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I always know that I am in His hands and I experienced that at a significant level this week. I do want to thank those who stepped up and helped with the services while I was out.

*Grace and Peace,
John Check*

As most of you know by now, I spent a few nights in the hospital in Greenville NC. My "journey" seems to have started with a spider bite (actually 3 bites) and culminated with 5 nights at Vidant. I woke up Wednesday and could not pick up the thermometer with the fingers on my left hand. I did have a very slight stroke that affected my fingers. I am typing and using those digits. I think they are about 80% back to normal.

I followed the correct protocol for strokes at the urging of Sheryl and Dr. Holton and went to the OBX Hospital. I have had the stroke scoring exam enough that I can give it. After numerous tests on my, heart, my brain, and my arteries, I found out that I am fine. I gave enough blood to re-supply the Red Cross in o positive blood.

Before I left the hospital, they implanted a small microchip in my chest that will read my heart function for up to the next 3 years. The Doctors are trying to see if I have any heart rhythm issues. I would have thought that after all the time on monitors this would have already been determined. The medical team does not want to miss anything.

Life is filled with mysteries and the cause of mild stroke will probably fall into that category. I do want to share a couple thoughts about my "journey" and how I am processing this. As I walked around the unit I felt incredibly fortunate. Additionally, I prayed a prayer of thanksgiving and am truly thankful for family, friends, and Doctors, who called, texted, email, and sent cards. I spend time counting my blessings. Thank you for your prayers and acts of kindness.



Good News!

We welcome Nathan Schierer as new Music Director at Mount Olivet. Nathan graduated from Houghton College in the State of New York where he earned a Bachelor of Music Degree in vocal performance.

For the past five years, Nathan has been and will continue to be employed by Rocky Hock Playhouse, a Christian theater in Edenton, North Carolina, as a professional actor and box office manager.

Nathan's wife, Mariah, is an accomplished dancer, actor and singer and also works at the Rocky Hock Playhouse and College of the Albemarle.

We are pleased Nathan has accepted this position and look forward to his ministry in our community and in our Church.



Children's Ministry

Legacy Building Sunday is September 14, 2014. A legacy is something we do now that lives on. It's a "memory marker." A planned gift to benefit your church or a beloved ministry can be a powerful legacy that provides inspiration for both our immediate family and our Christian family. It is a way for them to reflect upon the values we've held dear during our lifetime. Being a mom and children's director, my thought process goes to, what legacy am I leaving for our children?

This is a guest post by Kym Carter. Kym is "a wife, mother to 3 amazing kids, lover of Jesus who happens to be a Christian speaker/writer, and president of Legacy Moms who is also passionate about God's people."

How To Leave A Godly Legacy For Your Children

By Kym Carter



Over the course of our ministry, my husband and I have spoken to thousands of parents, both young and old. And I can say without hesitation that almost every parent I have met wants to pass on good things to their kids because they love them. Over the years I have talked to countless people interested in Christian parenting that would say they truly want to leave a Godly legacy to their children, but they will admit that they aren't completely sure what that means exactly.

This is not shocking to me. In the day-to-day grind of life, we all have the potential of getting caught up in life's hectic demands and can easily lose sight of our real purpose as parents as we get lost in the details.

So in this post I hope to inspire you to re-focus on your purpose if you have gotten off-track and give you some real practical ways to create a Biblical legacy wherever you might be in that process, even if you have never even considered that a priority before.

Leaving a Godly Legacy is our purpose as parents.

It is mandated in Scripture. Our most important job is to teach our children about the Lord and make it a priority.

"...you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up. Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." – Deuteronomy 6:6-9

I know plenty of parents who think that as long as they take their kids to church once in a while, or because they attend Christian school, or maybe they go to VBS or church camp that they have somehow fulfilled their job by getting their kids in front of people that can tell them about God. Those are all good and helpful things to support what you are doing at home, but they were never intended to be the only source of Biblical teaching. God intends that to be happening in the home by the parents. Why is it so important for us to be the influencers in our child's life?

In Exodus 20:6, God tells Moses:

"I lavish my love on those who love me and obey my commands, even for a thousand generations."

