



The Encourager



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Bring a friend & join us...

Sunday Bible Study -- 9:45 a.m.
Worship -- 11:00 a.m.

Plan now for our **June event...**

"Pool Day" at the Flournoy's, on
Saturday, June 1st. See

Joey for
more infor-
mation.
Thank you.



Are We There Yet?

This age-old refrain of young travelers is followed by a second question: "How much longer?" How similar those queries are to the psalmist's oft-repeated cry, "How long, O Lord, how long?" (Psalm 6:3b, NIV).

Patience is an uncommon virtue these days. We're anxious to get where we're going or to get what we want. But think how much we miss while wishing we were elsewhere! In our rush to reach a destination, we fail to grasp lessons that can be learned along the way. What blessings might you be overlooking in the here-and-now and the right-where-you-are? -- Kari Myers



The Origin of Father's Day

One Sunday in 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd listened to a sermon honoring mothers. Her mother had died some years before, so her father had raised her by himself. Dodd wondered why there wasn't a day to honor fathers, so she arranged a tribute to her father at a church in Spokane, Washington. The date was June 19, 1910. Many people believe this was the beginning of *Father's Day*.



Another account holds that a West Virginia church held a tribute service for fathers in 1908, following a mine explosion that killed 360 men. Regardless of which story is correct, President Calvin Coolidge was the first president to designate a special day to honor fathers. In 1924, he proclaimed the third Sunday in June as *Father's Day*.

Happy Father's Day! -- Sunday, June 16th

From Guilt to Grace

For Jerry Schemmel, a 1989 plane crash that killed more than 100 people ended up shaping his life and faith. The sports broadcaster walked away from the tragedy with minimal physical injuries but was haunted by survivor's guilt and PTSD. "The big turning point for me came when I became a Christian," he says. "Things got much easier to deal with after that, I believe, because I had the best ally fighting the fight with me, Jesus Christ."

Schemmel, author of *Chosen to Live*, says he'd love to be able to "go back and rewrite the script" and change what happened that July day in Sioux City, Iowa. "But since I can't, I just have to keep on trusting God, trusting that he put me through this experience to serve him, to be the man he wants me to be and ultimately give him glory."

Helping the World See Jesus

The church's role isn't to "take Christ to the world," thus fulfilling Jesus' Great Commission in Matthew 29:19-20, but to recognize Christ *already* at work in the world and help others see him, too. God is visible through his handiwork, but easily seen? Not always. So the church is called to direct the world's gaze past mere "human decency" or "good fortune" to God as the ultimate source of goodness.

When someone professes atheism but also awe at nature, we might gently share our conviction that God designed such beauty. When medical care yields a cure, we can thank Jesus openly for healing. When community volunteers deliver toys to foster children; when counselors help families communicate; when neighbors welcome newcomers ...*there* is Jesus.

Christ doesn't hole up in church buildings until church members "take him" to the world; he works in the world, through church and unchurched alike. But the church is key to helping people recognize him.

Our Church **Annual Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, June 9th** after the morning worship for election of church officers, standing committees, special committees and any other offices. Reports should be given from all ministries and committees of the church.

Proposed change to Church By-Laws:

Article IX. Officers and Staff
Section 1. B -- Call and Election
The pastor search committee proposes to change the percentage to call from 90% to 80%. This proposal change will be discussed and voted on at our *Annual Meeting* on Sunday, June 9th.



Our monthly Men's Breakfast ... It's great food and a time for all

men & boys to learn more and grow in Christ! Invite some friends and join us on **Sunday, June 16th @ 8:00 a.m.**, in the fellowship hall. If you plan to attend, please sign up in the church foyer. Thank you.

Senior Adults, sign up in the church foyer to go with us on **Thursday, June 18th at 11:00 a.m.** We'll have lunch at **Spring Valley** and go to the **Greensboro Historical Museum**. Pick up a schedule for our *Senior Adult Outings* in the church foyer.



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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|  | | | | | | 1 Youth's Pool Day |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m. * Rosemary Camacho | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Church Annual Mtg. * Brenda McDaniel | 10 | 11 | 12 Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m. * Jennifer Ingold | 13 | 14  * Whitney Scarlett | 15 |
| 16 8 a.m. - Men's Breakfast <i>Father's Day</i> | 17 | 18 Senior Adult outing at 11:00 a.m. | 19 Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m. * Sandy Younts | 20 <i>Summer begins</i> | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 * Bobby Conklin | 25 * Lisa Capps | 26 Missions Night @ 6:30 p.m. | 27 * Kamryn Permar | 28 * Tara Jones | 29 |
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Operation Christmas Child 'donations for June'...

Quality Toys: Soccer ball w/ pump, Jump rope, Doll, Cars, Trucks, Dinosaurs, etc.

Thank you for your support!

* See Christine or Martha if you have any questions.



what goes into the box is fun...

Out of the mouths of ...toys? As my 6-year-old son played, I overheard his conversation. "I'm Zurg," he made a toy proclaim. "I used to be evil, but then I got stuck in some goo, and Buzz Lightyear saved me. So I decided to be good now." Although I didn't want to interrupt my son's play, sometime I'll draw the faith connection for him. By dying on the cross, Jesus saved us from the "goo" of sin. And that should prompt a change in our hearts and behavior. Sometimes imagination reveals truth, and the least likely objects become instruments of the Holy Spirit. -- Heidi Mann

RESULTS OF YOUR LOVE

Total Budget Goal for 2024.....\$185,000.00
Total Receipts (May).....\$12,823.00
Total Receipts to Date.....\$77,990.00

SECURITY:

June - Buddy Wilson / **July** - Lou McCarthy

Even if you don't go anywhere, your adventure begins at the church library!



Come check out the selections for all ages!

Visit our church Media Center

* **Use of Fellowship Hall - Effective immediately:** please contact Cyndi Comito (336-215-7635), Fellowship Committee Chair, for use of the fellowship hall. All events must go through her. Thank you.

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| SHARPE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH 1908 SHARPE ROAD GREENSBORO NC 27406 | Interim Pastor: Rev. Larry Lamberth Administrative Assistant: Lisa Capps Music & Children Ministries Director: Bonnie Reynolds Youth Ministry Director: Joey Gladson Custodian: Tony Workman |
| | Sunday Schedule Sunday School Fellowship -- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School -- 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship -- 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m. |