



West Wind

March 2014

Westwood Baptist Church

Joining God in His Work

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Ellis Williams, Deacon Chair

Diane Owens, Pianist

Kim Taylor, Organist

Church Office Hours

Monday ~ Friday, 9:00am—4:00pm

Weekly Activities

Sunday

- 8:30 am Orchestra Rehearsal
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship
- 5:30 pm Puppet Ministry
- 6:30 pm YAC (Youth Center)

Monday

- 4:00 pm Youth Handbells
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 7:15 pm Adult Handbells

Tuesday

- 6:30 am Prayer Breakfast
- 4:00 pm Children's Handbells
- 6:30 pm ESL
- 7:00 pm Cub Scouts
- 7:00 pm GriefShare

Wednesday

- 5:15 pm Fellowship Meal
- 6:00 pm Nursery
- 6:00 pm Youth Missions
- 6:00 pm Preschool & Children's
Music & Missions
- 6:30 pm Prayer & Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Men's & Women's Bible
Studies
- 6:45 pm Ensemble Rehearsal
- 6:45 pm Youth Praise Band
& Ministry Team
- 7:30 pm Outreach
- 7:40 pm Westwood Choir
Rehearsal

You Can Make A Difference

You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world. - Matthew 5:13-20

Is there anyone in the world who, in their heart of hearts, doesn't want to make a difference; live and act in ways that make a positive impact on our world? Oh, some may have more resources than others, some may think and act more globally than others, but most folks want their lives to count for something...they want to make a difference.

And by the way, Christians don't have the market cornered on this *wanting to make a difference* thing. There are lots of good people and groups and organizations and movements out there who share that noble goal...they want to make a difference. And they do some good work.

So what holds us back? I think maybe the biggest culprit is plain old discouragement. We look at all the things that seem to be wrong in our world and the task looks too big; we feel overwhelmed, powerless to make any kind of impact at all.

Well, hopelessness isn't a good look for folks who claim to know Jesus. Throwing up our hands in despair to a world that seems hostile to the good news isn't the proper posture for Christ followers. Sharing Christ's love is more than just a nice sounding mission statement for people who have experienced the transformational power of that love. You and I are called to make a difference in the lives of people in our sphere of influence; we're commissioned to make a difference in our world because the love of Jesus has made a difference in us – Christ in us! It's our purpose, our calling, the reason we're here. We're God's game plan to reconcile a lost world to himself.

Jesus spoke words of encouragement and challenge to help us better understand what it looks like to make a difference in our world. He said for folks who are his disciples, making a difference in the world tastes like salt and looks like light...*You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world.*

There have been a lot of words written by some really smart folks about what Jesus meant about being salt and light but my humble reflection is this: Salt has its own taste, but the wonder of how it works is that it enhances the food to which it's added. Salt makes everything around it taste better. Light has its own beauty, but what it really does is make whatever you shine it on more beautiful. When you put salt on your food, it disappears into it. When you shine a light in the right place, folks notice the object, not the light. If you use so much salt that people can see it on the food, you've used too much. If you're holding a flashlight in the dark and people can see who's holding it, then you're pointing it at the wrong thing.

With these thoughts in mind, I offer the following prayer:

Lord, I want to make a difference in my world. You didn't put me here just to blend in, but through Christ, to affect others in a positive way. Help me bring out the best in the lives of people you bring across my path every day – through my words, my actions, and my attitude. Help me radiate the light of Christ that's in me. Help me be the flavor of Christ-likeness that will attract those who don't yet know you. Help me make the world more savory and more beautiful for the people around me. Help me do the work you give me without being noticed, so all the glory goes to you. Through Jesus who is the light of the world...Amen.

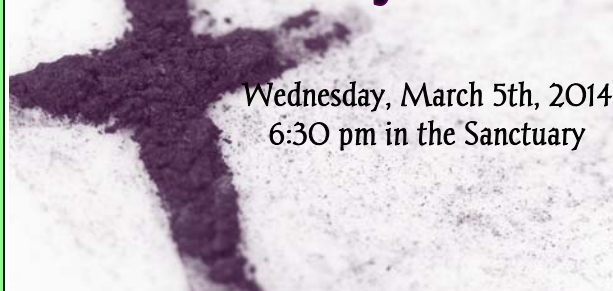
Peace and Love,

Mike

Youth Group Scoop

Sun. March 2	6:30 pm	YAC
Tues. March 4	7:00 pm	Youth Committee Meeting
Fri. March 7	11 am-7pm	BBQ Fundraiser
Sun. March 9	4:00 pm	Ordination Service for Michelle Anderson
Sun. March 9		Deadline for Union Misison
Sun. March 16		Second Payment Due for Student Life (\$50)
Sun. March 16	6:30 pm	YAC
Sat. March 22	6 am-9 pm	Union Mission Day Mission

