



## To Know Him & Make Him Known

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### Would you like to receive "The Wakeminstry" by email?

If you would like to receive The Wakeminstry by email, please visit our website and choose to join our mailing list. We have a general mailing list as well as a Youth-oriented mailing list.

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Dear Friends,

Of the five senses, sight may be the most appreciated. Our eyes enable us to see the beauty of God's creation, and allow us to navigate through it. I've been concerned with vision lately. Through the wonder of modern medicine and technology, amazing things can be done to restore or improve our eyesight with relatively simple procedures. Imagine for a moment that your sight is suddenly limited. As disturbing as physical blindness would be, the Bible warns us of a worse condition called spiritual blindness. Even those of us who have a personal relationship with Christ are not immune to this condition. If we are not living each day with Christ as the central focus of our lives, we can become desensitized to the temptations of the world.

Skilled surgeons can treat many forms of limited physical vision; only Jesus, our Lord and Savior, can treat our spiritual blindness. Pray today that God will show you any "blind spots" in your walk.

In His love,  
Merle

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) – COMING IN JULY!

Summer will soon be here as well as the start of our Summer VBS program. Mark your calendars for our VBS Kick-Off on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. We will have games, snacks and our VBS enrollment sign-up. VBS will begin on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, and finish on Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup> with a family celebration.



If you are interested in volunteering for snack supper, teaching a class, helping or leading arts/crafts, or helping in recreation, please call Stephanie Hayden at 562-8424.

Join Us for VBS :: July 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00 to 8:00 PM

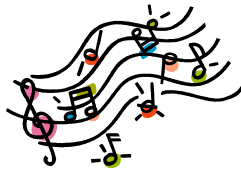
## LADIES AND GENTLEMEN FELLOWSHIP:

Tuesday evening, April 29th at 6:00 PM, Ladies and Gentlemen will meet in our new Fellowship Hall. Ted and Carol Keith will provide their delicious grilled chicken. The Ladies and Gentlemen may bring a dessert or side dish. Drinks, bread and butter will be provided.

Our program will be "After Sherman's March" the Reconstruction following the Civil War. Author, Emily Weil, will be our speaker. Please invite a friend, if you would like, to this interesting occasion for fellowship and enlightenment.

## MUSIC NOTES:

*"Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim His salvation." 1 Chronicles 16:23 (NIV)*



"Holy, Holy, Holy" was written by Reginald Heber while serving as vicar of Hodnet, Shropshire, England. His purpose in writing "Holy, Holy, Holy" was to celebrate God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. He specifically wrote the hymn to be used on Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday is a day that reaffirms the doctrine of the

Trinity and is observed eight Sundays after Easter. "Holy, Holy, Holy" was first published in 1826.

John Dykes did not compose the tune to which we sing "Holy, Holy, Holy," Nicaea, until years after Reginald Heber wrote the words.

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*All Thy works shall praise Thy name,*

*In earth, and sky, and sea;*

*Holy, Holy, Holy; merciful and mighty!*

*God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

**Anniversaries**

Dean & Elizabeth Foland	April 2
Jimmy & Louise Goldston	April 10
John & Chris Gray	April 12
Bobby & Mittie Moore	April 20
Rusty & LeeAnn Kelley	April 23
Bill & Sandra Schmitt	May 4
Mike & Sheila Boyce	May 25
Diane & Gary Wallace	May 28
Stephen & Amanda Ray	June 24
Brian & Kristine Bramson	June 12
Ted & Carol Keith	June 25

**Birthdays**

Gary Wallace	April 4
Claybon Ray	April 4
Stephanie Hayden	April 5
Steven Schmitt	April 7
Terry Marsh	April 7
Dena Whited	April 10
Perry Ray, Sr.	April 12
Mittie Moore	April 13
Lauren Gray	April 25
James Ray	April 27
Dale Austin	April 28
Edna Mitchell	April 28
Matthew Ray	April 29
Robert Tarpley	April 30
Brenda Ray Barbee	May 4
George Ray, Jr.	May 6
Ellen Berry	May 8
Josh Tidwell	May 13
Bill Schmitt	May 14
Robbie Keith	May 15
John Nichols	May 15
Hannah Grace Austin	May 16
Lisa Keith Johnson	May 18
Tonya Barham	May 25
Dean Foland	June 1
Morgan Whited	June 2
Kendall Wallace	June 4
Michael Boyce	June 4
Pat King	June 10
Sheila Boyce	June 11
Ashley Ray	June 13
Jeffery Pollard	June 13
Beth Anne Arnold	June 14
Rachel Goldston	June 17
Chuck Marsh	June 18
Ted Keith	June 20
Jeff Grainger	June 21
Kevin Estes	June 24

**Websites to Check Out:**

For movie reviews from a Christian perspective, go to: [www.pluggedinonline.com](http://www.pluggedinonline.com).

