

Youth Mission Trips

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can. – John Wesley

This quote by John Wesley is a testament to his understanding that the Christian gospel compels us to live out our faith in love and service to others. When? Anytime we encounter need. How? By whatever means are available to us. Wesley’s sentiment in this statement is one in which College Park places great value. Our expression of this sentiment is more simply written, “Loving God means loving people.” The back pack program that helps to feed forty elementary school children over the weekend, our support of and affiliation with the Ruth, which provides sound education to children who otherwise would not receive schooling opportunities, our recent efforts in completing a Habitat for Humanity town home, and the three nickels program that supports several international ministries throughout the year are all evidence to our understanding that we respond most authentically to God in the way we love other people.

This is a belief that we also emphasize in the curriculum and activities within our children and youth programs. Our Outrageous Outreach program helps our children learn at a young age that the way we treat each other is important. This program provides opportunities for our 3rd – 5th graders to help meet the needs of people within the Greensboro community. As a way of both involving the youth in the ministries of the church and engaging the youth with the community, the youth serve dinner at Greensboro Urban Ministry four Sundays during the year. Another way we help our youth practice living out their faith with and within the world is through our annual summer mission trips.

The Youth Summer Mission Trips are opportunities for the youth to live in a community for an entire week and to invest their time, energy and resources in the people who live there. The location for these mission trips varies from international to cross-country to local, or urban to rural, to provide youth with a variety of cultural experiences during their time in the youth program. These weeks are certainly intended to be fun for the youth, but when carried out successfully are actually educational experiences with a recreational feel.

These mission trips are also important because they bring together all the elements that I believe are essential for youth ministry: worship, discipleship/service, communion, and fellowship/holy troublemaking. Our trip to West Virginia (summer 2010) is a good example of how these elements are woven into the curriculum of the mission trip.

Worship: Worship is our loving response to the gracious acts of God. More specific to our West Virginia trip, our time of worship is our loving response to the ways we experienced God on the worksite, in the community or within our own group. In morning devotions and evening worship the youth discussed and explored together our scripture passage for the week, their ideas about God and Jesus, and ways we can live into our beliefs.

Discipleship/Service: Discipleship is trying to follow Jesus and respond faithfully to the love of God without embarrassing God. The work that the youth did within the Mt. Hope community was an opportunity for the youth to practice their faith as an act of discipleship. While this act of discipleship was most evident in acts of service offered in the completion of home renovations, I also saw the practice of discipleship in two youth who, with their own money, bought and planted flowers for one of the home-owners. I also witnessed this in another youth who helped our site supervisor move heavy furniture and rugs from his home.

Communion: Communion is the holy fellowship and breaking of bread at table with others. The youth summer mission trips always conclude with a communion service during which the youth serve one another communion. This type of service represents

our more formal idea of what communion is. However, I believe that the youth participated in communion several other times throughout the week in sharing meals with people from the community and in preparing and sharing meals with one another. The youth deepened their relationships with each other and developed relationships with members of the Mt. Hope community over the intimate sharing of food.

Fellowship/ Holy Troublemaking: Holy troublemaking describes the unscripted moments on the trip where our youth fellowshiped most honestly and were most themselves together. Some of the most memorable moments from the WV trip were those that were not planned. We went rafting on the New River, spent several afternoons swimming in the New River, attended community events, hiked to some of the old coal mines, and played some of our favorite games in community parks. These moments are memorable because they are authentic moments of fellowship and fun together.

Perhaps what proves most significant about these mission trips is that the week cements together our group. One of these trips is worth a whole year of Sunday nights. It is a magnified version of what we try to do during our Sunday night gathering, but the intense living arrangements require the group to learn to live with one another for an entire week, listen to one another, serve one another, learn from one another, etc. The week of being together allows us time to truly let our guard down, to bare our souls to one another, and to love one another.

