## The Good News



**MAY** 2018



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## A MESSAGE FROM GEORGE ALLEY, OF THERMAL BELT OUTREACH, FOR "STAMP OUT HUNGER DAY", MAY 12



The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) will conduct its 26th annual national food drive on Saturday, May 12. The Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive, the country's largest single-day food drive, provides residents with an easy way to donate food to those in need in the community.

Customers simply leave their donation of non-perishable goods next to their mailbox before the delivery of the mail on Saturday, May 12. Letter carriers will collect these food donations on that day as they deliver mail along their postal routes and distribute them to Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. Visit www.nalc.org/food to learn more.

With the economic struggles many Americans face, the Letter Carriers' Food Drive is as critical as ever. Not only do millions of Americans go hungry, organizations that help them are in need of replenishments.

Hunger affects about 50 million people around the country, including millions of children, senior citizens and veterans. Pantry shelves filled up through winter-holiday generosity often are bare by late spring. And, with most school meal programs suspended during summer months, millions of children must find alternate sources of nutrition.

Letter carriers see these struggles in the communities they serve, and they believe it's important to do what they can to help. Our local post offices have been participating for years and, last year, more than 2200 pounds of canned goods were collected and redistributed by Outreach over the summer!

On Saturday, May 12, as they deliver mail, the nation's 175,000 letter carriers will collect donations left by residents near their mailboxes. People are encouraged to leave a sturdy bag—paper or plastic—containing non-perishable foods, such as canned soup, canned vegetables, canned meats and fish, pasta, peanut butter, rice or cereal, next to their mailbox before the regular mail delivery on that Saturday.

Outreach is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide compassionate assistance to Polk County residents who are unable to provide for their basic life needs. For more information on Outreach, please visit www.tboutreach.org or call (828) 894-2988.

## MAY MISSIONS OFFERING BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES



Our May Mission Focus is to help support Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. BRH of North Carolina is a not-for-profit, church-related organization with a commitment to providing quality care and a meaningful way of life for residents and staff. There are envelopes for donations and other information at the entrances to the sanctuary. Thank you for helping to improve the lives of our elders who lack the resources needed for a quality life. Thanks for your generosity.

## ANNUAL WIFFLEBALL GAME, MAY 20



Save the date! Our Annual Wiffleball game is scheduled for Sunday, May 20, at 4pm. This is always a fun time for fellowship, and we hope you'll join us.

## **KIDS' NIGHT OUT, MAY 25**

Children ages K-fifth grade are welcome to come to the Activity Building from 6-8:30pm for an evening of activities, learning, games, and snacks—complete with a pizza supper! Please sign up by the deadline, May 20. If your children are already registered, contact Carol Batts at carolwb8@yahoo.com. Registration forms may be found in Sunday School rooms and the office.

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN**



We have an opportunity to partner with Thermal Belt Outreach this spring and summer. Anyone interested in planting, picking, or learning how to garden, contact Jaime for more information.

#### **ALUMINUM CAN MINISTRY**

Don't forget your cans! We've been presented an opportunity to help with missions for children in Guatemala. All you have to do is bring aluminum cans (in bags, please) to church, and put your bag in the back of Dr. Bob Lair's pickup truck. The money collected for the scrap aluminum goes to provide resources for Guatemalan children.

## ONGOING CHURCH OUTREACH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

We are collecting personal toiletries and amenities, located in the church kitchen. You can bring small bottles of lotion, shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste, etc. Sisterhood sees that these items are distributed to Steps of Hope women's shelter, and the Polk County prison. We're also doing some collecting for Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. They're in great need of plastic grocery bags for their Food Pantry.

## SIGN UP FOR PASSPORTkids! CAMP



Summer is coming and that means it is time for PASSPORTkids! You can e-mail Jaime at jaimeniftzgerald@gmail.com to sign your 3rd-5th grade children up for camp. We will be going to Converse College in Spartanburg from July 11th-14th.

### NEW SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES



New guidelines for First Baptist Church of Tryon scholarship application submissions have been suggested by the Scholarship Committee, with the approval of the Board of Deacons and the Stewardship Committee. Last year, the general scholarship fund was depleted, leaving the named/memorial scholarships as the only funding now available for college and passport scholarships. In an effort to utilize these funds as effectively as possible and for as long as possible, the new guidelines for the scholarship application process will include several changes. Applications should be submitted by May 11.

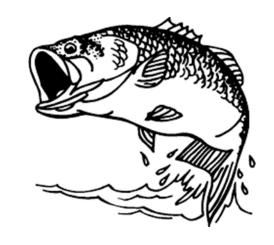
- \*The scholarship award will be a one-time, \$1,000.00 award to qualifying applicants for college expenses, paid to the college or university in which the student is enrolled.
- \*The scholarship will be a one-time award. There will no longer be a renewal scholarship. However, last year's first-time recipients are able to apply this year for a one time renewal of \$500.
- \*Members or active participants of First Baptist of Tryon or children of members/participants are eligible and are encouraged to apply.
- \*Scholarship funds will also be used to assist children participating in the "Passport" camp each summer.

