

Parents Day Out

Moms, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas, Friends
Mark your calendars!



Enjoy an afternoon of Christmas shopping, child free, on Saturday, December 14th, from 2-5pm. We will provide babysitting with crafts and snacks in the Fellowship Hall. Children of all ages are welcome – come and play or come and assist with the crafts. Please contact Jennie Gaskell or Marcelle Tyler for more information and to sign up your children.

MIKE'S FARM



It's that time Again!!!

Mike's Farm Road Trip on December 15th at 7 pm
for Hayride and Dinner at 8 pm

We will be leaving the church at 5:30 pm.
Sign-up sheets are in the Foyer as well as the
Educational Building!!!



Ages 56 & up: \$25.00
Ages 12 - 55: \$27.00
Age 7-11: \$18.00
Age 5-6: \$15.00
Age 3-4: \$7.00
Children 2-0: Free

(Dinner, Hayride, Tax and Tip Included!!!)

Liz Burge will be collecting the monies
(Cash only) that evening of the trip.
Hope to see you all there!
We have reserved only 50 spots!!!



The Polar Express

Friday, December 20, from 6:30 -8:30 pm.
Grab your beach chairs and blankets and join us in
the Fellowship Hall for cookies and cocoa on the
Polar Express. Get even more jingle by coming at
4pm and joining your youth in making the cookies
for the evening. Please call Jennie Gaskell or
Marcelle Tyler for more information and to sign
up.



BUDGET/FINANCE UPDATE

(As of 10-31-13)

Members: Drew Houston, Treasurer; Tammy Dew, Jerry
Johnson, Carolyn Mahon; Jane Walker, and Jim Wind.

WHERE DO WE STAND?



1. Monthly budget \$24,865.
2. October 2013 general fund offerings \$20,405.
YTD offerings are \$229,887.
3. 2013 YTD general fund budget \$298,380.
4. YTD Offerings compared to budget to date are
\$18,763 UNDER budgeted amount.
5. Unrestricted cash on hand as of October 31st
was \$57,121.

Our general fund offerings were below the monthly budgeted amount by \$4,460 for the month of October. We are \$18,763 UNDER budgeted revenue through October. Please note that we have collected \$7,751 more in budgeted funds than we have expensed for the ten months ending 10/31/2013. We collected \$2,891 in designated funds for the month. There is 1 more month left in the budget year, so all committee chairpersons should keep an eye on their budgets.

Please continue to help your church with your tithes and offerings as well as volunteering in any way that you can. God is surely blessing this church and thanks for all that each of you do.

Special Called Church Conference

The church will meet for a Special Called Church Conference on Sunday, December 22 after the Combined Worship Service. Members will vote on the Proposed 2014 Church Budget, the Nominating Report and elect Deacons.



Needs for the Help Center

The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items Soup, Macaroni & Cheese, One-pound bags of rice, Tuna Fish or any other canned or dry goods, and toiletries. Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary.



Office News & Deadlines

By Debbie

Deadline for the January 2014 Newsletter is December 13th. Please email your articles by the deadline. For the month of December the office will be closed December 23 - Jan 1. On Monday, Dec 23 & 30, I will be in only in the morning. Please call before you come to the office to make sure someone is in.



Meals on Wheels



On the 4th Saturday of each month, our Missions Committee has a team that prepares and delivers meals in the community for the Meals on Wheels program. If you are interested in learning more about how this ministry works or if you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Lori Griffin (798-5857). The next opportunity to serve will be Saturday, December 28 at 10 am.

CHURCH "GET TOGETHER"



On the third Sunday night of each month at 6 pm, members and friends of the church are invited to meet at Rucker Johns Restaurant for a time of fellowship and meal. We will have our next get together on Sunday, December 15th at 6 pm.

Be More.....Women's Study Group

"Be More" Bible Study will start again on January 13, 2014.. The name of our study to be announced at a later date. For more information call Shirley James [910-233-2829](tel:910-233-2829).

