

I was just thinking...

Ronny Russell, Lead Pastor

DREAM BIG

If you don't have a dream that leads you to greater dependence on God, then you need to get a bigger dream – Dave Ferguson & Jon Ferguson, Exponential: How You and Your Friends Can Start a Missional Church Movement

In John 6 Jesus fed the 5,000 with small amounts of fish and loaves of bread. Later, some of those present wanted another miracle. They wanted to be wowed again. Jesus told them, in essence, that they shouldn't just be looking for the adrenaline rush that comes from involvement in the sensational. Rather, they should look for life-giving bread in the everyday experiences of life.

What about you? Are you thinking that the way to really be dependent on God is to do the big thing—go on the extended mission trip, volunteer for the huge one-day project that reaches hundreds of people? Do you want every game to be the big game?

We call that dreaming big—being involved in the big event where thousands are fed and there is news media coverage and everybody thinks you are a hero.

Let's rethink this dreaming big thing. Could not dreaming big also mean being faithful day after day, week after week? Not grabbing headlines but getting our hands dirty and doing so on a regular basis. Not making a big splash but making a big difference in a life on a daily basis.

We're talking about dreaming here but this is not a call to downsize our dreams. Not at all. Just rethink a little what it means to dream.

God can make your dreams come true. He rewards visionaries, not consumers. We can receive a lot of accolades and attention by doing the one big thing. Those who labor in the vineyard day after day, even when they're tired and spent are, in my opinion, the biggest dreamers.

Their dreams are big enough to last for the long haul.

I'm thinking of the children's teacher at church who commits for at least a year to be there most every week. He has a vision, a huge dream to make a difference for a lifetime, not just a few weeks.

I'm thinking of the parent who resolves to be the best parent they can be, knowing that the big dream is to transform a young life for eternity, not just for a season of baseball or softball.

Thank you....

Our entire family would like to thank the faith communities of Mission Baptist and Mission@Stanfield for taking time out of your busy lives to share an encouraging word, make a visit, send a card or flowers, give a charitable gift, say a prayer, make a phone call, or send a text or facebook message during the time of my mother's death on April 10. It was an awesome display of caring and compassion on your part and we all were comforted and encouraged by it and are greatly appreciative for all you did.

Pastor Ronny & Judy, David, Jennifer, Bobby, Trey, Jillian, Will, Mia, Lainie, Jimmy and Mary

Mission Baptist Church & Fellowship Club,

Thank you for all your prayers, concerns, and the packages. It really means a lot to me to have such a good support group. Coming over here, I expected the worse, but you all have helped to make it as comfortable as possible. Once again, thanks a lot for keeping me in your thoughts and prayers. You will be in mine. From Afghanistan, *Marty Little*

Missions at Mission

Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry (continued from page 1)

One of the summer highlights of 'Missions at Mission' is helping feed the hungry in Stanly



County. This project involves our church families and individuals building relationships as we work together.

The truck load of food is bought from Second Harvest and coordinated for distribution by Stanly County

Christian Ministries. The distribution at Mission campus is Thursday, June 16. Volunteers are needed 9:30-

12:00. Adult volunteers will unload the truck, and distribute food to the individuals. **Children**, along with a parent,

and our **Youth** are needed to bring wagons and wheelbar-

rows to help get the food to people's vehicles as many of them are handicapped and need assistance. ***This is an excellent missions opportunity for children and parents.***

Children are invited to a 'pool party' afterwards at Richard & Reba Tucker's home. Parents should attend with their children. A hot dog lunch will be provided. Please sign up on the tear off tab if you plan to attend the party.

On Thursday, July 28, 9:30 - 12:00 Mission will also sponsor a truck of food from Second Harvest at West Stanly Christian Ministries, Stanfield. For safety reason, we will not use wagons and wheelbarrows. **Muscles** are needed to get the food to the people's vehicles and the youth and adults will be the ones needed to help with this distribution.