This summer our youth will be going to California, July 29 – August 6, to live and do mission work within the city of San Francisco. This trip is organized by Passport, Inc., a group that organizes summer opportunities for youth to nurture their love for God through worship, study and service. We have participated in Passport Camps in previous summers, but the Passport Mission 2 opportunity is a program that started in Summer 2010. This program is structured very much like our West Virginia trip last summer. The youth will be staying in a local church, they will share in the responsibilities of cooking and cleaning, they will participate in worship and reflection discussions, and they will engage in six hours of service each day within the city. We will be flying into San Francisco two days before camp begins so that we can take full advantage of our trip – see the Golden Gate Bridge, ride a cable car, visit Alcatraz Island, eat at some local restaurants, and other activities that are unique to San Francisco. This is a trip that we are very much looking forward to taking.

A special thank you to Barry and Cheryl Pillow, Gwen Ware, Bill Ingold, Ed Smithey, Adam Team, Susan Finley and the Missions Committee for their help in organizing fundraisers that have contributed to funding for this trip and future trips. Thank you also to all of you who have helped us raise money to support our youth mission budget. Your support for the youth program is a great testament to your love for and investment in the youth of our congregation.

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.

You all have certainly embodied this to our youth in your example of Christian faith, and in your love for who they are and are becoming.

Q&A:

- Why are the youth no longer going to Romania?

This was a collaborative decision made by Ralph and Tammy Stocks, Michael, Rydell, Lin, Cindy and the youth parents. In early fall, Ralph and Tammy’s ministry moved into a more remote area that sits very close to the Hungarian/Romanian border. Ralph and Tammy are still in the process of settling into their new ministry location and believe that this area is not ready to bring in our group. We support them in their decision and agree that it is not the right trip for us this summer.

- How will the fundraising money that was raised for Romania be used to support the youth?

All money that has been raised for the youth within the past 18 months has been put into a budget line item entitled “youth mission funds.” The money in this fund will be used to help financially support the youth on any future mission trips, including the San Francisco trip. The first, and primary purpose of the budget is to ensure that trips are affordable and that all youth have an opportunity to participate in youth activities. We never want money to be a reason why any youth does not go on a trip.

- How should we handle contributions from family members who gave money specifically towards the Romania trip?

I think the most concern will be that the money contributed is still being used to support in some way your youth’s mission opportunities. I would first inform your family of the change in our mission trip location and the reason for the change. Reassure your family that any money that has been contributed outside of fundraising activities to support the cost of the trip for a specific youth will still be put towards the cost of that youth’s trip this summer. For all the reasons mentioned above, these trips are important for our youth and our youth group, and I think our families will still want to support us whether the trip is international, cross-country or local.

For any other questions about the change in location for the youth summer mission trip, or current plans for the youth 2011 summer mission opportunities, please email linbunce@gmail.com or call (336)250.8648.

Summer Camp Options

Passport Kids, June 15–18

This summer our kids will be going to Wingate University for Passportkids Summer Camp. **Passportkids!** is a children’s summer camp where every element is integrated to provide an active faith-building experience for 3rd–5th graders. Bible studies, devotions and worship are designed to help children discover God’s love and practice being followers of Jesus. Missionaries join us from around the world. The camp “transports” campers to new places to help them encounter the way people live across the globe, and the ways we can share God’s grace with them. Oh, yes, and it’s a whole lot of FUN! Hope you’ll come with us this summer! **Cost per child is \$235 and a \$100 deposit is due by April 24th.** Sign-up outside Lin’s office.

Youth Summer Mission Trip, July 29–August 6

This summer the Youth Summer Mission Trip will be to San Francisco, CA. The youth will be staying in a local church, they will share in the responsibilities of cooking and cleaning, they will participate in worship and reflection discussions each day, and they will engage in six hours of service each day within the city. We will be flying into San Francisco two days before camp begins so that we can take full advantage of our trip—see the Golden Gate Bridge, ride a cable car, visit Alcatraz Island, eat at some local restaurants, and other activities that are unique to San Francisco. **Cost per youth is \$500 and a \$100 deposit and sign-up deadline is May 1.**

Flapjack Fundraiser

The Missions Team and the Youth Ministry would like to let everyone know how much we appreciated all of your hard work, participation, and donations for the Flapjack Fundraiser. We couldn’t have done it without help from ALL of you! And the really great news, (drum roll, please) is that we raised \$1,926.98! Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Grandparents Remembered

Boy asks girl to a party. Girl accepts. They go and have fun. But girl meets someone else at the party, and even though she knows she shouldn't, she agrees to let new boy walk her home. And the rest is history.

