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Antioch Announcer



The Pastor's Portion

"Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. I always pray for you, and I make my requests with a heart full of joy because you have been my partners in spreading the good news about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. And I am sure that God, who began the good work within you will continue his work until it is finally finished on that day when Christ Jesus comes back again. It is right that I should feel as I do about you, for you have a very special place in my heart." (Philippians 1:3-7, NLT)

As I reflect on my time as interim pastor at Antioch, this is my prayer. You have been gracious, kind, and encouraging to me during these twenty months and I will forever be grateful for the ministry we have shared together. When I retired from my work as DOM of LRBA, I was filled with uncertainty as to my future but trusting God to lead where he could use me. I never would have imagined he would lead me to serve you as he did. Through sharing in the good times and the hard times, we have become strengthened as brothers and sisters in Christ. We truly have formed bonds that will not be broken.

Thank you for a beautiful worship experience on Sunday and for the lovely reception in the afternoon. To each of you who participated in either of those times and expressed your kind thoughts and love by your presence, I offer my most sincere appreciation. Thank you for the cards and gifts (and pies!!). Thank you for the prayers and support that you have given to sustain me through this period of transition for Antioch. Thank you for being God's love to me and my family.

May God bless Antioch as it moves into a new chapter. I will pray for you and as Paul said, I will thank God for you with joy every time I remember you!!

Pastor Dan

Easter Family Fun Fest

March 31st, 10:00-1:00
Egg Hunt: 10:30

This year, we are once again teaming up with Harnett County Parks and Recreation to host our annual Family Fun Fest!

Please invite a family and join us for our egg hunt at 10:30 followed by games, a hot dog lunch, an egg catapult challenge and our Easter Experience room where families can experience the final hours of the life of Christ all the way to the resurrection through all five senses!

This is a huge event in the life of our church and we hope that you will volunteer to help in the many areas to serve including games, food, egg hiding and clean up, but we especially pray that you will take time to engage with the community families who may not have a church home. There will be a sign up sheet in the hallway and in your Sunday school class. Thank you for your prayers and support for this event.

Check out our Calendar on the last page!

Sunday School

What Is It All About?

Here's a quick quiz to see if we all understand what this wonderful ministry of Sunday School is really all about. Fill in the blanks with the words listed below. You can find the answers on the back page.

Cares, minister, lives, concern, knows, faith, applying, new comers, interested, compassion, more, accepted, need, others, help, God, more, related, outside

1. Members feel they are part of a class that genuinely _____ for them.
2. Members _____ one another and genuinely are _____ in one another.
3. Members _____ one another in times of _____.
4. Members _____ to people _____ the class and church.
5. Members know how and regularly share their _____ with others.
6. Members make _____ feel _____ and _____.
7. Members are taught in Bible study how to _____ to _____ and to _____.
8. Members have hearts of _____ and _____ for others.
9. Members see the work of the Sunday School as _____ than just Sunday morning.
10. Members are taking the truths they learn on Sunday and _____ them in their daily _____.

March Anniversaries

George and Sarah Magill 03/06
 Robert and Peggy West 03/19
 David and Sharon Stewart 03/29
 Jimmy and Jenny O'Quinn 03/31

WMU NEWS

Antioch Ladies Night Out

Mark your calendars for April 9th for our annual ladies night out. This will be a time of food, fun and fellowship!

Associational Prayer Retreat

Please join us for a time of prayer and reflection on March 24th from 9:00 to 2:30 pm at Linnshire by the Pond. Tammy weeks will be our leader and the cost is \$28.00 which includes a small breakfast and lunch. Please contact Beck or Barbara Clayton by the 11th if interested.

Annie Armstrong Offering

Right here and now, we have an opportunity to help push back lostness by supporting missionaries across North America. As we approach the 2018 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering giving season we ask that you pray about how you and your family can help reach our goal of \$3,000 by Easter.

