

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Unity in the Body

A number of years ago twenty-five of the fastest growing churches in America were studied to determine whether there were common ingredients in each. The pastors who conducted the study, independently of each other and unknown to each other, determined that each shared the same five characteristics:

They were strongly pastorally led.

They were strong Bible churches.

They were good-time churches.

*They were churches in **UNITY**.*

Each had an indomitable spirit of conquest.

Do you believe that these are the qualities that make the church strong today?

Are there other qualities that should be added to this list?

Does Trinity need to be strengthened in any of these areas?

One of my favorite pastors, John Bisagno, once said, "When a church is in harmony with itself, it becomes the beautiful body of Christ on earth through which the Lord Jesus in heaven recreates His presence every time the people of God gather."

Listen to what Paul says in Ephesians 4:1-6 **Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God.² Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.³ Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.⁴ For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future.**

⁵ **There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism,**

⁶ **one God and Father of all,
who is over all, in all, and living through all.**

How can we be proactive in promoting unity in the Body? Let me give you three suggestions:

- ***Remember the team is more important than me. Phil. 2:3; Eph. 4:2***
- ***My job is to encourage others, not fix them. I Thess. 5:11***
- ***Never give up on anyone. Phil. 1:6***

Have a great week! I look forward to seeing you Sunday. *Blessings, Steve*



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 Trinity is also on Facebook ! Join Us!



Norma Brown & Family

Tammy Moffett

Names in our "Prayer Box"

**Sue Ramsey—moved to Lyman, SC
 and is facing back surgery shortly**

Jim & Linda Almond

**Larry Palmer's niece-Lost her husband
 in car wreck**

Larry Sanders—facing more surgery

Worship Opportunities

Sunday

SS Bible Study 9:45 am
 Morning Worship 11:00 am
 Evening Worship 6:00 pm
 Choir Practice 4:45 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

Brotherhood

**3rd Sat of Each Month
 8:00 am**

Prayer Warriors

**1st & 3rd Tues of Each Month
 10:00 am**



Elwood Frick	2020 704-525-0092
Bill Adkins	2020 803-322-8658 *
Tommy Ashe	2020 704-525-4268
Bill Porter	2021 980-267-0014
Larry Sanders	2021 704-915-0127
W. A. Holland	2022 704-574-8835

*** Chairman**

Greetings Trinity,

Fall is here and that means change.

I'm so glad that God created seasons, so we will not get stuck in a rut. If we never learn to adjust with change we will be left behind and be miserable people.

Think about a palm tree how flexible it is. When the hurricanes winds blow, they flex with the wind. Other trees that are not flexible break and die.

What is God showing you that you much change or be flexible on?

NOTE: The palm tree did not change its position, but was flexible in its position.



The Outreach Ministry's weekly opportunities for worship and prayer:

Sunday Worship @ 10:00 am via Facebook Live @ <https://www.facebook.com/minutesoftruth/live>. **NOTE: You do not have to have a Facebook account only internet is required.** If no internet access, call the Prayer Line 1-425-585-6642.

1. Thursday Prayer @ 7:00 pm call the Prayer Line # 1-425-585-6642

Zoom Meetings every other Friday @ 7:00 pm , next October 9th and 23rd. If you want to join text or call me @ 704.779.8794. We have been having a blast and it's great seeing everyone have fun and learn at the same time.

Thanks for all those that continue to support the ministry and have made an effort to connect. Let's pray and stay together!

-Antoine Speller

Outreach Ministry



We are collecting bars of soap for Red Box Ministries which collects items and distributes to the female inmate population of NC. It is a one and done; we are collecting ONE WEEK; **the first week of October as they are due October 10th**. If you are not able to bring them to church, please contact Lisa Borrer, 828-838-4854 and she will pick them up. **Thank you**; we have been tasked with 100 bars so that is a ways to go! I appreciate your support. **Lisa Borrer**

CHRISTMAS BACKPACK ~ Appalachian Ministries

What a great way to give locally! Please pack your backpack and bring to Lisa by **October 9th**, so that we may get them to Red Springs early. You have one week. Here is everything you will need:

1) **COLLECT ITEMS AND PREPARE BACKPACKS** to be taken to a regional distribution center. We encourage churches to begin collecting and filling the packs early – and throughout the year. Each zippered school backpack should include:

- A) Small items of NEW items of warm clothing** such as winter hats, gloves, socks, scarves, etc.
- B) Small pop-top canned food** such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit (3-4 cans)
- C) At least 1-2 NEW, age appropriate non-breakable toy** (*no toy weapons, please!*) This can include small cars, balls, dolls, small stuffed animals, yo-yos, jump rope, sidewalk chalk, card games, Legos, etc. For oldest age group (15-17) substitute an appropriate item instead of a toy, such as, a flashlight, small thermos, light blanket, books, hunting/fishing magazines for the boys - jewelry, books, skin care products, hair accessories, etc. for girls.
- D) Hygiene items** including full sized containers of toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, and deodorant, as well as toothbrush, soap, washcloth, brush or comb. (*Please fit these items into a one gallon Ziploc bag so they do not leak out into the rest of the backpack*).
- E) Fresh, wrapped candy** (*no chocolate please, as it may melt; and no peanut products*)
- F) A children's Bible** or youth Bible (*no one version is required*) Please make sure that every pack has a Bible in it!
- G) A copy of "The Christmas Story" ****

***We ask that you enclose a copy of the Christmas story in each bag. You can download and print a .pdf copy of it here from our website (see link above). Printing Tip: If the second page prints out upside down, choose "short edge - top" binding option under your printing preferences. You may have to click "Print using system dialog" to get to your advanced preferences. Packing hint: The Bible and Christmas Story flyer seem to fit best in the front pocket of the backpack.*

Age Grouping and Labeling. Each backpack should be labeled boy or girl as well as the appropriate age. Age groupings for this year are **4-7, 8-10, 11-14, 15-17**. Due to labels falling off in previous years, we went to a ribbon system for labeling last year, and it proved to be very effective. Each backpack will have two 10 inch ribbons tied to them - one to indicate gender and one for age, as follows:

Gender:

Blue ribbon will indicate a boy's backpack.

Pink Ribbon will indicate a girl's backpack.

Yellow ribbon will indicate that the backpack is for ages 4-7

Green ribbon for ages 8-10

Red ribbon for ages 11-14

White ribbon for ages 15-17.

We ask that you prepare your backpack as you would for your own child or grandchild, with new items, not used ones. This quality gift could be the only Christmas present this child receives, and will be a witness of Christ's love! **TRINITY HOSTING THE BWWDOP Drop In Nov 7, 2020 Saturday**

Trinity will be hosting an information drop in prayer group in the fellowship hall on Saturday, November 7, 2020 from 10 am to 2 pm. We will have prayer stations representing all continents as well as prayer needs and focus for those areas as requested by the **Baptist Women's World Alliance**. Come alone, bring a friend, or bring your tribe for prayer, light refreshments and support for women's issues around the world. This event is open to the public.

**"THE
STONE
THAT THE
BUILDERS
REJECTED
HAS BECOME
THE
CORNERSTONE."**

MATTHEW 21:42

**God is
Awesome!**



He ascended INTO Heaven

**YOUR GIVING
MATTERS!**



CHURCH MINISTRIES

MECKLENBURG HEALTH



Tommy Ashe



Antoine Speller



Hilda Beaty, Organist
Debra Adkins, Pianist



Ages newborn to 3
Marcia Robbins



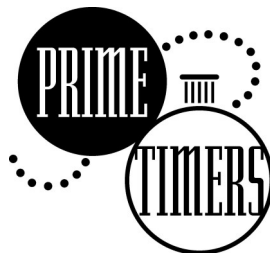
Larry Palmer



Lisa Borrer



Our WMU supports this ministry. Please don't forget to bring snacks for the waiting rooms at the hospital. (Be sure to check the expiration dates.)



Ages 21—54
Sheila Sanders



Ages 55+
Debra Adkins



Gloria Lyons



Recently, I posted a video of a Grizzly Bear and her three cubs. In the video one of the cubs couldn't climb over the snowpack to keep up. And, the young men filming the bear and her cubs unknowingly frightened the cub. This little cub began to frantically cry out in fear as the car approached. As the video progresses, the cries get more urgent. This gets the attention of the mother bear. Once she sees the threat, she takes action by charging the car with all of her might. Fearing for their lives the young men hurriedly sped off.

As a parent, I can relate to the mother bear's response sort of like this: mess with one of my cubs and I will charge you with all of my might, too. Then, I got to studying about this a little more. So, I will share a few thoughts with those who want to read them.

