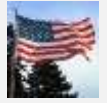




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“Behold, bless ye the LORD, which by night, stand in the house of the LORD. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.” Psalm 134: 1-2



You know school is officially over when churches throughout the region begin Vacation Bible School. This year’s theme was **Kingdom Building for Jesus, the Greatest Kingdom Builder**. Classes were held for all ages, and attendance was great.

With the ending of Bible School, it is my desire that everyone will continue to work to build the Kingdom. There is enough work to be done to keep each member busy. First, each individual needs to be in prayer and to daily meditate as he or she reads the Bible. Knowledge is power, is often quoted. That is true, if your knowledge is Bible based. **“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”** 2nd Timothy 2:15 KJV. ..

As you study and learn Bible facts, it becomes much easier to develop a Christian living character. When you recognize how you represent Christ, it should make it easier to be “Christ-like.” Yes, it’s easier said than done; but that is to be our goal. Additionally, it is a good thing to remember that small children, young adults and others are watching and checking to see if our Christian walk matches our Christian talk. Older folks have been known to say, “Live right and shame the devil!” Just do it!



I will lift up my eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. “

Psalm 121: 1-2

ADALE CLARK DAY

(Senator Ben Clark presented Adale with a coin from the Senate)



On the 4th Sunday in May, Adale Clark was surprised by his family and friends honoring him for his faithfulness to his family; work, church, and friends over the years. Greetings and gifts were given to him by Senator Ben Clark, Representative Garland Pierce, family members and friends and a Resolution by the County of Hoke as well a Proclamation by the City of Fayetteville. Hoke County Commissioners and the Mayor of the City of Fayetteville named the 27th of May as Adale Clark Day. Adale was in complete shock as he thought everyone was gathering and celebrating in the memory of his mother, the late Lille Graham Clark.

Adale is congratulated and recognized for his many years of service to his family, Church, work with the City and PWC, and support of others in the region.

WILLIAM E. HOLLINGSWORTH *Southeastern Community and Family Services, Inc.* COMMUNITY LEADER OF THE YEAR

Friday, May 2th, Hoke County Leader of the Year, William Hollingsworth, was awarded a plaque and words of thanks for his service were given by Sister Ellen McNeill, who nominated him for the award.. Each county in the service area may nominate individuals for the award. He was selected for public service announcements and support for non-profit organizations in Hoke County. **Thank you, Deacon!**



CONGRATULATIONS



REGINA M. MCLAUHLIN

For the 6th consecutive year Regina McLaughlin has been the Sandhills Athletic Conference Coach of the Year. That is an impressive record. Her team, Hoke High Lady Bucks, placed second at conference this year with only 12 team members. They competed. Against seven area high schools. Some of the teams had as many as 50 individuals on their rosters. The Bucks with few students had tenacity and a strong desire to excel, and they did.

Congratulations Coach and Team! We are so proud of you!

HOKE COUNTY MISSIONARY UNION 17th SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET



The annual banquet will be Friday, August 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Mount Pisgah Church Community Resource Center. Our Pastor is the speaker. President Minister Pope is encouraging all churches to include their youth and young adults to support the Banquet.

(Rev. Fuller is shown with his sister Regina, and brother in law, Minister Thomas Smalls, at his graduation from Morehouse School of Religion, Atlanta, in May)



(Photo of 2017 Scholarship Recipients)

Since its beginning, thousands of dollars have been awarded by the County Union. Additionally a partnership was formed with the White Oak School Community Project, Inc. (a non-profit) named for the first rural school in Hoke County,, and the Clark-McNeill Family to give additional scholarship at the banquets.

The annual banquet is the only fundraiser that the Hoke County Missionary Union uses for its scholarships.

SOCIAL MEDIA -- THE INTERNET AND PHONE

Scam artists are busy and they target the youth, young adults and senior citizens. A few tips are shown to help you.