Every gift to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering—100 percent—goes to train, resource and send more than 5,000 missionaries involved in church planting and compassion ministries across the United States, Canada and their territories. Our partnership with Southern Baptist Convention churches and individuals makes this work possible.

Antioch Kids

Annie Armstrong Pancake Supper



March 23rd, 5:00-7:30pm

Blueberry, strawberry, chocolate chip or banana? Maybe you're just bacon and sausage kind of person, either way, you can pick your favorites at our annual Annie Armstrong Pancake Supper. Come support our kids as they serve up some pancakes for missions! Kids arrive at 4:30 to set up. All proceeds go to Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions.

Bible Drill

Please be in prayer for our Bible Drillers in Children and Youth drills. Our church drill is just around the corner on March 14th at 6:30 and the youth Associational Drill is here on the 16th followed by Children's drill on the 17th. Bible drill is one of the most challenging and rewarding programs children will ever take part in. Just imagine being tested on 24 verses you must memorize by heart and 12 Key Passages, not to mention mastery of the books of the Bible and where they are found in less than ten seconds. For the youth, this must all be done in 8 seconds. It is challenging, fun and stressful all at the same time. Please pray that our drillers will be quick to recall and find all that is required of them.

Soup Kitchen Youth and Preteen Day

Mission Trip

March 24th, 9:30

Our preteens, youth and any one else who is interested will be serving a meal and doing any tasks they have need of being done at Bread of Life Ministries including the possibility of an egg hunt for the kids there on March 24th. We will leave the church at 9:30 and arrive at BOL at 10:00. We should be finished by 12:30 and then we will head out to have lunch ourselves somewhere in Sanford.

Bread of Life Ministries is a multi-ministry operation located at the old McIver Street School. BOL provides a soup kitchen on Saturdays throughout the year, pastoral counseling and a food pantry for those in need of food items to take home with them. It also hosts an extreme weather shelter and is currently in the works of restoring the bottom

Happy Travelers

This month our new Pastor, Rev. Rick Beacham, will be our guest speaker at our March Meeting. Come hear a great devotion and have lunch with the new pastor!

For travel this month, you asked and we listened and will be heading out on March 22nd at 10:00 to DeWayne's Garden Center followed by the outlets. We will start with lunch at San Marcos Mexican restaurant and then head to the outlets, followed by a stop at DeWayne's to do a little Easter shopping.

In April, we hope to head back to Wilmington for another time of food, cruising on the river and a little shopping! More info to come!

Kids Spring Break Outing

The choices are just too exciting for Mrs. Beca to make by herself so she is asking for parent and kid input for a children's outing on April 4th. Our choices are to go to the Museum of Life and Science in Durham or to the NC Zoo in Asheboro. You can vote on the event page linked to the Antioch facebook page. Happy voting and may the odds be ever in your favor!

Sunday School Quiz Answers

1. Cares
2. Knows, interested
3. Help, needs
4. Minister, outside
5. Faith
6. Newcomers, welcome, accepted
7. Related, God, others
8. Compassion, concern
9. More
10. Apply, daily

Friday Passion Week Experience

Friday, March the 30th
10:00-7:30

On Good Friday we invite you to experience some of the sights, sounds and moments of Jesus' last week on earth. We will pick up where Rev. Beacham leaves off when Jesus sets his face to Jerusalem through the garden and all the way to the cross. This is a self-led experience through several stations. There cannot be a resurrection without a tomb and the goal of this time is to more fully understand the darkness of Passion week so that we might more fully experience the joy of Easter.

MOPS and MomsNext

Plunging into Mops Swap

After finally completing the De-Clutter challenge posed at our January meeting and having plunged through our closets and cabinets, we invite you to bring ten items to share at our Moms Swap Night on the 22nd. You can bring ten items to share and take ten items for free! The remainder of the items left after the swap will be taken to Beacon Thrift Shop. Free shopping ladies. This is a beautiful thing...this is motherhood.