



COVENANT CONNECTION

“Developing Kingdom-Hearted Believers”

SENIOR ADULT DAY Sunday, April 27th

This Sunday, April 27th, has been set aside as Senior Adult Day at Covenant. Our Senior Adults will be recognized during the worship services, and a luncheon will be held at noon in the Fellowship Hall for those with reservations.

OPERATION INASMUCH

We had a glorious day of community outreach involving 220 Covenant members! Our Block Party was a great community event with over 300 participants. OIAM/2008 included 11 successful work and outreach projects completed and 5 teams hosting the Block Party. A special word of appreciation to each participant, work team, and to our great OIAM Director, Tim Howard! Remember, our ongoing challenge is to be a OIAM/365 Church.

MOVIES AT COVENANT Sunday, April 27th 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

e-mail: Bert@CBCLancaster.org

MINISTER OF MUSIC AND WORSHIP SEARCH TEAM PROCESS...

Thank you for your prayers and recommendations for our Minister of Music and Worship Search Team. Your unanimous endorsement of the proposed team on Sunday morning was a strong signal that we are united in this effort to seek out the person God has already chosen to lead us in our vibrant ministry through music. Please be in daily prayer for the Search Team as they seek God's leadership and direction in this process. The team will convene this Sunday at 6:00 pm for their initial organizational meeting. The team consists of:

Karen Funderburk
Kent Jewell

Amy Jones
Merritt Morris
Carl Vincent

Ronnie Wall
Jim Whitaker

A big Covenant kudo to everyone who has stepped up in music leadership and service with respect to our worship venues. I am constantly amazed at the skills, passion and willingness of the many folks here at Covenant. Surely you have noticed that our music and worship ministry is thriving due to the heartfelt efforts of our choirs, instrumentalists, praise teams, praise band, technology team and others. To God be the glory!

A WORD TO OUR SENIOR ADULTS....

In my three decades of ministry in the local church, I have never, ever known a more joyful and committed group of folks than our **Senior Adults** here at Covenant. It was many **Senior Adults** that launched out in faith to establish this church nearly 14 years ago. It was many **Senior Adults** that provided the spiritual wisdom and insight as we developed our organizational plan as a church. It was many **Senior Adults** that expected and embraced the many changes and challenges that we faced as a new church. It is our **Senior Adults** that take such delight in seeing their efforts bear so much spiritual fruit. It is **Senior Adults** that provide the steady, faithful, consistent energy and support that we need today to be the vibrant Church God has called us to be. **Senior Adults**, thank you for the privilege of being your Pastor. You have and continue to set the example for us all. So don't slow down, I'll simply try to keep up with you!



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER COMMUNITY PRAYER LUNCHEON THURSDAY, MAY 1

**Special Inspirational Guest Speaker:
Mrs. Kelley McCorkle**

Miss South Carolina 2002 and 'Amazing Race' Participant

Hosted by CBC Prayer Ministry in the Family Life Center

Luncheon	11:45 - 12:30 p.m.
Prayer Service	12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$5.00 each and must be purchased in advance. No ticket is needed to attend the Prayer Service.

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Please Pray For...

Grand Strand Hosp., Myrtle Beach: Debbie Caldwell (Mary Ann Shrum's mother)
Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, FL: Beth Beatham (Don & Benita Miller's daughter)
Home: Ruby Howard (Tim Howard's mother)

Thank You

...from the Hearts 'n' Harmony home school choir.

Congratulations

...to Tim, Linda and Katie Kevern on the birth of baby Grayson, born on April 14.

Happy Birthday!

April 27 Seth Fields, Eddie Leaphart, Stacey Melton
April 28 David Dearmore
April 29 Riah Lawry
April 30 Dennis Eith
May 1 Rena Livengood, Kathy Thompson
May 3 Stephen Cudd, Brad Eith

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	11,962	4,365	33,321	49,648
Week #3	<u>5,891</u>	<u>1,644</u>	<u>2,378</u>	<u>9,913</u>
Monthly Total	\$30,624	\$9,543	\$38,926	\$79,093

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 4/20/08: Worship - 445 / Sunday School - 315

Week of 4/14/08: Wednesday - 199 / Small Groups - 125

DONATIONS:

...in memory of Jan Westmoreland for her birthday by the Westmoreland Family.
...in memory of Kate Hughes by Bill Westmoreland, M/M Richard Band, Richard Knight, M/M Vernon McManus, M/M Billy Faile, M/M Richard Faulkenberry, M/M Jerry Coble, D/M Theron Walker and the Employees and Staff of the Clemson Institute for Economic & Community Development.

