

Ministries

Here at Words of Life we have numerous ministries established to meet the needs of our church family and the community. If you are interested in being a part of a ministry please contact the chairperson listed.

Street Ministry - being a light to those who are experiencing Unfortunate circumstances and need some guidance and a caring hand. Please see Sister Gail or Sister Sarah for more information.

The Least of These Ministries - devoted to offering assistance to those who need help with physical needs such as fuel oil or making sure the electric bill gets paid. Please mark donation envelopes "Least of These Ministries". Please see Brother Scott Graham, Brother Ronnie Anderson or Pastor Carl Bishop for more information.

Drug Rehab Outreach - travels several Sundays a month to minister and give hope to those in rehabilitation. Please see Brother Greg Pippin for more information.

Blue Ridge Retirement "Restoration" Center - ministers every Friday evening to those struggling with sickness and loneliness. Please see Brother Joe and Sister Victoria Adams for more information.

Nursing Home Ministry - focuses on touching the hearts of the elderly and bringing joy to their lives. Please see Sister Serena Graham for more information.

Intercessory Prayer - Pray warriors are needed to pray for our nation, pastors, ministries, and congregation. If you are interested in being a part of the intercessory pray group please see Sister Pat Pippin.

Additional Ministries Chairperson

Ministers	Carl Bishop
Board of Directors	Ronnie Anderson
Finance	Kim Wilkie
Music Ministry	Richard Cole
Adult Sunday School	Pat Pippin
Children's Ministry	Linda Bishop
Youth Ministry	Jon & Serena, Josh & Katrina Graham
Nursery Ministry	Niki Bishop
Greeter	Wilson Bishop
Bus Ministry	Matt Gibson
Bereavement	Maggie Buchanan
Elders	Wilson Bishop
Audio/Video/Website	Paul Jackson
Ladies Meeting	Janice Anderson
Cleaning	Danny & Darlene Burnett
Newsletter	Julia Kirschman
Public Announcements	Ron Davis

Fellowship Building Reservations Shawnee Davis 777-4738

For newsletter submissions please contact:
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Board Members

Board members are assigned to a specific area of the church operations and oversee the funding and operation of these areas.

Chairman of Board/Church Ministry	Ronnie Anderson 828-551-0329
Elders	Richard Cole 828-273-7008
Logistics/Events	
Bereavement	Pat Pippin 828-684-7943
Mission/Outreach	Joe Adams 828-890-9083
Sunday School	Butch Stepp 828-606-6886
Audio/Video	Eddie Wilde 828-667-1947
Youth	Donald Bishop 828-273-4551
Traffic	Denton Ayers 828-329-4987

Ministers

Carl Bishop, *Pastor*
Greg Pippin, *Outreach Pastor*
Jon & Serena Graham, *Youth Pastors*
Josh & Katrina Graham, *Youth Pastors*
Gerald Wilkie, *Evangelist*
Scott Graham, *Evangelist*

Services

Sunday	
Sunday School	9:45 AM
<i>(Classes for all ages)</i>	
Preaching	11:00 AM
Children's Church	11:00 AM
Preaching	6:00 PM
NO 6:00 PM service - May 12 th	
Wednesday	
Preaching	7:00 PM
Youth	7:00 PM
<i>(7th grade & up)</i>	
Children's Church	7:00 PM
<i>(Pre-K to 6th grade)</i>	

Nursery is available for ages 2 and under



Tabernacle Times

May 2013

Welcome

We would like to invite you to join us in worship here at Words of Life. It is our desire to minister to the vast needs of families in today's fast paced world. We believe the success of the church depends on the success of the family. We have a dedicated team to minister to the needs of adults and children, as well as teens. Bring your family and join us as we experience Jesus Christ in an exciting atmosphere of worship and praise.

Complacency - Another Enemy's Favorite Tool!

Scriptures and Thoughts

In our prayer group we always pray for unity; not only in our body of believers but all believers. The Word tells us in Ecclesiastes 4:12 **that a three-fold cord is not quickly broken. We need to stick together.** We also pray for individual members and friends that are sick, physically, mentally, financially, whatever the needs may be.

At this point in our intercessory prayer journey I believe our most pressing threat and danger is complacency which often leads to complaining.

We as Christians need to be reminded **often** that every part of the body of Christ has to be **constantly energized and re-energized** just like our natural body is order to function properly. I'm sure we have all heard (and probably said), "Oh, he or she is just old and grouchy. They have nothing better to do than to eat, sleep, and complain.

In our church bodies, our Pastors and teachers see to it that we are well fed (**that is if we come to the table**). So let's make sure that we use that energy where it's most needed. **We must love, pray, and serve; because LOVE SERVES! This cannot** be said to much.

Paul states in 1 Corinthians 13:1 **"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not charity (love), I am become as sounding brass and tinkling cymbals."**

By Pat Pippin

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May Events

Pick-up Directory Pictures

Sunday, May 5th after services

Picture make-up day is June 8th

Please see Sister Barbara to schedule your make-up appointment.

Baptism

Sunday, May 5th - 3:00

Creek behind South Mills River Baptist Church

Please see Pastor Carl if you would like to be baptized.

Nursing Home Visit

Monday, May 6th

Leaving WOLT at 6:30 PM

Please see Sisters Katrina or Serena Graham for more information.

VBS kick off meeting

Monday, May 6th - 7:00

in WOLT Sanctuary

Ladies Meeting May 7th cancelled

Sunday, May 12th - 6:00 PM service
Cancelled

Enjoy the day with your Mother or special lady!

