



**Prayer Concerns:** Margaret Baker, Irene Cheek, Marty & Judy Daniels, Larry Davis (Susan Hilton's nephew), Luke Gann, Jerry Haynes, Denny Hester, Jeff Honeycutt, Ron & Kathy Mills, Jan (friend of Kathy Mills), Robin Scott, Bettie Spencer, Gene Vanhoy, Kat Varner (Lauren Horton's

boyfriend's mother).

Our deepest sympathies are expressed to Bettie Spencer in the passing of her husband, Bob. Please keep Bettie and her family in your prayers.

**August Crisis Control Food Drive** will be held at UC Food Lion on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 9 am– 1 pm. August's food items are: peanut butter and jelly. **Hospice Ministry Emphasis** will be Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.

UC Fire Department is hosting the *Andy Johnson Memorial Red Cross Blood Drive* on Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 11 am – 3:30 pm. To schedule an appointment visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code "Andy Johnson Memorial." Walk-ins welcome. Bring photo ID.

**Children's Church - Ages 3 to 10**

August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Julie Striplin
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	Kathy Horton
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Susan Hilton
August 27 <sup>th</sup>	Robin French



August

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| 8/1  | David French                             |
| 8/6  | Dottie Wilson                            |
| 8/10 | Lisa Canada                              |
| 8/16 | Susan Hilton                             |
| 8/17 | Kaitlin Helton                           |
| 8/19 | Dylan Ward                               |
| 8/21 | Beverly Yokeley                          |
| 8/23 | Abbee & Kalee Fulp                       |
| 8/24 | Teresa Tucker                            |
| 8/27 | Cindy Clark                              |
| 8/31 | Bobby Cheek, Nancy Clodfelter, Dean Ward |

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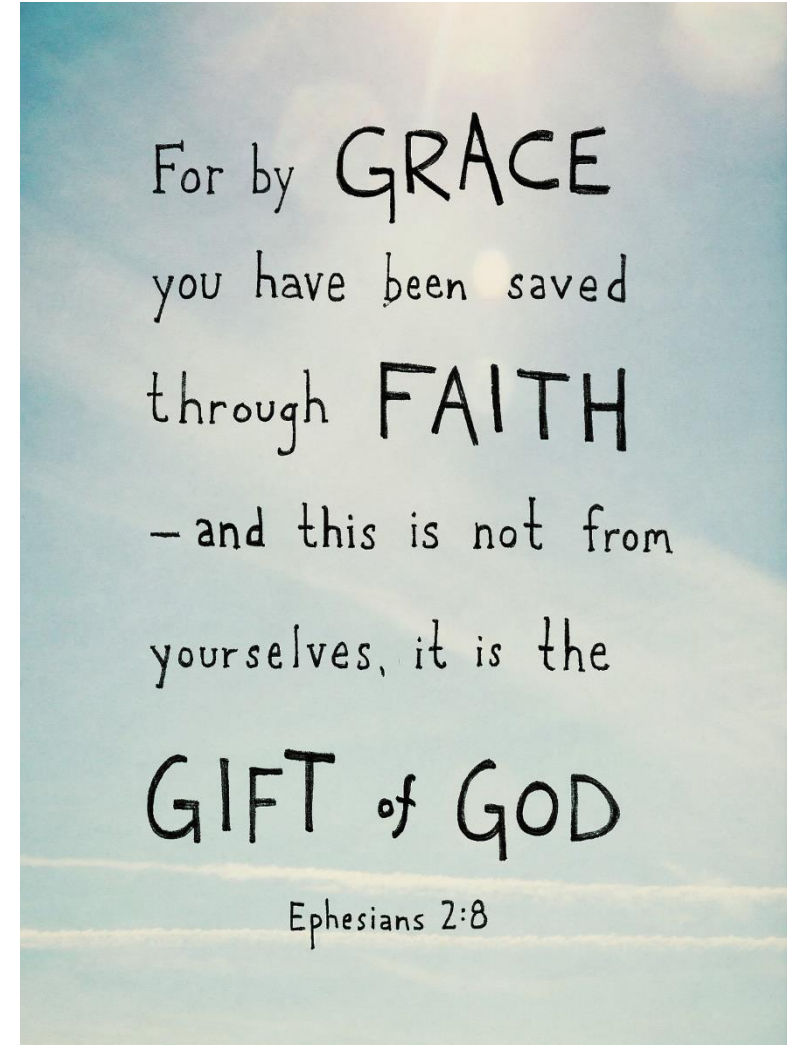
**Return Service Requested**

**Dr. Adam Woods**  
**Ms. Gayle Wimbrow**  
**Rev. Marty Daniels**  
**Mrs. Angie Weavil**  
**Mrs. Sara VonCannon**  
**Mrs. Teresa Tucker**

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**Music Director**  
**Minister of Education**  
**Organist**  
**Pianist**  
**Office Administrator**

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One January morning several years ago the Washington Post conducted an experiment: What would happen if a world class musician performed elegant classical music on a priceless instrument in the Metro station of a major American city?

