

Prayer Concerns: Ellen Bobbitt, Ellen Cook, Bobby & Irene Cheek, Marty & Judy Daniels, Larry Davis (Susan Hilton's nephew), Laura (friend of Kathy Mills), Juan & Lidia Mendoza (neighbors of Hal & Melissa Little), Ron Mills, Derek Reavis (friend of Mark Reavis), Darlene

Smith (Cindy Clark's mother), Bettie Spencer, Debbie Wyatt (Sara VonCannon's cousin), Roger Burnett (Lisa Young's father), and John Young (Lisa's husband).

Welcome to our new members Ron & Doris Pinyan! They joined our church family on August 4th. Their address & phone numbers are in the church directory.

Save the Date

Our Homecoming Celebration will be Sunday, October 20th. Bill Flynn will be joining us as our guest speaker that morning. Lunch will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall. If you know of someone who hasn't been here in a while and would like to receive an invitation letter, please let Teresa know.

Family Night Dinner

Make plans to be at our Family Night Dinner on Wednesday, September 4th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$3.00. We will not have 10:00 am bible study that day. A special study will follow dinner at 7:00 pm.

Children's Church - Ages 3 to 10

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September 1st	Marianne Casas
September 8 th	Cindy Clark
September 15 th	Julie Striplin
September 22 nd	Kathy Horton
September 29 th	Lisa Young



September Birthdays

Hal Little, Rebecca Fulp 9/4 9/7 Luke Weavil 9/9 Hugo & Cassidy Casas 9/20 Rae Hurley, Dale Lakey, Becky Lauten 9/22 Jeff Honeycutt, Billie Weavil 9/26 Marianne Casas 9/30 John Church

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Sunday, September 8th 5:00 PM

Picnic at the Park! Join us at Triad Park - Shelter 1. Invite someone that has not been to church in a while. Think of this as an opportunity to reconnect. The church will provide hotdogs and buns. Everyone else can bring side dishes, fixings, drinks, and desserts.

A Word from the Pastor

Centuries ago, John Fawcett was the pastor of a poor church in Wainsgate, England. Since he was a talented and dynamic preacher, he received an offer to be the pastor of a large, affluent church in London. It was a great opportunity, but it presented a problem: He dearly loved the congregation in Wainsgate, and it was killing him to leave. After he and his wife had packed away all their belongings, members of the church came to see them off. During their good-byes, Mary Fawcett said to her husband, "John, I cannot bear to leave!" He thought for a moment and said, "Neither can I. And so, we won't. This is our home and these are our people and this is where we'll stay."

John Fawcett spent his entire fifty-four-year ministry serving this one church. Shortly after making this decision, he wrote these words...Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. That's the verse everyone knows. Here's one of the other verses. We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear; And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

There's a reason why old-fashioned things like Sunday School classes and Home Bible Studies are still such a great idea. It's not just about what we learn from the lesson. It's about what we experience in community with others. It's much more than just an advertising slogan: Life is better when we're connected.

They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. (Acts 2:46-47)

Grace and Peace, Adam

Medical Supply Ministry:

This is just a reminder that we have various medical supply items (i.e. bedside toilets, transport chair, walkers, rollators, knee walker, shower & tub seats, crutches, cushions, IV pole, canes, etc. that are available for short-term use to our church congregation or their family members. When there is a need, all you have to do is check with Teresa Tucker or Jane Sutphin to determine if the needed item is currently available. If so, there is a check out log sheet that should be completed and the item logged back in upon return. We do respectively ask that the transport chair located in the entrance to the sanctuary always remain there for in-house emergencies, that any item that you borrow be returned cleaned & disinfected as soon as the item is no longer needed so that other members may have access to it. Additionally, some of the WOM ladies have made heart pillows for surgical patients, fidget aprons for Alzheimer's patients & carriers/totes for the walkers which are also available to our congregation.

Senior Moments Group

The Senior Moments Group will be going to Hamrick's on Thursday the 19th. If you would like to carpool meet at the church by 8:45 am. After shopping the plan is to eat lunch at Craker Barrel in Greensboro. If you just want to meet for lunch, be at Craker Barrel by 11:00 am. This outing will take the place of the monthly luncheon.

Help us help others! NC Baptists on Mission & WOM seeks your help with providing canned food in the Appalachian Backpacks we send each year to poverty-stricken youngsters in the Appalachian Coalfield areas. Our goal this year is to fill 55-60 backpacks. Each backpack must have 3-4 pop-top cans of food such as beef stew, ravioli, tuna, vegetables, fruit, etc. If you can help us with this project, there will be collection baskets in all 3 buildings beginning Sept. 1. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THESE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS — NO PLASTIC OR MICROWAVABLE CONTAINERS & MUST BE POP-TOP!!! (Any excess donations of the estimated 240 cans needed will be donated to either Hospice or to Crisis Control Ministry.) - Jane Sutphin

Financial Summary

August 4, 2024

	August 4, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 3,325.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 585.00
Total Offering		\$ 3,910.00
	August 11, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 2,095.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 440.00
Total Offering		\$ 2,535.00
	August 18, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts	,	\$7,265.00
Designated Gifts		\$1,060.00
Total Offering		\$8,325.00
	August 25, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts		\$3,330.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 186.00
Total Offering		\$3,516.00
	General Fund	
July General Fund		\$11,992.00
July General Fund Expenses		- \$14,251.32
July General Fund Net		-\$ 2,259.32
July General Fund Balance		\$96,309.25



Women on Mission ladies had their August email meeting on August 7th.

AUGUST WOM ACTIVITIES:

- Hospice Ministry Note: Snack donations were sent to both WS & HP Hospice Homes & a very nice thank you note was received from Trellis in WS.
- \$72 of WOM funds were spent for shampoo & \$73 for bags of candy for the Appalachian Backpack Ministry.
- Approval was given to sending \$400 to the Salvation Army in WS with \$200 specifically directed to US Disaster Relief work & \$200 for the Center of Hope Family Shelter in WS.
- Voted to also to send \$400 to Baptists on Mission for Disaster Relief work in the US.
- 4th with 16 of those guests from the community. A representative from Baptist Children's Home was our guest speaker. Three tables full of special pool items were donated for BCH, along with checks for \$300, \$113 & \$133 to provide for their resident youngsters & a \$35 honorarium presented to the speaker. A special thank you to everyone who helped in any way. No other WOM funds were used for this event as all other expenses totaling just over \$200 were anonymously donated.

See separate article regarding another WOM sponsored event & how you can help us!

As September approaches our thoughts turn to fall colors, leaves & upcoming Thanksgiving & Christmas holidays. It is good to look beyond, but are we not grateful God sees our TODAY'S needs and always provides? That too, is our approach with WOM - we identify ways to help then proceed to carry through as "UNION CROSS REACHES TO SHOW HIS LOVE". - Jane S.

Missions Opportunity

Baptist Children's Home in Thomasville will have a 1-day mission opportunity on Saturday, Sept. 21st from 8:30 -1:00. There will be projects for all ages. You will work side by side with the resident boys & girls & staff, tour the cottages & enjoy a free lunch. To register, contact kristynbutts@bchfamily.org.