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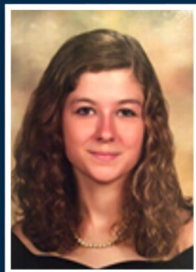
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2016  
WHITEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL  
GRADUATES!

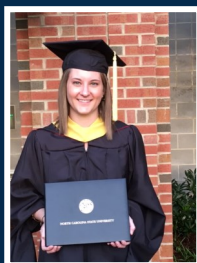


*Megan Allison Lynn*



*Grace Morningstar*

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2016  
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY  
GRADUATE FOR EARNING HER MASTERS  
IN PHYSIOLOGY!



*Emily Cole*



*Grayson Ward*

## EVENTS AT A GLANCE :

**JUNE 4** MIDDLE/HIGH  
SCHOOL BASKETBALL  
TOURNAMENT (I.R.O.C)

**JUNE 6** VBS LEADER/  
WORKER MEETING

**JUNE 20-22** (1:30-5:00PM)  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**JUNE 20** FINANCE MEETING

**JUNE 21** DEACONS MEETING

**JUNE 22-24**

CBF GLOBAL

GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN  
GREENSBORO, NC

**JUNE 26-JULY 2**

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

TO ADD AN EVENT TO OUR  
CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE  
CHURCH OFFICE:  
(910) 642-2139

# PASTOR'S CORNER "NO PLACE FOR PESSIMISM"



*"I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed*

*to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned."* Romans 12:1-3

When I was in my early twenties and beginning to become more involved with my local church in Newport News, Virginia, I finally worked up the courage to begin attending Sunday School. After a few months of attending the Young Adult Sunday School class I came to realize that the Sunday School teacher was a pessimist. She found joy in complaining about everything. She seemed to dislike more people than she liked and it seemed bad things happened

to her on a regular basis and good things never happened to her.

I am usually one who gives people the benefit of the doubt, as in, when your day is going sour, I will give you a great deal of grace when your personality reflects your day. But when a person lives their life to act sour toward the world then I begin to question, "Where is your faith?" Or better yet, "**What** is your faith?" Not to mention, this particular "sour" person was the person teaching other people about the Christian faith.

The perspective with which this particular Sunday School teacher approached the world was that the world's purpose was to make her life more comfortable. Therefore, when the world doesn't respond in kind, there is a problem. The Christian approach toward life can never be a pessimistic one. We are to be lovers of God's creation and servants of the people. A good servant never complains about his work, but instead, seeks to serve in a capacity that brings about the goodness that one hopes for.

The cup from which we drink is half-full. Our task is to work to fill it up by presenting ourselves as living sacrifices. Let us approach with joy the tasks that God has given us and work diligently to bring his Kingdom to earth here in our community.  
- Rev. Ryan Clore

FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU," DECLARES THE LORD, "PLANS TO PROSPER YOU AND NOT TO HARM YOU., PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND FUTURE".

JEREMIAH 29:11 NRSV

## MUSIC NOTES

There are several Music Ministry activities taking place in the next few weeks. The dates for the Youth Handbells and the Children's Handchimes have been changed. Below is an overview:

- June 5      **Graduation Recognitions**  
High School and College graduates
- Children's Choir** end of year presentations.
- Children's Handbells** ring in worship.
- Youth Handbells** ring in worship.
- Youth Choir & Chancel Choir** sing in worship.

- June 12    **Youth Choir and Chancel Choir** sing in worship.
- June 5      **Music Committee Meeting**  
(covered dish lunch in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following the morning worship Service.)
- July (tba)   **Youth Choir** trip
- July        **Chancel Choir** Rehearsal Break

*The Chancel Choir welcomes Sydney Munn, Stephen and Heather Bazemore! We are glad that you have come our way and look forward to our future together.*

# JUNE MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

5 Grayanna Young  
12 Wendy Hensley  
19 Katherine Jordan Scott  
26 Tricia Sanderson

## WORSHIP SERVICE GREETER

Peggy FormyDuval

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK

5 Brownie Cook & Charlie Duncan  
12 Hilda Ray & Emory Worley  
19 Brenda Carter & Stephen Prince  
26 Rose Langston & Kate Carter

## NURSERY

5 Jenny Rooks  
12 Jenny Rooks  
19 Tricia Sanderson & Leah & Carly  
26 Joe & Mary Hooks

## SOUND & VIDEO

5 Jason Schoolcraft  
12 Wil Ezzell  
19 Kirby Sanderson  
26 Eric Kronenwetter

## OFFERING TELLERS

Haywood & Myrtle Corbett

## PEW STOCKER

Carol Greer

## DVD DISTRIBUTION

5 Peggy Walters & Hilda Butler  
12 Rose Langston  
19 Rose Langston  
26 Frances Price

## USHERS

*Chairperson:* Charlie Duncan  
5 Ellis Jordan, Jerry Wilson, Clint Grainger, Buster Carter  
12 Travis Harrison, John Sauls, Emory Worley  
19 Jerry Carter, David Heath, David Tedder, Ben Sauls  
26 Joe Hooks, Lewis Sauls, Glenn Walters, Harry Ward

