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Where Love Lives

Many years ago, a little girl named Mary was growing up in an orphanage. As each month passed, the placement of Mary grew more and more difficult because most families wanted babies and Mary had already turned six. In those days, the adoption process permitted a home visit as part of the placement of children, so on many occasions, Mary had visited inside the homes of potential parents.

Following each of these visits, the placement director, Mrs. Ferrell, would sit down and talk with the children who had visited a home. She would always ask the child, “What type of house would you like to live in?” Some children would respond with answers such as, “I want to live in a big house with a big front porch and a swing set in the back yard.” Other children might say that they wanted to live in a house where they could have a puppy or kitten. Often the children’s response was simply a description of the house they had just visited. In their minds any house was a home where they could belong and where they no longer had to be identified as an orphan. Mary’s answers were always along this nature.

However, after one particular visit everything changed. When asked about the type of house she wanted to live in, she responded, “I want to live in a house where love lives.” Mrs. Ferrell was immediately taken back. She had never heard such an answer. No doubt something had happened during Mary’s last visit. Upon further investigation, she learned that the young couple Mary had visited with, had spent the day arguing and bickering. Mary wanted no part of that. Mary was ultimately saying, “you can keep your big house; you can keep the old porch swing and you can even keep your kitten. I choose love.”

The same holds true for churches. As people visit churches, they may initially say that they are looking for a church with a dynamic preacher, great music, or some program for their children, but in reality what they ultimately seek is love. Jesus said, ***“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another”*** (John 13:34-35).

When people come visit a church, they always want to know, “Does love live here?” I am so thankful to say that love does live at the Chapel, but let us always be seeking new ways to express Christ-like love to people who long to be adopted into our family. In this way we will be a blessing to God.

Pastor Joey



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



The Pictorial Directory Committee will be making

appointments following the Morning Worship Service in the fellowship hall to have your pictures taken. The dates available to have your picture taken will be July 7, 8, or 9, and 21, 22 or 23. We would like to get everyone (**members, nonmembers, visitors, etc.**) in our church directory, so please make an appointment and come out and get your individual or family picture taken. Thank you.



WMU #2 News

July meeting date has been changed to Monday, July 11th due to Independence Day. We will be going to Agape Pregnancy Support Center and then out to eat. We would love to have you join us this night. We will be leaving from the church, going to tour the center, then to Ruby Tuesday on Owen Drive. If you are interested in going with us, please sign up so we can plan accordingly. This is open to all women of the church, not just WMU members. We will be leaving at 5:00 PM. See Jessica Masters or Deborah Hall if you have questions.



Making A Change for Babies

Between now and August 1st, we invite you to consider keeping your change to support babies at the Agape Pregnancy Support Center. Baby bottles are available if you want to help. Just deposit your change in the bottle and return the bottle by Sunday, July 31st or bring to the WMU meeting on August 1st. You can get a bottle from Jessica Masters or Deborah Hall.

What is YOUR ministry?

Reflecting on the memorial service for Diane Tyndall, I was made aware of how many lives she touched while bedridden and living in a nursing home. She was unable to attend church at Baptist Chapel, yet she ministered to so many of us blessed to receive a card for birthday, anniversary or other special occasion. She remained faithful to the end to HER ministry. She considered it what she was called to do and did so with determination and love, even when the pain was great and each card was a struggle to complete.

Why do something when it was difficult and painful? Would you do something when you received absolutely nothing in return, when each letter you write causes excruciating pain? Would you do something when you rarely received a "Thank You" from the recipient? Would you do something for someone you may not even know? I know that I personally received cards from Diane before I ever met her, but that did not matter to her.

When I did meet her, she was such a joy. Although she grew up among those in this church and community, she was unable to attend for the last few years and to see those she considered friends. I am sure she loved and prayed for so many of those she had shared happy times with in the past. Her card ministry was a way she could encourage us. I know I will miss these cards of love. I do hope she knew she was missed at church by those who knew her for many years.

Now to think about this personally, WHAT IS YOUR MINISTRY? Are you more involved than just attending church on Sunday morning? What do you do as a member of the body of Christ? Are you actively involved or passively sitting on the sidelines? What is the impact of sitting on the sidelines? Is there someone who may not learn about Jesus because you are afraid you don't know the right words to say? Do you think that if you invite someone to church they will say NO, so you don't even ask? Do you think that maybe someone else is better equipped to share the gospel with your friends? Do you think that maybe God does not expect you to do much for Him? Do others see Jesus in you?

There are lots of EXCUSES for not being more involved. But that is all they are, excuses. I challenge each of you to think about the questions above. I pray we all are open to the multitude of ministry activities we may be called to do. It may not be easy, but I guarantee it will be rewarding. Not just to you, but maybe even more to someone else.

Be an ACTIVE part of the body of Christ.

