

April 2019

North Spray News



A LINE FROM LEM

By Lem Hardison, Minister



DEMONS vs. PRAYER What Do the Scriptures Say?

We fail to realize how many of the problems we wrestle with today are simply Satanic. The Apostle Paul concludes his letter to the Ephesians by telling them (and us) *“Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground.”* (Eph. 3:12-13)

Steve Hemphill, nationally known speaker and author is coming to Eden on April 14th-17th. He will be speaking at the Central Christian Church, 233 E. Stadium Dr., where I ministered before coming to North Spray. I would encourage you to join me at as many of the sessions as possible. The schedule and topics are as follows:

Sunday, April 14--9:30 a.m. – *The Covenant*

11:00 am--**Spiritual Warfare 101**

6:00 pm—**Demons in Scripture & Symbols Matter**

Monday, April 15—7:00 p.m.—Can Demons Affect Christians?

Tuesday, April 16—7:00 p.m.—Things That Hinder Prayers, Markers on the Land, & After the Armor Is On

Wednesday April 17—7:00pm—Reading List To Go Deeper, Surviving Tough Times, Paul’s Thorn, Your Charge, & My Favorite Prayers

Let’s take advantage of these teaching sessions. Hope to see you at Central Christian Church for some of these sessions.

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All of our elders are invited to come and join our pastor in prayer at **9:30 each Sunday morning** as we prepare for the day ahead.

F.Y. I. (For Your Information)

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

Our annual Hotdog luncheon and Easter Egg Hunt will be on **Palm Sunday, April 14**. Make plans to be here for a meaningful service and good fellowship afterward.



Maundy Thursday
April 18
Service at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday
April 21

The **Church Office** will be **closed on Easter Monday, April 22**, in observance of the holiday.



Earth Day
Monday, April 22

Earth Stewardship Sunday will be **observed on April 28**. We will have a **food drive** especially for CCM on that Sunday. Everyone is encouraged to bring non-perishable items and place them in the collection box at the door.

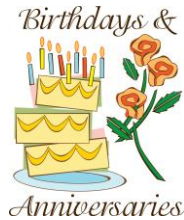


Administrative Professionals’ Day
Wednesday, April 24



Birthdays for April

April Stacey	6
Maelyn Goodman	9
Sylvia Brown	10
Felicia Heyward	11
Noah Dalton, Elizabeth Key	15
Ciarra Hernandez	19
Sara Hankins	24
Mason Davis	27
Barney Walker, Jr.	28
Tim Bailey, Angie Strader	30

**Anniversaries for April**

Lenzie & Jean Light Kinyon	1
Clay & Mary Lee Perkins	3

Service for April**Communion**

7 – Debra Moore/Alasia Belcher
14 – Stephanie Merrick/Berenice Sosa
21 – Jerry & Michelle Walker
28 – Paul & Annette White



Note: You do not have to be here early to prepare communion. We have a volunteer who does that. You are only responsible for cleaning up after service.

Deacons

Bill Bailey
Marilyn Hardison
Nicole Wade
Annette White

**Elders**

Mary Barrett
Lucille Morris

Money Counters

Michelle Walker
Carolyn Pratt

**Greeters**

7 – Marilyn Hardison
14 – Barbara Spurlin
21 – Lucille Morris
28 – Mary Barrett

**Worship Leader**

7 – Bill Koontz
14 – Heather Wakefield
21 – Paul White



28 – Marilyn Hardison

Children's Church

7 – Beth Lewis/Maddie Reynolds
14 – Jo Dell Murphy/Carley Reynolds
21 – Mary Barrett/Kinleigh Blackwell
28 – Debra Moore/Maddie Boothe

**Youth Teachers**

Mary Barrett
Beth Lewis

Bulletin Board for March/April

Worship Committee

Note: If you are unable to be present on your designated Sunday for any of the above services, please call someone to fill in for you.

Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone, please call the church office and let our secretary know the date and all pertinent information. (Please note that there are standing dates for Easter lilies and poinsettias at Christmas)

Service Opportunities:**Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM)**

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

The CCM food pantry is located at the Leaksville Moravian Church. The food pantry is open 9:30-12:00 on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Those in need should just go to the church and they will be assisted once a month.

We are asked to bring food on the **first Sunday of each month** and place it in the box in the hallway. There is always a need for **2 lb. bags of sugar & flour, peanut butter and jelly, rice, Jiffy muffin mix, spaghetti sauce, powdered or canned milk, cereal, crackers, and all canned goods, especially meats, soups, and fruits.**

CCM is more than a food pantry. You may also give monetary donations to help clients with utilities and for purchasing extra food. These can be put in a pew envelope and marked for CCM on the outside or send your donations to PO Box 931, Eden, NC 27289-0931. All of your donations, food and funds, are greatly appreciated.



