



# Pine Chapel Baptist Church

The church at the **CROSSROADS** Preaching the Cross of Christ

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## From the Pastor

I find myself in a rather apologetic mood this writing. For some time now it seems that I/we have been somewhat bogged down with "housekeeping chores" that, just maybe, are causing us to miss the true blessings of serving the Almighty, all-caring God. In John 15:5, God's Word reminds us that we are totally dependent upon Him for all things. From time to time I believe that we try to reinvent the vine/branches relationship. His Word reminds us that we need to constantly remember to rely on the flow of the Spirit from the Vine in order to stay spiritually healthy. In other words, don't sweat the small stuff; or the big stuff for that matter. Rest in the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. Trust in the Lord. He knows what's best for His children. Let's be thankful and joyful that we serve a risen Savior, and be about the ministry He has planned for us! Let's get our "focus" back in focus and let those around us both see and hear the Lord we serve through us. Praise the Lord! All things work together for good for those who trust the Lord (Romans 8:28). Let's get back into the ministry of bearing the fruit of the Vine and not let the "housekeeping chores" get us sidetracked! Onward, forward, and upward for our Lord!!

Sunday school recognition is coming up soon. Let's give thanks for the dedicated teachers we have here at PCBC. A pat on the back, and a word of encouragement goes a long way to let them know they are not taken for granted.

From a "fellow branch,"

*Pastor Hopkins*

## WOM Report

Although no meetings have been held this summer the WOM ladies have still been busy.

We are still collecting food for our food pantry and the Foodbank. A load of food will be taken to the Foodbank on Friday, August 4.

The WOM have been preparing sandwiches, drinks and a side (chips or fruit) for 50 children each Wednesday of July and August for Section 8 children's camps.



During Vacation Bible School we started collecting school supplies for "Kits for Kids" project to help children in Gloucester with school needs. We will continue in August to collect school supplies for kids in our area. The need is necessary according to our schools.

Our next WOM meeting will be held at church on Monday September 12, at 7:00 pm. All ladies in the church are invited to bring a friend. We would love to have some new and fresh ideas and some new members.

Love in Christ

Edna Ferrell

**ATTEND THE JOSH HUNT SEMINAR  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 7:00 PM\***



As we get ready to begin a new Sunday school year we must first thank our dedicated teachers and promote children who will be advancing in their training. We'll be doing those two things on Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, beginning with the morning worship service when our Sunday School Director Mike Sawyer will present certificates to the graduating children. Then during the evening service Mike will recognize our teachers.

A reception will be held in the social hall following the service. Everyone is asked to bring a heavy hors d'oeuvre. A sign-up sheet will be posted soon.

**Children and young adults promoting up will attend their new class on Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>!**

## Youth Ministry...Penny Jones

There's a story told of Alexander The Great finding a young soldier asleep while on guard duty. (An offense that was often punishable by death) Alexander The Great woke the soldier by shouting, "What is your name?": The soldier replied, "Alexander, sir." The commander asked again, "Son, what is your name?" Again the soldier replied, "Alexander, sir." When asked and answered the third time Alexander The Great looked at the young man and simply replied, "Soldier either change your name or you behavior."

This story makes me think about some young disciples asleep in a garden. And it makes me think a lot about the names or titles we give ourselves and the responsibilities we assume by doing so. Whether it's a family name, choosing to join a particular organization or making the decision to follow Christ. Would anyone ask us to change what we call ourselves or change our behavior?

"By their fruit you will recognize them."  
Matthew 7:16

It's like the song Lisa sang so beautifully Sunday morning. In the end what we all want to hear is, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Just so you know - I see you 'fruity' Pine Chapel and I love working with you all!



Sports Camp continues through the month of August. Youth are invited to help during any/all that fit their summer schedule. All camps are from 9 am - noon.

**1 - 5** at Emmaus in Poquoson

**8 -12** at First Baptist on Warwick Blvd.

**15 - 19** at Riverside on River Rd, Newport News and Faith on Blackburn Lane, off Big Bethel

**22 - 26** at Memorial on Lee St. in Hampton

**August 16<sup>th</sup>**, 7:00 pm - Movie Night @PC  
Showing - "The Grace Card"

You need to bring a snack to share and I'll have the popcorn and drinks!

**August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 7:00 pm - We'll be prayerwalking around several of our area schools.

## Children's Ministry



Thanks to EVERYONE who made VBS run so smoothly. It was a blast! Thanks to everyone who helped get the children's room done in time for VBS. It looks great!



Children's Choir

Children's Choir on Sunday nights  
Please prayerfully consider teaching the children's music class on Sunday nights.

Let me know if you would like to start (or continue) teaching Children's Church.



**OUR ADVENTUROUS  
AUGUST  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH  
WORKERS ARE:**

7<sup>th</sup> - Elaine Phelps

14<sup>th</sup> - Kim Rath

21<sup>st</sup> - Teresa Sheets

28<sup>th</sup> - Jane Trimble



**Happy August Birthday**

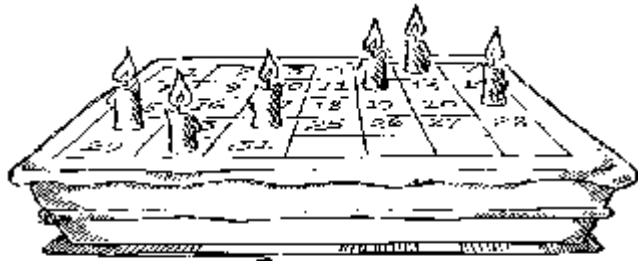
**to:** 5<sup>th</sup> - Mackenzie Byers  
8<sup>th</sup> - April Culver  
24<sup>th</sup> - Paige Guess

*Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance.*

Jude 1:2

Vickie

**\*"HOW TO DOUBLE YOUR CLASS SIZE  
IN TWO YEARS"\***



# Birthdays This Month

- 5<sup>th</sup> - Mackenzie Byers
- 8<sup>th</sup> - April Culver  
Joyce Freeland  
Bill Phelps
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Louise Hart  
Bobby Theodore
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Marie Earwood  
Alex Johnson  
Merry Lewis
- 14<sup>th</sup> - Pauline Gilreath
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Edna Ferrell
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Chris Brace
- 21<sup>st</sup> - T.A. Ferrell
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Paige Guess  
Jane Trimble
- 25<sup>th</sup> - Amanda Lewis
- 27<sup>th</sup> - David Matthews  
Andrew Myers
- 28<sup>th</sup> - Evelyn Brace

Prayers that your frosting and candles don't melt in the heat!



# Nursery Workers

## SUNDAYS IN AUGUST

- 7<sup>th</sup> - **AM** - Brenda Crabb **PM** - Sandy Nichols
- 14<sup>th</sup> **AM** - Elaine Phelps **PM** - Leslie Paris-Guess
- 21<sup>st</sup> **AM** - Jean Wade **PM** - Linda Owen
- 28<sup>th</sup> **AM** - Kim Rath **PM** - Sandy Nichols

## WEDNESDAYS IN AUGUST

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Leslie Paris-Guess
- 10<sup>th</sup> - Linda Owen
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Sandy Nichols
- 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> - Elaine Phelps

# Our Church Family



- Tyler Fago (Bob & Bonnie's grandson)
- Carolyn Ford
- Jemme Gay** (Vickie Myers' cousin)
- Cheryl Johnson**
- Michael McKinney**
- Kimberly, Victoria and William  
Respass (Myers & Gays)
- Kristine Shikle

Toshiko Wood (Tony Dianna's mother)

Danneta Reca (Mary Green's daughter)

**Homebound:** Odie Hare, Marie Roebuck, Robert Ross

**Nursing Home:** Ed Walker, Sr.

**Military** - James Carter (Crabb's nephew)

Michael Meehan (co-worker of Vickie Myers) - Army Reservist



*Christian Sympathy is extended to:*

**Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Ferrell in the loss of her son-in-law.**



What a joy it is to belong to such a warm and loving church family. We thank you so much for the prayers, cards, donations and calls of support in the loss of our son-in-law. Our daughter Linda and granddaughter Kaitlin send their thanks and appreciation also.

It is a time of sorrow, but we all feel comforted by your love and prayers.

In Christ's Love,  
T.A. and Edna Ferrell  
Linda and Kaitlin Simmons



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By Letter

## \*TEACHERS OF ADULTS

Author Josh Hunt has tested the strategies for growth presented here in the real world of church boards and busy neighborhoods. He has a practical plan for getting the job done and a specific, measurable goal: doubling any adult class or group. Pastors, leaders of adult Sunday school classes, and anyone else who's tired of talking about growth and wants to see it happen should attend this conference.

## Attendance Averages

for June July

Sunday School	72	70*
AM Worship	96	95*

\* (July attendance averages are for 5 weeks)

## Last Year

Sunday School	76	69
AM Worship	78	94



## Grass Cutting Schedule

8/7- Team 2 Greg Crabb  
 8/14- Team 3 Tim Dawley  
 8/21- Team 4 Howard Wilson  
 8/28 - Team 1 Roylleen Brown



## August

### Meetings and Activities

- 8 7:00 pm - Deacons Meeting
- 9 6:30 pm - Van Committee Meeting  
7:00 pm - Bereavement Bear Ministry
- 16 7:00 pm - Long Range Planning Committee  
- Youth Movie Night @PC
- 22 7:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting
- 23 7:00 pm - Youth Prayer Walk the Schools  
- Josh Hunt SS Seminar
- 25 6:00 pm - Family Dinner  
7:00 pm - Business Meeting
- 26 7:00 pm - Trimbles' Small Group
- 28 - Sunday School Sunday  
11:00 am - SS Promotion  
6:00 pm - SS Teacher Recognition and Reception

## Our Record for June

Budget Offering	\$ 11,526.11
Building Fund	\$ -
Other Designations	\$ 1,522.71
Total Offerings	\$ 13,048.82
<b>Budget Monthly Need</b>	<b>\$ 14,835.00</b>
<b>Month UNDER Budget</b>	<b>-\$3,308.89</b>
<b>YTD UNDER Budget</b>	<b>-\$13,345.55</b>
<b>BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>\$ 110,089.70</b>

## Our Record for July

(5 weeks)

Budget Offering	\$ 13,200.13
Building Fund	\$ -
Other Designations	\$ 680.00
Total Offerings	\$ 13,880.13
<b>Budget Monthly Need</b>	<b>\$ 14,835.00</b>
<b>Month UNDER Budget</b>	<b>-\$1,634.87</b>
<b>YTD UNDER Budget</b>	<b>-\$14,980.42</b>
<b>BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>\$ 110,089.70</b>

## REGULAR SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 4:30 p.m. Praise Band  
 Youth Discipleship  
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
 Children's Choir  
 Youth Worship Teams  
 7:00 p.m. Senior Praise Band

### WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Mid - Week Service  
 Children's Ministry Time  
 Youth Discipleship  
 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir Practice