

## Philadelphia Baptist Church

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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

This is an exciting month for our church. We will be electing new deacons; commissioning new people to assume the jobs that God Himself has gifted them to do; committing ourselves to sacrificially give so the Gospel can go forth; and we will be celebrating the birthday of our church with a series of revival services. Please pray that the decisions we make will be pleasing to our Father and will bring glory to Christ.

This year, our revival speaker will be Rev. Craig Church. Craig has been with us before. He is an anointed servant as well as a gifted speaker. Please begin today praying that God would use him during our time together. Also, would you take a moment right now to send him a note of encouragement? His “snail mail” address is: P.O. Box 129, Purlear, NC 28665. His website is: [www.craigchurchministries.org](http://www.craigchurchministries.org). You can also find him on any social media platform.

In preparing us for our revival services, I will be sharing on our media platforms, some excerpts from a book by Richard Owen Roberts entitled, “Revival”. Please be looking for this. Below is a sample.

*“When revival comes, an intense spirit of conviction will be felt immediately. Conduct that has always seemed acceptable will appear unbelievably wicked. Prejudices that have characterized professing Christians for decades will be revealed for the grievous sins they really are. Private indulgences upon which a person has looked with favor for years will suddenly seem to merit all the wrath of God poured out forever. Prayerlessness, ignorance of the Scripture, sins of omission and failure in good works will no longer be defended by a myriad of excuses, but will be laid open before ‘the God with whom we have to do.’*”

*“When revival comes, the agony over sin will be so great that the thought of prolonging life in the midst of such wickedness will be intolerable. From the very depths of men’s beings will come the cry, ‘O God, save me from myself and sin, from my wickedness and depravity, or slay me; but do not let me persist another day in this awful condition.’”*

Please Lord, send a revival and let it begin in me!

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

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# HOMECOMING

**Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM**

**Please bring a well filled basket for lunch in the Family Life Center  
following morning worship.**

# REVIVAL

**Sunday night, August 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM through Wednesday night, August 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM**

**Rev. Craig Church will be our guest speaker.**

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## **“Lift Them Up”**

*“But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.” Isaiah 40:31*

**A Time for All in Our Community to Pray**

**For All of Our Students, Teachers and Administrators in the Forest Hills School District.**

**DATE:** Sunday, August 26, 2018 **TIME:** 6:00 PM

**PLACE:** Forest Hills High School Parking Lot/Sidewalks

(In the event of rain, we will have prayer in our cars.)

**Sponsored by: UNION COUNTY CHURCHES UNITED**

A Non-Denominational Gathering to Show Support Of  
Our Children, Grandchildren, Even Our Neighbor’s Children!  
For Additional Information, call Austin Grove Baptist Church at 704-624-2929.

## CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST MISSIONARY GIFTS

Our missionary is Stephen Poole of Annapolis, MD.

He is requesting Walmart gift cards, Amazon gift cards, Target gift cards, Holman Christian Standard Bibles, inexpensive school backpacks, pencils, pens, scissors, glue, crayons, etc.

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*Happy  
Birthday!*

- 1-Don Hagler, Leann Jenkins, Amy McIntyre
- 2-Darien Autry, Jimmy Kirkley, Jenny Taylor
- 6-Bentley Aldridge, Doug Anderson, Rusty Kiker, Sarah Stutts Strawn
- 8-Kathryn Brock, Jesse Lee
- 12-Peggy Baker, Jennifer Myers
- 14-Ray Moore
- 16-Tracy Knight
- 19-Aaron Duke
- 20-Billi Starnes, Rebecca Watson
- 22-Kaylee Duke
- 23-Justin Jenkins
- 24-Caroll Anthony
- 25-Skyla Anderson, Paul Floyd, Karen Thompson
- 26-Kristi Cox, Jacob Flowe, Donnie McClain
- 29-Jeremy Nash, Marie Pope, Amanda Ratliff
- 30-Will Autry, Rachel Hamilton, Natalie Mills
- 31-Clayton Bowers, Carol Ross

## AWANA NEWS

August 11<sup>th</sup> is AWANA Basics for our area. It will be held at Pleasant Plains Baptist Church in Matthews from 8:30 AM-3:00 PM. You can attend the morning session only if you will not be able to commit the entire day to the training. Please plan to attend if this if you have never taught in AWANA, if you are a leader and have not taken the training in the past or if it has been 5 years since the last time you participated in the training.

AWANA MEALS...if you can help, please contact Christa Rushing at 704-320-6448.

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**Our Nominating Committee is hard at work on obtaining leaders for our next church year beginning in September. Please be ready with a willing heart to serve if they contact you. If you have not been contacted and would like to serve, please contact Bill McLaurin at 704-619-0640.**

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Our GA's will go ***Christmas In August*** shopping on Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please meet at the church at 6:00 PM that night. Thank you.

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**Church-wide *Christmas In August* Party in FLC**

**Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> TIME: 7:00-8:00 PM**

Our missionary this year is Stephen Poole of Annapolis, MD. He is requesting Walmart gift cards, Amazon gift cards, Target gift cards, Holman Christian Standard Bibles, inexpensive school backpacks, pencils, pens, scissors, glue, crayons, etc., Please leave items in box in vestibule or bring night of party. Thank you ☺ **Please bring your favorite Christmas finger food goodie to share at our party.**

For the last 15 years or so, I have had the pleasure of attending Youth Camp at Caswell with our students here at Philadelphia. What a blessing and honor it has been watching students from all over North Carolina worship through skits, music, and small and large group Bible studies. To see the excitement and willingness to dive deeper into Gods Word is truly inspirational. Every year as we drive through the gate, memories from years past and former students come to mind.