1. Be careful with emails that have links.
2. Do NOT respond to emails or text messages that appear suspicious.
3. NEVER give out personal information on the phone or in an email. The IRS is not going to call you. You did NOT win any money that you have to send money to get it.
4. If you think it's a scam; it probably is.
5. NEVER give anyone your social security number, driver's license number or birth date by phone or email. If a company you deal with needs this information, it is in their files.
6. Do not let others talk you into helping a charity. Charity begins at home (your house, your church, your school or the local organizations in your county.)
7. Yes, do HANG-UP on calls when individuals try to pressure you to help a cause.



Pass the word and encourage your family members to do the same. If someone steals your identify it may take months to get the problem resolved and it will cost you money. Be careful how you use social media.

(Ideas from the State Employees Credit Union, Volume 34, Issue 6, June 2015).

Hold on to instruction; do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.

Proverbs 4:13



**Rev. Betty L Kelly
Praying at the first
annual Gala of Hope,
Friendship and
Service – United - A
Divine Purpose, Inc.**

The Gala was a success, and the non-profit continues its work. The next event (Back 2 School Extravaganza, is scheduled for **Saturday July 28th from 11 a.m. until 3 P.M. AT THE Hoke County Senior Room.** : www.united-adivinepurposeinc.com. The non-profit partnered with the Hoke County Health Department and other agencies as it supports patients and families with Myositis or Breast Cancer. Donations are requested. Support may also be in the form of purchasing a lunch on site at the event.



THE MULTI-TALENTED Belinda McLeod

Last May, a little over a year ago, Sister Belinda McLeod joined the Staff at Mt. Pisgah MBC as the Administrative Assistant. Sister McLeod is quiet, friendly, and always willing to assist others. Little did we guess that behind that quiet demeanor was hidden a person of great talent and achievements. Little by little, we learned of her singing and dramatic talent, performing in the Jesus Troupe Drama Ministry, which performs locally and in

other parts of the country. Then, we realized that she is not only a sports enthusiast, but is also an accomplished athlete! She plays softball and basketball and recently participated in the Mid-Carolina Senior Games held at Pope AFB, dominating the games. Below, she is draped in medals from the event, capturing 1st Place Gold Medals in **Standing Long Jump, Softball Throw and Football Throw.** She earned 2nd Place Silver Medal in Basketball Shoot. She is a devoted wife, mother and grandmother who also serves as Youth Director at her home church, Spring Hill MBC. She is an inspiration to others that reaching the age of 50 doesn't mean that life stops and to stay in the game as long as you desire or can. Congratulations Belinda, truly a multi-talented servant in the Kingdom and the community.



KINYAN MARSH MINISTER OF MUSIC

The first week in June Brother Kinyan (Deshon) joined the Church staff as its Minister of Music. He came immediately reached out to others to sing in one or more of the choirs. He asked:

- ✓ *While riding do you find yourself belting notes?*
- ✓ *Do you sing loudly from the audience Sunday mornings?*
- ✓ *Do you have a desire to sing, but do not have the courage to join a choir?*



He issued a strong invitation to members of the Church to participate in the ministry of music. Each choir has space for others. You may participate in Divine Voices of Praise, Men of Faith, Youth and Little Angels, Voice of Zion and The Praise Team.

Brother Marsh brings enthusiasm and excitement as he teaches, sings, and directs the choirs.

1Come, let us praise the LORD! Let us sing for joy to God, who protects us! 2Let us come before h m with thanksgiving and sing joyful songs of praise.

.Psalm 95:1-2

SOUTHEASTERN FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. – HEADSTART INFORMATION

Eligibility: Applications are taken on children that are at least 3 or 4 years old by August 31 of the program year (class age). In addition, SCFS are licensed by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Childcare to serve children 3 – 5 years of age (actual age). Therefore, a child must be 3 years old before entry into Head Start classroom for Head Start services.

