

## May Birthdays!!!

- May 1 Wayne Smith
- May 2 Kim Gilbert, Jessica Barefoot
- May 3 Betty Baldwin, Jay Randall, Scott Eason
- May 4 Cooper Hartzog, Damon D'Ambrosio, Jason Day
- May 5 Pam Marsh, Nathan Perry
- May 6 April Eason, Crystal Clowers
- May 7 Harold Cotton, Clarence Tutor, Joyce Hare, Bob Vaughan, Peggy Oakley
- May 8 Paige Black, Shirley Williamson
- May 9 Carla Henley, Carla Babb, Hannah Maze
- May 10 Chelsea Head, Jim Bohannon, Diane D'Ambrosion
- May 11 Addison Randall
- May 12 Martha Smith, Amanda Dickerson, Danielle Knowles
- May 13 Chad Thompson, David Cotton Jr., Kaitlin Savage, Cyndi Beardslee
- May 14 Lisa Byrd
- May 15 Linda Ennis, Judy Bridges, Bob Harris, Chris Hendricks
- May 16 Coy Thompson, Gretchen Gray, Craig Salmon
- May 17 Chuck Jones, Samantha Searcy, Clyde Rhodes
- May 18 Frances Gray, Jenny Simpson
- May 19 Denise Hering, Neal Bridges
- May 20 Ruby Seagroves, Terry Beasley
- May 21 Shannon Rowland
- May 22 Will Gray, Dennis Hartzog
- May 23 Tracy Smith, Sarah Davis, Paula Frazier, Donna Kaczynski, Hunter Sarbacker
- May 24 Melissa Midgett
- May 25 Carson Brewer, Carolyn Bowling, Lynn Powell
- May 26 Neal Nuce, Lewis Williford, Margie Walters, Olivia Keel, Neil Mithcell
- May 27 Nicole Jones, Katie Frazier, Dan McCollum
- May 28 Glenn Stephens
- May 29 Brenda Morse, Leslie Moon, Matthew Sadler
- May 30 Christie Howell
- May 31 Sylvia Knight, Faith Gray, Kirsten Gray

Happy Birthday!!!

### TUESDAY TELLER TEAMS

- May 6 Barbara Stephens & Peggy Ross
- May 13 Gene & Sue Kelly
- May 20 Mollie Smith & Ann Wilson
- May 27 Shirley Lindsay & Dot Tingen

### WELCOME CENTER GREETERS

- May 4 Bart Williams, Jeff Hendricks, Jenny Sink, Denise Hering & Donel Braxton
- May 11 Dale Turbyfill, Bob Tysinger, David Oakley, Dot Tingen & Ricky Lamm
- May 18 Horace Evans, Glenn Stephens, Daniel Savage, Troy Ragland & Walter Stapleton
- May 25 James Adcock, Brad Smith & Bo Black

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

- May 4 Open
- May 11 Open
- May 18 Open
- May 25 Open

### DEACON OF THE WEEK

- May 3 Chuck Jones 552-6186
- May 10 Jeff Babb 773-0877
- May 17 Jay Adcock 552-6724
- May 24 Maurice Lindsay 552-9539
- May 31 Phil Smith 779-3907

### WED. NIGHT SUPPER SCHEDULE

(Prepare Desserts, Serve & Clean Up)

- May 7 Tysinger/Adcock Class
- May 14 Vaughan Class
- May 21 Upchurch Class
- May 28 Pathfinder's Class

### OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- \*David and Jane Greene in the death of David's brother, Vance
- \*The Wayne and Carolyn Byrd Family in the death of Carolyn's mother, Violet Bowling
- \*The Frances Clark Family in her death
- \*Alma Jones and the Barbara Keith Family in the death of Barbara, Alma's daughter
- \*The Tony and Sally Smith family in the death of Sally's father
- \*The Russell and Chrystie Judy family in the death of Chrystie's grandfather, Ed Harrison

# THE PLEASANT NEWS

PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
10005 LAKE WHEELER ROAD  
FUQUAY-VARINA, NC 27526  
(Address correction requested)