## HOSPICE MEAL FOR MONTH OF JUNE

Rose Langston

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Travis Harrison	10	Linda Taylor	24	Ellen Walters
1	Amy Landis FormyDuval	11	Laura Tedder McCain	25	Jolene Lewis
1	Andrea FormyDuval Lewis	12	Jane Salyer	26	Josh Butler
2	Deborah Tew	13	Mary Cook	30	William Smith Jr.
4	Tracey Hill	14	Eric Underwood		
5	Betty Batten	14	Lynda Johnston		
7	Allison Ward Royal	14	Karen Mooney		
7	Lillie McKay Royal	16	Kayla Beverley		
7	Sarah Lassiter Royal	17	Murline Britt		
8	Pete Huggins	17	Rick Kimball		
9	Elizabeth Hensley	19	David Waters		
10	Beth Yates	20	Shannon Clore		
		22	Ryan Clore		

Let us never know  
what old age is.  
Let us know the  
happiness time  
brings, not count  
the years.

*Ausonius*



## SUNDAY SERMONS

June 5: "Compassion Leads to Action"

Luke 7:11-17

June 12: "The Sinner Loves More"

Luke 7:36-50

June 19: "Fearing Greatness"

Luke 8:26-39

June 26: "A Focus in Discipleship"

Luke 9:57-62



## OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Monthly Worship Attendance Average: 121

Sunday School Attendance Average: 65

May Financial Update:

1: \$8,297.15

8: \$6,490.00

15: \$5,617.00

22: \$3,494.00

29: TBA

Amount Received for May: \$ 23,898.15

Amount Needed to make Monthly budget: \$ 35,180.60

Under Budget for the Month: \$ 11,282.45

Budget Needs to Date: \$ 299,035.10

Budget Received YTD: \$ 216,377.31

## ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Please remember to have a committee member take notes and write minutes of all committee meetings. After being approved, all minutes are to be filed in the office. This will allow future committees the ability to research prior plans and actions that have been taken by the committees and will facilitate planning for the future.

All committee duties and responsibilities are outlined in the **Church Policy and Procedures Manual** located in the church office. If you need a copy of the policies for a particular committee, call Stacy to request a copy.

Reports from all committees will be requested for the church conference in July.

## MISSION MOMENT

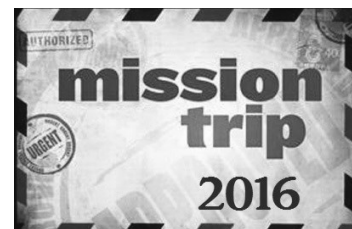
The feedback from Operation InAsMuch has been very encouraging. We've received phone calls, thank you letters and 927 views of the slideshow video that was posted on Facebook by Jenny Clore & Taylor Jordan. We were also contacted by Operation InAsMuch Headquarters in Tennessee to report on the great work that took place during our event. The Mission Committee requests that you keep us informed of any needs in our community.



## YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Please pray for our youth as they prepare to participate in mission's projects in Nashville, TN. They will find out what kind of work they will do when they get there. Their service will be meeting a need that is unique to that particular area.

Their trip takes place June 26-July 2.



## FBC MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### *ROSE LANGSTON*

*This month's Member Spotlight is written by Rose Langston. She is a longtime member and friend of FBC.*

Many years ago, I was born to two wonderful parents in Orangeburg, SC. I had one sister born three years earlier. My family moved to Holly Hill, SC when I was in second grade.

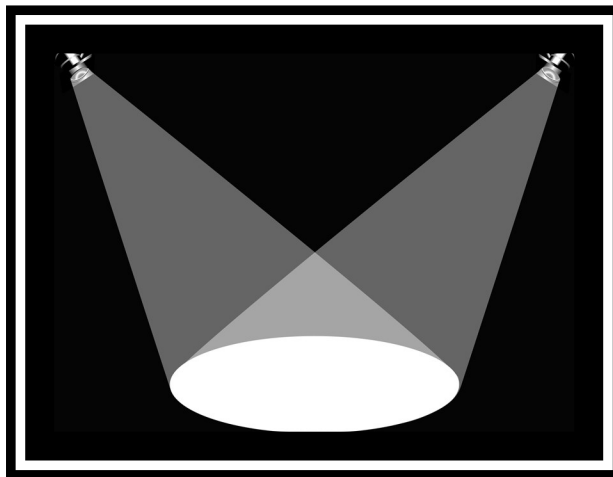
During my high school years I was the pianist for Church on Sunday morning and night and Wednesday service. I also played for Chapel service every Friday morning in high school.

I had eight years of piano; practice, practice, practice. God gave me a special gift of playing by ear as well. I play my piano everyday. It is very relaxing! I also played for Barkley-Edmund Dance School for five years. So music is a big part of my life!

I volunteered in the community in school for Anna Kimball's Class with students in a reading program. I now volunteer at Lower Cape Fear Hospice every week serving as needed. Every fourth Sunday I play piano at Liberty Commons as the Sunday school class from our church gives devotion.