Memorials

General Fund:

In Memory of Mary Russell by
Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Price, Mr. & Mrs.
James Witherspoon

In Memory of Dink Moore by
Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Price, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Crayton

Honduras Scholarship Fund:

In Memory of Dink Moore by
New Journey ABF

Challenge To Build:

In Memory of Mary Russell by
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Crayton

Sunday Worship Times

Praise and Worship:
8:30am and 11:00am
(worship care provided for
infants through age 3)

Mission @ Stanfield 10:00am
<http://missionstanfieldworship.ning.com/>

Bible Study for all ages: 9:45am
(Mission Campus)

Next Newsletter Deadline: August 20, 2011

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Missions at Mission Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry

Thursday, June 16th
Mission Campus

Thursday, July 28
West Stanly
Christian Ministries,
Stanfield



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What's Happening with the Fellowship Club

June

Goin' Fishing



Bring your outdoor chair, straw hat, and fishing pole for a fun afternoon at the home of Tim & Denise Smither. .If you don't like to fish, come enjoy the cool shade with friends, food, and great fellowship! We're having a cookout, hamburgers and hotdogs! Meats are provided, but you are asked to bring a food item to complete our meal. The list of foods needed is in the New Beginnings Sunday School class.

The Smither's live on Cauble Road in Cabarrus County off Barrier Store Rd. Meet 11:15 on Monday, June 13, at the church and we'll caravan to their home.

Questions??? Call Reba @704-485-4521 or Denise @ 980-622-3867. In case of bad weather, we'll meet in the fellowship building.



July

Homemade Ice Cream & Bingo



What's better on a **hot** July day than eating homemade ice cream!

This month we'll get together on a different day, **Wednesday, July 6**. The ice cream will be an afternoon snack, so let's begin playing BINGO at 2:00pm. You will need to bring just "1 small snack" prize, something very simple like a candy bar, peanut butter cracker, etc.



August

Lunch & a Stroll through the Gardens



Everyone loves the good food at K & W! On Wednesday, August 10, we'll gather at the church at 11:00 and ride the bus to Concord. After lunch, we'll visit the Memorial Gardens to enjoy the summer flowers and learn a little history of the garden. Don't miss this time of summer fun!

The Perfect Gift

Red Springs Christmas Project



Wanted: Bikes, tricycles, and other riding toys that can be refurbished for children at Red Springs.

Now is a good time to get rid of those riding toys that are too small or need a few minor repairs. We have volunteers to get them ready for our Christmas project. Call the church office or Richard Tucker at 704-485-4521 if you have a donation.



Mission Opportunities



Mission trip to Victoria, Honduras to install a water purification system, August 7-13. Estimated cost: around \$1100. See Steve Richardson or contact the church office for more information.

Mission trip to Roatan, Honduras to work with children in a camp setting and provide Tom's Shoes to children June 25-July 2. Notes of encouragement may be left for our missionaries, Ronny Russell, Felicia Buff, Alexandra Buff, Cathy Mauldin, Amy Barbee, Dan Nicewonger, Bruce Whitley, Lisa Whitley, Susan Ehlich, Ashley Eudy, and Nancy Sasser in the box on the lobby table. **This team is also collecting old prescription or reader eyeglasses for this trip. There is a basket in the lobby for your donations.**

**Concord Night Shelter August 28-September 3
Pray for those volunteering as well as those being served!**

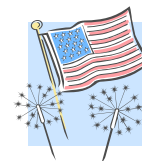
Boy Scout Troop 202 is planning a blood drive for early to mid-July to be held in the Mission Fellowship Building. A sign up will be held June 5th.



Tom and Kolis Moore will be traveling to Honduras in July for a short mission/vacation trip. They will be attending their sponsored daughter, Pamela's, 15th birthday celebration. They will also be spreading joy to the children in El Rodeo by taking instant pictures, sharing goody bags and **by taking your cards and letters to your sponsored children**. Look for the collection boxes for your cards and letters during the month of June!

Some of our members will be taking a mission trip to Brazil, June 29-July 7. Tammy Harwood, Sarah Harwood, Ben Harwood, Colby Edwards and Thomas Childers will help hold a Vacation Bible School in an orphanage as well as facilitate in a youth group for older orphans. Please pray for their safe travel and for those who they will minister to while in Brazil.





Due to the holiday, there will be one service held on July 3rd at 10:00am. The church office will be closed Monday, July 4th. Happy Independence Day!



Chase the Light

July 10-14

6:30 – 8:30

Come and join us for “Chase the Light” VBS as we learn how
Jesus is the Light of the World!

Please register your children and their friends early, so that we have enough supplies for everyone. Mission Collection will be canned food for West Stanly Christian Ministries & money to buy rice for children in orphanages. Help us share the LIGHT of Jesus around the world!

