

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be more than a refuge; it is to be a revitalizing community where all may be saved, healed, strengthened, and equipped to go into the world on active mission for our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Continuing Education
by Ryan Wilson

Usually while we are on vacation, Kay works on her Continuing Education. Pharmacists are required to “keep up” with the latest information on medicines, practices, etc. Our faith requires us to further education as well.

One reason education continues is because we change and things around us change. Life experiences shape us, and we shape life experiences as we progress in age. We can read the same thing one day and then read it again twenty years later and get something totally new and different from it. Imagine reading an article on parenting years before and years after you are a parent. Imagine reading an article on some sport before and after you have played that sport.

Our world changes too. I laughed with some of our Camp Prism kids the other week as I told them that when I went to Auburn, we only had one computer in our apartment (and it was pretty much a word processor and something we could play games on). We registered for class through the phone or by walking to the desired department to try to get into a class. We didn’t have internet and we didn’t have cell phones. That being said, continuing to learn is the only way we can keep pace with new developments and resources.

Our Christian walk is a journey as well. We are always in process. As Paul says, we are *pressing towards the mark*. Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would teach us all things and bring to our remembrances all that He had said. This text speaks of the future and past simultaneously. Christian education doesn’t forget the past, but it does move us forward beyond it. The Holy Spirit leads the way.

The world will continue to present new challenges that will require new insights. The Bible is our guide, but we do not worship a book, but rather a living God who speaks through this historic text. Somehow almost mysteriously and divinely, through the ancient writings from strange cultures, we hear a contemporary word for us and our world. That shows us that our resurrected Lord is at work in our midst. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, God is with us to meet tomorrow’s challenges under the instruction of Christ’s Spirit. Therefore, there will always be sufficient light and strength by which we can live and meet the yet unknown. *Press on...* and follow the leading of the Spirit!

Wow, what an amazing summer. It has gone by entirely too fast, but has been packed full of fun and lifelong memories. If someone had told me 10 years ago that I would be in the position I am now and that my relationship with Jesus Christ would be what it is today, I would have called them crazy. There are no words to explain how full my heart is and that is only by the grace of God.

VBS was an incredible week to watch as Jesus Christ was very much present in our church. From the volunteers to the crew leaders and the kids, it was evident on everyone's face that God was very much in control. As I listened to the kids sing their songs about Power, Faith, and Love, I knew seeds were being planted.

Romania, well this newsletter isn't big enough to explain the impact that had on my life. I can only sum it up by saying that our world is very small. Our children are all the same and simply deserve and long for the same basic necessities: security, attention, food, shelter, and unconditional love. Those things look very different across the globe, but the definitions are the same. The most powerful thing for me was the fact that our spoken language was very different, but we had no problem communicating when we worshiped and praised God. Daily, we spoke the Lord's Prayer together which sounded very different, but meant the same thing. We would sing together; yet the language barrier did not matter. When you truly believe in the Holy Spirit, all things are possible. I am reminded more of that every day as my faith grows stronger and larger. We ministered to a group of 100 in one of the villages we visited. Only 15 of the people present attended church. I can only imagine how many seeds were planted that afternoon.

Camp Prism is always a time to gather with kids from across the Carolinas and again worship our Father. Friendships are made, stories are told, songs are sung, and fellowship takes place-all to glorify God. It is so simple and it changes lives. It plants seeds.

As you enjoy the last few weeks of summer and prepare for the beginning of school, I challenge you to plant a seed or two. It will change your life. You do not have to go far to make a difference.

Dates to Remember...

Promotion Sunday is Sunday, August 23. We will recognize all of our 4-year-olds as they officially become a part of the Children's Ministry.

The Sunday Night Bible Studies will begin September 13. Watch the Children's Corner Board for more info.

Preston Cooley

Youth News

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Hello everyone! It's that time of year, and I wish I meant that in a good way! Summer is almost over, and we will be getting into our normal schedule soon. This summer has been full of activities and trips, and I want to thank all of the youth who participated, and my adults who helped out. Summer is important because although we don't have a lot of Bible study time, we have many opportunities to grow closer as a group through hanging out and doing mission work together. For a full update on what we have been up to this summer, as well as looking at some pictures from our trips, head over to trinitybaptistyouth.com!

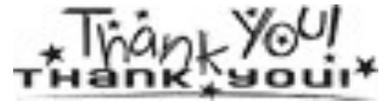
We do not have much planned for this month as you head out on your last vacations and prepare for school. However, Kelli and I want to have the youth and their parents over to our house for a cookout. We do not have an exact date planned yet, but I will be sending out some information soon regarding that event. I hope you can come help us wrap up the summer and prepare for the upcoming school year!

A new school year always brings a new dynamic to the youth group, as we lose members and gain others. It is interesting to see what kind of group I will have on Sunday and Wednesday nights and how they will respond to certain materials and activities. My hope is to increase our local mission projects, discuss new and challenging topics in Bible study, and continue to grow the size of our group. I look forward to the new year and I can't wait to get started!

Preston Cooley



by Susan Brock
Preschool Director



Our Summer Fun Program is in its 6th week. We have 2 more weeks to go and then time to start thinking about our 2015-2016 Preschool year. We are looking forward to an exciting year. All our classes are full except the Kindergarten class. We have a few spots left for 5K. Mrs. Lori Hughes Zelmer will be our new Kindergarten teacher this year. We are excited to have Lori join us.

