

Minister On Call

After Hours

Apr 17 – 23 Pastor Chad Whitley
 Apr 24 – 30 Pastor Rick Carter
 May 1 – 7 Pastor Jack Lee
 May 8 – 14 Pastor Chad Whitley
 May 15 – 21 Pastor Rick Carter
 May 22 – 28 Pastor Jack Lee

Phone Numbers:

Pastor Jack Lee (919) 577-0040 or 740-5319

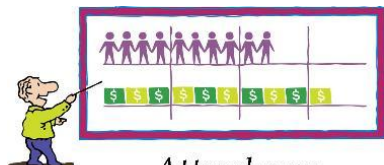
Pastor Rick Carter: (919) 217-0118 or 637-0825

Pastor Chad Whitley: (919) 412-3541



Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.



Attendance

*Average Sunday School Attendance
 March 2011181*

*Average 10:45 a.m. Worship Attendance
 March 2011 ...219*

*Average Son-Rise Worship Attendance
 March 201148*

Deacon Nominations: Church Members, be prepared on **May 1**, 2011, during the worship service to submit your nominations for deacons. Those currently rolling off are: *James Agnew, Ronnie Austin, Joe Bowling, Jack Frazier, J.P. Savage, Bob Sizemore and Wayne Smith.*

Tuesday Teller Teams

May 3 Lori Vaughan & Betty Griffin
 May 10 Shirley Lindsay & Joyce Stuart
 May 17 Golda Weathers & Edna Bullard
 May 24 Ann Wilson & Mollie Smith
 May 31 Jan McRoy & Peggy Oakley

Sanctuary Flowers

May 1 Ann Wilson
 May 8 Open
 May 15 Open
 May 22 Open
 May 29 Open

Deacon of the Week

May 7 Brian Lisenby 552-1535
 May 14 Benjie Howell 557-9865
 May 21 James Agnew 772-1466
 May 28 Tim Slaughter 369-5338

Wednesday Night Supper Duty

May 4 Upchurch Class
 May 11 Frazier Class & Stapleton Class
 May 18 Wortham Class & Lisenby Class
 May 25 Vaughan Class & Peace Class



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Rev. Rick Carter, Minister of Music & Pastoral Care
Rev. Chad Whitley, Minister of Youth & Congregational Ministries
Carla Babb, Mother's Morning Out Director

MMO Phone Number 552-1702

Loving. Growing. Serving...in Christ.
 April 20, 2011





Senior Adult Day

Covered Dish Luncheon following 10:45 Worship Service
 May 15



Acorns to Oaks
 during 10:45 Worship Service
 May 22



Will you show your faith this day?
This week? This month? This year?

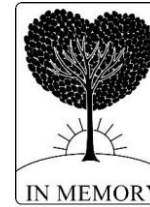
Greetings,

I trust that you had a wonderful week celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am most thankful to God for your faith in how you are responding to meeting needs within our community. With the devastating storms also came opportunities for the Body of Christ to be in action, and I have heard of your faith in action. Thank you for being sensitive to the leadership of the Holy Spirit in meeting real human needs within our community. We will continue to hear about those moments where we can place our faith in action, so please look for those moments, and then respond accordingly.

Let me encourage you also to be present at the many softball games slated here at our facility. There will be those who are un-churched or those who have no faith walking around this campus. This is a great opportunity to share our faith in a non-threatening environment in hopes of someone responding to friendly folk sharing real life experiences. This would also apply to the AAU Basketball team that rents our gym on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Additionally, we have voted as a church body to be polling place for Wake County Board of Elections, meaning we will have the potential to share God's love with three thousand people twice a year. As someone told me lately, "We need to have our A game!" I couldn't have said it better.

As you can tell, we have opportunities to share our faith right here at the church facilities, now imagine if we did this away from the church? It is possible. It is attainable. It is commanded. Yes, this is what God wants from us. Will you show your faith this day? This week? This month? This year? Join me in moving out of our comfort levels in sharing God's love.

Blessings,
Jack



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

Braxton Griffin (4/6/36-10/13/03) for the Building Fund by Betty H. Griffin

Woodrow Sandy for the Building Fund by Billy Sandy

Sophia and Lawrence Wrenn for the Building Fund by David and Suzanne Wrenn



In honor of...

Roy Morton (for all his hard work) for the Building Fund by Jay & Teresa Randall

Roy and Doris Morton for the Building Fund by Wayne & Dot Tingen

Rick Carter's Birthday for Annie Armstrong North American Missions by Bob & Frances Wortham

Rick Carter's Birthday for the "Son-Rise" Breakfast Club by Jean Randall



*Roy & Doris Morton in the death of Doris' cousin, Juanita Wells

Roy & Doris Morton in the death of Doris' Aunt Sadie Suggs

*The family of Charles Griffin, wife, Betty and nephew, Ronnie Austin & families in his death.

