

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, July 23

9:30AM Morrow Mountain Ministry  
9:45AM Sunday School  
11:00AM Worship  
3:00PM Reception for Michael Furr & Family

### SUNDAY, July 30

6:30PM Peru Mission Team Report and Ice Cream Social

Sunday School Attendance 07/16	143
Worship Attendance 07/16	172
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,364.00
Budget Receipts 07/09	\$7,223.00
YTD Budget Receipts 06/30	\$273,884.44
YTD Expenses thru 06/30	\$279,431.49
Capital Campaign Receipts (thru 7/09)	\$241,870.00
Capital Campaign Commitments	\$278,595.00

## MEMORIALS

### General Fund

David Horton, Jr. by Justin & Katie Furr

## General Announcements

### PACK FOR SHOEBOXES

This is the best time to buy school supplies for our shoeboxes. Walmart has bins of stuff in the aisles. Don't forget about flip flops in sizes for children. Also, look for things like jump ropes and any toys that you might like

### JOY LUNCH

Tuesday, August 1 at Noon in the Multipurpose Room. Please call the church office if you would like to make a reservation. Please note the change in location.

### YOU'RE INVITED TO SING!

On Sunday, July 30th, anyone is invited to sing in the choir that would like to join us. We are singing old-time gospel hymns that most of you know. Please join us in the choir room at 10:30 if you would like to sing. I hope to overflow the choir loft.

## MORROW MOUNTAIN MINISTRY

### July 22-July 23

Chairman: Reta Thompson  
Speaker: Robert Stonestreet  
Sound: Robert Stonestreet

**SCCM need for July** is staple goods (flour, sugar, vegetable oil, broth, cooking spray, etc).

## Our Church Family

### PRAYER LIST

Steve Sasser, Sue Hunsucker, Linda Hall, AnDe Dick, Jane Pendergraft, Sylvia Scholl, Diane Huneycutt Powell, Teresa Patton, Kip Medlin, Mary Sullivan, Peggy Richardson, Christina Harris, Wilbert Deese, Julie Crumpler, Aubrey Radford, Nita Bayles, Geraldine Springer, Joanna Morgan, Bonnie Herring, Bear Knotts, Danny Smith

### CONTINUAL CARE

Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman Faulkner, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, Carl Bowen, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Frank Crisco, Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt, Rachel Chandler, Jim Mauney, Agnes Blalock, John & Bonnie Herring, Raynell Cooke, Bear Knotts, Patsy Turbeville, Bobbie Jean Coggin, Sid Linker, Jack Phillips

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*Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.*

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NC Baptist All-State Youth Choir 2017 presents



**SATURDAY**  
**JULY 22** free concert  
**6:00PM**

**First Baptist Church**  
202 N. 2nd St., Albemarle

Child care will be provided.

## From the Desk of Andy Jung...

It is hard to put into words what the mission team experienced in Peru. There is no way to communicate all the different emotions we felt as a team as we ministered alongside the Peruvians in Cusco. You just had to be there! The deep brown eyes, smile on the children's faces, the passionate worship of Peruvians and so much more will be etched in my memory. (Just ask Amy...it takes a lot for memories to stick in my head!)



On Monday morning, I overheard a conversation between one of the team members and her boss. The boss asked if we had changed Peru for the better in a small but significant way. The team member's answer was NO...not even a little bit. Her answer was Peru changed us for the better. To be sure, my experiences in Peru have changed me. God has used the people of Peru to make me more compassionate, to be more invested in people and to be more passionate about God. Thanks be to God for all that He has done in us and through us!

This Sunday, we send off Michael Furr and family to First Baptist Church in Boone. As I reflect on Michael's journey, I truly believe that we should consider Michael's transition as something we should celebrate. Our church has raised him up since his birth. Our church taught him about Jesus during his childhood and youth. Our church created an environment for God to work in his life and

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call him into ministry. Now, our church has provided him an opportunity to grow in his ministry to the point that God is sending him to another place. Therefore, we celebrate with the Furr family as they follow God's leading. This is definitely a "See you later!" and not a "Good-bye!"

**Deacon of the Week**  
**Reta Thompson      July 23 – July 29**

## Upcoming Events

### Send Off Reception for Michael Furr & Family

A special reception will be held on Sunday, July 23 from 3:00-4:30 for Rev. Michael Furr and family in the fellowship hall as they embark on a new journey at First Baptist Church Boone. A basket will be available in the church office in July for anyone who would like to show their love and support for the Furr family. Special presentations will be made during the reception. Please make plans to attend!



**Peru Mission Report**  
**Sunday, July 30 at 6:30pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

Everyone is invited to hear how God moved in the lives of the Peruvian people and in the lives of the mission team member. We will also enjoy a homemade ice cream social following the report.

## Family Ministry News

I do not like saying goodbye. It seems so final. "God's gift to us to compensate for good-byes is "memory." I found this quote by Bob Perkins in an article he wrote on saying goodbye. I read this article because my mind has been focused on goodbyes quite frequently lately. I really like this statement. I know that over the next week I will have many goodbyes. Webster defines goodbye as a way to express good wishes when parting. The origin of the word goodbye is found in the late 16<sup>th</sup> century as the contraction of the phrase "God be with you". For me however, after 45 years here at FBC the word goodbye seems grossly inadequate to express what I am feeling.

As I face the new chapter in my walk, two things from above ring true. First, memories are gifts. I promise that I will treasure the many gifts I have received from being a part of this church. My family is here. Many of my closest friends are here. The foundations of my ministry were built here. I can never express how much this church family means to me.

Second, I know that God will be with you as I leave. Not long after I announced my departure I heard Andy make the comment that if God was calling me away, he was also calling someone else here. I truly believe this. I know that facing the unknown can be scary but the understanding that God is always working in our lives and in our church should bring comfort. I know that it does for me. I think Joshua 1:9 expresses it best, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Finally, I want to say thank you for all the support and love given to my family and me. Moving into the unknown is scary and would be even more difficult without all the expression of support. Know that we love this church family tremendously and that you will be in our prayers. With that said, I guess there is just one thing left to say. Goodbye. Michael