Youth Home Bible Study

Monday, May 13th & 20th - 6:30 PM

Please contact Josh & Katrina Graham for more information.

Mother Appreciation Night

Tuesday, May 14th - 7:00

All ladies are invited to attend a special night to celebrate motherhood with games, devotion and food! If you would like to decorate a table please see Sister Niki.

Love Serves

Thursday, May 16th, 6:30-9:30 PM

If you are already committed to a ministry or desire to know more about ministry, you'll want to attend. For more information contact Brother Joe Adams

May Events Continued

Youth Country Dinner & Auction

Saturday May 25th - 6 PM at WOLT

Food, fun, and festivities include a hearty country meal by donation, raffles, door prizes, auction, and our first ever "Iron Man Contest"! Details to come soon...

If you have items such as quilts, afghans, hand-made crafts, antiques, anything that you would like to donate for the auction, please see Serena, Katrina, or Sarah Robinson.

Youth Fundraiser

Leis of Love

The WOLT teens will be selling Hawaiian Silk Flower Leis for Mother's Day this year. Traditionally, the lei is given to honor a person as a sign of affection, love, appreciation, or friendship. The leis will be assorted colors, and will be \$1 ea. White ones will be available as well in memory of departed loved ones. Mother's Day is May 12, but we are taking orders now. Please see Serena or Katrina Graham and order your Lei Bouquet today!

Auction Items Still Needed

Such as handmade crafts, quilts, artwork, etc. for the upcoming Youth Auction & Dinner in May.

Upcoming Events

Picture make-up day is June 8th

Please see Sister Barbara to schedule make-up time.

Tri-County Community Car Show

Youth Camp Fundraiser

June 8th, 10 AM-3 PM

Early Bird car registration \$10, \$15 day of

Spectators free

Food, door prizes, raffles, kids activities, and car wash

Register cars online at wolt.org or call 676-1073

Vacation Bible School

June 17th - 21st

Sunday School Series

Adult Sunday School Series

"Relentless" by John Bevere

Sundays 9:45 am

Inspiration

Nature's Song

The bird she sings a lullaby.

The stream, she plays along.

The breeze provides percussion,

For the sweet and gentle song.

The frog adds his rendition,

Of refrain as he adds in,

A croak for all times' sake,

And the crow, he joins right in.

The chipmunk scurries about the ground,

Chirping as he goes.

And then chimes in the katydids,

From where nobody knows.

If you listen really close,

You'll hear this all day long,

For this is God's creation,

Singing Mother Nature's song.

May Elders

Rick & Jeanette Metcalf

His cell: 828-243-7493

Her cell: 828-243-7455

Elders are available to offer prayer and spiritual guidance, as well as assist with any need that arises.

Love Serves Box

The Love Serves box located at the front of the sanctuary is for offerings above tithes. These donations will be used to fund needs across all the ministries.

April's Collection

Beginning amount: \$577.76

April donations: \$439.00

Total: **\$1,016.76**

Bible Trivia

What bird did Noah send out of the Ark first? a. dove b. raven c. eagle

April's Trivia: What two men asked Pilate for Jesus' body and buried him? Joseph of Arimathaea and Nicodemus John 19:38-39.

Please consider sharing your testimony, blessing and helping others see the power of God!

Testimony

When I was younger I did go to church some and I did have times when I felt the presence of the Lord and I did go to the altar. From a young age I knew that God was the answer to any problem in my life, but you can know Him as the answer and not give Him your life. When I was 5 or 6 year old, I was molested by my grandfather and had many other people down through my life to do the same. My life didn't truly get out of control until my Dad left my Mom for another woman when I was 11. I am not blaming my Dad or any of the times I was molested for my mistakes but they did contribute to my mistakes. I listened to the devil's lies that all men couldn't be trusted and the only way to get them to love you was to give yourself to them. I had this guy that I had been crazy about all my life and at 12 years old I gave myself to him. I kept down this path of giving myself away and never finding love. Then at 15 years old, I went to church with my Dad and Stepmom and went to the altar and completely gave my life to Jesus. At that time, I was living in Charlotte with my Mom. When I got back home, I was a changed person but I started hanging out with my friends, and didn't have a church to go to, and my friends didn't like the new me. I kept praying and reading my bible at night for awhile but one day I got mad and cussed out my friend and I gave up and went back to doing the same old stuff. I decided I wanted to quit school and my Mom wouldn't let me quit school while living with her, so I went to live with my Dad where I started going to church. I was doing pretty good. Then the one that I had given myself to at 12 (I had not quit caring for him), moved in and we had another encounter and out of that I had my son. Down through the years I would keep doing things like this until God sent me my husband and best friend. We started going to church together but we still kept struggling. One day, I went to a tent meeting at WOLT and I went to the altar. My walk with God hasn't been the same since after that day. There was no more going back. After that experience, I still struggled and in the last few years I've had some of the hardest times. But through all this, God has taught me not to listen to the lies of the Devil, which he said, "because you messed up after being saved, you haven't changed". God showed me that the devil has held me back from really walking in freedom and really doing all that God put in my heart to do. God showed me he doesn't condemn me but has forgiven me. Jesus has set me free. Condemnation is from the devil. If I was the same person I used to be, I would not have been married for 20 years and been faithful. I would not have been working these past years for the Lord. Now with more excitement than I can explain, I can say that I am a new creation. I am not who I used to be.

By Denise Hendricks