Ash Wednesday Service



Wednesday, March 5th, 2014
6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

Fellowship Meal and children's classes will be on the regular Wednesday evening schedule:

5:15 pm Fellowship Meal
6:00 pm Nursery Open
6:00 pm Preschool & Children's Choirs
6:45 pm Mission Friends, RA's, GA's

GRIEF SHARE®

Spring Evening Session 2014

Tuesdays, April 9 – June 25/27

7-9pm in Room 209

Cost: \$25 per person

Singles Focus

with

- Singles Lunch ~ Sunday, March 2nd at Red Bowl on High House Road
- Singles Lunch ~ Sunday, March 16 at Sweet Tomatoes at Crossroads
- Movie Night ~ Friday, March 28th ~ Hachi...A Dog's Life

Singles Mission Activities

- The Singles Ministry will provide Hospice Home of Wake County snacks to have available for patients, families and guests. Suggestions from HOWC include: Chewy or Crunchy Granola Bars, Breakfast Cereal Bars, Peanut Butter Crackers, Cheese Crackers, Rice Krispie Treats, Chip Variety Packs, Cookie Assortment, Fruit Flavored Snacks, Peanuts, Cashews, Almonds, Bottled Water, etc. (All snacks must be individually wrapped/packaged). If you would like to donate snacks for the Hospice Home, please put them in the designated location in Room 209. They will be delivered twice a month going forward to the Hospice Home.
- Shoes for Africa: Deadline to bring shoes to room 209 is April 30. If you would like to participate in the Wine & Design fundraiser at 219 Bickett Ave in Raleigh on April 3 at 6:30 pm, please sign up online at www.wineanddesignus.com, click on the Raleigh location, then calendar, find April 3 and sign up or call (919) 374-0667. We will be painting the Westwood stained glass cross and the proceeds will go towards Shoes for Africa.
- Westwood singles will be making scarves at the Singles Ministry Committee on March 9 right after the Worship Service for the Pancreatic PurpleStride event to be held on May 17.

A Service of Ordination
to the Gospel Ministry
of

Michelle Anderson

Sunday, March 9, 2014

4:00 pm

Westwood Baptist Church

Childcare provided through Pre~K
Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following Service.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY**MARCH 2ND****THEME: GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US**

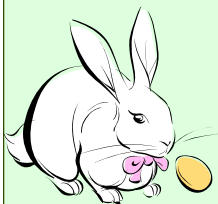
Children will have their Mission Projects displayed in the foyer. The Pinewood Derby will be in the Fellowship Hall following the morning worship service with the RA's and GA's. A Hot Dog lunch will be served.



Tree of Love & Giving Providing Easter Baskets for Wake County Foster Children

Sunday, March 23—Friday, April 11th

Show your support for the foster children of Wake County by selecting an egg from the Tree of Love and Giving which will be located in the church foyer beginning March 23rd. Information on each egg will include a child's name, age, gender and social worker. Prepare an Easter Basket for this specific child using the guidelines in the brochure by the tree. Please return the filled basket along with the egg tag attached securely to the basket to the area around the tree no later than Friday, April 11th. Please remember to securely wrap the baskets in clear wrap or place it in a clear bag. Thank you for "Joining God in His Work" by sharing your love with these children.

Children's Easter Celebration**(1st-6th Grade)****Sunday, April 13****at 11:40 am****&****Easter Egg Hunt****Saturday, April 19****at 10:00 am**

We are collecting candy to use for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring individually wrapped candy to the container by the Media Center in Hall B.

Westwood Seniors**SENIOR ADULT NEWS****Tuesday, March 11 ~****Senior Adult Luncheon**

The March Seniors luncheon will be held on the 11th with Patti Williams, RN of Assurance Health Services as our speaker. Ms. Williams will share information about topics such as safe medication disposal, preventing falls in the home as well as other topics that will be of interest for maintaining our safety and health. Please plan to attend for the wonderful food, fellowship and program. Invite a friend to come with you.

