



Burlington  
Christian  
Church

# J-Link Quarterly



## BCC 2021—Gaining Ground

The pandemic is hanging on and not wanting to loosen up but we are coming out of it. GOD is bringing some normality back into our lives and the life of the church. We have come a long way!!

As we continue to move through this situation we will continue to open up as a church. There are a number of things that are already going on, things like: Sunday morning worship @ 10:30, Sun Night - Ladies Bible Study on Zoom with Trish leading, Tue. Morning Bible Study at the BCC building with Shirley leading, and now our Wed.

## Get in the Game!

The sermon series we are in the middle of is all about getting plugged into the work of God's great Kingdom. It is our hope as leaders that every person who says they belong to BCC will also find their significant place of service in the Body of Christ. There is always opportunity to teach, lead, work with children or start a ministry in the community. Find your place and GET IN THE GAME!!

## All New Teen Ministry Space

With the ever-changing Ministry needs in our church and world we have made a shift in the focus of what used to be called the Old Fellowship building and more recently – The Dojo. Karate is making plans to kick off at some point in the future and they have used the new Fellowship Hall for their classes and will do so when they kick off some time. So the old dojo is now the TEEN MINISTRY SPACE. It will give our teens a chance to spread out and have room to grow as we reach a whole new group of young people. Right now we have a half dozen older teens that are headed toward college next year – some already there – and they will have a ministry geared just for them. At the same time we have a group of young middle school teens and a few 9<sup>th</sup> graders coming up and this new space will give everybody room to grow and reach their friends. We are excited about the new space and it is looking AMAZING!! God is going to do great things with it.

Night Bible Study will go live this month at the BCC building as well.

We are excited to get our Nursery up and going and our Teens will begin meeting again this month.

So as you can see we are GAINING GROUND and Praise the Lord for His goodness!! There is more to be done but we need helpers to jump on board and Get involved... What can you do to serve our GOD & His church? Talk to an Elder or our Pastor and let's get you plugged in!!

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### Core 52 Bible Study

*Wednesday nights we continue to study through the Core 52 book written by Mark Moore. This first week in July we will no longer be on Zoom, but will go live in the Fellowship Hall—each Wednesday night at 7pm. We are not kicking off the meals at this time but are planning to sometime as we approach the fall. Come and Dig In!*

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## July Missions News

**Allied Churches of Alamance County** published some 2020 Highlights on Housing the Homeless and Feeding the Hungry:

- ◆ Over 65,000 lbs. of food provided (including 450 boxes for 8 weeks to help during COVID-19)
- ◆ 150-200 meals/day served at Joe's Diner (their cafeteria)
- ◆ \$50,000 in financial assistance provided with approx. \$1100-\$1400 financial assistance provided per individual/family housed
- ◆ 87% success rate from shelter to permanent housing
- ◆ 86% of residents secured employment within 14 days of being admitted

**Central India Christian Mission (CICM)** India's government reports over 307,000 deaths from COVID 19; 30 million have been infected, with only 4% of the people fully vaccinated. Because of lockdown millions have lost jobs and are without food and income, since they rely on what they earn each day. CICM has opened up 38 relief centers in 11 states to distribute food, medicine including vaccinations, and oxygen. Ajai Lall thanks us for our support that allows them to meet the needs head-on and be light and salt to the world rather than run from it.



**Mid Atlantic Christian University (MACU)** President John Maurice will be coming to BCC Sunday August 1st to preach and update us on the work there. They have already begun construction on the 1st phase of the rebuilding project, the Cafeteria. Phase 2 will replace the collapsed Heritage Hall. For more info: [www.macuniversity.edu](http://www.macuniversity.edu)

**Campus Christian Fellowship (UNC, ECU, NCSU, UNCW)** has hired Jordan Clark as part of the team



at ECU working with Travis and Connie. He's a MACU grad who had been working with them through the local church in Winterville, NC the last 14 years with his wife Becky and 4 kids. He led ECU students on a mission trip to Mexico and has great chemistry

with the leadership team and students. Jordan previously served as a youth minister in Chesapeake, VA. Please pray for their efforts as they prepare for the fall semester. For more info: [www.campuschristianfellowship.org](http://www.campuschristianfellowship.org)