In Christ's Love

Annette Cash, WMU Director

LITERATURE

Every month our old literature (SS Quarterlies, Open Windows, Home Life, Mature Living, and any other devotional materials) are taken to the Christian Food Bank of Salem-burg. When bread is packed for distribution, a piece of literature is placed in each bag. So please, don't throw out your old materials. Bring them back so that they can bless someone else. A new tub for collection is being placed in the old fellowship hall.

JUNE SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES

Preschool	07
Children	37
Youth	17
Adults	<u>84</u>
Total	145
Last Month	148
June 2015	146

JUNE RECEIPTS

General Fund	\$22,491.41
Youth Ministry	620.00
Sales & Use Tax	452.94
Refund	
Salem-burg Christian	250.00
Food Bank	
Cemetery Fund	325.00
Scholarship Fund	150.00
Annie Armstrong	50.00
Easter Offering	
Kitchen & Restroom	50.00
Supplies	
Capital Improvements	<u>400.00</u>
Grand Total.....	\$24,789.35

Daughters of Christ Ministry, Inc
presents

2016 Christian Conference
for Women

Christ-Centered Reality Living
"Relationships that Bring Hope and Healing"
Psalm 31:23-24

Special Guest Speaker

Dr. Gary Chapman

(Author of *The Five Love Languages*)

July 29 — 30, 2016

(All-Day Friday and All-Day Saturday)

Limited Seating

Freedom Christian Academy
3130 Gillespie Street
Fayetteville, NC 28306

Event Times

(Both Days)

Program from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Doors Open at 8:00 AM & Close at 5:00 PM
Fellowship and Vendor Browsing

Registration Fees

(Catered Lunch Provided Both Days)

Early Bird: **\$65.00**/Person (March 1—May 31, 2016)
Regular: **\$75.00**/Person (June 1-July 24, 2016)

How to Register

(Adult Women Ages 18 and Up)

- 1) Online (Secure) with Credit/Debit Card at www.daughtersofchristministry.org/EVENTS.aspx
- 2) Regular Mail via Check or US Postal Money Order to: DoCM, PO Box 48282, Cumberland NC 28331
- 3) In-Person via Cash or Check to any DoCM Board Member

Registrations are Non-Refundable. Please call the office at 910-425-7574 if you need to cancel your registration.

M&M Night

We are planning more nights of visitation on the following Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM (July 5th, 19th and 26th). Of course we want to invite everyone to come out and reach out. If you want to participate, but Tuesday night isn't a good night see me or Scott Brown and we will give you an assignment and you can make your visit on a night convenient for you. **Let's grow His kingdom!**

Calendar

WMU NEWS

MEETING DATES

Wednesday, July 6

3:00 PM - WMU #1

Wednesday, July 6 & 20

7:00 PM - Mission Friends,
Acteens, GA's and RA's

Monday, July 11

5:00 PM - WMU #2

Wednesday, July 13

6:30 PM - Acteens and Older RA's
to Food Bank

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 PM - BYW

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday Evening

July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

6:00 PM — Youth Meeting

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7:00 PM — Youth Council

Wednesday, July 13

6:30 PM — Youth, Acteens and
Older RA's to Food Bank

Saturday, July 16

8:00 AM

Food Bank Distribution Day

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 PM — Youth Meeting

CHILDREN'S

CHURCH

WORKERS

Group 3 - July 3

Marshall Naylor

Stephanie Naylor

Johnnie Holland

Jill Holland

Cary Booyer

Group 4 - July 10

Simone Myers

Brandi Edge

Megan Daniels-West

Daniel Tew

Tye Mullins

Group 5 - July 17

Terry Williams

Heather Williams

Sydney Williams

Lee Masters

Jessica Masters

Group 6 - July 24

Anthony Williams

Melody Williams

Abbey Barefoot

Lisa Knowles

Brittney Knowles

Group 1 - July 31

Aaron Jackson

Shannon Jackson

Jennifer Naylor

Logan Baggett

Lane Baggett

Group 2 - August 7

Troy Register

Tonya Register

Craig Holland

Caren Holland

Brooke Dienhart

NURSERY

WORKERS

July 3

Shannon and Carrie Jean Autry

July 10

Craig and Caren Holland

July 17

Tony and Sherry Martin

July 24

Scott and Sarah Brown

July 31

Shannon and Carrie Jean Autry

August 7

Craig and Caren Holland

FLOWERS

July 3

Judy Honeycutt

July 10

Anonymous

July 17

Date open to place flowers in sanctuary

July 24

Date open to place flowers in sanctuary

July 31

Date open to place flowers in sanctuary

August 7

Date open to place flowers in sanctuary

INDEPENDENCE DAY

On July 4, the United States will celebrate Independence Day. For you history buffs and young people, this is when the United States broke free from England and formed an independent nation. Religious freedom is one of the main reasons the original founders left England searching for a new world.

I hope that everyone that reads this can also celebrate your own Independence Day. No, I am not referring to July 4th. I am referring to the day you made the decision to break free from the chains of this world and put your dependence in a risen Savior. Sadly, I know that everyone that reads this will not be able to make this statement. Wouldn't it be amazing if they could?