Ladies of All Ages - Come Join the WMU



All women are invited to come out to the church on the second Monday of each month to join the Vera Harris Circle of the WMU as it focuses on missions education and prayer and plans missions projects in our community.

WMU NEWS....

Our meeting on November 11 was very interesting. There were 19 members present with 3 visitors. Kim Wyatt, missionary to Canada, presented a very interesting program about their ministry to refugees in Canada after we had enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon. Plans were made for the upcoming Hot Dog Supper before the Christmas parade on December 6. It was voted that the price would be \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and \$2 for an additional hot dog. The times for serving will be 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Various members volunteered to help.

We continue to collect items for the Seamen's Center which will be picked up the first week in December.

At the request of the Nominating Committee an election was held for WMU Director. Margie Underwood was re-elected.

Our plans for the December meeting will be a luncheon at the Osteria Cicchetti Restaurant at Monkey Junction on December 9 at Noon. Those living on the island can carpool, meeting at the church at 11:30 a.m. Others can meet at the restaurant at 12 noon.

Margie Underwood, WMU Director

The Timothy Award



For the month of December *The Timothy Award For Excellent Service* goes to Polly Hodges, "Well done, good and faithful servants!" (Mt 25:21). Everyone take some time to express your appreciation to this exemplary servant in the church. To nominate someone for *The Timothy Award*, contact your deacon or the pastor.

Baptist Men's Breakfast



All men are invited to join us for our Baptist Men's meetings to enjoy a delicious breakfast, great fellowship, and plan mission projects. Contact Ben Yarborough, 398-8023.

Wednesday Night Meals



We offer a Wednesday Night Meal each week from 5:30 – 6:15 pm. The meals are catered with a donation of \$6/person or \$15 per family (of 3 or more). Please make plans to join us each Wednesday for fellowship. Look for the menu in the church bulletin. **December 4th and 11th.**

Wednesday Bible Study



Everyone is invited to come out on Wednesdays at 6 pm in the fellowship hall for our Wednesday Bible Study. ***Grow from the Ground Up*** by Bob Coy.

There are a few things that all living organisms share in common; one of them is the ability to grow. Plants grow, animals grow, bacteria grow, and humans grow. Growth is a natural process, created by God, which allows a living being to develop and mature in the time frame and manner in which God intended. On the other hand, spiritual growth, which goes beyond the natural, is a supernatural process as the Holy Spirit works in our hearts and minds to develop us into effective and surrendered disciples. Just like natural growth requires the right conditions, nutrition, and care, spiritual growth requires key ingredients we must each include in our daily lives.



TeamKid

All children age 4 through 5th grade are invited to join us each Wednesday at 6:15 pm for a fun time of fellowship, recreation, and Bible study.

Children's Choir

All children in Kindergarten through 5th Grades are invited to come to Children's Choir on Sunday's at 5 pm.

New Wednesday Bible Study

On Wednesday, January 15 at 6:15 pm we will begin a new Bible Study entitled ***Fast Track: Genesis to Revelation – The Quickest Way to Understand the Bible***, by Chad Hovind. This is a personal discipleship experience that introduces the entire Bible – Genesis to Revelation – in eight sessions. This study appeals to multiple learning styles by employing easy-to-draw memory icons and creative teaching practices. This study will help you understand key story points and track along with the principle figures and major events of the Bible. Though not required, a companion study guide that will greatly enhance the study is available.



We are always looking for additional volunteers to help out in the nursery on Sunday mornings at both the 8:30 and 11:00 services. The more people who volunteer, the longer the rotation frequency will be. Even if you can't be a part of a regular rotation, but would like to help every once in a while, please let us know. To volunteer, contact the church office or Angie Leary.

Kitchen Committee



Nothing from the kitchen is to leave church property. If you need to borrow anything from the kitchen, please contact Cheryl Edmundson or Shirley James. Thank you.



Martha's Kitchen Pig Cooker



The cooker is available to Church Groups at no charge, but individual church members are asked to pay a rental of \$60 a day or \$80 for weekend. We do ask that you bring it back clean and tanks full. For information contact Bob Hodge 458-4302.