Friday, March 28 ~**NC Transportation Museum**

THE SENIORS ARE HITTING THE ROAD AGAIN. This time to the NC Transportation Museum in Spencer, NC on Friday, March 28th. The Museum is a 57 acre property housing what was once Southern Railway Company's largest steam locomotive servicing facility. Today, in addition to one of the only preserved roundhouses in the country, the Museum houses exhibits ranging from antique cars to aviation exhibits. Our visit will include a guided tour of the roundhouse and a 30 minute train ride. Cost is \$15 per person which will include riding the bus and admission/train ride tickets. Checks should be payable to Westwood and given to Fran Tetlak no later than Sunday, March 23rd. Bring money for lunch on the way. If time permits, we will have a surprise stop on the way back to Cary. We will depart at 9:00 and return around 5:00 or 5:30. Please sign up on the Senior Bulletin Board.

**See the Senior Bulletin Board
for more details.**

Mission Statement

*A community of
believers worshiping God,
making disciples and
sharing Christ's love.*

DENTAL CLINIC MINISTRY

On Saturday, February 15, the North Carolina Baptist Men's dental bus was at Westwood. Twenty-four people received dental treatment: extractions, fillings, cleaning, etc. Since the dental clinic is first-come first-serve, people began arriving at the church before 6:00 am. Two dentists, three dental assistants and one hygienist donated their time for the clinic. The dental clinic is probably the largest mission project for the Missions Committee. The clinic requires a lot of people helping in so many areas. This is a unique opportunity that we otherwise would not have to minister to people in our community. The Missions Committee appreciates the many individuals who helped with this ministry. Many of the patients expressed their appreciation for Westwood



SPRING TRAINING

For

Westwood Sunday School Teachers
Saturday, March 22, 2014 9:00 am to 11:30 am

8:30 am	Breakfast & Registration
9:00 am	Teacher Training
11:00 am	Closing

Adult Training ~ Rick Jordan, Church Resources Coordinator of CBFNC
Preschool & Children Training ~ Emily Hayne

This event is for current Sunday School teachers and for those who are interested in teaching in the future and want to prepare for where God would have them serve best in our Sunday School.

Save the date for the Easter Drive Thru!

The Easter Drive Thru will be Friday night, April 18th. This is a great family event. Look forward to your participation! Contact Caroline Allen for more information [919-522-3046](tel:919-522-3046).

Thank You ~ ESL Anniversary Celebration

Thanks to all who helped with the 10th Anniversary celebration of ESL. A special thanks to Steve Goodman and Faye Baker for their assistance with the beautiful display representing the 41 countries of our ESL students. The 1,731 lights on the display represents each student of the ESL ministry that has participated over the first 10 years! The display will be in our sanctuary foyer for your viewing over the next several weeks. Please take time to enjoy! We are grateful for the dedication of the teachers and other volunteers that have made the opportunity of teaching English to eager students available to our community.

Easter Music

The Westwood Choir invites you to join rehearsals for the Easter music. Our rehearsals are on Wednesday nights from 7:40-8:40. For folks working on Wednesday nights, there will be extra rehearsals on Sunday mornings from 8:45-9:10 in the Choir Room on the following dates: March 16 and 23, April 6 and 13. Thank you for sharing your time and talent!

An Invitation to serve and Love.... Noon Missions Group

The Noon Missions Group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 12:00 noon in the fellowship hall of the church with the specific intent of growing closer to Christ and reconciling others to Him through missions. Members bring their own bag lunch and share in a time of Christian fellowship. The atmosphere is relaxed and very casual. Time is set aside for mission education which often includes an outside speaker who has hands on experience sharing God's love and comfort outside the walls of the church. The Noon Missions Group partners with Raleigh Rescue Mission to minister to the homeless in our community and helps provide emergency item needs that arise at the Mission. The goals of the Noon Missions Group are to (1) learn more about "doing missions," (2) provide tangible items for the homeless, (3) meet one-on-one with the homeless and (4) most important share the love and compassion of Christ with others.

If you would like more information, call Hilda Hill at [919-468-4690](tel:919-468-4690) or Terry Campbell at [919-851-6259](tel:919-851-6259).

Lent/Easter 2014
Sermon Series
THEME: Memorable words of Jesus
on his journey to the cross.

March 9

I Didn't Sign Up For This!

Luke 9:23-25

Background: Deuteronomy 30:11-20;

Matthew 16:21-28; Mark 8:31-38

March 16

Is That My Jesus?

