

3 Nickels Update

We now have 126 members pledging \$4,967.20 for our missions project.

These offerings will be used to fund missions around the world. This year we plan to support:

- Watering Malawi
- The Heifer Project
- The Ruth School
- Pennies for Peace

Help fight poverty around the world by sending your dollar on a mission. Sign the pledge and become part of the solution.

I _____ pledge to help fight poverty around the world by giving at least **One Dollar per Week**. I understand that this pledge is above and beyond my normal giving. I would like to make my donation as follows:

Single 2009 payment of \$33.00
Weekly payments of \$1.00



I can give more \$ _____
(Specify Amount)

Signature _____

Grasshopper Game—August 6, 7:05 PM

As is our summer tradition, we have reserved 40 tickets to see the Greensboro Grasshoppers take on the Hickory Crawdads. The game will be hosted at the Grasshopper Stadium, Thursday, August 6 at 7:05 pm. We suggest arriving a bit earlier so that you can get to your seat before the first pitch is thrown.

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$6.50 for children (12 years and under) and senior citizens (62 years and older).
There is a sign-up sheet outside Lin's office. You need to sign up for your tickets by August 2nd in order to receive the reduced ticket rates.

You don't have to be a baseball fan to enjoy this outing. It is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with fellow College Parkers.

Hope to see you all there.

Offertory Prayer

God, remind us that the opposite of sin is not virtue; rather, faith. (Kiekegaard) We pray that our faith will dispel the fear that binds and separates us. Bless now these acts of faith. May our faith bring about the kingdom of God. Amen.

David Carnish

Thank You

Dear College Park Family,
Thank you so much to everyone who supported my project. Your support was unbelievable. My project was a great success. We had 12 of the 19 kids come, and we are setting up another day for the other kids who couldn't make it. Adult scrapbookers who volunteered at the workshop were shocked at all the supplies donated. You all donated supplies, gift cards to Harris Teeter, Hungry Howies, Michaels and Target; you made brownies donated cookies and gave tools to use during the workshop. Your support was unbelievable and I can't thank you enough!

Lara Stocks

Dear Church Family,
Dan & I would like to thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers before and after his surgery. We also appreciate the many cards and have enjoyed the visits.
Dan & Mildred Cottrell

Monday Night Drum Group

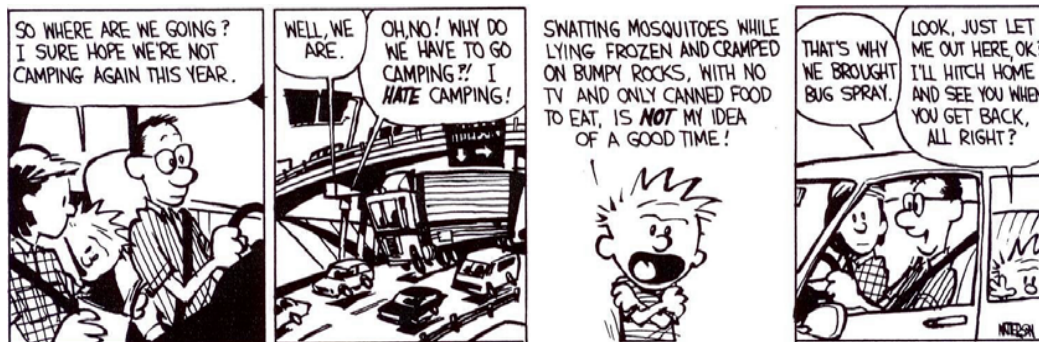
Everyone is invited to join the Monday night drum group that is meeting each week in the Fellowship Hall from 7–9 pm. The cost is \$5 per Monday night session. The group will focus on West African Jembe rhythms. For more information, you may call Sandy at 340-3082.

Missions Committee

During the summer months many of our members are traveling or shopping and come across wonderful bargains. At the request of some of our church members, the following is a list of staples used for the backpack club. The Missions Committee would like to thank those members interested in stocking our pantry. These items may be placed on the shelves in the pantry or in the Backpack box at the parking lot entrance door.

Canned Chili
Canned Beef Stew
Canned Fruit Cocktail
Pudding Cups (any flavor)
Fruit Cups (any flavor)
100% juice boxes (6oz or 8oz preferred)
Raisins (usually 6 boxes in a pack)
Cereal Bars (Granola type)
Single serve applesauce any brand or flavor (usually 6 in a pack)
Shelf ready milk (1quart size-soymilk is ok as well)
Single serving Cereals
Macaroni-n-cheese (boxed any brand)
Vienna Sausages (prefer chicken)
Peanut Butter (18oz plastic jar)

NO GLASS JARS- NO MICROWAVE MEALS



Prayer for the World

Father, mother, friend, creator of us all,
Today, we remember the people of Iran and their leaders in particular. We hope for their mutual safety. We remember the people of North and South Korea that we might have peace. We pray for the widows and widowers that they will know that they are not alone today. We likewise remember the children who through many circumstances are without their parents. Help us today to find a way to turn one more sword into a plow. May our weapons soon outlive usefulness. Help us to work through our fear of each other, our fear of the unknown and our fear of you. Where our fear has become ambivalence, hate and in control may we know hospitality and mercy. Be with our world's leaders and give them grace and guidance. For the children of the world, we ask that today they be children. Where violence is let there be playing in the streets. Where there is hunger we ask for bread. For all the parents in the world we ask your grace, wisdom and patience for them. For those in love today, we ask that their love for their partner point the way to more love in the world. May your love for all of us overcome the fear that frightens and divides us as we pray the prayer our friend Jesus taught us..."Our Father..."