STUDENT MINISTRY: Robbie Foreman

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www.smcovenant.org

STUDENT MINISTRY LEADERS MEETING: This Sunday, April 27th, at 4:00 p.m. in the student area. This meeting is mandatory for all Sunday School teachers, Small Group Leaders, and Wednesday night volunteers.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Tim Howard

e-mail: Tim@CBCLancaster.org

MINISTRY SPOT LIGHT: The Audiovisual Team is responsible to set up and operate the audiovisual equipment in the worship center on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights and at other churchwide events requiring A/V equipment. This team works closely with the minister of worship to keep Covenant's equipment operational, updated, and available for our worship services and other events as needed.

MISSIONS

OPERATION IN-AS-MUCH 2008: Thank you all for your prayers, leadership, support and acts of love as we had a successful OIAM 2008. We had an estimated 220 participants, fed over 300 people, and shared God's love with numerous folks at our block party, the laundry mat, and in their homes, and set the pace for others to follow in the renovation of the Family Promise Day Center. To God be the glory!!!! I pray that OIAM will continue to be, and will grow even more into, a life style of Covenant. Wouldn't it be great for OIAM to become OIAM 365 for the number of days in a year?

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Please return your filled Pregnancy Care bottle to the church by this Sunday, April 27th.

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

e-mail: Stephanie@CBCLancaster.org

ATTENTION 5TH GRADERS & THEIR PARENTS: There will be a short meeting on Sunday, May 4th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Worship Center. The meeting is concerning the changes of our Student Ministry's Wednesday activities for our upcoming 6th graders. All parents and students are urged to attend.

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/cbclancasterse> 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 27

- 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
- 12:00 pm Senior Adult Luncheon
- 3:00 pm Movies at Covenant
- 4:00 pm Student Min. Leaders Mtg.
- 5:00 pm Intercessory Prayer
- 6:00 pm Duke Small Group Study
- 6:00 pm Search Team Meeting

Monday, April 28

- 6:00 pm Awana Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 30

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

Menu:

Spaghetti Dinner
(Pizza for Kids)

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

Volunteer Team:

Carl Vincent, Benita Miller,
John & Ann McManus

- 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, May 1

- 9:00 am ESL Class
- 11:45 am National Day of Prayer
Luncheon
- 7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
ESL Classes

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

Coffee Station:

Franklin & Aliene Sparkman

Refreshment Station:

George Walrod SS Class

Greeters:

Richard & Jimmie Harms (9:00)

Jack & Joyce Bethea (11:00)

Worship Time Childcare:

Meredith Broome, Christine Pfister,
Brenda Stacks, Kathy Thompson (9:00)

Chris & Marcy Brown,

Riah Lawry (11:00)

Counting Team Rotation:

Bob Penegar, Rheubin Brunson

Power Point Operators:

Riah Lawry (9:00)

Leigh Jordan (11:00)

Sound Operators:

Caleb Lawry (9:00)

Dennis Cudd (11:00)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

Nursery Volunteers:

Marjorie Vincent,

Brenda Stacks (Room 301)

Helga Penegar,

Donna Johnson (Room 306)

Sound:

Richard Band, Chuck Funderburk

SAGA PICNIC

Tuesday, May 13

River Home of Mary Cudd

Make plans to join Mary at the river for some delicious "Patty's Hamburgers" and some great fellowship. We will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and drive the bus (if there is sufficient need) to Mary Cudd's river home. To help us plan for the meal, please sign up on the SAGA bulletin board.

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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Pastor	Bert Welch (283-1875 - home)
Minister of Spiritual Growth	Tim Howard (285-7970 - home)
Minister of Students & Recreation	Robbie Foreman (285-3156 - home)
Children's Ministry Director	Stephanie Williams (704-764-5792 - home)
Church Accompanist	Lannia Broñola-Dickert
Interim Traditional Worship Leader	Jeanne Zaugg
Praise Team Accompanist	Kathy Wall
Interim Contemporary Worship Leader	Pete Lawry
Administrative Assistant	Pat Rutledge
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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 27, 2008

Contemporary Worship - 9:00 A.M.

Message by Dr. Bert Welch

DIARY OF A CRYING PROPHET: *You Reap What You Sow*

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

Live For Me: *Serving Others - Focus on the Poor and Needy*

Teacher: Eric Kramer

Traditional Worship - 11:00 A.M.

Welcome & Prayer	Bert Welch
Senior Adult Recognition	
Hymn 329	<i>Grace Greater Than Our Sin</i>
Children's Moment	Bert Welch
Stewardship Prayer	Tim Howard
Offertory	Lannia Broñola-Dickert
Musical Offering	Chorale
Hymn 413	<i>Faith Is the Victory</i>
Drama	Shontale Melton, Freddie Hutchens
Message	<i>You Reap What You Sow</i> Bert Welch
Hymn of Response 295	<i>Near to the Heart of God</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.