Meet our New Members



Matt Hocker
84 Paula Drive
Angier, NC 27501
639-9737

Deacon: Tim Slaughter

Jessica Frazier
7509 Maude Stewart Road
Willow Springs, NC 27592
552-3631

Deacon: Brian Lisenby

Matt & Shannon King
Shelby, Kyleigh, Jamie & Mattie
6504 Sunset Lake Road
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
407-340-0105

Deacon: Mike Sowers

Phillip Settle
407 W. Willow Street
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Deacon: Jay Adcock

Cheyenne Champion

Pedro & Jill Cruz
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Raleigh, NC 27603
720-4159

Deacon: Jim Bohannon

Jennifer Adcock
7117 Winter Pond Way
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
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Deacon: Bo Black

Sammy Hussey
3105 Kentland Drive
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
552-5391

Deacon: Brian Lisenby



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!

Bullets!

May 28...End of School Cookout...location and time TBD...we will be hosting a student ministry from Mississippi that weekend...

May 29...the student ministry from Hurley Baptist Church (<http://ivy.nowsprouting.com/hurleybaptistchurch>) in Hurley, MS will be leading worship through drama in our 10:45 worship service...come join us, and meet the Senior Pastor who helped me take my first steps in ministry...

June 13-17...Student Life Camp at Wake Forest University...Clayton King will be the camp pastor, and The Museum will lead worship for the week...it's going to be AMAZING!...

June 26-July 2...mission trip to Haiti...pray for the six missionaries who will be traveling from PGBC to minister to the people of Haiti...

July 26...tentative date for a Durham Bulls game...more details to come...

August 26...Back to school lock-in...all students—and rising sixth graders!—are invited and encouraged to attend...we will have a blast!

Please remember that final camp deposits are due **NO LATER than May 22**. In addition, we will be having a **Parent's Meeting on Sunday, May 1 at 4:00 pm** in the Underground to distribute paperwork and camp balance sheets. **If you would like to know the final balance for your student prior to that date, please email or call me; I will be happy to get that to you.**

Love you guys!

Chad



For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.

1 Kings 17:16

Sometimes things do not go as you expect them to go. Often, they may be worse...an unexpected bill, a traumatic illness, the loss of employment. But then there are the “good” unexpected moments. I had two of these in April. Baseball season began...and the team I like, the Cleveland Indians, were picked to be a sorry team and finish last. But it is early and the team started strong...and for now, they are in first place playing great baseball. April 8 was my birthday...and many of you joined my wife in making a Saturday night in April an unforgettable evening for me. Now Joyce can plan a great party...and you can keep a good secret. Never have I been more surprised than that night. Thanks to you for making it special...but thanks to Joyce and Jacob for providing a lasting and memorable moment in my life, turning an unexpected moment into a treasured experience. The above scripture is the end of a beautiful story of God, through Elijah, doing the unexpected for a woman and her son. Her situation was dire. She was preparing for a sad ending to her life. Yet God comes through, much like you did with me, with a big SURPRISE! She received an unexpected blessing and a new direction in her life. There are many of us who are in need of this kind of unexpected experience. Something that will make life's journey meaningful. Something that will change our thoughts from despair to joy.

April has been a good “unexpected” month for me.

Will Cleveland stay in first place? Probably not, but I'm enjoying baseball for the moment.

Will I have a surprise party every Saturday night? No, but I do get to cherish in the uncommon love directed to me by a loving wife and son.

Will, as the scripture stated, “our jar of flour and jug of oil” never run out? Lets expect the unexpected.



A **special thanks** to our Sanctuary Choir for their leadership this past month during our Revival Services. They were “outstanding” in their service and dedication to God.

Currently they have prepared music for Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday. On Easter, they will present 4 exciting anthems about the resurrection. Thank you, choir, for your service.

Acorns to Oaks will be presented by our Music Makers and Young Musicians on Sunday morning, May 22 at the 10:45 service. All of our music leaders have worked hard to help our children prepare for this exciting musical. Be here early for a good seat...it will be a great day!

Senior Adult Choir will meet on Monday, May 9 at 10:00 in the Sanctuary. This is in preparation for **Senior Adult Day** on Sunday, May 15 at the 10:45 service. Come join us for this 30 minute rehearsal.

Christmas Choir...first rehearsal...Sunday evening, August 28...can you believe it? Merry Christmas!

Our **Pennsylvania Mission Trip** is scheduled for July 29-August 6. A team of 18 adults, youth and children will work with the Thorndale Baptist Church in Coatsville, PA in areas of VBS, Nursing Home Ministry, Sports Camp, Construction and Worship Leadership. Monthly planning and preparation meetings are scheduled for this team. We ask that the Church begin now to pray for this team as they prepare and for the Church in Pennsylvania as they work with us in these areas of ministry.

