblen.

Thank You!!

Because of your generous support, our *Girls in Action* delivered enough Valentines to raise \$264 which will be donated to the Second Harvest Food Bank Back Pack program! Yay!!

Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students & Families Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

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Feb. 19	Feb. 26	
Sheryl Burnett	Trudy Elkins	
Larry Burnett	Julie Barnes	
Vicky Palmer	Courtney Gruver	
Bernice Hudspeth	Michael Gruver	
Barbie Kale	Kevin Tuttle	
Karly Bertram	Christy Tuttle	

Greeters

Feb. 19	<u>Feb. 26</u>
John Vogler	Dennis Palmer
Jim Pernell	Wayne Lewis

Properties Committee

Feb. 19Feb. 26Ron CaubleMike Beeson

Information Center for February

Wilbert McBride June Crabbe

Deacon of the Week

Feb. 19 - Feb. 25Feb. 26 - March 3Gary ElkinsCharlie Jones

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>Feb. 5</u>	Feb. 12
Re:Creation Worship	96	Not Reported
Sunday School	213	212
11:00 Worship	220	198
Brookridge	42	42

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of January 2012

Budget Beginning Balance	\$32,252.61
Budget Receipts	\$58,798.71
Budget Expenditures	\$59,597.71
Budget Ending Balance	\$31,453.46

Year to Date 2012

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Budget Beginning Balance	\$32,252.61
Budget Receipts	\$58,798.71
Budget Expenditures	\$59,597.71
Budget Ending Balance	\$31,453.46
Building Fund Balance	\$228,642.10

Happy 28th Anniversary, Sheila Hutcherson!

Congratulations to Sheila Hutcherson for twenty-eight years of committed service to College Park Baptist Church! Thank you Sheila for playing for our Sunday services, special services throughout the year and our memorial services. You are an important part of our worship and have been for many years! Please thank Sheila for what she brings to worship at College Park.

February Menu BBQ Baked Beans Slaw Desserts