June and July

"Come, Grow With Us ... In Christ"

2017

ENOUGH FOR THE PRESENT

"Religion is full of questions that we cannot answer," declared Dr. James McCosh in an address to his students at Princeton University, "because we only know in part," –a long pause, then with thrilling emphasis, --"but we know!" There are things in which we may be positively certain though we cannot comprehend all their connections and relations. We know that our souls exist truly as our bodies exist. We know that there is a God, who is not blind force, but a spirit who answers the souls who seek peace and joy. Evil brings discord and death to the soul. We know that Jesus Christ is absolutely good, the perfect union of the Divine and the Human spirits. We know that through Christ that love is the source of power, and that life continues after death. Beyond our ken lie the mysteries unexplored. But we have light enough to steer by, if we will. We know as much as we need. If we live by it we shall know more, some day.

----Adoption from Leaves of Gold





We have six youth attending camps this summer. All our Youth would enjoy a letter or three each day at mail call. Here is the mailing address for you to send a post card, a letter, a care package, etc.

Camp Caroline 3398 Janiero Road, Arapaho, NC 28510

Sophia Penhorwood will attend UNO camp from June 9-11.

Morgan Brooks will attend CYF Camp from June 11-16.

Benjamin Abbott will attend Sailing Arts and Science from June 25-30.

Haley Jones will attend Delta Camp from July 16-21.

Shyann Turner will attend Delta Camp from July 16-21.

Please try to have the letters or care package sent out to Camp by the Tuesday of the Youth's week at camp. That way they will get it before they leave camp.





Your Pastor made Bail!

Thank you to all those who helped me raise my bail so that I could leave my jail cell on May 17th. The goal was \$50,000 total for Pitt County to raise for those youth with Muscular Dystrophy. We raised \$44,158 for this cause. If you would like help with the short fall of \$5,842, please send money to:

MDA Eastern Carolinas 110-A Cinema Dr. Wilmington, NC 28403

Ríse Against Hunger Event

Thank you to all those who participated in the Rise against Hunger Event at Bethany FWB church on May 7th. Together, we packed over 30,000 bags for those in need of a food and nourishment.





Youth Yard Sale

Thank you to everyone who gave to the church for the Youth Yard Sale on May 6th. Thank you to those who helped set up and clean up the Yard sale also. The Youth cleared just under \$1000.00 between the yard sale and baked goods.



Pentecost Sunday

Come join us on Sunday June 4th as we celebrate the Biblical Birth of the church.

Graduation Sunday

We will celebrate our Graduating youth, young adults and adults on June 11th during the service. Some have already gotten their information in to the office on who in their family is graduating this year. Remember that anyone who is moving from up to the next level of education (graduating Pre-school, Kindergarten, 5th Grade, 8th Grade, High School, College or Graduate School) are the ones we would like to honor that morning. Marcus and Connor Sutton will bring the message that morning.





Father's Day

On Sunday, June 18th we will honor all those men in our lives that we call Father. Come join us as we honor the Father Figures that God has blessed us in our lives with. Lou Anne Sutton will bring the message for this day.

Kings of Q Festival and BBQ Competition

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard in preparation, cooking of the skins, working the Pepsi trailers and People's Choice as well as cleaning up on Saturday evening. Your dedication to the church family, that God blessed us with and the community we live in is a blessing beyond words. We cleared \$3132.00 this year that will be used in our General Funds. The winner of the People's Choice Competition was Grillin' Time of Winterville. Redneck Scientific won 1st place in the overall competition for the 2nd year running.





Pastor Chad,

Saturday, you welcomed us and made us feel at home. You sheltered us. The A/C was great. You fed us well. The 'cue we judged was excellent. You asked us to return.

As two of the judges for Kings of Q, please accept our thanks and our gift to continue God's work in Ayden and surrounding. A donation of \$50 was given. Tom & Shirley Ditt

To My Dear Friends at Ayden Christian Church,

Thank you so much for all the prayers, love, cards, food and gifts during my surgery and recovery on my knee replacement.

All my physicians were amazed at my "miraculous" recovery. I have been released from Physical Therapy, and now am looking into surgery on my right knee in July. My son, Greg Worthington had a 3-1/2 hour surgery repairing 5 ruptured discs and 2 pinched nerves and has had a great review and no longer wears his neck brace, also after being on serious pain medication for 2 years. He has had serious withdrawals, however with God's love and assistance, and your prayers, he has overcome and we all survived. He will be returning to work full-time on Monday the 22^{nd} .

Also, with many heartfelt tears and prayerful experiences, and pondering and praying about what is right for me, I am rejoining the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon). My whole family in Upstate New York are members and I'm feeling so much at home attending the church here in Greenville, where I once went.

I am not closing the doors on the "Dear" friendships I have at Ayden Christian Church, I love you all. Our paths will meet again.

In Christ Love,

JoAnn Oakley

Dear Everyone,

I feel I had to write you all and try to thank you for being "you".

Recently, Dr. Gamble, my new Hematologist, thought that my Aplastic Anemia had caused some heart issues and sent me to a Cardiovascular Surgeon, Dr. Ladd.

I went through many tests, ECHO's, ultrasounds, calcium CAT Scan, PET Nuclear Stress Test of my whole body. The happiest day of my life, I received word that nothing showed up bad, just aging osteoarthritis.

