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REGULAR OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Children's Choir	3:45 p.m.
AWANA	4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Youth Activities	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Supper	6:00 - 6:40 p.m.
Mission Friends	7:00 p.m.
GAs, RAs, Youth	7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice	8:00 p.m.

CHURCH STAFF

Dave Atwater, Pastor
Victor Quick, Minister of Music
Mayling Blackwood, Ministry Assistant

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION
MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
LOVE GOD. EXALT CHRIST. SEEK HIS WILL. SERVE HIS PURPOSE.

Business Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2008

The church business meeting was called to order by moderator, Tommy Cecil. 24 members were present. Byron Tripp led in prayer. The May 18, 2008, business meeting minutes were read. Reports were given and are attached (if hard copy available).

Treasurer: Pat Cecil – Treasurer’s report voted on and passed.

Deacons: No report **Church Council:** No report **Sunday School:** No report

Missions: Robin Farrell – Robin announced that July’s missions would be “Christmas in July” with a collection of new toys to be taken to the Dept. of Correction in Hillsborough, and “Undie Sunday” with underwear being donated to the Baptist Children’s Home.

Historian: No report **Men’s Club:** No report

AWANA: Pat Cecil – Pat announced that AWANA is about to finish the year and looking forward to the new year beginning in September.

Benevolence: No report

Budget and Finance: Robbie Smith – Robbie addressed concerns of an overall shortfall of approximately \$9,500 for the year. He also reported that May was the first month this year that we did not have enough from contributions to meet the required Building Fund payment. The deficit had to be transferred from the general fund. He encouraged everyone to be mindful of the monthly expenses.

Building and Grounds: No report

By-Laws: Jim Rives – Jim presented to the church a proposal for the creation of an Electronics Committee. (Copy of proposed purpose and duties are attached.) Recommendation voted on passed.

Cemetery: No report **Flower:** No report **Kitchen:** No report

Library: No report **Music:** No report **Outreach:** No report

Nominating: Byron Tripp – Byron brought before the church the Nominating Committee’s recommendation for Felicite Thompson to serve as Sunday School Director for the year 2008-2009. Recommendation voted on and passed. Byron also announced that the nominating committee was beginning to contact members to fill positions for the coming year. In the near future, the committee is hoping to start promoting the vacant positions via our website.

Nursery: No report **Personnel Advisory:** No report **Tape Ministry:** No report

Usher: No report **Van:** No report **Youth:** No report

July 2008

Missions: Ronald McDonald House,
Undies Sunday, Christmas in July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	3	4 Office Closed	5
6 Lord’s Supper 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities; Women’s Bible Study	7	8	9 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	10	11	12
13 Deacon Nominations Begin 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities; Church Council; Women’s Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Business Mtg	14	15	16 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	17	18 Newsletter submissions due in the church office	19
20 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities; Women’s Bible Study	21 7:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting	22	23 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	24 Ronald McDonald House	25	26
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News

Vacation Bible School Newsflash

VBS will start *one week earlier* due to Year-Round School starting on July 14th.

New Date: July 7 - 11, 2008
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Mac Lewis Benefit

Saturday, July 12
7:00 p.m.

Ramada Convention Center, Burlington, NC

Admission by Donations

*Bands: The Magnificents Band
The Night Riders*

Wednesday Night Summer Suppers

Volunteers are needed for the Wednesday Night Summer Suppers. Traditionally, summer menus have been simple. If you are interested, please see John Cecil for details.

Reimbursement Form

When requesting reimbursement for an (approved) expense incurred on behalf of the church, please remember that the church's new reimbursement form must be submitted along with all receipts. Copies are available either at the "member information page" on the church web site or in the church office.

AWANA and Children's Choir

AWANA and Children's Choir will not meet in July or August.

Dear Antioch Family and Friends,
I would like to thank you for your calls, visits, and prayers. You are a loving and caring family. I miss being able to attend Sunday School, worship services, and all the great fun at choir practice. Please keep me in your prayers.

With Love,
Boo (Lillian) Pierce

Thank you for your prayers, calls, and cards during my recent illness, and for my safe travels to Oregon to visit my son and his family. Your expressions of love and concern meant so much.

Love,
Jan Neville Gilchrist

Bird and I would like to thank you for your prayers, visits, food, calls, and your concerns for us during Bird's recent three admissions to Duke Hospital and her recovery process at home. Thanks for your Christian love. Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

In Christ's Love,
Mebane and Bird Durham

R.A.s, G.A.s, and Mission Friends

R.A.s and G.A.s will not be meeting during the summer months. Normal schedule will resume in September. Please note, Mission Friends will continue to meet during the summer.

News & Opportunities

OUR MISSION PROJECTS THIS MONTH:

Our mission projects for July will be providing a meal to the Ronald McDonald House, Undies Sunday, and Christmas in July. If you would be willing to assist, please see Robin Farrell or call the church office.

Ronald McDonald House

Thursday, July 24, 2008

Undies Sunday

Deadline Date: July 27, 2008

Following items needed, in all sizes, for children to teen: socks, boxers, bras, panties, undershirts, slips, whole and half camisoles.

