

Children's Corner

Hey Parents! CIAs will be starting back up Wednesday, September 6th at 7 PM. Children's Choir will start Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30 PM. Ages for choir are K-5th grade.

The Youth will be going to the Wake Forest football game on September 30th against Florida State. Tickets are \$20. If you are interested going, please see Emma Lawrence by September 6th.

Church Family,
Words will never be able to truly express how much each of you mean to me, and how truly blessed I have felt being here. Each and every one of you holds a special place in my heart. We've been through so much together these past three years, and I wouldn't trade our time together for anything. Y'all have made me a better person, and I believe I've learned more from each of you than I was ever able to teach. Good-bye sounds so final, so instead, until I see you again.
With So Much Love,
Marisa



September

9/4	Hal Little
9/5	Jo Freeman
9/7	Luke Weavil, Dale Wilson
9/9	Hugo & Cassidy Casas
9/10	Rebekah DeCamillis, Bill Daniels
9/11	Ethel Stafford, Logan Deweese
9/19	Steve Grose, Kara Kern
9/20	Rae Hurley, Dale Lakey, Becky Lauten
9/22	Jeff Honeycutt, Billie Weavil
9/24	Blakely Parnell
9/25	Cathy Honeycutt
9/26	Marianne Casas
9/30	John Church

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Church Picnic

Sunday, September 10th
5:00 PM

We will be having our Annual Church Picnic at Triad Park Shelter 1 in Colfax. We plan on eating at 5 PM. The church will be providing hotdogs and buns. Everyone else can bring side dishes, drinks and fixings. Come out and join us for a wonderful time of food and fellowship.

Dare To Be



Perhaps the greatest sermon we have recorded from Jesus is the Sermon on the Mount. You **can** read it in Matthew Chapters 5, 6, and 7. After Jesus gave this long sermon on doing right toward God and others, he walked down the mountain where He met a man in need, and did all He could to help him. Jesus walked down the mountain and lived out the sermon he just preached.

Matthew 8:1-3: *“When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, ‘LORD, if you are willing, you can make me clean.’ Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. ‘I am willing,’ he said. ‘Be clean!’ Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy.”*

This man was living a very sad and poor life because those with leprosy were forced out of town. Away from families, to live as outcasts until they died (this was a way of quarantining the disease from spreading). On this day, while others were saying to this man “get out of town, you’re sick, we don’t want your disease,” Jesus was approachable and seen by the man as one to give hope. When others said, “we’ll never touch you, you’ll give us leprosy!” Jesus reached out His hand and touched him. When others didn’t care if he lived or died, or how bad his life was as a lonely outcast, Jesus cared. He wanted the man to smile and feel joy again. He healed him, and gave him his life back with his family.

The challenge: will we dare to be the one to help? The poem called *Dare to Be* by Steve Maraboli dares us to be the one to bless others.

Dare to Be

When a new day begins, dare to smile gratefully.

When there is darkness, dare to be the first to shine a light.

When something seems difficult, dare to try it anyway.

When life seems to hold you down, dare to push ahead.

When there seems to be no hope, dare to find some.

When you’re feeling tired, dare to keep going.

When times are tough, dare to be tougher.

When someone you love hurts you, dare to love again.

When someone is hurting, dare to help them heal.

When another is lost, dare to help them find the way.

When a friend falls, dare to be the first to extend a hand.

When you cross paths with another, dare to make them smile.

When you feel great, dare to help someone else feel great too.

When the day has ended, dare to feel as you’ve done your best.

Dare to be the best you can – At all times, Dare to Be!

Peace, Kent

Nursery Schedule

If anyone has a conflict and needs to reschedule, please contact Julie Striplin.

September 3, (Sun)	Carlene Compton & Susan Hilton AM
	No PM Activities PM
September 6, (Wed)	Bob & Bettie Spencer PM
September 10, (Sun)	Tina & Crista Church AM
	Church Picnic PM
September 13, (Wed)	Brenda Grose PM
September 17, (Sun)	Larry & Barbara Snyder AM
	Bob & Bettie Spencer PM
September 20, (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM
September 24, (Sun)	Tammie & Katie Weavil AM
	Edna Bond PM
September 27, (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter PM

Children’s Church & Wee Church Schedule

September 3, (Children’s)	Randy & Cathy Honeycutt
September 3, (Wee)	Julie Striplin
September 10, (Children’s)	Becky Lauten & Megan Coleman
September 10, (Wee)	Kathy Horton
September 17, (Children’s)	Neal & Lindsey Parnell
September 17, (Wee)	Jane & Jill Sutphin
September 24, (Children’s)	Melissa Little & Carole Blakley
September 24, (Wee)	Robin French



We continue to be able to provide generously to the Hospice Homes—thank you so much for your help with this ministry. Just a reminder our next Hospice Ministry emphasis day will be **Sunday, September 10th**.

Our August meeting was different—we met at Jane’s house and had 11 in attendance. What was even more special, the Baptist Men met on the front porch under the ceiling fans!!

Our August mission projects were:

- Tuesday, August 15th, our Inward Missions team once again delivered meals to seven households (12 people). This ministry would not be possible without those ladies willing to cook and deliver the meals—thank you ladies for your continued participation and dedication. Also, the monetary donations given to Jane personally for this specific ministry are very much appreciated.
- At our August meeting, we voted to send \$100 from our WOM funds to the Grant Hodgkin family who serve the missionary field in Guam. Please continue to pray for this family during this time of unrest and concern for their safety!
- During the entire month we collected back to school items for the underprivileged youngsters at Union Cross Elementary and Glenn High. The collection baskets are overflowing—what a blessing. At our September meeting, the items will be inventoried and a report will follow in the October newsletter.

Our next WOM meeting is scheduled for **September 6th**. We have many opportunities to serve others and these will be discussed – ladies please plan to join us.

Prayerfully and thoughtfully we are constantly finding ways to express how **“UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.”**

Senior Moments Group will be having their luncheon on September 21st, at 11 AM. Our special guest will be “The Presbyterian Home Band at River Landing .” They play every day household items: sink stoppers, trowels, vacuum cleaner, and many more commonplace things. So bring a couple covered dishes and join in on the fun.