VBS Supplies Needed:

- Blue Raspberry, Lemon, Lime or Orange Sweetened KoolAid
- Lance (or store) Cracker packs
- Stick Pretzels
- Little Debbie Star Crunch Cookies
- Moon Pies
- Goldfish
- 3 oz Jello – orange or yellow
- Apple Juice
- AA Batteries for Flashlights
- Pop-Icicles
- Ritz - type Crackers

July & August Calendar for Worship Care

Hostesses: July 3, Michele Roper-Shue; July 10, Beverly Cobb; July 17, Shelly Hyde; July 24, Tammy Joyner; July 31, Misty Broadway; Aug. 7, Renee Sides; Aug. 14, Tammy Fisher; Aug. 21, Kimberly Helms; Aug. 28, Kelly Barrier

8:30 Babies and Ones: July 3, LouAnne Lucas, Leigh Anne Veazey; July 10, Paulette Harris, Alice Hatley; July 17, Melissa Eudy, Candice Mullins; July 24, Cami Yost, Wesley Joyner; July 31, Roxanne Hiott, Wendy Tucker; Aug. 7, Keith & Marie Morton; Aug. 14, Reggie & Susan Honeycutt; Aug. 21, David Ross, Pam Barringer; Aug. 28, Renee Skey, Wendy Smith

8:30 Twos and Threes: July 3, Kamela Efird, Steven Lucas; July 10, Eddie Harris, Dwight Hatley; July 17, Clint Eudy, Jeremy Mullins; July 24, Dewayne Eudy, Michael Sides; July 31, Shelley Hancock, Greg Tucker; Aug. 7, Volunteer Needed, Larry Honeycutt; Aug. 14, Crystal Clayton, Michael Lanier; Aug. 21, Patricia Barrier, Volunteer Needed; Aug. 28, Lynn Helms, Dan Barrier

11:00: July 3, Richard Tucker, Beth Blalock; July 10, Danny Harwood, Tammy Geelen; July 17, Angie Bumgarner, Jennifer Price; July 24, Barbara & Jim Lowder; July 31, Andrea Burris, Ronnie Hatley; Aug. 7, Mike Geelen, Lore Hatley; Aug. 14, Curtis Grant, Wendy Lucas; Aug. 21, Pam Grant, Derek Blalock; Aug. 28, Trena Shinn, Stephanie Druschel



Student Ministry

ConnXion @ Night on Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm.
We will not meet during the month of July!!

ConnXion A.M.

Every Sunday, 9:45-10:45am, in the Café
Breakfast, fellowship, Bible lessons

Youth Summer Events Calendar

- **June 1st - June 30th** - ConnXion Students will be collecting old cell phone to send to an organization that provides cell phones to people for 911 uses and in disaster areas. **Please bring in your old and used cell phones and batteries and drop them in one of the collection boxes.** Phone accessories are not needed.
- **June 2nd - July 14th** - Girls Small group. Heather Baldwin will be leading a girls small group from 6:30- 7:30pm. The group will meet every Thursday starting June 2nd and will end July 14th. If you would like more information see Thomas or Heather.
- **June 5th-** Graduation Recognition service 8:30am and 11:00pm. Family Luncheon following the Service. Please let Thomas Childers know if you will be attending and how many of your family will be with you.
- **June 11th-** White Water Rafting. The cost is \$49 a person. You will also need to bring money for fast food on the way home. A waiver must be signed before you can go. A down payment of \$25 is due June 5th. The final payment of \$24 must be on the 11th before leaving. The bus will leave at 8:30am.
- **June 12th-** Caswell meeting. The final balance of \$145 will be due that day along with all the paper work and a copy of an insurance card.
- **June 16th** - Mobile Food pantry at 8:30am.
- **June 24th** - Nerf Wars, The youth will be having a day of fun with Nerf Guns! There will be records kept of scores and they will be displayed in the youth room. The event cost is \$10. More information to come. Please see Thomas for a Parent Info sheet for this event.
- **June 29th-** ConnXion @ Night Summer Party. 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Hot dogs, Hamburgers, and games.
- **July 9th** - A tentative Mystery adventure date. More Info to come.
- **July 18th - July 23rd-**Camp Caswell
- **August 3rd** ConnXion Kick off Party
- **August 6th** - Fantasy Lake. For more Info please check out the Youth Facebook or email Thomas Childers.
- **August 7th** - We welcome our new 7th graders to ConnXion!!

A note to parents. The ConnXion Facebook has created a new group called "ConnXion parents" this group allows Thomas to fill you in on all the info the kids forget to tell you. If you are a Facebook user please feel free to join this group to stay in the "know" on all the upcoming youth events and happenings.