Satan is as sly as a fox. He doesn't come to us with horns, pitch fork, and colored in red like the old cartoons illustrated. I don't think that he would attract many followers in that attire, do you? Satan comes to us as objects that we desire. For some that could be popularity, high paying jobs, glamorous lifestyles, new cars, new friends, etc. Satan will take the shape of any form that draws our attention away from God. Remember what happened when Peter took his eyes off of Jesus while walking on water, he began to sink. We are no different. When we take our eyes off of Jesus, we will sink into the pleasures of the world. It will not happen all at once. It will happen slowly over a period of time. It will be so slow for most that we will not even recognize it is happening until it is too late. We need to say yes to God and no to Satan.

Luke 9:23, "And he said to *them* all, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." This is Jesus speaking with the twelve disciples. We have to die to our sinful self daily. Jesus did not tell the disciples to simply take up the cross and follow him but he told them to DAILY take up the cross and follow him. Satan is constantly trying to pull us away from God. We are also told through God's word that Jesus is seeking to find all the lost sheep. Jesus's desire is for everyone to go to Heaven. Nothing would be better than for Hell to only contain Satan and his demons. If God made the choice for us, that's the way it would be. However, God gave everyone free will. It has to be our choice to follow Jesus and put our trust in Him. Why do we make it so hard? Are you able to celebrate your Independence Day from the sin of this world? Will your name be found in the Book of Life at the Great Judgment? If you answered no, then why not?

America is also once again enslaved. America is enslaved to the Prince of Darkness. You only have to turn on the news or radio for just a few minutes if you don't agree. When did it suddenly change that being right is wrong and being wrong is right? There is so much violence in the country. Just sit and listen to the youth and adults that went to World Changers. They stayed at a church that was fenced off from the remainder of the community. When asked what the church was doing in the community, the response was nothing. It is no wonder that Satan has taken over the world when the church isolates itself and refuses to go beyond the fence. There is a lost and dying world and the only way the message will get out is through us. If you want others to be able to celebrate their Independence Day, then it is time for each of us to act. Step outside of the fence and experience the blessing of sharing with others.

Sincerely,

Scott Brown



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



<i>July Birthdays</i>			<i>August Birthdays</i>
2 Mike Peterson	13 Carrie Jean Autry Marjorie Barefoot Ann Tew	23 Renee Jackson Opal Jenness	1 Lee Masters Jenna Pope
3 James Tew, Jr.	14 Abbey Barefoot	24 Emma Tuton	2 Brenda Daniels
4 Dwayne Baggett	16 Molly Kilpatrick Brett Stone Brenda Valdez Ruth Wrench	25 Mary Anne Peterson	3 Rachel Edwards Joann Schreiner
5 Jessica Masters Willard Smith	18 Joyce Hall	26 Phyllis Daniels Clint Holland	4 Anthony Horne Ken Page Rylie Williams
6 Lorrie Tew	19 Kimberly Edwards Christopher Head	27 Margaret Carroll Sherrie Price	5 Clint Williams
7 Billy Baggett	21 Bradley Jackson	28 Helena Taylor	6 Rachel Tew Robert Tew
8 James Carroll Lina Honeycutt Dennis Williams	22 Kenneth E. Strickland	29 Patrick Blanchard	7 Dwight Gainey W. J. Horne
10 Carla Jones Brandon Mercer		31 Heather Alexander Gordon Darby Sherry Duquette	

IF YOU SEE A NAME MISSING FROM OUR BIRTHDAY LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE

<p><i>Our Services</i></p> <p>Sunday</p> <p>9:15 AM - Prayer</p> <p>9:45 AM - Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 AM - Worship</p> <p>6:00 PM - Bible Study</p> <p><i>Our Staff</i></p> <p>Joey Cantrell - Pastor</p> <p>Craig Page - Minister of Music</p> <p>Erika Wrench - Minister to Youth</p> <p>Angela Tyndall - Secretary</p> <p>Donald Daniels - Custodian</p>	<p><i>Inside This Issue</i></p> <p><i>Words from our Pastor</i> 1</p> <p><i>Pictorial Directory</i> 2</p> <p><i>WMU #2 News</i></p> <p><i>News from our WMU Director</i> 3</p> <p><i>Receipts/Sunday School Averages</i> 4</p> <p><i>2016 Christian Conference for Women</i></p> <p><i>Mission and Ministry Nights (M&M)</i></p> <p><i>Calendar</i> 5</p> <p><i>Flowers/Children's Church/Nursery</i> 6</p> <p><i>Workers/WMU & Youth News</i></p> <p><i>News from our Sunday School Director</i> 7</p> <p><i>Happy Birthday!</i> 8</p>	<p><i>Baptist Chapel Church</i></p> <p>2208 Baptist Chapel Road</p> <p>Autryville, NC 28318</p> <p><i>Church Phone Number:</i></p> <p>910-567-2561</p> <p><i>Website:</i></p> <p>www.baptistchapel.com</p> <p><i>E-mail:</i></p> <p>bcbc963@intrstar.net</p>