VBS was a great success! Thanks to all our volunteers and the families who made a commitment to help our children discover how God has a special plan for each of us. We had 21 children & 18 adults for Bible Study & 28 volunteers. Thank you!

The Youth had a great time at Passport Camp in Danville, VA. We spent time with missions, worship, fellowship with other churches, devotions, and just having fun. Throughout the week, our youth and chaperones logged 72 mission hours with total cleaning up brush, fixing up old buildings, working with kids, packing food, and working at the Salvation Army! It was a great time and we look forward to camp again next year.



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UCBC Coffeehouse! Invite a friend and come out Saturday, August 6th, at 6:00pm. We'll have live music featuring Del Guthrie.

Debbie Livengood

Nancy Clodfelter, Gage Hilton, Dean Ward

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| 8/1 | David French |
| 8/3 | Breanne Smith |
| 8/5 | Jeannie Nibert |
| 8/6 | Neal Parnell, Dottie Wilson |
| 8/10 | Lisa Canada |
| 8/12 | Louise Farrow |
| 8/15 | Christy Litaker |
| 8/16 | Susan Hilton |
| 8/17 | Kaitlin Nibert, Tim VonCannon |
| 8/19 | Dylan Ward |
| 8/21 | Beverly Yokeley |
| 8/23 | Abbee & Kalee Fulp |
| 8/24 | Diana Loyd, Teresa Tucker |



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Our Annual Talent Show will be Sunday Night, August 28th at 6pm. We invite you to sign up with Marisa and showcase your talent. Come and enjoy the show and a time of fellowship afterwards.

The Most Underused Solution to Our Countries' Problems? by Interim Pastor Denny

The Democratic and Republican conventions have reminded us of what a mess our country is in. There is no shortage of problems, social issues, and causes to fight today. The problems we face as Americans and we are asked to fight or support are complex, often confusing, and sometimes seem to be overwhelming, unsolvable, or at the very least difficult to manage.

Terrorism, immigration, health care, and the economy are just a few of the many difficult problems our country faces. Where do we as a church even begin to understand or help with these problems?

For the local church and average Christian prayer is the best thing we can do, and maybe the only thing we are capable of doing that will help. Why? It is because in order to take on our country's problems one needs time, money, in depth knowledge of the issues, and persistent commitment, which most church goers are short on anyway.

Saying, "Let's put that on our prayer list," sounds nice, spiritual, and like we're really concerned and believe that prayer works.

Oh yea, I know we mean it at the time, but too often our zeal to spend any quality time in reaching heaven over our family, church, or country's problems fizzle in the midst of our own struggles and daily problems.

The early church believed in and experienced the results of prayer. The only thing that the disciples asked Jesus to teach them was how to pray. Luke 11:1 says, "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray..." Jesus not only taught the disciples how to pray, he modeled prayer before them.

Luke 6:12 says, "...he went out to a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." And in Mark 1:35 it says, "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed."

I believe prayer would work at solving our country's problems if we would only "work" at praying. Do you believe in prayer?

See ya at prayer meeting!

Senior Moments Luncheon

Our luncheon will be on Thursday the 18th at 11am. We will be having a special guest Sergeant Sayers from the Forsyth County Sheriffs Dept. He will be talking to us about Safety issues. So bring a covered dish and join the fun.

Nursery Schedule

| Alice Striplin PM | August 3, (Wed) |
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| Larry Snyder & Barbara Snyder AM | August 7, (Sun) |
| Edna Bond PM | |
| Nancy Clodfelter PM | August 10, (Wed) |
| Tina & Crista Church AM | August 14, (Sun) |
| Nancy Clodfelter PM | |
| Brenda Grose PM | August 17, (Wed) |
| Kathy Idol & Carlene Compton AM | August 21, (Sun) |
| Brenda Grose PM | |
| Alice Striplin PM | August 24, (Wed) |
| Susan Hilton & Ann Canada AM | August 28, (Sun) |
| Alice Striplin PM | |
| Nancy Clodfelter PM | August 31, (Wed) |
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Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

| Kathy & Lauren Horton |
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| Beverly Weavil |
| Sharon Thompson & Sara VonCannon |
| Marisa Fraley |
| Carole Blakley & Melissa Little |
| Robin French |
| Julie Striplin & Beverly Yokeley |
| Marisa Fraley |
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Our next "Cookies for Hospice" day will be **Sunday, August 7**th. Although our last donations were considerably less, they were very much appreciated. Two of our members, Nancy Clodfelter and Ann Canada (and their families) unfortunately recently experienced a Hospice Home setting and found firsthand how meaningful snacks and food can be during a time of saying goodbye to a loved one. With this in mind, WOM kindly requests that you prayerfully consider donating homemade cookies, nabs, microwavable foods, canned soups, fruit cups, etc. to this UCBC monthly mission.

During July we collected items for the Williams Adult Day Center in WS (sponsored by Senior Services of Forsyth County). At the time of this release donations were still coming in, but just to advise you, at our June meeting, we voted to spend \$100 to \$150 of WOM funds to purchase the much needed adult disposable underwear and \$108.01 (after using a \$20 store credit at Sam's) was spent to purchase 336 pairs of both women and men's disposable underwear. From a personal standpoint, I can truly attest for the need of these items to better serve our elderly citizens.

Once again on July 11th, we continued with Inward Missions and prepared meals for four households and these, too, were very well received and much appreciated.

Please try and attend our August 3rd meeting where we will be praying for needs around us and planning ways we can be of service to others as **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE**".

On Mission! The Seeker SS Class will be sponsoring the Food Drive at the UC Food Lion on August 13^{th} , from 9am - 1pm. August food item is Jelly. You can place your donations in the food drive boxes in the foyer of each building.



UC Fire Department is hosting the Andy Johnson Memorial **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Sunday, August 21st from11am – 3:30pm. To schedule an appointment log onto <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> and key sponsor code "Andy Johnson Memorial" or contact the Johnson's at (336)817-2048 or <u>rjohnson@triad.rr.com</u>. Appointments are encouraged. Walk-ins welcome. Bring photo ID.