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Upcoming Events



- September
- 2 Labor Day - Office Closed
- 4 KISS/Kids time resumes
- 8 Deacons Meeting
- 14 Men's Workday
- 15 Business Meeting
- October
- 5 Baptist Men Workday
- 6 Church Council Follow-up
- 12 Co-Ed III Church-wide Pig Pickin'
- 13 Deacons Meeting
- 20 Business Meeting
- 21 WMU Meeting
- 30 Trunk or Treat!!

The Westfield Wire

September 2013

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Wednesday Nights at Westfield School Schedule Resumes September 4!

5:45–6:20 p.m. Family Supper

Adults \$4, children \$2, family max \$12
Make reservations by noon on Monday!
Call Marian in the office at 910-892-2216

6:30–7:20 p.m. Discipleship for all ages

Kids Time (to age 11), Youth Connection (to age 18),
Adult Prayer & Bible Study

7:30–8:30 p.m. Adult Choir



For surely
I KNOW THE
plans
I have for
YOU,
says the
Lord...
TO GIVE YOU A
future
WITH
Hope.
Jeremiah 29:11, NRSV

Westfield Heritage and Identity Round-Table Discussions

Please make plans to join us for two very important Wednesday nights. **September 18** and **25** Westfield will host two round-table discussions on **Heritage** and **Identity**. During this time of transition, it is crucial that we identify where we have been and where we are going. We need to identify our vision and our identity. Only with full participation will we create a true and accurate picture of WestfieldBaptist Church. Please come and participate.

Adam

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.

The African poet Afu Kuma has written beautifully about the hardships of life and the hope of salvation.

*We have come to this earth
Only to work and wear ourselves out.
But in Jesus we find our rest.*

So true. Life can feel like a go-nowhere exercise in working and wearing ourselves out. Oftentimes it may feel like you are not appreciated and your work is not noticed. But in Christ we find our rest.

But if Christ is our rest, why do we allow ourselves to become so unrested and restless? Christ has given us all we need, but instead of being grateful, we try to get more. We fill our days and hours with stuff. We run ourselves silly trying to give ourselves more meaning and fulfillment. The Good Shepherd has led us to clean and clear water, but we keep sticking our faces in the mud for a drink. The Good Farmer has supplied us with wholesome wheat, but we keep stuffing our mouths with chaff and husk. Why do we do that?

Our hearts not only need rest, they need to be taken as prisoners of the Lord. Mr. Kuma continues his poem with these words,

*Salvation has taken our souls captive
And carried us off to a new land.*

Paul urges us to make every thought captive to Christ (2 Cor 10:5). And that is just what salvation is: being captive to Christ, carried off to a new land. Salvation is a new land – a land of rest. We cannot get there on our own. We cannot reach it under our own power and by our own strength. We have to be carried.

I hope that your hearts are taken captive by the Word of Christ this fall. When we are taken from ourselves, when our hearts belong not to ourselves but to Christ, then we will know what true freedom and true rest feel like.

Adam



Pray for, get involved with, support, and love on all our teachers and students of all ages!



through August 25, 2013

Budget Requirements	\$127,855
General Fund Offerings	100,221
Difference	(\$27,633)

Baptist Men Workdays

Note that we have some changes to our scheduled workdays! Some additional needs have come to our attention. As of now, the schedule through year's end is:

- Sept 14** **Handicap Ramp**
- Oct 5** **Community Work Day**
- Nov 2** **Homecoming Cleanup Day**
- Nov 24** **Christmas Decorating**

We will schedule other service days as needed. Call the church office, Joe Carr, or Jimmy Marks to request assistance.



