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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	4:00 - 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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SEPTEMBER



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

Business Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2008

Church business meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Deacons Byron Tripp. 25 members were present. Greg Williams led in prayer. The July 13, 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- Byron Tripp- Byron stated we have four people who have been selected as the final nominees. Twenty people were initially nominated. Deacon elections will be next Sunday and the Deacon orientation will be August 30th at 10:00. He read a thank you note from the Alamance Orange Prison Ministries.

Church Council- Byron Tripp- Bryon stated that they did not meet this month. The AWANA Fun Night is August 24th and the AWANA kickoff is September 14th. Baseball camp is Sept 27th from 9:00 – 12:00, November 25th is the joint Thanksgiving service at Antioch and the Mt. Zion training is on October 3rd and 4th.

Sunday School- Bryon Tripp- Byron stated that we are starting a new year. He presented a handout of the Sunday School Teacher structure. There are positions available. The committee recommended this document be affirmed as the list of teachers for 2008-2009. An addition to the document is Cindy Lloyd who will be helping out with the 3 and 4 year olds. Recommendation voted on and approved.

Missions- no report **Historian-** no report **Men's Club-** no report

AWANA - Pat Cecil – Pat stated the AWANA kickoff is August 24th from 4:00 – 6:00. Postcards are being sent out as invitations. They would like to set up inflatable slides and the cost is approximately \$700-\$800 for rental. They are under the understanding that they can take the money out of the Outreach budget and she made this recommendation. Recommendation voted on and approved.

Benevolence- no report

Budget and Finance- Robbie Smith- Robbie stated at the last business meeting a recommendation was made to take money that would have gone to the Youth Pastor and apply it to the mortgage. This committee proposed to let the cash balance build back up before making additional payments on the mortgage. Proposal voted on and approved. An additional payment of \$6,600 has been made toward the building fund as approved at last month's business meeting. This brings the number of payments left to 44.

Pat Cecil questioned the payment for the work that was done on the sidewalks asking what account should this come from? Motion made to pay this out of the checking account. Voted on and approved.

Building and Grounds- Gene Williams – Gene thanked everyone for their help on the workday before homecoming. He stated the Building and Grounds Committee is meeting every Tuesday night. They have installed the 1956 congregation picture and the bicentennial picture on the wall. The Relay for Life plaque has also been installed on the wall. The concrete walkways have been completed. He thanked everyone for their help with homecoming. Motion made to add the following duties to the Building and Grounds Committee: "The Building and Grounds Committee proposes that the following duties be added to the duties of the Building and Grounds Committee, as listed in the Policy and Procedures Manual of the Church. Set up and monitor the volunteer schedule of the church members to mow the parsonage lawn on a monthly basis as needed with one (1) Building and Grounds Committee member in charge of the overall task. Set up and monitor the volunteer schedule of church members to haul the church facilities trash on a

September 2008

Missions: Ronald McDonald House & Red Gift Boxes

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Office Closed	2	3 6:00 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	4	5	6 4:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Banquet
7 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities	8 6:30 p.m. Men's Club Meeting	9	10 6:00 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	11	12	13
14 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. AWANA Kick-Off 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities 5:00 p.m. Church Council 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting	15 7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting	16	17 6:00 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	18 Newsletter submissions due in the church office Ronald McDonald House	19	20
21 3:45 p.m. Children's Choir 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. AWANA 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities	22 7:00 p.m. Budget and Finance Meeting	23	24 6:00 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends, Youth, Adult Bible Study 8:00 p.m. Choir	25	26	27 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Baseball Camp
28 3:45 p.m. Children's Choir 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. AWANA 5:00 p.m. Youth Activities 6:30 p.m. Committee Night	29	30 Red Cross Blood Drive				

News

This is to acknowledge with gratitude the financial support that Antioch Baptist Church makes to the Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry. This ministry could not function without the support we receive from churches and individuals in the community. Our annual operating budget is lightly more than \$60,000 and the need for our services is great.

Your support helps us provide ministry to 180 inmates at Orange Correctional Center. We provide them with a link to the community, nurture their spiritual and emotional lives, and help prepare them for life after prison. Scores of volunteers are involved each week with visitations, music, worship, Bible studies, and birthday and holiday activities. Special activities to help the men stay in touch with their families are provided as well. Our focus going forward will include increased efforts to help the men transition back to the community.

