

PRAYER CONCERNS

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ACTIVE MILITARY:

(Iraq): Ginny Iskandarov (niece of Janet Westerman)

Elnur Iskandarov (husband of niece of Janet Westerman)



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Your Season to Rediscover Yourself...

Occasionally, my son poses a profound question that is as important for me as it is for him. Recently he asked, “Daddy, what is the meaning of my life?” As I engaged in this conversation, I was reminded of my own journey and the tendency of being lured or seduced by activities that promise so much and deliver so little. How do you get to know the real you—a genuine sense of who you are? What is your purpose? And how much do you mean to those around you? An authentic answer to these questions cannot be determined by your annual income, where you live or don’t live, your professional experience or your popularity among peers. It takes courage to examine your world and to decide whether what you see floating on the surface is all that you’re going to get out of life. The Lord made us and continues to tell us that there is so much more to who we are.

In Cornell West’s work, *Restoring Hope: Conversations on the Future of Black America* (Boston: Beacon Press, 1995), the author interviews an internationally renowned preacher that focuses on his definition of spirituality. Dr. James Forbes responded in the following manner: “When I think of spirituality, I think of the system of values and activities that provide meaning and strength for life, whether it is struggle or whether it is experienced triumph. Whatever it is that, in a sense, holds the pieces together, the inner world and the outer world, both the visible and invisible, from which I or some other person draws hope, strength, reason to persevere. And usually it involves both personal and private, but always social and more corporate, expressions.” (p.87) This writer agrees with Dr. Forbes. Through worship, study of scripture, fellowship, service to others and sharing the message of God’s redeeming love, WBPC invites all into a closer walk with Jesus Christ. If you are searching for meaning, this summer is your season to rediscover yourself!

Agape,
Bruce

Upcoming Worship Events

June 5:

- Recognition of 2011 Graduates
- Recognition of Kerygma Class
- Communion

June 12:

- Pentecost Sunday (wear red)
- Reception of 2011 Confirmation Class


June 19:

- Haiti Team Commissioning



Join Us @ The Table

Sundays at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Grab a cup of Java and feast with us in this coffeehouse style worship.



Friday, June 17
11:30AM
D&S South Hills

Haiti Mission Trip Collections



Don't let it slip by. Don't miss your chance. This is the last reminder! June 5 is the last day for collections to be received for our

Haiti Mission Team. We still need your help. Pharmacy items, thin blanket and towels, school supplies, story books, deflated balls, puzzles, family friendly DVD's, etc. Any questions about what we need, just ask any Missions Outreach Committee member or member of the Haiti missions travel team. Questions, ask Julie Butcher Juliannb@embarqmail.com or Kathy Johnson at wojo@nc.rr.com

Day at the Lake- June 18



Make plans to join your church family for a *Day at the Lake* event on Saturday, June 18, 2011. Picnic Shelter #5 in the Sandling Beach Area of Falls Lake has been reserved. Some of the activities that are planned are mixers led by Mollie Tucker and our youth at 11:00 a.m., followed by lunch at noon. Ron Pittman will prepare hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a side dish, chips or dessert to share, and non-alcoholic beverages for your family. The site has running water and electricity. Swimming, fishing, boating, hiking, and games are available for families. Please bring chairs, water toys, etc. Please check NC fishing regulations if you plan to fish. Bingo and other games will be available. At 3:00 p.m., ice cream will be served, and music provided. Invite your friends and join your church family for a fun day. Please indicate on the friendship pads at church if you plan to attend so that the committee can make food plans.

To get to Falls Lake, 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 car-pool. There is a \$6 per car fee to enter the park.

Please let Mavis Stott, Ruth Craven or Andy Kotnik know if you need help arranging carpooling.

Wear Red for Pentecost: Sunday, June 12

Please wear red to worship on June 12 to help us celebrate Pentecost, the birth of the Christian church by the power of the Holy Spirit. This Christian festival celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension; it is held on the seventh Sunday after Easter. (Wearing red should be easy for this congregation!)



World Music Choir

Travel the world this summer without leaving the choir room of WBPC! Join me in exploring Christian music of our brothers and sisters from around the world. Be part of a worldwide songfest! Meeting time TBA. Contact me for more information at: janet@wbpresbyterian.org.


*Paz (peace),
Janet*

Vacation Bible School, Shake It Up Café: Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe!

Join us for Vacation Bible School 2011, June 13-17, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Your chefs will learn about five secret ingredients that help them understand key steps to living out God's Word! This interactive and energizing Bible-based program will inspire your chefs to develop life-changing habits as they grow and become followers of God.



Please call Allisen Fischer (455-6147) or Blythe Clifford (244-6227) to volunteer. We will need many adult and youth sous chefs to make this camp a success!




VBS! "Shake It Up Café"

Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe"

June 13-June 17, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
(Registration must be received in church office by May 31.)

