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the Bombers are at it again...

Girls softball team kicks off their season this month. BCC is a proud sponsor of these young ladies and families. Come on out and cheer them on! Games are on Tuesday & Thursday nights at City Park #5. A schedule will be posted in the info area. Go Bombers!!



MISSION TRIP TO HAITI 2018 - (Sept. 18-26)

BCC people: we are making plans to send a small delegation (plus a few others) to our brothers and sisters in Haiti this fall. We are so excited at the opportunity to go and share the gospel of Jesus with the people of Haiti. Here is how you can help: 1) Please pray for those who will go - pray for God's will to be done in us and through us. Pray for safety. Pray for maximum impact as we see the hand of God at work. 2) Support! You will have opportunity to support those going through encouragement & financial means. Keep watching and be ready to jump on in and be a mighty big part of our trip. God is so good!! Our next Haiti team meeting is Sun. May 6th @ 6pm.



BCC
AT THE CROSS OF CHRIST
WE MERGE WITH GOD

the Merge.... We see this happen in many areas of our lives... One of those is when people groups come together. In scripture we see Jesus uniting the Jews and the Gentiles. In the book of Acts this attempt to merge these peoples is met with some resistance and hesitation. Can God's chosen people and the outsiders really come together and be one? Absolutely – Here we are!! There is another merge that needs to continue to happen in our day.. it too is met with some hesitation. The merge I'm talking about is the church allowing the community in. See, we know the great commission commands us to go into all the world and make disciples... in other words - Go and let them in.... But we aren't too sure about the logistics of this move... won't we be contaminated by the worldliness of the outsiders? Is this kosher? Can the church really open its arms to the world and let them in? I'm very confident that Jesus would, and therefore **WE MUST!**

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KIDS Ministry

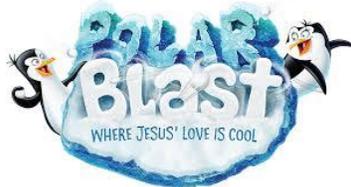
Schedule:

May 6 th	Hope and Richard
May 13 th	Trish and Jewel
May 20 th	Jacob and Kaitlyn
May 27 th	Trish
June 3 rd	Trish and Jewel
June 10 th	Jacob and Kaitlyn
June 17 th	Hope and Richard
June 23 rd	Wet and Wild Sunday

Parents,

We are learning how to be “**Kids of Integrity**”! Learning about the qualities that will help us be more like Jesus, trust, honesty, responsibility, loyalty. We have planted a garden, flowers and veggies! We are learning to be responsible and care for the plants we have planted. Maybe even one day we might get to reap the harvest of our veggies!! Please remember to encourage your kids to be more like Jesus!

VBS – it’s coming soon – July 27-29. We are collecting the following items: blue plastic table cloths, white foam board (\$1 at Dollar Tree), Hawaiian Punch Polar Blast Drinks, plastic milk jugs (cleaned out and if possible the labels off) and any winter decorations, like snowflakes, snowballs, rolls of white paper, penguins! We are getting ready for a POLAR BLAST!!



Kids and Parents: our trip to the Greensboro Science Center has been moved to June. Details to follow, the kids will get a letter in the mail



Hey Kids! Get ready for WET and WILD Sunday coming June 24th!!

BCC READING TEAM



Reading to little people in our local school...
Join the Team...

Each week a handful of our BCC people go into the local elementary school and read with children to help them be better readers... Isn't that so cool? Want to join the Team? **It's easy and the blessings are endless... (just see Hope Konzelman)**

thePLACE - Worship & Word

Wednesday Night Connection – Every Wednesday night the church comes together for a great – light meal at 6:15pm and then at 7pm - Kids Ministry and Adult Worship & Bible Study called thePlace-Worship & Word... Come and join us!!!



Refined Student ministries is coming up on the most exciting time of the year... the end of a school year! If there are any seniors in high school this year, whether they are active in our group or not, we want to acknowledge all of their accomplishments thus far. Please let Jacob Baskaron know if there is someone within our church that needs to be recognized for being a senior.

