

"BAPTIST ON THE BEAVER DAM"

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From the Pastor's Cluttered Desk,

As I write this article we are in the final two days of Vacation Bible School. As a result of the efforts of Mrs. Tammy Bullard, our Director, and a great group of volunteers that have worked tirelessly with her, we have experienced an outstanding VBS! We have had an attendance of nearly one hundred each night and an excellent response to our offerings for the *North Carolina Baptist Children's Homes*. Supplies and monies collected for the Kennedy Home will be greatly appreciated. Many thanks to everyone for the hard work and great cooperation.

The Nominating Team has completed their work and the church family has given approval to their report. The Church Council will be meeting next week to begin work on the 2014-2015 Church Calendar. Your Budget and Finance Team will also begin work on the budget for the new church year. With your help in creating a vision for what needs to be done we can launch an exciting new adventure in ministry.

On August 3rd you will have the opportunity to elect two new members to the Deacon Council. Four nominees will be presented and the two receiving the highest number of votes will begin serving a four-year term in September. Please be in prayer that the Holy Spirit will guide us as we make this important decision.

In a remarkable book called *How to Do Things with Words*, J. L. Austin makes the claim that words do not simply describe things; they actually make things happen. Words are not just descriptive; they are creative. At the marriage altar two individuals say "I do" as part of the marriage ceremony. They are not describing a relationship; they are creating it. When someone says "I love you" or "I hate you" we not only hear

the words, we also feel their impact upon us. Words are powerful! We know the meaning of words spoken not just from *what* is said but also from *how* it is said.

Occasionally Barbara and I will shop at *Whole Foods*. Something we have found interesting is that if we ask an employee for assistance in finding an item, that employee does not just tell us the aisle on which it is located. He will gladly stop what he is doing and go with us to find the item. As we check out, the cashier will want to know if we were able to find what we were looking for...every single time. This is "practiced hospitality." And it does work! The shopping experience makes you feel welcome and leaves you wanting to return.

Does such "practiced hospitality" work in a church setting? Do visitors here receive a warm welcome and an open invitation to become part of the family when they worship with us? If not we have fallen down on the job. In Romans 16:16 the Apostle Paul reminds us to greet each other with a holy kiss. In Luke 7:44 and following, Jesus was criticized by Simon for having allowed a woman of questionable character to kiss His feet and anoint them with expensive perfume. Jesus told Simon that he had invited Him to his home but upon arrival He had been given no water to wash His feet. But the woman Simon was criticizing had washed the feet of Jesus with her tears. Simon did not greet Jesus with a customary kiss, but the woman had repeatedly kissed Jesus' feet. It was customary to provide olive oil to anoint the head of a guest, but Simon had not extended this gift. The woman being chastised had poured expensive perfume on Jesus feet. Which one demonstrated the greater hospitality? My hope is that visitors at Beaver Dam always experience the "greater hospitality".

Yours in HIS service,
Michael Shook

Monthly Schedule
August 2014



Mission Friends: 3 ~ 5
April Smith

NURSERY-WORSHIP



- 03 ~
- 10 ~ Melanie & Rodney Hall
- 17 ~ Lori & Dean Bullard
- 24 ~ Donna Banks & Donna Maguire
- 31 ~ Rachel & Rick Strickland

CHILDREN'S CHURCH



- 03 ~ Teddy Tippett & Margaret Smith
- 10 ~ Lori & Dean Bullard
- 17 ~ Kim & Tim Farmer
- 24~ GA RECOGNITION
- 31 ~ Donna & Paul Maguire

USHERS - WORSHIP

Dale Ackerman
Rodney Hall

Jason Weathington

Harry Tatum ~ Alternate

Please Remember our Military and Para/Military and their families in your prayers:
*** Deployed.**

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| *Eddie Backer | Jon Pollard | Kenny Taylor |
| Jeremy Brown | Joel Scheib | Ralph Weller |
| Joe Clark | Robert Seymour | |
| Matthew Dunlap | John Sheety | * Daniel Wilson |