For good advice on a variety of topics that affect family life, go to: [www.family.org](http://www.family.org) (Focus on the Family) or [www.familylife.com](http://www.familylife.com) (Family Life Today).

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**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

*"And He said: 'I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 18:3 (NIV)*

**TeamKID**

Each Wednesday evening (except for the Family Fellowship evenings) we have TeamKID (Kids In Discipleship) for children ages 4 to 11. We have recently begun our new study called "Jesus' IM's: Instant Messages from Jesus". We invite you to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:15. There is a snack supper provided each Wednesday evening that we have TeamKID. The drop-in snack supper is from 6:00 until 6:30.



**Backyard Bible Club**

Our Backyard Bible Club meets about 3 times during the Summer. Children from our church and the surrounding community are invited to join us for a couple of hours of Bible study, games, snacks and swimming.

During the last three (3) weeks of June, we are planning on having our Backyard Bible Club meetings to kick-off VBS that will be starting in July. If anyone is interested in volunteering the use of their home and swimming pool, please contact Dale Austin ([dale@wakeminster.org](mailto:dale@wakeminster.org)).

Visit our web site for a listing of the dates and places of our upcoming Summer Backyard Bible Clubs.

**Vacation Bible School – Coming In July!**

VBS will start with a bang on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM – 12:00 noon with our annual VBS kick-off celebration. We will have games, snacks and crafts.

VBS will be held Sunday through Thursday (July 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>) at 6:00 – 8:30 PM each evening. All children ages 4 – 11 are invited to join us for VBS.

**TREASURER'S REPORT – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2007/2008**

*"A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD." (God speaking to Moses) Leviticus 27:29 (NIV)*

**All information as of 02/28/08 as presented during the March 12<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting.**

**Bank Account Balances**

Building Loan:	\$332,170.33 (Loan Balance Due)	General Fund:	\$ 24,811.50
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**Second Quarter Summary**

Note: While the balance sheet shows a significant surplus for both the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and YTD, it is important to make the following adjustments to reflect the large expenditure and youth offerings related to the youth mission trip.

*\$38,118.04 2nd Quarter Expenditures - \$2,500.00 Youth Belize Mission Trip Deposit	\$35,618.04
\$35,707.96 2nd Quarter Undesignated Offerings	- \$35,707.96

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\*\*Second quarter offerings exceeded expenses by \$ 89.92

Budget Item	2Q2007-08	YTD2007-08
<b>Total Expenditures*</b>	<b>\$ 38,118.04</b>	<b>\$ 75,698.25</b>
Undesignated Offerings	\$ 35,707.96	\$ 71,034.31
Youth Offerings	\$ 5,690.10	\$ 8,030.10
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 41,398.06</b>	<b>\$ 79,064.41</b>
<b>surplus or (deficit)**</b>	<b>\$ 3,280.02</b>	<b>\$ 3,366.16</b>

- Other directed offerings in 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:
  - Painting and renovation on parsonage \$2,800.00
  - Merle's mission trip to Belize \$ 700.00
  - Jeffrey Pollard's mission trip to Dominican Republic \$1,535.00

**YTD Summary**

- YTD undesignated offerings fell short of expenses (\$73,198.25 = \$75,698.25 - \$2,500.00) by \$2,163.94 for the 2007/2008 Church year.
- Other directed offerings in 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:
  - Painting and renovation on parsonage \$2,800.00
  - Merle's mission trip to Belize \$ 700.00
  - Jeffrey Pollard's mission trip to Dominican Republic \$1,535.00
- All mortgage payments paid from the Building Fund. YTD we have received \$1,428.62 less in Building Fund offerings (\$18,205.00 received) than has been paid (\$19,633.62 in mortgage payments).

