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# The Reminder

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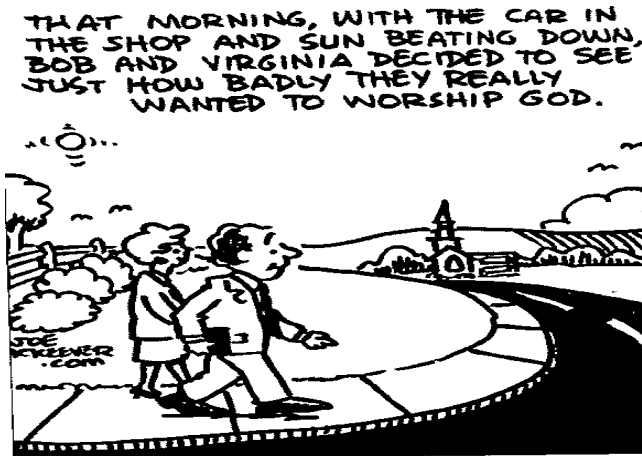
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## WEEKLY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Monday	Wednesday
9:30 am Sunday School	7:00 pm Boy Scouts	6:00 pm KISS
10:50 am Morning Worship		(Keep It Simple Supper)
5:30 pm Children's M&M (Music & Missions)	Tuesday	6:30 pm. Bible Study for all ages
6:00 pm Praise Team	7:00 pm Hand bells Cub Scouts	7:30 pm Choir Practice
Youth Discipleship Training	8:00 pm Coffee Break	
7:00 pm College Music & Message		

### Why we need to learn

Christians are called upon to love God with their minds. Therefore, as greatly important as worship is, we have a responsibility to also spend time in learning. We must be informed persons who can articulate our faith. If we are not, how can we properly train our children in the way they should grow (Proverbs 22:6)? First Peter 3:15 (NRSV) reads: "Always be ready to make an accounting for the hope that is in you."

Are you ready?



### The One Foundation

Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well the main ends of life and studies, to know God and Jesus Christ, which is eternal life, and therefore to lay Christ as the only foundation of all knowledge and learning and see the Lord only as the Giver of wisdom. Let everyone seriously set himself by praying in secret to seek Christ as Lord and Master.

—John Harvard, founder of  
 Harvard College

### A Teachers Prayer

Lord Jesus, Savior and Teacher,  
 Thank you for calling us to teach.  
 Help us in our thoughts to honor you.  
 Let our words be acceptable to you.  
 May our deeds show faith in you.  
 For the joy of learning, we praise you.  
 Amen.



### Pastor's Paragraphs

When you receive this newsletter, we will be approaching the beginning of August. The theme for the month is "Back to Basics," with the scripture text coming from II Timothy 2:15: "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."

This month our teachers and children will be returning to school. In addition, we will see a return of students to the university campus. We will see friends who have been gone for the summer and make new friends who will be coming to the Creek for the first time. It is always an interesting time for us and an exciting time as well. But whether we are new or returning students or folks who have been here a long time, we are challenged by the same word from the Lord. We are to do our very best to present ourselves approved before God. We are further challenged to become more and more proficient in knowing how to share and handle God's word for His glory. It is a time of continuing education for all of us, regardless of our age. I hope you will make plans to be a regular part of our Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:45 and our Morning Worship. God has a great deal to say to us and we do not want to miss anything He says.

I leave you with two thoughts for the day. The first is from Robert Browning who said: "Where the heart lies, let the brain lie also." The second thought is from a writer named Stanislaw Lec (1909-1960): "Think before you think!" So let's think with our brains, love with our hearts, and look to God for direction before we act.

Have a blessed week. I will see you Sunday.

*Michael*

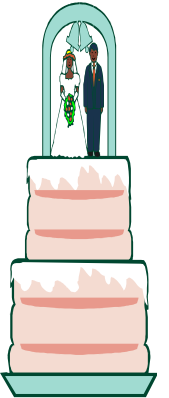
# Happy Birthday!