Dr. Charles Dorman, Interim Pastor  
Rev. Rick Carter, Minister of Music & Pastoral Care  
Rev. Chad Whitley, Minister of Youth & Congregational Services  
Carla Babb, Mother's Morning Out Director

Pastor's Home Phone 872-9515  
Church Phone: 919-552-4634  
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Web Page: [www.pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org](http://www.pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org)

April 23, 2008

## Missions Chicken & Barbecue Fundraiser

Friday, May 16, 2008

11 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Homemade Baked Goods will also be available

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## Senior Adult Day

Sunday, May 4

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## Parent/Child Dedication

Sunday, May 11 during Worship Service

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## Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 18, 2008

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes to the Father but by me."

Way back...way, way, back, when I was a "youth", I went to a youth conference in Greensboro and came face to face to a new phenomenon called "the Jesus movement". Coming from a smaller more traditional church and community, this new way of proclaiming my faith was a surprise to me. The songs were different...the worship was different...the dress was different. One of the things our youth brought back with us from that conference was a "Jesus cheer". We were excited enough to want to lead our church in this experience. Needless to say, for a variety of reasons, this "cheer" didn't seem to have the same result to our adult congregation as it did for a coliseum full of youth and youth leaders. In many ways we still have to deal with these types of change. Now I am the older person. Now I have to see things in a different light and be willing to see the merit in doing things differently.

I have been blessed in my ministry to have experienced so many worthwhile additions to music ministry...the first youth musicals, the use of accompaniment tracks, the use of praise and worship literature, the addition of praise bands to worship times, the focus on worship leadership rather than performance, and the impact of drama and contemporary worship in our churches.

But just like the "Jesus cheer", if our focus is firmly planted in proclaiming Christ as Lord, why should any of these things or future things be divisive. They should not be. I do believe that you are a congregation that understands and encourages this. Your attitude is one of encouragement to all of our worship leaders in all of the means that they use to be a witness for Christ. Thank you for exhibiting that type of spirit at Pleasant Grove!  
So.....

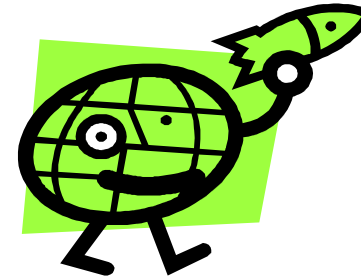
Give me a J! Give me a E! Give me a S! Sorry...for a minute I was back in Greensboro, young, long hair and skinny!

The Pleasant Grove Singers had their first rehearsal on Monday night, April 14. If you initially signed up for this group and are still interested, please join us for our next rehearsal. We will meet in the sanctuary...Solomon's Porch has a need for 1 to 3 additional singers. If a more contemporary style of sacred music is attractive to you, please call me to see if this ensemble is a good option for you...A number of "special services" are scheduled for May. Look to your calendar for dates for these upcoming events...We will have a Senior Adult Choir rehearsal on Monday morning, April 28 at 10:00. This in preparation for Senior Adult Day on May 4. James Agnew will serve as our music leader that day. Come join us!

A special thanks to James Agnew and Dot Tysinger for assuming much of my music responsibilities on the Sunday's I was away. It is great to have so many talented individuals in our church...Thanks!

*Welcome back, one and all, to your very favorite column:*

## CHAD'S HEAP O' STUFF!



What up, my peeps? That's right, it's time once again for your favorite column, CHAD'S HEAP O' STUFF! I'm your host, Chad Whitley, and I'll be taking you on a whirlwind tour of upcoming events and activities that will excite and terrify you. Well, except for the terrify part. I hope. Please. Anyway...

Bullets! They're everywhere, they're everywhere!