Our Sick & Shut Ins

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| Donna Atkins | Brent Hales | Donal Reddens |
| Betty Autry | Harriet Hales | Judy Rierson |
| Allen Bedsole | Wanda Hales | Rick Sawyer |
| Joann Blake | Colin Hall | Laura Schindler |
| Amber Bloom | David Hall | Jeffery Sessoms |
| Ashley Broadney | Hazel Hall | James Shearon |
| Adam Bullard | Jim Hardin | Kathy Hall Sherra |
| Carmon Bullard | Kim Harrell | Pauline Simpson |
| Ella Grae Bullard | Luke Hawkins | Carol Smith |
| Joshua Bullard | Pete Hawkins | Crystelle Smith |
| Larry Bullard | Derek Hightower | David Smith |
| Brittany Bunnells | Sandra Hightower | James Smith |
| Moe Campbell | Sue Hobbs | Jamie Smith |
| Carol Carter | Melody Honeycutt | Jesse Smith |
| Peggy Carter | Beth Horne | Judy Smith |
| James Cheek | B.J. Howard | Steve Smith |
| Sandra Cheek | Susan Huffman | Karen Spallone |
| Cody Clark | Carl Huggins | Al Sparkman |
| Betty Cox | Mary Hutchins | Bruce Stephens |
| Joe Cox | Faye Johnson | Gary Strickland |
| Jimmy Creech | Ray Lockamy | Linda Strickland |
| Bill Culbertson | Cheryl Locklear | Rhonda Strickland |
| Dana Davis | Lisa Long | Stephen Strickland |
| Brian Day | Rodney Maguire | Tammy Strickland |
| June Dorton | Peggy Marsh | Wade Stroud |
| Naomi Dunlap | Amanda Mason | D. H. Vinson |
| Cathy Eaton | Belva Maxwell | Sadie Vinson |
| David Echardt | Eddie Maxwell | Troy Watkins |
| Ann Ezzell | Glenn Maxwell | Billie Weathington |
| Lloyd (Nutchie) Faircloth | Roscoe Meek | Frances West |
| Retha Faircloth | Dewey Melton | Larry West |
| Wayne Falls | Victor Murray | Rev. Roger White |
| Ann Farmer | Faye Norris | Chance Wil-Day |
| Gary Fisher | Johnny Owens | Earl Williamson |
| Julie Fisher | Cara Lee Parker | Terry Wind |
| Wayne Fisher | Donald Pollard | Danny Wolf |
| Perry Gray | Keith Pollard | |
| Brenda Hales | Kim Ray | |

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS AND THEIR CARE-TAKERS IN YOUR PRAYERS



VBS NEWS!

Wow! What a wonderful VBS Bible School this year at Beaver Dam Baptist Church! We averaged over 90 each night, collected hundreds of items for the Baptist Children's Home in Kinston, NC, and we collected over \$1,000 in offerings that will be given to the Baptist Children's Home as well. The success of this Bible School could not have happened without the dedication and commitment of so many workers. Sincerely, our gratitude lies with the parents of the children who made arrangements to provide transportation to our church each night for their child. Our prayer is that the momentum of this past VBS will continue long into our new church year. Thanks to all who participated and were instrumental in helping us to meet all our VBS goals this year.