The same day I received a beautiful card from several of you and I really believe it was from God.

Your cards mean so much to me. I love being near my family and am adjusting to my new life, but I miss all of you and Ayden Christian Church, always will.

Love and Kisses to all,

Nancy Braxton

SERVING IN JUNE

Elders:

June 4th Carol Ann & Ray Hardee
June 11th Lou Anne & Louis Sutton
June 18th Joyce Barnes, Robert Spence
June 25th Denelle & KR Roberson

Greeters:

June 4th Marty & Tommy Stancil

June 11th Sue Venters, Robert Spence

June 18th Laura & Craig Buck

June 25th Becky & Steve McLawhorn

Deacons:

June 4th Shannon & Ernie Lubiani
Emme Wainright, Morgan Brooks
June 11th Marenda & Todd Ausbon
Asa Spain, Cindy Rhue
June 18th Andrea & Jack Hardison
Lena Darden, Connor Sutton
June 25th Phyllis & Jim Newman
Asa Spain, Trudy Tyson

Worship Leaders:

June 4th Gaynell Deans

SERVING IN JULY

Elders:

Jul 2nd Gaynell Deans, Linwood Allegood
Jul 9th Alice & Ronnie Huggins
Jul 16th Marty & Tommy Stancil
Jul 23rd Sue Venters, Robert Spence
Jul 30th Laura & Craig Buck

Greeters:

Jul 2nd Joyce Barnes, "Bear" Baldree
Jul 9th Connie & Wes Hardee
Jul 16th Carol Ann & Ray Hardee
Jul 23rd Lou Anne & Louis Sutton
Jul 30th Sue Venters, Gaynell Deans

Deacons:

Jul 2nd Amanda & Shawn Brooks
Morgan Brooks, Rachel Speight
Jul 9th Jennifer & Ryan Hardee
Asa Spain, Lena Darden
Jul 16th Shannon & Ernie Lubiani
Shelia Dixon, Cobby Deans
Jul 23rd Jennifer & Ryan Hardee
Connor Sutton, Kolby Wainright
Jul 30th Marenda & Todd Ausbon
Amanda Abbott, Asa Spain

Worship Leaders:

Jul 2nd Craig Buck

June 11th Laura Buck
June 18th Becky McLawhorn
June 25th Lena Darden

Jul 9th Denelle Roberson Jul 16th Jack Hardison Jul 23rd Alice Huggins Jul 30th Lou Anne Sutton

Worship Representatives:

June 4th Ray Hardee
June 11th Todd Ausbon
June 18th Cobby Deans
June 25th KR Roberson

Children's Moment:

June 4th Alice Huggins
June 11th Marenda Ausbon
June 18th Becky McLawhorn
June 25th Lou Anne Sutton

* If you are unable to serve on you're scheduled Sunday, it is your responsibility to find your replacement*

COMMUNION FOR JUNE

Jun 4th Shannon Wainright
Jun 11th Carol Ann Hardee
Jun 18th Ann Carraway
Jun 25th Trish Williams

CHILDREN'S MOMENT FOR JUNE

Jun 4th Alice Huggins
Jun 11th Marenda Ausbon
Jun 18th Becky McLawhorn
Jun 25th Lou Anne Sutton

ACOLYTES IN JUNE

Jun 4th Zack Hardison
Jun 11th Shyann Turner
Jun 18th Benjamin Abbott
Jun 25th Haley Jones

Worship Representatives:

Jul 2nd Shawn Brooks
Jul 9th Ryan Hardee
Jul 16th Tommy Stancil
Jul 23rd Robert Spence
Jul 30th Todd Ausbon

Children's Moment:

Jul 2nd Denelle Roberson
Jul 9th Christy Hill
Jul 16th Marty Stancil
Jul 23rd Trudy Tyson
Jul 30th Rev. Penhorwood

COMMUNION FOR JULY

Jul 2nd Kathy Urton
Jul 9th Alta Andrews
Jul 16th Cindy Rhue
Jul 23rd Brooks Buck
Jul 30th Ann Carraway

CHILDREN'S MOMENT FOR JULY

Jul 2nd Denelle Roberson
Jul 9th Christy Hill
Jul 16th Marty Stancil
Jul 23rd Trudy Tyson
Jul 30th Rev. Penhorwood

ACOLYTES IN JULY

Jul 2nd Holly Hardison
Jul 9th Taylor Jones
Jul 16th Addison Hardee
Jul 23rd Hunter Hardison
Jul 30th Macy Speight

MEETINGS IN JUNE

Prayer Group

Meets every Tuesday at 10:00AM

Keen-Agers

Will depart at 11:00 Am for lunch at Greg's Pizza in Grifton on Tuesday, June 6th Will meet on Wednesday June 21st in Beland Hall

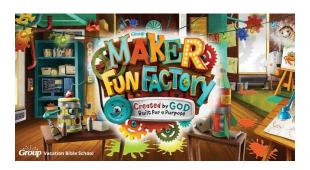


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Keen-Agers

Will be going to Bum's on Tuesday, July 11th at 11:30am Will meet on Wednesday July 19th in Beland Hall



VBS

Sunday, July 16th thru Thursday,
July 20th from 6:00 to 8:30PM we
will have our "Maker Fun Factory".
Registration and meal starts at
5:30PM in Beland Hall.