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**Summer is off and rolling!** The renovations of the CLC are underway. We had a fantastic week of Vacation Bible School. Our search is narrowing for our Next Gen Pastor. I hope everyone was able to make it out for The Church at Asheboro and look forward to seeing churches in our community do more together in the future!

July is the month of Camps! I have been invited to preach to students who are serving at Deep Impact Charlotte the first week of this month. We have our children's music camp the 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. Our students are going to the Charity Rebuild Center for Deep Impact Mission Camp July 22-27 and then our kids will be going to Blowing Rock for their Deep Impact Mission Camp July 29-Aug 1! It is sure to be a busy month and I hope you will be keeping these ministries in your prayers.

**Prayer is a privilege.** I believe it was Dr. Adrian Rogers who once said, "Prayer is our greatest Christian privilege and our greatest Christian failure."

Prayer is the opportunity we have to appeal to our Father in heaven, the creator of the universe, and He actually hear us. No, more than that, He listens ... and responds! Juan Sanchez defines prayer this way, "Prayer is talking to the Father through the mediation of the Son in the power of the Spirit." We are actively working with the triune God when we pray. Realizing that God is not only *willing* to hear us when we pray but *wants* to hear us pray is a very humbling thought. After all, He loves us!

As we learned in VBS last month, He is a friend to us! Jesus not only offers us reconciliation with God through His death on the cross but He offers us access to God's very throne! So Hebrews 4:16 tells us, "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." This month may we press into our privilege of prayer – for our church, for our city, for our country.

**As we celebrate our nation's independence this month may we keep 2 Chronicles 7:14 firmly in our mind, "if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and forgive their sin and heal their land."**

*For His Glory, Pastor Justin*



**Wed. July 10, 17, 24, 31 from 6:30-7:30pm:** Summer small groups. Girls are led by Katherine Allen and Taylor Ferrer-Diaz and the boys are led by Cameron Surratt and Justin Curry.



**July 7 Rockin' Jump** After church, lunch will be provided on campus. Then we will head to Rockin' Jump. We will return by 3pm. Cost is \$20 per jumper.



**July 15 Emerald Pointe Wet-N-Wild:** Cost is \$35. We will meet at church at 9am. Bring your lunch money or money to purchase it at the water park.

**July 11 Putt Putt:** Meet at CRBC at 6pm. Cost is FREE for putt putt. Bring money for ice cream after.



**July 18 Carowinds Trip:** Meet at CRBC at 8am. Cost is \$40 per person. Bring money for lunch and supper or pack it.

**DI Students Mission Camp July 22-27 at Charity Mission Center, Rose Hill, NC:** Pray for those that are going on this trip!

## Children's Ministry

We have had a fun summer full of activities and events so far and we have more to go!

Music Camp will be July 8-11 from 9 am to noon each day and we will have Christmas in July as we begin preparations for our Christmas program. On the 11th, we have the opportunity to perform some songs at Cross Road Retirement Community. After performing, we will celebrate our week with a pizza party.



Also in July we have Rockin' Jump, Wet n' Wild, and the Splash Pad. Please contact Taylor or the church office to sign up for any activities we have going on. - *Taylor Ferrer-Diaz*

**Wed. July 10, 17, 24, 31 from 6:30-7:30pm:** Mission Friends, GAs, and RAs. Mission Friends (ages 3-5) will meet in the children's hall room 204. The GAs (girls rising 1st-6th) and RAs (boys rising 1st-6th) will meet separately in the downstairs rooms 117 and 118.



**July 7 Rockin' Jump** After church, lunch will be provided on campus. Then we will head to Rockin' Jump. We will return by 3pm. Cost is \$20 per jumper.



**July 8-11 Music Camp:** Camp is FREE. It meets from 9-12noon each day. We will be learning music for our Christmas children's musical, other songs and have games, crafts and snacks. We will sing for the retirement center on Thursday followed by lunch. This

is for preschool-rising 6th grades.



**July 15 Emerald Pointe Wet-N-Wild:** Cost is \$35. We will meet at church at 9am. Bring your lunch money or money to purchase it at the water park.

