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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

 As I am writing this, it is the first day after Sherrie and I returned from our cruise. As per usual, today will be spent unpacking, paying bills, and trying to get through the 275 e-mails that my phone continually reminds me about.

 This was our second cruise. The first one we took more than 30 years ago when Scottish Food Systems picked up the tab. This one, I won in a drawing at a pastor’s conference I attended back in January.

 Cruising has changed quite a bit in 30 years. The ships are much bigger. (Our ship this week had 14 decks.) The staterooms are much nicer. And now, you don’t even have to take turns rowing as we did on the prior cruise. (Just kidding).

 One thing that has not changed is the service onboard the ship. Our ship had almost 4,000 passengers from all over the world. There was a wide diversity of needs and wants. The age of the passengers ranged from small children to senior adults. Some of them were very demanding, while others were content to just be on the ship. Some of them were there to drink and party, while others were there to rest. Most spoke at least some English, but there were some who spoke no English at all. Trying to meet the multiplicity of needs were those who were onboard to serve.

I learned some things about being a true servant by watching them.

\*\* **True servants enjoy serving.** From the person who made up our bed each day, to the ship’s crew, to the entertainers, to those who served us our meals, all were smiling and eager to do a great job.

\*\* **True servants get to know those they are serving.** Our waiter called us by name. Our cabin attendant learned our habits, so he could serve us without being intrusive.

\*\* **True servants have no other agenda but to serve.** While we enjoyed the wonderful food, the amazing entertainment and relaxed by the pool, they just continued to serve.

 We, who are servants of the Most High, could learn a lot from them. Matthew 20:26 says this: “*…but whoever desires to be great among you, let him be your servant.”* Greatness in God’s Kingdom is defined by servanthood.

 May our Father bless you today. It is a joy to ***serve*** our Lord with you.

RCA



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31st 6:00 – 8:00 PM

We will also have a Hot-Dog Supper & Cake Walk

We need **YOU** to set up YOUR cars and/or trucks for Trunk or Treat for the children and cake/goodie donations for the children and adults😊 If you can set up a game/booth and/or candy give-away, please contact the church office or sign up on the bulletin board across from the Sunday School Office to let us know. Also, if you have a four-wheeler and wagon and can run hayrides for us, please call and let us know that also.

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*On Sunday, October 14th we will be receiving an offering for the NC/SC Baptist Men Disaster Relief Fund for those affected by Hurricane Florence.*

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**FAMILY LIFE CENTER RESERVATIONS**

In an effort top better serve us all, when you or your group wants to use the Family Life Center for an event, please fill out a FLC request form (forms located in vestibule and outside secretary’s office) and turn it in to the **secretary’s mailbox located beside office door** or **secretary’s mailbox located in the Sunday School Office**. Approved events will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. All events must be approved by the deacons. We are blessed to have such a wonderful facility that many groups want to use, so we want to be fair with all. Thank you for your understanding in this.



If you are interested in helping PBC provide a meal for the Wingate Fellowship of Christian Athletes, please contact Pastor Caroll at 980-328-5610. Thank you.

