

The BEACON

September 2024



HANK PARKER

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FREE DINNER

FOR THE FAMILY
(CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR 11 & UNDER)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND
5:00 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
TO GUARANTEE MEAL & SEAT

HEAR FROM HANK PARKER

TWO-TIME BASSMASTER CHAMPION
BASS FISHING HALL OF FAME

GIVEAWAYS

-MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE TO WIN-

Register by **September 15th** to qualify
for hundreds in giveaways!

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

SUNDAYS

Morning:

Bible Study Small Groups 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 10:45 AM

Evening:

Choir Practice 4:30 - 5:30 PM
5:30 - 6:30 PM
Children's Bible Study 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Youth 5:30 - 7:00 PM
NEXT Ministry 6:30 - 8:30 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Mid-week Connection 6:30 PM
Youth Bible Study 6:30 PM
Children's Bible Study 6:30 PM

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GOD'S BLESSINGS

LAST MONTH

AUGUST 4

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$33,586.36
BUILDING FUND \$ 105.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 140.15

AUGUST 11

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$13,235.74
BUILDING FUND \$ 100.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 15.15

AUGUST 18

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$ 6,287.71
BUILDING FUND \$ 0.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 140.15

AUGUST 25

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$ 8,670.14
BUILDING FUND \$ 0.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 15.15

New Sunday Service Times
Begins Sunday, September 1st.
Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship Service 10:45 am

Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 8th.

@ 5:30 pm

CCBC Family Life Center

Bring your favorite flavor homemade ice cream or dessert and join us for a time of fellowship and fun.



Myers-Mallory
State Missions Offering

Myers-Mallory Offering
September 15, 2024
Our Goal: \$1,000.00



September 10, 2024
@ 11:30 am



Wednesday Night Prayer Groups

@ 6:30 pm

Men's Group—Room S106

Ladies Group—Room S103

Coed Group—S105

Nursery, Children, & Youth Activities Provided



Choir Rehearsal

Sunday Afternoons @ 4:30 pm

There is a seat for you.



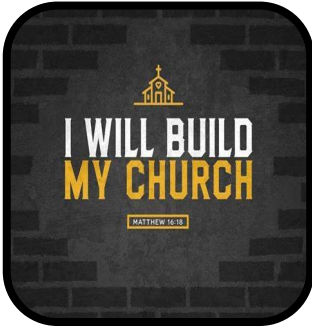
John Martz

NEXT

Galatians 2:20

A Ministry For and With Those 18-25 Years of Age

Upon This Rock



Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:13-18

Chad made a statement a few Sunday nights ago that he and I must be in a contest to see who could read the most books in 2024. Truett Cathy, founder of Chic Fil A, once said, “the way we learn and gain wisdom is found in the books we read and the people we associate with”. That is why I like to read. The book that I am currently reading is entitled “Ego Is The Enemy” by Ryan Holiday. In the book, he states that “modern psychologists use the word egotist to refer to someone dangerously focused on themselves and with disregard for anyone else. However, the ego we most commonly see goes by a more casual definition: an unhealthy belief in our own importance. Arrogance. Self-centered ambition.” You know the part of us that wants our own way over anything or anyone else. The need to be better than, more than or recognized before everyone else. Satan understands that ego is a sin we are all easily tempted to fall into. He uses our egos to pull us away from a daily relationship with God and he uses the same ego to tear churches apart.

Human nature is to want things our way. I want to challenge you to ask yourself a question that I read in a devotion a while back that changed how I view things. The question says, “what if Jesus had the same mindset I have?” What if Jesus would have said Father, I’ll go to the cross but there cannot be any pain or discomfort? What if He had said I am just too tired or worn out to die for the sins of mankind? Wow, it just got real. Thankfully Jesus did not have that mindset and instead choose to fulfill the plan His Father had for Him. He died for you, me and the more than 7 billion people who inhabit our world today.

If we want CCBC to be the church God wants it to be we have to set aside our egos and selfish desires and start asking how CCBC can show the community around us God is FOR them, and we are FOR them. We have to stop asking how I can be served and start asking how I can serve. In the verses above, Jesus told Peter “upon this rock I will build my church”. What is that rock? It is the truth that Jesus is the only way for sinners to be forgiven and transformed. It is the promise that Jesus is FOR us and not against us. It is the assurance that if we will be faithful to go into a lost and dying world and share the truth that He will build His church.

It is exciting to see what God is doing at CCBC. We are seeing new faces on a weekly basis, people are joining the church, and most importantly people are growing in their relationship with God. These are all great signs our church is headed in the right direction, but be sure Satan is not pleased with this. He will do everything he can to stop or slow down what God is doing at CCBC. I challenge you to not be a tool Satan uses to hinder CCBC from fulfilling His plan to reach our community. Instead, let’s all commit to doing things God way and in God’s time no matter the cost.