Please fill out a separate form for each child; additional forms available in the narthex.
Children must be 3 years old by August 31, 2010



Name _____ Date of Birth _____ If in school, grade completed _____

Address _____

Emergency contact and phone number (please give two)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Food allergies _____ Other allergies _____

Any special needs or information _____

Parent's signature _____

Haiti Mission Trip

Vini Ayiti! (Come to Haiti!) Our first mission team to Haiti is ready to go! Our tickets are purchased, passports obtained, our lodging arrangements have been made, our driver and interpreter have been hired, malaria prescriptions have been filled and soon our suitcases will be packed. Donations are coming in to fill our suitcases full of supplies for the orphanage and the children. The grant award from New Hope Presbytery International Hunger Grant has been deposited and supplies are being purchased in Haiti for us to construct the raised bed gardens at the new orphanage complex site. We hope to plant some vegetables and Moringa Trees for shade and nutrition.

The team members: **Ed Johnson, Joe Burmester, Mollie Tucker, John Bayne, Katie Parker, Kevin Fischer, Kate Trimble, Dana Kreykes, Daniel Auguste** and **Kathy Johnson** have met and prayed together as we prepare to serve and be served. In the few remaining days we continue to ask for prayers for guidance and safety and blessings on us and the children and adults we will meet and live with. Please continue to bring in your donations. We are not even close to filling up 2 suitcases per person; shipping is so expensive that this is a very economical way to deliver needed supplies. Thank you all for coming to Haiti with us through your support, your donations, your prayers and your attendance at the Movie Night fundraiser. We raised \$800 to help us on our way. We are ready to make this trip, Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church is ready for us to spread our wings and go out into the world, and Chedlin is ready for us to come and meet the children. Anyone wanting to see us off, we will gather at RDU on Tuesday, June 21 at 4:30 a.m. and departing at 6:18 a.m. bound for Newark, NJ and then on to Port-au-Prince. We will return at 10:10 p.m. on June 28. Bon voyage pour nous, nous prions. (Safe travels for us we pray).

-Your Mission Outreach Committee

Food Bag Challenge Items of the Week

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

June 5—macaroni and cheese
 June 12—powdered milk packets
 June 19—dried beans
 June 26—rice



Brown Bag Ministry: Saturday, June 4

Join us for Brown Bag Ministry June 4, 9:30 a.m. at St. Andrews Catholic Church. Let's make, bag, and distribute some lunches for those who would not otherwise have lunch. It's easy, fun and the fellowship is wonderful. Great for people of all abilities and ages. A good family activity. If you have questions or need more information...please email Julie at Juliannb@embargmail.com.

Office Fax Machine Available

We have a fax machine available in the office for anyone or anyplace that is in need of one. Contact santi@wbpresbyterian.org, or (919)851-4713.

"Lunching Ladies" Summer Invitation

On Tuesdays June 21, July 12, and August 9, the women (all ages) in the church will meet at 11:00 a.m. for lunch as "Lunching Ladies" to keep our fellowship going. So, if you can't make it to one date, then mark your calendar for the others because we will miss you if you don't come. Even if you haven't attended a Presbyterian Women's Magdalene or Fellowship Circle before, we are eager to have you join us just for lunch and friendship.

Thank you!

Christian Friends,
 I am going to attempt to say "Thank You" for the many kindnesses we have been shown by our church family since last August. They are still continuing. There are not enough words to express our appreciation for all the many kind deeds that have been done for our family. It has been impossible to thank each of you personally. We do appreciate all the phone calls, cards, hospital and home visits, and especially the prayers. We say a special "Thank You" to Jimmy Wade and George Barrick for building a ramp at the front of our house. This has made it so much easier to get in and out.

So many people have brought us so much delicious food. It seems every time we were needing food, some kind soul came with some. We appreciate the many visits from Betty and so many other church members. Our church family is so special to us. Everyone is always there for us and especially in our time of need. These last eight months have been very hard, and we feel as if we could not have gotten through it without God's love and mercy and care; and the kind deeds of our church family.

We hope it won't be long before we will be able to get to church. We really have missed church and the Christian fellowship we feel there.

Dot, Jimmie, and Susan Smith



Breakfast Resumes in the Fall

Breakfast will take a break for the summer and will resume again in the fall. Thank you MOC for the terrific breakfasts you have prepared for us, and for the gift of the opportunity to enjoy the most important meal of the day with our church friends!

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
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
Margaret Pittman	27
Brenda Byers	27

Congratulations Graduates!

High School

Rebecca Alcorn graduates from Enloe High School and will attend NCSU.

Gina Guzzo graduates from Broughton High School and will attend UNCW.

Miranda Johnson graduates from Garner High School and will attend ASU.

Sarah Odum graduates from Athens Drive High School and will attend UNCW.

Wesley Peede graduates from Athens Drive High School, future plans to be announced.

Jack Reynolds graduates from Athens Drive High School and will attend Wake Tech.

College

Caroline Tucker graduates from NCSU.

Recently your Session

- Approved BBQ Fundraiser for tornado victims on May 6th.
- Received Thank You letter from Campus Ministry for donation.
- Approved Drive-In Movie Night Fundraiser on May 21st for Haiti mission.
- Approved Bobbi Cross as new Preschool Director effective June 1st.
- Approved ESL classes this Summer for parents of Avent West Children's Mentoring program.
- Discussed motion from Mission Outreach to sign WBPC onto a call from National Religious Campaign Against Torture for a Commission of Inquiry. The Session asked for more education on the issue.

