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### God's House: A Place Where Everybody is Somebody

According to the Drucker Foundation in its work entitled, The Community of the Future, "Organizations of the future will place a high priority on building communities of interest that cross traditional boundaries of structure, system, time and space. Such community building can help in forging the long-term relationships between people that provide the needed stability for these organizations to prosper in a rapidly changing world."

The value of building communities of interest is not only important for Nike, McDonalds and Coke, but also for the local "mom and pop vendors." What would happen if school districts, restaurant chains or hospitals neglected to build communities of interest? What would happen if these companies focused solely on their own interest rather than the needs of the ones that they served? Eventually, they would lose. They would miss too many great opportunities. On the contrary, by focusing on the interconnectedness with one's world, with one's stakeholders, clients, customers and context, you connect to a dynamic set of possibilities.

The Apostle Paul expressed this idea when he taught us that the coming of Jesus Christ and the acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord tears down the walls in human relationships. In Galatians 3:28, Paul said, "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Paul understood that the church builds communities of interests around God's gifts of grace. Everybody needs to be loved, accepted, forgiven and treated with respect. This is precisely what God has given to us. As WBPC moves forward into the future, we must let the world know that the house of God is a place where everybody is somebody!

Shalom,  
Bruce T. Grady

## Day At The Lake : Saturday, June 16 — 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Members don't miss a fun time with your church family. Day at the Lake is a great time of family and church fun and fellowship. Make your way to Falls Lake, Sandling Beach, Shelter # 4. Plan to come and bring family members of all ages for a fun time of boating, swimming, eating, hiking, biking, playing cornhole and other games. Fishing is also possible but a fishing license is required.

The group will gather around 10:00 a.m. From 10:00 to 11:30 will be free time. From 11:30-12:30 there will be group activities under the picnic shelter and lunch will be served at 12:30. To give parents of children under five some free time, there will be supervised activities for children 5 and under in the picnic shelter from 10:30 - 11:30. Some of the activities will be "messy art" so dress children accordingly. The Fellowship Committee will provide lunch of hamburgers, hotdogs, with lots of fixings at 12:30. From 1:30 - 4:00 will be free time to enjoy the lake and sharing with friends. The bathrooms and shelter are wheelchair accessible.

Families are asked to bring non-alcoholic beverages for their family and cookies or fruit to share. Watermelon will be provided in the afternoon. There is no charge for the meal but Falls Lake charges \$7.00 per car to enter the shelter area. The shelter has a nice parking lot and bathroom facilities. There is no refrigeration provided. Bring life jackets, suntan lotion, lawn chairs, sand toys for children.

Please indicate on the friendship pads at church or notify the church office by Wednesday June 13 if you plan to attend so that the committee can make food plans.

To get to Falls Lake, Sandling Beach, Shelter #4, take Creedmoor Road (NC 50) north towards Creedmoor. Sandling Beach is located on NC 50 three miles north of NC 98. The Lake is approximately 10 miles north of Raleigh and approximately 18 miles from the church. Plan to carpool. There is a \$7.00 per car fee to enter the park.



## Haiti Mission Trip 2012

Nou pral an Ayiti ankò (We're going to Haiti again!) It is so exciting that WBPC has continued to be blessed and to bless our brothers and sisters in Haiti. Kathy Johnson will again lead a dedicated group of servants to the Yahve Jire Children's Foundation in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Traveling to Haiti with Kathy for the second time will be Joe Burmester and Kevin Fischer. New travelers will be Michael Clark, Jack Reynolds, Larry Shelton, Ronny Pittman, Ron Pittman, Betty Connette, Ashley Gwen, Janet Cherry, Jim Dunn and Amy Beshgatoorian.

The trip is June 18-26. As before, we will be taking needed supplies to the director, Chedlin Justinvil. We are so excited to finally be moving the children to their new home in Croix des Bouquets. The mission team will be building new school desks and benches and helping to move furniture and clothing to the new compound. We will also be taking funds raised by our very own 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Sunday School classes to purchase Haitian vitamins for the children. Please be in prayer for our team as well as for our other partners in Raleigh, Pittsburgh, and Kansas City who have all contributed to this ministry. Bondye bon fè nou di ou mèsi pou benediksyon. (God is good let us give thanks for his blessings). There will be a commissioning for our Haiti team in morning worship on June 17.

