

Happenings @ HHBC

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MARCH 2019

From the Pastor's Pen:

I recently read an interesting article written by Dr. Bill Wilson, Jr. President of The Center for congregation Health. I have included his entire article because it will cause us to look deeply at some important issues for the coming year.

SEVEN THINGS YOUR PASTOR WISHES YOU KNEW BUT IS AFRAID TO TELL YOU

1. It's not their fault, but; your minister didn't learn everything they needed to be a pastor in Seminary. Like doctors leaving medical school, clergy need a time to do their "residence" and learn to practice in the field what they've learned in the classroom. Actually, that theological education NEVER stops...so give your minister permission to not be perfect and to always be learning.
2. Every pastor must learn to "choose their guilt." So will you. There is always more to do than there is time to do it. Every minister must come to terms with an inherent guilt around what he or she did not do today. Too often that means their own family gets the leftovers. By the way, this is a dilemma for all of us regardless of our vocation.
3. Be kind if you have criticism. Healthy clergy welcome constructive criticism. Everyone abhors petty nitpicking. Make sure you engage in the former and not the latter.
4. Please have some realistic expectations for the minister's family. How many ways can we say this? Please give your minister's family an extra measure of grace.
5. Please err on the side of generosity. I'm not just talking about money, though I am talking about money. I also mean be generous with your attention, your questions, your interest, your ability to remember my mother's names, your laughter, your food, your jokes, your invitations to ball games, your LIFE.
6. Your minister loves you, but he may or may not like you. Just like your family, there are days when your spouse/parent loves you, but is frustrated by you or wondering what they did to deserve you. That ambivalence is part of being human. Own it and expect it.

7. Your comfort is not your minister's primary concern. Hope you know this. If not, read the Bible and remind yourself why your church exists in the first place. Trying to be priest (comforting the afflicted) and prophet (afflicting the comfortable) to the same people is confusing, messy and an invitation to misunderstandings.

These are some good thoughts to consider. See you in church on Sunday.

Pastor Gene

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Bob and Ruth Fincannon, 1880 Brookwood Ave., Apt. 204, Burlington, NC 27215, Phone: 336-570-8597.

John Crawford, 223 Oakland Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, Phone: 817-832-1314.



CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a called business meeting immediately after morning worship this Sunday, March 3 to call a pianist.

NGO (Never Grow Old)
Tuesday, March 19, 2019
11:30 a.m.

Mosca's Restaurant
3402 S. Church Street
Please join us!



Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead before going to bed on Saturday night, March 9. Daylight savings time begins Sunday, March 10.

CHURCH WEATHER CLOSING POLICY

This winter we will continue to use Channel 2 (WFMY), Cable Channel 9, to announce our closing plans. Forecasts will be reviewed and local conditions surveyed when practical, and a decision made by the Pastor, with advice from the Chairman of the Deacons and the Properties Chairman. Please, be alert to that channel Saturday night and Sunday morning. Wednesday night closings will be handled by calls from the deacons. The parking lot and walks will be scraped, or salt applied when appropriate, but each person should review their own situation before venturing out, and use extra precaution. **WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T COME OUT!!!**

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for your very kind gift to Lower Cape Fear Hospice. They do wonderful work and truly care and show constant compassion to patients and their families. Walker Johnson was a fine Christian man, husband, loving father and grandfather. He is missed everyday and loved more than ever. The entire Johnson family again thanks you.

Kay Johnson, Leland, NC

DEACON'S MEETING

The deacons will meet on Monday, March 4 at 6:30 pm

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY LUNCH AND LEARN SERIES

Speaker will begin at 11:00 A. M. with lunch served at Noon on Thursday, March 28th at the Holly Hill Baptist Church. *Fire and Fall Prevention in the Home* is the topic for this date. Sign up required. Call the Mt. Zion Baptist Association, 336-226-0249, Monday –Thursday, 9 am –2 pm by March 25.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 4 Deacons Meet, 6:30 pm
- Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26—NAMI Classes in Fellowship Hall, 6:30—9
- Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Time Begins
Spring Ahead 1 hour by 2 am on Saturday, March 9
- Mar. 11 NAMI, 7:30 pm
- Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 19 NGO, meets at 11:30 am
Mosca's Italian Restaurant
3402 S. Church St
- Mar. 25 Deadline for April N/L, 9:30 am
- Mar. 28 Senior Luncheon, 11 am—1
- Mar. 28 NAMI, 7 pm
- Mar. 31 Communion, 10:30 am
Morning Service

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Eight More Months

Though that may seem like a long time off our collecting for shoe box gifts is off and running. For the month of March continue to bring wash cloths, soap, toothbrushes, combs and brushes, and deodorant. No toothpaste please.

Also if you have any large prescription medicine containers that are empty. These make wonderful receptacles to put sewing kits and fishing kits in. Just remove label and put in OCC box at church.

For those who want a complete list of suggestions for the boxes a list will be with the Operation Christmas Child display.

ANNANI

Annani reads a Braille textbook at the Village of Light school for the blind. Annani is visually impaired but not blind. In the country of Togo where he lives to be blind is a curse.

Annani excels at his school academically. What is most important to him is knowing that God loves him. Recently at the school the children received Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts.

Annani received many things in his box among them a tennis ball, a soccer ball and pencils. Annani said that through these gifts and the booklet **The Greatest Story Ever Told** that God loves him, that he was a sinner and needed Jesus as his Savior.

Even though many of the children could not see their gifts, through touch and feeling the same joy came to them as children with sight. Most of all they learned even though they were blind God loves them.

Remember our goal for 2019 is 175 shoeboxes.

Meals-on-Wheels

Monday, Mar. 4: Ken & Jean Stout
 Tuesday, Mar. 5: Eldridge & Vicki Matkins
 Wednesday, Mar. 6: Randy & Vickie Godwin
 Thursday, Mar. 7: Allen & Connie Swisher

SERVICE TIMES

Sundays: Sunday School: 9:15 am
 Worship Service: 10:30 am
Wednesdays: Choir Practice: 6:00 pm
 Prayer/Bible Study: 6:45 pm

Secretary's Hours:

Mon & Wed. 8:30—2 pm
 Thurs. 8:30-12 noon
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MARCH

BIRTHDAYS

- 2..June Johnson
- 6. John Marr, Charlotte Melton
- 8. Dot King
- 10. T. L. Melton, Cecilia Marmolejo
- 14. Bud Durham
- 19. Marilyn Howard
- 21. Maxine Thornton
- 25. Faye Alcon
- 30. Vickie Godwin



MARCH

ANNIVERSARIES

- 19, Dan & Ann Cowen (49th)
- 25. Jim & Marilyn Howard (24th)
- 28. Earl & Debra Jagers (44th)



(Please let us know, call 336-584-8040 if you were left off the March Birthday or Anniversary list.)

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Deacon: Ken Stout						
3 Called Business Meeting after Morning worship	4 Deacons meet 6:30 pm	5 NAMI Class 6:30-9	6 Choir 6 pm Prayer/Bible Study 6:45 pm	7	6	9
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24 31 Communion	25 April N/L deadline 9:30 am	26 NAMI Class 6:30-9	27 Choir 6 pm Prayer/Bible Study 6:45 pm	28 Mt. Zion Senior Luncheon 11-1 NAMI 7 pm	29	30