

## Financial Summary

	August 3, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 5,898.59
Designated Gifts		\$ 364.50
Total Offering		\$ 6,263.09
	August 10, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 2,576.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 224.85
Total Offering		\$ 2,800.85
	August 17, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 4,424.59
Designated Gifts		\$ 229.40
Total Offering		\$ 4,616.49
	August 24, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 3,221.50
Designated Gifts		\$ 196.40
Total Offering		\$ 3,417.90

### General Fund

July General Fund Receipts	\$ 15,698.25
July General Fund Expenses	-\$ 19,827.33
July General Fund Net	-\$ 4,129.08
General Fund Balance	-\$ 13,958.98



## September Birthdays

9/3	Christine Shoe
9/7	Luke Weavil
9/9	Hugo & Cassidy Casas
9/10	Rebekah Buckner, Bill Daniels
9/11	Ethel Stafford, Don Sutphin
9/12	Andrew Hedgecock
9/14	W.G. Honeycutt, Delores Phillips
9/16	W.E. Spach
9/17	Alan Venable
9/19	Steve Grose
9/20	Dale Lakey, Becky Lauten, Connor Smith
9/22	Jeff Honeycutt, Billie Weavil
9/23	Paul Idol
9/24	John Lee
9/25	Cathy Honeycutt, Matthew Nibert
9/26	Marianne Casas
9/28	Barry Burton

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## BAKE SALE



**Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:30 am until 2:00 pm**

Breakfast served until  
10:30 am followed by Lunch

Handmade crafts, Homemade canned  
items, fresh & frozen foods and more.

All proceeds go to the  
Building Fund

## Hey Youth!

We're back in full swing! Don't miss out!!

Our big September event is the CBFNC Fall Youth Retreat, September 19-21 at Myrtle Beach. Look for details on how to pack for that fun weekend!

## Calling all Kids!

Our regular Sunday night and Wednesday night programs are back! Be sure to be here for all the things we'll do and learn together!!

On Sunday night, September 7<sup>th</sup>, we'll have a Promiseland Kick-Off Party! This year Erin will be leading our time together on Sunday nights, so come see what's new!

## Senior Moments Highlights

**September activities:** On the 11<sup>th</sup>, we will be going to Meadows of Dan to shop at Nancy's Candy Shop. Senior Day is the 14<sup>th</sup>, with Rev. Jimmy Hinson preaching. The monthly luncheon has been canceled due to the upcoming bazaar.

## Nursery Schedule

September 3, 2008 (Wed)	Kathy Horton
September 7, 2008 (Sun)	Amy Simmons AM Beverly Weavil 7:00 – 8:00 PM
September 10, 2008 (Wed)	Jean Foster
September 14, 2008 (Sun)	Teresa Riggs AM Edna Bond 7:00 – 8:00 PM
September 17, 2008 (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter
September 21, 2008 (Sun)	Billie Weavil & Kathy Idol AM Jean Foster PM
September 24, 2008 (Wed)	Peggy Beaver
September 28, 2008 (Sun)	Charlene Dunlap AM Barbara Snyder PM

## Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

September 7, (Children's)	Christy Litaker & Amanda Phillips
September 7, (Wee)	Sarah Horton & Alice Striplin
Sept. 14, (Children's)	Mike Simmons & Delese Venable
Sept. 14, (Wee)	Susie Hilton & Beverly Weavil
Sept. 21, (Children's)	Phillip & Jennifer Watson
Sept. 21, (Wee)	Marianne Casas & Jane Sutphin
Sept. 28, (Children's)	Jennifer & Rob Brantley
Sept. 28, (Wee)	Carlene Compton & Sharon Thompson

## MARK'S MUSINGS

When Jesus called his first disciples, he did so with two simple words, "Follow me." Followers have one crucial job to do. Pay attention to where the leader is going. You've heard me say it before and you'll hear me say it again. The single most important question for Christian folks to ask is this: "What is God doing?" What is God doing in the world? What is God doing in my life? To reflect and be aware of God's workings at particular times and in particular places requires not so much great intelligence, much less advanced education. What it requires is that we slow down long enough and pay attention closely enough to the ways God is present and at work.

In a much broader sense, though, we all should have an awareness of what God is doing. Over the next several weeks, we are going to be introduced to a fairly new word for our religious vocabulary. The word is "missional." We'll talk about missional church and missional ministry. The word "missional" is rooted in the *missio Dei*, the mission of God. The mission of God can be described in a number of ways, but perhaps the single word that sums it up best is "reconciliation." God is about reconciling human beings to himself, reconciling human beings to each other, reconciling human beings to themselves, reconciling all of creation. God's mission is to bring healing, hope, and wholeness to broken lives and a broken world. To be missional is, first of all, to be clear about God's mission. And second of all, it means paying attention to our own passions and gifts so that we can find our own special place in the work God is about. We're going to be talking and thinking about what that means for each of us personally and for us as a congregation. I am excited about the conversation ahead. I am more excited about all of us being involved in God's work in a more effective and more fulfilling way.

Grace and peace,  
Mark



Through WOM promotion, homemade cookies were delivered to Hospice Homes in W-S and HP on Monday, August 11. This small gesture means so very much to families spending lengthy visits with their loved ones during their final days. **Anyone** in the church is invited to join in this monthly project, as well as any other mission venture, whether or not you are attending the WOM meetings. The next cookie delivery will be Monday, September 8.

Through joint efforts with the PMBA, we sponsored the Stepping Stones ministry. The PBMA will be providing housing for homeless families, and we helped collect household items. There are currently two families, one with two children, which will be placed in homes. In both instances the adults did have jobs, but needed help with getting off the streets. It is the goal of the association to make this an ongoing project, so before you yard sale or discard anything from kitchen utensils to linens (even furniture or appliances), please contact the association—there is a very strong possibility a homeless family could benefit from your discard.

We also collected layette items for newborns. We have learned there are many new mothers locally who have nothing for their babies and we felt called to also reach out.

To each and everyone who helped with either of the above mentioned projects, we say thank you but we also know you felt blessed from your endeavors, no matter how large or how small your donation.

In September we are requesting anyone with an over abundance of large or extra large sweat shirts (these can be used) to consider donating them. The PMBA will be distributing these to Dixie Classic fair workers during their stay in W-S.

Plan now to attend the next WOM meeting on Wednesday, September 3. We will be starting a new church year and would love to experience new growth in attendance, but remember even if you can't attend, you are encouraged to watch for announcements regarding our mission projects and actively participate in those.

As we studied in SS recently, we are commanded to search out and help those who may be considered the "least of these" and by doing this, we will show others how UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.

**We're changing our Sunday night schedule! Beginning on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, all adult, youth, and children's programs will begin at 6pm and end at 7pm. The Sanctuary Choir will rehearse from 7pm – 8pm. The Wednesday night schedule will remain the same. Come see what's new this Fall!**