

### Hey Youth!

We need adult volunteers to lead our youth on Wednesday nights from 7-8pm in January! There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall foyer. Please consider how YOU can help with this ministry.

We have a few spots reserved at PassportMissions Camp at Mercer University in Macon, GA the week of July 17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Call the church office to sign up and pay your \$75 deposit. This year's theme is "Treasure: Ask, Seek, Knock," based on Matthew 7:7.

### Calling all Kids!

We have a few spots reserved at PassportKids camp at Eagle Eyrie Conference Center in Lynchburg, VA on June 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>.

PassportKids is for children who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Call the church office to sign up and pay your \$60 deposit! This year's theme is "Treasure: Ask, Seek, Knock," based on Matthew 7:7.



Thank you for your donations to our missions offering. We raised \$590.00 for Lottie Moon and \$224.25 for Global Missions.



## January Birthdays

1/1	Crista Church
1/3	Kenny Smith
1/6	Sara VonCannon
1/10	Frances Prevette
1/12	Judy Daniels, Joey Venable
1/13	Steve Hurley
1/14	Darrell Beaver, Rick Ziglar
1/18	Amanda Farmer, Jean Idol, Beverly Weavil
1/20	Stoney Longworth, Kathy Mills, TerriTurner
1/23	Lindsay Dortch
1/24	Ernest George
1/27	Randy Longworth
1/28	Matthew Shoe
1/29	Amy Simmons
1/30	Brenda Grose, Kathy Horton

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## A New Year's Poem for Christians

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But God's Word transforms the soul  
By His Holy Spirit making you whole  
As you spend time alone with Him  
He will change you from within

-- Mary Fairchild

Dr. H. Mark Ashworth  
Rev. Erin Lysse  
Ms. Gayle Lauten  
Rev. Mary Daniels  
Mrs. Angie Weavil  
Mrs. Becky Longworth  
Mrs. Teresa Tucker

Pastor  
Minister to Families  
Minister of Music  
Minister of Education  
Organist  
Pianist  
Secretary

## Mark's Musings

It's been said that the definition of insanity is to do the same thing the same way over and over and expect a different result. As a new year begins, lots of folks will be trying to break out of unhelpful patterns. Some will make New Year's resolutions. Most of those resolutions are fairly predictable, even if they may be important. Many involve either personal health (lose weight, get more fit) or financial health (reduce debt, save more, etc.). Of course, there are some folks who used to make resolutions but have given up, blaming years of failure to follow through.

But it's a new year. And while the notion of a clean slate is a bit overdone, we do have new possibilities and new opportunities in front of us. So I have two suggestions. First, try to approach the new year with hope. The future really hasn't been written yet. The only thing we're sure of is that God will be there. If that notion of hope is hard for you, then maybe nurturing hope is the very work you need to do. And second, along with those other resolutions you may make, give some thought to your spiritual health, as well. God still has work to do in us and through us, personally and together. With hope and with expectation, let's be open and intentional about listening and following God's leading.

Happy New Year,  
Mark

**Baptist Men's Day** will be celebrated on Sunday, **January 30<sup>th</sup>**. In observance of this event we invite EVERYONE to attend a breakfast, provided by our Baptist Men, on Sunday morning the 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. Also, our men will lead us in the morning worship service. Baptist Men meet each month on the first Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm. after the monthly Family Night Supper. For more information about Baptist Men, contact Mark Reavis or Mike Simmons.



### Senior Moments Highlights

We will be having a luncheon on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am. So bring a covered dish and join us for a fun time of fellowship.

## Nursery Schedule

January 2, 2010 (Sun)	Kathy Idol AM
	No Evening Activities PM
January 5, 2010 (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM
January 9, 2010 (Sun)	Kathy Horton AM
	Edna Bond PM
January 12, 2010 (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter PM
January 16, 2010 (Sun)	Julie Striplin AM
	Jean Foster PM
January 19, 2010 (Wed)	Peggy Beaver PM
January 23, 2010 (Sun)	Clint & Mattie McCann AM
	Kathryn Ashworth PM
January 26, 2010 (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM
January 30, 2010 (Sun)	Teresa Riggs AM
	Edna Bond PM

## Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

January 2 (Children's)	Rob & Jennifer Brantley
January 2, (Wee)	Jane Sutphin
January 9, (Children's)	Mike Simmons & Randy Honeycutt
January 9, (Wee)	Susie Hilton
January 16 (Children's)	Phillip & Jennifer Watson
January 16, (Wee)	Amanda Farmer
January 23, (Children's)	Delese Venable & Sylvia Phillips
January 23, (Wee)	Tina Church
January 30, (Children's)	Julie Striplin & Dale Lakey
January 30, (Wee)	Sharon Thompson

## Financial Summary

	December 5, 2010	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 4,455.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 723.00
Total Offering		\$ 5,178.00
	December 12, 2010	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 3,175.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 413.76
Total Offering		\$ 3,588.76
	December 19, 2010	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 4,593.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 546.50
Total Offering		\$ 5,139.50

### General Fund

November General Fund Receipts	\$ 16,468.62
November General Fund Expenses	\$ 14,710.43
November General Fund Net	\$ 1,758.19
November Fund Balance	-\$ 23,497.25



The December WOM monthly meeting was short due to our speaker from Family Promise and our sponsorship of the International Supper, but it was a very important meeting. We discussed our "adoption" of the Glenn High Senior Girl for Christmas and rather than each of us purchasing gifts, we collectively donated \$210 with Rae volunteering to take the young lady shopping. Continue to be in prayer for this young person in that she will stay safe and dedicated to completing her education, although her home is now at a local shelter.

Cookies (& other items) for Hospice were taken only to the WS location in December, but we will plan to disperse at both locations again in January. Thank you letters have been received from both the HP and WS locations for our donations of cookies, etc. for the families in their time of need. Our next "Cookies for Hospice" Sunday will be **January 9<sup>th</sup>**.

As I recall, the total donation to the WS Rescue Mission for the Thanksgiving Meals was \$1,028, which exceeded Mike's goal to 500 meals! Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

Don delivered our basket of donations for the PMBA Toy Store to Main Street Baptist Church in Kernersville. Here again we ask your prayers for the families who received our donations.

Amy Turner & Nancy have continued to make the heart shaped pillows for Cone Hospital Cardiology Dept. and these have been delivered by Charlene. What a wonderful outreach for our church, in fact WOM has received a personal thank you note from one of the persons receiving a pillow following his heart surgery. Again, due to the expense involved, anyone who can help with the cost of the batting or fabric is kindly requested to see Nancy.

We are concluding the year 2010 with a bit of reflection on the number of lives our efforts may have touched, but we did not do this alone. With God's intervention in our lives and filling us with a desire to reach out to others has made this a successful year. May 2011 be another year where we continue to seek God's will and follow that inter-voice as **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE!**