

*Greenlawn Baptist Church
Columbia, South Carolina
July/August 2016
Newsletter*



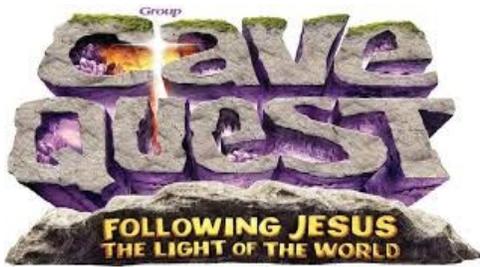
Christmas in July

You are invited to join us for a
Christmas in July Party
for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox
DATE: Wednesday, July 27, 2016
TIME: 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall



Please bring hors-d'oeuvres to share with everyone for a pre-Christmas Party. Drinks will be provided. Also, please bring toys for boys, small balls, dolls, (please remember these must fit in the shoeboxes), and/or school supplies for the boxes. Please no pencils as we have plenty. See more suggestions on page 7.





Vacation Bible School 2016

Thanks to the 32 adults and youth who worked in our Cave Quest VBS and to all of our church members who contributed financially, we had 41 children who learned how to follow Jesus, the Light of the World. Through song, Bible stories, arts and crafts, science activities Kid Vid Cinema and games, they (with the help of their Bible Memory Buddy cave animals) learned how Jesus gives us hope courage, direction, love and power. They also raised \$369.42 for the Kid to Kid Mission project, which will help repair one home right here in North America.



Emily's Post

Dear Friends of Internationals:

It was very GREEN on the day after St. Patrick's Day, when Friday International Lunch Hour opened to serve students who came on March 18th. They registered from 24 different countries. The "green" was provided by members of Green Hill Baptist Church and Greenlawn Baptist Church. The plenteous food donated by the "Green" churches provided more than enough for the student attendance of 74, with the result that leftovers were taken to Hannah House and Oliver Gospel Mission. We at CCFI are most grateful to the members of these two churches who worked to provide this generous support for Friday at Maxcy at USC. Thank you very much.

From the CCFI Lunch Committee: Robin Dean, Marion Crane, Carol Floyd and Jane Teas



Special thanks to Cedar Florist for the beautiful flowers. VBS Volunteers—thanks for the gift certificates I will be using this week. We had a great bunch of volunteers and as usual it makes me so proud of the people at Greenlawn that always steps up. I know we all felt it was a daunting task after losing Bridget, however I am sure she is proud of us as we tried to keep her posted with pictures and

Please continue to pray for Bob and Mary Knox as Bob continues to improve.

Mary Robinson has moved and her new address is:
Colonial Gardens
5165 Sunset Blvd.
West Columbia, SC 29169



Please remember all of our homebound members with phone calls and/or cards.



July & August Food Items for the Food Bank. Please bring your items to either your Sunday School Class or the trunk in the hallway of the South Wing or Children's Building.

Remember kids are out of school during these months.
Treat & Salentine Crackers
Macaroni & Cheese & Tuna
Peanut Butter & Jelly are also good items for the summer.



Rob Baggett's Beat



The Desires of Your Heart

Trust in the LORD and do good;
dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Psalm 37: 3-4

How many times in life have you thought that if you could only have your heart's desire that you would finally be content, only to find that once you got it, that possession, that relationship or that achievement had failed to give you the peace of mind, happiness and satisfaction that you expected. Sure, you may have felt fulfilled for a little while, but it didn't last. Soon, you were chasing some other goal, possession or person to give you what you thought you needed. Real contentment remained elusive. Why?

The reason is that you don't know what you want. You want what you know. Your desires are based on what you have already experienced, on the things and people you are familiar with. If a little chocolate or ice cream makes you feel happy, then a lot more is bound to make you even happier, at least until it makes you sick. If you enjoy getting attention from a special person, the key to happiness must surely lie in gaining their complete devotion. If the car you were so excited about when you bought it is beginning to lose its shine, then a brand new car is certain to bring back the thrill.