Please consider giving to any of the memorial/named scholarships so that First Baptist Church of Tryon can continue to support the children and youth of our church through the scholarship program.

-The Scholarship Committee

# Hooked

## The David Stillerman Fishing Project of FBC Tryon



We'd love for you to come fishing with us!

You do not need any fishing equipment (you can certainly bring your own if you wish), experience, or license. We will supply fishing equipment, instruction, drinks, and a light dinner. This is a great opportunity for fun and friendship.

## Children that attend two events will receive a free rod and reel.

We do ask that at least one adult be present with your child/ren.

Here are a few reasons we think "Hooked" is worthwhile:

- -Get outside . . . teach kids to enjoy and respect the outdoors.
- -Encourage friendships . . . with children and with adults.
- -Learn how to fish . . . fishing teaches patience and perseverance, builds confidence, and can be enjoyed for a lifetime.
- -It's fun!

We'll go fishing at these times and places:

Sunday, May 27 Derbyshire, 3-6pm

Sunday, June 10 White Oak Mountain, 4-7pm

Sunday, Sept 16 White Oak Mountain, 4-7pm

Sunday, Oct 7 Tryon Estates, 3-6pm

If you plan to attend, please RSVP, as that will help us provide the correct amount of fishing equipment, volunteers, and food.

For more information, or to RSVP, please text or call Jeff Harris at 828.899.1386 or email Jeff at: jeffreycharris@gmail.com

## **KID'S NIGHT OUT, APRIL 20**

"Our Beautiful World" was the theme of April's Kid's Night Out (KNO). Most of the night was spent outside enjoying the beauty of God's creation. First, we headed to the playground to work up an appetite for our pizza picnic! We then headed for our nature walk to learn about plants in our area. Your kids also learned there are church members who spend their time making the grounds look great! We spread our blanket and Miss Di was a hit, as always, with her spectacular jokes! In group time we studied about our earth and how it is our responsibility to take care of it. Genesis 1:31 was our verse: God saw all that He had made and it was VERY good! We discussed recycling and things that could be made from our trash. As the night got chilly we moved inside for a snack and book time with lots of springtime-themed books, and talked about the upcoming book sale at the Polk County Library. At 8:01 PM, we headed outside to watch the sunset, view the crescent moon and watch a jet (which looked like the moon was its target) veer clear at the last moment. That was an exciting moment! Everyone left with book sale money and jumbo yellow marigolds to plant to make our world more beautiful! A great night and spending more time outside was had by all! I'm sure your kids will be great caretakers of God's wonderful creation! Be watching for the next date to be announced for Kid's Night Out! -Submitted by Carol Batts





#### 2018 Schedule for First Baptist Church, Tryon, NC

#### Regularly Scheduled Weekly Activities (unless otherwise noted) include:

Sundays Sunday School, 10am

Worship, 11am

Refuge (grades 6-12), 5pm

Wednesdays Bible Study, 10am

Women's Bible Study, Rock House, 6pm

Handbell Rehearsal, 5:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm

#### Regularly Scheduled Monthly Activities (unless otherwise noted) include:

1st Monday of each month Mission Team, 5:30pm

1st Tuesday of each month:WMU, 10am2rd Tuesday of every other month:Sisterhood, 7pm3rd Monday of each month:Brotherhood, 6:30pm3rd Tuesday of each month:Deacons, 6pm

3-4 Saturdays a year:: Firewood Ministry, Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry, 9am, dates dictated by TBOM

This is the current schedule for the year. Please note some things may be re-scheduled, added, or changed as needed. If changes occur, you will be notified by email, worship bulletin, newsletter, or announcement in worship. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you.

#### APRIL MISSION EMPHASIS— Easter Missions Offering (CBF Global Missions/Annie Armstrong)

Sun, Apr 1 Easter Sunrise service 7am TFAC Amphitheater, breakfast to follow, Easter worship 11am

Sun, Apr 8 SEE 5pm, Children's Choir 5pm

Sun, Apr 15 Hooked! Fishing event, 3pm, Tryon Estates

Sun, Apr 22 SEE 5pm, Children's Choir 5pm Sun, Apr 29 I Love My Church Offering

#### MAY MISSION EMPHASIS—Baptist Retirement Home Offering

Sun, May 13 Quarterly Church Conference

Mother's Day (no evening activities)

Sun, May 20 Music Sunday/Pentecost

Annual Wiffleball Game

Sun, May 27 Hooked! Fishing Event, 3pm, Derbyshire

Refuge "End of Semester" party, 5pm

#### JUNE MISSION EMPHASIS - Safety Net Diaper Program

Sun, Jun 3 Graduate Sunday, 11am

Sun, Jun 10 Celebration of The Lord's Supper, 11am

Hooked! Fishing Event, 4pm, White Oak Mountain

Sun, Jun 24-Sun Jul 1 Puerto Rico Mission Trip

TBD Rafting Trip

#### First Baptist Church of Tryon Calendar 2018 (con't.)

#### JULY MISSION EMPHASIS—Christmas in July Mission Offering (CBF Global Missions/Lottie Moon)

Wed-Sun Jul 11-14 PASSPORTkids! Camp, Converse College, Spartanburg SC

Sun, July 29 I Love My Church Offering

Quarterly Church Conference

TBD Carowinds Trip

#### AUGUST MISSION EMPHASIS—Back to School (School Supplies)

Sun, Aug 5 Celebration of The Lord's Supper, 11am

Mon-Th, Aug 8-11 Vacation Bible School (???)

#### SEPTEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS—Commitment to #GraceltForward Mission Day

Sun, Sep 9 SEE, Children's Choir, Refuge 5pm

Sun, Sep 16 Hooked! Fishing Event, 4pm, White Oak Mountain

Sun, Sep 23 SEE, Children's Choir, Refuge 5pm

Sun, Sep 30 I Love My Church offering

#### OCTOBER MISSION EMPHASIS - Operation Christmas Child, #GraceltForward Mission Day

Sun, Oct 7 World Communion

Hooked! Fishing Event, 3pm, Tryon Estates

Sun, Oct 14 SEE 5pm, Children's Choir, Refuge 5pm

Sun, Oct 28 I Love My Church Offering

Quarterly Church Conference Children's Fall Party, 5pm

#GraceItForward Mission Day, TBD

#### NOVEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS - Warm Coats & Blankets for Polk County Residents

Sun, Nov 4 All Saints Sunday

Sun, Nov 11 SEE, Children's Choir, Refuge 5pm Sun, Nov 25 Celebration of the Lord's Supper Community Thanksgiving Service

#### DECEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS—Kathy's Kids, Angel Tree

Sun, Dec 2 Advent I, Annual Christmas Dinner

Sun, Dec 9 Advent II

Sun, Dec 16 Advent III, Caroling, 3pm

Sun, Dec 23 Advent IV

Mon, Dec 24 Christmas Eve Worship, 4pm Sun, Dec 30 I Love My Church Offering

## **May Sunday Schedules**

## **Deacons for May**

\*Elizabeth Burrell

Don Batts

Susan Smith

Ron Frady

Jeff Miller

## Ushers for May

Nancy Brady, Diane Cothran—Front

Lou Rossi—Hall

Ron Frady—Side

## Acolytes for May

May 6 Harper Harris, Simms Harris

May 13 Mason Littlefield, Oliviah Miller

May 20 Oakley Whiteside, Hattie Crawford

May 27 Laney Littlefield, Luke Miller

## Children's Church Workers for May

May 6 Susan Smith

May 13 Debbie & Keith Collins

May 20 Linda & Ellis Fincher

May 27 Mason & Taylor Jackson

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are extended to the following families: the Clarence Henson family, on the passing of Jacqueline Henson, March 20; Brian and Angela Radaker, upon the death of his mother Keturah Radaker, April 5, 2018; the family of Lewis Hawkins, who died April 10, 2018; Ken and Leslie Raymond, on the death of Ken's stepfather William Reddix, April 21; and the Cothran family, on the passing of Diane's father Eddie Owen on April 29.

## **MAY MILESTONES**

## **May Wedding Anniversaries**

- 3 Evan & Ashley Gilbert
- 5 Vernon & Raye Dusenbury
- 8 Phillip & Paula Edwards
- 21 Gary & Sarah Benedict
- 24 Mitch & Gingi Green
- 25 Brian & Angela Radaker
- 30 Keith & Alisa Constance31 Franklin & Sadie McKaig
- May Birthdays
  - 1 Maggie Johnson ('06)
    - 2 Bob Lair
  - Wynne Morris, Chuck Britton, Susan Smith
  - 4 Kay Greene, Cathie Gee, Dustin Bishop, Connie Brown
  - 7 Liam Jackson
  - 8 Charley Dusenbury ('08)
  - 10 Michael Baughman
  - 14 Christie Morrow, Gary Nobles, Emily McFalls
  - 16 Lydia Miller, Kelsey Gates (McKaig)
  - 17 Cathy Stott, Candy Wilson
  - 18 Joyce Arledge, Brian Durham ('07)
  - 19 Lucy McCallister ('13)
  - 21 Keaton McCall ('09), "Cricket" Walker
  - 23 Phil Feagan
  - 24 Kasey McKaig
  - 26 Bernice Culbreth, Janet Hudson, "Tommy" Vehorn, Judy Houk
  - 27 Roselee Crawford ('15)
  - Maddie Blackwell ('00)
  - Ashley Gilbert, Rory Gates (McKaig) ('11)
  - 30 Michael Nobles