

"BAPTIST ON THE BEAVER DAM"

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From the Pastor's Cluttered Desk

Recently Dr. Bill Wilson, the Director of the Center for Healthy Churches at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital, wrote an article entitled, "The Day the Bodybuilders met the Baptists." It seems that Bill had attended a meeting in a hotel convention center where a bodybuilding competition was also being held.

It was obvious that the bodybuilders did not resemble the ministers in the least. There wasn't much of a chance in confusing the two groups. The bodybuilders were obviously deeply committed to personal fitness. They could not help but look at themselves in the mirrors that lined the lobby. Some of the ministers even looked at them with a feeling of envy and a bit of despair.

Healthy congregations and clergy need to be aware of the face we turn to the community, friends and neighbors. How do the members of the community that are not part of the church family view us? Do we reflect the very best of the Gospel of Jesus or do we slip into isolation and build a wall that keeps others at arm's length? Do we even know our neighbors, much less love them? Do we care about the needs of those outside the church? Do we welcome the strangers, and those who may be different from us? Are we shaped more by our culture or by the Gospel? Do they know that we are Christians by our love? There is a perception that some Christians today are mean-spirited, hypocritical and intolerant. Unfortunately we have done much to earn that reputation because we have not always been gracious or loving. Never forget that good physical and spiritual health are important.

Some important events will be happening in the coming weeks here at Beaver Dam. On July 19th we will have a called conference for the purpose of Nominating Deacons. Each member of the church

will be given a ballot and will have the opportunity to nominate two individuals to serve a four-year term as a deacon. Please give prayer to this matter as you consider the individuals that you feel will best meet the Biblical qualifications for a servant. On August 2nd the four individuals that have received the highest number of votes, and have expressed a willingness to serve if elected, will be presented to the church and you will be asked to elect two of these.

On Sunday morning, July 19th we will also have a special service to ordain Tyson Banks to ministry. It is good to know that Tyson has felt the call to the ministry and is beginning his studies in preparation for this calling. Keep him in your prayers as he follows the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Our Vacation Bible School will begin on Sunday evening, July 19th and go through Thursday evening, July 23rd. A sign-up sheet for workers has been placed in the church foyer. The help of a legion of volunteers will be needed to make this a successful venture. If you have questions please give April Smith a call.

A word of appreciation goes out to our youth and the members of the Youth Team for their mission activities here in our community on June 19-20. They worked hard in the heat and did an outstanding job in the yards of some of our senior adults. Time was limited, but they made a great effort!!!

God is doing great things in the church, but do not let your guard down, Satan has already taken notice and he never gets tired of trying to undo anything the Holy Spirit is trying to accomplish.

Yours in HIS service,

Michael Shook



Monthly Schedule

July 2015

Mission Friends: 3 ~ 5
April Smith



NURSERY-WORSHIP

- 05 ~ Teddy Tippett & Margaret Smith
- 12 ~ April & Sydney Smith
- 19 ~ Brooke Shoffner & Morgan Bullard
- 26 ~ Lori & Dean Bullard

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 05 ~ Brooke & Gabe Shoffner
- 12 ~ Barbara Melvin & Rachel Strickland
- 19 ~ Morgan & Lance Bullard
- 26 ~ Sydney & April Smith



USHERS

Marion Smith
Ronald Smith
Jason Weathington
Scott Weathington

Harry Tatum ~ Alternate

Please Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins and their caretakers in Your Daily Prayers

Joe Allen
Donna Atkins
Betty Autry
Bob Ball
Lynn Banks
Debbie Bedsole
Barbara Bergland
Amber Bloom
Jay Blouser
Ashley Broadney
Ralph Brock
Adam Bullard
Carmon Bullard
Ella Grae Bullard
Joshua Bullard
Larry Bullard
Brittany Bunnells
Carol Carter
James Cheek
Sandra Cheek
Cody Clark
Betty Cox
William Crumpler
Bill Culbertson
Dana Davis
Brian Day
June Dorton
Cathy Eaton
David Ehardt
Mary Edwards
Betty Faircloth
Ann Farmer
Julie Fisher
Rudolph Gray
Brenda Hales
Tommy Hales
Denise Hall
Hilda Hall
Magalene Hall