Mark 11:12-26

Background: Jeremiah 7; Matthew 21:8-22;

Luke 19:45-47; John 2:13-16

March 23

Foolish Waste or Extravagant Love?

Mark 14:1-11

Background: Mark 12:35-13:37; Matthew 26:2-16;

Luke 22:1-6; John 12:1-8

March 30 (Keith Vaughn)

Not Far From God's Kingdom

Mark 12:28-34

Background: Mark 11:27-12:27; Matthew 22:34-40

April 6

Table Talk

Mark 14:12-26

Background: Matthew 26:17-30; Luke 22:7-23; 1

Corinthians 11:23-25

April 13 (Palm Sunday)

Ain't no Rock Gonna Shout for Me

Luke 19:28-40

Background: Mark 11:1-11; Matthew 21:1-11

April 20 (Easter)

Empty Promises

Luke 23:44 – 24:12

Background: Matthew 27:45-28:15; Mark 15:33-16-20;

John 19:28-20:18



Wednesday Evening Pastor's Bible Study
for the Season of Lent

Jesus set his face toward Jerusalem and in so doing, he offered us God's life, power, and salvation. As followers of Jesus, we are called to reflect on and pray about where we set our faces day by day. Where do we set our faces in our relationship with God and with our neighbor? Where do we set our faces with our ethical choices? Where do we set our faces when we see those who are poor and oppressed? These are examples of questions we ask ourselves and one another as we look at Jesus' decisions during the season of Lent.

The above words are from the introduction to Richard B. Wilke's book *He Set His Face to Jerusalem*. Keith and Mike will use lessons from this book during our Wednesday evening Bible studies during the Lenten Season.

Traditionally, for Christians Lent is a time for personal reflection, soul cleansing, and spiritual refreshment in preparation for the celebration of Easter. The 40 days of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday and end on Holy Saturday. Each Wednesday evening during Lent, we'll explore questions about where God calls us to set our faces and see how reflection on those questions might be instructive and inspirational for each of us as we move through our own Lenten journeys. The schedule for these studies is found below; I hope you'll consider joining us in the Fellowship Hall each Wednesday beginning at 6:30 pm.

He Set His Face to Jerusalem
A Lenten Study for Adults

March 5

Ash Wednesday Service
 In the Sanctuary

March 12

He Set His Face
 Luke 9:28-62

March 19

On The Road Again
 Matthew 5:1 – 7:28

March 26

The Midnight Hour
 Matthew 26:36-46; Luke 22:39-46

April 2

Taken Prisoner
 Matthew 25:31-46

April 9

Listen Closely – His Final Words
 Matthew 27:33-43; Mark 15:22-32
 Luke 23:26-43; John 19:17-27

MARCH 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23 ESL Anniversary Service 8:30 AM Sunday Morning Opportunities 9:15 AM Christianity for Beginners 9:15 AM Girls SS Class	24 4:00 PM Youth Handbells 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:15 PM Adult Handbells	25 6:30 AM Prayer Breakfast 10:00 AM Current Missions 12:00 PM Craft of Christian Teaching 4:00 PM Children's Handbells 6:30 PM ESL 7:00 PM Cub Scout Banquet 7:00 PM GriefShare	26 8:30 AM Community Bible Study 5:15 PM Music Ministry Mtg. 6:00 PM Wednesday Evening Activities	27 12:00 PM AA 5:00 PM Personnel Committee	28 10:00 AM Senior Adult Day Trip 7:30 PM Single Adult Movie Night	1 Pinewood Derby Set-Up 9:00 AM Caring Place Workday
2 Children's Sunday 8:30 AM Sunday Morning Opportunities 9:15 AM Christianity for Beginners 9:15 AM Girls SS Class 11:30 AM Pinewood Derby 11:30 AM Singles Sunday Lunch 6:30 PM YAC	3 4:00 PM Youth Handbells 7:00 PM Boy Scouts ~ Court of Honor 7:15 PM Adult Handbells	4 6:30 AM Prayer Breakfast 4:00 PM Children's Handbells 6:30 PM ESL 7:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM GriefShare 7:00 PM Youth Committee	5 Ash Wednesday 8:30 AM Community Bible Study 6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service 6:00 PM Wednesday Evening Activities 7:30 PM Missions Committee 7:30 PM Properties Committee 8:00 PM BBQ Prep	6 5:00 AM BBQ Prep 12:00 PM AA	7 11:00 AM BBQ Fundraiser	8 8:00 AM BBQ Clean-Up 3:00 PM Wedding Shower
9 Daylight-Saving Time Begins 8:30 AM Sunday Morning Opportunities 9:15 AM Christianity for Beginners 11:30 AM Singles Ministry Meeting 3:00 PM HeartFields 4:00 PM Michelle Anderson's Ordination Service	10 4:00 PM Youth Handbells 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:15 PM Adult Handbells	11 6:30 AM Prayer Breakfast 12:00 PM Senior Adult Luncheon 4:00 PM Children's Handbells 6:30 PM ESL 7:00 PM Church Council 7:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM GriefShare	12 8:30 AM Community Bible Study 6:00 PM Wednesday Evening Activities	13 12:00 PM AA 6:15 PM Stephen Ministry 7:00 PM Deacon's Meeting	14	15
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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