Priority will be given as follows:

1. Eligible four year olds within income guidelines will be served first with consideration to the following:

A. Documented disabled within income guidelines.

B. Suspected disabled within income guidelines.

C. Hardship (Ex: abused or neglected, impoverished, isolated child, physically or mentally ill parents, drug abusers, fosters care and homeless).

2. Documented four year olds disabled over income guidelines.

3. Over income guideline four year olds- lowest to highest income, beginning with Category 1, as listed on the SCFS' Head Start Program Poverty Guidelines.

4. Eligible three year olds within income guidelines will be served with consideration to the following:

A. Documented disabled within income guidelines.

B. Suspected disabled within income guidelines.

C. Hardship (Ex: abused or neglected, impoverished, isolated children, physically or mentally ill parents, drug abusers, foster care and homeless).

5. Documented three year olds disabled over income guidelines.

6. Over income guideline three year olds- lowest to highest income, beginning with Category 1, as listed on the SCFS, Inc. Head Start Program Poverty Guidelines.

Special Note:

1. Income eligibility is determined according to HHS guidelines and wage verification.

2. Acceptance of over-the income applicants will be 10 % maximum (including documented disabled and returnees).

Recruitment/Application Process

The recruitment process is ongoing throughout the program year. SCFS' Head Start Program operates centers in six counties: Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Hoke, Robeson, and Scotland.

The Hoke County Head start Office is on Thomas Street in Raeford, N. C.

Pauline (Ms. POLLY) Reeves



On the first day of July, Ms. Polly will be 95 years old. She is the oldest female member of our Church.

In her younger days Ms. Polly enjoyed fellowshiping. She invited many individuals, family and friends into her home where they always had a joyous time. Traveling to different places was a favorite past time.

She continues to keep herself busy. She attends Cape Fear Adult Day Health Center a few days a week. When home she enjoys doing Word Search puzzles and reading newspapers and magazines. She likes chatting with her friends who still live Florida and also those who live here in the Raeford-Fayetteville area.

Ms. Polly states "I attribute my longevity to being kind and trying to treat everyone right."

Treat older women as you would your mother, and treat younger women with all purity as you would your own sisters. Timothy 5:2

TAKE A MOMENT TO THINK AND REFLECT ON GOD'S GOODNESS AND TO GIVE THANKS



ANNUAL WBHFM CONVENTION

The Women's Baptist Home & Foreign Mission Convention will meet July 22-25 in Winston-Salem. The Church van will be used for transportation on Wednesday, July 25th. Please sign the form in the foyer or see Sister Marie Daniel for additional information. Registration will be paid for members who plan to attend. This is a great opportunity to attend the Convention with others from the church and to learn others. The Woman's Auxiliary supports: Shaw University, Shaw Divinity School, Foreign Mission, State Mission, Central Children's Home and the J J Johnson Assembly. ***Join with the women and live the Motto – Christ in Every Home!***



In Churches, WHERE DOES the money go?

- 1) Mortgage
- 2) Electricity
- 3) Gas
- 4) Water
- 5) Janitorial services
- 6) Buildings' maintenance

and upkeep

- 7) Salaries, wages and guest speakers
- 8) Mission giving and charity
- 9) Support of community needs and services
- 10) Taxes
- 11) Insurance on buildings, equipment, and full time employees.
- 12) Advertising and articles in newspapers or church program books, etc.
- 13) New purchases including literature and office supplies, etc.

We have been taught that we are to be a tithing church. That means each member gives tithes and offerings, and the Church pays tithes and offerings on those gifts. As we are blessed, we are to be a blessing! Look at what could be done for Kingdom Building, if only we would be obedient and do our part.

When there is a waste of church resources, it costs extra money. We need to be conscious of the fact that church assets belong 1) To God and is to be used for Glory and Kingdom Building, 2) For outreach ministries to aid the less fortunate and 3) Each member of the congregation shares in ownership of church property and assets; therefore, we are to be wise in use. When individuals mark up offering envelopes, use extra paper unnecessarily, tear Bibles and hymn books or fail to turn off the water in the restrooms, it is a waste of valuable resources. Each individual is asked to be conscious of how we use church assets. We are to be good stewards of what God has placed with us. If each member does his or her part, we will continue to be successful. With hearts full of thanksgiving, we praise God for His blessings.