That is ostensibly how my grandparents met. We have had trouble confirming the story as the details have become fuzzy in the past 80 years, but I like it, so that is the version I am using.

Helen Warwick, called Nell by those close to her, grew up in a close-knit Irish family in an immigrant community in Kearny, NJ. Henry Head, Herb to his friends, was the new kid in town, recently arrived from Wales, after a few years working on various ships that traveled much more of the world than he ever talked about. Nell was young, not quite 17, and her father didn't want her to marry yet. But finally in 1931, when she was 21 and Herb was 24, they tied the knot in a small, private ceremony and began what would become a 76 ½ year marriage. They raised 6 children, who in turn raised 13 grandchildren, and ended their lives having seen 18 great-grandchildren born.

I consider myself blessed to have been born late enough in their lives to be able to spend time with them in their retirement when they had fewer responsibilities, yet early enough to be able to learn from them for over 30 years. Most of my childhood memories are infused with images of Grandma and Poppy.

Grandma was the storyteller. Growing up I heard tales from her girlhood in Kearny, her years as a young working woman and as a young wife living on a few dollars a week, and of her life raising her family in the house on Wilson Avenue. Despite her brief stint as a secretary, she was the quintessential housewife. But her business school training served her well in managing the household finances, especially during the meager years of the Great Depression. Most of my memories of her revolve around some kind of domestic activity. She spent a lot of time baking and her house often smelled like apple pie or chocolate chip cookies. When one of her children was not feeling well, she would treat them to pancakes with raisin smiley faces to cheer them up. She baked mostly from memory, not from recipes. When I got married she wrote down how to make some of my favorite treats, but I had to fill in some missing steps and measurements. Of course, even with accurate information, no one could make raisin squares or empire biscuits quite like Grandma.

When she relaxed, Grandma preferred solitary activities, as most mothers of six with rather demanding husbands probably do. She always took time each day to read and do the crossword puzzle. Each winter she would knit new mittens, which was especially important for me as I could not easily wear gloves or mittens bought at the store. When she passed away, my mother found a mitten tucked away in a box that Grandma had begun knitting for me probably 25 years earlier, with the needle still tucked inside as if she would get back to it any day. Grandma had a sharp mind, though she was quiet and often let Poppy speak for her. I remember sitting and watching Family Feud, Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy with her in the evenings and she was a match for any of the contestants. Her love of word puzzles probably helped to keep at bay the dementia that finally took away her memory in her last years.

Grandma also loved music. While Poppy preferred classical, she liked the popular tunes from her girlhood or the hymns she had learned in church. If she didn't have old standards playing in the kitchen she was humming "In the Garden" while she worked. We used to dance in the parlor after completing the daily chores. She would hum the tunes while teaching me the fox trot and the bunny hop.

I remember Grandma as mild-mannered, but her Irish temper reared its head on a few occasions. My mother doesn't remember Grandma getting mad often, but there was one instance when Robert was teasing his younger sister and Grandma got so fed up that she threw a potato masher at him. She missed his head, but took a chunk out of the wall. We laugh about it now, but I wouldn't have wanted to be Robert that day.

Grandma was always patient with me and always found time to sit and play card games with me on summer afternoons. She was never too busy or too tired to have me over to visit for days at a time. She was not fussy or vain, but she was always well put together. I remember taking her shopping for a dress to wear to my wedding. She took her time to look through the racks of clothes to find the right outfit, something pretty but not too fancy that she wouldn't be able to wear again. Even when she wasn't aware of how she looked during her last few years, Gail or Linda would keep her haired permed and neat. Her hair had turned gray in her forties, but she never tried to hide it. It was just part of who she was, though it brought my mom to tears more than once as a child when people mistook her gray-haired mother for her grandmother.

