

## Youth CBFNC Whitewater Rafting Retreat

Lutheridge Conference Center, Asheville, NC

Saturday, August 30 - Monday, September 1

We will depart early Saturday morning and return late Monday afternoon. The cost is \$160 per person and a \$50 deposit on or before Wednesday, August 6 holds your spot. Cost covers everything but lunch on the way up and back.



### Sunday, July 27

Maggie Carpenter

Kim Goodwin

Anne Nixon

### Monday, July 28

David Buchanan

Brad Hendricks

Teresa Monds

Eric Rose

### Tuesday, July 29

Jamie Bass

Kelly Broadribb

Brett Laughton

### Wednesday, July 30

Dane Ellis

Kenneth Griffin

Taylor Jethro

### Thursday, July 31

John Ward

### Friday, August 1

Lori Kirby

Carey Parrish

### Saturday, August 2

Stephanie Grizzard

Molly Harvill

Sonya Rinehart

## HOSPITAL REPORT (7/23)

### Vidant Medical Center

Betty Cox



### Sunday, July 27

8:30-Baptist Men's Breakfast

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

### Monday, July 28

9:00-Vacation Bible School

### Tuesday, July 29

9:00-Vacation Bible School

5:00-TOPS, Room 117

### Wednesday, July 30

9:00-Vacation Bible School

5:30-Supper

6:30-Adult Bible Study

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

### Thursday, July 31

9:00-Vacation Bible School

### Friday, August 1

9:00-Vacation Bible School

## From the Pastor

As we think about next week's Vacation Bible School and the nurturing of children in Christian faith, I'm reminded of a story from Fred Craddock about the impact of a Bible teacher in his youth. Craddock is a retired pastor and professor of preaching, and some years ago he was asked to be a part of a rather large group of ministers and professors who were asked to come to a church gathering one Sunday afternoon to tell of the most influential person apart from their parents in the formation of their lives and their movement to ministry. He had some trouble thinking of the person, but he finally settled on Miss Emma Sloan. Listen to his tribute:

Miss Emma Sloan was an elderly woman, single. She taught me in the primary department, and since there was nobody to teach us as juniors, she went right on with us, and taught us for years. She gave me a Bible. She wrote in the front: "May this be a light to your feet, a lamp for your path. Emma Sloan." She taught us to memorize the Bible; she never tried to interpret it. I don't remember her ever explaining anything. She said, "Just put it in your heart, just put it in your heart."

She used the alphabet, and we'd go around the room saying verses. A—A soft answer turns away wrath. B—Be ye kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, as God also in Christ has forgiven you. C—Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden. D—Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. E—Every good and perfect gift...F—For God so loved the world...Don't worry, I'm not going to go on.

I still remember all that. She didn't explain it. We learned from the King James Bible all those verses. I had to say to those students and church folk that Sunday afternoon, "I can't think of anything, anything in all my life that has made such a radical difference as those verses. The Spirit of God brings them to my mind appropriately, time and time and time again."<sup>1</sup>

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Many of us can think of someone in our own lives who was like Miss Emma Sloan—a Sunday School teacher, RA or GA leader, pastor, youth minister, VBS teacher. Be sure to thank God for them today, and if they are still living, go to them and tell them how they helped to shape your faith. Then, consider the impact you can have on the formation of our children's faith. If you're not taking an active role in leading Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, youth Bible studies, mission groups, and other learning opportunities, pray about that. God can use your life and willingness—regardless of your teaching skills—to be a key factor in shaping the faith of our children and teenagers for years to come. Ask God how your life can be of service. Then, do something about it.

Grace and peace,

David

<sup>1</sup> Fred B. Craddock, *Craddock Stories*, eds. Mike Graves and Richard F. Ward (St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2001), 33-34.



