



Billy Ashworth. (longtime friend of Pete from Eden, NC.) Suffered a stroke and will be rehabilitating at Stanleytown.

Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Debbie Brooks. Health concerns.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Cindy Canup. Lisa's sister. Broken foot.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Gary Hollandsworth. Surgery on October 6th.

Hester Hollandsworth. Hospitalized this past week for congestive heart failure and a reaction to a new medication. She was discharged to go home yesterday.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Wes Johnson. Cancer.

Steven Kelly. Cancer.

Ryan Kendrick. Special needs.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Health concerns.

Paul Mays. Health concerns.

Ruby Mason. Health concerns.

Kenneth Moore. Friend of Carol. Cancer.

Carol Pace. Health concerns.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Carolyn Roop. Health concerns.

Joe Shulam. Health concerns.

Kitty Shumate. Health concerns.

Sharon Teschendorf. Dementia.

Charlotte Wyatt. Kevin's mom. Has been hospitalized with a mild stroke.

Wayne Youngblood. Parkinson's & Dementia.

Little Miss Cecili. Child at Potter Home. Having complications following a recent surgery.

Caregivers.

Our Country, Military & Leaders



Family of Tony Beavers. (Friends of the Lovell's & members of Kannapolis congregation) Tony passed yesterday morning.



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Times We Meet:

Sunday:

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday:

Ladies Fellowship:

9:30a.m.

Ladies Class: 10:00 a.m.



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Someone Needs You

Many times, people feel unwanted or not appreciated. It is possible that feeling alone or unloved is one of the worst feelings that someone can go through. This feeling can lead to depression, anxiety and a host of other issues. Sometimes folks feel just like David (Psalm 142:2) "Look on my right hand and see, For there is no one who acknowledges me; Refuge has failed me; No one cares for my soul." No matter how far down the rabbit hole folks go in their mind of feeling like no one cares about them, they are wrong. No matter who you are in this world, someone needs you!

Consider some folks that need you:

Your spouse needs you. "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord" (Ephesians 5:22). "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her" (Ephesians 5:25). God's wisdom is shown in marrying the first couple, Adam and Eve. "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh" (Genesis 2:24). When done correctly this is the most beautiful relationship next to our fellowship with God.

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Children need you. "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right" (Ephesians 6:1). If there is not proper guidance for children, then they are far more likely to live sinfully and away from Christ or even faith at all. They need love, and they need to be listened to and guided. We can say grandchildren need you too! One of the hardest things I saw during our disaster work was grandparents raising grandchildren. Thank God for these grandparents who can step in and get that done. They must be very worn out. "...that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children" (Titus 2:4). This was the job of the older women and if the younger will not or cannot raise those children then they will!

Brethren need you. "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works" (Hebrews 10:24). "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). "Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually" (1 Corinthians 12:27). "...but exhort one another daily, while it is called 'TODAY,' lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin" (Hebrews 3:13). God has designed his church to be in fellowship, not in "isolationship."

The lost need you. It is painful to think that folks are lost but it is still true. "And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned'" (Mark 16:15-16).

God is self-sustaining and doesn't really need us, but he wants us and isn't that better than needing us? Let's want our spouse, let's want our children or parents, let's want our brethren, let's want the lost!

—Dustin Wilson

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Church News



October Birthday's!
10TH HESTER
HOLLANDSWORTH
28TH KEVIN WYATT



October Anniversaries!
5TH BRAD
& JORDYN NEWTON
25TH KEVIN
& VELVET WYATT



**Next Sunday, October 5th,
the prayer list will be reset.**
If you have someone on the prayer list that haven't been updated and they need to remain, please give Matthew an update by Thurs, Oct 2nd.



Guest Speaker!

On Sunday, October 5th we are having a guest speaker. Brother Tim Canup who is an Instructor & Recruiter for the North Carolina School of Biblical Studies will be with us.

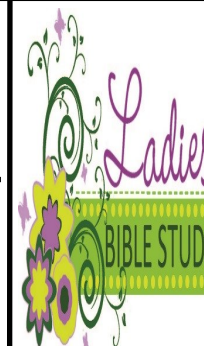


Fellowship Meal!

On Sunday, October 5th Following our worship gathering we will have a fellowship meal. Everyone please bring your favorite dishes and desserts to share.

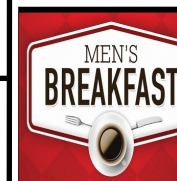
Thursday Ladies' Bible Class!

Thursday Ladies Bible Class Will return on Oct 9th. The session the ladies are Studying: Women Walking By Faith. Coffee and Donuts at 9:30 a.m. & Class starts at 10:00 a.m.



Pizza/Movie Night!

Our next Pizza & Movie Nights will be on October 11th! Pizza Supper at 4:45pm and Movie at 5:00pm.



October Men's Breakfast!

Our next Men's Breakfast will be on October 18th! Join us at 9:00 a.m. for food and fellowship.



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There Is No Excuse for Not Believing in God

Romans 1:20 presents an interesting “5 W’s” concerning why no one has any legitimate excuse for not believing in God. Here is the text: “For since the creation of the world³ His¹ invisible attributes² are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made⁴, even His¹ eternal power and Godhead², so that they are without excuse⁵”

1. **Who?** God. The eternal, existent One. The only one, true God.
2. **What?** Witnessing and knowing about God’s existence and His true nature and power. The evidence and proof is more than abundant.
3. **When?** Since the very beginning – throughout all of time. There has never been a time when people could not know that there is a God.
4. **Where?** Literally everywhere the creation can be seen. It is evident and can be clearly observed and deciphered by all.
5. **Why?** So that we may believe. If we examine all of this evidence and do not believe, then we are without excuse.