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 1- Edward Haigler

 2- Chuck Newland

 4-Kim Ashcraft, Morgan Lowery Farthing, Kyle Strawn

 7-Alexis Chambers, Charlie Craig, Annette Forester, Andrea Helms

 9- Brandon Mills, Coulson Rushing

10-CJ Rushing

11-Mary Autrey, Christopher Glidewell

12-Rick Pressley, Katelynn Rapp

13-Lydia Medlin

14-Chelsea Autry

15-Bruce Aldridge, Sherrie Anthony, Deann Jenkins, Jenna Jenkins, Pamela Lowery

17-Brad Baker, Evan Keith

18-Buddy Hancock

19-Chris Jenkins, Cole Lowery

20-Meredith Grimes, Ginger Nance

21-Ritchie Simpson

22-Brian Helms, Kelly Ratliff

23-Mary Hancock

24-Ryan Mabe

25-Kerstyn Helms, Mitchell Lowery, Joshua Lowery

27-John Ashcraft. Jr., Debra Pressley

28-Matthew Hinson

29-Rita Jenkins, Joshua Stegall

30-Karen Lowery, Virginia Rollins, Rodney Strawn, Scott Stutts

31-Carol Courtney

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**NURSERY WORKERS**

October 7th - [Tonya Helms](https://www.facebook.com/tonya.helms.3?fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group) and [Amy Duke](https://www.facebook.com/amy.j.duke?fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group)
October 14th - [Erin Felt](https://www.facebook.com/erin.hendrick.37?fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group) and [Deneice Hendrick](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009257850368&fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group)
October 21st - Kaylee Duke and Lacy Lee
October 28th - [Crystal Craig](https://www.facebook.com/crystal.rowell.9?fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group) and [Carla Bowers](https://www.facebook.com/carla.l.bowers?fref=gs&dti=185231381897199&hc_location=group)

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**CHILDREN’S CHURCH WORKERS**

Children’s Church is for ages 2 to 5 years old.

**2 & 3 Year Old’s 4 & 5 Year Old’s**

October 7th: Carla Bowers & Kaylee Duke Lauren Davis & Mindy Jenkins

October 14th: Jennifer & Bob Selby Kim Outen & Ashlyn Porter

October 21st: Sherry & Vanna Nash Sheri Rodgers & Ava Strawn

October 28th: Jen Myers & Kate Rapp Peggy Smith & Kelly Baker





**OUR CHURCH GOAL IS 50 BACKPACKS!**

**October 2018**

**OCTOBER 2018**

 **Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday**

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|  | **1****Feed Wingate FCA** | **2** | **3****WMU meets; Mission Friends-FLC** | **4** | **5****Men’s Retreat at Blowing Rock Conf. Center** **5th-7th**  | **6** |
| **7** | **8** | **9** | **10****GA’s-FLC** | **11** | **12** | **13** |
| **14*****NC/SC Baptist Men Disaster Relief Fund Offering;*****Church Conference****AWANA: Western Night** | **15** | **16****FLU Shot Clinic at UBA** **11 AM- 3 PM** | **17****RA’s-FLC** | **18** | **19** | **20** |
| **21** | **22** | **23****UBA Annual Session at Benton’s Crossroads** | **24****YOUTH-FLC** | **25** | **26****FLU Shot Clinic at UBA** **11 AM- 2 PM** | **27 Baby Shower for Hailey Turner** **2-4 PM in FLC; It’s a Girl!** |
| **28****AWANA: Dress Up Night**  | **29** | **30****Deacon’s Meeting**  | **31****Trunk or Treat & Hot Dog Supper** **6-8 PM** | **NOV 1** | **NOV 2** | **NOV 3****Appalachian Christmas** **Backpacks Due Date** |

 **CHURCH SCHEDULE**

**Sunday:** 10:00 AM Sunday School; 11:00 AM Morning Worship; 4:30-6:30 PM-AWANA; 6:30-AWANA Supper; 6:00 PM Youth, Adult Bible Study; 7:00 PM Evening Worship

**Wednesday:** 7:00 PM Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth, GIC; WMU on 1st Wednesday Night; Adult Bible Study on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesday Nights

**OCTOBER AWANA MEAL VOLUNTEERS**

7th: Skyla & Doug Anderson

14th: Amona Sunday School Class

21st: Nancy Glidewell & Kara Keith

28th: Frances Baker

**PBC Church Family & Friends,**

If you would like to be added to our Phone Tree, please contact the church office at 704-624-5121 or

E-mail at us philadelphia1@windstream.net by October 10th to update your records and in the Subject Line please put **PHONE TREE INFORMATION**. Also, we are trying to update our Phone App and we need your E-mail address for that also, so **please E-mail us**😊 and in the Subject Line put **PHONE APP.** We will be updating our records and you will be receiving information soon regarding the Phone App for our Online Church Directory. Thank you.

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