

# Meetings & Events

**Wednesday, 8/1**

Health & Wellness Council

10:00 a.m.

Conference Room

Annul Church Business Meeting

**Wednesday, 8/15**

7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Items of Business: Nominating Committee Report, A recommendation from the Missions Committee, Financial Update, Vote on the hiring of a part/time Youth Minister.

## New Church Pictorial Directory

The time has come for us to prepare a new Church Directory. For this to be a benefit everyone needs to participate. In the coming weeks you will have the opportunity to sign up your family to have your picture made.

Dates of Photography are:

Tuesday, 9/18	3:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 9/19	3:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, 9/20	3:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Friday, 9/21	3:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, 9/22	10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Please plan now to participate, it would not be complete without you. Reservations will be taken at a later date.

## Fellowship Hall Closed

The Fellowship Hall will be closed the week of August 20-24 for the annual cleaning.

## Church Calendar

The 2007 - 2008 annual calendars will be mailed in the coming days. Extra copies will be available in the church office.

## Extended Session

**July 29: Bed Babies** - M/M Chad Williams  
**Toddlers/2 Year Olds** - Tina Wall & Kristin Wall  
**3 & 4 Year Olds** - Cindy McNeill & Rebecca Tutterow

**Aug 5: Bed Babies** - M/M Kevin Brown  
**Toddlers/2 Year Olds** - Beth Bunce & Taylor Bates  
**3 & 4 Year Olds** - M/M Jerry Gardner

## School Supplies

During the month of August, the WMU will collect much needed school supplies for area foster children. A collection box will be located in the Children's dining area of the Children's Center.

## Martha Best Children's Center News

Martha Best Children's Center has just completed an evaluation process to determine our star rating based on the new two-component rating system that will be effective January 2008. We are very pleased to announce we received a 4 star rating! The previous rating system (3-component) had placed our Center at a 3 star level; the new system, while having the same guidelines for program and staff education, included quality point options. We received additional points because of the number of years of experience of our teaching staff and for having enhanced policies concerning health, safety and discipline for children as well as a staff benefits package. We appreciate the continued efforts of the Children's Center staff to provide quality care for the children enrolled in our program!

Jean Ashley

## ATTIC ANTICS

Passways is a new camp venture through Passport that allows youth to choose what tracks they will participate in during the week. From July 8 - 13, 18 youth and 2 adults were able to participate in Passways at Wingate University. All of our youth were involved with the Mission track, and each did a superb job! We had multiple honor campers, and our group was bragged about often by the Passways staff.

It was a wonderful week concerning group dynamics as well. We grew even closer than before, and we all realized how important relationships really are. It was also a very revealing week as we were all challenged to imagine a better world by seeing the various injustices present today.

A large number of us worked at a YWCA facility that offers support for families in a housing project. Our efforts were focused on entertaining the children for the area. It was a disturbing situation to witness, but it also helped us realize how important a piggy back ride and a small note of encouragement can be.

This is but one tale in a week full of remarkable experiences so please ask our youth who participated about their own experiences. Thank you for your support and prayers during this incredible week.

Steve Ayers

## Staff Appreciation

On July 28, Phil Rector celebrates being with FBC for 4 years as our Minister of Music. We are so grateful for Phil and his ministry

## Honorariums

**Small Jobs Ministry:** *Betty Sink's Birthday* by Booty Hilton;

## Memorials

**HVAC Fund:** *Bobby Nelson* by Mary Rodgers, Dot Craver; *Ted Baker* by Wade & Opal Johnson; *Landa Varner* by Wade & Opal Johnson; *Mrs. Eupherzine Cherry* by Betty Sink; *Hoke Coon* by Booty Hilton; **General Fund:** *Hoke Coon* by Ann Corn; *Bobby Kirkendall* by Ann Corn; *Betty Bunce* by Ann Corn; *Emil Botsch* by Ann Corn; *Landa Varner* by Ann Corn;

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## Annual Paul Donnally Memorial Yard Sale

**Saturday, August 18**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
**Rain or Shine**  
**7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

The Family Matters Sunday School Class is sponsoring this event. Support the ministries of FBC by donating items for this worthy cause. Please insure all items are of "saleable" quality. Gently used and in good condition items are appreciated. There will also be coffee, oj and sausage biscuits for sale. You can contact Dave Thornhill at 834-2817 or 249-2115 (evenings) for pick up of large items.