You see, what you do now matters, and it affects generations.

The truth is this: You will pass on something to your children and grandchildren...the question is, what?

Everything we need to know about passing on a Godly legacy to our children is found in Scripture. The Bible is as valid for us now as it was for all the generations of parents before us.

The problem is this: many of us were not taught how to pass on a Godly Legacy to our children because we didn't have it passed on to us. Many parents were not raised in a Biblical way, and some have never even really seen what Biblical parenting really looks like so they have nothing to model after.

Many times these people end up being reactive parents, and parent not according to Scripture, but in reaction to their own upbringing and the legacy that has been handed down to us. If they think they turned out pretty good, than they just copy what their parents did; good or bad, right or wrong, extremely strict and overbearing, or completely permissive with no structure or boundaries - and then hope for a similar outcome. Or, on the other extreme, they didn't like the way they were raised so they throw out everything their parents did and go over to the opposite extreme. Extremes in parenting approaches are almost never

Biblical or healthy. What our children really need is a Godly home that is balanced and full of love.

When we as parents really understand that the things we do today affect the way our children remember their childhoods and mold who they are and how they see life – that’s when we get serious about making changes that create a Godly legacy. A Godly legacy begins when we are intentional parents who create a home that honors God. Children thrive best in an atmosphere of genuine love, supported by reasonable, consistent discipline. In this day and time, with so much trying to win the hearts and minds of our children, we can’t just rely on hope or luck to raise Godly children.

We must be intentional and make a choice to parent according to God’s Word and make it a priority to infuse that into every choice we make.

So, I want to share with you four basics principles that will help us all create a more Godly Legacy in our homes:

1. Be the example of the character traits you would like to develop in your children.

You have probably heard the saying, “more is caught than taught.” It is true. If you want your children to be truthful, then you need to be truthful. If you want them to serve others, let them see you serving. If you want them to have an authentic relationship with Jesus, show them what that looks like in your life. You have tremendous influence simply by the way you live your life in front of them.

2. Be consistent with rules and consequences.

Challenge to your authority will happen. That doesn’t mean you are doing something wrong. See those challenges as an opportunity to train and reach their heart by teaching them God’s Truth on various matters. Our kids challenge us because they need to know where the boundaries of right and wrong are. If the same rules apply as yesterday, who here is going to do something about it if I disobey, anyway?

When we are consistent and clear, we make them feel secure because they know where the boundary is, and they feel confident in our ability to lead them. If you are not consistent with your rules and consequences, you are actually training your child to be more disobedient and for them to challenge you more often. Why? They are always trying to figure out what the rules are today and how much they can get away with....and will only find out by pushing the limits.

We have to consistently discipline for disobedience and teach our children to respect our authority. This is an important truth for all parents: If you want your child to accept your values and beliefs when they are older, it is essential that they see you as worthy of respect when they are young.

3. Be intentional about your own choices to make sure they line up with God’s Word and the legacy you hope to create. Be careful about making decisions on the fly based on what is easiest, and most convenient at the time. Little choices add up to setting the tone for our values: Choices like what we watch on TV, where our priorities are, and how we spend our free time.

4. Be in prayer for your family and journal about your successes and failures.

Ask yourself, ‘What are my goals as a parent? What would I like our family to be like?’ Journal about those goals and start praying for those things. We need to know what it is that we want for our family and set goals to get there. If you have no goals for your family, then you are guaranteed not to reach any.

Being a parent isn’t easy....it’s hard work! Being a Godly parent takes wisdom, courage, and patience mixed with big doses of grace and forgiveness.

When those difficult days come – and they will – we need to remember that God gave you your children for a reason. He chose you to parent that child and He will equip you to do the job if you allow Him to. Don’t let your frustration or distractions keep you from finding your purpose as a parent.

Whether you are just beginning your parenting journey, or you have grown kids and you are entering a new phase of parenting, embrace where you are at in the journey and make the most of it! Enjoy your kids and have fun with them, because when it comes to parenting, the days seem to drag on forever, but the years go by in the blink of an eye, and your kids are worth it!

