

THE GOOD NEWS

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, TRYON

JUNE

2012

CHAT WITH THE PREACHER

Every summer ministers across the land write newsletter articles addressing what is known as the Summer Slump. The Summer Slump is compromised of two unfortunate trends: 1) fewer folks in worship and 2) fewer dollars in the offering plate. So ministers compose an article/letter, or maybe even a sermon, to preempt this strike. But it doesn't really matter. The slump happens anyway.

Thus, I will not bore you or guilt you with an article about the importance of combatting the slump. But just in case you were wondering . . . we still meet during the summer at First Baptist Church (that's 125 Pacolet Street in Tryon) on Sunday mornings. And our mailing address is still PO Box 1287 (again, that's in Tryon), just in case you want to mail in those tithes and offerings on the one Sunday of the summer that you happen to be on vacation.

In all seriousness, I hope that you have an enjoyable summer. Find some time to slow down. Enjoy a walk on the beach or a hike in the mountains. Go swimming (it'll make you feel like a kid again). Read a book (or three). Use the grill more than the stove. Eat at least one really good watermelon (and maybe you can help me learn how to choose one). Shoot below par for at least nine holes (okay, maybe that's stretching it a bit). Catch up with family and friends. Go to a movie (matinees are not only fun but cheaper).

In the midst of a fun summer don't forget that all good gifts come from God. And, if you want to give thanks and praise to that God you can join us on Sunday mornings at First Baptist Church of Tryon, located on 125 Pacolet Street!

Peace,

Jeff

Ushers for June:

Bud and Georgia Pace,
Hilda Pleasants (side),
Rick McCallister (hall)

Ushers for July:

Dee Huneycutt and
Wilson Edwards,
Kaya Bishop (side),
Dawn Campbell (hall)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Baseball Game:
Asheville Tourists at
Greenville Drive,
June 11, 7 pm.
- Lord's Supper will
be observed on
June 24th.
- Hannah and Clarke
Sorrels concert at
the church, 4 pm,
Sunday July 15
- Vacation Bible
School July 2th,
28th, and 29th.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 June Brady,
- 2 Madi McKaig, Alisa Constance, Harold Burrell, Stan Bishop, Lib McKeller, Phil Scoggins
- 3 Keith Emory, Bud Pace
- 4 Matt Corn
- 5 Mary Prince, Keen McFarland
- 6 Andrew Harding
- 7 Paula Edwards, Ryan Tennant
- 10 May Gibbs
- 11 Carey Emory, Greg Lair
- 14 Sydney Waldman, Genelle Phillips
- 15 Christy McCall
- 16 Natalie Lobo

- 18 Mark Smith
- 23 Vern Dusenbury
- 27 Phillip Edwards, Ruby Jones
- 28 Ben McEntire
- 29 Fran Goodwin

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Chris & Eloise Johnson
- 6 Edward & Bernice Culbreth
- 7 Scott & Kathyanne Harding
- 8 Rick & Debby Covil
- 11 Don & Rosemary Iaffaldano
- 12 Paul & Ruth Cantrell
- 17 David & Sue Thompson

- 19 John & Laura Spinks
- 27 John & Jan Perry
- 30 Stephen & Nancy Brady

STUDENT BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Andrew Harding
- 10 Brandon Britton
- 12 Rebecca Laughter

MILITARY PERSONNEL BIRTHDAYS

- 7 J.D. Walter
- 9 Donna Shepherd
- 14 Ellenie Palmer



THE MISSION INITIATIVE

On Saturday, May 5th, your friends and neighbors gathered to help those in our community who needed a little 'extra' help—from plumbing issues, yard cleanup, well pump installation, carpentry and masonry work, etc. We met in the Activity Building for breakfast, and to learn about our work assignments. Our team leaders took us to the jobsites, and we labored joyfully until the work was done. After the afternoon shift, supper was served and

everyone shared how their particular project went. We've had good feedback, and several nice thank-you cards from the recipients of our labors. A special thanks goes to Dave Graham, who scouted out the projects and combined our efforts with some helpers from other churches in Polk County. Together, we made a difference.

**“HERE AM I, LORD—
SEND ME.”**

MORE MISSION INITIATIVE PICTURES



Refuge Happenings

2012 has been another great year and we all hope that you and your families are doing well.

