



From the Pastor's Desk

Have you ever been fishing? Some of my best memories from when I was a boy were going fishing with my daddy. There was a long path that ran along the river and he would let me drive the truck to our special fishing spot. This spot was the "best" spot to catch the "big" ones. I always rushed to be the first to cast my lure into the "best" spot. But the one thing that frustrated me the most is when I would cast in the "best" spot and my lure ended up in the limb of the tree above my head. I can still remember daddy saying, "We are fishing son, not squirrel hunting." Not only was I not going to catch the first fish, I usually scared the fish away as I struggled to free my line. I remember thinking, "If I could only have that cast back."

The words we say are just like that fishing lure. Once they have been spoken, they can never be taken back. Yes, we can ask for forgiveness and say we didn't mean to say that, but it is too late. The damage has been done. The words we say often are spoken from what is in our heart. If we have an angry heart, we will speak angry words. If we have a spiteful heart, we will speak words that are sarcastic and hurtful. But on the other hand, if we have a heart that is seeking to please the Lord, then we will speak words that are encouraging and loving. What are you allowing in your heart? What are you filling your heart with? I want to encourage you to fill your heart with the desire to be obedient to God so the words that you speak to others will reflect Almighty God. Remember, the words we say are very important! Keep Looking Up! THE BEST IS YET TO BE!



Pastor Glen

Memory Verse

"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

James 1:22 (KJV)



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Food For Thought-Words of Wisdom

If God is your co-pilot, swap seats.

If you can't sleep, don't count sheep. Talk to the Shepherd.

If you don't like the way you were born, try being born again.

If you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns.

Feed your faith and doubt will starve to death.

Don't go digging where God has buried your sins.

When Satan is knocking at your door, simply say, "Jesus, could you please get that for me."

Don't wait for the hearse to take you to church.

A family altar can alter a family Always put yourself in others' shoes.

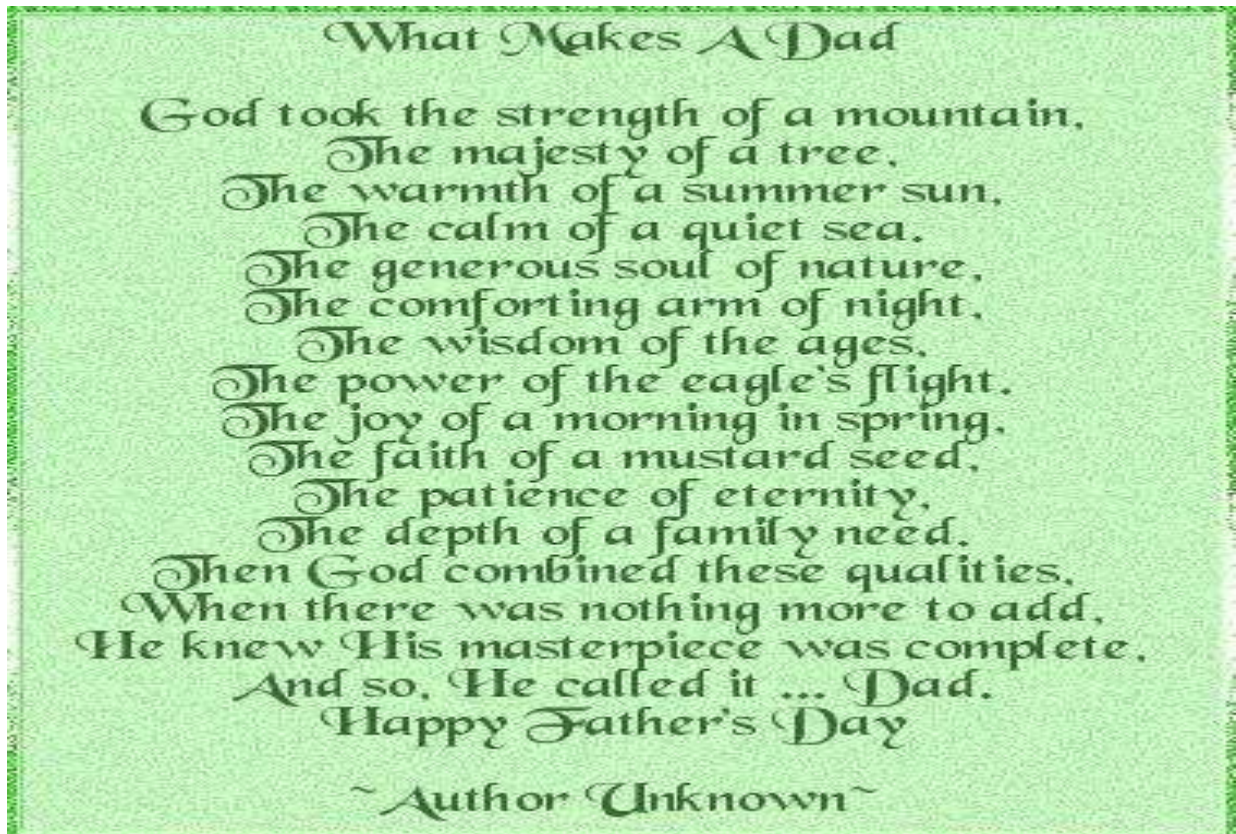
If you feel that it hurts you, it probably hurts the person too.