**Sunday, May 4...**Parent Meeting for Pittsburgh Mission Trip participants...**Friday, May 16...**Missions BBQ (we need youth to sell tickets and work the dinner shift)...**Saturday, May 17...**Mobile House Party at the Vaughan Residence (bring a friend or an enemy; we'll love 'em both)...**Sunday, May 18...**Graduate Recognition Day (submit those names, right away) and trip to see Prince Caspian (plan to pay about \$9 by April 30 so that we can order tickets)...**June 14-20...**Mission to Pittsburgh...**be watching and listening for an updated Summer calendar. We are in the process of trying to fit everything in, but we have several things on the docket.**

The Recreation Committee would like to invite everyone to join us as we dream the possibilities for our Family Life Center. During the month of May, you will receive in your Sunday School classes a survey developed by our Rec Committee. The survey appears (in miniature form) in this very newsletter. We would encourage everyone to study the survey, pray over it, and participate in it when it arrives on May 4. We believe that the possibilities are limitless, but we need your help to capture those possibilities and make them a reality. Will you dream with us?

And now it's time for the GRAMMAR LESSON OF THE MONTH!

First-person pronouns confuse **me** sometimes; **I** don't always know what to do. For most of **us**, they just provide unnecessary anxiety, but with a bit of help, **we** can learn how to use them properly. All four first-person pronouns appear in the above two sentences (me, I, us, and we). Here's a helpful hint: **I** and **we** are always *subjective*; they stand in for the subject of a sentence. When dealing with *objects* (direct or indirect), we use **me** and **us**. So, for example, we would say "Barnaby and **I** are going to the store," not "**Me** and Barnaby are going to the store." If you don't believe me, take Barnaby out of the equation: "**I** am going to the store," versus "**Me** am going to the store." Only one sounds right! Use **me** and **us** like this: "Just between you and **me**, Barnaby does not want to take **us** to the store."

Love you guys!

Chad

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

<b>MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDS.....</b>	<b>\$ 47,162.91</b>
March Actual Budget Receipts.....	43,771.61
March Actual Budget Expense.....	-40,151.78
<b>March ACTUAL RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>3,619.83</b>
<b>YEAR TO DATE BUDGET NEEDS.....</b>	<b>141,488.75</b>
Year to Date Actual Budget Receipts.....	105,678.28
Year to Date Actual Budget Expenses.....	-104,235.91
<b>YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>1,442.37</b>
<b>FLC LOAN BALANCE AS OF March 31, 2008.....</b>	<b>\$2,534,719.29</b>

**MAY CHURCH CONFERENCE SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2008 @ 7 p.m.**

The Personnel Committee recommends that salary for the Minister of Music and Pastoral Care be raised by \$5,000 to bring the salary for this position better in line with the market. The Personnel Committee provides this special notice that the discussion for this recommendation and a vote will be held at the next business meeting.

The Missions Committee recommends that up to \$2,400 (\$75 per person/up to 32 people) be given to the Youth for the Pittsburgh Mission Trip June 2008. The youth will work at the Missions Chicken & Barbecue Fundraiser in return for this offering.

**March 30, 2008, Special Called Church Conference Summary**

The conference was held to vote on the following recommendation: That the WMU be allowed to assemble and sale unused items on the church property at the church-wide yard sale on April 5, 2008. Selection of items will be approved by Roy Morton, Chad Whitley, and the Furnishings Committee. Motion carried.

**April 13, 2008, Church Conference Summary**

The Nominating Committee updated the 2007-2008 report. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion carried.

The Publicity Committee recommended the placement of two new white vinyl aluminum signs on 18"x48" posts facing both incoming directions at the Family Life Center close to both support columns at a cost not to exceed \$155.00 each plus cost of posts. Signs will identify the building as "Family Life Center" and "Mother's Morning Out". Motion carried.

The Deacons recommended that the church accept the gift of a high-end laser printer from the Adcock family for use in the church office. Motion carried.

The Youth Council recommended, with deacon approval, that the youth be permitted to host a poor man's lunch in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, April 27, 2008, immediately after morning worship as a fund raiser for the summer mission trip to Pittsburgh, PA. The youth will work the event including set-up, cooking, serving and clean-up. Menu will include hot dogs, chili, chips, drinks, and dessert. Parents of youth will provide the desserts. Motion carried.