The city was Washington D.C. The musician was Joshua Bell, who can earn upwards of \$50,000 for an evening's performance. The instrument was a 300-year-old Stradivarius valued at \$3.5 million. The music included the works of Bach and other masters. The experiment was captured on hidden camera.

**So, what happened? How did people respond?**

During Mr. Bell's 45-minute performance, 1097 people passed by. 27 dropped spare change into his open violin case, for a total of \$35. And seven of them stopped what they were doing to listen for at least one minute. The other 1070 people hurried past, oblivious, uninterested, unmoved.

This experiment might offer hope to pastors and teachers who find themselves frustrated at the lack of response their timeless message too often receives. But we must also ask ourselves: how many times a day does something like this happen to you or me?

How many times do we encounter truth, beauty, and excellence, without giving it a second look? How many messages of hope do we ignore?

How many demonstrations of grace do we disregard? How many divine appointments do we overlook?

Ezra wrote these words: *But now for a brief moment grace has been shown from the Lord our God, to leave us an escaped remnant and to give us a peg in His holy place, that our God may enlighten our eyes and grant us a little reviving in our bondage. (Ezra 9:8)*

Let's make an effort to recognize — and fully experience — those brief moments of grace God sends our way. There will be at least a few today. Will you see it?

Grace and Peace,

Adam

The Senior Moments Group will be going to CiCi's Pizza in HP for their monthly luncheon on August 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to carpool meet at the church at 11 am.

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW UPDATES**

Copies of the proposed constitution and by-law updates were presented at the July church conference. Discussion will be at the August 16<sup>th</sup> Church Conference. If you do not have a copy, you may request an email or hard copy from the church office. We plan to vote on these updates Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Financial Summary**

	July 2, 2023	
Undesignated Gifts		\$2,560.00
Designated Gifts		\$1,850.37
Total Offering		\$4,410.37
	July 11, 2023	
Undesignated Gifts		\$3,130.00
Designated Gifts		\$492.00
Total Offering		\$3,622.00
	July 16, 2023	
Undesignated Gifts		\$1,610.00
Designated Gifts		\$3,813.29
Total Offering		\$5,423.29
	July 23, 2023	
Undesignated Gifts		\$2,080.00
Designated Gifts		\$310.00
Total Offering		\$2,390.00

**General Fund**

June General Fund Receipts	\$11,745.00
June General Fund Expenses	-\$17,388.47
June General Fund Net	-\$5,643.47
June General Fund Balance	\$92,288.28

**Woman on Mission Update**

**Women on Mission ladies had their July email meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**JULY WOM ACTIVITIES:**

- Hospice Ministry Note: Deliveries were made to both Hospice Home locations.
- Some Inward Meals were prepared and delivered to a few families.
- Approval was given for using up to \$200 of WOM funds to purchase items on the Senior Services "Christmas in July"

wish list. So, Sam's was the destination shopping location to allow purchases in bulk. It was also decided to open this Senior Services project up to the church for anyone who may wish to participate.

- We voted to use WOM funds for the "Sundaes on Sunday" ice cream and fellowship event held Sunday evening on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. I am pleased to report there were 37 who came to join in this fun time and 5 of those were visitors!
- WOM members voted and approved Jane Sutphin to remain as President and Beverly Weavil as Vice President for the upcoming church year.
- The ladies voted and approved a generous donation for Crisis Control Ministry to be given to Kathy Hoffner at the ladies fellowship event.
- Plans are being made to play bingo with the residents at Bradford Village in Kernersville sometime in the near future.

**Upcoming events:**

Annual Ladies Fellowship Event Announcement & Invitation follows:

*Union Cross Baptist Church, Ladies Fellowship Event, Sunday, August 13 @ 2:00 pm*  
*Ladies come join us for fellowship, inspiration, fun, door prizes and refreshments!*  
*Feel free to wear a hat, but hat or no hat, you will be welcome.*  
*Guest Speaker – Kathy Hoffner – Director of Crisis Control Ministry – Kernersville*  
*We are collecting donations for this ministry. You are encouraged to bring food, toilet tissue and/or household cleaning products. **Reservations are requested. Please contact Jane Sutphin or Beverly Weavil to reserve your seat.***

Space prohibits listing all the things God does for us on a daily basis. What can we do in return to please Him? One of the things Women on Mission does with sincerity is assisting others less fortunate with our many projects as **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.**