A careless word may kindle strife, A cruel word may wreck a life, A timely word may level stress, A loving word may heal and bless.

Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God's grace.

When you come to the edge of all the light you know and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, FAITH is knowing one of 2 things will happen: there will be something solid to stand on or you will be taught how to fly.

Remember Proverbs 10:23(NIV): "A fool finds pleasure in wicked schemes, but a person of understanding delights in wisdom."



From the Administrative Team

This month we continue with explanation of the responsibilities of the Administrative Team by reviewing The Administrative Team's responsibility in compiling other Ministry Teams' budget requests into the annual Church Budget. Once the budget is developed, it is submitted for Church approval during the December Church Conference.

Ministry Team Requests – Beginning in September, The Administrative Team gives copies of the Budget Request forms to each Ministry Team Leader for their input in their budget for the upcoming year. We usually like to know what expenditures they expect and if they plan any fund raisers for the year. We also like to have an idea when they plan on spending the money and when they fund raisers will be. This is basically for cash flow information. The forms are passed out in the Leadership Team meeting and requested they return them at the October Leadership Team so we can begin putting the Budget together for the upcoming year. These forms are used as initial input to the Budget preparation.

Spending History – Once the Budget Request Forms are returned, The Administrative Team uses these for the initial input in the budget. We also review the spending history for the Ministry Teams as additional input into the budget. This usually begins with the October meeting and continues with several meetings, if necessary.

Church Salaries – As mentioned last month, The Administrative Team is instrumental in deter-

mining the salaries of the Church Staff. We work with the Pastor and the Deacons (Personnel Team) to establish the staff salaries with additional input from other resources. Once this is completed, the numbers become part of the proposed budget.

Draft Budget – Once the budget becomes a draft, we present it to the Leadership Team for their review and approval. Once the Leadership Team approves the final budget, it goes to the Church for final approval. This is done at the December Church Conference, so the budget is completed for the beginning of the budget year, which begins on January 1 of the year.

The Church budget is always a challenging undertaking. We have so many variables to consider, such as basic Church needs, historical income, and historical expenditures. We try to meet the requests of each of the Ministry Teams and to ensure that all the needs of the Church are being met with considering the income projections of the Church.

We hope this continued effort to explain the duties of the Administrative Team helps you understand better what the Administrative Team does for the Church. And as always, if you have any questions, comments, or recommendations for the Administrative Team, please feel free to contact any member concerning any of these items. Next month we will detail the Administrative Team's role in recommend the following Church Officers: Church Clerk and Assistant, Church Treasurer and Assistant, Church Moderator, and Counting Team.

Resurrection Cookies

In April, the GA's made Resurrection cookies. Each step represented the story of Easter– from Jesus' arrest, torture, crucifixion, burial, and His resurrection. We saw the Easter story in a new light. The cookies tasted great, but they did not rise. We learned from some seasoned bakers that we needed to beat the egg whites before adding them to the mix-



ture. We will try them again with the added advice.

In May, the girls earned "Project Help" badges. We made index cards, "Mint" for Faith. The cards offered encouragement to others– have faith in God when facing tough times.