Thank you again for your support of our efforts.

Sincerely,
Ken Barker, Chaplain
Orange Correctional Center

Please join us for a
Country Hoe-Down
honoring our Senior Citizens
Saturday, September 6, 2008 at 4:30 p.m.
Antioch Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall
Bring a friend to help us celebrate!

Orange Chapel United Methodist
Saturday, October 4
Fall Festival

Next newsletter submission is September 18.

Dear Antioch Church Family and Friends,

Thank you so much for the prayers, love, concern, phone calls, cards, and food during this time of recovery for myself and for my family, as they serve as caregivers. I am so thankful to have a wonderful loving church family, such as Antioch — you are the best!

“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

With Love,
Charlene Williams

The following changes to the **Cemetery Burial Policy & Guidelines** were approved at the business meeting on Sunday, August 17, 2008. A burial plot without charge is restricted to members and their spouses, minor children/stepchildren of members, and minor children/stepchildren of deceased members. Adult children of members, their spouses, and their minor children/stepchildren may purchase burial plots at the current charge of \$1,000.

Former members of the Church, their spouses, and their children may, with the approval of a majority of the Cemetery Committee, be given the opportunity to purchase a burial plot at the current charge of \$1,000. Persons with no previous or present membership in the Church will not be allowed to purchase burial plots.

Any plots reserved before August 17, 2008 will be grandfathered in at no charge.

If you have any questions or comments about this, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Debbie Bowden
Cemetery Committee Chairman

News & Opportunities

OUR MISSION PROJECTS THIS MONTH:

Our mission projects for September will be providing a meal to the Ronald McDonald House and collection of packages of chewing gum for the NC Women’s Prison Red Gift Boxes. If you would be willing to assist, please see Robin Farrell or call the church office.

Ronald McDonald Meal
Thursday, September 18, 2008

NC Women’s Prison Red Gift Boxes
Due Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2008

**4th Annual Antioch Baptist Church
Baseball Skills Camp**

Free for boys and girls ages 5 - 15!
September 27, 2008
9:00 a.m. - Noon
At the White Cross Recreation Center
1800 White Cross Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

This half-day skills training event for softball and baseball will be led by staff and volunteers of “4LifeInc” with an emphasis on throwing, hitting fielding and base-running. Each child will receive personalized training, a free T-shirt and lunch.

Pass the word and bring a friend!

Red Cross Blood Drive
Tuesday, September 30

There will be no
Young at Heart event
for the month of September.

September 2008 Nursery Schedule

Wed. 3rd: Ruth Williams

Sun. 7th: Lyn Lloyd, Becky Smith, Jared Buddington, Becky Stone, Taylor Stone

Wed. 10th: Kay Hammond

Sun. 14th: Dawn Ward, Laura Lloyd, Sherry Lloyd, Cindy Lloyd

Wed. 17th: Peggy Tripp

Sun. 21st: Shannon Baker, Rosie Matsko, Bradley Buddington, Karen Whitfield, Lucy Upchurch

Wed. 24th: Pat Tayloe

Sun. 28th: Charlene Williams, Carolyn Lacock, Dana Ward, Kim Dunn

AWANA Kick-off

AWANA will resume on Sunday, September 14.
Note our new hours of 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Cubbies	Age 3 - 4 year olds
Sparks	Kindergarten - 2nd grade
TNT	3rd - 5th grade
Trek	6th - 8th grade
Journey	9th - 12th grade (<i>new this year</i>)

We welcome all children and youth in the area to join us for fun and fellowship, as we get to know Jesus and learn how we can live for Him and serve Him.

All parents are welcome to visit and volunteer.

A Message From The Pastor

Change The World!

As I write this, children are getting ready to go back to school, parents are feeling the “pinch” of buying all those school supplies along with new school clothes, teachers are readying classrooms and lesson plans, and many high school athletes are well into preparations for the new season.