Christmas in July: Toy Collection for Alamance/Orange

Prison Ministry

Deadline Date: July 27, 2008

Please bring your donated, new, and unwrapped toys for ages infants—2 years old and 12 - 16 year olds.

Containers have been placed throughout the church for Undies Sunday and Christmas in July items.



Young at Heart

No Young at Heart Event for the month of July.

If you have any questions, please call Peggy Tripp at (919) 929-4481.

July 2008 Nursery Schedule

Wed. 2nd: Pat Tayloe

Sun. 6th: Charlene Williams, Carolyn Lacock, Ray Thompson, Felicite Thompson

Wed. 9th: Betty Sue Yow

Sun. 13th: Peyton Justice, Sandy Jefferson, Cindi Atwater, Darla Stokely

Wed. 16th: Dawn Ward

Sun. 20th: Sherry Webster, Allyson Cecil, Dana Ward, Kim Dunn

Wed. 23rd: Ruth Williams

Sun. 27th: Lyn Lloyd, Becky Smith, Jared Buddington, Becky Stone, Taylor Stone

Wed. 30th: Kay Hammond

Church Night: Snow Camp Outdoor Theatre

July 17 — "Sword of Peace"
July 24 — "Pathway to Freedom"

Bring a church bulletin and get \$2 off a regular priced adult admission ticket.

Pre-show @ 7:30 p.m.— Show @ 8:00 p.m.

Kid's Theatre Camp
July 14-18 (6-11 year olds)
July 28-Aug. 1 (12-15 year olds)

1-800-726-5115 or 336-376-6948
www.snowcampdrama.com

A Message From The Pastor

A Trip Worth Taking

*“And there’s no cure like travel to help you unravel
the worries of living today.*

*When the poor brain is cracking, there’s nothing like packing
a suitcase and sailing away.”*

These lines by Cole Porter seem to reflect the thoughts of a lot of us around this time of the year. ...And “getaways” ARE important. Each of us needs a break occasionally. To recharge. To get a new perspective. To keep our routine from becoming a “rut” (often defined as “a grave with the ends knocked out”). But if we aren’t careful, we try to accomplish too much even during a “vacation,” and return more exhausted than when we left. “Getting away” can even be our attempt at “running away” – from ourselves, from our problems, and even from God. But “geographical cures” don’t work, because unhappiness has more to do with what’s “in here” than what’s “out there.” So what’s the answer?

Author Bruce Chatwin points out that all the great teachers from Buddha and Lao-tse to Saint Francis set at the heart of their messages “the perpetual pilgrimage.” This kind of spiritual journey, he writes, was intended to help disciples “re-establish the harmony of the first state.”

Purposeful wandering, you see, has a goal beyond mere survival or acquisition. It has a vision, and sometimes a faith. Like Abram leaving the ancient city of Ur with only God’s call as security. Or Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt. Or any number of other “pilgrims” down through the ages. But not all journeys are noble. Some teachings don’t have the power to transform. And some destinations disappoint. Augustine was on target when he confessed, “You have created us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You.”

So if you’re looking for the kind of inner peace that a mere change of scenery can never give, don’t just take a vacation; begin a pilgrimage with Christ as your guide. He’s the only one with the power to promise, “Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ...Learn from me... and you will find rest for your souls.” (Matt. 11:28-29) It’s the one trip that can really change your life. Why settle for less?

Business Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2008

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Old Business: None

New Business: ●Pat Neville announced the church had received a letter from the American Red Cross asking to renew our contract allowing the church to be used as an emergency center. After discussions, it was decided to get further information regarding the terms of the contract from the American Red Cross.

●Kitchin Durham gave a report on the finances of the May 17th Country Breakfast: Total Income: \$4,242.00, Expenses: \$1,851.24, Net profit: \$2,390.76. The number of guests served was 374. (Copy of detailed report attached.) A motion was made for the profits to be donated to Siloam Missionary Homes, but motion failed due to lack of a second. Following discussions, a motion was made to deposit the money into Discretionary Missions. Motion was seconded, voted on and passed.

●Betty Sue Yow suggested, due to financial concerns, that the church consider renting the parsonage. However; a couple of uses for the parsonage were presented: AWANA may grow and will have to look at using this space, or should the Single Adult Sunday School class start up, they might consider using the parsonage to meet. There were no further discussions.

●Pastor Atwater announced that in the future, the church may consider moving from cassette tapes to DVD/CDs. He indicated prior to this change, it would first have to be approved by the church.

●Pastor Atwater addressed a concern that the church may want to consider performing background checks. This is an area that the Personnel Advisory Committee has discussed. Byron Tripp addressed his concern in regard to the Nominating Committee trying to secure nursery workers or anyone involved in children’s ministries. Concerns in other areas were addressed as well. Robbie Smith suggested we consult with Duncan MacCalman to ensure proper wording, etc. in documenting this policy. The By-Laws Committee will pursue.

●Pastor Atwater announced there will probably be a pot-luck dinner following the worship service on June 22 to recognize our new members and to honor Rocky Coyle for his dedication and service here at Antioch as he leaves to serve as pastor at The Journey Church in Durham.

●The church received a letter from Chatham United Methodist Church requesting a letter of transfer for Clifford McCauley. Motion made to honor request, seconded, voted on and passed. Motion made, seconded, voted on and passed to approve the minutes as amended. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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