Mother's Day Offering

In honor/memory of all the ladies in our church UCBC donated \$50 to the Baptist Children's Home. There were also individual donations made in the amount of \$380.00.



We had 7 kids that had a great time at VBS!! Thank you to Julie Striplin for directing this year and to everyone who helped in any way! You made a difference in a child's life!

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Children's Church (Ages 3 to 10)

July 6 th	Susan Hilton	
July 13 th	Robin French	
July 20 th	Marianne Casas	
July 27 th	Cindy Clark	



SUNDAES ON SUNDAY JULY 20 @ 4pm in FELLOWSHIP HALL

Everyone is invited to come and "build" your own ice cream sundae on Sunday. Ice cream and all the trimmings will be there for your enjoyment along with good old-fashioned fellowship and fun! Make plans now to attend.

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July Birthdays

Gary Hilton, Barbara Snyder Alexander Clare Jean Foster Tim Weavil Jim Dunlap Peggy Beaver, Jane Sutphin

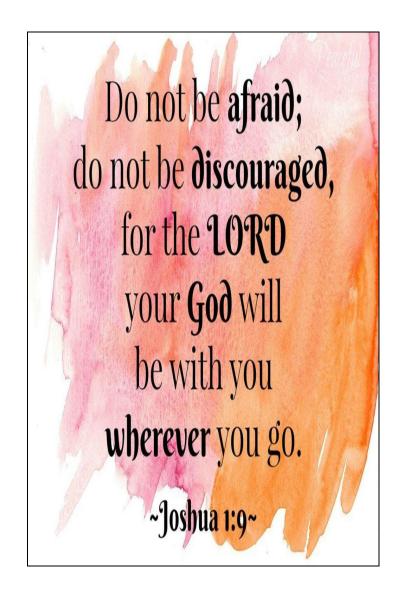
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A Word from the Pastor

Bertrand Russell once said, "No one gossips about other people's secret virtues."

He couldn't have been more right. When we talk about people, we tend to talk about the bad stuff. Preachers are often among the worst—especially when it comes to talking about other preachers. I don't know why this is, but gossip is a real problem for some of us.

I was reading a blog recently by a pastor who said "13 years ago, after having lunch with three other pastors, I realized that everything we said during our time of "fellowship" was critical of someone else—and I'm sure I was the worst of the bunch. I decided that I didn't want my ministry to be defined by criticism, gossip, and envy. I made two decisions that day. One: to talk about a person's strengths or keep my mouth shut. Two: to fellowship with pastors who share the same commitment."

Refusing to gossip knocks you out of the loop in a few circles, but it's worth it. Besides, focusing on another's strengths challenges you to find ways to improve yourself. And taking pleasure in someone's success (rather than their failure) is almost the same as participating in it.

Charles "Tremendous" Jones used to challenge people to "say something positive to everyone all the time." In the same way, we should strive to say something positive ABOUT everyone all the time.

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you know how to answer everyone. (Colossians 4:6)

Grace and Peace, Adam



Prayer Concerns: Darrell Beaver, Ellen Bobbitt, Marianne Casas' father, Ellen Cook, Bobby & Irene Cheek, Marty & Judy Daniels, Ann Huth, Laura (friend of Kathy Mills), Delbert & Becky Lauten,

Jr. (Delbert Parkinson's), Ritchie Longworth, Juan & Lidia Mendoza (neighbors of Hal & Melissa Little), Ron Mills, Murl Moore (Stoney & Becky's neighbor), Derek Reavis (friend of Mark Reavis), and two unspoken prayers.

Financial Summary

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	June 1st	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 2,880.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 2,715.00
Total Offering		\$ 5,595.00
	June 8 th	.
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 2,445.00
Designated Gifts Total Offering		\$ 900.00
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Undesignated Gifts	June 15 th	\$ 7,115.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 2,210.25
Total Offering		\$ 9,325.25
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Undesignated Gifts		\$ 1,248.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 385.00
Total Offering		\$ 1,633.00
	<u>General Fund</u>	
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May General Fund Receipts	\$ 10,684.33
May General Fund Expenses	-\$ 12,887.54
May General Fund Net	-\$ 2,203.21
May Fund Balance	\$ 91,899.82



Women on Mission ladies had their June email meeting on June 10, 2025.

JUNE WOM ACTIVITIES:

<u>Hospice Ministry Note</u>: Snack donations continued for both WS & HP Hospice Homes.

No Inward Meals were prepared by WOM during the month.

June Mission Projects and Outreach—Members voted & approved the following:

- \$167 for deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste for the Appalachian Backpack Ministry.
- \$300 to Second Harvest Food Bank during their matching \$1 for \$1 campaign.
- \$300 to Senior Services of Forsyth Co. to help feed seniors in need of food & friendship.
- \$300 to H.O.P.E. of WS (Help Our People Eat) to feed hungry children in the city.

Also \$46 food expenses for the delicious Father's Day Breakfast were incurred and we had 35 people in attendance.

Upcoming Events:

- > Another craft making day is being planned.
- ➤ July 20th @ 4pm Sundaes on Sunday annual event sponsored by WOM. Everyone is invited to come for a time of food & fellowship.

We hear of winter vacations, spring vacations, fall vacations and of course summer vacations. Aren't we fortunate that God never takes a vacation from us although sometimes we tend to vacate Him. And we know the needs of others generally does not stop for a "vacation" either so Women on Mission continues year around to try to help as many people as possible through the monthly outreach projects. A special thank you to everyone who supports WOM in any way without you we would not be able to carry out our mission outreach ministry. And with your support UNION CROSS **REACHES** OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE -- Jane Sutphin

Senior Moments Luncheon

The Senior Moments Group will have their monthly luncheon on Thursday, July 17th. Please be here at 10:45am for updates and fellowship, with lunch following. Bring a covered dish and join in on the fun.

Crisis Control Food Drive at UC Food Lion

The Seekers SS Class will be working the food drive on July 12th 9am – 1pm. The food of the month is canned pasta (spaghettiOs, ravioli, etc.)