



OVERCOMING THE FEAR FACTOR:

July 11th Fishers of Men at the Grogan Lake, July 18th Feeding of the 5,000 in the CFLC, July 25th is VBS, and August 1st the Back to School Bash in CFLC.

CENTRIKID: July 9-13th



MISSION ARLINGTON: Please pray for our student's youth choir, and chaperones during their mission trip.

YOUTH CHOIR DINNER THEATER: July 27th and July 28th, tickets are \$15 and will go on sale July 8th.

CRASH NIGHT: July 29th and August 3rd at 6pm at the Callaway's



COMMON GROUND: Wednesdays at 8pm in the worship center in the CFLC. We are continuing our Without Ceasing series.

CULTIVATE: Sundays at 11am

COMMON GROUND COOKOUT: Wednesday, July 4th at 6pm at the Lot

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WEDNESDAYS // 6:30-7:30P
 For kids entering grades 1-5

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ARLINGTON
 July 14- July 20

Common Ground
COOKOUT
 July 4th // 6pm // at the Lot



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JULY 22- 26TH

Register for VBS on line on www.fbcarnesville.com by clicking on the Game On icon!



Join us Sunday, July 22 through Thursday July 26th from 5:30- 8:30pm for VBS!
 Gearing up for life's big game! 2 Peter 1:3

In this issue: youth choir dinner theater info and other upcoming events you and your family need to know about!





FROM THE SHEPHERD'S HEART

Garth Forster, pastor

In **John 10:27-29**, Jesus said, **"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. My Father, which gave them to Me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."**

Tornadoes are phenomenal storms of great power that form when areas of very low pressure encounter high humidity and high winds. As geologists do with earthquakes, meteorologists rate the intensity of tornadoes, too. The scale that meteorologists use to classify tornadoes goes from one to five. An F 5 tornado, the strongest of tornadoes, has winds over 260 miles per hour.

In the 1996 movie **Twister**, which is about a group of meteorologists who chased tornadoes in order to study them, someone asked one of the meteorologists what an F 5 Tornado was like. He replied that this all-powerful tornado was **"the finger of God."**

But tornadoes are destructive powers that leave disaster in their wakes, while God's power is constructive and leaves blessing behind. Jesus said here in John chapter 10 that for all eternity believers are guarded by the fingers of Jesus in the palm of God's hand. If I was Jesus, I would have used a good Old Testament metaphor and said that believers are guarded by the **"strong right arm of God!"** But **Jesus said that all it takes is His little finger to guard us for all eternity!**

We had a good month in June with an average

attendance of 324 in Bible Study. We celebrated **FATHER'S DAY** and celebrated the birth of Olivia Josephine Bernard, the daughter of Trey and Amanda. **Jason Teal** and crew worked hard to make the **EQUIP MISIONS CAMP** an exciting time here on our campus. Equip Missions is an association-wide event for our students to do missions locally as well as consider God's call to missions for their lives.

And thanks to our **Children's Ministry Team** for helping us put together a great Wednesday night summer activity for our children, grades 1-5. It's called **"OVERCOMING THE FEAR FACTOR"** and will run through August 1st, from 6:30 to 7:30pm. The Bible study follows the Gospel of Mark, while they also have some fun activities that work off of the biblical theme. And of course, there's always something good to eat! You can find more information about it in this edition of **The Witness**.

Congratulations to **Michael Richardson** for celebrating 17 years of sobriety! We appreciate Michael and the way he walks every day as a genuine believer in Jesus Christ.

We are also excited about the progress that **Chairman Steven Bacon** and our **STUDENT BUILDING PLANNING TEAM** are making. **Carson Selph, Chairperson of the Design and Planning Team**, reports that they have engaged the services of local architect **Todd Albritton**, who designed the new campus for Antioch Baptist Church in our association. Carson's team will soon be narrowing down their decision on the best design option for us and our future. Please continue to pray for this vital team's work.

JULY IS FULL OF GREAT OPPORTUNITIES:

- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** takes place Sunday through Thursday, **July 22nd-26th**. Russ Jenkins is leading this important ministry to children for us this Summer. We still need several volunteers. Please pray for this most important evangelistic event for Children!

- **DINNER THEATER** takes place on Friday and Saturday nights, July 27th-28th. Cost of this event is \$15 per person, which helps to pay the costs of the Youth Choir Summer Trip.

COME EXPECTANTLY!

I love you, Garth

Youth Choir Dinner Theater
July 27th and 28th at 7pm
 Tickets are \$15 and go on sale July 8th



Upcoming Events

Missions Action Team: Meeting on Sun, July 1 at 6:30pm

Coffee and Conversation: July 3 at 10:15am, our guest is Pastor Garth!

Independence Day: Church offices will be closed.

CentriKid: July 9-13, please pray for the children and chaperones!

Crafting for Missions: July 12 & 26th at 1pm

Young At Heart: July 19th at 11am

Missions Fest: August 12 at 6:30pm, join us this evening as we hear from our missionaries!

Aug. 5th / 6pm
lamar county schools
PRAYER WALK
 SCHOOL BUS

Words of Thanks

Dear Church Family,
I would like to thank you for the opportunity you gave me to serve as a messenger to this years' Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, Texas. Not knowing what to expect, I came away inspired, encouraged and energized by the unity and vision of our fellow churches and individual brothers and sisters in Christ. The new leadership of the SBC shows great promise in our future as together we serve Him.

Nancy Cloudt

Words cannot express our love and appreciation for all you did for our mother through the years, and especially during the past few months. All the food, phone calls, cards, and visits and prayers meant so much to her and us. She loved her church and she loved all of you. Thank you again for being so kind and thoughtful.

The Family of Lucille Pennington

Thank you for all the kind words, love, and prayers that have supported our family in our journey with my brother Bob's cancer. They have sustained us during these difficult times.

The Lee Woodall Family