Children's Church Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers for 3rd Sunday of the month for the 11 am Service, and volunteers for 5th Sundays. We have all of the necessary materials that you will need. All you have to do is review the material. Please call Leslie Houston or the church office.



Christmas Decorations

I need volunteers to help take down Christmas decorations the first week of January. Please call Glenda Hurley.



Youth Group

All youth in Grades 6-12 are invited to join us every Sunday afternoon at 5 pm for Youth Group. We have great fellowship, fun activities, snacks, and Bible studies. Bring your friends! Contact Nick Skinner (465-8563) for more information.



Young Adults

All young adults are invited to join us every Sunday at 5 pm. We have great fellowship, fun activities, snacks, and Bible studies. Bring your friends! Contact Melinda Latta for more information.



Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts

Each Monday night our church hosts Boy Scout Troop # 230 at 6:30 pm and Cub Scout Pack #230 at 7 pm in the Education Building. For more information on these groups, contact Debra Benoy.

Online Bible Studies

Everyone check out the hundreds of great (and free) video-based Bible studies at **rightnowmedia.org**. Once there, click on the Login button, type jimmy@fbccb.org in the Email Address box and jimmy in the Password box. There are great studies for men, women, youth, children, couples, parents, finances, Christian living, and more.



Heart of Hope Run for Hunger 2013

On behalf the team at "Heart of Hope" we would like to thank the Town, all of the volunteer's (and there were many!) the Sponsors and friends for their support in helping to bring the first annual "Heart of Hope" Run for hunger to fruition. The Run was established to help the following programs on Carolina Beach: Nourish NC (The Backpack Buddy program), The Help Center and "Heart of Hope."

We met with Pastor Jimmy Brown on November 14, 2013 at 7:30 pm to determine the final outcome of fund distribution from the run. A determination was made to give \$1,000.00 to The Help Center and earmark (for Carolina Beach Elementary school) \$1,000.00 to the Backpack Buddy program (through Nourish, N.C.) which fills weekend nutritional gaps. "Heart of Hope" will retain a little over \$1,100.00 in order that we may be *available* for any necessary needs of these children in the form of emergency clothing.

In addition, Dara Newberry loaded two shopping carts *full* of food (donated at the Run) along with (a lot!) of bottled water to The Help Center. Due to the generosity of Wendy's and MacDonald's, we also have free food coupons that were left over to disburse as well. And "thank you" to Nick and Amy Skinner for taking the huge box (almost full) of banana's/apples along with some water (that was leftover from the runner's table) to Martha's kitchen where it could be used immediately. What a blessing you all are as a family and support to us!

We personally could not have accomplished such a feat without the help of so many who did what I fondly call 'grunt work.' And yet, those individuals stood in freezing temperatures (36 degrees— some getting up at 1:30 am), to gather together, set-up tents, place 200 red-heart Mylar balloons, signs and decorate being fully committed to making this a "Run" that would not only be remembered but enjoyed by all. Everyone gave 110% to this cause. Just because the Run itself is over for this year there are still children and families who are in desperate need.

Lastly, we have an overabundance of Run t-shirts (They are red/white, really cool and just in time for Christmas!!) left over that were designed by Dara Newberry. We are selling them for \$7.00 a shirt. You can purchase one by sending us an email @ heartofhoperun@gmail.com, or making a donation on our Web site @ www.heartofhoperun.com or by calling (910) 228-5282. If you had wanted to walk, run, roll or relay for the cause but for whatever reason could not be there (and I know many of you stated you had wanted to come) this is a good opportunity to still send a message that we will not allow the children or families on Carolina Beach to go hungry!

The 2nd annual "Heart of Hope" Run date for 2014 is in the works and we *will* be starting our clocks again (on the site) in January. This was an experience that was truly a community outreach for those who need our help the most. *Let us be their voice!*

God bless you all
Molly Painter



Merry Christmas From the Staff

Jimmy

Betty

Debbie



Roger & Linda

Amanda