While we distract ourselves with all of the things we already know about that we enjoy, we often miss God's offer. In Psalm 37 and in many other places in scripture, we are promised that if we take delight in the Lord, he will give us the desires of our hearts. You would think everyone would jump at that offer. And if we could remember all of the times we have gotten what we thought we wanted on our own and were disappointed, perhaps we would. After all, doesn't the Lord know our hearts better than we do ourselves. If we were to seek His Kingdom and plan for our lives first, isn't it just possible that when He gave us "all these things" that they would be the very things that would finally fulfill us?

C. S. Lewis once said, "It would seem that Our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased."

Raise your standards. God has more in store for you than you can imagine. Trust him; follow him; and he will reveal to you and give you the true desires of your heart.

CHURCH WIDE SHOWER



YOU ARE INVITED TO A
BRIDAL SHOWER
FOR ALI FREIMAN
BRIDE-ELECT OF CHRIS CAGLE
SATURDAY, JULY 30TH
2::00 PM
SOUTH WING
GREENLAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

HOSTED BY: *Emily Lee Mission Group*

*Ali and Chris are registered at
Macy's and William Sonoma.*



Greenlawn began its ministry to the Win family, on June 6, 2007 when they (Aung Naing, ZeZe and Ketin) arrived in Columbia. Originally from Burma (Myanmar), they had left Burma, fearing for their lives as Christians living in a corruptly run Buddhist country. They had traveled from Burma, by foot, to Thailand, and then by fishing boat to Malaysia, where they lived for several years. Eventually they were connected to a Christian organization that loaned them money for travel to the United States and placed them with Lutheran Family Services. Greenlawn's refugee ministry team helped them settle in Columbia by helping with their housing needs (furnishing one of the church's apartments with donations from church members), finding a job for Aung Naing, getting Ketin enrolled in school and then tutoring, taking them to health appointments, shopping, opening a bank account and a variety of other services. The family grew over the nine years as they added three more daughters and moved to the church's McAlister House. As they became more independent, learned English and became more comfortable with the American culture, Aung Naing and ZeZe earned their citizenship on February 2, 2016. We have loved and enjoyed watching this family grow as Americans, but on July 8th, they will move to join family in Syracuse New York. We wish them well as they begin a new chapter in their lives and reunite with family.

Their new address is: 810 Spring St.
Syracuse, NY 13208



WMU News



The total collected for our Mother's Day offering was \$270.00. This offering goes to support SC Baptist Ministries for the Aging. Thanks for your support!

The Alice Thompson Mission Group would like to THANK everyone who supported our Thrift Sale this year. Total Funds from this sale was \$5,031.25. These funds will be used for VBS, postage for Operation Children's Shoeboxes as well as other church mission projects.



Remember the items that you purchase must fit in a shoebox.

Listed below are some suggested items for these shoeboxes that you can bring to our Christmas in July Kick-Off.

- Soap
- Scissors
- Crayons and/or colored markers
- Glue sticks
- Candy (no chocolate)
- Children's toothpaste and Children's toothbrushes
- Dolls
- Boy Toys
- Small balls
- Small Books
- Writing Pads

ITEMS that we DO NOT NEED ARE: stuffed animals, pencils or cars

Please look to see if you have any Campbell Soup Labels that you have not yet brought to the church. This program is ending for good and this is not our decision –Labels for Education/Campbell Soup decision). The program ends in August, but we will need to send in our last batch no later than **July 15th**. Continue to save your labels and be sure to turn them all in by July 15th. We still need some more in order to have enough labels to get a \$250 Visa Gift Card that can be used to purchase items for our Children's Ministry or for Vacation Bible School for next year. Remember, it is only this portion of the label that we need.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

