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I hope you will join me this month as we turn our focus outwardly to serve our community through Serve NC.

We know of the calling from the Lord that is before us. For Jesus taught in his sermon on the mount in Matthew 5:13-16, (Verse 13) "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. (Verse 14) "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot

be hidden. (Verse 15) Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. (Verse 16) In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

This reminds us that while we are called to serve others it is not primarily for their sake, but God's! We are meant to be effective among the people God has placed in our lives – effective to make a change – to be different and leave an impression on others. We are called to be **light** in darkness! At a time when we are hyper-focused on the darkness that is being revealed all around us we must not lose sight of the fact that WE are God's answer to that darkness – Christ in US! The darkness tempts us to hide away and keep our light to ourselves. Sometimes I think we see those reveling in darkness and are content to leave them there. But Jesus makes it clear, we are meant to be light that shines before others so that they may see our good works and **give glory** to our Father in heaven!

So let's shine not just during Serve NC, but every week, let us do good works for the glory of our great God.

I am reminded of Hebrews 10:24 which calls us to "consider how to stir one another to love and good works."

God bless you all and may God bless our efforts to glorify Him! - For His Glory, Pastor Justin





Wed. August 7, 14, 21 from 6:30-7:30pm: Summer small groups. Girls are led by Katherine Allen and Taylor Ferrer-Diaz and the boys are led by Cameron Surratt and Justin Curry.

Children's Ministry

As I look back on July, I'm reminded of the many events we had with the kids. We were definitely busy, but we had so much fun together. I stand by the saying "never a dull moment" and I'm thankful for the many opportunities that we've had so far this summer to spend time in fellowship with one another. 1 Timothy 4:12 says "Don't let anyone despise your youth, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity." That is my prayer for the children and youth in our church. I'm grateful for the opportunity we had to serve back to back with the youth group. From the coast to the mountains, our young people covered that terrain. For ServeNC, our church will cover the piedmont area and our church will have touched lives across the state. I'm thankful for a church that prioritizes service and missions and we're excited to share with the church all that God has done through his hands and feet. - Taylor Ferrer-Diaz



Wed. August 7, 14, 21 from 6:30-7:30pm: Mission Friends, GAs, and RAs. Mission Friends (ages 3-5) will meet in the children's hall room 204. The GAs (girls rising 1st-6th) and RAs (boys rising 1st-6th) will meet separately in the downstairs rooms 117 and 118. **The 21st will be the last day for our summer missions group.**

August 6-8 Sports Camp: This year's camp is a modified, shortened version since our CLC is undergoing renovations. We will be at the Zoo City Sportsplex from 9am-12noon Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Our sports will be soccer, pickleball, and volleyball. The cost is \$10 and it is for rising 3rd-6th graders.

Click the QR code to register!



Monday, August 12 Putt Putt: Meet at the church at 10am. Cost is FREE! See Taylor or the church office to sign up!

Wednesday August 14 Movie Day: Meet at the Cinemark in Asheboro at the mall at 10am. Cost is \$1.75 per ticket. Bring extra money for snacks if you like. Sign up with Taylor or the church office.

Wed. August 28 NO ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

AWANA KICK OFF SEPTEMBER 4!! 6:30-7:30pm Join us for registration, pizza and inflatables!

Worship Ministry

It's been an amazing summer at CRBC! There have been so many activities happening across the board. We will have choir practice on Sunday, August 18th, from 4:30-5:30pm. This summer I have had

the privilege of taking continuing education classes through NC Baptist's Renewing Worship training and Fruitland Baptist Bible College. It has been an honor to sit at the table with so many gifted men and women of God and learn from them.

One of my favorites quotes from my studies this summer is from Robert Schaper, which states, "Worship is the expression of a relationship in which God the Father reveals himself and His love in Christ, and by His Spirit administers grace to which we respond in faith, gratitude, and obedience."

It is exciting to see what God is doing at CRBC! May we continue to respond to Him in worship by expressing our gratitude during our corporate times of worship. May we live a faith-filled obedient lifestyle of worship as we go about our daily tasks. It is a joy to worship with you and serve alongside you.

- *Abiding in Christ, Danielle Kelly*



Every Church, Every Community

If CRBC didn't exist, would Asheboro notice?

Listed below are the projects we are doing. Please contact one of these team leaders and volunteer even if it's just donating an item or helping for a couple hours. **We need accurate counts of who is coming for these projects to make sure they are able to be completed. Please let the team leader know you are coming!**

Cross Road Retirement Community

(Eddie West and Kathryn Simpson) **Project 1: Aug. 3 8:30am** - filling bird feeders, cleaning windows, taking ice water to rooms. **Other Projects:** During the week of Aug. 4 they need someone to call bingo, lead an exercise class, do a craft, visits, play an instrument or sing. Contact Kathryn Simpson.

Clapp's Nursing Home Project Date week of Aug. 7-11: We will be taking treats and snack baskets to staff (day to be determined), Residents also need donations of body wash. Contact Candace Curry.

American Legion Baseball Tournament at McCrary Park: Project Date Aug. 7-11. We will be providing snacks and drinks for an Alabama team (until they are out of tournament). No staying is required, just drop off and pick up after games. Items will be already purchased. Contact Cheryl Surratt to pick a day to bring items over.

Your Choices Randolph Project Dates Aug. 3 or 5 starting at 9am: Some exterior painting (supplies already purchased), power washing, trimming bushes, sorting donations. Contact Britney Bishop.

Lydia's Place Project Date Aug. 3 from 12-2pm: Cleaning out storage building or sorting donations. Contact Renea Henderson.

Live to Give Thrift Store, 1530 E. Dixie Dr. Project Dates Aug. 3 (between 10-3pm or Aug. 7 (between 10-5pm) Sorting clothing and food donations. Pick a time to come, you do not have to stay the whole time. Contact Renea Henderson.

Blessing Baskets Project August 11 3pm in Gary Yeary's classroom: We will be making up snack baskets to take to rest homes, fire department, police department, etc. Donations of individually wrapped snack items can be brought to the church lobby **BY THE WORSHIP SERVICE ON AUGUST 11.** Contact Annette Bean.

Sports Camp Aug. 6-8 at Zoo City Sportsplex Project August 6-8 9am-12noon each day. Volunteers needed to help with soccer (tues), pickleball (wed) and beach volleyball (thurs). Contact Justin Curry.



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God Says

By His grace we are righteous. God does not condemn His children. We walk according to the Spirit. We have life and peace. Praise God! Our bodies are dead; our bodies will be redeemed. Our spirits are alive. The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God. We suffer. Jesus intercedes for us. We shall be glorified!

Prayer: Abba! Father, You draw us closer. You love us. We thank You for salvation. We have called out to You for redemption. Thank You that You are working all things together for good, for us who are called. Thank You that we-Your children- are justified. We are glorified. We thank Jesus for interceding for us. We praise You God. You love us. We are Yours.

As Pastor Fred Lunsford in western North Carolina says, "Well, glory!" I shall see Your Face, Lord! Amen. Read Romans Chapter 8 in The Bible.

Remember to ask God to use His chosen youth Pastor in Cross Road Baptist Church when and as He wills. In Jesus' dear Name--- Thank you God.

From Melda Dyer, Prayer Ministry Coordinator

WOW Women's Ministry

Join us for our Annual Fall Retreat to Fort Caswell at Oak Island, NC. Cost is \$200 per person. Please contact the church office or Renea Henderson to sign up.

Deposit of \$50 is due by August 18!!