While Grandma stayed in the background, I remember Poppy as more active, always working. He missed out on getting an education, which he always regretted, but he managed to teach himself just about anything he needed to know. He was not born an American, but he was prouder and knew more about the history and politics of his adopted country than most natives I know. He never stopped learning. At the young age of 80 he decided to start a new hobby and learned how to make stained glass windows. If Pop was going to do something, it would be done well. His stained glass work is some of the most beautiful I have seen.

Poppy worked as hard at his hobbies as he did at his job. During the last decade of his working life, his free time was spent in the country, as the family called their property in Montague, building what would become his and Grandma's retirement home. He started with a small one room cabin so the family, by that time just he, Grandma, Robert and Linda, would have a place to stay on the weekends when he went to work on the house. My mother remembers those weekend trips fondly. Often they would stop at O'Dowd's for ice cream on the way home to Kearny. Have I mentioned that Pop had a bit of a sweet tooth? Most of the baking that Grandma did was for him. He loved pies and pastries. If there were three desserts at a holiday dinner, he sampled each one, admonishing the server not to be stingy with the portions. In all other things he practiced moderation, but if there were sweets around he would have seconds or thirds. He always kept a stash of chocolate from Mangles, his favorite sweet shop, just in case there were no desserts in the house.

Pop was always involved in his community. Growing up, I remember him attending meetings of the planning board and zoning board for their small town, and stopping by their small Reformed church regularly to work on something that needed fixing or updating. He was humble about the time he gave to others, not seeking recognition or praise. He was simply happy to do a good job. Pop could not be idle. If he wasn't putting in his basement or garage, he was working in his garden or in the woods at his make-shift driving range practicing his golf swing.

Poppy was nothing if not persistent. Each spring he would dig up the rocks that seemed to grow as easily as potatoes to get his garden ready for planting. And he never gave up his battle with the squirrels, determined that he would finally figure out a way to keep them out of his bird feeders. Of course, both of those instances are also examples of his stubbornness. He could also be very contradictory. He was one of the pickiest eaters I have ever met, and I am the mother of a 5 year-old. He refused to eat ketchup and hated the smell of tomato sauce, but he loved tomatoes. I remember eating in our kitchen with him when he and Grandma were at the house for dinner. Everyone else was having spaghetti and meatballs in the dining room. Mom made Pop a separate dinner, and I was allowed to sit in the kitchen with him because I was just having spaghetti noodles with butter, no sauce. As picky as he was, though, he would eat things that turned my stomach, like sardine sandwiches. To this day I do not understand how he could stand that smell but be turned off by pasta sauce.

Pop would not be swayed when he decided on an opinion or a course of action. This caused many arguments in the family, but most of the time people deferred to him. He was the patriarch, he pulled the family together. Most of my holiday memories are of family gatherings at their house in Montague, the table extended as far as it could go and all of his family sitting around it. I think it is times like those that he was happiest. Holiday meals always began with Poppy praying over the food and thanking God for his

family and his many blessings. The food my grandmother had spent most of the day preparing would be spread out on the table, almost thirty people eagerly awaiting to sample the home-cooked fare, and Pop would pray and pray and pray and pray, until someone wanted to yell out an "Amen" and begin passing the dishes. Family always came first. When my mother was living in Kansas after graduating from college, he didn't hesitate to buy a bus ticket for a 24 hour ride out west only to turn right back around and drive her home when things were not going well, no questions asked, at least not at first.

Even when I disagreed with him, and the times when that happened came more often once I reached adulthood, I always looked up to him. His disapproval was most strongly felt when it was silent. Mom never remembers being spanked as a child, but Pop's word was law. When he didn't like something, he might not say a word. But one of his "tsks" said more than enough. If a picture is worth a thousand words, a "tsk" from Pop was worth a million. The one card game I refused to learn to play with him was pinochle. Pop could be an unforgiving card partner. I have seen grown men walk out of a room crying after partnering him in a card game, but I was still learning cribbage strategy from him when we played for the last time on his 102nd birthday.

