

FINANCIAL REPORT

September 13, 2009

Budget
 Offering \$ 8,834.15
 Budget Needs
 Per Week \$ 12,616.08
 Budget Needs
 To Date \$466,794.85
 Budget Receipts
 To Date \$449,362.26

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

September 13, 2009

General Officers	4
Preschool	13
Grades 1 - 2	5
Grades 3 - 4	8
Grades 5 - 6	7
Junior High	2
Senior High	11
Journey as One Class	14
Shuford Class	5
Young Adult Class	8
Ladies Class	7
Ledbetter Class	31
Beam Class	38
Samaritan Class	15
20-30 Something Class	1
	169

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

September 20, 2009

BABIES

Wendy Tucker
HELP NEEDED, PLEASE

TODDLERS

Debbie Kent-Smith
HELP NEEDED, PLEASE

TWO YEAR OLDS

Bill & Adonya
Wakefield

THREE YEAR OLDS

Will & Esther
Wakefield

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Derrick & Beth Reeves

Please come to the Nursery at 10:50 a.m.

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, September 20

Regular Schedule
 Resumes
 5:00 Youth Choir
 6:00 Youth Supper -
 \$2.00
 6:30 - 7:30 Youth Bible
 Study

"The Edge" deposits are being accepted.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please remember to let us know should you have a change of address so that we can keep our records up to date.

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FLOWER POLICY

Please note that effective October 1st

We will no longer have a Flower Committee for the church. Anyone wishing to put flowers in the church sanctuary or narthex may call the church office. We will be glad to schedule your date for flowers and your reminder will also be printed in the News and Views.

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**PRAYER PARTNERS:** *Remember to pray for your child!*

**BIRTHDAYS**

**September 22**

Mrs. Lori B. Holder  
Mrs. Roxanne W. Smith

**September 24**

William Gladden, Jr.

**September 25**

Mrs. Hazel Warlick

**September 26**

Mrs. Adonya Wakefield

**September 27**

Jason Clapsaddle

**September 28**

David Gray  
Mrs. Ruth "Pat" Smith

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**NEW MEMBERS**

We welcome into the membership of our church Mr. and Mrs. Chad Larkin Keller, by transfer of letter.

Chad and Susan live at 1937 Swan Drive, SW with their sons, Anderson and Avery, and their daughter, Larkin.

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**CHANGE OF DATE**  
**for**  
**CIRCLE MEETING**

The Virginia-Satie Circle will meet on Monday, **September 21,** at 10:30 a.m. in the Coffee Room at the church.

Make your plans now to attend the meeting.

## PASTOR'S NOTES

It takes a large number of church members to staff the programs of our church. We are a volunteer led church! Increasing numbers of teachers are needed to fill all our positions with children. We also have numerous committees which are responsible for important areas of our programs and building needs. Some of the committees work so quietly that many members aren't even aware of what these groups do on a regular basis. There are no small positions in our church life.

Each summer officers and teachers for the church are nominated by the Education and Mission Committees and are approved by the Deacons. The Personnel Committee is responsible for enlisting the numerous committees of the church which are also approved by the Deacons. At our fall forum (September 23) the church will formally approve all these nominations. Lists of those being nominated have been available on Wednesday nights and are available on Sunday morning scattered at distribution sites throughout the church facilities.

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Because our congregation, like most others,

seems to have seats where people choose to sit each week, it is easy for the ministers to take roll. If there is a gap in the congregational seating pattern, it's obvious who is absent. As I was taking a visual roll call this Sunday, an interesting thought came to me.

As usual, I'm going around the barn to get to my point. I'll begin by confessing that while taking roll this Sunday I thought of athletic teams such as football, basketball, and soccer. These teams often play what is called zone defense. In a zone defense, a player is assigned a zone or area and he/she is responsible for protecting that zone. Other players have their zones, but each player must take responsibility for a defined area.

Now we don't need to be protecting the zones where we sit. Some are a little over zealous here. What we can do is be responsible for our area. Is someone absent who normally sits close to you? Is there a new person sitting close to you? Will you accept responsibility for that person?

I like my idea! May-

be one Sunday morning we'll practice our zone defense.

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On last Sunday morning, I was informed that the annual Bridge to Bridge bicycle race will begin this Sunday morning from downtown Lenoir with a different start time. In the past, the race began at 8 and all the riders cleared town by the time people began coming to church services. The start time this year will be staggered with some beginning at 10 and others beginning at 11. This means that sections of downtown will be blocked and large groups of riders will be moving through our normal traffic patterns. I believe this event will not only create problems for those who worship at the downtown churches, it will also present safety issues as well.

I have requested that our parking lots not be used by those participating in the race. I have also registered my disappointment that the churches were not consulted and were only notified one week before hand. As the saying goes..."It is what it is." We will need to be careful, come earlier than usual, and pray for the safety of those involved. DBS

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Grace happens!
MORE KITCHEN NOTES

Wednesday night meals are back in full swing. Thank you for your support of the meals; it is greatly appreciated! In keeping with some housekeeping issues during our Wednesday night meals, here are some reminders for you:

Parents, please do not allow your children to run around the steam tables after they eat; this is a hot food service area and they can get hurt or fall.

Please help serve your children so they don't get more than they can eat. We've noticed wasted food from taking too much.

Please put your beverage into a carry-out cup if you want to keep it after dinner, so that all dishware can be washed and **please keep all food in the dining area.**

The Kitchen Staff

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FAMILY NIGHT MENU

Wednesday, September 23

- BBQ Chicken
- Hashbrown Casserole
- Corn on the Cob
- Carrot Raisin Salad
- Corn Bread
- Chocolate Chip Bread
- Pudding
- *Chicken Nuggets/
- Carrot Sticks

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT

September 23, 2009

WELCOME AND BLESSING

Jason Clapsaddle

TAKEOUTS

Tom Davis

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**SUNDAY MORNING
OFFERTORY PRAYER**

September 20, 2009

Gary Shore

STAFF

David B. Smith
Senior Minister

Fred D. Barnes
Pastor Emeritus

Thomas R. Hinton
Minister of Music and Youth

Rebecca K. Lawing
Children's Ministry

Nan R. Benfield
Preschool Director

Rodney Ward
Organist

Elizabeth Icenhour
Executive Assistant

Geneva R. Bradshaw
Administrative Assistant

Paul C. McCurry
Maintenance Supervisor

Terri Clapsaddle
Hostess

Terry Hagy
Custodian

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