Our Members at Home

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Harnett Woods
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Room 217

O.W. "Bill" Godwin, Jr.
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892-7347

Mary Frances Gordon
Senior Citizens Village
Room 115

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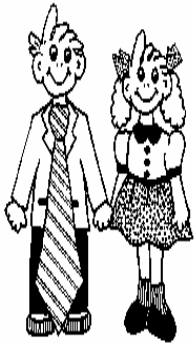
THIS MONTH

Lutie Murphy
Pearce Baker
Charlie Carpenter
Ethel Durham
Abe Elmore

Deacon of the Week

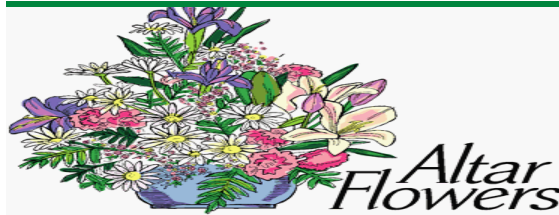
Sept. 1 Angela Godwin 892-8860
Sept. 8 Brinson Hunter 892-0376
Sept.15 Susan Murray 892-3729
Sept.22 Ed Taylor 897-8736
Sept.29 Edwin Bass 894-1899

CHILDREN'S



Sept. 1 Trent Carpenter
Sept. 8 Adam English
Sept. 15 Joe Carr
Sept. 22 Chris Cottingham
Sept. 29 Chris Cottingham

Sermon



Sept. 1 Gray & Melissa Scott
Sept. 8 Ronnie & Jeanne Autry
Sept.15 Jack & Bebe Melvin
Sept.22 Abe & Jackie Elmore
Sept.29 vacant



NURSERY WORKERS

Sept. 1 Bebe Melvin
Sept. 8 Sylvia Campbell
Sept. 15 Paula Jones
Sept. 22 Kim Carpenter
Sept. 29 Betty Bass



Sunday School Teachers

Sept 1 Betty Bass
Sept. 8 Bebie Melvin
Sept. 15 Sylvia Campbell
Sept. 22 Lutie Murphy
Sept.29 Bebe Melvin



Dear Westfield Family,

Words cannot express how grateful I am for all your kindness, cards, phone calls, love, and prayers, during the last few months.

It's the support of a loving family like West field that has helped our family through this difficult time.

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and the wonderful dinner served to our family. What a thoughtful thing to do. I will never forget you for your kindness. John would have been so proud of the service and his church family.

Love and Prayers,

Brenda Williford and family

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your uplifting notes & prayers for us as we go through this difficult chapter in our lives. We feel God's presence every day due to our open hearts & mind, allowing God's blessings & presence. We sincerely feel the effects of prayer and say to you,

Thank You!
God is Good!!

Jim & Linda Hawk
Rockwall, Texas

Operation Christmas Child

At this time we have not had enough interest to send a team to Charlotte to pack shoeboxes this year. The absolute deadline to sign up is September 8. If you are interested in going with a group from Westfield, contact Chris by that Sunday.

Don't forget to bring your items for the shoe boxes the church is putting together and to shop now for your own personal shoe box gifts! For September, we are asking for donations of **ball point pens** and **combs** and **brushes** for the shoeboxes. Contact Violet Jackson for other suggestions on what to bring!





Westfield Baptist Church














& Birthdays
Anniversaries

September

- 1 Angela Godwin
- 2 Winnie Ruth Smith
- 10 Jimmy Bailey
- 14 Keith Brewington
- 18 Trent Carpenter
- 18 Jack & Bebe Melvin
- 19 Anya Smith
- 21 Betty Baker
- 21 Andrea Godwin
- 23 Jim Allen
- 24 McKenzie Bass
- 26 Carolyn Brewington
- 28 Larry Jones

September 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Adam away; Chris preaching	2  Office Closed	3  Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	4 K.I.S.S. Meals & Children's Programs Resume	5	6	7
8 Deacons Meeting  6:30 p.m.	9	10  Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	11 	12	13	14 Men's Workday
15 6:30 pm 	16	17  Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	18 	19	20 	21
22	23	24  Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	25 	26	27	28
29	30					
Sunday Schedule 9:15 a.m. Bible Study for all ages 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship		Wednesday Schedule 5:45 p.m. K.I.S.S. 6:30 p.m. Dicipleship for All Ages 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice				