

The Westfield Wire

November 2007

Westfield Baptist Church

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Westfield Homecoming - November 4

**Celebrate Westfield's 43rd Homecoming on Sunday, November 4th!
Covered dish meal to follow the morning worship.**

Worship with Odum Home Sunday, November 18

Odum Home in Pembroke is a ministry of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Odum Home provides residential care for school age boys and girls. Odum Home celebrated its 65th anniversary last month of providing an environment where children and families can bring problems, conflicts, and themselves into a partnership with staff and peers to find solutions.

Children and staff from Odum Home will lead Westfield in worship (music and word) on **Sunday, November 18**. Please make plans to participate that day and stay for the covered dish meal.

Our own Abe & Jackie Elmore have had a long relationship with Odum Home, sponsoring a girls' cottage on the campus. We are thankful for the Elmore's service to Westfield and the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Baptist Children's Homes Thanksgiving Offering

Each year, North Carolina Baptists show their love and support for children by participating in the annual *Thanksgiving Offering for Baptist Children's Homes*. The theme for 2007 is "**Love + Give = Hope.**" You will be receiving a letter and offering envelope in the mail asking you to prayerfully consider what God would have you give towards this offering. The children are counting on us!

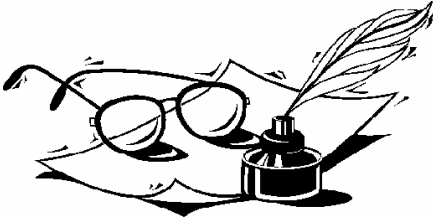
My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. 1 John 3:18

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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

We are now in the season of fall. The weather has cooled; the leaves have changed colors, and in some cases have fallen. This last word is what I want us to focus on—fallen. Our lives are busy and time is a precious commodity, but when was the last time you or I fell to our knees and prayed to God?

Have you ever fallen in a trap? It could have been a hidden animal trap or a Highway Patrol speed trap. You may have been sent a computer virus. Whatever the case, as Christians, we are presented with traps set by Satan every day—how many do we fall in? Our challenge is to recognize his traps and avoid them. Hopefully I have warned you to be mindful of traps which are created specifically to cause us to fall.

Now let's shift gears and look at the word fallen, not as something done to us, but as our responsibility when we do fall. Romans 3:23 says it best, "All have sinned and fallen short of God's glory." We are a fallen people in a fallen world, but our responsibility is to get up! The question is, "How?" The simple answer to that question is, "with God's help." There is a promise in Romans 6:23 which tells us, "The wages of sin is death but God's gift is eternal life through Jesus Christ." The simple message is this—no matter how far or how many times we have fallen, God is there to pick us up. He is there to tell us everything is alright, but we first must recognize His son, Jesus, as our Savior and King. Do you feel like you are falling today? Or do you feel like you have already hit rock bottom? It may seem hopeless at the moment, but God is there. His presence surrounds you if you have accepted him as your Lord and Savior.

My challenge to each of us is to enjoy this season of fall. I believe we can do that by falling in love with God all over again. For a moment, let's stop asking God to do something for us, but instead ask God what we can do for Him. Let this fall season be the best ever!

Love in Christ,

Chris



The Dawson family and Westfield look forward to a new addition in May 2008!

USHERS

THIS
MONTH

- Pearce Baker
- Violet Jackson
- Jimmy Marks
- David Rose
- Charles Wilkes

Deacon of the Week

- Nov 4** Carolyn Jackson, 891-5955 (w)
- Nov 11** Ed Taylor, 897-8736
- Nov 18** Mike Parham, 892-1203
- Nov 25** Red Lambeth, 892-2885

CHILDREN'S



Sermon

- November 4**
Betty Baker
- November 11**
Nina Sumner
- November 18**
Charlie Carpenter
- November 25**
Victor Quick

Kids Time

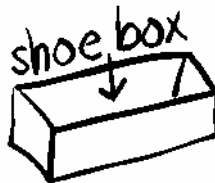
- Nov 7** *A Boy Shares Kindness*
Joyce Ballard, Sylvia Campbell, Michelle Dawson, Nonie Roberson (dinner)
- Nov 14** *How Goodness Gives*
Joyce Ballard, Jennifer Carr, Joe Carr, Michelle Dawson (dinner)
- Nov 21** *No Kids Time* (Thanksgiving)
- Nov 28** *Brave and Faithful*
Joyce Ballard, Jennifer Carr (dinner), Paula Jones, Melissa Scott

Dinner will be served each week.



Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

1 Chronicles 16:34, NIV



Operation Christmas Child

We can't send empty boxes! **Mission Team:** join us on Sunday, November 4 at 5:30 p.m. for a brief meeting about our trip. **Everyone:** Come at 6:00 p.m. to fill the boxes. We'll be in the upstairs hallway of the education wing. Just bring yourselves—we have the filling.



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Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**



- 3 Harold Boykin
- 3 Charles & Pam Wilkes
- 4 Alice Holt
- 9 Carolyn Hair
- 16 Dava Johnston
- 20 Pam Wilkes
- 24 Joyce Ballard

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4  HOME COMING  covered dish meal pack shoeboxes 6 p.m.	5	6	7	8	9	10
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11 OCC Shoebox Dedication 10:30 a.m. Community Thanksgiving Service 6 p.m. (Glad Tidings) Deacons 6:15 p.m.	12	13  WOMEN ON MISSION 9:45 a.m.	14  BUSINESS MEETING 6:30 p.m.	15	16  Newsletter Deadline	17  WMU™ Women's Retreat 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
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Baptist State Convention - Greensboro

Weekly Schedule of Services

Sunday
9:15 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
5:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
6:00 p.m. Youth Connection

Wednesday
6:00 p.m. Kids Time
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study

18 Odum Home leads worship Children's Home offering covered dish meal	19	20	21 No evening activities	22  Thanksgiving Church Office Closed	23  Operation Christmas Child A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE	24
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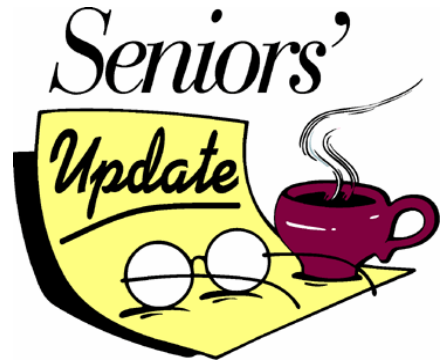
25	26	27	28	29	30 Snyder Memorial Singing Christmas Tree & dinner 3:00 p.m.
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Young at Hearts

A delicious pig pickin' was enjoyed at Ed & Judy's on October 13 by over 30 Young at Hearts.

Friday, November 30

We will leave the church at 3 p.m. for dinner at Hudson Bay followed by The Singing Christmas Tree (7:30 p.m.) at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church in Fayetteville. We have tickets for the first 24 people that sign up. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board downstairs in the education wing.



Ms. Nonie is wrapping up the study on prayer this month. A *Beth Moore* study on the disciple John will follow. We'd like to have *all* our youth participate. And if you're not busy on Wednesday evenings, consider volunteering at *Kids Time!*



- ◆ A Women's Retreat is planned for Saturday, November 17. All the women of the church are invited. We encourage you to attend and bring a guest. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. A special guest will lead the program which starts at 10. We will conclude the day with a salad lunch at 12 noon.
- ◆ The WOM night group has a new meeting date and time. Meetings will be held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (There will be no meeting in November due to the women's retreat.)
- ◆ Please begin collecting items for the Senior Citizens Village Christmas Store on December 2.



Michael & Lutie (Lu)
Murphy

108 Glenfield Dr.
Dunn, NC 28334

Please welcome the
Murphy family to
Westfield. They are
members of the Co-
Ed IV Sunday School
Class.

Welcome
Our New
Members

2007 Record of Our Giving

(as of October 28, 2007)

YTD Budget Requirements \$ 134,375.00

YTD General Fund Offerings 128,488.69

Difference (\$ 5,886.31)

Love+Give=Hope



BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES of North Carolina
2007 OFFERING
Week of Prayer: November 11-18

Odum Home will lead us in worship on November 18. Please make plans to attend. We will enjoy a covered dish lunch with them after worship. We also will collect the Baptist Children's Homes of NC 2007 Offering on that date.



Mary Alice Campbell

Britthaven of Harnett
604 Lucas Road
Room 400

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892-7347

Verona Singleton

211 Pine View Drive, Erwin
897-7858

Annie Mae West

Britthaven of Harnett
604 Lucas Road
Room 107

Remember to turn your clocks back on Saturday, November 3.

- ◆ This is the weekend of pictorial directory photos.
- ◆ Homecoming is Sunday, November 4!
- ◆ The Dunn Cotton Festival is Saturday, November 3.





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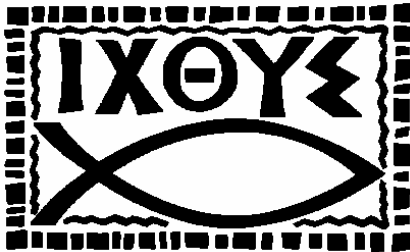
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Minister of Music Victor Quick
Secretary Barbara Harden
Organist Joyce Ballard
Pianist Brad Gardner

December

- 1** Staff Brunch, 9:30 a.m.
- 2** Hanging of the Greens Service
- 2** Christmas Store at Senior Citizens Village , 2 p.m.
- 2-9** Week of Prayer for International & Global Missions
- 3** WOM Night Group Christmas Social & Meeting
- 6** Choir Cantata presented at Senior Citizens Village, 7 p.m.
- 9** Choir presents *The Shepherd's Song*, 10:30 a.m.
- 16** Caroling & Fellowship Meal, 6 p.m.
- 21** Christmas at the Dawson's, 4:30 - 9 p.m.
- 24** Christmas Eve Service & Communion, 6 p.m.