David Carnish

Prayer of Praise & Thanksgiving

Abba, father, Allah, Lord along with all of the feminine names we have for you as well,

Today we give thanks for the beauty around us. We give thanks for life. Thank you that in our struggles of yesterday we made it to today! We thank you for the provisions that got us here today. We thank you for the sunshine and the rain. We thank you for the animals. We thank you for all who are parents, who want to be parents and who were parents. We thank you for our feelings even when they are convoluted and confusing. We thank you for our feeling of fear in that fear helps us to find courage and overcome the feeling of despair! Amen.

David Carnish

Runners and Packers Needed

Missions committee is looking for runners and packers for our Backpack Club for fall 2009. This year, we will only be serving students at Peck Elementary, and we will be asking volunteers to commit to one semester at a time. Runners will take backpacks to Peck on Fridays or pick up empty bags on Wednesdays, please specify which day you prefer and what size car you drive. (We may need to have runners work in teams because of the number of backpacks delivered.) Packers will pack on Wednesday evenings after dinner. Contact Lauren Grubbs at 558-8962 or email her at laurenandjacob@hotmail.com to volunteer or with questions. Thank you for willingness to help "feed my sheep."

Summer Music Camp—Water U Doing?

College Park is excited about its Fourth Annual **Summer Music Camp**. For five days, campers will grow musically through listening, playing and singing! Campers will also explore visual arts and dance as they learn more about our missions project, Watering Malawi. A week of musical fun will end with a concert for our family and friends.

The camp will run from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for children from 3 years to those who just finished 5 grade from August 3 through August 7. Each day the children will have an opening time, four 30 minute sessions, snack and PE and a closing time.

Registration begins July 7 for a fee of \$50 (\$100 maximum per family) and ½ deposit is due by July 15th. Scholarships are available and for more information contact Rydell Harrison at 273-1779.

We hope to make beautiful music this summer!



Top 10 Reasons Not to Display the Ten Commandments

Number Ten
Posting the Ten Commandments endorses Protestant Christianity. Almost all of the displays use the King James Version of the commandments—a Protestant distinctive. Roman Catholics and followers of Judaism use a different translation.

Number Nine
Public displays of the Ten Commandments reduce all other religions to second-class status. Not all religions in our country are part of the Judeo-Christian tradition. And because it is still possible to be a citizen of this country without being a Christian, all religions must be treated equally.

Number Eight
Displaying the Ten Commandments as a way of trying to improve the social order reinforces a magical view of religion. Proponents say that if we display the Ten Commandments, children will behave better in school and our nation will be blessed for acknowledging God. Thinking this way reduces the Ten Commandments down to the level of a lucky rabbit's foot. The impact of the Ten Commandments comes when they are taught by faithful teachers, not when they are dangling from a keychain.

Number Seven
Public displays of Scripture corrupt the true purpose of religious practice. God did not send the Ten Commandments or the Sermon on the Mount in order to "create a more perfect union." These Scriptures represent an ideal community far more difficult to attain than the mere democracy we struggle with.

Number Six
Public displays of Scripture corrupt the true purpose of government. Every time in history the state has acted on behalf of God, blood has flowed in the streets. God may work through the state as God chooses, but that does not mean everything the state does is God's will. Keeping church and state separate makes it possible for the faith community to remind the state of its temporal limitations as needed.

Number Five
Public displays of the Ten Commandments are a form of idolatry. Anytime we treat as ultimate something we have made with our own hands, we are worshipping idols. Even if the words on the monument are God's, the monument is ours. That's why one of those commandments warns against graven images.

Number Four
Grouping the Ten Commandments with other historical documents distorts the history of all. The United States was established as a secular state, not a theocracy. And Moses was not present at the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Number Three
Public displays of religion promote social disorder by setting groups of people against each other. The only way America works is if we guarantee equal freedom for everyone.

Number Two
A public display of Scripture trivializes what is supposed to be important and profound. Do we really want our sacred texts treated like soda pop ads?

And the number-one reason why we should not want public displays of the Ten Commandments—God wants them written on our hearts, and that's not going to happen just because they are on display down at the courthouse.

James L. Evans
Pastor of Auburn First Baptist Church, Auburn, Ala.

Collage Going Green
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Total Other Food Donations for Year = 503 Pounds

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Looking Ahead

July

- 8 Ralph & Tammy Leave for Hungary
- 11 Rustyn Chamberlain's Wedding
- 12 Jennifer Ingold Asbill Preaches
Book Discussion: Oh, The Places You'll Go
Movie Discussion: Slumdog Millionaire
- 16 Uncorked, Rioja Wine Bar
- 18 Youth Bowling, 2-4 PM, AMF Bowling,
South Holden Road
- 19 Book Discussion: The Butter Battle Book
Movie Discussion: Gran Torino
David Carnish Preaches
Book Discussion: I Had Trouble in Getting to
Solla Sollew
Movie Discussion: Taking Chance

August

- 2 Book Discussion: Horton Hears a Who!
Movie Discussion: Enemy Mine
Youth Movie Matinee—TBA
- 3-7 Summer Music Camp
- 6 Grasshopper Game
- 9 Book Discussion: Green Eggs & Ham
Movie Discussion: The Wrestler
Youth Pool/Pizza Party, 4-8 PM,
Hamilton Lakes
- 16 Book Discussion: The Sneetches
- 21 Youth Mission Day at UNCG, 8—3:30 PM
Lunch at YumYums
- 23 End-of-Summer Party, Rioja Wine Bar
- 26 Wednesday Night Activities Begin
Cindy Dillon Preaches
- 30 Youth Back to School Kick-Off Party

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