This year's theme was RE-IMAGINE. We spent the week Re-imagining all the things Jesus taught. We used the Parables Jesus taught as our guide. While all the studies were beneficial and thought-provoking, I found myself reflecting and "RE-IMAGINING" one parable in particular. I was reminded of a time when I was driving a delivery truck. It was late in the day and I had one last delivery to make 40 miles from our store. I had a prior commitment that was in jeopardy of being missed because of this "emergency delivery." I loaded the truck and set out to make this last run. Everything was going according to plan, until I lost my contact lens going down Highway 74 outside of Wadesboro. To many, that's not a big deal, but let me tell you, it was to me! I managed to find my turn and slowly make my way off to the side of the road. I found a parking lot and pulled into carefully and searched for my contact lens. So many thoughts were going through my mind at that moment. Some I choose not to disclose. As I was looking throughout the cab of the truck, I was hesitant to open the door or even move out of my seat. After several minutes of feeling around the seat and my lap, one thought I will share was a prayer I said, "Dear Lord, I need you right now." I vividly remember...because I was parked in a church parking lot. After several minutes of fumbling around and a couple moments of complaining, I decided to search myself again. Lo and behold, I found my contact clinging to the sleeve of my shirt. All it took was for a little light to reflect off of it to catch my eye. I had no water or contact solution to clean the contact so I just put it back in and made my last delivery. Even though I had spent close to 20 minutes frantically searching, my sight was still a little blurred. I removed the contact and held it up to the sky to see all the debris that had formed on it. As I finished up my delivery drop, found a water cooler and ran some water over my contact to clean the debris and gunk that had formed.

In the parable of the Lost Coin, Jesus says the woman did three things in her search for the coin. First, she lit a lamp, second, she cleaned her house and third she carefully searched for it. We all can learn many lessons from this parable, but I am learning that it may cost something in order to find the things that are LOST. Sometimes we have to clean things up a bit in order for that to happen. We also have to be very meticulous in our search. Personally, I have challenged myself to do as this lady did. Even though there may be some cost involved, we still need to shine a light to expose the darkness. We need to clean OUR house before we are able to find the LOST and finally, we have to be very careful in the process. **As our Speaker said this week, if you have a pulse, you have a purpose. Find that purpose.** Sometimes it is right in front of us and we never see it because we haven't lit a lamp or cleaned our house or are careful to be stewards of the things we have been given. **JENKS (Jeff Jenkins) Youth Leader**



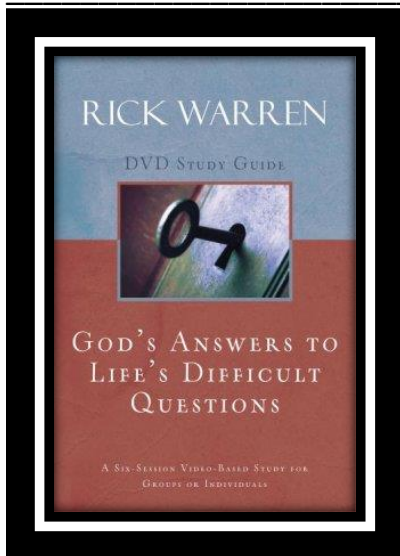
## Golden Age Picnic

**PLACE:** Teresa & Tony Eudy's Home

**TIME:** 11:00 AM; **DATE:** *Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>*

*We will have games and prizes. Please save the date!*

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**Sunday Nights at 6:00 PM**

**Teachers: Roger & Kristi Cox**

Session Titles:

1. How Can I Cope with Stress?
  2. How Can I Rebound from Failure?
  3. How Can I Be Confident in a Crisis?
  4. How Can I Live above Average?
  5. How Can I Overcome Loneliness?
  6. How Can I Ever Change?
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### August Nursery Workers

5<sup>th</sup>: Kaylee & Lauren Duke

12<sup>th</sup>: Crystal Craig & Carla Bowers

19<sup>th</sup>: Kaylee & Lauren Duke

26<sup>th</sup>: Deneice & Erin Felt

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### August Children's Church Workers

#### **2 & 3 Year Olds**

5<sup>th</sup>: Deborah Sullivan & Jennifer Helms

12<sup>th</sup>: Sherry & Vanna Nash

19<sup>th</sup>: Kim Outen & Ashlyn Porter

26<sup>th</sup>: Mary Katherine & Jenna Jenkins

#### **4 & 5 Year Olds**

5<sup>th</sup>: Sheri Rodgers & Ava Strawn

12<sup>th</sup>: Lauren Davis & Mindy Jenkins

19<sup>th</sup>: Carla Bowers & Kaylee Duke

26<sup>th</sup>: Tony & Kara Keith

**AUGUST 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Mission Friends- FLC	2	3	4 FLC: Anthony
5	6 Ladies Bible Study 7 PM	7	8 GA & RA- FLC	9	10	11 Awana Basis VAN: Brock
12 Homecoming 11:00 AM; Revival 7:00 PM	13 Revival 7:00 PM	14 Revival 7:00 PM	15 Revival 7:00 PM	16	17	18 Shingles shots in FLC (Forms in vestibule to fill out and return to Mary Taylor)
19 Church Conference, Budget, Nom. Committee Report, Deacon Election	20	21	22 GA CIA Shopping Trip meet at church at 6 PM  Youth--FLC	23	24 FLC: Turner	25 FLC: Turner
26 "Lift Them Up" Prayer at FHHS 6:00 PM	27	28 Golden Age Picnic at Teresa & Tony Eudy's House 11:00 AM	29 Churchwide Christmas in August 7:00 PM in FLC	30	31	

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

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



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