



# THE ACCENT



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AUSTIN GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

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5919 Austin Grove Church Road, Marshville, NC 28103



To Our Church Family and Friends:

Have you ever had something that just did not make sense? You tried to get it, but it eluded you. I went back to Max Lucado to find a story of the Moravian missionaries who struggle to find a word in their native language for forgiveness. They finally came up with a cumbersome 24 letter word: *issumagijoujungnainermik*. This word literally translates like this "not being able to think about it anymore."

Max writes "To forgive is to move on, not to think about the offense anymore. You don't excuse him, endorse her, or embrace them. You just route thoughts about them through heaven. You see your enemy as God's child and revenge as God's job. How can we grace-recipients do anything less? Dare we ask God for grace when we refuse to give it?"

This is a big issue in the Bible. Jesus was very direct and tough on those who refused to forgive other sinners. Matthew 18:32-33 NLT "You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt...Shouldn't you have mercy...just as I had mercy on you" Max ended this message with these words "In the final sum, we give grace because we've been given grace."

Check these scriptures out Colossians 3:13, I Thessalonians 5:15, II Corinthians 13:11

May I encourage you to walk in the Lord, be an encourager, be a grace filled child of His who returns the goodness of our Lord with every step that you take. God will and does bless as you heed His Word.

I hope you have had a great safe summer!

Thank you for allowing us to be part of this church.

*Leon & Cindy*



## We need your help...

Our centennial celebration is quickly approaching and we are wanting anyone that might like to celebrate with us to get a personal invitation from our church family. We hope to send out "save the date" cards very soon, but we need the help of our members in compiling our guest list. Please make a list of any former members, either your family or friends who no longer attend and family of former members who might like to be at our celebration. Don't worry that someone else might submit the name. It's better to have someone's name down a lot than not at all. We also would really appreciate your help in finding the current addresses. If you will add that to your list, it will really be a blessing. We need to have this done by the first of September, 2013. Please leave your lists in the mail room in the special box.

Thank you for taking time to help us with this. Please continue to pray that this celebration will be just that, a day of celebrating 100 years of serving God, remembering the men and women who felt led of God to come together in this place to worship and the many whose lives have been eternally changed here, and most of all celebrating Jesus the reason for it all. We, as a committee, hope that this will be a time you will remember with joy and pride. A true time of celebration of what has been and what can be.

### Staff & Phone Numbers

Rev. Leon Whitley, Pastor  
 Church Study.....624-3882  
 Home.....753-4768  
 Rev. Rocky Rushing, Youth Director...698-5787  
 Church Office.....624-2929  
 Fellowship Hall & FAX.....624-3868  
 Sunday School Office.....624-2929



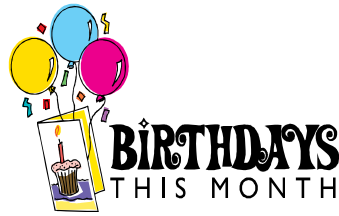
### SUNDAY

Sunday School.....9:45 AM  
 Worship Service.....10:45 AM  
 Evening Worship.....6:00 PM  
 Youth Bible Study.....6:00PM

### WEDNESDAY

Gospel Project Night( Ignite Kidz & Ignite Youth).....6:30M  
 Prayer Meeting.....6:45 PM  
 Adult Choir.....7:30PM

- 1 Dusty Melton
- 1 James F. Smith
- 2 Teddy Anderson Jr.
- 2 Jeremy McAteer
- 3 Abbie James
- 3 Austin James
- 3 Thomas Morris
- 3 Brian Rivenbark
- 4 Craig Walden
- 5 Michael Earp
- 5 Jimmy Haigler
- 5 Cherrie Smith
- 6 Terry Ikerd
- 7 Edith Walden
- 8 Mike Pasciuta
- 8 Denise Simpson
- 10 Stephen Walker
- 11 Ray Smith Jr.
- 12 Polly Haigler
- 12 Matthew Jefferson
- 12 Reid Phifer
- 13 Julia Haigler
- 15 Steve Simpson
- 16 Angela Hopson
- 16 Ashley Ivey
- 16 Tom Preslar
- 18 Kenny Pasciuta
- 20 Gloria Edwards
- 21 Lynn Traywick
- 23 Margaret Pasciuta
- 25 Joe Crowe Jr.
- 25 Heather Smith
- 27 Katie Morris
- 31 Irvin Griffin

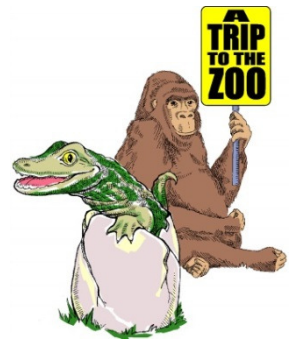


During the month of August we will be collecting school supplies for local elementary schools. The needs are the same...paper, pencils, colored pencils, crayons, scissors, snaitizer, antibacteria wipes, Kleenex markers for white boards, glue sticks, pens, spiral notebooks, marble notebooks(cow books), 3 ring binders(notebooks), backpacks, children's socks & underwear. This is a fairly extensive list, but you may know of something else needed. Baskets will be set out for colleciton through the last Sunday in August. If you would like to contribute but are currentl unable to ship, please see Brenda Walker.

### Churchwide Riverbanks Zoo Trip

Saturday, August 10

We will be leaving at 7:30am.



### Anniversaries

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Chris Griffin
- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Trull
- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Billy Fowler
- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Vann Godwin
- 5 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ivey
- 10 Mr. & Mrs. Freddy Griffin
- 18 Mr. & Mrs. Rick Traywick
- 21 Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Rivers
- 31 Mr. & Mrs. Albert Ikerd



Brotherhood Workday  
August 17  
7:30am

We will be working on updating our bathrooms. Please come and help if you are able.

### Nursing Home Residents

#### Autumn Care

Sally Williams(303)  
Leo Edwards

#### Rehab. & Nursing Ctr

Robert Ansley (360)

#### Jesse Helms Ctr

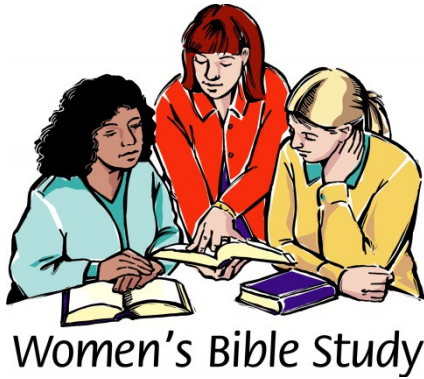
Margaret Connell

### T-shirt order



T-shirts are \$7.95 for S-XL  
\$10.95 for 2X-5X

If you would like to order a t-shirt, please see bulletin board by **July 31**.



## Women's Bible Study

Ladies Bible Study  
 On the book  
 The Girls Still Got It (a study of Ruth)  
 by Liz Curtis Higgs  
 Approximate cost of books is \$10-15

The study will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 & will continue on Tuesdays for approx. 6 weeks.

**"Please" sign up by Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>** so we can order all the books we need at one time.



Plan to join us on  
 Sunday evenings  
 for the DVD Study  
 based on the TV  
 Miniseries: **The Bible**

Schedule coming soon.

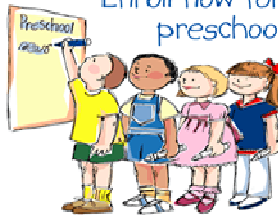


Blankets for the Homeless

Susie Phillips will be collecting new/use blankets for the homeless through the end of August. If you would like to donate blankets for this project, please leave them in the welcome center.

## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2013-2014

It's that time! **Now enrolling for our 2013-2014 school year.** We offer half day classes (9am-12pm) for three year olds and (9am-1pm) for four year olds. For more information please contact the Preschool Director, Kelly Preslar at 704-624-2929 or [kpreslar@windstream.net](mailto:kpreslar@windstream.net)



## Samaritan's Purse Workday

This will be sometime in December. We need to make reservations in September so we're trying to get an approximate # that would be interested in going. Please see sign up sheet on bulletin board if you would like to participate in this ministry.

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### BECOME A FOSTER PARENT!

Do you want to make a difference in a child's life? Have you ever thought about fostering and/or adopting? Union County Department of Social Services is inviting Union County families to learn more about foster care and adoption. Please go to website [www.co.union.nc.us/HumanServices/SocialServices](http://www.co.union.nc.us/HumanServices/SocialServices) and click on Adoption and Foster Care or call Andrea Quinn at 704-296-4469.

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### If:

- You are looking for an opportunity of service
- You love rocking babies ☺
- You love to snuggle and cuddle babies ☺

### Please:

Call the church office and ask Tammy to put your name on the list of nursery helpers for the Worship Service on Sunday mornings. It will only require about an hour of well spent time just once in a while. There will always be 2 helpers working together.





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