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From Your Pastor's Heart

Wow, what a blessing it has been! Thank you for allowing me to serve here at Providence Baptist Church.

During my time of ministry at Providence Baptist Church, the Lord has allowed us to put new carpet in the hallways and paint the hallways and SS classrooms. We painted the fellowship hall, put up new curtains and added new chairs and tables to the fellowship hall. A SS class donated a new stove for the kitchen. You have put in a new dishwasher, air conditioning unit and siding on the Parsonage. Thanks to John David Slade's Eagle Scout Project, we added a new prayer garden, and don't forget about God's love when the trees fell and destroyed the playground, the Cross still stood. And by God's grace we were able to replace the playground. The sound system took a while, but after three years God blessed us with the funds to update our sound system and add a projector. Wifi has been added in the Sanctuary as well as a website for all to enjoy. We have added two new Sunday School Classes, Wed. Night Mission Friends and Cubbies, and a Sunday evening Youth Bible Study. Prayer groups have been added in the morning for the men and a monthly women's prayer group for the ladies. Many of you have taken trips with me to Kentucky, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Together over these seven years we have given over \$230,000 dollars to missions causes. Land was donated behind the church and the cemetery was expanded. Praise the Lord, for His blessings on Providence Baptist Church.

Even though we are leaving, we will not forget you. We will always remember the friendships we made. I will remember the year we did not lose a church member because of death, and I will also remember the past few years when we have lost many of our loved ones. It has truly been an honor to serve the Lord here at PBC.

2 Corinthians 5:9 In Him, Pastor W. Lee Cook

W. Lee Cook

MAY EVENTS

Saturday, May 2^{nd} – The Baptist Men will be performing work for the Baptist Children's Home. Plans are to leave the church by 6:00 am and stop for breakfast along the way. See Wayne Poteat for more details.

One Day with God, a Forgiven Ministry program to unite dads in prison with



their children will be held May 2^{nd} at Westwood Baptist Church. Please pray for the families and volunteers.

No Women's Prayer Group meeting in May – to resume in June.



Senior Adult Luncheon, Sunday, May 3^{rd} in the fellowship hall following the morning worship service for those aged 60 and older. Signup sheet in vestibule and on downstairs hallway table.

Thursday, May 7th – The 13th Annual **Caswell County Prayer Breakfast** with speakers and special music, to be held at Prospect United Methodist Church from 7:30 - 9:30 am in observance of the National Day of Prayer.

The **SAMs Group** will attend the **Senior Adult Day** at **Beulah Baptist Church** on **Thursday, May** 7th. Special speakers and music will be followed by lunch. Event starts at 10:30 and plans are to leave the church at 9:45. Information/ signup sheet available.



Saturday, May 9th – The Baptist Men's Prayer Breakfast will be at 7:30 am, at Golden Corral, in Danville. All men and wives are invited to attend.

Sunday, May 10th – Mother's Day





Monday, May 25th Memorial Day Observance There will be a **VBS meeting** directly after the worship services on **Sunday**, **May 24th** for all VBS teachers and volunteers.

Sunday, May 31st – Graduate Recognition

Join us during the worship service as we recognize and congratulate those who are graduating from High School and College.



Opportunities.....

Evangelism Opportunity – Community outreach on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm. Meet at the church to spread God's news to community.

Prayer Opportunities – Sunday's at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary and on Mon., Tues. and Thurs. at 7:00 am in the church office.

Mark Your Calendars.....



VBS 2015 – Journey off the Map June 22nd – June 26th, 2015 VBS Motto: This is the way. Walk in it. VBS Scripture: Isaiah 30:21 See Tammi Lane for information or to volunteer **Need lead teacher for Grades 3rd – 6th

Collecting the following items for VBS:

Pool Noodles (any color), Brown packing paper, Green Tissue Paper (used or unused, any shade) Green balloons (any shade or size) Collection box in the Church Sunday School Office The Loving God, Loving You Children's Summer Program for outreach ministry to children ages 6 - 12 will be each Tuesday morning, beginning June 16^{th} and continuing through August 11^{th} from 10:00 til Noon. Lunch will be provided for the children and volunteers. Please see Edith Gentry or Kaye Millner for more information or if you are able to help on any Tuesday.

Appalachian Christmas Outreach 2015

The Appalachian Coalfields Ministry, sponsored by NC Baptist Men, seeks to help and meet the physical and spiritual needs of people living in the Appalachian Area. We would like to collect backpacks of items to be distributed to the Appalachian children in areas of need in December of 2015. This may be the only "Christmas" for some of these children. The goal for our church is to pack at least 8 backpacks for age groups 3-5, 6-9 and 10-14. Items can be brought at any time, but we will be especially concentrating on this mission project during the months of May, June, July and September. The collection cut-off date will be September 30. <u>This project is in no way taking the place of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.</u>

Items for each backpack:

- 1) School supplies such as crayons, notebook paper, pencils, pens, composition books, folders, erasers, rulers
- 2) Small items of new clothing such as winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear
- 3) Small pop-top canned food such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, fruit, vegetables
- 4) At least one new, age-appropriate non-breakable toy
- 5) Hygiene items including toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, brush or comb, shampoo, deodorant (these items may be packed in a gallon zipped plastic bag)
- 6) A children's Bible
- 7) Fresh wrapped candy, no chocolate

Collection boxes will be placed at the church for donated items.



For more information, please see website: <u>http://www.baptistsonmission.org/Projects/United-States/Appalachian-Coalfields/Christmas-Outreach</u>

Thought: The best time to do something is between yesterday and tomorrow.