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**Staff Directory**

**Weekly Opportunities**

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**Sunday**  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:00 am Morning Worship  
           Kingdom Kids Worship  
 6:00 pm Children’s Bible Drill &  
           Sunday Night Kids  
           Adult Choir  
           Youth Meeting  
 7:00 pm Evening Bible Study  
 8:00 pm Committee Meetings

**Wednesday**  
 6:00 pm Youth Bible Drill  
 6:15 pm Fellowship Meal  
 6:50 pm Preschool, Children &  
           Youth Mission Groups  
 6:50 pm Adult Prayer and  
           Inspiration  
 7:00 pm Adult Ministry Projects  
           and Prayer Meeting  
 8:00 pm Committee Meetings

**Office Hours**

**Monday—Thursday**  
 8:30-12:30, 1:30-3:30  
**Friday**  
 8:30-12:30

*For the most up-to-date information, catch us on the web at:*  
[www.polkvillebaptist.com](http://www.polkvillebaptist.com)



## Rick's Write

Dear Church Family,

***So that...all people...anyone, anywhere...will experience the love of God!*** What would it look like if this church took seriously this mission statement? What would be required of us? Assuming, of course, that we each can agree that this church should exist ***so that...all people...anyone, anywhere...will experience the love of God!***

How would your view of church change if this mission was taken seriously? How would your view of your neighborhood, the community, our world change?

What would it take for every member of our church, including YOU, to have the freedom to experience God's love, in an environment of love and acceptance and forgiveness? And, what would it take for us, as a church, to freely offer that same love, acceptance and forgiveness to everyone around us... and everyone not around us?

Why is this so important? Because Jesus offers to YOU, and every living human being, complete love, acceptance and forgiveness, that's why! It's hard to believe, at times, that Jesus would love, much less forgive, some people. Come to think of it, it's hard to believe he loves ME that much!

This is not just a good idea; it's expected of us by Jesus himself. He told us that the way the world would know we are his disciples is that we love one another; he told us to love even our enemies; he demonstrated this for us by dying for us *while* we were yet sinners.

What's the result? The church, our church, cannot ever be what it is intended to be unless every member feels God's love, and that means we must love every member. And the world will never be drawn to a faith that results in anything less than that kind of love.

Why do we do what we do? ***So that all people...anyone, anywhere...will experience God's love.***

Love,



## August Birthdays

8/03 Michael Carpenter	8/10 Craig Carpenter	8/19 Pam Seagle
8/04 Rob Bumgardner	8/12 Charles Gettys	8/20 Katlyn Connor
8/07 Wayne Christian	Judy Gettys	8/22 Lauren Clark
Landon Cook	Amanda Toney	Freida Gibbs
8/08 James Cook	Rosemary Watson	Ethel Pedersen
Sandy W. Hamrick	8/13 Rev. Rick Hamrick	Jayson Phillips
Cindy Milling	Jeff Shuford	8/25 Spencer Crow
8/09 Suzanne Canipe	8/14 Alan Gossett	8/26 Joshua Meade
Peyton Cook	Leslie Phillips	8/27 Karen Elliott
Will Davis	8/16 Brian Branch	8/29 Darrin O'Donoghue
Gabriel Falls	Brad Bumgardner	
Larry White	8/17 Destiny McFarland	

## September Birthdays

9/01 Eliza Cook	Bailee Cook	Cody White
Randy Robbins	9/13 Chrissy Helton	Judy Wright
Jack Shytle	Ronald Melton	9/23 Jackie Blanton
Beth Thompson	9/14 Gay Beam	9/28 Josh Queen
9/03 Grant Moorehead	Chris Gettys	9/29 Mateo Lopez
Ryan Mikeal	9/15 Gary Greene	Joni McMurry
9/04 Virginia Sigmon	9/16 Linnie Wright	9/30 Marilyn Powell
9/06 Emmitt Queen	9/17 Larry Canipe	
9/07 Jenny Shuford	9/19 Camille Blanton	
9/08 Debbie Rayborn	JoEllen Cornwell	
9/09 Marcus Blanton	Renee Fortenberry	
Cindy Gilbert	Lois Shuford	
9/11 Kale Meade	9/20 George Wilson	
9/12 Jeanne Blanton	9/21 Adam Larsen	