Kelly Currie

Youth Happenings

Summer is finally upon us and we are gearing up for lots of fun and fellowship with our youth! In just a few short weeks 17 of us will be leaving on our mission trip to Myrtle Beach, SC. I cannot tell you how excited I am to serve with the leaders and young people on this trip. I know God is going to do great things and I cannot wait to see it all unfold before us. We will be leaving around 1:30/1:45 on Sunday, June 21st after enjoying a luncheon with the youth and families in the FMC. I would like to ask each of you to be in prayer for our group in the weeks prior and while we are on this trip! Please pray for God to open our hearts and minds and that we may be a witness to someone else through our work. Also pray that if there are those that do not know Jesus that they would come to know HIM! If you feel led to do so we will be having a short prayer time before we leave and you all are welcome to come join us and "send us off"! Thank you again for all of your support this year as we have been preparing for this special trip! We look forward to sharing with you all about our trip once we return!

OUTREACH WEDNESDAYS

We have thoroughly enjoyed going out in our community and reaching out to our church members and others who are in need! Last month we visited with Mrs. Judy Strickland and oh what a blessing our visit was!! We may have thought that we were going to be the ones to bless her, but we were the ones who received the blessing



from Mrs. Judy. She is such an integral part of our church family and she blesses us in so many ways! The way she lives her life and for the example she sets before us! We enjoyed looking at her pictures of youth from the past, her mission trips, and we shared a devotion time with her. Her spirit and her words of wisdom and of strength were amazing! We truly enjoyed our time with her and I would ask that you continue to keep Mrs. Judy in your prayers as she continues to fight her battle!

Thank you again for all of your prayers and support of our youth! We look forward to enjoying the summer with these young people and we look forward to what next year will bring! God Bless you all!

Carrie

Sense of Humor

Afraid of the Dark

A little boy was afraid of the dark. One night his mother told him to go out to the back porch and bring her the broom. The little boy turned to his mother and said, "Mama, I don't want to go out there. It's dark."

The mother smiled reassuringly at her son. "You don't have to be afraid of the dark," she explained. "Jesus is out there. He'll look after you and protect you."

The little boy looked at his mother real hard and



asked, "Are you sure he's out there?" "Yes, I'm sure. He is everywhere, and he is always ready to help you when you need him," she said.

The little boy thought about that for a minute and then went to the back door and cracked it a little. Peering out into the darkness, he called, "Jesus? If you're out there, would you please hand me the broom?"

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Bible Reading Schedule

June 1	1 Kings 4-6	June 16	2 Kings 22-25
June 2	1 Kings 7-9	June 17	Philippians 1-4
June 3	1 Kings 10-12	June 18	1 Chronicles 1-3
June 4	1 Kings 13-15	June 19	1 Chronicles 4-6
June 5	1 Kings 16-18	June 20	1 Chronicles 7-9
June 6	1 Kings 19-22	June 21	1 Chronicles 10-12
June 7	Ephesians 1-3	June 22	1 Chronicles 13-15
June 8	Ephesians 4-6	June 23	1 Chronicles 16-18
June 9	2 Kings 1-3	June 24	1 Chronicles 19-21
June 10	2 Kings 4-6	June 25	1 Chronicles 22-24
June 11	2 Kings 7-9	June 26	1 Chronicles 25-27
June 12	2 Kings 10-12	June 27	1 Chronicles 28-29
June 13	2 Kings 13-15	June 28	Colossians 1-4
June 14	2 Kings 16-18	June 29	2 Chronicles 1-3
June 15	2 Kings 19-21	June 30	2 Chronicles 4-6

Bible Character– Apostle James (The son of Alphaeus)

The apostle James (the son of Alphaeus), who is also called "Less" or "Younger," was a brother of the apostle Matthew and the son of Mary. Which Mary is not altogether certain though she seems to be the wife of one Cleopas (Cleophas), which may have been another or second name for Alphaeus.

James was a native of Capernaum (located on the northwestern shores of the Sea of Galilee in Israel.) It is believed that he was from the Jewish tribe of Levi, however, this is not certain.

Not much is known about the latter ministry of this apostle, however, it is believed that the beginnings of Syrian Christianity had been sown in Jerusalem dur-

ing the Apostolic age and the contention has been made that the first bishop of the Syrian church was none other than St. James of the Twelve Apostles, identified as 'St. James the Less'."

It has also been said that James (son of Alphaeus) was stoned in Jerusalem for preaching Christ.
(Source: BiblePath.Com)



**Graduate Sunday
June 7th**

Mark your calendar for the opportunity to honor our graduates and their accomplishments!

