



# The Link

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## NEWS FROM SLOVAKIA

Dear Lakeside Baptist Church,

It has been two years since we left for Slovakia and began our journey. It is hard to believe that time has flown by so fast. We have created many great memories and faced numerous challenges. However, God has been consistent, always with us, guiding us, and loving us.

We have also been very blessed to have our support churches back home thinking about us and praying for us. You have also supported us financially and enabled our dream and call to follow God to become a reality. We wish that we could thank each of you personally, but we hope that you feel our gratitude for everything you have done. You may have been far away, but you have been an important part of our mission.

When we left in 2012, we planned to serve as interns for the Slovak Baptist Union for two years before entering full time ministry. After the first year, we were not able to continue as interns and moved back to Lenka's hometown of Košice. We both found secular jobs while seeking a new place for ministry. We consider our jobs to be opportunities for showing God's love to all people, sharing our testimonies whenever we can.

We are also expecting our first baby! We anticipate our daughter, Savannah Grace, to arrive around June 16. We are very excited and look forward to our little one.

We hope that you will continue to pray for us as we live out the Great Commission and spread the love and Word of God to the people here.

Thank you again for all of the love and support you have given to us these past two years.

Grace and Peace,  
Lenka and Robert Wright



## FOUNDERS DAY

June 1, 2014

Celebrating Our 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Beginning Our 60<sup>th</sup> Year

Covered Dish Luncheon to Follow Worship

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

Please remember the following persons who need our prayers and support:

**Vidant Medical Center, 2100 Stantonsburg Road, Greenville, NC 27835**

**Harry Howell**, Room 434, East Carolina Heart Institute

### At Home:

**Ed Astin**, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

**Clayton Brown** (Doris Booth's brother), 2609 Taylor Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23321

**Natalie Stewart Cortez**, 6410 Lakewood Boulevard, Dallas, TX 75214

**Hank Dunham**, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

**John Gessaman**, 4009 Hawthorne Road (04)

**Brenda and John Hartness**, 1041-I North Jamestown Road, Decatur, GA 30033

**Marshall Henry**, 409 Mayfair Drive (04)

**Phillip Joyner**, 1100 Beechwood Drive (03)

**Georgia Morris**, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

**Cristi Gonzales Pollock**, Wilmington, North Carolina

**June Shearin**, 110 Newby Court (04)

**Joyce Siler**, 3733 Loblolly Drive, (04)

**Jim Wiggs**, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

### Our Members-at-Home

**Ella Coats**, 1600 Hammond Street (03)

**Jerry Jolley**, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856 Room 305-B

**Carlton Kimbro**, Liberty Commons, 121 Racine Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

**Grace Lewis**, The Fountains at the Albemarle, 200 Trade St., Tarboro, NC 27886

**Sue Toney**, Autumn Care, 1210 Eastern Ave., Nashville, NC 27856, Room 605-A (Jerry Jolley's mother)

Congratulations to Roland and Lindy Brice Schmidt who were married on May 1 in Bolivia, North Carolina.

Congratulations to Lauren and John Robbins in the birth of their son, William Grover Robbins, III, on April 24 in Augusta, Georgia. Grove's grandparents are Melanie Robbins and the late Bill Robbins.

*Thank you so much for providing the Easter Sunrise Service for our residents. It means so much to them.*  
*Darlene Moore, ACD, Spring Arbor*

## CALLED CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

We will hold a congregational conference immediately following worship on Sunday, May 18. The purpose of the conference is twofold: to elect three people to fill unexpired terms on the Board of Finance and to hear a financial update.

Helen Paszek is nominated to fill a two-year term ending in 2015, and Larry McAdams and Hank Strickland are nominated to fill one-year terms ending in 2014. Don Conley, Chair of the Board of Finance, will share information about our stewardship activities and the financial health of the congregation.

## FAREWELL AND GOD'S BLESSING

Joyce Siler joined her husband Bob at Lakeside 37 years ago and became an enthusiastic and energetic member of our family of faith. Joyce and Bob were faithful members at Lakeside and strong supporters of our community. In these last few years, Joyce has been active in Sunday School, Circle 2, and the Topnotchers. She has also been an integral part of a group that has reached out to support a local family. Next week Joyce is moving to Greensboro to be near family. We will miss her greatly but pray that love, friendship, and good health will follow her there.

## YOUTH NEWS

Many thanks to everyone who came out to support the youth car wash on Saturday and especially to David Morris and Jennifer Cobb for your help. We raised over \$600 for our trip fund!

Thank you to all the adults who played softball for being such good sports at the game on Sunday and to the youth for not humiliating us too badly. You are such a fun group!

Please let me know as soon as possible if you can help with Youth and Graduate Sunday on May 18. We are still in need of Sunday School teachers and those who are not in choir to serve as ushers.

I look forward to seeing all of you for Sunday School and worship on Sunday.  
Elizabeth

## A BEAUTIFUL DAY WITH FAMILY

How great it was to have so many in the Lakeside family come out for Sunday's picnic! Thanks to Marty and Bill Kincheloe for your gracious hospitality; to the Social Committee for help with set up, cooking, and clean up; and to everyone who brought delicious dishes. It was a fun and enjoyable afternoon. Special thanks to Liz Hedgepeth for photographing the event. You can find some pictures from the day on our website by choosing "News and Information" then "Family Pictures." More photos will be added soon.

## GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED

If a family member graduated from college in December or will graduate from high school or college this spring, please contact the church office by May 13 so that we may recognize them in *The Link* and during our Graduate Recognition Service on May 18. We need full names, school, degree, and future plans.

## GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP

We are now registering volunteers for our 23rd year of Gatekeepers Workcamp which will take place July 6-11. Registration forms have been mailed to all youth and adults who have participated in recent years. If you did not receive a form but would like to work on a crew, please contact the church office. Youth and adult forms are due no later than June 2. If you are interested in helping serve lunches, deliver snacks, serve at the cookout or assist in some other way, please contact Elizabeth. A meeting for all adult volunteers will be held on Tuesday, June 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Education Building.

## SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Jill Ward and David Browder  
Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain  
Acolyte - Connor Evans; Crucifer - Beth Seagroves  
Nursery - Jessica Williams  
Extended Session - Teresa and Dan Herring  
Audio Booth Volunteer - Jerry Hamrick

## WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE

**May 11, 2014 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Epistle Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Gospel Lesson: John 21: 1-19

“What Matters”

Chancel Choir Anthems:

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” - arr. Thompson

“Who Will Keep God’s Lambs?” - Dvořák/arr. Gilpin

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## CHURCH STAFF

Jody Wright  
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## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Thursday, May 8

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

### Sunday, May 11

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer

11:00 a.m. Worship

### Monday, May 12

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 6, Small Conference Room, Office Suite

10:30 a.m. WMU Group 9, Parlor, Education Building

**6:30 p.m.** WMU Group 10, Angie Hunter, 213 Candlewood Road,  
Note Time Change

### Tuesday, May 13

WMU Group 2, Time and Location to be Announced

7:00 p.m. Adult Study Group, Conference Room

### Wednesday, May 14

10:00 a.m. Adult Study Group, Conference Room

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 18 WEEKS

2014 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$633,375

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$12,180	\$219,240
Receipts May 4	\$14,158	\$195,833
Variance	+ 1,978	-\$23,407