Grandma and Poppy didn't think they would live long enough to see my mom grow up since she was born when they were in their 40's. Mom remembers crying when they told her that they had designated Barbara to be her guardian if anything happened to them. I think she cried less out of fear of losing them and more out of the thought of having to live with her oldest sister. But they not only lived long enough to see their youngest child grow up, they survived long after to teach me valuable lessons – to stand firm in my beliefs and live a life that kept my family at the center and was an example of steadfastness, determination, devotion and faith.

Theirs was a long, devoted life. Even as Grandma's memory faded and she didn't recognize family members, she always knew her Herb. And he took care of his Nell until the end.

Once, long ago, a girl and a boy met at a party. They got married, raised a family and the rest is history.

Nancy Cravey

Julie & Dylan Jackson Baby Shower

College Park will host a baby shower for Julie & Dylan Jackson immediately following the 11:00 am service on Sunday, April 3, in the church parlor. Julie & Dylan are registered at Babies R Us and Pottery Barn Kids. All are invited.



Praise of Praise and Thanksgiving—Jazz Sunday

Yes and oh, my goodness, God, it must have been like this on the 13th day of Creation, after you made the heavens and the earth, after you rested, and after the world had worked for a week and come to that first real weekend, you said, Let there be jazz. And there was jazz.

And it was very good. Yes, you said, the people need jazz. They need the mournful rhythms of the field chants of the slaves. They need the triumph song when captives break their chains.

So you said, Let there be pianos and saxophones and trumpets and drums and flutes. Let there be trombones and clarinets and crashing cymbals and big bass viols. Let there be guitars and vibraphones and voices to sing lyrics and scat.

And you said, Let there be Armstrong and Basie and Charlie ‘Bird’ Parker and the Duke. Let there be Goodman and Desmond and Evans and Shelly and Getz. Let there be Ella and Nat ‘King’ Cole and Mel Torme and Red Norvo and mellow Joe Williams and blue Lady Day and all the sisters and brothers.

And you said, Let the people listen, let them clap their hands and stomp their feet and shout. Let them be refreshed along their toilsome way. You said, Let there be jazz. And there was jazz. And it’s so strong and beautiful that we know that it couldn’t have happened unless it came from you. Amen.

Lenten Bible Study

This year, our Lenten Bible Study will be led by Dr. Richard Vinson. Dr. Vinson and his spouse, Dr. Diane Lipsett, have both recently led discussions for us during the Advent season. Dr. Vinson is from Alabama, and grew up on a farm outside Montgomery. Dr. Vinson graduated with a B.A. and M.A. from Samford University, he received a M.Div. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and earned a Ph.D in Early Christianity Studies from Duke University. He is now a Visiting Professor of Religion at Salem College to which he relocated after marrying Dr. Diane Lipsett, who is Asst. Prof. of New Testament at Wake Forest Divinity School. Teaching at Salem means they get to live in the same city! Dr. Vinson’s research and writing is on the New Testament. He published a commentary on Luke in 2008 and a commentary on 1 Peter in 2010. He has another book underway on Luke’s version of the Lord’s prayer. Dr. Vinson has three sons, two step-sons, a daughter-in-law, and a 4-year-old grandson.

During the Lenten Season, Dr. Vinson will lead us in a five-part discussion on the gospels. Dr. Vinson will present on all four gospels allowing us to compare the gospels and helping us better understand their distinctions and unique approaches in telling the gospel story. We will also dedicate part of our discussion to comparing the “passion narratives” of the four gospels. The dates for this Wednesday nights series are: March 23, March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20. These conversations will take place following the 5:00 pm dinner. Please plan to join us for this bible study, this is not an opportunity you want to miss

Monica Williams & Rydell Harrison are getting married!