Rachel Hall
Vicky Hall
Wesley Hall
Judy Hammond
Scott Hardee
Bob Hartel
Luke Hawkins
Pete Hawkins
Sue Hobbs
Beth Holland
Jimmy Holland
Joann Honeycutt
B.J. Howard
Carl Huggins
Faye Johnson
Donnie Johnson
Connie Lawrence
Randy Lee
Sterling Lennon
Cheryl Locklear
Lisa Long
Pat Love
Peggy Marsh
Amanda Mason
Doug Matthews
Roscoe Meek
J. D. Melvin, Jr.
Guy Mitchell
Tyler Moore
Victor Murray
Jerry Musselwhite
Faye Norris
Johnny Owens
Prentice Paige
Cara Lee Parker
Tammy Patram
Chris Pollard
Donald Pollard
Kim Ray

Donald Pollard
Bruce Raynor
Ronald Redden
Judy Rierson
Rick Sawyer
Laura Schindler
James Shearon
W. J. Simmons
Pauline Simpson
Carel Skipper
Becky Smith
Carol Smith
David Smith
Crystell Smith
Deanna Smith
Harold Smith
Bailey Starling
Linda Stephens
Gary Strickland
Linda Strickland
Rhonda Strickland
Rick Strickland
Stephen Strickland
Wade Stroud
Brady Sutton
Lois Ann Thornton
W. J. Tippett
Susan Tyndall
Jason Vinson
Matthew Ward
Troy Watkins
Billie Weathington
Jason Weathington
Sybil Whatley
Chance Wil-Day
Earl Williamson
Julia Wile
Jared Williams
Terry Wind



July 2015

In June of last year, the Beaver Dam youth had a special opportunity to go to Charleston, South Carolina on a mission trip. We made new friends, worked hard, and saw young men and women come to accept Jesus into their lives. It was an awesome experience! One of the things that we did daily was to give someone an "encourage'a'gram," a little index card with words of encouragement on it. Recently, I was looking through the ones I had been given and remembered just how important it is for us to encourage one another. As the Body of Christ it is our job to build up and edify one another to a closer relationship with God, stronger friendships with one another, and to good works for His glory.

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer! In this warmer than usual weather it is important not to forget sunscreen and plenty of water.

Let us not forget to pray for the sick, shut-in, persecuted Christians around the world, the peace of Israel, and America's leaders.

Savanna White

Everest VBS: Conquering Challenges With God's Mighty Power!



A summer event called Everest VBS will be hosted at Beaver Dam from July 19th to July 23rd. At Everest, kids discover what it means to hold on to God's mighty power in everyday life. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, and make cool crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Summit Celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time beginning with a meal at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 9:00 p.m. daily. Kids at Everest VBS will also be asked to bring in items and coins to help with our Mission Project. This year we will be giving to the Baptist Children's Home. Everest is for kids from infant to adult. Mark your calendars and plan on coming out and joining the fun.

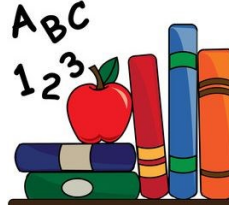
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
July 2015**

- 01 ~ Rachel Strickland
- 02 ~ Dustin Britt
Crystal Hall
- 03 ~ Laura Lucchino
- 05 ~ Roger Melvin
- 06 ~ Pauline Simpson
John Brantley
Zachary Haney
- 08 ~ Serenity Hendryx
Austin Williams
McKinley Hales
- 09 ~ D. J. Markham
Gail Melvin
Dale Ray
Olivia Guarmaccia
- 10 ~ Bernard Bryant
- 11 ~ Jean Sweat
Matthew Smith
- 12 ~ Bernice Hall
Sarah Smith
- 13 ~ Emma Jean Bullard
Andrew Petrakis
- 14 ~ LeeAnn Simpson
- 15 ~ Joey Buck
- 18 ~ Carol Smith
Steven Hales
- 19 ~ Kyle Melvin
- 20 ~ Tyler Smith
Ryan Williams,
Garrett Hales
Spencer Hales
- 21 ~ Teresa Thompson
- 23 ~ Eric Scheib
- 24 ~ Becky Harris
- 25 ~ Tammy Bullard
Ashley Petrakis
Terry Britt,
Tony Faircloth
Lisa Bullard
- 26 ~ Mary Catherine Hales
- 28 ~ Alaina Tippett
Caleb Tippett
- 30 ~ Eric Bullard
Derek Bullard
- 31 ~ Christopher Bullard
Harley Hardison
Savannah Melvin