## Shut-In of the Week

Mrs. Denise Ellis

Edenton Primetime

PO Box 987

Edenton, NC 27932



### Mr. Murray Byrum

by: M/M Glenn Perry

M/M Frankie Edmundson

### Mr. Louis Craddock

by: EBC Adult Choir

### Mrs. Clara Perry

by: M/M Gene Nixon

### Mrs. Bobbi Overman

by: M/M Wallace Evans

## WEEKLY REPORT (7/20)

### Offering

Budget Needed	10,048.54
Amt. Received	10,981.12
Over Budget	932.58

### Other Monies Received

Supper (7/16)	268.80
Reimbursements	20.00
TOTAL	288.80

### Attendance

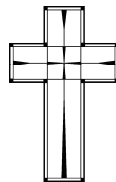
Sunday School	120
Chowan River Nursing	30
SS TOTAL	150
Worship TOTAL	207

### YTD Offerings (29 weeks)

Amt. Required	291,407.66
Amt. Received	277,655.95
Under Budget	(13,751.71)

**SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014**

**DEACONS:** Elaine Ervin & Michael Smith  
**BUS DRIVER:** Ben Rinehart, Jr. (482-2959)  
**BUS RIDER:** Elaine Ervin  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Mary Daniels  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Bob Partin  
**VIDEO OPERATOR:** Paul Stallings



*No Children's Church this Summer.*



**Join the JOY CLUB**

Our next outing is set for Tuesday, August 5. We will depart from the parking lot at 10:45am for Quality Seafood Restaurant in Elizabeth City. Call Bessie Perry if you want to go.

**Requests for July:**

**Food Pantry**  
canned soups  
**Operation Christmas Child**  
pens, pencils, crayons, etc.

*Anniversaries*

**Thursday, July 31**  
M/M Allen Swanner  
**Saturday, August 2**  
M/M J. M. Parrish

**EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS**

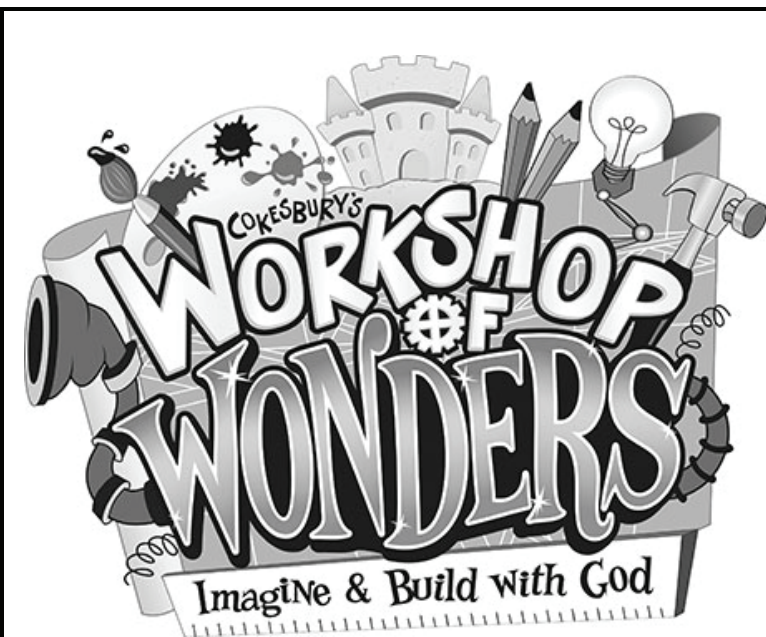
Mrs. Mary Julia Parrish wishes to express her sincere appreciation to members of our church family for the many acts of kindness and prayers rendered in her behalf.

*Looking Ahead . . .*

July 27 Baptist Men's Breakfast  
July 28 Workshop of Wonders VBS begins  
August 3 Ordinance of the Lord's Supper  
August 21 Red Cross Blood Drive  
August 24 Back-to-School Sunday  
August 26 Baptists on Mission Region 1 Rally at EBC

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**July 28 - August 1**  
**9:00AM - 12:00Noon**

All children who will be 4 years old by August 31 through rising 6th graders are invited to discover how the ordinary becomes extraordinary with God. Bring a friend and/or neighbor!

# THE INFORMER

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Edenton, North Carolina 27932

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

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Pastor

**Kelly E. Rhodes**  
Associate Pastor

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Pianist

**Janet C. Skinner**  
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Preschool Coordinator

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THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014

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**SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014**

**The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30AM

*"The Fruit of the Spirit is Kindness"*

Luke 10:25-37 • 2 Peter 1:3-9



*Parent-Child Dedication*

Liam and Katie Klein

James Joseph  
born January 6, 2014