Please celebrate with us on Saturday, April 30, at 1:00 pm for the wedding followed by a dessert reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Looking Ahead

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| <u>March</u> | |
| 9 | Ash Wednesday |
| 13 | Lent I Daylight Savings Time Begins |
| 16 | Business Meeting |
| 20 | Lent II Outrageous Outreach—Meet at church, 4:45 pm. |
| 27 | Lent III |
| <u>April</u> | |
| 3 | Lent IV Julie & Dylan Jackson Baby Shower in Parlor following worship. |
| 10 | Lent V |
| 17 | Palm Sunday Children’s Egg Hunt |
| 24 | Easter (Bring your flowers for the flowering cross.) |
| 30 | Monica Williams & Rydell Harrison are getting married, 1:00 pm. Dessert social in the FH following ceremony. |
| <u>May</u> | |
| 1 | Church-Wide Picnic |
| 11 | Dylan & Julie Jackson’s baby girl is due. |
| <u>June</u> | |
| 15-18 | Passport Kids |
| 29 | David & Alison Schwartz’s baby boy is due. |
| <u>July</u> | |
| 29 - August 6 | Youth Mission Trip, San Francisco, CA |

Lent 2011 Theme



The theme for this lenten season is "Inhale." Lent is about emptying ourselves and opening ourselves to movement of God's spirit. In these next weeks, we will be opening ourselves and trying to inhale God and the spirit throughout the Lenten season. Our Easter theme then, Exhale, will allow us to focus on the ways that we exhale God into the world.

Thank You

Dear College Park family: Thank you very much for all of the cards, calls, emails, and especially the hugs that we received from you after the death of Barry’s mother. The staff and members of College Park area truly a blessing to both of us and we cherish our relationship with you.

Barry & Cheryl Pillow

Dear College Park: I would like to thank everyone at College Park for all of their prayers, thoughts, visits, and cards that were given to me and Sue-Ellen during the recent illness and death of my mother. I can’t imagine going through a time like this without the loving support of a church family, and College Park certainly helped ease the pain for me. It meant the world to me to know I had people on my side. Thanks again for all the support.
Adam & Sue-Ellen Team

Church Bowling Outing

A church bowling will be held on Sunday, March 27th, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the bowling alley on Oak Branch Road and Wendover Avenue. The cost will be \$10.00 per person and this covers 2 hours of unlimited bowling and shoe rental. A sign up sheet will be on Cindy’s door until Sunday March 20th. Money can be turned into Ashley Huffman or Wendy Smithey.

Men’s Discussion Group

The next book the occasional men’s book club will discuss is *Bad Monkeys* by Matt Ruff. Discussion of this book is planned for late March.

America for Christ

A mission project of the American Baptist Churches USA; supports ministries in the U. S. and Puerto Rico through evangelism, discipleship, congregational transformation and prophetic justice. College Park’s Missions Committee has selected several ministries that it believes are especially worthy and encourages you to prayerfully consider supporting them with an additional donation.

Hey! What’s for dinner?
CPC Wednesday Night Fellowship

March 9
Orange Chicken, Broccoli Penne
Brownies

March 16
Baked Pork Chops w/ Parm Sage Crust
Peas/Mashed Pots
Fruit Cocktail Cake

March 23
Sweet & Sour Chicken
Broccoli Salad, Orzo Pilaf
Nanaimo Bars

March 30
Oven Fried Chicken
Hickory Slaw, Green Beans
Easy Chocolate Cake

2011 Male Bake-Off Awards

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| Boys' 1st Place | Mr. Talking Pie | Isaac Cravey |
| Boys' 2nd Place | Tower of Power | Joshua Davis |
| Boys' 3rd Place | Alien Destruction | Jacob Dillman |
| Boys' 4th Place | Cosmic Clan | Ben Kirkman |
| Boys' 5th Place | Alien Attack | Jack Hicks |
| Boys' 6th Place | Black Goo Cake | Adam Sasser |
| Boys' 7th Place | Boot Hill | Drew Westervelt |
| Boys' 8th Place | Love Cake | Delmar Jones |

