

# Info from CBC August 2017

## Newsletter

Hello church family, PJ here with this month's newsletter. I am super excited to tell you about some changes that are happening this coming fall. I wanted to touch base with you all and give an update on some of the changes to our Sunday night programs. We have decided to change AWANA to Sunday Nights at 5:00 p.m. starting September 10, 2017.

### **Why change?**

We have a great number of children that start off the year, but by spring, we have a drop off of 33%. When we look at why it is happening, the number one answer is other activities. There used to be this idea in the community that Wednesday was kept open for church. We don't have this anymore. From school functions to sports, Wednesday night has become over programmed. Also, finishing at 8 p.m. makes it harder for little children and families. I've personally sent many surveys to parents and the workers getting their feedback. The move to Sunday should increase our attendance and our retention. So by making Sunday night our children's emphasis night, we can reach more for the Gospel.

### **What does this mean for Evening Worship?**

Evening worship will move an hour earlier to 5:30 p.m. This will help by having a place for parents to go during the AWANA time. We will also encourage our youth (*8<sup>th</sup> grade and above*) to help in AWANA. We have a great number of mature youth that help with VBS. I believe that having the youth pour into the younger children will have a great impact on the youth and children.

### **What will happen on Wednesdays?**

Wednesday, we will still have prayer meeting at 7:00 p.m. We will also have Bible study for the youth (*6<sup>th</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade*) at 7:00 p.m.

### **What does the church need to do?**

*We need you to pray.* Please pray for the AWANA program, our church, and the children. *We need you to serve.* If you were not already helping, we

would love to have you be a part. We will be having a meeting August 13 after morning service for the workers. *We need you to be flexible.* Change is not always easy and part of it will be a learning process. *We need to stay focused on the Lord and making disciples because that is important.*

If you have any questions, please feel free to see Pastor Mike, the deacons, or myself.

I am excited about the changes. Sometimes, when you are fishing, you have to change what side of the boat you are casting from. I look forward to seeing how God will continue to work in our church.

In Christ,  
Pastor Jon

### **Deacon Update**

Our newly elected Deacons attended their first meeting on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Please be in prayer for our newest deacons (Russell Harrelson, Tommy Geddings, Justin Woodard, and Chris Jordan) as well as our current members as we seek the will of God for Clarendon Baptist and our community. The board, along with our pastor, is committed to serving you in the love of Christ, and we're excited about what lies ahead in the coming year.

The first order of business at our July Meeting was the selection of officers. John Horton will continue to serve as the Deacon Chairman, Russell Harrelson will serve as the Vice Chair, and I, Scott Tanner, will serve as the Board Secretary.

In other business, several recommendations from the Deacon Board were voted on by the church on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. The following items were approved by the membership;

- The church will pay \$350 per semester (twice per year) for Joshua Stone's seminary study.
- A one-time gift of \$2500 will go to support Jeremy Evans' mission work with CCI.
- The church will purchase airline tickets for the five members going on the Moldova Mission Trip.
- And lastly, Juanita Hunter and Amy Chappell were approved to serve on the Nominating Committee for the upcoming church year.

It was also decided at our July meeting to begin to explore options on replacing our Church Bus. The bus has had multiple maintenance issues during the past several months and has become a continual problem. After discussion, the board decided to turn this over to our existing Bus Committee to research and make recommendations on how to move forward. The bus is an important ministry tool and is used quite often by our youth, as well as our Elderberries.

On a personal note, I'd like to thank you for allowing me to serve you this past year, and I look forward to continuing to serve as a deacon and as Secretary to the Board.

In Christ,  
 Scott Tanner, *Deacon Board Secretary*

**Calendar of Events**

- 1 Nom. Committee Meeting/6:30 p.m.
- 2 Rev/Homecoming Comm. Meeting  
 6:15 p.m./CBC FH
- 6 Begin to sign up for M2M Classes  
 for Fall 2017
- 8 Deacons Meeting ~ 7 p.m.
- 11/12 Together We Build Committee  
 Yard Sale
- 13 Nominating Comm. Report  
 Available for Pickup  
 AWANA Worker Meeting following  
 a.m. worship/lunch provided/CBC FH  
 Ice Cream Social ~ 6:30 p.m./FH
- 15 Missions Committee Meeting/6:45 p.m.  
 CBC FH
- 18-19 Men's Conference in Greenville, SC
- 24 Elderberry Luncheon/Movie  
 11:30 a.m. FH
- 27 Voting on Nominating Comm. Report  
 Promotion Luncheon for Rising 6<sup>th</sup> gr.  
 and HS Grads

**Looking Forward to September**

- (3) SS Promotion Sunday
- (4) Labor Day
- (7-16) Moldova
- (12) Deacons Meet

**Workers for August**

**Audiovisual:**

- 8.6 Rob Hussey, Will Thomas
- 8.13 Terry Gaff, Grayson Harrelson
- 8.20 Mark Evans, Scott Tanner
- 8.27 Mack Mutchler, Cory McWhite