In Christ,

Bro. John



Chuck Eavenson



*"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set for the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."
1 Timothy 4:12*

Pray for Me 2024

Coming this September, the Carrolls Creek Church family will have the opportunity to once again come alongside a student to pray and encourage them for the 24–25-year school year. I am so thankful for this ministry. Words cannot express the visible difference your prayers have had over the years. Please begin praying for the possibility of being a prayer champion. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon.

CCBC Youth outreach to area neighborhoods

The youth ministry is praying about a new opportunity to reach youth for Christ. We are planning to go to area neighborhoods to play games and invite students that are 6th grade to 12th grade. The first outreach will be to Huntington Place Neighborhood on September 15th. When we get closer, I will send out the times and information. Please pray for this outreach and for the youth ministry as we look to build relationships and invite youth to come to CCBC. We will go into the neighborhood on Wednesday, September 11 to pass out flyers.

December 30th – January 3rd

Winter Retreat Trip

Fearless

Sign up and \$50.00 deposit due on Sunday, October 6 for youth planning to attend the Winter trip to West Virginia. We are staying at Glade Springs Resort and driving to Winterplace Ski Resort to tube and ski. Tyler Lafoy will be our speaker. The theme for the trip is Fearless. "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." 2 Timothy 1:7 The cost for this trip is \$200.00 per person for individuals or if a family has two or more going, the cost per person will be \$150.00. Youth will also need money for meals going and coming home.

Sportsmen's Dinner Family Outreach Event

September 22nd

5pm

We are only a few weeks away from having the community to our church to experience God's Love. Thank you so much to every team and member that is working so hard to make sure this event glorifies Christ. Thank you to every member that is praying for this night. We are working hard as a church family to raise enough money to provide a special gift to each person that comes. If you would like to help us raise money for this endeavor, please stop by the donation wall in the welcome center and consider grabbing one of the donation envelopes.



Brian Wilson

I am amazed at what happens when the presence of the Lord comes into our services. I want to thank everyone who has a part in helping make this happen each week. Sometimes we tell people we are going to worship this morning. In actuality, we bring our worship from home. Before we ever leave the house, we can ask God to speak to our hearts today as we focus on Him! Let's focus on Him this day!

Brother Brian


*"I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations."
Psalm 89:1.*



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 No Evening Services	2  LABOR DAY Church Offices Closed	3	4	5	6	7
8  Deacons' Meeting 4:00 pm	9	10  JOY GROUP —JUST-OLDER-YOUTH— 11:30 am Potluck Lunch	11 midweek Connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	12	13	14
15  Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering Myers-Mallory Offering Goal: \$1,000	16	17	18 midweek Connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	19	20	21
22  Sportsman Dinner 5:00 pm	23	24	25 midweek Connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	26	27	28
29  United Appeal Offering	30		midweek Connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm			

Children's Connection

Our Words Are Powerful

When small children try to build a tower with blocks, it falls over many times. Eventually, they learn that their tower needs a good and solid base or foundation. Once they have a strong foundation, they can be successful. When we talk to other people, our words are like blocks. We have to be careful how we use them. If someone is mean to you, it's easy to be mean right back. Remember, you can't take words back. You can say you're sorry, but the words still hurt. If we choose to have a solid foundation in God, we can build each other up, instead of tearing them down. Just like a tower without a strong base that falls over, our words can make a mess. In the Bible, 1 Thessalonians 5:11 tells us "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."

Prayer:

Dear God, thank you for the voice you have given me. Help me use your words to build up everyone around me. Help me speak joy instead of being unkind, even when it's hard. When they hear me talk, I pray they know you are my foundation. Thank you for your strength. I love you. Thank you for loving me. Amen.

Kids devotional inspired by www.bible.com/bible/1/1thessalonians/5/11

Upcoming Plans in the Children's Ministry! Dates may be added & are subject to change

- September 1st- Service and Sunday School times swap
- September 8th- Ice Cream/Meet your Deacon/ FOAM PARTY
- September 29th- No Children's Church (5th Sunday)
- October 27th 5-7pm- Fall Festival!
 - Chili Cookoff (if you would like to add your chili to the lineup, contact Abby Crain)
 - Cardboard Maze
 - S'mores
 - Hotdogs
 - Inflatables
 - Games
 - Face Painting & More!
- December 7th- Christmas Shopping Day 10am-2pm
- February 14th- Valentine's Date Night 5:30pm-8pm



- September 1 Luke Crain
- September 3 Cheryl Goodman, Della St. Clair
- September 4 Tyler Bailey
- September 5 Libby Long, Rusty Baker
- September 7 Bill Leow
- September 8 Cadi Sanford
- September 9 Mary Jones
- September 12 Trudy Anders, Bonnie Johnson, Samuel Powell, Beverly Hall
- September 13 B.J. Bailey
- September 16 Billy Blankenship
- September 18 Bobby Knowles
- September 19 Doris Kizziah, Shelia Cabaniss
- September 21 Linda Agee
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- September 29 Sarah Howell
- September 30 Judy Hartley

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