2 Corinthians 9:7 KJV: Every man according as he purposed in his heart, [so let him give]; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

JAYDEN MCRAE

Jayden McRae, an 8th grader at Sandy Gove Middle School, racked up an impressive number of awards and recognitions for the 2017-1018 School Year. A list follows:



1. Student of the Year
2. Basketball Coach's Award
3. Track Coach's Award
4. Regional Track Long Jump, Bronze Medal
5. Regional High Jump, Gold Medal
6. John Phillip Sousa Musicians Award
7. A/B Honor Roll
8. Hoke County Board of Education Panther Award of Excellence
9. Math, Highest Average Award
10. Prom King Award
11. Gift - \$100 from the Principal for Obedience

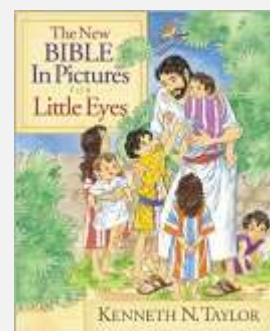
Jayden has been promoted to the 9th grade. He is the son of Lisa and Robert McRae and the grandson of Sister Joann McRae.

We congratulate Jayden on the numerous awards and medals, and are very proud of his being an obedient student who excels in so many areas of school work and in participation.

ANNUAL GRADUATION CEREMONY

The annual graduation ceremony was held on the second Sunday in June. We had a record number of participants ranging from graduating from kindergarten to receiving a Masters Degree.

Excitement fills the air as the graduates in their regalia march into the Sanctuary. Family members and friends beam with pride and thanksgiving as students of all ages make ready for the next phase in their circle of life. To God be the Glory; great things He has done.



Proverbs 1:5 *Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance.*

Summer Youth Fun

(Copied from State Employees Credit Union- Fat Cat)

Saving money is a smart idea.
 ❖ Which is the safest place to save your money?

- A. Drawer 
- B. Mattress 
- C. Piggy Bank 
- D. Pocket 
- E. Credit Union 


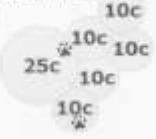



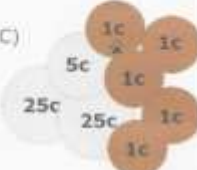
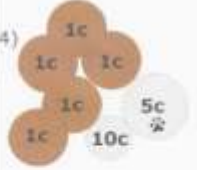

❖ Where does your money earn interest?

- A. Shoes 
- B. Credit Union 
- C. Pillow 
- D. Money Tree 
- E. Wallet 

<https://www.cufatcats.org/>

The Fat Cat Web Site is a good one for young children

Help Fat Cat match all the coin combinations to equal \$1.00! Draw a line from column A to column B to make your matches.

Column A	Column B
1) 	A) 
2) 	B) 
3) 	C) 
4) 	D) 

*Bonus
 Find all the Paw Prints! ❖ Add all the coins that have a Paw Print on them and see how much money you have!

RESUME WRITING TIPS

Below you will see a few tips for resume writing. You may google and find other information, formats, paper styles and weight, etc. Sometimes the resume determines who is hired. Give yourself a great start by preparing a wonderful resume with no errors, printed on nice paper with no smudges, etc.

- ❖ Contact information: name, address, phone, and email
- ❖ Education: high school name, addresss, and graduation date
- ❖ Extracurricular activities: church, clubs, and/or sports, etc.
- ❖ Community Involvement
- ❖ Work Experience
- ❖ Accolades, awards and honors
- ❖ References: teachers, coaches, and employers

Resumes should be short, usually no more than one page and have a professional appearance. Keep your resume updated and ready for an opportunity should one become available.