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>APRIL 2011</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Pledges	\$ 26,243.50	104,508.50
Open Offering	4,527.25	7,975.40
Church School	108.06	449.57
Total Offering	30,878.31	82,054.66
Prior Receipts		10,654.30
Expenses	<u>26,501.28</u>	<u>107,309.21</u>
Net Total	\$ 4,377.53	16,278.56



Pictorial Directory Survey

1. Are you interested in having your family's picture made for a Western Boulevard Pictorial Directory?
2. Would you prefer an on-line directory that could be printed or a printed directory?

Name _____

e-mail or phone _____

We are considering publishing a new pictorial directory but need to know if there is sufficient interest to move forward.

Please reply by sending an e-mail to cc2rmcraven@aol.com or by placing this survey in the box in the Narthex at the church.

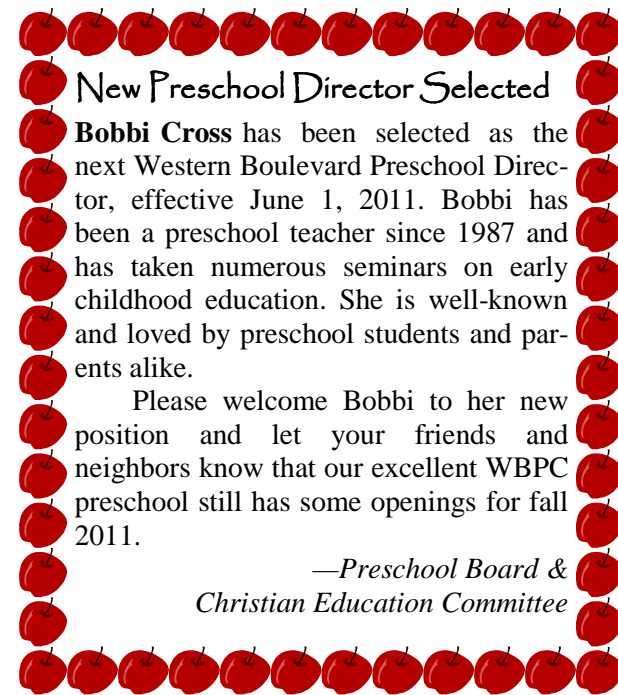
Thank you very much.

Movie Night Fundraiser a Success!

Thank you to everyone that made our second Drive-In Movie Night such a success! The parking lot was full of WBPC members and neighbors and a good time was had by all. A special thank you goes out to Burke Brother's and Amedeo's and team members for the concessions. Through concession sales and donations, we were able to raise almost \$800 towards the June Haiti mission trip. This money will be used to help offset the travel and lodging expenses of our team members and to provide some treats for the children while we are in Haiti.



If you would still like to contribute, please mark your contribution with "International Mission Trip" and place it in the offering plate or leave it in the church office. The travel expenses are around \$1,200 per person, so we could still use your support as we are all eager to represent WBPC on this mission to serve God's children in Haiti.



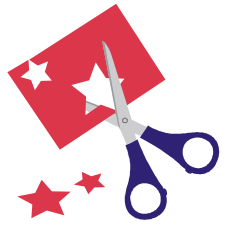
New Preschool Director Selected

Bobbi Cross has been selected as the next Western Boulevard Preschool Director, effective June 1, 2011. Bobbi has been a preschool teacher since 1987 and has taken numerous seminars on early childhood education. She is well-known and loved by preschool students and parents alike.

Please welcome Bobbi to her new position and let your friends and neighbors know that our excellent WBPC preschool still has some openings for fall 2011.

—Preschool Board &
Christian Education Committee

VBS Supplies Needed



We would love for you to come and help out at VBS, but if you can't, please consider donating the following craft supplies:

- Paper towel or toilet paper rolls (just the empty rolls)
- wooden spoons
- yarn scraps
- construction paper scraps
- scrap booking materials
- wrapping paper scraps

(Collection box is outside Betty's office under the mail boxes). Also, Please consider donating your time after church on June 12 to help decorate the sanctuary for VBS.

Confirmation Class 2011

Ten of our outstanding youth are preparing to make their public profession of faith in Jesus Christ and join the church on June 12th. They have been faithfully attending weekly confirmation classes since early February and will be examined by the Session on June 5th. Please be in prayer for the following as they make this highly significant step of faith:

- Katherine Anh Clapp
- Owen Clapp
- Mary Todd Earnhardt
- Eli Howell
- Noah Milchuck
- Andrew Mitchell
- Cody Nance
- David Parker
- Stephen Reese
- David Reynolds

We're also exceedingly grateful for the following elder mentors who have walked alongside the confirmands in this part of their faith journey: Kathy Johnson, Chris Whitehurst, Jimmy Wade, John Bayne, Dave Parker, Kevin Fischer, Gene Curtis, Art Chard, Deane Irving, and John Clapp.