In nature, bear cubs learn their mother's voice. They follow her and learn her ways. By doing so, they first live off of her milk and grow to maturity under her nurturing protection. They learn her ways. The mother bear knows their voice, too. Likewise, sheep follow their shepherd and learn His voice and His teachings and follow after Him.

Unfortunately, we live in a dangerous world. The bears do too. To illustrate this point, the mother bear heard the fear in her little cub's voice in the video. And, she reacted with all of her ability to protect her cub. I firmly believe our Shepherd hears the trembling in our voices, too as we face the uncertainty of today's world. We see the evil in our land and watch it become the norm.

Our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus, said this, "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand." His sheep will hear His voice and will follow Him. I have faith in God's word, too. I believe He will not allow one of His followers to be snatched from His hands by the wiles of the Devil. I honestly believe He will destroy evil that tries to snatch one of His followers with wrath and fierceness like we have never seen.

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us." 1John: 8-10, NKJV

God loves us so much!

For God did not send His son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He who believes in Him is not condemning; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3: 17-18, NKJV

In closing, I encourage you to have Faith in God and His Son Jesus Christ! They will protect us through all adversity. If anyone is in need of prayer, please call or private message me.

In Jesus Christ, your friend, Mark Pullium

Written by Mark Pullium (Alice's cousin), from his Facebook page.

Copied by his permission.

WARNING!! WARNING!! WARNING!! WARNING!!

Copied from a Christian friend

Beware of wolves in sheep's clothing. Beware of this book! Oprah is pushing it. It is scary that someone would be bold enough to write a book from God's point of view contrary to His Word. This is in opposition of all faiths.

Schools are distributing this book to children through the Scholastic Book Club!!

The name of the book is Conversations with God. James Dobson talked about this book twice this week. It is devastating. Parents, churches and Christian schools need to be aware of it. Please pass this information on to church/e-mail addresses, Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, friends.

The books are, Conversations with God and Conversations with God for Teens, written by Neale D. Walsch. They sound harmless enough by their titles alone. The books have been on the New York Times best sellers list for a number of weeks, and they make truth of the statement, "Don't judge a book by its cover or title."

The author purports to answer various questions asked by kids using the "voice of God". However, the "answers" that he gives are not Bible-based and go against the very infallible word of God. For instance (and I paraphrase), when a girl asks the question "Why am I a lesbian?" His answer is that she was 'born that way' because of genetics (just as you were born right-handed, with brown eyes, etc.). Then he tells her to go out and "celebrate" her differences.

Another girl poses the question "I am living with my boyfriend. My parents say that I should marry him because I am living in sin. Should I marry him?" His reply is, "Who are you sinning against? Not me, because you have done nothing wrong."

Another question asks about God's forgiveness of sin. His reply "I do not forgive anyone because there is nothing to forgive... There is no such thing as right or wrong and that is what I have been trying to tell everyone, do not judge people. People have chosen to judge one another and this is wrong, because the rule is "'judge not lest ye be judged."

Not only are these books the false doctrine of the devil, but in some instances quote (in error) the Word of God.

And the list goes on. These books (and others like it) are being sold to school children through The Scholastic Book Club and we need to be aware of what is being fed to our children.

Our children are under attack. So I pray that you be sober and vigilant about teaching your children the Word of God, and guarding their exposure to worldly mediums, because our adversary, the devil, roams about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour (1 Peter 5:8). We know that lions usually hunt for the slowest, weakest and YOUNGEST of its prey.

Pass this on to every Believer you know. God bless!



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				1 <i>PRAYER</i> <i>Line 7 pm</i>	2  <i>Happy Birthday</i> Sheila Sanders	3
4 <i>Morning</i> <i>Worship</i> <i>11 am</i>	5	6 Deacons Meeting 	7  WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING	8 <i>PRAYER</i> <i>Line 7 pm</i>	9 ZOOM <i>Mtg. 7 pm</i>	10  <i>Happy Birthday</i> Margaret Amanfah
11 <i>Morning</i> <i>Worship</i> <i>11 am</i>	12	13	14  WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING	15 <i>PRAYER</i> <i>Line 7 pm</i>	16	17
18 <i>Morning</i> <i>Worship</i> <i>11 am</i>	19	20	21  WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING	22 <i>PRAYER</i> <i>Line 7 pm</i>	23 ZOOM <i>Mtg. 7 pm</i>	24
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