**Nursery:**

- 8.6 Allyson, Tori, & Hardy Goff
- 8.13 Kim, Lauren, & Jordan Gardner
- 8.20 DeeDee & Tolley Horton  
 Julie Rickenbaker
- 8.27 Beth Lyles, Adrienne McCabe,  
 Crystal Thompson

**Toddler's Church (ages 2 thru 4):**

- 8.6 Adriene Jones
- 8.13 Heather Olsen
- 8.20 Tabitha Gardner
- 8.27 Barbara Hussey

**Children's Church (K5 – 8-yrs. old):**

- 8.6 Kim Gardner
- 8.13 Allyson Goff
- 8.20 Lynn Beatson
- 8.27 Erica Eaddy

**Building Attendant:** Scott Tanner

**Flowers:**

- 8.6 Open
- 8.13 Hinson Family
- 8.20 Justin & Nikki Woodard
- 8.27 Open

**Ushers:** Rob Hussey, Ben Jordan, Chris Jordan,  
 Derek Lee, Gary Lee, Toey Lee, Tommy Lee,  
 William Locklair

**Prayer Ministry**

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|----------------|------------------|
| Ed Hinson      | Juanita Hunter   |
| Curtis Lee     | Mary Frances Lee |
| David McCabe   | Gail Richardson  |
| Shaun Richburg | David Young      |
| Melva Young    | Hunter Blascak   |

**July Monthly Records (thru July 23)**

Avg. Sunday School Attendance: 116  
Avg. Worship Attendance: 156  
Monthly Offering Total: \$22,103.27  
Building Fund: \$129,944.05

**Encouragement Opportunities**

**Faith Promise Missionary:**

Rick & Elisabeth Arnold  
w/Pioneers, serving in Senegal  
921 North Lilac Loop  
Jacksonville, FL 32259-1918  
Senegal6onfire@emailearth.net

**Student of the Month:**

All students at they enjoy their summer and prepare to start fall classes.

**Shut-in of the Month:**

Jessie McCabe  
2031 Tearcoat Road  
Alcolu, SC 29001

**Happy Birthday**

- 1 Carolyn Brewer  
Justin Woodard
- 2 Hampton Mitchum  
Lundee Olsen
- 3 David Mitchum
- 5 Lindy Morris  
Kenny Powers
- 6 Joyce Henson  
Harriet Locklair
- 7 Tristan Beatson  
Lana Evans
- 8 Brian Acord
- 10 Robbie Gardner
- 11 Cameron King  
Ray Richburg  
Debbie Upchurch
- 12 Victoria Ard  
Kaelan Beatson
- 13 Nancy Hubbard
- 15 Jordan Gardner  
Carter Jones  
Jerry Joyner  
Sarah Faye Turner
- 16 Brenda Taylor  
Elaine Stevens
- 17 Mark Blascak

- 18 Jim Daniel  
Doris Daniel  
Lynn Evans  
Derek Lee
- 19 Hartlee Quin Garrett  
Pastor Jon Jones
- 20 Bryson Woodard
- 21 Jim Hunter
- 23 Jessie McCabe
- 25 Christopher Price
- 26 Dan McInnis  
Robbie Morris  
Logan Hudson
- 28 Shaun Richburg
- 30 Caroline Ard  
Adriene Jones

*If we have missed your birthday, please call the church office so that we can add your name to our birthday list.*

**Yard Sale to Benefit Together We Build Campaign**

CBC Family Life Center  
Friday, August 11 ~ 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Saturday, August 12 ~ 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
*(More details available in handout found in Usher Room or on table by side door in back hall.)*

**Together We Build Campaign**

Thank you for the continued support and enthusiasm!  
*“All things are possible to those who believe.”*  
Mark 9:23

**Elderberries**

Lunch & A Movie  
Thursday, August 24  
11:30 a.m. ~ CBC FH  
*Signup sheet available Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>*  
Point person: Doris Daniel

**OCC**

I just want to say, “Praise the Lord, who hears ours prayers and meets our needs!” During July, our children collected school supplies for VBS, and they filled our storeroom for our shoeboxes. With your monetary donations, I will buy on-sale items that we need to complete our school items. In August, we will collect plastic shoeboxes *which are also on*

*sale.* I will be ordering other items for our shoeboxes from the church fund set up for OCC. Thank you for your support of this church-wide mission project. Mark your calendars; Sat., Nov. 4 will be our Shoebox Packing Party!  
Love in Christ! Mary Jo

### **Ongoing Ministries**

#### **Harvest Seeds**

Collecting Sunday school literature, devotionals, and other religious material to send to brothers and sisters who faithfully labor in the vineyard with limited resources.

*Sunday School classes, don't forget to turn in last quarter's materials to the church office!*

*Point person: Karen DeCosta*

#### **Donations for Ukraine**

Collecting warm, gently used children's clothes to send to Dr. & Mrs. Crane to be used in their ministry with Ukrainian orphans.

*Point person: Harriet Locklair*