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VBS 2018: KINGDOM BUILDING FOR JESUS

The theme for Vacation Bible School for 2018 was *Kingdom Building for Jesus, the Greatest Kingdom Builder*. Youth, kids and the young at heart converged upon the CRC for five nights of exploring how we can become Kingdom builders for Jesus. Some classes were contractors for Jesus; others were architects, electricians and others who take a part in the “building process.”



The scope of the lessons was to show how we, as disciples, are charged with making disciples and advancing the kingdom of God. This was the first time that all classes were held at the CRC, mainly because of lack of space at the church campus. The first night broke all records for opening night with over 100 in attendance with an average of about 500 for the week. The teachers did an exceptional job, not only teaching, but also in planning and decorating their rooms to fit the theme. We thank all teachers, workers, kitchen Staff, and volunteers, with special thanks to Brothers John Monroe and Marshall Hadley for faithfully serving and being on call daily. The week ended with class presentations on Friday. Then on Thursday of the next week, VBS officially culminated with 38 attendees taking a pleasure outing to White Lake Water Park. A final thanks is given to Sister Callie for serving as VBS Director for 2018 and for a job well done.

Reverend Mary C. Owens, Christian Education Director

Scenes are from the Vacation Bible School Outing



on the 21st of June at the Water Park

Fun at the water park.



Enjoying the water and fellowship



Relaxing

Posing

What a great day!



Iida Stackhouse
(Mrs. Gert)



Matriarch celebrates her 100th Birthday with family, friends, church members along with recognitions from local elected officials, the Governor, the Mayor and many others.

Mrs. Gert of Hoke Loop Road, Fayetteville, NC, is well-known in the region. Until recently, she could be seen in Mount Pisgah several times each year. As a matter of fact, Beauty Spot, New Bethel and Mount Pisgah members often worshipped together, especially during times of revival.

She enjoys visits and reminising about days gone by. The Mount Pisgah Church Family offers its congratulations to Sister Gertrude Stackhouse, one of ours.

Copied From Facebook, yes, Facebook!

10 WORDS AND PHRASES THAT TOO MANY FOLKS SAY INCORRECTLY

1. Supposably > Supposedly
2. For all intensive purposes > For all intents and purposes
3. Irregardless > regardless
4. I could care less > I couldn't care less
5. Expresso > espresso
6. Pacifically > specifically
7. Ex cetera > Et cetera
8. I seen it > I saw it
9. Of upmost importance > Of utmost importance
10. I need to lay down > I need to lie down

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PSALM 100

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

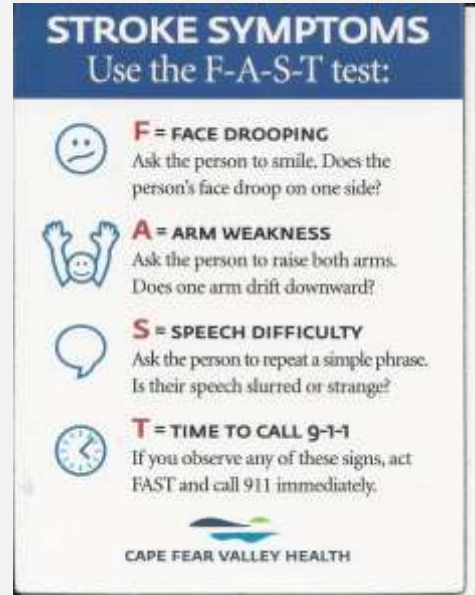
² Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

³ Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.



⁴ Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

⁵ For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.



FAYETTEVILLE-CUMBERLAND COUNTY CHAPTER, SHAW UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The 17th Annual Scholarship Banquet was a huge success. Shaw President Dr. Paulette Dillard was an excellent speaker. She encouraged the alumni and friends to make investments in Shaw. Invest for the long haul! Three scholarships were awarded.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Please protect the young and elderly during this hot weather. Be sure that children do not swim alone. Provide someone with the strength and ability to help an individual should he or she get in trouble in water.

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