Interesting Bible Facts

The Bible was written over a 1600 year period by approximately 40 men. The time of the writing was from 1500 BC to AD 100.

While the Bible is 1 book, it contains 66 smaller books. The books of the Old Testament were written before the birth of Jesus Christ and the New Testament covers the life of Christ and beyond.

WMU-Carolina Women

Join NC & SC women at Camp Caswell on October 16-17 for an exciting overnight retreat to celebrate missions. Your speakers/leaders will be Phyllis Elvington, Debby Akerman, Beth Greer and Crosswalk. The cost is \$88 by August 1st or \$98 after. Includes lodging, meals and program. Registration is 3:00 on Friday, October 16 and concludes at 4:00 on Saturday, October 17. This event will fill up fast! For more information see Olivia Cooke.



Notable Quote

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched -they must be felt with the heart"

-Helen Keller

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st	Tara Cooke	18th	Brandon Creech
2nd	Lanie Grace Strickland		Sefton Stevens
3rd	Gary Hocutt	19th	Hayden Hughes
7th	Danny Ayscue	20th	BJ Smith
8th	Brooklynn Adams	21st	Tristan Cooke
9th	Janice Hill		Margaret Denton
	Sue Hocutt	23rd	Lance Rice
11th	Haywood Price	24th	Christopher Brown
12th	Gary Thompson		David Driver
	Joe Temple	25th	Anne Ward
13th	Susan Bennett	26th	Carol Bailey
15th	Greg Stevens		David Hughes
	Kara Stewart	27th	Pam Batten
17th	Austin Hocutt		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June

1st	Ross & Lou Carroll
5th	Mike & Lynn Bailey
7th	Whitt & Kerry Garner
16th	Robert & Pam Earp
	Bob & Marie Shuman
21st	David & Annette Ragan
25th	Walt & Patsy Dillon
26th	Brandon & Crystal Baker
27th	Gary & JoAnn Hocutt
29th	Steve & Carol Bailey
30th	William & Vickie Hocutt
	Jimmie & Tammy Narron
	BJ & Michelle Smith



BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH

June 2015

Regular Schedule of Ministry Opportunities:

Sunday	10:00am 11:00am	Sunday School Regular Worship
Wednesday	6:30-7:15pm 6:30-7:15pm 6:30-7:15pm 7:15pm	Youth Meet RA's, GA's & Mission Friends Adult Bible Study Adult Choir Practice

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1		2 10am Triple L- prepare meal	3 Regular Schedule	4	5	6
7 Regular Schedule Graduate Sunday	8 7pm Leadership Tm Mtg		9 10am Prayer Time/Sanct.	10 Regular Schedule No Choir Practice 6:30pm Youth Camp Mtg in the FMC.	11	12	13
14 Regular Schedule 7pm Pastor Glen at Robinwood	15 7pm Admin Tm Mtg		16 10am Prayer Time/Sanct. 7pm Levada Driver BW at Franceline Price's	17 Regular Schedule	18	19	20
21 Father's Day Summer Begins Regular Schedule	22 1pm Vera Hocutt Circle at 7pm Deacons Mtg		23 10am Prayer Time/ Sanct.	24 Regular Schedule	25	26	27
Youth Summer Camp June 21-27							
28 Regular Schedule	29	30 10am Prayer Time/ Sanct.					

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Vacation **B**ible **S**chool

**July 16, 17, 18 with performance
Sunday the 19th during worship
service and a hot dog lunch to
follow in the FMC.**

While exploring uncharted territory during our Journey Off the Map, kids will discover that Jesus is the Ultimate Guide. They will learn that, even when faced with the unexpected, they can know how to listen for God's direction.

We are still in need of volunteers for group leaders, station leaders, and helpers. Unsure of how you can help? An information session will be held (time TBA) to answer any questions or concerns you may have. We are truly striving for this to be one of the best VBS Baptist Tabernacle has ever had and need everyone to help make this happen for our kids and our community. We are also looking for help with the donation of craft items, props, etc. There are bulletin boards located between the Sanctuary and Ed. Bldg. that list a few of the items needed.

This year we will be supporting Bob's Buddies with any money raised during VBS. This is an organization that helps kids who have been diagnosed with brain tumors.

Registration forms can be found on the table in the sanctuary vestibule, on the church website, or by seeing Brooke Scott or Kayla Scott. More information to come in your bulletins. Any questions? Please see Brooke or Kayla.