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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

One of my most treasured books in my library is a book by Dr. Richard Owen Roberts entitled “*Revival*.” While most of my books I have read only once, I have read this book many times and refer to it often.

In this book, Dr. Roberts tells us what revival is, when it is needed and what hinders us from having revival. There is one chapter however, that I must confess I did not even read the first few times I read this book. This chapter is entitled, “*What are the dangers of revival?*” Quite frankly, I did not read this chapter at first because I really didn’t care about the danger. I figured if God sent revival, it was worth whatever danger was involved. And in a sense, that is true.

However, the longer I am in the ministry, the more I have come to realize that all the battles in our churches are not between individuals or different opinions about an issue. The battles we have in our churches are always spiritual battles. And considering that we just had a wonderful revival at PBC, I dusted off this old book and began to look at the “*danger*” chapter, one more time. Below are some excerpts from that chapter.

“True revival can be a dangerous and exceedingly fragile blessing. Revival carries with it almost unbelievable potential for good, but the potential for evil is likewise vast. Nothing can be stronger than the unleashed spiritual power of God, bearing all before it as a mighty tidal wave. But let foolish and biblically unlearned men prevail in the days of revival and its fragility is abundantly apparent...Just before a great season of revival, countless Christians appear to be spiritually slumbering and the devil’s work seems easy. But let revival come and the devil must get busy just to protect his existing territory... As a counterfeiter, Satan has no equal. In the midst of revival, we must expect to find counter-revival...No task preparatory to revival is more necessary or urgent than the task of learning to distinguish between the work of God on the souls of men and the counterwork of Satan. One simple observation can help: what God does, He does for man’s good; what Satan does, he does for his own good...If he can keep a people looking at themselves, their experiences, their feelings, and at one another, he will have assured the continued success of his own kingdom of darkness.”

As Craig told us on the last night, let’s pray, pray, pray that God will continue to have HIS way at PBC, and that revival fires will continue to burn.

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

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Get Answers!

Does God exist? How can anyone believe in religion when science has neither a need nor a place for God? Is evolution happening today? If God is a God of love, why do we suffer and die?

Creation Ministries International is coming to your area soon with answers to these important questions. Come and hear Joel Tay expose the bankruptcy of the evolutionary myth. You'll be amazed to see how weak the scientific evidence for evolution is.

This is an issue that affects *everyone*. Evolution teaches us there is no need for God, there is no spiritual realm, and there is no afterlife. According to the theory, spirituality is just an evolutionary trick of the mind!

The Bible gives a very different picture about the nature of these things. At this presentation, you will learn how the scientific evidence, when properly understood, confirms the details of the biblical account. At the same time, we will answer many of the Big Questions.

To find out more:

Date: Sunday, September 30, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM - Dinosaurs: Amazing Evidence for Creation!

11:00 AM - Creation: Impacting Our Culture

FAMILY LIFE CENTER RESERVATIONS

In an effort to 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 Carroll at 980-328-5610. Thank you.

*Happy
Birthday!*

- 1-Reggie Ratliff
- 2-Katrina Rickard, Travis Vaughn
- 3-Nadia Jenkins
- 4-Jeffery Cave
- 5-Teresa Autry
- 6-Garrett Newland
- 7-Wilma Parker, Elizabeth Simpson
- 8-Jill Aldridge
- 9-Keith Benton
- 10-Morgan Booth
- 11-Jennifer Helms, Peggy Smith
- 12-Dianne Helms, Devin Phillips, Skip Severt, Zach Stanley, Deborah Stegall
Jeff Taylor, Don Taylor
- 13-Brooklyn Knight
- 14-Will Aldridge, Teresa Eudy, Mary Taylor, Linkin Rorie
- 15-Cheryl Hinson
- 17-Kay Haigler
- 18-Rachel Brooks, Richard Taylor
- 20-Gary Nance
- 21-Elaine Price, Scott Stegall
- 22-Shelby Lee
- 23-Suri Beard
- 24-William Rickard
- 27-Crystal Craig, Marvin Evans, Hailey Phifer
- 28-Kyle Anderson, Bryce Ciucevich, Wally Moore
- 29-Ryan Phillips
- 30-Sherry Nash



We have several missing in this picture that attended...that had to go back to work and also some that were "On Mission" to stock our church food pantry.