## August/September Nursery Schedule

08/06 Isaac & Angie Hannah	09/03 Josh & Carolanne Queen
08/13 Chrissy Helton & Michelle Davis	09/10 Bobbie Walker, Tammy Carter,
08/20 Kim Swink & Haley Cook	Brooke Stewart
08/27 Sandra Gossett & Lisa Carter	09/17 LaLisa Carpenter & Katie White
	09/24 Kylie Larsen & Susanne West



**We give to our state missions offering in September. Envelopes will be made available. A portion stays right here in Cleveland County to be used by our association of Baptist Churches!**



## INEXPLICABLE GRACE

To the beloved body of Christ.

What you have received, freely give.

Written in the book of Matthew 10: 8 because it is by their grace and forgiveness that we can be

called instruments of their love, beautiful sharing in the plantations of mora 30 Mexican workers were able to participate in food, drinks and desserts and a beautiful time of Spiritual food during fellowship. No matter what the price to pay or invest, nothing compares to your love and INEXPLICABLE GRACE.

We continue our discipleship study series LIVING IN CHRIST, someone once wrote is perseverance that bears fruit, and it is really the one who perseveres to the end who will be saved! When we read in the scripture 1 Corinthians 3: 6 we realize that no effort we make receives human glory because it would be corruptible glory, we can sow with generosity by spreading the seed, we can water with joy and simplicity of heart, but only the power of God can Transforming a soul from darkness to admirable light, because it is from Him, by Him and for Him who is all glory, empire and honor forever and ever. ¡Amen!!

We thank our Heavenly Father for the privilege of being able to participate in the VBS of our church and also serve as support in different areas in the VBS in Getsemaní Baptist Church, one thing I always keep in mind is when in Matthew 19:14 Children were presented to Jesus to be placed by His hands! And it is the touch of his love that brings blessing to our children, we exalt your name oh God for the hearts that received your word and you have inscribed his name in the book of life.

Your Servant,  
Jair



**Welcome New Members!**

**Glenn and Rachel Elliott**  
330Crowder Ridge Road  
Shelby, NC 28150

## Looking for non-professional, volunteer voice talent!

We are beginning the project of making voice recordings of scripture that will be made available as a ministry through our church. We need all kinds of voices! Talk with Larry White, Will or Rick to find out more, and get your voice — and God's Word — heard!



## On the Subject of Camps, Trips, and the LORD

What a phenomenal summer we have had! The youth had the privilege this year to attend two distinctly different trips: Caswell and Mission Serve. Caswell provides a time of connecting with other students and learning truth about God while having fun, while Mission Serve focuses on serving the LORD in tangible ways and learning truth about Him through those service opportunities. Ultimately, their end goal is the same: help students encounter God and grow in their relationship with Him.

Let's talk a little bit about our Caswell experience. This was my first time visiting Fort Caswell and so I wasn't sure exactly what to expect, but I certainly encountered God during that week! I think what stood out the most to me during our time there was the worship—there was a genuine excitement from the college students who were leading worship, a desire to share their passion for the LORD with the youth through their songs. And the students were all too happy to join in that excitement! Every time of worship was like a celebration of our LORD—the students would open their mouths and shout with their hearts. Our students responded to the hearts of the leaders and sought to commune in fellowship before our LORD—they were excited about singing praise. More than anything, I was so thankful for the times of worship at Caswell.