## Worship News!

Hey church family,

It is so good to be back! Praise God for the wonderful works He is doing, and I am so thankful for the prayers and support you have shown during my time over in Uganda! It was such a blessing to have a front row seat at the working of God's hands! From salvation, discipleship, crusades, training worship leaders, building community... God had intentional purposes that were bigger than what I could have planned. In my time there, the Lord encouraged my heart that He delights when His children take steps of faith and that His timing is perfect. (Romans 8:28, Psalm 37:23, Ephesians 2:10, Psalm 31:15)

The following scripture God brought to mind in times of prayer and speaking His truth. Philippians 4:6-7 says "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Here are some ways that you can partner in praying for the ministry and people of Uganda:

1. COVID: The country is in lockdown due to rising cases. This is causing a crisis of mental and spiritual health as well as a decline in the economy. We trust that what Satan would intend for evil, God uses for our good (Genesis 50:20, Jeremiah 29:11). Please join in prayer that God would use this season to strengthen His people, bring sons and daughters to Him, and help us to hunger and thirst after His righteousness.

2. Ministries: **Ignite Change** and **PAG** (Pentecostal Assemblies of God) are two ministries I partnered with during my time in Uganda. Here are the pro-

jects that have been postponed due to COVID:

(a) **Ignite Change** is working on a project for single moms to equip them with sewing skills so that they can have a sustainable income.

(b) **PAG** is working on discipleship training for church leaders to equip them to lead their congregations. Please pray for wisdom for the leaders, for continued spiritual growth, and for God to be glorified.

3. The following are specific people the Lord connected me with in Kamdini. Please join me in prayer that they will press into Christ as their strength, rest in His goodness, and that the Lord will provide for their every need.

**K** - Single mom of four children. She has just started a business. Please pray that God would bless her efforts and provide food and education for her children. (In Uganda, parents are required to pay for any education their children receive)

**A** - He is a teacher who is looking for work. Satan has brought many oppressions in His life. Please pray that he will choose to celebrate the joy of the Lord and experience a fresh taste of the overwhelming love of God.

**E** - He is an agricultural and animal specialist. His employer has not paid him over the past two months. Please pray that he will trust in God's goodness and that the Lord would lead Him where God wants him to go.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers. I look forward to sharing more with you in the future, and I celebrate this sweet opportunity of worshipping together!

In Christ,  
Julie



**Welcome  
Back!**

## Seniors Schedule

The **Seniors Ministry** has published an abbreviated schedule for 2021:

July 15 – Lunch at Olive Garden (meet there at 11:30)

August 12 – Southern Seasons (meet at church 11:00)

September 23 – Mayberry Days in Mt. Airy (meet at church at 10:00)

October 14 – Lunch at Mosco’s (meet there at 11:30)

November 11 – Lunch at Jason’s Deli (meet at church at 11:00)

December 11 – Thomas Road Christmas Spectacular 3:00 (meet at church at 1:00)

As of right now, there are no Senior movies at Graham Cinema or Paramount Theater. Dan will follow up with them to see when they will be reinstated.

See Dan Stipetich FMI.

## Women’s Bible Studies

Women’s Bible Study on Sunday nights! We have a Zoom Women’s Bible Study every Sunday night at 8pm studying the scriptures seeing God at work and believing He is working today around us and in us! Ask Trish Nappo for details 336-221-4043. Join anytime – love to have you!!

Shirley Sanders’ Women’s Bible Study resumed on Tuesday, March 30 at 11am at the church. Come and join in, or call Shirley @ 336-512-8603 FMI.

## Kids Worship Live!!

Thanks for a great VBS! We found the treasure – how priceless we are



to God!! He knows us, He hears us, and He chooses us, what a



treasure! We need to share that



treasure with others! We also raised over \$1000 to help Juan Cortez to buy several 100-pound blocks of clothes for the women who come out of the prisons in Matamoros, Mexico who have nothing. Praise the Lord!



We will continue with our VBS theme for the next few weeks on Sunday mornings and see what else we can learn! It will be exciting!

**URGENT NEED!!** We will need volunteers to work with the kids on Wednesday nights when we start meeting again. If you can help, please see Trish.

### July 11th is **SPLISH SPLASH SUNDAY!!!**

COME WEAR YOUR SWIM SUIT AND BRING A TOWEL. We will get wet while we learn about Jesus!!



More events and more fun parties will be coming as we can open back up! Movie nights, the Princess Party...all in the works!! Watch for details, and invite your friends to church so we can share Jesus with them!