Beaver Dam Baptist Church VBS Team



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 2014

- 01 ~ Kim Farmer
- 02 ~ Bobby Hall
- 03 ~ Jim Bullard, Melanie Hall, Jeff Simpson
Nick Petrakis
- 04 ~ Billy West & Lee Allen Hosking, II
- 05 ~ LeCarla Royal
- 07 ~ Michael Lewis & Zachary Avery
- 08 ~ Donald Simpson
- 09 ~ Bill Dunlap, Marilyn Smith, Kalynn Brady
Chris Hardison
- 10 ~ Loretta Sweat
- 11 ~ Ethan Bullard
- 12 ~ Billy Bullard
- 14 ~ David Hosking
- 15 ~ W. J. Tippett
- 17 ~ James Ray Hall
- 18 ~ Laikyn Haney & Brian Harris
- 21 ~ Margaret Smith, Donnie Lewis
Justin Wayne Smith
- 23 ~ Shirley Smith
- 24 ~ Verna Lou Gardner
- 25 ~ Elizabeth Simpson & Michael Johnson
- 26 ~ Iris West
- 28 ~ Joe Brock
- 29 ~ Edna Bullard
- 30 ~ Willa Dean Bullard & Amber DeAngelo
- 31 ~ Sarah Hall & Rick Strickland



Happy Birthday from your Church family at Beaver Dam Baptist Church



“Thou Shalt Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself”



Our Sympathy goes out to the families and friends that have lost loved ones. Our Prayers and thoughts are with you.

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| Pam & Don Brownfield | John McLamb |
| Judith & Danny Williams | Allen Seigler |
| Eric & Mimi McMillian | Jana Smith |



Please remember our missionaries in your daily prayers.

August 2014 CALENDAR

- 03 ~ 7:30 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
- 06 ~ 7:30 PM Pray Meeting, Mission Friends, GA,RA, Youth
8:15 - PM Choir Practice
- 10 ~ 7:30 AM Prayer Mtg.
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:30 PM BYW Meeting
- 11 ~ 11:00 AM WOM Meeting ~ Fellowship Hall
7:30 PM Deacons' Meeting
- 13 ~ 6:30 PM Fellowship Meal
7:30 PM Church Conference/Worship, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 17 ~ 7:30 Am Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
- 20 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 24 ~ 7:30 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
GA Recognition
- 27 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 31 ~ 7:30 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service

BEATITUDE MINISTRY NEEDS

525-4351

Men's Belts, shirts, shoes, good jeans, paper items (toilet paper, paper towels & napkins), canned goods, 13 gallon kitchen trash bags, 55 gallon drum liners.



Please remember our Nursing Home/Rehab Residents and their caretakers in your daily prayers.

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| Retha Autry | Jesse McCarley |
| Grace Bullard | Lillian Moore |
| Dot Gault | Rev. James Parson |
| Clarence Haithcock | Jerry Vinson, Sr. |
| Rose Hales | Lois Wright |
| Ethleen Harris | |
| Audrey Howell | |



We at Beaver Dam Baptist, invite you to make a commitment to join with us at this crucial time of our spiritual growth and development.

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World Changers - June 23 - 28, 2014

World Changers was a wonderful experience for me and for my sisters. This was our first work trip, so we were very curious and excited.

Some of the young people there were just coming to know Jesus and it was so delightful to see and hear about them changing their behavior and working with all their might because they had come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Our particular crew was undoubtedly touched and filled with the Holy Spirit since day one. We all know this because even since the first day everyone was displaying respect, patience, and kindness towards one another. We worked together with great ease and efficiency, making the bonding process all that much faster. Also the amount of work we completed and the quality it displayed could not possibly have been completed in four days simply by us. It was because we were doing God's will and allowing Him to work through us.

The Pastor at Friendship Baptist Church truly has a heart for the Lord and for the Community in which we were working. He had never known love until he came to know Jesus; Bibles are his favorite thing in the world and he loves getting and giving them.

On Thursday night, the Concert of Prayer was held and several individuals either received Jesus into their hearts and lives or had His fire renewed within them. I, personally, was filled with joy and peace from this experience. As we focused on Jesus, I was reminded about how often I let my schedule distract me from simply pausing to thank God for what He has done.

This trip also gave my sisters and I the opportunity to bond with our youth group, which we are very thankful for.

Through this experience a fire to serve was renewed within my heart and I really want to work in this community we are living in, not just communities far away. I also am more faithful about thanking God for different things He does in my life.

Savanna White