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Martha Turner  
Lamar Norwood
- 5 Gene Davis  
Addison Stewart
- 8 Grace Upshaw
- 12 Evelyn Sexton  
Frances Roberson
- 13 Alex Ezzell  
Carolyn Johnson
- 14 Hazel Weaver  
Hunter Hood
- 15 Letha Davis
- 17 Doug Johnson
- 18 Leon Davis
- 19 Phillip Melvin
- 20 Pat Harmon
- 21 Wanda Register  
Ron Kendrick  
David McKnight  
Aaron Jackson
- 25 Matthew Lanier
- 27 Oscar Simmons  
Jennifer Stewart  
Tommy Carter
- 28 Mildred Harmon  
Michelle Thornton
- 29 Carvel Gregory  
Teri Hatcher
- 31 Elijah Lemons

## ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

- 3 Michael & Sandra Simmons
- 4 Herman & Fran Tyson
- 5 Gene & Patricia Lewis
- 11 Ken & Veronica Stewart
- 16 Skip & Anne Oxford
- 19 Bill & Margaret Campbell
- 23 Wayne & Teri Hatcher
- 24 Don & Joanne Penny
- 30 Wayne & Doris Morgan



## ATTENTION:

The church is updating our members information and would like to have a listing of email addresses of our members. If you have an email address and would like to receive some mailings and other correspondence from the church please email your address to [bcbfcoffice@earthlink.net](mailto:bcbfcoffice@earthlink.net). Thank you.

### A Very Special Thanks

To Shelly Humphrey, Frances Roberson, Theresa Enzor, Lucy Baker and Angie Stewart. Five very special ladies who volunteered their time and talents towards feeding hungry VBS participants. We thank you for your service, and we thank any and all who helped them prep, clean up, and make that week a special time of fellowship and fun that we won't soon forget.

### *Remember in Prayer*

Our Country and National Leaders, all Service Men and Women, David Peak (Afghanistan), Joshua Turlington (Iraq), Joey Baker (Harold Smith's uncle), Joe Baker (Harold Smith's grandfather), Lyn Sander, Alvin Newton, Alene Upchurch, Leon Davis, Gerry Gregory, Juanita Hight, Herman Tyson, Ruby Biggs, our shut-ins, homebound and missionaries.

### Exciting Outreach Opportunity

We have several homebound members who would enjoy a visit or phone call, letter or card. Sharing Christ's love can be done in so many little ways, and you never know the impact it can have on a person's life. If you would like more information on how to make a special person's day please contact the church office for addresses and telephone numbers of some of our members who cannot always enjoy the pleasure of fellowship on Sunday mornings. Thank you and God bless.

# KidShine

"Let your light shine before men...and praise your Father in heaven."  
Matthew 5:16

**WOW...Serengeti Trek** was an awesome experience! V.B.S. 2005 was an amazing journey learning about our King. We were all reminded to be **WILD** about the wonderful God that we serve—He is absolutely the **BIGGEST!**

Each night we began our trek with some delicious dinners. Thank you to all who prepared and served meals each evening. They certainly sustained each adventurer who partook.

The Serengeti atmosphere produced by our creative decorators really set the mood for our worship experience each night--Kudos, to those who *worked for God* so beautifully. We had a roaring good time singing, moving, making crafts and experiencing God's movement through thought provoking Bible stories. We had approximately 75 children and adults participating in this exciting expedition. This year the children challenged the adults in our mission offering collection. We collected \$244.90 thanks to all of our V.B.S. participants. The children triumphed over the adults in this challenge. **WOW!** This year's offering was divided in two ways: Supplies were purchased for the new Buies Creek Elementary Media Center and our new friends from Belarus, Sasha and Leza, were both given a love offering to share with their families.

Children and adults alike met this year's daily challenges. *We talked to God, told about God and loved in His name* all through the week with our families, friends and neighbors. This year we watched our acacia tree blossom with fresh green leaves, which symbolized our loving service. By week's end God's creation was full of life.

Once again our Vacation Bible School was very much a church wide effort. Thank you to everyone who helped with the many jobs that made our "Serengeti adventure" the best it could be!

We rejoice with Tommy Carter, son of Phil and Kathy Melvin, as he professed Christ as his personal Lord and Savior this past Sunday morning.  
To God Be The Glory!

Debbie