

# The Westfield Wire

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In March, Westfield participated in the *On Mission Celebration*, sponsored by the Little River Baptist Association. Five missionaries, serving in locations all over the globe, including North Carolina, shared with us their joys and their challenges. We learned ways we can help in their work—through prayer and financial support—but also were challenged to cultivate the mission field we have right here in Dunn!

Read on to learn how people at Westfield were touched by the *On Mission Celebration* experience . . .

*“We must get out of our comfortable chairs and churches and go out to serve God. By the same token, it is important to have Bible study in our homes.”*

*“After hearing the missionaries’ messages, I was motivated to reach out to others in my community.”*

*“By the end of the week, I learned that being a Baptist missionary required sacrifices.”*

Here are some ideas that were suggested after the *On Mission Celebration*: offering our fellowship hall to an Hispanic congregation, making our field available to the community for recreation, and reaching out to our immediate neighbors.

Are we willing to serve our own mission field?

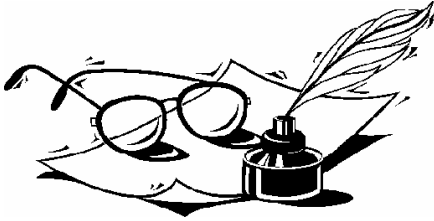


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## Vision Statement

To share Christ with all by leading and nurturing through a Ministry of love, fellowship, Bible study, prayer, worship, praise and proclamation of the Gospel; to seek God’s guidance as we respond to needs and serve as missionaries to our community and beyond.



### *from the Pastor's Pen*

**F**or whatever reason, I became nostalgic the other night. I pulled out a Power Point presentation Sydney's T-K teacher presented at their graduation. You see, on March 18, 2005, Sydney graduated from that class as she prepared for regular school. The Power Point slides showed the story of a little girl growing up, and I was amazed at how much she has grown since then.

I guess thinking back on Sydney's graduation has made me more aware of my upcoming graduation from Campbell University Divinity School. August 21, 2003, seems like such a long time ago when I started, but on May 14, 2007, at 9 o'clock in the morning, my journey for my theological education will come to an end, when I am recognized as a Divinity School graduate. I can hardly believe how fast the time has flown by. I want to thank you for your support, understanding and encouragement these last two semesters.

In 2 Timothy 4:7, I am sure Paul felt like his journey had gone by too quickly. In this verse Paul writes, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful." Paul was writing to Timothy to tell him the end of his life had come, and I believe to some extent, Paul still wanted to do more.

In a way, I can empathize with Paul. Although I do not feel like I have come to the end of my physical life, I have completed the race in my education. I fought the good fight of writing papers and taking exams. I remained faithful by never turning an assignment in late—and now, the race is over.

But what about you? What race are you still running? Have you fought the good fight? Have you remained faithful to your original goal? As Christians, it is easy to get discouraged in a world that seems to ignore our message of the cross and of God's love for all, but we are called to finish the race and remain faithful. I believe we can learn something from the participants who walk in the Harnett County Relay for Life. These cancer survivors and their family and friends commit to walking all night for the benefit of raising money for more cancer research. Talk about fighting the good fight, running the race, and remaining faithful—cancer survivors do just that. May God continue to bless the family and friends of Westfield Baptist Church as we run the spiritual race for God.

Love in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris".

# USHERS

THIS MONTH

Pearce Baker  
Tyler Carpenter  
Walter Krueger  
David Rose  
Charles Wilkes

## CHILDREN'S



### Sermon

**May 6**  
Nina Sumner

**May 13**  
Charlie Carpenter

**May 20**  
Victor Quick

**May 27**  
Susan Murray

## Deacon of the Week

- May 6** David Rose, 891-4151
- May 13** Joe Carr, 892-0940
- May 20** Carolyn Jackson, 891-5955 (w)
- May 27** Milton Murray, 892-6651

## Kids Time

Westfield will begin a new children's ministry on Wednesday, May 2 called **Kids Time!** We will be studying the fruits of the spirit. If you know of families with children ages 3 through 5th grade, please tell them about Kids Time! Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by music, Bible lessons, crafts and games at 6:25 p.m. There will be a minimal \$1.50 charge per child for dinner. (Money has been donated to cover meals of children that cannot pay.)