2	Ray Beale	19	Caroline Allen
2	Chris Cottingham	19	Will Rabb
2	Elizabeth Goodson	20	Katie Vick
3	Anna Ferdinando	21	Larry Maynard
3	Brenda Brown	21	Bob Brown
3	David Hayes	22	Pat Talley
5	Scott Hefelfinger	22	Lisa Duke
5	Camille Forbes	24	Russell Culler
5	Harrison Hayne	24	John Yancey
6	Frank Butler	24	Taylor Erwin
7	Dick Suggs	24	J.C. Cunningham
8	Marc Gilfillan	25	Angela Eddinger Spindler
8	Sara Overby	25	Megan Mobley
9	Becky Goodwin	26	Debbie Hooks
9	Wayne McLamb	26	John Keadle
10	Hannah Oliver	26	Keith Vaughn
11	Wyvette Spencer	26	Priscila Humphries
12	Fran Tetlak	26	Sabrina Tamba
12	Karen Beavers	27	Kathrine Ortiz
13	Jennifer McKinney	27	Leta Ward
13	Emily Vick	28	Steve Goodman
14	Charlotte Tyson	29	Andy Lory
15	Linda Smith	30	Tim Bolden
15	Leanne Ritter	30	Mary Cunningham
15	Chris Waight	30	Cliff Humphries
16	Bill Durham	31	Susan Litzinger
17	Natalie Culler	31	Ross Dion
17	Callen Lindner		
19	Randy Chandler		

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

1	Marc & Becky Gilfillan	25	Sybil & Curtis Leary
1	Amy & Ryan VanCooney	28	Esther & Guy Mendenhall
10	Jonathan & Wendy Parker	28	Jim & Elizabeth White
13	Ken & Diane Owens	30	Bill & Marva Babb
13	Al & Peggy Percy	30	Dick & Jean Suggs
17	Jim & Becki Canterbury	31	Norm & Debbie Dion
18	John & Amy Roberson		
21	Steve & Fran Carraway		



Ministers On Call

If you have a ministerial need over the weekend please contact the minister on call: (Area code: 919)

Feb 28-Mar 6	Mike Eddinger	Cell: 805-1022
Mar 7-13	Keith Vaughn	Home: 554-4146 Cell: 605-5714
Mar 14-20	Michelle Anderson	Cell: 368-6508
Mar 21-27	Caroline Allen	Cell: 522-3046

Westwood Membership:
596

Cash Balance - General Operating Budget ...\$310,412

Cash Balance - Designated Funds\$173,597

TOTAL Cash Balance \$484,009

General Fund Average Weekly Giving vs. Budget (through 1/31/14)

January Average Actual	\$18,349
Weekly Budget	\$20,192
Average weekly receipt versus budget for January	\$21,538
Year to Date Average Actual	<\$3,189>
Actual as a % of budget	86%

*Financial
Highlights
for
February 2014*

Westwood Baptist Church
200 Westhigh Street
Cary, NC 27513

March
Newsletter Deadline
March 21



BBQ Fundraiser

Date: Friday, March 7

Time: 11 am -7 pm

\$8 per plate

NC style pork BBQ,
boiled potatoes, slaw,
hushpuppies and dessert!

**Entertainment by
Back Porch String Band**

From 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

Eat in or take out at the church from 11 am-7 pm. Free delivery during lunch to businesses (multiple plate orders). Call 919-469-9393 for presale orders of lunch deliveries. All proceeds will go towards Westwood's Belize Mission Trip and Community Ministry