With the end of the school year approaching, there is also excitement for the biggest vacation known to man; SUMMER! This summer we will have a lot going on, but some stuff coming up in the month of May is our huge Mother's Day event on the 12th. This is going to be a great event for our students to reach out to all our hard working mothers.

If you have a child that is in middle school or high school, our camp at Park Springs is starting to fill up fast. Please make sure you go to the Park Springs website and sign them up for the correct dates. They are split into three weeks and the first two weeks of camp are for middle school students. The last week of Park Springs is the camp for the high schoolers. If you have any questions on how to register your student or any questions about the camp, please ask Jacob Baskaron.

May Missions News

For I was hungry and you gave me food (Mat.25:35).

On Saturday July 14th we will be hosting a food packing event at BCC



with International Disaster Emergency Services (IDES). We need to raise at least \$6250 in order to have enough supplies to make 25,000 meals. If you are interested in helping above your regular giving, please mark "IDES Food pack" on check. This is an opportunity to invite friends to work with BCC work in love for Jesus and his people.

Haiti trip meeting planned for Sunday May 6th @ 6pm. Come to learn more about the trip planned for September 18-26th to work with pastor Many.

Central India Christian Mission (CICM) has published their 2017 Annual Report. They report the following numbers:

- 71,000+ new decisions for Christ
- 276 new church plants
- 4274 trained in leadership, ministry or vocation programs
- 6000 at-risk children rescued and cared for in 6 children's homes
- 6625+ widows, children, and families received food, clothing, and blankets
- 50,400 people treated through the Medical Ministry
- 22,000 people given access to safe drinking water.

Over 35 years they estimate that more than 10 million people have been reached with the Gospel in the 2nd most populated country in the world.



Worship Notes

By David Florence

What is a life that strives to worship Jesus in everything? Can a person solely live out of the abundance of Christ in our world today?

With so much emphasis given to affluence, influence, upgradeability, no waiting, and instant gratification, our world has no time to be patient and wait on the Lord. God calls us to Be still and know that He is God. He is God alone, and there is no other. So how are we to wait on Him, to be in His Will and in His presence, when the world is pressing us harder each day to abandon God and take care of ourselves on our own? I believe this is why the Bible calls us a peculiar people. Not easily swayed by the world or its fruits. No thing in this world is eternal. It is all going to burn one day, yet we all continually strive to have more and more. Why? God has a purpose and a plan here. The world tells us to build our own miniature empires, yet Jesus says to give it all away.

The rich young ruler comes to mind here. He had kept every commandment since childhood – never broken one – and Jesus’ reply to his question of what more must I do to inherit salvation is simple yet piercing. Jesus says to him, sell everything that you have and give it to the poor and come follow Me, but the man left filled with sorrow because he was very wealthy. Some say this is a call that we should all be poor and have no influence, but that is not exactly what Jesus is saying. He is saying that following Him will cost us everything, but it is not a call to sheer and utter poverty.

In Matthew 25, Jesus teaches that how we treat the very least of the world’s population is how we have treated Him. He calls us to feed the hungry, to give water to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit those in prison, and to help the sick. He calls us to be His hands and His feet. To empty ourselves of selfish desire in order to serve Him and the world around us, just as He did.

How much hope does a visit or a meal bring to someone that was feeling hopeless or alone? Hopelessness in this world is driven by the thoughtlessness of Christians. You might think that is a harsh statement, but with an estimated 2.3 billion out of 7.3 billion people on this

planet saying they are in some way a believer of the God of the Bible, it is not.

Nearly a third of the earth’s population says that it believes in God (this excludes Islam), yet our world as a whole is more hopeless than ever.