## Thank You Men of the Church!

We have enjoyed a number of wonderful breakfast meals prepared by the MOC. Thank you Andy Kotnik for planning, purchasing, and cooking. We also appreciate those men who have gotten up early and helped prepare breakfast and leave the kitchen neat and clean after breakfast. These include:

*Art Chard, Mark Howell, Ron Pittman, Brian Whitfield, Andrew Craven, Eric Baxter, Bill Mitchell, Jimmy Wade, John Pittman, and Jason Kreykes.* We apologize if we failed to list others that helped. We also appreciate a neighborhood volunteer *Susan Sternberger* who was very faithful in helping with breakfast.



## Kitchen Notes

All groups that use the kitchen are reminded that they need to be sure the kitchen is cleaned, dishes washed and put away, dish towels laundered and returned, and trash emptied. Please leave the kitchen better than you found it or at least as good!

## Long Distance House Warming Party

You're sitting in your house, your home, the place you find joy and pride, and you decide you want a cup of coffee or ice tea and a sandwich to tie you over until dinner. You go into the kitchen grab a cup/glass and a plate. You go over the drawer and grab a knife, and start making your sandwich. Now, image that you did not have a plate, knife, or glass. You get the point, no more dramatics!

Did you pick up the item you will be donating to the Yavhe-Jire Children's Foundation yet? Time is running out. Go to the Haiti House in the narthex and get going! June 7 is right around the corner.

## Luncheon Ladies – New Place!

Luncheon Ladies will meet just for fellowship and lunch at: **Briggs Restaurant** on Tryon Road by Walnut Street, in the Harris Teeter Shopping Center on June 19, July 10, August 14. All are Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. before the heat and the crowds! No reservations required.

## Children's Chapel Resumes in the Fall

Beginning in June, Children's Chapel will take a break for the summer and will resume again in September. Thank you to all coordinators, storytellers and greeters for a wonderful year!

## Congratulations Graduates!

*We are proud of our graduates and look forward to celebrating them in morning worship on June 3.*



**Bradley Carter Chard** is a graduate Cum Laude from ECU with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a minor in Security Studies.

**Ashley Gwyn** is a graduate of NCSU with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, and is seeking a teaching position. Ashley is a WBPC Nursery Worker and is traveling to Haiti with us in June.

**Elizabeth McClellan** is a graduate of UNC with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Elementary Education. She is seeking a teaching position.

## Vacation Bible School

June 11-15, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Join us for Vacation Bible School 2012! Operation Overboard: Dare to GO Deep with God. Dive in and discover God's underwater universe! Kids journey miles below the surface into God's Word to find what true faith is all about.

## Items and Volunteers Needed for VBS!

Many items and volunteers are needed for VBS this year. Some of what we need is listed below, please bring in any of these that you can and leave them in the church office.

- cardboard inserts from paper towel rolls
- stickers of sea animals
- colored duct tape
- empty 2 liter bottles
- blue tarps (will be returned to owners after VBS)



To help with other specific needed items, or to volunteer to help, please contact:

**Allisen Fischer** 919-455-6147 [afischer@wcpss.net](mailto:afischer@wcpss.net) or  
**Blythe Clifford** 919-244-6227 [blytheclifford@gmail.com](mailto:blytheclifford@gmail.com)

**We need many adult and youth volunteers to make this deep sea exploration a success!**



# Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church VBS Registration Form 2012

Operation Overboard:  
DARE TO GO DEEP WITH GOD!

Join us for Vacation Bible School 2012, June 11–15, from 9:00am-12:00pm. Your divers will go on a deep sea exploration to explore what it means to have deep faith in God! By meeting Bible characters with deep faith, the children will discover ocean insights that help them follow God.

(Registration must be received in the church office by May 31.)  
Please fill out a separate form for each child.

**Children must have turned 3 years old by August 31, 2011 and be potty trained!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

If in school, grade completed \_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact (please give two):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

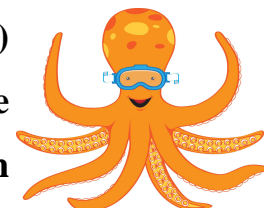
Food allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Other allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Any special needs or information \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Also, please call or email Allisen Fischer (919-455-6147/afischer@wcpss.net) or Blythe Clifford (919-244-6227/blytheclifford@gmail.com) to volunteer. We will need many adult and youth dive guides to make this deep sea exploration a success!





## Summer @TheTable

5:00 pm Sundays

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Yes, you can still head to the beach or mountains for the weekend and make it back in time for worship. You'll enjoy the relaxed, casual, coffee-house atmosphere after that long drive home!

New to *TheTable* this summer:

**Theme Sundays** (June 10, July 15, August 19)

Explore a Christian concept through drama, hands-on experiences, and discussion. Everyone will have a chance to find a meaningful and personal interpretation of God's message through experiential learning.