July Birthdays

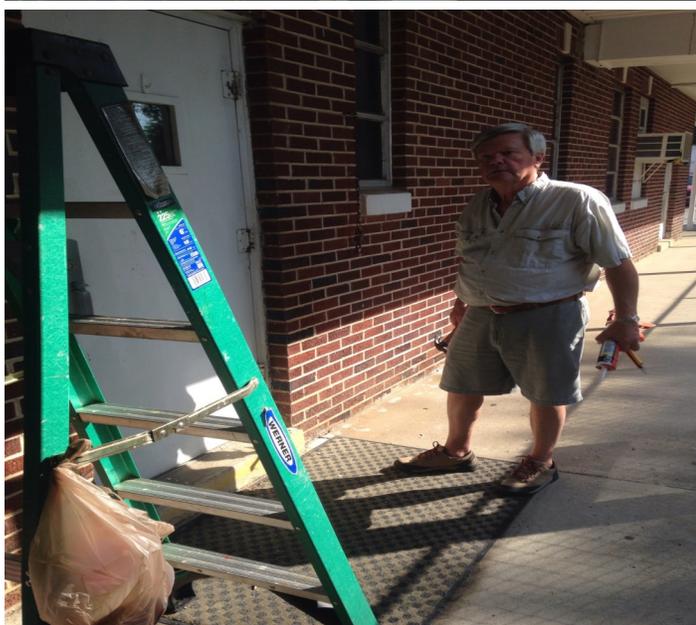
7/01 Tray Stone	7/10 Max Reeves	7/23 Jackie Griffin
7/02 Jordyn Boulet	7/10 Lewis Scurry	7/25 Ginny Blackwell
7/03 Frances Cormier	7/12 Aung Win	7/26 Donna Roberts
7/05 Mary Knox	7/15 Jeff McManaway	7/27 Rachael Howell
7/07 Fraser Creech	7/16 Jennifer Lundy	7/28 Virginia Coats
7/08 Love Ladele	7/18 Carol Player	7/31 Anthony Jordan
7/08 Ken Smith	7/21 Tariq Singletary	

August Birthdays

8/01 Linda Griffin	8/08 Sean Thomson	8/24 Jim Revels
8/01 Bucky Elrod	8/11 Cora Lee Swink	8/25 Elliott Cooper
8/02 Chad Branham	8/14 Jackie Houston	8/26 Carolyn Smith
8/03 Mary-Caitlyn Singleton	8/22 Makebe Jeffcoat	8/27 Kate Booth Cordier
8/05 Peggy Gainey	8/23 Beth Sanders	8/28 Maude Jordan
8/05 Charlie Davis	8/23 Bob Singleton	8/30 Jonathan Howell
8/07 Randall Hornsby	8/23 Randall Poe	8/31 Joye Hanna



Our Special Thanks to Patricia Davis who organized our Saturday Church workday. Patricia would also like to thank everyone who came and worked on these two Saturdays. The total number of hours spent working totaled over 40 hours, which is what the church saved in labor cost.





July 2016

Building Codes

FH=Fellowship Hall
 CB=Children's Building
 CR=Conference Room

P=Parlor
 PR=Prayer Room
 SW=South Wing

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 Freedom Sunday 9:30 Early Bird Choir Tune-Up 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Worship 12:00 Freedom Sunday Cookout	4 Independence Day <i>Office Closed</i>	5	6 6:30-7:15 Children's Bible Study & Summer Games 6:30-7:30 Youth Game Night Bring a Game to share 6:30 Pastor's Bible Study 7:20 Sanctuary Choir	7	8	9
10 9:00 Church Council, CR 9:30 Early Bird Choir Tune-Up 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Worship	11 6:00 Rental Property Committee Meeting	12 6:00 Finance Committee Meeting, SW	13 6:30-7:15 Children's Bible Study & Summer Games 6:30 Pastor's Bible Study 7:20 Sanctuary Choir 8:00 until Movie Night on Lawn for all families. Bring a chair, blanket & snacks	14	15	16
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24 9:00 Public Relations Committee Meeting, CR 9:30 Prayer Committee Meeting, PR 9:30 Early Bird Choir Tune-Up 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Worship 4:00 Japanese Worship Service, SW	25	26 10:30-3:30 Children/Youth Water Park Trip Palmetto Falls	27 6:00 Christmas in July 6:30-7:15 Children's Bible Study & Summer Games 6:30 Pastor's Bible Study 7:20 Sanctuary Choir	28	29	30 Bridal Shower SW
31 9:00 5th Sunday Fellowship 9:30 Early Bird Choir Tune-up 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Worship						

Greenlawn Baptist Church AUGUST



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

**Newsletter entries deadline is the 20th
of every month.**

GBC Children

Devotion and game nights continue each Wednesday night 6:30-7:15
through the summer.

Water park trip on July 26th. Time to be announced.

GBC Youth

**Watch Bulletins
for upcoming
events**

