



## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



We are having a great summer, with inspiring special events, new people attending, and many signs of spiritual progress.

- At least 100 people of all ages enjoyed the picnic and fireworks at Lake Hiwassee, to celebrate our nation's birthday.
- Our youth director, Sarah Baird, along with adult sponsors, took teens to two different camps, young teens to Illinois and senior teens to Colorado—with reports of new friendships, new commitments to Christ, new callings to Christian service, new insight into the Bible and life, and lots of great fun.
- Erin Smith directed “Fiesta,” an exciting Vacation Bible School that enrolled more than 30 children and gave opportunity for almost 40 different adults and teens to serve as volunteer helpers. Some who came as newcomers to VBS have returned for other ministry events!

And summer isn't over yet! More good things are in store before we put away the sunscreen and get out the leaf rakes!

- Please note the announcement below about the special concert coming up August 13 with “Crosby Lane.” Be sure to invite a friend to enjoy this inspiring evening with us!
- Classes are underway to prepare both teens and adults for baptism and church membership. We will celebrate these new steps in Christian life and fellowship in September. If you are interested but not yet enrolled, it is not too late to contact the pastor or church office to begin the process.
- The sermon series on Paul's Letter to the Philippians continues, exploring the Bible's call to a truly healthy Christian life, as individuals and as a church.

But some of the best things that are happening this summer are not on the calendar! God meets with us face to face at home, on the road, between friends, and in so many other ways. The Bible says “draw near to God and he will draw near to you!” I look forward to seeing you soon, and to hearing more about how God has met with you this summer.

In the Love of Christ,  
Pastor Dwight T Gregory

## ALL CHURCH CONCERT

On Wednesday evening, August 13th @ 7:00pm, we will host a worship concert presented by *Crosby Lane*. Named for prolific hymn writer Fanny Crosby, Crosby Lane is an



acoustic, ministry trio, traveling the country sharing their passion for music. This inspiring and entertaining concert will bring: acoustic guitars & mandolin, multi-layered vocal harmonies, fresh arrangements of classic hymns, powerful renditions of praise and worship standards, and original compositions. Mixed with testimonies and the stories behind many favorite hymns and composers, this will be a unique worship experience. This is a **FREE** event but a love offering will be received during the concert. **Come join us!**

# CHURCH & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

## Special Thanks to all of the Vacation Bible School Workers:

Erin Smith would like to thank all of the team leaders, snack crew, craft crew, game crew and youth volunteers that helped with Vacation Bible School. She appreciates all the hard the work that was put into VBS in a short amount of time.

This could not have been accomplished without all of your help and team work. The Lord did some amazing things that week and we just want to praise His Holy Name!!!



## Tuesday Morning Bible Study



The Ladies Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, August 19th at 10AM. The new study is on *Women of the New Testament*, this is a vital study in daily living for the Lord. If you would like to be part of this study please call Martha Borgers at 619.1196 to order your study guide.

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## SOCIETY MEETING

This year's "society meeting" is on Wednesday, August 27, at 7:00PM. This is our annual all-church meeting to review the progress of the church in the past 12 month, and elect officers for the coming year. Although only full members of the church will vote, ALL are encouraged to attend, learn and ask questions.



## Pray for Our

- ◆ Districts
- ◆ Schools
- ◆ Administrators
- ◆ Teachers
- ◆ Parents
- ◆ Students

## GENERAL CONFERENCE MISSION TRIP 2015

The mission committee is looking at doing a mission trip with the Free Methodist Church USA next year before General Conference. The place they are looking to go is Port au Prince, Haiti. The team leaves on Friday, July 10th from Miami and we will spend the next 5 days at the University, where we will build a church in three days, complete with seating for more members and desks for children. For the Haiti trip, you must be at least 16 years old. A group may participate in another mission project within Florida, to include some younger participants. Please prayerfully consider going on one of these missions trip with our brothers and sisters from the Free Methodist Church.

The youth are going to the Air1 Positive Hits Tour before school is back in session. The concert is Sunday, August 17th. The doors open at 6PM, so be at the church no later than 5PM. Tickets are \$15 per person and the money for the tickets is due Wednesday, August 13th. This concert features Jamie Grace, Royal Tailor, Jonathan Thulin, OBB, Rapture Ruckus and Moriah Peters. This concert is at Trinity Baptist Church in OKC. For more information contact Sarah Baird @ 640.8228.

# BACK TO SCHOOL

# Series

ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THE YOUTH ARE STARTING AN 8-WEEK BACK TO SCHOOL SERIES. THIS SERIES THEY WILL DISCUSS ISSUES SUCH AS PEER PRESSURE, HOW TO JUGGLE A BUSY SCHEDULE, HOW TO POSITIVELY INFLUENCE YOUR FRIENDS AND HOW TO STAY FOCUSED ON GOD THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR AND MUCH MORE.

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