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| Young Men's 1st Place | You've Been Mooned | Nate Usey |
| Young Men's 2nd Place | This Ain't Your Grandma's Lemon Cake | Hunter Kirstner |
| Young Men's 3rd Place | The Luck Boys | Zephan & Zach Luck |
| Young Men's 4th Place | The Big Cheese | Xavier Harrison |

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| Men's 1st Place | Alien Cupcakes With Chocolate Ganache | Rodney Hill |
| Men's 2nd Place | Cowboy Crouch | Bill Hurt |
| Men's 3rd Place | Pineapple Pigskin | David Lyall |
| Men's 4th Place | Cowboy Muffins | Michael Usey |

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| Weirdness Cup | Banana Bacon Bean Brownies | Matt Cravey |
| Fruit Frenzy | Campfire Side Peach Cobbler | Ed Morgan |
| Best Pie | Moose Poop Pie | Jeff Sasser |
| Poison Control Alert | Echo's Amazing Coconut Cake | David Styers |

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| Super Bowl Theme #1 | Super Bowl Cream Puffs | Lewis Wheless |
| Super Bowl Theme #2 | Italian Cheesehead Cake | Tim Lowrance |
| Super Bowl Theme #3 | The Football Cake | Justice Harrison |
| Best Looking | Romulan Ribbon Cake | Kevin Shortt |
| Muy Macho | Steelers' Tower of Power | Wayne Jones |
| Best 1st Time Entry | Buckin' Bronco Brownies | Danny Garner |

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| Best Returning Entry | Alien Cupcakes | Daniel Sasser |
| Best Chocolate | Chocolate Seduction | Robert Dixon |
| Best Cookie | Green Bay Boot | Zach Harrison |
| Most Biblical | Weiner Poop I Just Want a Trophy | Aidan Schwartz |
| Most Creative | Chocolate Galactic Cola Cake | Nicholas Edwards |

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| Best Tasting | Goey Cake | Scott Smith |
| Best Non-Chocolate | Pineapple Smash | Mike Kirkman |
| Burnt Offering | Apple Juice Cake | Mike Ferris |
| Judges Award | Close Encounter of Peanut Butter Kind | Freddie Turner |
| Best of Show | It's Raining Crème Hallelujah | Mike Baumann |

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Cindy Dillon, Minister of Small Groups
Susan Finley, Handbell Director
Rydell Harrison, Minister of Music & Worship
Darlene Johnson, Sexton
Matt Lojko, Deacon Chair
Georgia Murray, Office & Media Manager
Ralph & Tammy Stocks, Missionaries
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People's Choice Awards—Male Bake-Off

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| 1st Place | It's Raining Crème Hallelujah | Mike Baumann |
| 2nd Place | Alien Cupcakes | Adam Sasser |
| 3rd Place | Cosmic Clan Cupcakes | Ben Kirkman |
| 4th Place | Chocolate Cake | Stephen Jones |

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February Peanut Butter Donations = 44 Pounds
Total Peanut Butter Donations = 69 Pounds
Total Other Food Donations = 0 Pounds
Grand Total for Year = 69 Pounds



Spring

A sense of warmth is tapping at the door;
And hope, a feeling out from distant lore
– Or so it seems – clears the deep refrain!

Emerging youth: a dormant lea awakes.
The raging color, [singing](#) loud, partakes
In annual [birth](#) – spring is born again!

A zest anew for nascent life
Begins in floral train:
Carriage one: a snowdripp thrill;
Carriage two: the crocus;
Number three, a daffodil – dancing,
Drawing focus – as she would,
Attention seeker!

How I love our spring:
The bold and sleeker feel I get,
An inner glow, a ring!
I've paid the winter's chilly debt, so
Now upon the wing!

Mark R Slaughter

Reminder

Please email the church office at cpcbgo@bellsouth.net if you would rather receive the monthly newsletter via email.