Financial Summary

MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDS.....\$ 59,518.69	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET NEEDS.....178,556.04
March Actual Budget Receipts.....38,497.47	YTD Actual Budget Receipts.....124,376.40
March Actual Budget Expenses.....-41,914.37	YTD Actual Budget Expenses.....-125,276.46*
March RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....-3,416.90	YTD RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....-900.06*

*Includes Debt Retirement Expense

FLC LOAN BALANCE AS OF March 31, 2011.....\$2,193,341.55

March 30, 2011, Special Called Conference Summary

The **Softball Commission**, with deacon approval, requested church approval to sell concessions at any event sanctioned by the Softball Commission. The funds collected will go into the Softball Commission line item. **Motion carried.**

April Church Conference Summary

The **Nominating Committee** nominated Avery Moore to fill Janie Slaughter's unexpired term on the Personnel Committee. There were no nominations from the floor. **Motion carried.**

The **Volunteer Review Committee**, with deacon approval, presented the *Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Background Check Program Policy, January 2011* for approval. **Motion carried.**

The **Softball Commission** reported on the 1st Softball Tournament in the history of PGBC. It took place April 4-10, 2011.

Pastor Jack, with deacon approval, recommended that PGBC become a Wake County polling site. Motion carried. A vote was taken to determine whether the Fellowship Hall or the Family Life Center would be used. **The Family Life Center was approved.**

**May Church Conference
Sunday, May 15 @ 7 p.m.**

The Youth Council recommends that the Youth Budget pay \$1,500 for Student Life Camp at Wake Forest Univ. in June 2011.

The Softball Commission, with the approval of the Deacons, recommends that the following policies and procedures be approved for rental and usage of the softball field:

**SOFTBALL FIELD RENTAL AND USAGE
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

1. No tobacco products on field, in dugouts, or in other facilities.
2. No alcohol or illegal drugs.
3. No profanity.
4. Liability waivers required.
5. Leave ball field/facilities in same condition as found.
6. No one under 16 without parental supervision.
7. Only authorized personnel in dugouts, concessions, and announcer's booth.
8. No vehicles beyond paved parking area.
9. All teams playing in tournaments must be sanctioned with USSSA.
10. Field is available for rental only on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and after 1:00 p.m. on Sundays. Rental fees are \$15 for first hour and \$10 per hour thereafter.
11. All rental scheduling must go through church office.
12. Rental requests must go through Church Council for approval.
13. All rental fees to go in the Softball Commission line item for maintenance and improvements.
14. Failure to comply with these Policies and Procedures may result in refusal of further usage.
15. A representative of the party/team requesting the rental must read and sign this form.

Date: _____
Signature _____

Pastor Jack (with Deacon approval) recommends that a Home School Support Group Ministry be established here at PGBC. This ministry will be organized by Heather Savage, April Baker and Shannon King with Pastoral oversight.



Thank You
Notes

Dear Church.

One of the blessings in getting sick or disabled is the love and affection that is shown to you through prayers, visits, advice, cards and calls and yes, "the food". Thank you so much for all these blessings during my recent knee surgery. May God bless you all.

Wayne Tingen

Thank you to all of you who faithfully visited mama all these years of her confinement. You literally brought the community to her. She appreciated every moment you shared with her. Your kind gifts of food and prayers during this time were a blessing. Please continue to pray for us all.

Love,

The Family of Clarice Tutor



Caroline Saleeby has discontinued her home phone and will be using her cell only. The cell number is: 696-3136



Thank you to LouJean Peace for donating the following two books:
"The Salt Garden" by Cindy Martinusen
"Red Ink" by Kathi Macias

Thank you to Jan McRoy for donating the following book:
"Soon" by Jerry Jenkins

Also, **thank you** to the person who donated the box of juvenile books to the library. They will soon be ready to be checked out.

Book Review - "**Soon**" by Jerry Jenkins, hardback, 347 pages. In the aftermath of World War III, the world is resolved as never before to eliminate war. The war killed millions of people and wiped out entire countries. Now, all nations have agreed to remove the most serious threat to world peace. The solution? Outlaw religion. Paul Stepola plays a key role in the world's backlash against religious extremists. As an agent working for the National Peace Organization, Paul relishes his job. It's not enough for Paul that law has forced religion underground. With unlimited resources, he is determined to expose religious zealots - flush them out and destroy them. His quest points him to startling revelations. Supernatural events are happening that he can't explain. The religious underground calls them miracles. Paul calls them conspiracies. But when one event hits close to home, Paul can no longer deny the truth. When will the world discover the astonishing climax to these events? When will the nations learn they are experiencing a new beginning...the beginning of the end?

DVD Review - "**The Prophecy of ISRAEL**", running time is approximately 50 minutes. Beginning over 3,000 years ago this amazing program recounts and examines both the fulfilled and unfulfilled Biblical prophecies regarding the land of Zion. From the reigns of King David and King Solomon, up to the present day, this indepth DVD dramatically weaves the details of the Holyland's historical journey into the revelations that are occurring today in modern Israel. In just the last 60 years dozens of prophecies once thought improbable have been fulfilled in the Middle East. This program offers fresh insight into how understanding the Biblical prophecies concerning Israel may benefit the world. Hosted by Dr. David R. Reagan and featuring the voice of Alexander Scourby, this video describes what the Bible says about the future of the Holyland and why Israel is the key to world peace.