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## Update on Giving - 2007 Budget

The end of June concluded the first six months of the year. There have been 25 Sundays with 27 weeks remaining. Our total budget for 2007 is \$925,000. Of that amount, \$874,000 is what is needed in gifts with the remaining \$51,000 coming from miscellaneous income. If our giving was spread evenly throughout the year, we would need \$437,000 during the first six months to reach that total. As of June 30, our total budget receipts were \$377,264 leaving us \$59,736 short of that \$437,000 level.

This situation is very typical of our church. Our historical pattern is that our giving slows down in the spring and summer months, then begins to catch up in the fall. Usually the month of December is a remarkable month, so that we close the gap that is created by the shortfall in mid year.

The Finance Committee is diligent in watching expenses and giving. Missions and Building & Ground's budget items are funded as funds become available. All fixed expenditures are funded first.

The six month financial statements have been mailed. Please take the opportunity to review yours. If you have questions or concerns please contact Melissa Helmstetler our Financial Secretary.

May we be faithful in our giving.



### 11th Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 11th. 11:30 a.m.  
Sapona Country Club

Cost: \$45/person, \$25/club members  
Format: Captian's Choice - Teams of Four  
Fees Due: **Sunday, July 29**

# Steeple Talk

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## Vacation Bible School

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Our official Vacation Bible School construction zone has been completed. Our VBS tool boxes have been packed away, our hard hats hung back on their pegs and our blueprints rolled back up. During the week, we raised the roof with some fun and enthusiasm as we poured the foundation of faith and constructed opportunities for mission service.

During VBS, we collected an offering for the Henrietta and Bruce Hinkle Hospice House and also began a campaign to collect pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House Program. Collection bins for the pop tops are located in the Old Fellowship Hall and on the 2nd. Floor near the Children's Sunday School Classes.

Many, many thanks to the VBS Staff and to all who committed their time, energy, prayers and creativity to our VBS this year because as we know, we are always "Under Construction" building our children's future through ministry and mission opportunities.

**Banner:** Ginger Hill - **Blue Print Engineers/Bible Study:** Jane Earl Hall, Lyn Lambros, Myra Thacker - **Break-Time Engineers/Snack:** Sheila Killebrew, Mary Helen Hoover, The Rochella Baker Sunday School Class, The Faithful Workers Sunday School Class, The Family Matters Sunday School Class, The Team Co-Ed Sunday School Class - **Break-Time Engineers/Recreation:** Steve Ayers and Youth

### Crew Leaders/Teachers:

**2 & 3 Year Olds:** Eryn Myers, Renee Sink, Gloria Williams, and Youth

**4 & 5 Year Olds:** Kathy Philpott, Crystal Alexander and Youth

**K & 1st. Grade:** Brenda Hipp, Kristin Jolly, Michelle Walser and Youth

**2nd. & 3rd. Grade:** Cindy Leonard, Elizabeth Lancaster, Lyn Lambros and Youth

**4th & 5th. Grade:** Kim Lingerfelt

**Decorating:** Kelly Mitcham, Kristin Wall, Anna Rae Tate and Blair Trexler - **Guest Speakers:** Hospice/Habitat, Ed Ward, Baptist Children's Home, and Parker McLendon, Small Jobs - **Hard Hats/Crafts:** Ginger Hill, Kelly Mitcham, Sandra Wilson, Ginny Flippin, Gale & Don Lanning and Youth - **Scales & Measures Engineers/Music:** Phil & Melonie Rector and Youth - **Registration:** Ann Davis

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