

## FINANCIAL REPORT

October 4, 2009

Budget  
Offering \$ 16,367.45  
Budget Needs  
Per Week \$ 12,616.08  
Budget Needs  
To Date \$504,643.08  
Budget Receipts  
To Date \$480,237.10

## SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

October 4, 2009

General Officers	5
Preschool	18
Grades 1 - 2	8
Grades 3 - 4	5
Grades 5 - 6	6
Junior High	2
Senior High	14
Journey as One Class	10
Shuford Class	5
Young Adult Class	13
Ladies Class	8
Ledbetter Class	31
Beam Class	26
Samaritan Class	13
20-30 Something Class	8
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## NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

October 11, 2009

### **BABIES**

Dennis and Susan  
Whitener

### **TODDLERS**

Chris and Jackie  
Washburn

### **TWO YEAR OLDS**

Cotton and Sandi  
Triplett

### **THREE YEAR OLDS**

Debra Pritchard  
HELP NEEDED, PLEASE

### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Hal and Becca Lawing

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

## YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to Martha Chase and Susan Walker for their help with the youth supper on Sunday evening.

Sunday, October 11 -

Regular Schedule

October is "turn in  
*The Edge* money" month!

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### FLOWER POLICY

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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### SAVE THIS DATE!

*Circle October 25<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. On this date we will gather at 6:00 p.m. at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church for a joint worship service and food and fellowship time with our sister church.*

*Please join us and bring a dish to share.*

## BIRTHDAYS

October 13

Mrs. Faye Finwall  
Todd Perdue  
Mrs. Margaret Seagle

October 14

Emily Bumgarner

October 15

Austin Helms  
Russ Johnson, III  
Mrs. Rita Joines

October 16

Carter Finwall  
James "Bo" Hughes, III

October 17

Valerie Miller  
Bruce Warren

October 18

Mrs. Jean Beach  
1250 Arbor Rd., Rm 710  
Winston-Salem 27104

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### CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY

#### **Plan Ahead!**

There will be a live nativity scene on the square on Friday, December 11, complete with costumes, carols, and live animals.

If you would like to be one of the characters in the Christmas story, we would like to know of your interest. The story is told through scripture and carols so you would not have to learn any speaking parts.

If you are interested in helping with this community event let our office know!

## PASTOR'S NOTES

I was a young pastor and he was 30+ years older than I. At some time in the past he had joined our church, but now he never came. His wife and special needs adult daughter were present every Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night. I would visit him and we'd talk about the airplane he once built in his garage and his catfish fishing in the river. He didn't want to talk much about spiritual things. He didn't want to talk about his alcohol problem.

One night he called to tell me that he'd been arrested for DUI. He asked me to come bail him out of the jail. I told him I'd come the next morning, but not that night. I figured he'd never talk to me again. But he was kindhearted and not one to hold a grudge.

Through the coming months, we kept in touch. Our boys were small and since he never had a son, he wanted to teach them to fish. He'd show up at 5:30 in the morning and the boys and I would go fishing. The boys didn't care about fishing, but he would pack enough candy and sweets that weren't available at home to keep them ready to go every time he called.

Gradually, we came to speak of the eternal

things. We spoke of the magnificent creation and the God who created the universe. We spoke of our need of forgiveness and our need of Jesus Christ.

The time came for us to move to the next stage of life. As I was leaving town, my friend came to our door with a present. This present sits on my desk. It is a river rock. On one side of the rock there is a personal inscription. On the other these words are written: "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone." He asked me to keep the rock and offer it to anyone who was ready to throw stones.

When I looked at the rock this morning, I thought of my friend. He's part of the heavenly courts this morning. His struggles are over and he is at peace. He has left me with a wonderful gift of memories and a rock which I shall cherish all the days of my life. You see, my friend taught me about struggles, forgiveness, and our complete and total need of the power of God in our life.

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### REMINDERS

Virginia-Satie Circle

Meeting - Monday,  
October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Encore Luncheon and

Program - Monday,  
October 12<sup>th</sup>.

### SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Polly in the death of Janice's father, Mr. Clarence Ford on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

We extend Christian sympathy to the family of Mrs. Sarah Hamrick who died on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

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### BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention meets in Greensboro November 9 - 11. Our church is entitled to 9 messengers. You may go for all the sessions or those which you are able to attend.

We will provide transportation for those who would go for the Tuesday sessions. Please contact the pastor or Todd Perdue if you would be able to attend.

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### WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH APPRECIATION SPECIAL GIFTS IN MEMORY OF...

. . . Lt. Col. C. Hal Moore to the General Memorial Fund from the Lee Powell Post #5381, VFW.

. . . Mr. Joe Rowland to Special Missions Funds from Dr. Myra A. Dickson.

IN OUR LIBRARY

New Books for Adults

**The Five People You Meet in Heaven**  
by Mitch Albom  
**Heaven** by Randy Alcorn  
**The Wheel of Life** by Elisabeth Kubler-Ross  
**Believing God**  
by Beth Moore  
**A Bride in the Bargain**  
Historical Romance by Deeanne Gist

New Books for Youth

**The Miracle Girls**  
By Anne Dayton  
**Me, Just Different**  
By Stephanie Morrill  
**Breaking Up Is Hard to Do** by Anne Dayton  
**Tidings of Great Boys**  
By Shelley Adina

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FAMILY NIGHT MENU

Wednesday, October 14

Chicken Pie  
Steamed Broccoli/  
Cheese Sauce  
Croissants  
Fruited Coleslaw  
Mississippi Mud Cake  
\*Beef tacos and  
Tortilla chips

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT

October 14, 2009

WELCOME AND BLESSING

Lee Layton

TAKEOUTS

Freddie Moore

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SUNDAY MORNING  
OFFERTORY PRAYER

October 11, 2009

Lee Layton

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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