I would like to thank Rose Langston for taking the time to share some of her story for the first "Member Spotlight" for our new Contact. We will try to highlight a member each month, so be thinking about your story and what the congregation may be interested in knowing about you. Thanks, again, Rose!

- Ryan Clore, Pastor



My eighteen years of service with Columbus County Home Health working with the public was very rewarding. Now that I am retired I am busier than ever! I have had a wonderful marriage of sixty years to Charlie, the best husband ever. I have kept a diary everyday that we were married and I will continue that memory. I was blessed with two exceptional children, Chuck and Louanne, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, Emory age 6, who I had the pleasure of playing a duet with in her first piano recital on May 14, 2016. God has blessed me in so many ways! "I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

*Philippians 4:13*

Even though I was born in South Carolina, North Carolina is my home.





# CBF GENERAL ASSEMBLY: GREENSBORO, NC

This summer, CBF Global General Assembly is practically, in our back yard!


Join other Cooperative Baptists from across the globe at the 2016 General Assembly. In the Piedmont Golden Triangle of North Carolina, the Fellowship will kick off its 25th anniversary at the Sheraton Hotel Greensboro.

What can you expect at a CBF General Assembly?

- Celebrating CBF through stories of missions, ministries and God's work
- Creating and casting a vision for the future of CBF and CBF churches both locally and globally

- Sharing best practices for ministry and collaborating on resources for meeting ministry needs
- Finding rest and fellowship through social events and opportunities for both collective and individual renewal
- Feeling inspired to continue their ministry or connect with a whole new area of CBF life

Visit [www.cbf.net](http://www.cbf.net) for more information . Or, call the church office to let us know you're interested in attending. We would love to have First Baptist Church well represented at this great time of worship, fellowship and business.




# 2016 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

June 20-24


**SHERATON HOTEL  
GREENSBORO  
NORTH CAROLINA**

**REGISTER NOW**  
[www.cbf.net/assembly](http://www.cbf.net/assembly)




## WORSHIP

As we reflect on 25 years of being CBF together, keynote speakers include Tom Long and Diana Butler Bass. We'll also commission our largest-ever group of CBF church starters.



## WORKSHOPS

Gather with other Cooperative Baptists to share best practices and resources by attending Assembly workshops. There are dozens of opportunities from which to choose.



## CELEBRATION

Christ's love continues to compel CBF as we partner in renewing God's world through global missions, forming healthy churches and nurturing young Baptists. Join us as we celebrate CBF's 25th anniversary.



## BE PART OF BIBLE SCHOOL :

- JUNE 6 AT 7:00 PM  
VBS Leaders/Workers Meeting
- JUNE 20— 22  
VBS at 1:30— 5:00 pm  
AGES 4—11
- JUNE 22 AT 5:00 — 6:15 PM  
Friends & Family Hoedown & hotdog  
supper (all church family invited)
- PRAY THAT GOD WILL SEND  
CHILDREN TO LEARN ABOUT  
JESUS.

- TO VOLUNTEER CONTACT JANICE  
YOUNG AT 641-7367
- TO REGISTER GO TO

[www.facebook.com/firstbaptistwhiteville](http://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistwhiteville)



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have a wonderful VBS planned for this summer and we need YOU to help us make this even a success!

The following areas are open for you to help:

- Snacks
- Recreation
- Decorations
- Crafts
- Hot dog supper



	June 2016					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4:40 Children's Chimes 5:00 Children's Choir 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Children in Action 7:15 Chancel Choir	2	3	4 10:00 am 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament @ Christian Academy Middle & High School Students Welcome
5 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship	6 10:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 - 6:00 Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry) 7:00 VBS Leader/ Worker Meeting	7	8 6:30 Prayer Meeting 7:15 Chancel Choir	9	10	11
12 <b>Communion</b> 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship	13 10:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 - 6:00 Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry)	14 11:00 Sing Joyfully- Hymn Sing	15 6:30 Prayer Meeting 7:15 Chancel Choir	16 10:00 Peer Learning Group for Pastor— Bladenboro	17 12:00 Hospice Meals to be Served	18
19 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship 3:00 - 5:00 Decorate for VBS	20 10:00 Staff Meeting 1:30 Finance Committee Meeting 4-6pm Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry) VBS 1:30-5:00	21 7:00 Deacons meeting	22 5:00 - 6:15 VBS Finale & Hotdog Supper (all Church Members) 6:30 Prayer Meeting 7:15 Chancel Choir CBF General Assembly Greensboro, NC	23	24	25
26 9:45 Sunday School Koinonia/ John the Baptist Classes to Visit Liberty Commons 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship Youth Group Mission Trip through 7/2/16	27 10:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 - 6:00 Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry)	28	29 6:30 Prayer Meeting 7:15 Chancel Choir	30		

Sunday Morning Worship [www.wtxy1540.com](http://www.wtxy1540.com), Audio Streaming Live.....at 11:00 am

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