**Jazz Vespers** (June 24, July 29, August 26) - *Where jazz meets the Spirit!*

A wonderfully eclectic mix of prayer, poetry, ambient art, and live jazz! Join us in this prayerful wondering about the mysteries of life and the love of God. Specialty coffees served.



Other special services:

July 22 - Anita Burroughs-Price performing - acclaimed harpist with the NC Symphony



August 5 - a joyful feast of the people of God...*Holy Communion* celebrated amidst a covered-dish dinner (much like the way Jesus celebrated the sacrament with his disciples in the midst of a meal)



All other Sundays you are welcome to join us @TheTable for a Spirit-filled worship experience. [There will be no afternoon worship on July 1st. Please join us in morning worship at 10:30am that Sunday...or any Sunday!]

## Food Bag Challenge Items of the Week

(Can't bring a whole bag? Bring just one item each week in June!)



- June 3 - 2 cans beans (any kind)
- June 10 - 11lb dried beans (small bag)
- June 17 - 1 can carrots
- June 24 - 1 box cereal

Happy Birthday

Michael McClellan	1
Kaitlyn Townsend	1
Eli Howell	4
Kate Trimble	4
Sue Creighton	5
Shirley Griffith	5
Sarah Lindsay	5
Morgen Hall	10
Juliette Ndepkeu	10
Brady Jefcoat	12
Jack Gebbie	16
Annie Woodruff	18
John Aldridge	19
Susan Cummings	19
Jack Reynolds	19
Barbara Tierney	19
Bill Smith	20
Linda Pressley	21
T.C. Lindsay	22
Oliver Milchuck	23
Joe Sturdivant	23
Aaron Cummings	24
Catherine Kimes	26
Margaret Pittman	27
Brenda Byers	27

## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Janice Aldridge, Joyce Barbour, George Blum, Kaye Byrd, Dot Gebbie, Tommy Goldston, Michele Grady, Richard Lentz, Daisy Lowery, Joe Matthews, Jean Perdue, Mary Jane Roberts, Dot & Jimmie Smith, Peggy Stevens, Mavis Stott

**FAMILY/FRIENDS:** Dorothy Allen (sister of Mary Jane Roberts), Lori Assa (mother-in-law of Susan Bennett), Bill Clark (husband of Daisy Lowery's niece), Brenda Davis (long time former member of WBPC), Karen Estes (niece of Lou Gene Hemphill), Thomas E. Grady (father of Bruce Grady), Janice Johnson (niece of Mary Jane Roberts), Ella McNeill (friend of the Whitehurst family), Marilyn Reese (daughter-in-law of Peggy and Gene Reese), Lauren Snyder (granddaughter of LouGene and Jim Hemphill), Nellie Warren (mother of Geneva Thigpen), Caitlyn Zabko (great granddaughter of Louise Beck)

**UNIHEALTH/THE OAKS:** Carlyle Craven, Betsy Roberts

**THE COVINGTON:** Annie Woodruff

**BRIGHTON GARDENS:** Jo Gilmore

**MORNINGSIDE:** Brady Jefcoat, Eleanor Sykes

**ACTIVE MILITARY:**

**(Afghanistan):** Andy Connette (brother of Betty Connette)

*Sympathy extended to:*

*The family of Doris Avery, upon her death on May 13.*

*The family of Hazel Raynor, upon her death on May 23.*



## How You Can Help the Grady Family

We give thanks that Michele Grady has both her chemotherapy and surgery behind her and has had a good report from her oncologist and surgeon. She will begin radiation treatments 5 days a week, beginning the end of June and running until the first part of August. Michele's company has been providing Friday night meals for the last few months. Western Boulevard will be providing the meals for the months of July and August (possibly longer). If you would like to provide one of these Friday night meals, please contact Betty Dean with the date that works for you: [betdean@nc.rr.com](mailto:betdean@nc.rr.com) or 919-821-0171. Keep in mind the following: there are 5 family members (including Michele's mother); the family does not eat pork; the meal will need to be delivered to the Grady home in Cary around 5pm. The Gradys are deeply grateful to all of you for your cards, calls, and prayers during their time of need.

## WBPC Financial Report

	<u>APRIL 2012</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Pledges	\$ 28,653.00	114,400.48
Open	2,793.34	15,871.12
Church School	119.00	352.51
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>31,565.34</b>	<b>130,624.11</b>
Prior Receipts		7,040.06
Expenses	<u>29,499.96</u>	<u>112,962.07</u>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,065.38</b>	<b>24,739.00</b>