Churches are making their preparations as well ... enlisting teachers for Sunday School, workers for AWANA, committee members to carry out the assorted tasks that keep a church running smoothly, and all the while attempting to re-energize our vision of what God wants us to be and do in this world. It's a bigger and more important calling than we often suppose. We recognize the importance of a good basic education; it prepares us for life. But do we see that preparing for our life's calling, and fulfilling our mission as God's ambassadors are even more crucial? Lives and destinies are at stake. ...And who knows? Your example and witness could influence lives, and eventually change the world!

Most of you reading this have at least heard of an evangelist named Dwight L. Moody. In addition to reaching thousands with the Gospel, he also founded a Bible Institute in Chicago that has prepared thousands of ministers and missionaries. It was renamed the Moody Bible Institute after his death. What you may not know is that Moody began his life as a most unlikely candidate for ministry. He was working in his uncle's shoe store in Boston when a layman named Edward Kimball gathered the nerve to talk with him about how much God loved him.

Kimball later recalled, *“I can truly say...that I have seen few persons whose minds were spiritually darker than was his when he came into my Sunday School class; and I think that the committee of the Mount Vernon Church seldom met an applicant for membership more unlikely ever to become a Christian of clear and decided views of Gospel truth, still less to fill any extended sphere of public usefulness.”* But God does amazing things with the most unlikely of persons. Moody went on to become one of the greatest evangelists in his world.

But that's not the whole story! Moody eventually went to England and worked a profound change in the ministry of F.B. Meyer. F.B. Meyer influenced J. Wilbur Chapman. Chapman helped in the ministry of converted baseball player Billy Sunday, who in turn had a profound impact upon Mordacai Ham. And Mordacai Ham, holding a revival in North Carolina, led BILLY GRAHAM to Christ. Most of you are well aware of *his* impact. ...And the man who started it all was just an ordinary layman, Edward Kimball, who took seriously Christ's commission to be a witness in his little part of the world.

When we become a Christian, the Bible says that God gives each of us at least one supernatural “gift” to build up his church. (Ephesians 4:12) If you don't know what your gift is, go to the “information for members” section of our church web site (www.abccommunity.com) and take one of the spiritual gifts surveys. Then consider what God would have you do with that gift. Your choice will determine not only who you become; it could just change the world!

Business Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2008

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monthly basis with one (1) Building and Grounds Committee member in charge of the overall task.” Voted on and approved. Byron thanked Gene and Gordon for their help and direction on this committee.

By-Laws- Jim Rives – Jim stated they are involved in ongoing procedures looking at policies and procedures.

Cemetery - Debbie Bowden- Debbie stated they met with the By- Laws Committee regarding guidelines. She distributed and reviewed possible changes to the Burial Policy & Guidelines and the Cemetery Committee Guidelines for Reserving Gravesite and Gravesite Marking. One recommendation was to add minor children to the section stating “Adult children of members, and their spouses, may purchase burial plots at the current charge of \$1,000”. A second recommendation was made regarding reservations. Both recommendations were voted on and approved. A copy of these proposed changes are available in the church office. They continue to work on the memorial garden.

Flower- Judy Atwater- Judy stated there are several vacancies available.

Kitchen- no report

Library- Ruth Williams- Ruth stated they met a week ago and worked on donated books. They have a complete listing.

Music- no report **Outreach-** no report

Nominating- Byron Tripp – Byron distributed a list of proposed officers. Byron will take the Sunday School Director position. There is one vacancy for Outreach Director. He made the recommendation that these officers be approved by the church. Voted on and approved. He also distributed a list of proposed committees. He offered time for anyone to sign up for any vacant positions. Proposal voted on and approved.

Nursery- no report

Personnel Advisory- no report

Tape Ministry- no report

Usher- no report

Van- no report

Youth- Judy Wiles- Judy stated they met and the Sunday School and Wednesday night services leadership positions have been completed through September.

Old business- The Van Committee needs to be added to the Proposed Committee Listing. Judy Wiles stated the Blood Drive will be September 30th from 3:00- 7:00. The American Red Cross will be sending us further information. Food donations and volunteers will be needed. The Senior Citizen's banquet is September 9th and there will be a planning meeting tomorrow night at 6:00.

New business - none

Motion made, seconded, voted on and passed to approve the minutes as corrected. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Dave Atwater- Pastor

Byron Tripp- Moderator

Kim Dunn- Clerk

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