



COVENANT CONNECTION

“Developing Kingdom-Hearted Believers”



SATURDAY, APRIL 19th

Meet at the Church at 8:00 a.m.

PROPOSED MINISTER OF MUSIC SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee has taken the congregational recommendations for our new Minister of Music and Worship Search Committee and has carefully and prayerfully developed the following team.

Karen Funderburk	Amy Jones	Ronnie Wall
Kent Jewell	Merritt Morris	Jim Whitaker
	Carl Vincent	

This search team recommendation comes before the church for endorsement at a Called Family Forum this Sunday, April 20th, during the morning worship services.

MOVIES AT COVENANT

Sunday, April 27th at 3:00 p.m.

Popcorn and soda will be served in the main hallway.

Admission is free! Invite a friend.

THE WAGER (Shown in the Worship Center): The Wager, starring Randy Travis, is a modern day version of the story of Job and how God redeems the situation because of a man's faithfulness and trust in God. The Wager movie is more suitable for high school through adult audiences.

FLYWHEEL (Back by Popular Demand - Shown in the Student Center): An inspiring film about a man's turning point in life that will bring tears of happiness to everyone. This movie will be shown to individuals and families that missed the previous showing.

SHARE THE VISION...Dr. Bert Welch

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As Pastor of Covenant, I am afforded many privileges by the nature of my role and calling. One of the most precious moments comes when I am able to be present when the Lord calls home one of his saints. So it was with Mrs. Kate Hughes on Tuesday morning. I stood by Kate's bedside while her daughter, Kitty, sang hymn after hymn to her dear mother. Due to the compassionate care of physicians and care-givers, Mrs. Hughes was able to return to her beloved home, and in God's timing, quietly and peacefully slipped over into the presence of her Lord after taking her last earthly breath. I don't think I or this church will fully comprehend the loss we have suffered by her death until some time in the future. Mrs. Hughes reluctantly and humbly served as the matriarch of this church. This was not a position she sought nor relished, but accepted. She served in that role gracefully and magnificently. Her steady nature, Christ-like attitude, deep and abiding spiritual insights, and devotion to her Lord, His church and her family, were a blessing to all who knew her. As I held her hand in her last fleeting moments of her earthly journey, I knew in faith that we would be together again one day and continue our journey of faith in Christ.

SENIOR ADULT DAY

Sunday, April 27th

We will recognize our elders in faith, wisdom and experience in worship and with a luncheon. The meal will be for all Senior Adults (age 55 and up) and costs \$7.00 per person. Those 75 and older will receive the meal free of charge. Please sign up on the SAGA bulletin board by this Sunday, April 20th.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, May 1st

Covenant's Prayer Ministry will sponsor a community-wide Prayer gathering on Thursday, May 1st, at 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Our special inspirational guest speaker will be Mrs. Kelley McCorkle, Miss South Carolina 2002 and "Amazing Race" participant. A luncheon buffet will be served beginning at 11:45 a.m. at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Tickets to the luncheon must be purchased in advance and are available on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Student Ministry: Robbie Foreman

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Maximized Living Makeover: Join Drs. Francis and Bagwell, and in just 3 life-changing hours... "watch the fat melt off", "Release all the stress in your life", and "Learn to eat like an elephant, and look like a gazelle." This is truly a life changing seminar. If you have been looking for a healthy way to drop weight or be stress free, this is the seminar for you. The program was designed by Dr. Ben Learner, author of Body by God. The seminar will be at Mount Harmony Baptist Church in Matthews, NC. The Cost is \$25.00 per person or \$45.00 for a couple. See Robbie or Allison for more details. Fliers can be found in the Church Office.

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Please Pray For...

Pageland Residential Care: Yoshi Kurima

New Hanover Memorial, Wilmington, NC: Ruby Howard (Tim Howard's mother)

Myrtle Beach: Debbie Caldwell (Mary Ann Shrum's mother)

Home: Don Miller, Mike Hudson, Beth Beatham (Don & Benita Miller's daughter), Teresa Dry (Gina Spencer & Laine Dry's sister)

In Memory of

Kate Hughes

3/9/1919 - 4/15/2008

Covenant Charter Member Since 10/9/1994

Our Deepest Sympathy To Her Family.

