#### **SPECIAL GIFTS**

- To Golden Cross by Brenda and Ted Alexander, Henry and Lauretta Forrest, Ray and Marsha Smith and Shirley Weeks.
- To Golden Cross in memory of G.K. Plyler by Hazel Crump.
- To Golden Cross in memory of Maxene Shinn by Harding Shinn.
- To CUMC in memory of Melita Padilla, Maxene Shinn and Everett Boone by Nancy and Louis Fennell.
- To CUMC in memory of Marguerite and Warren Jeffries 74<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of June 12<sup>th</sup> by Nancy and Louis Fennell.
- To Golden Cross in honor of Harding Shinn by Ashley Samuels and Mark Shinn.
- To R and R in memory of all deceased members of the Bill Cobb S.S. Class and in honor of great grandson, Jay Walker by Joe Black.
- To R and R by Carl and Betty Pinion, Harding Shinn, Ted and Brenda Alexander, Jae and Kim Lee, Ruby Vincent and Ray and Marsha Smith.
- To R and R in honor of Waylon and Ruby Hensley by Beth Phillips.
- To Project Agape Shoes by Ted and Brenda Alexander and Phyllis Hale.
- To Project Agape Shoes in honor of Phyllis Hale's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 25<sup>th</sup> by Ray and Marsha Smith.

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### **GROW THE HOLY SPIRIT IN US**

It has been pretty hot in this summer, and we easily feel fatigue from the sweaty weather. However, remembering how cold the last winter was, I cannot but thank God for providing us with the appropriate seasons in life. In the ecological system, summer is a season of growth. Likewise, now is a season for us to grow the Holy Spirit in us.

This fall I am planning to preach a sermon series on the Holy Spirit. I pray that we experience a new season of growth, spiritually and numerically, with the help of the Holy Spirit at Calvary. In particular, growing the Holy Spirit in us is to focus on the presence of God in our lives. Before doing God's ministries, we need to begin with kneeling in prayers and waiting for the presence of God in us.

Personally I would like to renew my sense of calling into God's ministry. I will also invite you to boldly share your stories of faith with one another. On October 11, Calvary will celebrate its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Homecoming Sunday. I would like to listen to the stories, not only our stories of 150 years but also the story of God who has worked with the saints at Calvary.

Let us grow God's Spirit in us, in our deepest hearts, in our homes, and in our church. When God's Spirit overflows among us, we will be surprisingly invited to a harvest joy!

Blessings and love, Jae



On our Homecoming Sunday, Oct. 11, we will be celebrating our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Please plan to be with us for this historic time of celebration and fellowship. Our guest speaker will be our District Superintendent, Rev. Sally Langford.

# **CHILDREN'S NEWS**



We will be having a sleepover at Adam and Shea's house on August 14. We will meet at their house at 7 PM until the next day at 11 AM. We may have an added surprise!! Please see Patty or Shea or Adam for address and directions. We are very excited about this great fellowship!! This is for all the kids and youth ages from 9 to 16.

Children's luncheon will be on September 13. We are very excited, and our theme will be "heaven." Tickets will be available at five dollars. It will go towards us buying a set of handbells to use at the church.

Patty Pressley, Children's Ministry

### **NEW CHURCH WEBSITE**

One of the vitality ministries is communication development. In order to reach out new and young residents in Wilmore community and charlotte, our church created new church website. Please visit <u>calvaryumcnc.org</u> as often as you can. If you want to add ministry stories and pictures on our website, please send them to our church office. Monthly newsletter, the current, and other announcements will be also available on the website.

### **ARE YOU A FRIEND TO CALVARY?**

We have a church facebook as well as church website. If you do facebook, please find Calvary UMC and be a friend today! We will need more friends both online and offline. Please invite your friends to Calvary's facebook as well.

## HOLY COMMUNION OFFERING

As we share in Holy Communion today, the offering that is placed on the communion rail will be donated to the Second Harvest Backpack Program. This program provides elementary school children in Charlotte who are at risk of hunger with backpacks full of nutritious, child-friendly foods to take home over the weekends during the school year. Thank you for your donation to this special mission.

Calvary's Outreach Committee



July 19<sup>th</sup> R and R Lunch had a great turnout with you generous support. We had a good Christian fellowship and raised \$1,300.00 through your generous donations. We give special thanks to United Methodist Men who prepared and served the meal for us. Our next R and R Lunch will be in October.

### SHOES FOR PROJECT AGAPE CHILDREN

Each fall we collect donations for Project Agape. One of the great needs is shoes for the children so that they can attend school. The government in Armenia charges tax on used shoes to we are asked to donate **ONLY** new shoes. The Outreach Committee is asking for donations to purchase new shoes for the children.



It is heartbreaking to hear that children who want to attend school in Armenia can't because they don't have a pair of shoes to wear. Children in Armenia value an education as it is their only way out of poverty.

Would you give generously to Shoes for Project Agape Children? Donations will be accepted through **August 16** so that members of the Outreach Committee can purchase the shoes. You may make your check payable to the church and on the memo line write, **Shoes for Project Agape Children.** 

The Outreach Committee appreciates your donations.

Brenda Alexander, Chair

# *PEMEMBED IN DRAYERS*



Jim Gilman, Johnny Vincent, Rose Smith, Preston Savage, Johnny Parker, The Eddings family, The Edwards family, Dillon Webb, Nancy Short, J.C. Witte, Jackson Johnson, Jim Johnson, Stella Schlagowsky, Beatrice Brown, Daisy Dunlap, Phyllis Hale, Mary Anne Koon, Mason and Shirley Butler, Joyce Beyer, Ray Pinion, Faye Smith, Barbara Pressley, Noah Collins, Linda Baucom, Annette James, Mary Brotherton, Mary Grace and Joyce "Joy" Covington, Alice Jarrell, Dot Richardson, Betty Pinion, Margaret Bumgardner, Ellen Harton, Millie King, Shannon Taylor, Joyce and Johnny Puckett, Tom and Lib Phillips and all of our sick and shut-ins and those serving our country.



Carly Hensley	5	Mary Covington	6
Lauretta Forrest	8	Jim Johnson	10
Gary Rockett	10	Randy Combs	15
Robin Davis	15	Maddie Pressley	15
Rachel Graves	16	Wanda Grant	21
Carl Pinion	24	Kaylan Pressley	31