Golden Age

On Tuesday, August 28th, at 11:00 AM we had a great group of seniors meet for a picnic lunch at our house. We had a number of our seniors missing but we enjoyed a fun filled day!

Virginia Owens, wife of former Pastor Harold Owens joined us for our meeting. Everyone enjoyed hearing her memories of serving at PBC. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Our devotion was taken from the book of Luke. Kay Haigler read the scriptures for us and we discussed the parable of the lost sheep. I emphasized the importance of prayer and communication with God in our daily lives. We all sang, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", truly we could feel the presence of God!

Bingo and games were played after lunch, prizes were given to All! Thank you for everyone participating with their memories of our church!

A special thank you to my helpers, Mandy Mills, Kelly Baker, Skyla Anderson, Jennifer Helms, Kay Haigler and Tony Eudy.

In Christian Service, Teresa Eudy

Awana Conference

DATE: September 8, 2018

TIME: 8:30-4:30 PM

(We will take the van and leave from the church at 7 AM)

PLACE: First Baptist Church

200 Branchview Drive SE, Concord, NC 28025

See Jill Aldridge or Kathy Brock for more details.

NEW DEACONS

The deacons chosen to serve for the next three years are: Brad Baker, Jerry Davis and Greg Outen. Jason Lowery will serve a two-year unexpired term.

WMU Ladies will no longer sale flavorings. We have plenty of stock of dark vanilla (\$3.00 per bottle). Please contact Mary Autrey or Bonnie Oster if you wish to purchase some. Thank you for your support for the last several years. Thanks especially to Nancy Lowery for being in charge of this for many years. Bonnie Oster

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lexie Chambers, Debbie Clayberger, Peighton Gardner, Kaitlyn Grissom, Lindsey Jenkins, Caroline Rushing, Corrine Rushing, and Diamond Zier.



NC Missions Offering Ingathering: Sunday, September 2nd



NURSERY WORKERS

September 2nd - Kaylee Duke and Lacy Lee
September 9th - Sherry Nash and Vanna Nash
September 16th - Chad Clay and Whitney Jenkins
September 23rd - Kelly Baker and Brooke Baker
September 30th - Michelle Simpson and Emma Simpson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS

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

2 & 3 Year Old's

September 2: Jen Myers & Katelyn Rapp
September 9th: Crystal Craig & Chad Clay
September 16th: Tony & Kara Keith
September 23rd: Lauren Duke & Helper
September 30th: Mary K. & Michael Atkinson

4 & 5 Year Old's

Peggy Smith & Kelly Baker
Skyla Anderson & Luisa Price
Deneice Hendrick & Erin Felt
Tonya & Kerstyn Helms
Kathy Brock & Jill Aldridge

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 New Church Year Begins
2 Receiving NC Missions Offering; Noon – FCA Planning Meeting	3 Labor Day Office Closed	4	5 WMU; Mission Friends- FLC	6	7	8 Awana Conference in Concord leave at 7 AM
9 Church Conference; AWANA Starts Back 4:30PM; Supper 6:30 PM	10	11	12 Wednesday Night Classes 7 PM; GA- FLC	13	14	15
16 NC Missions Offering Received	17	18	19 Wednesday Night Classes 7 PM; RA- FLC	20	21	22 David Seymour Day at Camp Duncan
23 Baby Shower Haley (Jeremy)Nash 2 – 4 PM It’s A Girl Registered at Buy, Buy Baby & Target	24	25 Deacon’s Meeting 7 PM Devotion: Phillip Bowers	26 Wednesday Night Classes 7 PM; Youth-FLC	27	28	29
30 Creation Ministries Presentation						

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

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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.