*Happy Birthday
from your
Beaver Dam Baptist
Church Family*

**July 2015 ~ 2016
School Supplies**

- 3" x 5" Index Cards
- Antibacterial Wipes
- Pencil Bag, Pouch or Box
- Kleenex



Daily Prayer Lists:

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

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

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



July 2015 CALENDAR

- 01~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 05 ~ 9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
- 08 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, GA,RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 12 ~ 9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
4 30 PM BYW Meeting
- 13 ~ 11:00 AM WOM Meeting
7:30 PM Deacons Meeting
- 15 ~ 6:30 PM Fellowship Meal
7:30 PM Conf./Worship
Mission Friends, GA,RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 19 ~ 9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
6:30 PM VBS Kickoff
- 20 ~ 22~ VBS
- 23 ~ VBS Commencement
- 26 ~ 9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
- 29 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth
8:15 PM Choir Practice



BEATITUDE MINISTRY NEEDS

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Call 525-4351

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

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| Retha Autry | Harriet Hales |
| Rose Hales | Ethleen Harris |
| Jessie McCarley | Meakie Daniels |
| Lois Wright | Lillian Moore |
| Kyle Cashwell | Billy Bullard |
| Nell Holcombe | Dot Gault |
| Audrey Howell | Jerry Vinson, Sr. |

**Please Remember our
Missionaries and their
Families in your daily prayers:**

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

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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GOD LOVES YOU

Mr. Carmon Bullard & Youth



On June 19th & 20th the youth group took on our very own mission project, **WORLD CHANGERS: Beaver Dam**. In the past our group has been to Charleston and Rock Hill for the official World Changers project, however, it was on our hearts to provide compassion and hospitality within our own community and to our own neighbors. With much planning and prayer from our youth council we decided to take on two major projects in two days. Mrs. Christine Vinson and Mr. Carmon Bullard graciously allowed us to camp out in their yards for two days to complete our mission. After over 20 hours of manual labor (in 100° heat) we can finally say we are finished! A big thank you to our youth, who worked so hard without complaint! These kids dug up trees, plants, tilled soil, replanted, edged, sanded, painted, and repainted! Also, thank you to our youth leaders who pitched in and made sure the work got

Labor provided by:

Beaver Dam Baptist Youth

For the Glory of God & the good of the community!



1 Timothy 4:12

Join us on Wednesday nights at 7:30!

Mrs. Christine Vinson & Youth



done. After Fridays work at Mrs. Christine's home, the youth teamed up for a scavenger hunt that had them set out in the community checking very odd things off their list. We ended the night with a devotion led by Johnathon Wells followed by a surprisingly intense 90 minute game of Jenga. Saturday began at 6am with breakfast in Mr. Carmon's driveway with homemade cinnamon rolls (thanks Mr. Mike!) and Hardee's biscuits. The youth worked very hard Saturday under Mr. Carmon's supervision. We ended our weekend with a pool party at the Weathington's. Thank you to the BYW who provided a hot meal to us Friday night along with many encouraging words, snacks, and visits this weekend! Also, we couldn't have finished our work without a generous amount of behind the scenes planning from Melanie & Rodney Hall, Lance & Morgan Bullard, Gabe Shoffner, Jason

Weathington, Kim & Scott Weathington, Donna Maguire, Betsy Simpson, Donna Banks, April Smith, Kim & Timmy Farmer, Vernon Bullard, and Mike & Barbara Shook. Thank you doesn't seem substantial to express our gratitude for the hard work, planning, meals, supplies, support and prayers that were offered to us.

I'm not sure that everyone knows how awesome this youth group is or how much love and humility they have within them. Our group is learning to be the hands and feet of Jesus. We understand that the Christ in us is the only Christ some people will ever get to see and that we must lead by example. We ask for your continued support and guidance so that we can fulfill our mission not just in Beaver Dam, but wherever the Lord leads us.

Thank you! We love you!
Brooke Shoffner

Please read *Matt: 25: 35-40*