Now Mission Serve is an entirely different animal; most of your time while at Mission Serve is spent either working, preparing for the work you are going to do, or recovering from the work you have done. It is very easy in a situation like this to allow your tiredness and exhaustion drown out what God is speaking into your life. However, I have to say that the best aspect of this trip to Savannah was the commitment and dedication of our students. They refused to let anything hinder their work for God or to diminish their passion for Him. Rain? No problem. Little sleep? Piece of cake. 110 degree heat? No sweat... well, maybe just a little sweat. But seriously, these students poured every ounce of themselves into the work, knowing they were doing it for the LORD. You never hear a complaint or whine from our students and their number one desire on these trips is to share the Gospel and shine the light of Jesus.

Take some time to ask a student who went on a trip this summer what they loved about it. I can assure you that each student's answer will be different and encouraging. And, if you've never been on a youth trip as a chaperone, please let's change that. I promise you will not regret it and the experience will change your life.

God Bless!

David

# Koinonia



## August/September Calendar

Friday, August 4

### Youth Summer Finale @ the Beavers'

6pm-until

We will play volleyball, corn hole, watch a movie—just have a blast! Everyone who brings a friend (not in the youth group) will get a cool gift!

### Measure Up

We all feel the need to compare ourselves to others, but when we do, we somehow never seem to measure up. In this series, we'll see that we can be free from the trap of comparison when we look to God to find our worth. Koinonia nights in August!

Wednesday, September 6

### Return of FX!

7pm in the FLC

### Reality Show

In this series, we'll talk about the issues that make our families feel like a reality show. As we look at one of the Bible's most famously fractured families, we'll see how

God can use every family for His good—even ours. Koinonia nights in September!

### Saturday, September 23 Christian Music Day @ Carowinds with

*For King and Country, Crowder,  
and Ryan Stevenson*

If you are interested please let  
David know by August 16

Groups of 20+ tickets are \$38 each,  
single tickets are \$44

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### Operation Christmas Child Collection Items

small stuffed animals, small toys  
soap, washcloths, toothbrushes  
school supplies, socks, underwear,  
hairbrushes, combs & accessories

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### Volunteers needed for

Pregnancy Resource Center  
Walk for Life

September 16 — 8:45-11:00 am  
Giving out snow cones and popcorn!

Please let Chrissy Helton know by  
August 20th if you are interested.

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### Rock 'n' Rollers (Senior Adult Group)

*Our Feet are on the ROCK and  
our Names are on the ROLL!*

Check weekly bulletins for  
activities and updates!



Sunday Small Groups at 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship at 10:00 am  
Wednesday Impact at 6:50 pm

### Themes for Preschoolers

August:

*Wonderful World*

September:

*Super Kids*

### Life Apps for Elementary Kids and Preteens

August:

Drumline: Respect the Rhythm  
*Respect — Showing others they are  
important by what you say and do.*

September:

Lunchroom: Make Space at the Table  
*Friendship — Using your words and  
actions to show others you care.*

### Back to School Supply Drive

We are collecting school supplies for  
all grade levels now through  
Wednesday, August 30. Collected  
items will be distributed to the  
schools in our area. A suggested  
supply list is available in the  
vestibule.

### Back-to-School Cookout and Phase Meeting!

Wednesday, August 16 - 6:15 pm

After dinner the kids will be entertained while the parents (and grandparents!) meet with Rick to talk about the next phase in our kids' lives. The pastor would like to pray with parents and make helpful resources available.



Our first FX  
(Family Experience) of the  
school year will be  
held on Wednesday,  
September

6th, after the Wednesday night meal  
in the gym. FX is a great opportunity  
for the whole family to worship together  
and learn more about the  
month's Kingdom Kids App.

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### Make an IMPACT by saying YES to the next generation!

We need volunteers! The board in  
the vestibule hallway gives a glimpse  
at what you are saying YES to, but  
our primary goal is to IMPACT our  
community. We want to impact families  
and show them how God plans  
to write his story of love and redemption  
through their lives. And we want  
to help kids and youth discover how  
God designed each of them to make  
an incredible IMPACT on the world.  
Will you join us by saying YES?  
Please let Jan or David know if you  
are interested in any way.