Thank you to Barney and Lou Strutton for delivering our donations to the food closet each month!

Salvation Army Service

We are serving meals at the **Salvation Army** on the 3rd and 5th Fridays each month. This month our date will be **Friday, April 19**. Our thanks to those who serve so faithfully. If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry, please see Bobbie Hill.

Special Happenings...

By Sylvia Brown, Editor



Our next **Destination Unknown** trip is on Saturday, **April 20, from 2:45-8:30 p.m.** This will be a combined trip of youth and adults. The cost is \$10 per person, plus food expenses. See Thomas Knight to sign up.

The church office has installed an update of our PowerChurch Plus program. This is the program we keep our church membership, attendance, and financial records with. We will now be able to send out reports and the board information by email each month, rather than copying and preparing. There will also be a few copies available for those who don't have email access.

We also updated on Calendar Creator program, which we use to create the calendars you find in your newsletter each month.

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By Beth Lewis/Heather Wakefield



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Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF)

By Faye Wood, President



A group of our ladies attended the **CWF District Event** on Saturday, March 30, at Stokesdale

Christian Church. We hope to share pictures of the trip in our next issue.

The **CWF** has **boxed greeting cards** (priced on box) and **Danny Duzit scrubbing pads** (\$2.00 each) on sale. These may be purchased from any member of the CWF. Money can be given to Michelle Walker or the church office. These items are in the closet just beyond the coat rack in the hallway.

Christian Men's Fellowship (CMF)

By Paul White, President



The **CMF** will meet again on **Monday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Church Street Station**. All of our men are encouraged to attend. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m.

Save the Date:

Two events for later in the year have already been put on the calendar. Please mark these dates and participate in these fun events.

Vacation Bible School – July 28-31, 2019 at Spray United Methodist Church

Community Block Party – September 28, 2019, 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Spray United Methodist Church

A Word from the Board

By Lucille Morris, Board Chair

The next **meeting of the board** will be on **Monday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m.** All committee chairs are encouraged to attend or send a report from your committee. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m.

The Thursday Bible Study group meets **each Thursday at 11:00 a.m.** in the conference room. Come and join them for Bible study and prayer.

We are still participating in a fundraiser with **Recycling Fundraiser** (formerly



EcoPhones), which will accept **inkjet cartridges, all cell phones, all tablets, and select other portable electronic devices**. If you have any of these items you would like to donate, drop them in the box in the corner of the Communion Room. Please support our church by recycling your used electronics. See Thomas Knight if you have any questions.

Join us for our Fellowship Reception, each Sunday, 10:30-10:55 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Doughnuts, biscuits, and drinks are available, along with great fellowship before worshipping together.

Each Monday night some of our members are meeting at the church to pray for our church. We share prayer concerns and Bible study, pray, and share communion beginning at **6:30 p.m. Come, join us!**

REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS: (*NSCC members)



In the Hospital:

UNC Medical Center, Chapel Hill: Peakie Ward
(Jean & Rhonda's cousin)

Immediate Needs:

Remington Armga – child with brain cancer – added to prayer list by LaRue & Dee Roberts
*Faye Clark – Room 189, UNC Rockingham Nursing Center
Lawrence Harris – 93 Ford Street, Collinsville, VA 24075
*Jean Light Kinyon – PO Box 4, Stoneville
Charles Marlowe – recovering from liver transplant
Mike & Lynda Perry – 407 Lynrock Street
Jake Ragland – Kathryn Metro's fiancé – 517 Cedar Street – doing tests for mass on lung
*Angie Strader – 636 Riverside Drive
Speedy White – Back problems – 206 Howe Street

Ongoing Needs/Homebound:

Belle Banks – 1305 Wentworth St., Reidsville
*Judy Barnes – 316 Harry Akers Street
Bernice "Tootsie" Carter – 714 Church Street
Hazel Compton – Roger's mother – Brian Center
*Sandra Davis – 212 Wimbish Road
*Betty Eggleston – Room 191, UNC Rockingham Rehab/Nursing Center
*June Gatewood – now living w/Connie & Bill – 408 Highland Drive
Doug Gold – esophageal cancer – Friend/classmate of Thomas Knight, 6309 Island View Dr., Concord, NC 28025
Jim Good – 526 N. Bridge Street
Shirley Gray – Mike's mother – 651 Roberts Road
Malta Hagler – Betty Shively's cousin/Bill Koontz's aunt – 230 Hidden Valley Drive, Apt. 257
Matthew Hammond – Dee Roberts' son, Stage 4 Liver Cancer
Gayle Hand – Chris' mother – Jacob's Creek N/C, 1721 Bald Hill Loop, Madison, NC 27025
*Marilyn Hardison – 200 Wilson Street
Ron Hardison – 200 Wilson Street

*Obera Harris – 810 McConnell Avenue
*Marissa Hernandez – 914 Central Avenue
*Diane Kennon – 340 Daniel Adkins Street
*Connie Koontz/*Kathryn Metro – 408 Highland Drive
Shelvia Koontz – Bill's mother – Brian Center
*Pauline Litaker – c/o 5215 Southwind Road, Greensboro, NC 27455
Geneva Lawson – Nursing Home in Banner Elk – Severe Dementia
*Lillie Meeks – Room 15, Brookdale, 314 W. Kings Hwy.
*Vera Mae Morris – Bayberry Inn, #14
*Kim Morrison – 604-G Lynrock Street
Peggy Pendleton – Room 405, Brookdale, 2931 Vance Street, Reidsville
LaRue Roberts – increasing knee problems – 251 N. 114th Street, Unit 412, Apache Junction, AZ 85120
Bobbie Shough – Bayberry, 511 Carolyn Court
*Van Shropshire – Room 501, Brian Center
Jill Slaughter – Room 306, Brian Center
Bill Southard – Brenda's Husband – 1144 Ellett Ave.
*John Stacey – 1106 Harris Street
*Frances Stephens – Cancer/Hospice Care – 14529 Saturn Circle, Bloomington, IL 61704
Martie Stephens – Alzheimer's Unit at same Nursing Center that Frances is in. Use Same Address
Susan Talley – 213 Portsmouth Drive
*Nathan Townsend – 241 Turner Drive, Unit C, Reidsville
Patsy Vestal – 640 E. Stadium Drive
Scott Vestal – 555 Victor Street
*Charles & *Louise Washburn – 201 Saturn Dr., Ridgeway, VA 24148
*Foot & *Harriet Washburn – 1229 Harris Street
Joyce White – Frankie's mother/Nancy's sister – 206 Howe Street
*Faye & *Melvin Wood – 9730 Hwy. 87, Reidsville, 27320

Also Remember: Jeremy Stewart and others in the military

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Joan Washburn at her death on Sunday, March 24. Joan was the sister-in-law of Charles Washburn.



Coming in May ...

Sun., May 12 – Mother's Day
Mon., May 13 – CMF Mtg. @ Church St. Station
Mon., May 20 – Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Mon., May 27 – Memorial Day – Office Closed



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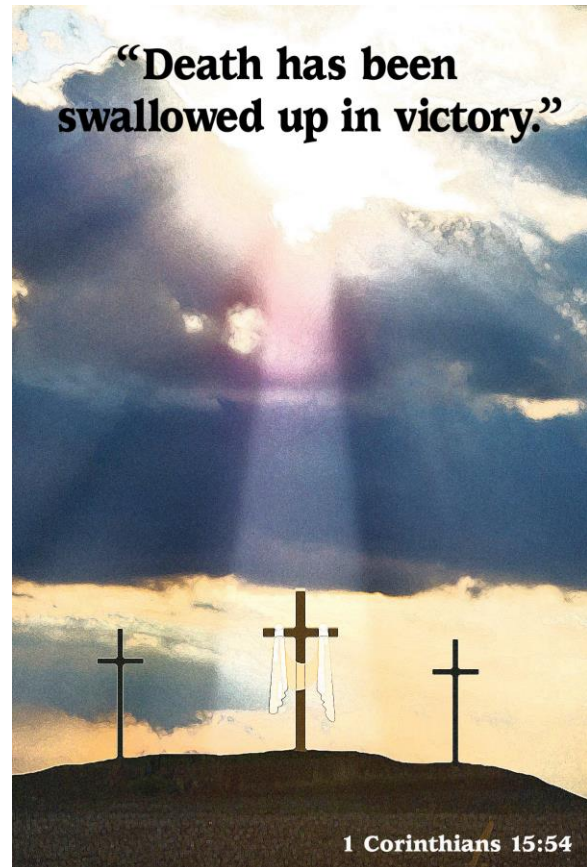
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