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Pastor's Note

Vacations always make me nostalgic before I embark on them. I remember the trips as a child with family to the beach. I remember my first vacation trip by myself to Colorado. I remember the freedom of getting in my rental car and driving into the Rockies. I remember the adventure of my family's last few international vacations. I remember the excitement of seeing Germany and the sights of Paris and London. I also remember the feeling of helplessness when my mom fell and hit her head in London. No trip always goes according to plan.

When I come back from vacation, I have a quick turnaround. Our mission trip to Lumberton is set for May 20-25. We do not know exactly what we will be doing. We know that it is construction related disaster relief work, and that it is mostly finishing work. That means that hanging more sheetrock and painting may be in our not so distant future. For those of us who have been on previous mission trips, we know the primary lesson that each mission trip has taught, flexibility is crucial. Flexibility is the one trait needed by all. A lack of flexibility can ruin the trip and impede the work that God has in store.

My simple request is for your prayers, prayers as I travel and make new memories and prayers as our team prepares for the work ahead. Pray for the lives that are to be touched by God's work through us. Pray that we might be aware of the movements of God's Spirit in each and all. Pray also for safe returns to our shared work here at DFBC. May flexibility mark our work here too.

Grace,
Michael

The Beacon

May 8, 2018

"Live by faith; reach out in love; make disciples of all."



Sunday, May 20 through Saturday, May 25 to Lumberton, NC. Pray for this group as they travel and do much needed work for the folks impacted by the hurricane.



Friday, May 11, 2018

BBQ, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Bun, Dessert
\$8 per plate

Chopped - \$8 per lb.

All proceeds will go to DFBC Missions Ministry



Serving God By Serving Others

Youth Program

This program temporarily on hold



Children's Program

This program temporarily on hold

Gifts & Receipts

(\$5649.52 per week needed for budget) *

Sunday, May 6, 2018

Undesignated Gifts: \$6982.00

Designated Gifts: \$720.00

Annie Armstrong

Goal: \$2500.00

Total Received: \$1525.00

Girl Scout Travel Fund

If you would like to donate to this fund, make your check out to "Kim Baker-GS Travel Fund". Do NOT make the check to DFBC.

Small Group Bible Study

Thank you to those that were involved in teaching and hosting these studies. As plans are made for the Fall, please let either Allen Rogers or Rev. Duncan know if you would be willing to host or facilitate a group.

Pastor Vacation

The Pastor will be on vacation from May 8 through May 17. If you have an emergency, please contact Cameron White or Gene Kirby.

*Prayer Concerns for
May, 2018:*

Steven Abernathy	Denola Green
Neil Arney Jr.	Olene Griffin
Joe/Pauline Arseneau	Chase Griffin
Kim Baker	Pat Gupton
Morris Baker	Jim Hamby
Reba Baker - College Pines - Rm 404	Pauline Hayworth
Bill Berry	David Holder Family
Joe Bolick Family	Thomas Holland
Jim Boone	Amy Huffman
Gary Brackett Family	Jane Huffman - Stone Ridge, Cary
Juanita Bradford	Elizabeth Kizer
Jerry Bradshaw	David/Mildred Mather
Steve Brown - A New Outlook-Taylorsville	Matt Matthews
Naomi Buff	J.B. McNeely
Charlie Burns Family	Bob/Barbara Miller
Gleta Byrd	Christine Nix
Kathleen Cannon	Tricia Offutt
David/Linda Cassida	Jane Poteat
Carol Childres	Amber Queen
Blair Church	Frank Queen
Margaret Church	Willadean Rector
Dawn Ward Cline	Mary Anne Ritchie
Glenda Cole	Deanna Rose
Carol Cooper	Albert Setzer
Dennis Cooper	Freddie Setzer
Alex Cunningham	Tracy Smith
Albert Deal	Rex Stokes
Dale Deal	Renee Taylor
Russell Dexter	Franceleen Ward
Mike Donahue	Teresa Wheeling
Donnie Dupree	Denise White
Capt. Harrison Fletcher	Paula Shuping Williams
Wayne Fletcher	Timmy Williams
Oren/Chris Frye	Brenda Woody
Cindy Grainger	

On The Calendar

May 8-17 - Pastor on vacation

Friday, May 11 - BBQ Fundraiser

Wednesday, May 16 - Giggles & Grins practice, 9:30 am in the Sanctuary

Thursday, May 17 - Giggles & Grins graduation, 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday, May 20 - Food Ministry, 4:30 pm

May 20-25 - Lumberton NC Mission Trip

Monday, May 21 - Girl Scouts 5-7 pm

Friday, May 25 - Office Closed

Monday, May 28 - Office Closed

GRADUATE INFORMATION

If you have a graduate from High School or College, please call the office with the information. Graduation Sunday has been set for June 3.

MINISTRY FOCUS

Drexel First Baptist Church has a plethora of ministries that you can be involved in. This church has multiple opportunities for you to serve both in the church and around your community. The church year is winding down at a blistering pace and the new church year will be here before we realize. Please start prayerfully considering how you can serve with your fellow members to improve both the church and surrounding community. We need people who want to actively serve and get involved. These ministries should be about more than just putting names on roles. God wants to use all of us but will we let Him?

Grace and Peace
Cameron



Atlanta Braves Trip

We are investigating a trip to see the Atlanta Braves in their new stadium. We are looking at a few options which include a day trip for a weekday afternoon game or an overnight trip for a Friday night game. If you are interested in either option, please contact Rev. Duncan either by phone or email. His email address is mdmcafeegrad@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School

Volunteers are needed for VBS! If you think you would like to help, please attend a meeting after service on Sunday, May 20th.