**In the Interim  
charles dorman**

I was leaving the Spa where I work out fairly regularly. Two "age challenged" women were approaching the door. They were chatting pleasantly to each other as they entered. I held the door open and spoke to them as they entered. As we passed there was a time for a brief greeting. I said, "Good morning ladies; great day to be outside." One said, "I hope you enjoy the pollen." I replied, "I think I will just enjoy the flowers."

I have been working on this for a long time. It began when a very good friend brought me up short with the comment, "Charles, why are you so negative about everything." I made some strides driving to work in Blacksburg, Virginia and noticed a young man walking along side the road smoking and mused that everyone adds something to the atmosphere about them. Sometimes what we add is toxic; sometime it is a blessing. How wonderful it would be if we all were careful to add blessing to the atmosphere around us.

Somehow, I think that is the very definition of a Christian. John said that The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. (Jn. 1:12).

I always keep reflecting on the Sunday scripture passage. Notice how Jesus dealt with his terrified disciples? He passed beyond the locked door. He spoke quietly to them the traditional greeting of his people, Shalom, Peace be with you. His mission in that moment was to change the atmosphere from fear to faith. Then he said, As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Though they were terrified that they were next; and though they believed that the whole business had failed and they had proved to be miserable cowards, Jesus affirmed their worth by giving them the same mission His Father had given him. Then he breathed on them and said, Receive the Holy Spirit. He gave them himself.

That's how we are to live in Christ. As those who add blessing to the atmosphere the heart breathes.

Shalom. See you Sunday.

**APRIL SPECIAL GIFTS**

**In Memory**

**Delores Babb for the Building Fund** by Harold & Lora Cotton, Braxton Family, J.P. & Becky Savage, Betty H. Griffin, Jay & Tammy Adcock, Peggy Oakley, Elmon & Peggy Ross, Billy & Olene Phillips, Etheleen Clayton

**Cliff Ashburn for the Building Fund** by Braxton Family

**Woodrow Sandy for the Building Fund** by Billy & Kathy Sandy

**Vance Greene for the Building Fund** by Elmon & Peggy Ross, Joe & Carolyn Bowling, Roy & Doris Morton

**James (Bill) Sandy for the Building Fund** by Joe & Carolyn Bowling

**Violet Bowling for the Building Fund** by Joe & Carolyn Bowling, Bob & Frances Wortham, Peggy Oakley, Etheleen Clayton-Annie Armstrong Missions

**Jack and Zelma Rowland for the Sanctuary Facelift** by Don & Faye Taylor

**J.A. Austin for the Building Fund** by Ellen S. Austin

**In Honor**

**Grace Sandy for the Building Fund** by Jimmy & Shirley Sorrell

**Scott Rietvelt for the Building Fund** by Elmon & Peggy Ross

**Dot Tingen for Annie Armstrong Missions** by The Fellowship Sunday School Class

**Lou Jean Peace for Annie Armstrong Missions** by Bob & Frances Wortham

**Carla's Corner**  
**MMO News**

As I write this article we have less than 6 weeks of MMO left. God has blessed us with many small hearts to love and fill with HIS love and care. I say "small hearts: because they are small people in size, but many of their hearts are extremely "BIG" with love and care for one another. It is always a blessing to see the Holy Spirit working through the teachers and our younger children. Their faith is so big! A reminder to me each day about faith. How deep is your faith? DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE GOD CAN DO ANYTHING? HE CAN!!!

As we prepare for graduation, pray along with me that those who leave MMO and take the next step to kindergarten continue to be fed God's word and what they have experienced here at PGBC MMO will be memories of good times; Good times that glorify HIM! I will miss those who will be graduating on May 22nd and look forward to the new flock in September!

It is a honor and privilege to serve in this ministry!!  
Peace,  
Carla  
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**After Hours**

April 20-26	Pastor Rick Carter
April 27-May 3	Pastor Chad Whitley
May 4 – 10	Pastor Dorman
May 11 – 17	Pastor Rick Carter
May 18-24	Pastor Chad Whitley
May 25-31	Pastor Dorman

**Phone Numbers:**  
Pastor Dorman: (919) 872-9515  
Pastor Rick Carter: (919)217-0118  
Pastor Chad Whitley: (919)412-3541

**Tidbits from the Grove**

**\$100 Pecan Pie**  
Grace Sandy sold her pecan pie made for the Yard Sale for \$100. She sold another one for \$25. Wow what a pie!!!