**July 22 YMCA Splash Pad:** Meet at the YMCA at 11am. Cost is \$5 per child.

**DI Kids Mission Camp July 29-August 1 at Blowing Rock, NC:** Pray for those going on this trip!

*Thank You*

*Dear Cross Road WOW Women's Ministry, On behalf of the staff at Southmont Elementary, I'd like to say thank you for our Sunshine treat. The teachers were able to enjoy a cup of Sunset Slush on Monday during lunch. It was a perfect snack and a great way to brighten a Monday. Thank you for thinking of us.*  
**Southmont Elementary Teachers**

*To Cross Road Class Act Team, Thank you so much for supporting my classroom. I appreciate the items that were bought. I also appreciate the prayers for all my students and their families.*  
**Love, Donn Switzer (Teacher at Lindley Park)**

*Dear CRBC, Thank you for opening up this facility to Griefshare classes. It was so helpful and an excellent course. From,*  
**Teachers and attendees of the spring 2024 class**

## Worship Ministry

We had such an amazing Vacation Bible School diving deeper into friendship with God Thank you to all the volunteers who made VBS such a success! A special shout out to our outstanding youth

volunteers... you made it happen!

VBS is so special to me because that's when Jesus got a hold of my heart and I was saved when I was 9 years old. I'm thankful for the adults who made that VBS so special when I was 9. I know they were tired from working all day, but they still came faithfully and served at VBS. I was a child who was forever changed by their sacrifice of serving. Your volunteering does not go unnoticed. You never know how your serving and volunteering will change a child's life for God's glory and the impact they will make for Christ in the future.

Choir is taking off Sunday rehearsals for summer. Enjoy the time off and thank you for using your gifts at CRBC! - *Abiding in Christ, Danielle Kelly*



## Every Church, Every Community

**If your church didn't exist, would your community notice?**

Save the date for ServeNC! In the first week of August, churches from all over North Carolina will strive to make a difference in their community in some way.

Be on the lookout for projects that YOU can get involved in during that week!

If you have an idea for a community service project, please let the church office know!

## THANK YOU SO MUCH

to all our Nursery workers, Set Decorators, Stage leaders, Crew Leaders, Station leaders, Sound Leaders and especially my  
 Co-Director Candace Curry!

Thank you to all who brought their  
 kids and friends to support our VBS!

Without you all, VBS at CRBC would not be possible!

- Cheryl Surratt (VBS Director)





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## The Spirit & The spirit

1. GOD: Three in ONE. Father. The Holy Spirit. Son.

2. The **spirit** (human's individual spirit)

3. Holy Spirit *in* His children-

When we know that Jesus is the Son of GOD, and state that truth, the Holy Spirit enters us. We receive the **Spirit** that came after Jesus was glorified. John 7:39. That same **Spirit** leads us because we have faith; we belong to God; we can hear. (1 John 4:4-6.)

The Bible speaks of The **Spirit** and the **spirit**. In Matthew 22:45 when Jesus asked the Pharisees "Therefore, if David calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his son?" God revealed to David by His Spirit that Jesus is Lord - not only the physical kin of David's human seed.

In Matthew 5:3, the Beatitudes speak of the poor in **spirit**. We who are alive in Christ can be "poor in **spirit**" *and* are blessed to have the kingdom of heaven, Jesus said. Blessed. Stop a moment. Think on this: we who are alive in Christ have His Kingdom!

Now, back to the **Spirit**, **spirit** discussion from His Word: In Revelation 4:2 John said: "And immediately I was in the **spirit**..." Then Holy **Spirit** showed John a throne and One Who sat on the throne.

Even Jesus had a human **spirit** when He said "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?" Matthew 27:46. The perfect Lamb of God had a human's individual **spirit** when He suffered and died, I believe. After the death for us sinners, *Holy Spirit, The Spirit*, the actual **Spirit**, raised Jesus from death. Hallelujah! See Revelation 11:11.

Jesus told us "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the **Spirit** saith unto the churches..." Revelation 2:7. Further, in Matthew 10:20 Jesus said to us "For it is not you who speak, but the **Spirit** of your Father who speaks in you."

God's Word and His Spirit have to work together "The two must always operate together", Derek Prince stated in Prayer & Proclamations. Let us read His Word and hear Him and speak his Words.

### Prayer

Father God, help us to hear what You say to us each moment, we ask. Help us to obey. In Jesus' Name and for His glory we pray. Amen.

*From Melda Dyer, Prayer Ministry Coordinator*