

In the mood for some good barbecue? On Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5 pm to 8:30pm come out to Prissy Polly's to support our youth as they raise money for camp. A portion of the proceeds will go towards the youth when you place

your receipt in the basket. See Emma Lawrence or youth with any questions.



Hey youth! Do you want to go to the WINTER JAM concert on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at the Greensboro Coliseum? Winter Jam is once again set to showcase a lineup of some of the best and brightest names in Christian music. No tickets are required, but a \$15 donation at the door is requested. Please let Emma Lawrence know if you plan on going. We will meet at the church at 5 pm.



## February Birthdays

Kyle Kern 2/1 2/3 Amanda Hicks 2/7 Delbert Lauten, Jr., Marie Scott 2/8 Mary Anne Baker 2/9 Melissa Little 2/20 Daniel Lauten 2/22 Jennie Buckner 2/23 Jimmy Sczudlo 2/24 Danny Cook Zoe Ward 2/25 2/27 Charlene Dunlap

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#### **Great Is God's Love Toward You**

This month I feel led to write specifically to the teens (but adults you can read it too). King David wrote most of the Psalms, but not Psalm 80, it was written by a man named Asaph (Who is Asaph?

That's the point, who is he?). You don't have to be a famous king, military leader, giant slayer, and have your name recognized by everyone to be special to God and be used by God. Most people are not in the spotlight and known and praised by the crowds, but God knows your name, you are special to Him and He has a job for you, like He did for Asaph. Secondly, do you ever wrestle inside with feeling like everything is bad and wonder why God won't fix it and make it better? Listen to what Asaph wrote in Psalm 80; "Hear me Lord and answer me, for I am poor and needy...I call to you all day long...bring joy to your servant...listen to my cry...l am in distress..." (v. 1,2,4,6,7). Sounds like a pretty bad day, huh? It was a bad time for Asaph, so He talked to God about it and did not hold back how he felt. Part of life is that bad times roll in and ruin your day and you go through times when you feel terrible. Number one thing, don't turn your back on God, keep on talking to Him and keep on doing your best to follow God like Asaph did. Before you know it, you will begin to feel better; God will pick you up and the light of God's love will begin to burn away the dark clouds. After Asaph shared how bad he felt his words continued with this; "I will praise you with all my heart, I will glorify your name forever, for great is your love toward me, you have delivered me from the depths; from the realm of the dead" (v.12-13). The psalm ends with Asaph saying, "You Lord have helped me and comforted me" (v. 17). There is nowhere else I can point a teenager (or adult or child) for the number one source of help and comfort in this world than the Lord. So I encourage you this month to keep trusting God (Ps. 80:4 "I put my trust in you..."), keep talking to God (Ps. 80:6 "Hear my prayer Lord"), keep reading your Bible (Ps. 80:11 "Teach me your way Lord that I may rely on your faithfulness, give me an undivided heart"), and remember "Great is God's Love toward you!" (Ps. 80:13)

Peace,

Kent

#### Nursery Schedule

February 4, (Sun)	Marianne & CC Casas AM
February 7, (Wed)	Julie Striplin PM
February 11, (Sun)	Kathy Idol & Ann Canada AM
February 14, (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM
February 18, (Sun)	Susan Hilton & Carlene Compton AM
February 21, (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter PM
February 25, (Sun)	Tammie & Katie Weavil AM
February 28, (Wed)	Julie Striplin PM

#### Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

February 4, (Children's)	Megan Coleman & Julie Striplin
February 4, (Wee)	Jane & Jill Sutphin
February 11, (Children's)	Jennifer Brantley & Beverly Yokeley
February 11, (Wee)	Kathy & Lauren Horton
February 18, (Children's)	Melissa Little & Becky Lauten
February 18, (Wee)	Julie Striplin
February 25, (Children's)	Randy & Cathy Honeycutt
February 25, (Wee)	Robin French



Donations for the Hospice Ministry enabled us once again to deliver generous amounts of cookies, snacks, etc. to both of the Hospice homes.

Some of us have begun baking desserts according to detailed specifications for H.O.P.E. (Help Our People Eat) organization of WS and a workday is planned for us there on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

No date has yet been confirmed for our delivery of a home cooked meal to the Ronald McDonald House.

Nancy Clodfelter has been busy making heart pillows and walker carriers. Additionally, she has been sewing bereavement gowns for the Newborns in Need organization. Way to go Nancy!!

Plans are being made for another "thinking of you" delivery to Brenner PICU as a continuation of our partnership with that hospital unit.

Our next meeting will be February 7<sup>th</sup> and all ladies are invited to attend. One of my favorite Chinese Proverbs is "The word for crisis is the same word as opportunity." May WOM meet the needs of others in crisis situations as "UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE."

### **Senior Moments Highlight**

We will be having a Pizza Party on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11am at the church. Bring some new prizes for a fun game of Bingo.

The Senior Moments Group are planning a trip to Ft. Caswell on May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 9<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$151.00 per person. If you are going, please give your deposit of \$75.50 to Margaret Baker by March 1<sup>st</sup>, and the remaining balance by April 1<sup>st</sup>.