**Governor's School**  
Congratulations to Katie Hockaday for being accepted to the Governor's School. Way to go Katie!!

Congratulations to Ricky & Wanda Lamm in the birth of grandson, Alex, 6 lbs. 4 oz. born 4/3/08. Parents are Bryan and Tracey Jeffries.

Congratulations to Larry & Becky Sink, proud grandparents, and Jenny, proud aunt, in the birth of a baby boy, Ethan Matthew, born April 16, 2008, 7 lbs, 7 oz. 19 ½" long. Parents are Tim and Terre Veeck.

Dear Fellow Laborers,  
It is such a wonderful gift to be able to write again and thank you for the generous gift of \$1105 for the work of sharing the Good News with those who have never heard and helping to meet their needs. I can hardly wait to get back to what is so dear to me.

Thank you also for all your prayers, cards, words of encouragement and love as I have experienced eye transplant surgery. I am so amazed that God brought me home when He did and the doctors were so cooperative in getting this much needed surgery. It extends my ability to continue the work. Your prayers have been a vital part of this.

It has been so good to spend time with you while recuperating and enjoy worship and fellowship at home. God bless you all.  
Love in Christ,  
Lou Jean Peace

Thank you my friends at Pleasant Grove Church Family for your prayers and many other kind deeds during my recent illness.  
Lawrence Monk

Thank you so much for the prayers and the many cards we have received. I feel truly blessed to be part of such a caring church family!  
Love in Christ,  
Carolyn Byrd

**"Happenings..." Deadline** is 2 p.m. each Tuesday.  
**Newsletter Deadline** is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month by noon. You may email your items to: [mary@pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org](mailto:mary@pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org) or you may call the church at 552-4634.

Dear Pleasant Grove,  
Thank you all for being the messengers of God's love to me.  
I was overwhelmed when you met my emergency need with a new heating system! What a blessing that was!  
And those individuals you have sent to help me stand up, clean house, adjust my home environment, and other helps, too numerous to mention!  
God bless you all, I love you all,  
Richard Morton

**WMU News**

**SCHEDULE OF SANCTUARY RESPONSIBILITY BY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS  
(MARCH – MAY 2008)**

<i>Classes (1 person each class)</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Date</i>
Wortham and Upchurch	April 6	May 11
Fellowship and Vaughan	April 13	May 18
Pathfinders and Covenant	April 20	May 25
Caring & Sharing and Young Marrieds	April 27	
Senior Men and Stapleton	May 4	

**SCHEDULE FOR VISITATION TEAMS (MARCH - MAY 2008)**

<i>Visitation Team</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Visitation Team</i>	<i>Date</i>
Alice Stapleton & Janice Willis	March 2	Jan & Cliff McRoy	April
Dale & Annette Turbyfill	March 9	Janice & Larry Willis	April 27
Shirley & Maurice Lindsay	March 16	Lori & Bob Vaughan	May 4,
Doris Arrowood & Martha Smith	March 30	Carolyn & Joe Bowling	May 11
Phil & Suzanne Smith	April 6	Leroy & Gerry Veasey	May 18
Ricky & Wanda Lamm	April 13	Gregg & Vicki Danford	May 25

**WMU Cookbook Project**

WMU has resurrected the cookbook project started three years ago by the Acteens. Bulletin Boards in all three church buildings have the forms needed to submit your recipes and a place to put the completed recipes forms. Recipes will be collected until June 1. Recipes must be printed or typed on the forms. Clipped recipes or recipes submitted without donor names will not be included. After we establish the price for a cookbook we will start taking paid orders. Also, donations "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" may be made to PGBC in an envelope marked "WMU Cookbook Fund". A page will be included recognizing all donations. Proceeds above the cost spent for the cookbooks will go towards the sanctuary facelift. Also, recipes of deceased members will be appreciated as we will include a section dedicated in their memory. If you need additional information, call Jan McRoy, Becky Sink, or Mollie Smith. Thank you for your help with the WMU project.