Receiving: Sunday, April 20th, 6-8:00 p.m. at Mahaffey Funeral Home

Memorial Service: Monday, April 21st, 11:00 a.m. at Covenant

Thank You

...from Tim & Georgia Yelton.

...from Tim & Linda Kevern.

Happy Birthday!

April 20 Ben Moorefield

April 21 John Aldridge, Jo Ann Cox, Elise Denney, Holly Lyver, Haven Miller

April 23 Michelle Woods

April 25 Kendra Watts

April 26 Don Cooper, Brian Winchester

Riah Lawry to West Africa

Riah and a team of youth from the JAARS Center will be going on a three week mission trip to Guinea-Bissau, West Africa from June 14th – July 5th. Riah has raised all but \$1,300 of her \$3,300 trip expense. If you would like to help Riah, please contribute to Covenant's "Mission Fund." She and the team will be working with nationals in teaching, Vacation Bible School and filming culturally relevant parables.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

General Fund Monthly Goal for April: \$60,000

Forward In Faith (Building Fund) Monthly Goal: \$11,675

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>
Week #1	\$12,771	\$3,534	\$ 3,227	\$19,532
Week #2	<u>11,962</u>	<u>4,365</u>	<u>33,321</u>	<u>49,648</u>
Monthly Total	\$24,733	\$7,899	\$36,548	\$69,180

Union University Tornado Relief Offering: \$1,085.00

Thank you for your generous response.

Our gift to Union University has been sent along with our prayers.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 4/13/08: Worship - 438 / Sunday School - 285

Week of 4/7/08: Wednesday - 48 / Small Groups - 65

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Tim Howard

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MINISTRY SPOT LIGHT: The Stewardship Committee's responsibilities are: to plan and promote stewardship education in our church and to lead the church in ministry budget planning, promotion, and administration. This committee meets monthly to review church spending and receipts and to handle non-budgeted needs as they arise. They develop and implement all policies for handling finances. The weekly offering ushers are coordinated by this team.

MISSIONS

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: We have a great opportunity to honor our mothers and give the gift of life to unborn babies this Mother's Day. Take home a baby bottle from the main hallway outside the Worship Center, fill it with a check (payable to Pregnancy Care Center), cash or coins, and **return it to the church by Sunday, April 27th.** Please list the name and address of a mother you wish to honor, and a notification card will be sent to her. The funds will be used for programs that help women in crisis pregnancies in Christ's name.

OPERATION IN-AS-MUCH - Saturday April 19th: Meet at the church at 8:00 a.m. Please wear your OIAM t-shirt from last year if you have it. There will be a few shirts available for those who do not have one.

YARD SALE FUND-RAISER: The Young Families Class is having a Yard Sale on Saturday, May 24th, from 7:00 a.m.-noon in the church parking lot. We are asking for donations from the church. Please bring any items to sale to Stephanie Williams' office. Any items not sold that day will be donated to Christian Services. Breakfast items will be available to purchase that morning. All proceeds will go to missions.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Stephanie Williams

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WORKER UPDATE: We would like to welcome Stacy Story to our Children's Sunday School program as our Kindergarten Teacher Assistant. Thank you for sharing yourself with our wonderful children!

COVENANT FAMILIES & BAPTIST MEN ARE GOING FISHING! The Covenant Men's Ministry will sponsor a day out at the ol' fishing hole on Saturday, May 10th, for children age K-5th grade and their families. You and your family need to bring all fishing equipment and chairs. **Attention BAPTIST MEN and Children:** Please sign up by May 4th on the board in the main hallway if you will be participating. Men, if you have any questions, please contact Richard Harms. We will meet at the church at 3:00 p.m. and carpool to Mike Williams' pond. Maps to the pond are located at the sign up board.

