

## Hey UCBC Family,

I thank the Lord for our youth and for their tender hearts. On Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, the youth volunteered at Baptist Children's Home "Friends of Children" workday. Our youth were able to directly impact Baptist Children's Home boys and girls while seeing the ministry firsthand. We cleaned a cottage, did some landscaping, and unloaded furniture in order to get it ready for children to move in. I praise God that we were able to make a difference within our North Carolina mission field.

Don't forget these upcoming events:

- o October 1<sup>st</sup>—Passport Camp registration opens
- o October 2<sup>nd</sup>—EPOCH Church/Burmese Refugees (6pm to 8:00pm)
- o October 17<sup>th</sup>—Hayride & Maze at Clodbuster Farms at 6pm cost \$8
- o October 24<sup>th</sup>—Trunk-or-treat at 6:30pm

Here is a verse to get you through a hard day at school:

*Psalm 37:23-24 (NIV)*

The Lord makes firm the steps  
of the one who delights in him;  
though he may stumble, he will not fall,  
for the Lord upholds him with his hand.

Sincerely, Andy

### Homecoming

Join us on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, for our 62<sup>nd</sup> annual Homecoming celebration. Our guest speaker this year is Rev. Caroll Anthony. He has a unique ministry of sharing the Bible while authentically dressing and dramatizing the character and lesson. The Homecoming offering will be received to benefit our General Fund. We'll have lunch in the Fellowship Hall following our worship service. Bring your covered dishes and be ready for a good time. **Clean-up day** to prepare for homecoming is Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8am. Rain date will be Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. We ask that the Building & Grounds Committee and anyone who would like to volunteer, please come help set up the Fellowship Hall on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.



## October Birthdays

|       |                                  |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| 10/1  | Aaron Kramer                     |
| 10/2  | Trevor Ward, Josh Wilson         |
| 10/4  | Teresa Riggs                     |
| 10/5  | Amy Turner, Tina Church          |
| 10/7  | Dennis Hester, Tyler Johnson     |
| 10/8  | Michael Buckner, Madyson Daniels |
| 10/11 | Charlie Hall                     |
| 10/12 | Jake Weavil                      |
| 10/13 | Barbara Dortch, Kathy Idol       |
| 10/25 | Ralph Hedgecock                  |
| 10/26 | Ann Canada                       |
| 10/27 | Durham Clodfelter                |
| 10/28 | Angie Weavil                     |

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## **Deacon Ordination**

Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

## **Seniors to the Fair**

Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

## **Youth Sponsored Food Drive**

Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

## **Homecoming**

Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

## **Senior Moments Luncheon**

October 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

## **Trunk or Treat**

October 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm

Dr. Kent Kern  
Mr. Andy Bowlin  
Ms. Gayle Winbrow  
Rev. Marty Daniels  
Mrs. Angie Weavil  
Mrs. Becky Longworth  
Mrs. Teresa Tucker

Pastor  
Minister of Youth & Children  
Music Director  
Minister of Education  
Organist  
Pianist  
Office Administrator

## The Purpose of Ministry

What is the purpose of ministry? The purpose of ministry is to take Jesus to people at the point of their need. Ministry is the vehicle that enables you to connect with people to share the gospel with them. For example, Operation Christmas Child begins in October. The purpose of Operation Christmas Child is not to simply give a present to a poor child in a foreign land. The present becomes a vehicle to take the gospel to those children. Before the children get the shoebox you packed, there is a gospel presentation and an opportunity to trust Jesus as their Savior. The shoebox gift draws multitudes of children because of their needy financial condition, it becomes the vehicle to share the good news of Jesus who died and rose again. Samaritan's Purse which began the Operation Christmas Child ministry has a mission statement which reads "the mission of Samaritan's Purse—to follow the example of Christ by helping those in need and proclaiming the hope of the Gospel." Another ministry example is Trunk or Treat held here on October 24<sup>th</sup>. The goal of Trunk or Treat is not to simply give children candy. Trunk or Treat is a vehicle that draws families with children to a safe time of costumes, refreshments, candy, and fun. It's a ministry vehicle that brings families to Union Cross Baptist Church, which would not otherwise come on a Wednesday evening. They will be blessed as we begin the night with the gospel, the good news of the Jesus who died and rose again and can save them. Then they will be blessed as we show the generosity of Jesus Christ by providing them a safe and fun evening with their children. Whatever ministries you are involved in begin to ask, "How does this help us to connect with others to share the good news of Jesus Christ?" That's the purpose of ministry.