—Edd Sterchi



“One the Lighter Side:” Unwanted Visitor

A man, down on his luck, went into a church which catered to the “uppity.” Spotting the man’s dirty clothes a deacon, worried about the church image, went to the man and asked him if he needed help. The man said, “I was praying and the Lord told me to come to this church.” The deacon suggested that the man go pray some more and possibly he might get a different answer. The next Sunday the man returned. The deacon asked, “Did you get a different answer?” The man replied, “Yes I did. I told the Lord that they don’t want me in that church and the Lord said, ‘Don’t worry about it son, I’ve been trying to get into that church for years and haven’t made it yet.’”





Autumn Harvest

I love the Fall season of the year. I admire God’s creation as the leaves change color and the temperatures drop. In the Bible, Autumn is associated with harvest. It was a time of celebration as people thanked the Lord for his provisions (see Leviticus 23:9-14).

When we think about it, we have a lot to thank God for. Those of us who live in America are truly blessed with many benefits. We have enough to eat, healthcare, and freedom as citizens. As Christians, we have the greatest blessings including salvation, the promise of answered prayer, and the assured hope of eternal life.

No wonder the Bible urges us to enter into God’s gates with thanksgiving (Psalms 100:4).

—Larry Fitzgerald



That Tempting Situation

In May 2022, Tyreek Hill of the Miami Dolphins purchased a 7-bedroom, 8.5-bathroom home for \$6.9 million. That’s a really nice place! On January 3, 2024, a fire ripped through that house, and it took firefighters two hours to quell the flames, leaving extensive water and smoke damage throughout the house. A really nice place was nearly destroyed and left with severe and very costly damage.

How could something so valuable and beautiful so quickly be ravaged and left with lasting devastation? What could cause such destruction? Here it is: The fire was sparked by a child playing with a lighter in one of the bedrooms.

Do you think that child had any idea the damage that such a small, seemingly innocent act could cause? Playing with a lighter is no big deal, right? It’s “small.” It’s “controllable.” *“That Tempting Situation” Continues on Page 4...*

“That Tempting Situation” Continued from Page 3... It’s “easy to keep secret,” so that no one will ever know, right? And, sure, it’s a little risky, but that’s what gives it a sense of excitement and intrigue. The child had no idea what would happen, but that’s the point!

How often do we, as Christians, behave in a similar fashion to this little child? I’m not talking about playing with lighters, but I’m talking about playing with temptation.

How often do we put ourselves in tempting situations, but we think we can “handle it”? Maybe we think it is just a “small” thing. Maybe we think that it is “controllable.” Maybe we think that it is a “secret” and nobody knows about it, so it is no big deal. Maybe we realize that we are bordering on the edge of temptation, but that little “risk” gives us a little spark of excitement and adrenalin and intrigue.

Friends, are you playing with temptation? Are you getting yourself too close, but you think you have got it under control? The book of wisdom says, “Can a man take fire to his bosom, and his clothes not be burned? Can one walk on hot coals, and his feet not be seared?” (Prov. 6:27-28). Peter probably thought it was no big deal for him to go and warm himself with those who hated Jesus, but putting himself in that situation led him into sin (Luke 22:54-62). David probably thought it was no big deal for him to take a sneak peek at Bathsheba while she was bathing, but allowing himself to keep looking led him into sin (2 Sam. 11:1-27).

We need to “watch and pray” to keep ourselves from entering “into temptation” (Luke 22:40, 46; 8:13; 11:4). Our “own desires” entice us to think we can control temptation (Jas. 1:13, 14). Let us not be fooled! Let us “flee” (2 Tim. 2:22) and “abstain” (1 Thess. 5:22; 1 Pet. 2:11), rather than playing with fire to see how close we can get without getting burned. Your soul is more valuable than a 6.9-million-dollar home!

—David Sproule



Matthew 18:15-20



1. True or False: If your brother sins against you, go and tell the public.
2. If he won’t hear, go to him again, taking __ or __.
3. If the first two options fail, tell it to the __.
4. If he refuses to hear the church, let him be to you like a __ and a __ collector.
5. “Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on __ will be bound in heaven, and whatever you __ on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!



Did You Know This About Haggai?

Haggai was a prophet who lived and worked during the time of the re-turn from exile under Zerubbabel. After 16 years since the start of the restoration of the temple, Haggai received four prophetic messages from God, telling the people to stop being lax in their work, and get the temple done!

We know the exact date God spoke to Haggai, because the dates are recorded in the book: August 29, September 21, October 17, and December 18 of the year 520 BC.

—Matt Clifton



Did You Know This About Zechariah?

Zechariah was a prophet who ministered after the exile. He is called the son of Berechiah, and grandson of Iddo. This is probably the same Iddo who is listed among the priests who returned with Zerubbabel in 536 BC. If that is so, then Zechariah was both a prophet and a priest, like Ezekiel and Jeremiah.

According to Jesus’ words in Matthew 23:35, Zechariah was murdered “between the temple and the altar.”

—Matt Clifton