First, we wanted to again thank our church family for the many donations and those that volunteered their time to make Super Saturday a success. Funds raised from this day will be used for the youth to attend Passport Camp and will also be used by the Family Life committee for events/upgrades. The day was filled with hard work, fun and fellowship.

As many of you know Tryon First Baptist has been actively working the fields over at the Pleasants farm with the Fields of Hope project. On May 19th the youth of Tryon First Baptist planted pumpkins, watermelons, and green beans in one section of the field. After mulling over a name for the Refuge field one insightful youth came up with a name, "Garden". Refuge would like to thank Carl Pleasants and David Graham for their help in readying the field for planting. This is a new project for Refuge and we hope the Lord will bless the crops of The Fields of Hope and the Garden.

This summer we have many events planned which include a Greenville Drive baseball game, tubing, lock-in, Passport Camp, Pool Party, and a cookout. During the summer months Refuge will combine the 6-12th grades and we will meet from 5pm-7pm. After the new school year resumes we plan on having a separate Middle and High School group at 5pm and 6pm. Please keep the youth of our community in your prayers. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Refuge



STOP HUNGER NOW

On Saturday, June 2nd, many hands made light work of an arduous task—packing ready-to-eat meals for Haiti. Volunteers came from the community, local churches, the Kiwanis club, and were joined by the hosts of the event, the Rotary Club Foundation of Tryon. Between 8:30 and 11:30, more than 38,000 meals were packed for those in need. Thanks to all of those who volunteered their time and talents—and here are some pictures from the event.



MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO TODAY'S PACKING EVENT FOR STOP HUNGER NOW

Tryon Congregational Church

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

First Baptist Church of Tryon

Tryon Presbyterian Church

Trinity Lutheran Church

Members of Kiwanis Club

Members of Rotary Club of Tryon

Rotary Club of Tryon Foundation

Members of Community at Large

*And to the many volunteers who are working today
packing meals for the school children of Haiti – Thank You.*

Stop Hunger Now Committee
Rotary Club of Tryon



“For I was hungry and you gave me food”

“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry.”

John 6:35



“The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live forever!”

Blessed is he who considers the poor!

Psalms 41:1



“For he satisfies him who is thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.”

Psalms 107:9



WHAT'S NEW WITH WMU

The WMU ladies at their meeting the first Tuesday of each month, decide on a mission project for the coming month. At their meeting in May, the decision was made to donate items to Hospice of the Carolina Foothills for June. Everyone was given Hospice's latest wish list so each individual could choose from the list any or all items. The wish list items include: disposable razors, shaving cream, Kleenex, Ensure (all flavors), toothpaste, tooth brushes (individual wrapped), no-rinse shampoo, body lotion. ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE UNSCENTED.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

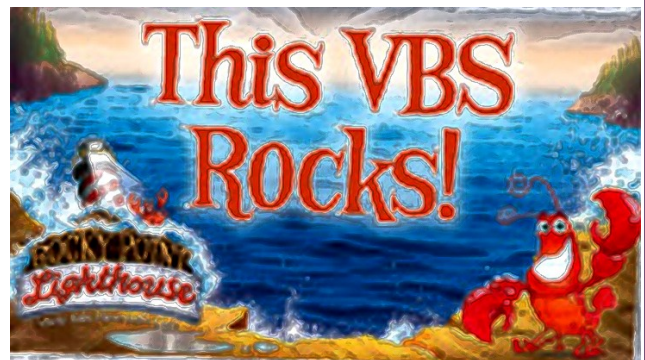


Join us as we go see the Asheville Tourists battle the Greenville Drive, on Monday, June 11. Game time is 7:05 and we'll carpool from the church. There's a sign-up sheet in the upstairs hallway.

CONCERT!



On Sunday, July 15th, at 4 pm, Clark Sorrells, Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church of Asheville, and his daughter Hannah, a music student at St. Olaf College, will offer a concert at First Baptist Church, Tryon. They will present a mixture of sacred, gospel, and folk music. Mark it on your calendar and help spread it to the community. Help us have a full house!



VBS COMING SOON!

Join us for Vacation Bible School, to be held at the Activity Building on July 27th, 28th, and again on July 28, as we begin a new concept—a Bible School that's completed in a weekend! This year's theme is Rocky Point Lighthouse—Where Kids Shine God's Light. On the 28th, we will celebrate the end of VBS with swimming and a cookout at Gibson Park and Pool, from 5:30pm until 7:30 pm.