My challenge to us all is to not only worship God in our church, in our home, in our car, but everywhere we go. Everything that we have is HIS! We must treat our lives and possessions as His, and allow Him to direct what He wants to do with all of that. To feed the hungry both here and abroad. To give water to the thirsty. To clothe the naked, help the sick, and visit the prisoner. All of those are hopeless people. Without Jesus, we are a hopeless people. We have an eternal hope, and God is asking us to love Him and to love others more than we love ourselves, and our possessions. Give glory to God by going out into all of the world, seek out the hopeless, and show them the love of Christ.

If all of the 2.3 billion “Christians” simply and truly disciplined 2 people and poured hope and the love of Jesus into them, how different would our world be? We are all called to the ministry of worship, evangelism, and discipleship. It does not have to be a profession or even an awkward thing. Shine Jesus’ light and always be listening for the Holy Spirit’s guidance to pour hope into someone else’s heart.

Women’s Ministry

Spring is in full bloom! During the month of May we will be collecting clothes to have a “Free clothing day” for our neighbors on June 9th. So clean out your closets and bring your clothes to the church the week of May 27th. All left over clothes will be donated to the Hospice clothing store!

Men’s Fellowship

Saturday, May 19th – Men’s Breakfast & Golf

Guys! Plan to come and have breakfast with us Saturday morning at 8am. Come for the fellowship & comradery. Bring your friends and neighbors.

If you like to play golf – do that too. It will be a lot of fun. Come and grow with us as guys!!

BCC Sunday School/Small Groups

Say, have you noticed the changes in the Kids' Wing? All kinds of bright colors and happy scenes are popping up.



There's a family mural, bulletin boards, and even stuffed animal heads (someone must have been on a toy safari)!



All of this makes for a great fun environment for our kids to learn about the wonderful love of Jesus Christ!

Bring the kids for Sunday School, then join one of our Small Group discussions for yourself. You'll be blessed!



Sermon Notes - March 4, 2018

Key Scriptures:

Notes:

Action Steps:

May Calendar



If you have announcements or prayer concerns to be added to the J-Link, please submit them by email to bulletin@burlingtonchristianchurch.org, or in writing to Shera at church.

Leaders Take Note!!

June J-Link will be published 6/3/18
Deadline for June newsletter information is **May 30 (Wed)**

July J-Link will be published 7/1/18
Deadline for July newsletter information is **June 27 (Wed)**

May 1	(Tues)	– Small Groups, 9:30am – Ladies Bible Study, 11am – Karate, 6pm
May 2	(Wed)	– Fellowship Meal, 6:15pm – the PLACE , 7pm
May 3	(Thur)	Seniors to NC Train Museum; leave BCC @ 9am
May 6	(Sun)	– Small Groups, 9:30am – Morning Worship, 10:30am – Youth Worship, 5pm – Haiti Mission Meeting, 6pm
May 8	(Tues)	– Ladies Bible Study, 11am – Karate, 6pm
May 9	(Wed)	– Fellowship Meal, 6:15pm – the PLACE , 7pm
May 12	(Sat)	– Youth Mother's Day
May 13	(Sun)	– Small Groups, 9:30am (Mother's Day) – Morning Worship, 10:30am
May 15	(Tues)	– Ladies Bible Study, 11am – Karate, 6pm
May 16	(Wed)	– Fellowship Meal, 6:15pm – the PLACE , 7pm
May 19	(Sat)	– Men's Breakfast @ 8am; Golf outing after – Youth Snowball
May 20	(Sun)	– Small Groups, 9:30am – Morning Worship, 10:30am – Elders Meeting, 3pm – Leadership Meeting, 4:30pm – Youth Worship, 5pm
May 22	(Tues)	– Ladies Bible Study, 11am – Karate, 6pm
May 23	(Wed)	– Fellowship Meal, 6:15pm – the PLACE , 7pm
May 27	(Sun)	– Small Groups, 9:30am – Morning Worship, 10:30am – Youth Worship, 5pm
May 29	(Tues)	– Ladies Bible Study, 11am – Karate, 6pm
May 30	(Wed)	– Fellowship Meal, 6:15pm – the PLACE , 7pm

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