Peace, Kent

The **Senior Moments Group** will be going to the fair on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, leaving the church at 9:00am. Their monthly luncheon will be on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 11am. They will be having pizza and playing bingo. Bring some new prizes to add to the fun.



## Nursery Schedule

|                   |                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| October 7, (Sun)  | Kathy Idol & Alice Striplin AM |
| October 10, (Wed) | Julie Striplin PM              |
| October 14, (Sun) | Ann & Lisa Canada AM           |
| October 17, (Wed) | Nancy Clodfelter PM            |
| October 21, (Sun) | Tina & Crista Church AM        |
| October 24, (Wed) | Brenda Grose PM                |
| October 28, (Sun) | Marianne & CC Casas AM         |
| October 31, (Wed) | Alice Striplin PM              |

## Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| October 7, (Children's)  | Megan Coleman & Need Volunteer (Teen?)  |
| October 7, (Wee)         | Robin French & Need Volunteer (Teen?)   |
| October 14, (Children's) | Susan Kramer & Children                 |
| October 14, (Wee)        | Jane & Jill Sutphin                     |
| October 21, (Children's) | Carole Blakley & Melissa Little         |
| October 21, (Wee)        | Krisi Kern & Need Volunteer (Teen?)     |
| October 28 (Children's)  | Stacy & Morgan Bowlin                   |
| October 28, (Wee)        | Julie Striplin & Need Volunteer (Teen?) |

**New Deacon Officers** for the 2018/2019 church year are:

Steve Grose - Chair, Mike Sexton - Vice Chair, Lindsey Parnell -Secretary, and Jane Sutphin - Assistant Secretary.



FYI, a total of **1,932** items for UCES and GHS students to help with their back to school needs were donated!!! WOW!! UCBC participants – you are amazing!!!

## SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES:

For the PMBA Fair Ministry we collected 65 men's polo/golf shirts, 7 blankets and 4 hygiene kits – thank you to each one who donated for this ministry. Also, at our WOM meeting, we voted to use \$50 of WOM funds to purchase water and nabs and I am pleased to report we were able to send 288 bottles of water and 46 packs of nabs. Two of our WOM ladies are scheduled to volunteer at the booth this year.

September 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>: Several boxes of home baked cookies and other snack items were delivered to both Hospice Homes.

On September 22<sup>nd</sup>, five WOM members served a meal at the HP Hospice Home to approximately 40 patient family members and Hospice staff. Another big thank you goes to each one of the ladies who prepared the meal and assisted with serving.

## OCTOBER ACTIVITIES:

October 7<sup>th</sup> is Hospice Ministry Day.

Ready, Set, Go for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry, which will once again be sponsored by WOM ladies during October under the leadership of Bettie Spencer. Watch for promotional videos, posters and displays – this is one of the very few international projects we do. I ask that you just try and remember as a child one of your most memorable Christmases ever. Well, you can make this year just as special and memorable for a child somewhere around the world as your filled shoebox may be the only gift that child has ever received.

With the recent devastation from Hurricane Florence, we are afforded many, many ways we can help. The North Carolina Baptist Men, NC Missions, and our own Baptist Men are just a few local ways to get direct assistance to those in need. Please pray for the victims of the storm and all those who are giving of their time and efforts to help out.

Yes, many of us feel so helpless and overwhelmed by the effects of Hurricane Florence to the Carolinas. Remember God has spared us the devastation here at UCBC, but He is also providing us an avenue to be the Christians we should be as we search our hearts to prove once again how **"UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE."**