- May 2** Michelle Dawson, Joyce Ballard, Paula Jones
- May 9** Michelle Dawson, Joyce Ballard, Joe & Jennifer Carr
- May 16** Michelle Dawson, Joyce Ballard, Jim & Jane Marks
- May 23** Midge Carpenter, Joyce Ballard, Sylvia Campbell, Paula Jones
- May 30** Michelle Dawson, Joyce Ballard, Melissa Scott



*Daniel Lester Holt  
and  
Katherine Elizabeth English  
will be married  
on Saturday, May 5th  
in Asheville*

*(Daniel is the son of James & Alice Holt)*



# May 2007







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**Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat**



1 Patti Parham  
 2 Charlie Carpenter  
 5 Michelle Dawson  
 5 Victor Quick  
 8 Edna Benson  
 11 Courtney Quick  
 14 Hunter Johnston  
 15 John Ballard  
 17 Lucy Simpson  
 18 Mary Alice Campbell  
 22 Daniel Brewington  
 25 Kristen Hair  
 26 Charlie & Midge Carpenter  
 29 Jewel Allen  
 29 James Holt

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			<b>NEW: Kids Time!</b> ages 3 and up 6—7:30 p.m. dinner \$1.50/child			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Deacon Nominations</b> 10:30 a.m. worship		 9:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.				<b>Campbell Divinity School Hooding Ceremony</b>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
 Mother's Day	<b>Campbell University Graduation Ceremony</b> 9 a.m.		 6:30 p.m.			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Deacon's Mtg.</b> 6:15 p.m.						<b>Ronald McDonald House Mission Trip</b> 3:00 p.m.

**I will comfort you there in Jerusalem as a mother comforts her child.**  
 Isaiah 66:13 (NLT)

27   
**Men's Breakfast**  
 8:15 a.m.

28                      29                      30                      31

**Weekly Schedule of Services**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
9:15 a.m. Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Kids Time (dinner)
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship	6:30 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study
5:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice	6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study

## Young at Hearts

May Events  
Stay tuned!



The WOM Night Group is involved in a project called "Wounded Warriors Operation Restore Faith." We will be purchasing AT&T phone cards to be sent to the hospital in Landstuhl, Germany for wounded service men and women from Afghanistan and Iraq. The phone cards will be made available for contacting their loved ones.

If you would like to help with this project, you may make a donation of any amount to Lucy Simpson or Midge Carpenter. We will collect money through the month of May.

A vertical logo on the left side of the box that reads "Just 4 Youth!" in a stylized font. The "4" is inside a blue circle, and the "Y" is inside a red circle. There are stars around the text.

Mark your calendars!

Graduation Sunday is June 3. We will recognize Josh Quick, Triton High School Senior and college graduates, Chris Newton, Campbell University and Chris Dawson, Campbell University Divinity School. If you know of other graduates in our church family, please contact Chris Newton or the church office.

An illustration of two blue graduation caps with tassels. A large yellow star with rays is positioned between them, with several smaller yellow stars scattered around the caps and rays.

### 2007 Record of Our Giving

YTD Budget Requirements \$ 50,000.00  
 YTD General Fund Offerings \$ 60,361.78  
 Difference **\$ 10,361.78**

## Kids Time

### May 2

*The Fruit of the Spirit*

chicken nuggets  
 carrots & ranch  
 apple slices  
 milk or juice  
 Cookie

### May 16

*Joy in Jail*

cheese toast  
 celery & pb  
 1/2 banana  
 milk or juice  
 brownie

### May 9

*The Loving Samaritan*

pigs in blankets  
 salad  
 peaches  
 milk or juice  
 rice krispies treats

### May 23

*Abraham the Peacemaker*

fish sticks  
 salad  
 applesauce  
 milk or juice  
 cookies

### May 30

*The Patience of a Father*

PBJ  
 cheese  
 pears  
 milk or juice  
 popsicle

### Mary Alice Campbell

Britthaven of Harnett  
 604 Lucas Road  
 Room 400

### Si & Verona Singleton

211 Pine View Drive  
 Erwin  
 897-7858



**Vacation Bible School**  
**June 24-28**

**July 15-20**



**Christmas in August Auction**  
**August 24**



**Operation Christmas Child**

**May Collection small toys**

The CO-Ed IV Sunday School Class is sponsoring a church wide visit to the Ronald McDonald House of Durham on Saturday, May 26 to deliver aluminum can tabs. After our visit, we will stop for dinner and homemade ice cream! The Ronald McDonald House has offered a wish list of other items they need: Wal-Mart or grocery gift cards, phone cards, AA/AAA batteries, travel size hygiene products, shaving cream & razors (You can contact Pearce Baker for the complete list.)



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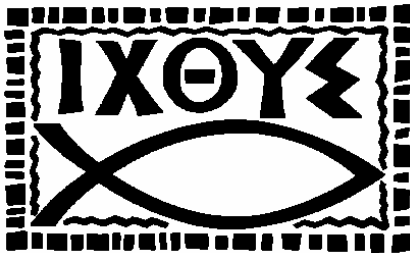
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Minister of Music	Victor Quick
Youth Minister	Chris Newton
Secretary	Barbara Harden
Organist	Joyce Ballard
Pianist	Brad Gardner



### Upcoming Events

**June**

- 3 Graduate Recognition Service
- 7 Senior Citizens Village
- 8-15 Pastor's Vacation
- 17 Father's Day
- 24-28 Vacation Bible School

**July**

- 15-20 World Changers

**August**

- 24 Christmas in August Auction