



# The Link

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## MORE THAN A SYMBOL OF HOPE

About six years ago, our children embarked on a project to help them learn more about missions and how a project happens from start to finish. They read the story of *The Rainbow Fish* by Marcus Pfister and discovered how each of them can be a “rainbow” – God’s hope and promise – for someone else. They also discussed the story of the Great Flood and the Ark and how God used a rainbow to remind Noah and his family of God’s promise and the hope that was before them.

Each child painted a pottery bowl with a rainbow of colors. Then each one decided on a way to use that bowl to raise money for missions. Some of the children set up lemonade stands while others sold candy or homemade goodies out of their bowls or simply used them to collect donations. The money was added to the funds they raised through Missions Marketplace to support local and global missions.

The point of the project was that each of us has the opportunity to make a difference for someone else, even in small ways.

The children also made four additional RAINBOWs which we now use each time we collect our communion benevolent offering. On those Sundays, some of our youth stand at the exits and receive your gifts to meet local needs.

Over the past six years, we have collected several thousand dollars which have benefitted people in our community. Our Missions Committee decides how this money will be used in order for it to have the greatest benefit. Following are some of the ways your generosity has helped our neighbors in Rocky Mount:

- ◆ Assistance to local families for rent, utilities, and food
- ◆ The Christian Men’s Fellowship Home
- ◆ My Sister’s House
- ◆ Backpacks for homeless men and women
- ◆ Summer camps for local children
- ◆ Tutoring programs for local children
- ◆ United Community Ministries (for a new HVAC unit)
- ◆ Medical assistance for local families
- ◆ Back to School activities sponsored by the Police Department
- ◆ Supplemental food program for at-risk senior adults

In addition to our other gifts to assist with crisis situations in the community, our communion funds enable us to help individuals, families, and groups with special needs that might not be addressed otherwise. We are grateful for your generosity and appreciate the many ways, including this one, that you are a sign of God’s hope and promise to other people.

Jody Wright

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

**Nash General Hospital, 2460 Curtis Ellis Drive (04)**

**Ernest Bridgers, Room 507**

**New Hanover Medical Center, 2131 S. 17<sup>th</sup> St., Wilmington, NC 28401**

**Carlton Kimbro**

### **At Home:**

**Lee Broughton**, 516 Pelican Drive East, Pine Knoll Shores, NC 28512

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

**Dianne Bulluck**, 191 Wilsor Oaks Drive, Littleton, NC 27850

**Faye Conner**, 104 Birdie Court (04)

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

**Grady Davis**, PO Box 8049 (04)

**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

**Harry Howell**, 3416 Greenbriar Drive (04)

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

**C.B. and Georgia Morris**, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

**Cristi Gonzales Pollock**, 5032 Crown Point Lane, Wilmington, NC 28409

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

**Joyce Siler**, River Landing, 1575 John Knox Dr., Apt. P-203, Colfax, NC 27235

**Trey Thaning** (Jean St. Clair’s grandson)

### **Our Members-at-Home**

**Marie Price**, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

**Audrey Scarboro**, 724 York Street (03)

**Marjorie Taylor**, Golden Living Center, 1000 Western Blvd., Tarboro, NC 27886  
Rm 810-A

**Alease Whitford**, 1600 Goldrock Road (04)

We rejoice with Josh and Amy Trull in the birth of their son, Kyle Weston, on May 16. Donnie Trull is Kyle’s grandfather; Wayne Trull is his great-grandfather.

We offer our sympathy to Billie Jo and Tammy Matthews and their family in the death of their husband and father, Tom Matthews, on June 3. A service celebrating his life will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Wheeler & Woodlief Funeral Home.

## TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

Please plan to join us for the annual North Carolina Symphony concert on the Tarboro Town Commons on Wednesday, June 11, at 7:00 p.m. We will leave the church at 5:30 and will enjoy a picnic supper on the Commons before the concert. Please call the church office to sign up. (Boxed supper is \$5.00 per person.)

## SUMMER BACKPACK BUDDIES

Because of the generosity of the Lakeside family, we will be able to continue our Backpack Buddies program through the summer, providing weekend meals and snacks for children in the summer reading program at Benvenue Elementary School. Thank you to our sponsors and volunteers for your commitment to feeding hungry children in our community.

## YOUTH NEWS

As the end of the school year approaches, please let me know of awards and recognitions you receive from school, sports, band, and other activities so that we can share the good news with one another and celebrate together.

In addition to VBS, Gatekeepers and our Pilgrimage to Alaska, we will be scheduling an outing to Kings Dominion and another fun back-to-school activity. Be on the lookout for details by email and in a future edition of *The Link*.

We have a busy summer ahead. I look forward to seeing all of you for Sunday School and worship on Sunday and whenever you are in town. Elizabeth

## GATEKEEPERS WORKCAMP

Many thanks to all those who registered for our 23<sup>rd</sup> year of Gatekeepers Workcamp which will take place July 6-11. Youth registration is now closed, but we would still love to have adults to work on crews. If you did not receive a form but would like to volunteer, please contact the church office as soon as possible. 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.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER MEETING

All youth and adult volunteers are encouraged to attend the staff orientation meeting on Thursday, June 5 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (floating) in the Lecture Room.

We are in need of volunteers who can help to set up and decorate prior to VBS. The planning team will gather on Thursday and Friday, June 12 and 13, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. both days to set up classrooms, decorate bulletin boards and entryways, and gather supplies. Youth and adults are asked to contact the church office if you are available to help

## SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Stancil Barnes and Jim Martin  
 Ushers - Group III, Bill Hoyle, Captain  
 Acolyte - Henry Williams  
 Crucifer - Jackson Browder  
 Nursery - Pat Astin; Extended Session - Sue Harris  
 Audio Booth Volunteer - Gene Wilson

## WORSHIP AT LAKESIDE

**June 8, 2014 – Pentecost Sunday**

History Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 12:3b-13

Sermon: "He's Done It Again!"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"If Ye Love Me" - Wilby

"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" - arr. Scott

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Thursday, June 5

12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

5:00 p.m. VBS Teacher Orientation, Lecture Room - Floating Until 7:00 p.m.

### Sunday, June 8

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

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 22 WEEKS

2014 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$633,375

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$12,180	\$267,960
Receipts June 1	\$11,173	\$238,780
Variance	-\$1,007	-\$29,180

*As you anticipate your vacation summer, remember to include Lakeside in your plans. Your offerings will support our summer ministries. Our website—lakesidechurchmt.org—will keep you informed of all that is happening here.*