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### Next Newsletter:

Events and information for the next newsletter (3rd QTR 2008) should be sent to Dale Austin by June 19th.

### BIBLE TRIVIA:

1. Who in the Bible wrote over a thousand songs?
2. Only one person in the Bible is mentioned to have worn gloves. Who is it?
3. Which New Testament epistle says that parents are to provide for their children, not vice versa?
4. Who ate honey out of a lion's carcass?
5. In Revelation, what figure has a great wedding feast?

### Answers:

1. Solomon (I Kings 4:32)
2. Jacob (Genesis 27:16)
3. II Corinthians (12:14)
4. Sampson (Judges 14:5-9)
5. Jesus - The Lamb (Revelation 19:9)

For more interesting Bible facts that can change your life, join one of our Sunday morning Bible study classes. These classes meet each Sunday morning at 9:45 – 10:45.

### MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

*"Pure and undefiled religion before our God and Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world."* James 1:27 (HCSB)

#### Meet in the Street – In Wake Forest on Saturday, May 2nd

Wakeminster will have a booth at this year's Wake Forest Meet in the Street on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10 AM – 4 PM. We need volunteers to hand out church information, candy, balloons, etc to people who come by our booth. There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer. You can sign up for one or more 2-hour shifts between the hours of 9AM and 5 PM. Please come and help us reach out to the community.



#### Youth Mission Trip (Belize):

Wakeminster Youth will be going on an international mission trip next year to Belize in Central America. The dates are July 25-August 2, 2008. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome. The cost will be approximately \$1,700 per person which includes air-fare, accommodations and most food. For additional information on participating in this mission trip, please contact Tony Hayden ([tony@wakeminster.org](mailto:tony@wakeminster.org)).

#### Baptist Children's Home Operation Food Round-Up

Wakeminster will be collecting food for the Baptist Childrens Homes of NC through April 27<sup>th</sup>. For this year's Food Roundup in April, the need to fill children's plates is greater than ever before. *Changes to BCH's food program is making it even more important for churches to step-up their efforts for the Food Roundup. BCH is losing \$150,000 that is normally designated for purchasing food for its young residents.* A list of items needed can be found at: [www.wakeminster.org](http://www.wakeminster.org), [www.raleighbaptists.org](http://www.raleighbaptists.org) or [www.bchfamily.org](http://www.bchfamily.org).

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Each Thursday evening until April 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 PM is the Precept Bible Study.

#### APRIL:

Tuesday 8th [2:00 PM] - WMU Meeting  
Wednesday 16th [6:30 PM] - Fellowship Supper

#### MAY:

Saturday 3rd [10:00 AM] - Meet in the Street Downtown Wake Forest  
Sunday 11th - Mother's Day  
Tuesday 13th [2:00 PM] - WMU Meeting  
Wednesday 14th [6:30PM] - Fellowship Supper & Business Meeting

#### JUNE:

Tuesday 10th [2:00 PM] - WMU Meeting  
Wednesday 11th [6:30PM] - Fellowship Supper  
Sunday 15th - Father's Day  
Backyard Bible Club\*\* - See the Web Site for Dates & Times

#### Weekly Services:

<i>Sunday:</i>		<i>Wednesday:</i>	
9:45 AM	Morning Bible Study	6:00-6:30 PM	Snack Supper*
11:00 AM	Worship Service	6:30 PM	Youth Bible Study
4:00 PM	Youth Fellowship	6:30 – 7:15 PM	TeamKID for Children
		6:30 – 7:15 PM	Adult Prayer & Worship
		7:15 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal

\* Monthly Wednesday Family Fellowship Meals/Business Conferences will begin at 6:30.

### A SPECIAL THANKS:

We as a church family would like to thank Mike and Sheila Boyce for allowing us to use Boyce Farms for our community Easter Egg Hunt. We had a great turnout and greatly appreciate their support and contributions.

The Youth would like to thank everyone for supporting our fundraising efforts in preparation for our Belize mission trip. Your support has been overwhelming and has confirmed to us that we have the backing of this great congregation! Be on the lookout for more updates as we near our trip.

The Church family also thanks the Men's Bible Study Class led by Ben Singleton for their service of providing breakfast to everyone on Easter Sunday.