AWANA FAMILY CAMPOUT: May 16-17 at Andrew Jackson State Park in Lancaster. Cost is \$10.00 per family and includes the campsite and food for the campout. Family must provide camping equipment. If interested, please contact Stephanie Williams.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: "Power Lab" Vacation Bible School will be held June 23-27 from 9 am - noon. You can register your child on-line at <https://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/cbclancaster> or pick up a registration form in the office hallway. Also if you would like to volunteer, please see Georgia Yelton or Stephanie Williams.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 20

8:45 am Pre-Service Music
9:00 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Coffee & Conversation
10:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Conversation with the Pastor
11:00 am Traditional Worship
11:00 am Beyond Worship
5:00 pm Intercessory Prayer
5:00 pm Beyond Leadership Team
6:00 pm Beyond Passover Seder
6:00 pm Duke Small Group Study

Monday, April 21

6:30 pm Global Missions WOM
7:00 pm Life Support WOM

Wednesday, April 23

4:45 pm Bible Drill (Grades 4-5)
5:30 pm Fellowship Meal

Menu:

BBQ Chicken
(Pizza for Kids)

Grilled Chicken Salad (Sign up on
Reservation Sheet for this option.)

Volunteer Team:

Gene & Carol Bailey,
Emma Lee Higgins, Ben White

6:00 pm AWANA (Ages 3-5th grade)
Nursery for Birth - Age 2
Wildside (Grades 6-8)
Women's Bible Study
6:15 pm Truth Project Study
6:30 pm Adult Small Groups
6:45 pm Adult Prayer & Bible Study
Wind Ensemble Practice
7:00 pm Fusion (Grades 9-12)
7:30 pm *Chorale* Rehearsal

Thursday, April 24

9:00 am ESL Class
Mom's Time Out
7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
ESL Classes

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Coffee Station:

Mike & Kathy Thompson

Refreshment Station:

Family Matters SS Class

Greeters:

Ron & Donna Johnson (9:00)
Richard & Jimmie Harms (11:00)

Worship Time Childcare:

Lynn Jauch, Dusty Threatt,
Tim & Georgia Yelton (9:00)
John & Amy Jones, Lou C. Thomas,
David & Ginger Steele (11:00)

Counting Team Rotation:

Dick Light, Bob Penegar

Power Point Operators:

Robbie Foreman (9:00)
Cody Brown (11:00)

Sound Operators:

Ronnie Wall (9:00)
Ron York (11:00)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

Nursery Volunteers:

Leanne Bailey,
Kendra Watts (Room 301)
Carol Crook,
Lynn Lingle (Room 306)

Sound:

Richard Band, Chuck Funderburk

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- ✓ **Graduate Recognition
Sunday, May 25th**
- ✓ **AWANA Awards Night
Wednesday, May 28th**
- ✓ **Baptismal Service
At The River
Sunday, June 1st**
- ✓ **July 4th Extravaganza
Friday, July 4th**
- ✓ **Atlanta Braves Trip
September 20-21**

Conversation With The Pastor

Our Pastor, Dr. Bert Welch, leads an informal sharing time each Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room (located near the front foyer) for anyone interested in knowing more about Covenant. **New members and those interested in becoming members are invited and urged to attend.** No sign up is needed!

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Minister of Students & Recreation	Robbie Foreman (285-3156 - home)
Children's Ministry Director	Stephanie Williams (704-764-5792 - home)
Church Accompanist	Lannia Bronñola-Dickert
Praise Team Accompanist	Kathy Wall
Administrative Assistant	Pat Rutledge
Church Secretary	Gina Spencer
Church Hostess	Julie Dutton
Custodian	Joe Reuschling
Assistant Custodian	Georgia Yelton

"Every Member a Minister"

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 20, 2008

Contemporary Worship - 9:00 A.M.

Message by Dr. Bert Welch

OIAM Day: *Why Covenant Dares to Care*

Beyond Worship - 11:00 A.M. in the Family Life Center

Live For Me: *Spiritual Gifts*

Teacher: Art Morris

Traditional Worship - 11:00 A.M.

Welcome & Prayer	Bert Welch
Called Family Forum	Search Committee Adoption
Hymn 379	<i>Brethren We Have Met to Worship</i>
Children's Moment	Bert Welch
Stewardship Prayer	
Offertory	<i>Remember Me</i> Stephanie Williams
Musical Offering	<i>When I Rise</i> Chorale
Message	<i>Why Covenant Dares to Care</i> Bert Welch
Operation In-As-Much Video	
Hymn of Response 567	<i>Share His Love</i>
Presentation of Decisions	
Closing Prayer	

A nursery is provided for Birth-age 4 in the Preschool Area.
Sermon Outlines of Dr. Welch's message are located in the main hallway.
Audio CDs of Dr. Welch's message are available through the Church Office.