Back to School Night/Meet the Teacher will be Thursday, September 3, at 6:30 p.m. Our first day of Preschool will be Tuesday, September 8.

We will start our year off with Grandparent's Day on Friday, September 11, at 8:30 a.m. This is always a fun time as we get to meet all the grandparents, and they get to visit their grandchild's classroom and meet the child's friends.

All classes will go to Bryson's Apple Orchard the week of September 14.

We ask that you pray for the Preschool staff as we begin this new school year. We pray that we can let God's love shine through us in all that we say and do each day.



From the Missions Committee... We have a new missions opportunity for you involving **Ann Hope** in Seneca. More details to come later.



LLL will meet on Wednesday, August 26, at 10:30 a.m. for a music concert and hymn sing in our Sanctuary with friends from St. Mark United Methodist Church. Following the concert we will enjoy a covered dish luncheon (meat will be provided) in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us and sign up on the sheet located on the Senior Adult Bulletin Board.

Dear Church Family,

We want to thank all of you for your love and support you have given at the death of Jim Burkett (Eddie's Dad). The cards, visits, phone calls, and food were much appreciated.

A special thank you to the Bereavement Committee for the delicious meal you provided for our family after the funeral.

Sincerely,
Eddie and Betsy Burkett



We welcome **Neal, Shannon, Grace, Ava, and Lily Kate Nimmons** to our Trinity Baptist Church Family. They joined on June 28, 2015. Neal & Shannon joined by letter from a sister church and Grace joined by profession of faith and baptism. They reside at 111 Kathmaette Dr., Seneca, SC 29678. Neal's cell no. is 864-973-5373 and Shannon's cell no. is 864-710-5621.



Several members of Trinity Baptist Church have passed away recently. They are:

- Joel Harris** passed away June 29, 2015
- Virginia Ihle** passed away July 2, 2015
- Jim Burkett** passed away July 6, 2015
- Jerry Vickery** passed away July 23., 2015

UPCOMING EVENT

Kairos Weekend #44 at McCormick Correctional Institution will be held on September 17-20. Please be thinking about baking cookies to support this mission activity. There will be a cookie baking party in the Trinity kitchen on Sunday afternoon, Sep. 13, and on Monday morning, Sep. 14. If you want to bake cookies at home, they will need to be at the church by Wednesday evening, Sep. 16. Remember, a Kairos Weekend requires **6,000 dozen cookies!!** Let's lead the way as we have in the past!

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WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

DEACONS

2-Jason Crawford 9-Ed Evans 16-John McRoberts
23-Kent Norman 30-Jimmy Williams

USHERS

2 & 30-Junior Bearden, Josh Barker, Jason Crawford, Debby Howard, Wallace Peebles, Kevin Pope, Charles Thompson, John Thompson
9-Gregg Davis, John Fassino, Jim Foster, Felicia LeRoy, Gene Meason, Bill Sandifer, David Skyles, Anthony Smith
16-Pat Cromer, Drew Merck, Kent Norman, Buddy Poole, Joe Robinson, Stephen Scruggs, Tommy Shaver, John Vaught
23-Barry Duvall, Jim Foster, Scott Foster, Tim Hydrick, Chuck Middleton, Jim Miller, Gregg Nimmons, Tony Williams

COUNTING COMMITTEE

2-Josh Barker, Buddy Poole, Kent Norman
9-Martin Hemphill, Greg Towe
16-Pat Cromer, John Harbin, Jack Dodd
23-Anthony Smith, Joe Robinson
30-Wendy Evans, Jeff Nix, Hazel Smith

CHILDREN'S CHURCH LEADERS

2-Emily Derrick & Leigh O'Brien
9-Rebecca Sires
16-Debra Hart & Rebecca Sires
23-Elaine Turner
30-Gary & Beth Duncan

SUNDAY AM FELLOWSHIP

2-Wallace Peebles 9-Joe Robinson 16-Tony Williams
23-Kent Norman 30-Ron Gambrell

Sound Persons

2-Al LeRoy 9-Drew Merck 16-Dean Hardister
23-Jason Crawford 30-Stephen Scruggs

Nursery

2-Tina Middleton, Josh & Kerry Nimmons, Josh & Ashley Robertson
9-Alison Blackwell, Shea Martin, Lynn Nichols, Kinsey Scott
16--Pete & Aubrey Giacopelli, Felicia & Anne Hamilton LeRoy, Kristen Vincent
23-Stephanie & Julian Davis, Teri Elliott, Kathy Faires
30-Andy & Kris Frady, Jeff, Becky, & Sara Nix

FLOWERS

2-Mac and Karen McMillin
9-Dean and Becky Scruggs
16-Anonymous
23-Norman Pope
30-Bob and Kathy Faires



Staff Birthday

John Moore—August 13

Employment Anniversaries

Preston Cooley - August, 2012
Linda Hobbs - August, 2004
Harold Rice - August, 2002
Rebecca Sires - August, 2013
Debbie Toop - August, 2000

Brotherhood

Monday, August 10, at 6:30 p.m.

(All are invited)

Menu: Low Country Shrimp Boil

\$15.00 per person

Program: Tugaloo Holler (Blue Grass Band)

There will be a sign-up insert in the August 9 bulletin. Please sign up on this insert so they can provide enough food for everyone!