

Ash Avenue Baptist

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From Eure Pastor's Desk

by John D. Eure

- TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND: WMU LADIES SUPPER
- JUNE 7TH: 11TH: VBS
- JUNE 12TH- VBS FAMILY NIGHT
- JUNE 14TH: FLAG DAY
- JUNE 21ST: FATHER'S DAY
- JUNE 21ST: 1ST DAY OF SUMMER



As summer and Vacation Bible School are upon us, I think back to my younger days in Eure, NC. Every June, Cool Spring Baptist Church had its VBS. I remember the potholders we made for crafts, the flower-shaped butter cookies and grape Kool-Aid.

Since VBS was in the morning, the *pupils* (as the VBS leaders booklets would refer to us) went outside after snacks and play seriously competitive games like, *Duck, Duck, Goose* or *Red Rover*. This was quite memorable because my home church met in a sandy area, so it was very easy to pick up those pesky sand spurs when I ran.

But the two most meaningful events for me were the joint worship time and Bible study time.

During worship, it was always a treat to be a flag or Bible bearer, or operate the most high tech equipment of the time.... the filmstrip projector. It was so organized, even the pianist played chords so

we would know when to sit down or stand up. But I remember best the daily mission stories. I had an opportunity to pray for them and give my offering to help them share Jesus with others. I remember feeling convinced that by doing those things God would do something great!

During Bible study time my imagination would come alive. Most of the teachers had that unique northeastern North Carolina accent which sounded normal to me. With their words, they seemed to make the Bible come alive. It was as if they brought Jesus and His disciples right into the room with all of us. David slew Goliath right by the chalkboard, while Mary and Joseph were knocking on the door to find room to stay. These lessons strengthened my understanding of God and His will for my life.

Equipment, music, and styles have changed over the last few decades, but the purpose of VBS

remains the same. It works with all other ministries of the church to make *disciples* for the Master. VBS is a great opportunity to affirm that Jesus died, rose again, and wants to include all in His life.



Growing older, it becomes clearer that the Savior who wanted me in His life wants me to help others become involved in His life, too. When we follow Christ, He leads us to be on mission with Him. Being on mission with Him draws you and others into a stronger, more intimate walk with Him. VBS offers that opportunity, so I hope you'll become involved, and create new life-changing memories for the children, families, and yourself, too.

Summer Mission Trip for Adults & Youth

Our Mission Team will partner with Clintwood Baptist Church in Clintwood, VA July 18th to July 24th, 2009.

This is an opportunity for our Youth & Adults to minister to the residents of Clintwood, located in the Appalachian Region of Virginia, through Backyard Bible Clubs, prayer walking, and possibly minor home repair & distribution

of food.

A deposit of \$50. is required to secure your place on the team. Signup deadline: June 1, 2009.

Please contact Bill Haley if you feel led to participate.

If you're planning to go, your attendance is mandatory at 6:30pm at the June 4th Missions Meeting, at which time your deposit must be paid.

VBS 2009 officially begins on Sunday, June 7th.

Supper at 5:30 followed by classes from 6:30 until 8:45 each night from Sunday, June 7th through Thursday, June 11th.

Our VBS Family Night will take place at 6:30pm on Friday, June 12th.



New hymnals
 “given” since our
 April dedication
 ceremony:

Given:

*“In Memory Of”
 James & Myrtle
 Dunn
 By Charles & Lois
 Hatcher*

*“In Memory Of”
 Georgie Bass
 By William M. Bass,
 Jr.*

*“In Honor Of”
 Jay & Cynthia Camp
 By Jessica, Jason, &
 Maggie Snead*

*“In Honor Of”
 Harold D. Camp
 By Jessica, Jason, &
 Maggie Snead*

If you missed our
 new hymnal
 dedication, it is
 not too late to
 purchase one
In Honor Of, or
In Memory Of
 someone.
 Cost: \$15.00 per
 hymnal.

Ushers & Greeters

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6/7	Randy Guill Wes Bosiger Tom Hahn Buddy Wilborn	6/21	Rick Brogden Wayne Bales Mike Harris Mike Laughorn
6/14	Dennis Stewart Jimmy Allen Victor Crump Benny Smith	6/28	Jim Chandler Jerry Crenshaw Fred Flinn Randy Hupp

ABC Offering Report as of: 5/26/09:

Budget offering received...\$80,801.15
 Budget offering needed...\$83,301.33
 Budget deficit.....(2,500.18)

June 14th of each year is designated
 as **National Flag Day** in the United
 States.



This commemorates the official adoption of the flag of
 the United States, which took place on June 14, 1777
 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

The **Betsy Ross House** (pictured above) is the site of
 Philadelphia’s annual observance of Flag Day.

What Makes a Dad?

*God took the strength of
 a mountain,
 The majesty of a tree,
 The warmth of a summer sun,
 The calm of a quiet sea,
 The generous soul of nature,
 The comforting arm of night,
 The wisdom of the ages,
 The power of the eagle’s flight,
 The joy of a morning in Spring,
 The faith of a mustard seed,
 The patience of eternity,
 The depth of a family need,
 Then God combined these
 qualities.
 When there was nothing more
 to add,
 He knew His masterpiece was
 complete,
 And so, He called it...Dad.
 -Author unknown*

Happy Father’s Day!

WMU

- **June 2nd-6PM Combined meeting
 of Nonie Gravitt, Eva Saunders,
 & Sisters Serving Christ.
 We will meet for supper
 under picnic shelter .**
- **June 13th-10:30AM
 Devotions at Berry Hill**



**Saturday, June 6th
 State Bible Drill
 In Richmond**

During Worship in June

- 6/7 - Ruth Gregory & Annie Owen
- 6/14 - Bill & Gayle Haley
- 6/21 - Peggy Vassar & Lavonne Chernault
- 6/28 - Faye Newton & Jessica Snead

Judy Meeler is the Acting Nursery Coordinator for Worship. Please contact her for any changes.



During Sunday School in June

- 6/7 - Tina Englebright & Sharon Brogden
- 6/14 - Judy Meeler & Becky Whitt
- 6/21 - Faye Beck & Faye Gainey
- 6/28 - Cynthia Camp & Jessica Snead

If you find that you will not be able to be in the Sunday School Nursery on your scheduled date please call Cora Cliborne - 575-8100



Church Yard & Bake Sale

Saturday, June 6, 2009 7am - until

Located inside

the church fellowship hall

Aaron's Creek Baptist Church

1066 Aaron's Creek Rd

Virgilina, VA



Rain or Shine!



All proceeds will support our upcoming summer mission trip to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation located on the

border of North & South Dakota.

Thank you for your support!

"Feed My Lambs"
Food Pantry



Through your generosity, we've been able to assist several families. Because we have had so many to assist, our supplies are now running low and we ask for your help once again in providing non-perishable items, to replenish the Pantry. Please place your items in basket inside church door, leading to sanctuary.

Our **Little Church Fund** enables us to assist families in need during the holiday season.



Please place donations inside the little wooden church on table in church lobby.

Please give prayerfully!



**Properties Contacts for June
are Elton Johnson
& Jerry Crockett**

**Deacons of the Month for June
are Bill Haley & Gilmer Meeler**

**Need to use the church van this month?
If so, contact Mike Harris for availability.**



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