*Annie Armstrong North American Missions*

*Goal: \$5,500*

*Received to Date: \$3,161*

*Yard Sale Earnings for Sanctuary Facelift*

*\$6,442.75*

**DEACON NOMINATIONS  
SUNDAY, MAY 4**

You will be asked to nominate seven (7) persons for deacon. Please be in prayerful thought and concern for those you will be considering as nominees. May we encourage you to review the Scriptural qualifications in Timothy 3 and Titus 1 to aid you in your decision. Deacon elections will be held Sunday, June 22.

The following seven deacons are rotating off and are not eligible for nomination: Jay Adcock, Jeff Hendricks, Willie Keel, Avery Moore, Larry Sink, Louise Upchurch and Bob Vaughan.

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION  
SUNDAY, MAY 18**

High School & College Graduates are reminded to call the church office and let us know you are graduating and the school from which you will graduate.

**2008 College Graduates**

Chad Whitley Campbell University Divinity School

**2008 High School Graduates**

Brad Smith Wake Christian Academy

**New Couples Ministry Cookout**

There will be a cookout on Saturday, May 31 @ 5 p.m. at the home of Nan and Craig Salmon. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Nan @ 329-7887 by Wednesday, May 28. If childcare is needed, please contact Chad Whitley for a youth referral.

**Senior Adult Day**

On May 4 there will be a luncheon to honor our Senior Adults immediately following the worship service. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish and attend the luncheon. Our Seniors will not be cooking, so please bring enough food for your family plus 2 more people. This is a great way to honor our Seniors who contribute so much to the ministries of PGBC.

**Blood Drive:** Type O, Type A-B, no matter what the type – if it's red, it's needed for the Blood Drive. Sign up soon. Rex Blood Services Bloodmobile will be here May 12, 3-7 PM. Help save a life! Sign up sheets are throughout the church campus or contact the church office or Phil Smith/Tony Page.

**VBS NEWS – July 13 - 17**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! BEACH PARTY IS COMING!! “Surfing Through The Scriptures”...Please begin to pray for VBS as the planning stages gear up. We need workers in all areas and are waiting for your call. If you are interested in serving in VBS please contact Vicki Danford (552-6442) or Susan Tysinger (552-7995). Workshops will be scheduled at a later date.

This survey will be distributed Sunday, May 4 to your Sunday School Classes. Please study the survey, pray over it, and participate in it when it arrives

The Recreation Committee of PGBC is conducting a survey to identify recreational activities that might be of interest to our church members. Please indicate your interest by checking "Participate" or "Lead"...feel free to dream of the possibilities by adding your own ideas in the "Other" section. Thank you!!

Activity	Willing to Participate	Willing to Lead
Aerobics/Exercise		
Basketball		
Volleyball		
Badminton		
Game Nights (Ex. board games, card games)		
Movie Nights		
Crochet		
Quilting		
Softball/Soccer		
Outdoor Activities (Ex. Fishing, hunting, camping)		
Water Sports/Safety (Ex. Boating, skiing)		
Drama/Skits/Puppets		
Landscaping		
Gardening		
Nutrition/Weight Loss		
CPR		
Other:		

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Missions Chicken & Barbecue Fundraiser**  
**Friday, May 16, 2008**  
**11 a.m. until 7 p.m.**  
**Homemade Baked Goods will also be available**  
**\$6 per plate**  
**Pre-sale tickets available**

All proceeds will be placed in the Mission Project line item and used to partially support our Youth Mission Trip to Pittsburgh and our Family Mission Trip to Vermont as well as other upcoming Mission Projects

Come on out and enjoy a meal while supporting the Missions of PGBC!!!

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*Parent/Child Dedication*  
*Mother's Day*  
*Sunday, May 11*  
*during Worship Service*

*If you would like to dedicate your child at this service,  
please call the church office.*