*Director of Children’s Ministry
Tina Hodgson*



Nursery Volunteers

Date	8:30 Service	9:45 Sunday School	11:00 Service
September 7	Deloris Harrell 473-5739	Judith Fearing 441-5487	Brenda Davis 305-8393
September 14	Melinda Creef 473-2345		Lynn Tugwell 473-1338
September 21	Liz Brown 473-9892	Jan Culpepper 757-373-4155	Melva Garrison 473-3399
September 28	Charlotte White 475-1864		Valerie Wheeler 473-5595

If you cannot serve your time in the nursery, please call someone and trade, if possible. The nursery is in need of assistance. Please contact me if you would like to serve in their area?

Elizabeth Gallop, Nursery Coordinator

Music Ministry

Always sing a 'New Song!'

Psalms 96:1-3, 11-13 (NIV)

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
- 12 Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
- 13 Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

As you are reading this, Debra and I will have already moved to Concord, NC. As hard as it is to leave Mount Olivet, we have the utmost faith in God that He will watch over us and guide us as we start another chapter in our lives. Debra has taken a position at Hickory Ridge High School in Concord where she is an EC teacher. As for me I hope that by the time this is published I will have found employment. I will inform the office as to my job status and will have the office publish our new address as soon as we find our new home.

Words cannot express the love we have for Mount Olivet and the generous, warm and kind congregation that is Mount Olivet. You are a shining beacon on Roanoke Island and the OBX community! It has been my pleasure and more correctly, an honor to serve you as your Music Director these past months. Debra and I will cherish the time we have spent with you and look forward to our visits in the future (of which I hope there are many!).

Mount Olivet is blessed to have such a wonderful, Christ-centered, servant-minded staff that I have been blessed to serve with. I will miss them greatly.

My wish for Mount Olivet is that you never lose

your zeal for worship, your love of fellowship and your desire for mission. With these things, a church is effective and can be a difference maker in its community!

To paraphrase the psalm above:

Sing to the Lord a new song;
Sing to the Lord, Mount Olivet.
Sing to the Lord and praise His name;
proclaim God's glory every day.
Declare God's glory among the Outer Banks;
And do marvelous deeds among its people!

Peace, love and Alleluia!
Jim Lowder

Worship

Altar Guild

Chair – Maureen Thompson 423-0112

Anne Davis, Flossie Tugwell, Rose Skinner, Toni Franklin

Ushers/Greeters

8:30 Mike & Denise Trevino 305-8210

11:00 Steve & Martha Howell 475-1117

11:00 Bill & Margaret Daniels (Greeter) 473-3534

Communion Stewards will be announced in Bulletin

Thanks to all who help with Worship Committee activities.

Tri-chairs:
Lynda Midgett, Kathy Seawell, Sarah Wise



*Don't forget the UMM Fish Fry
September 12 from 5 - 7 pm*



September marks another time of transition at the Cove, as we move from summer programming into our fall schedule, which you will find below. Please note that the schedule is identical to last year's schedule at this time.

In a few weeks we will be adding two Bible studies that will meet each week, one for middle school students, and another for high school students. This summer our students went through a curriculum entitled "Jesus Is _____", which

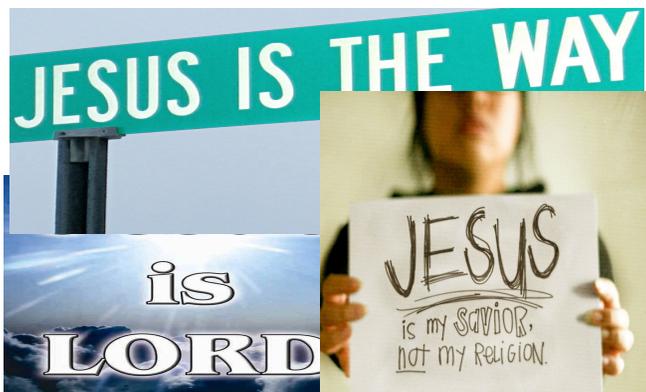


quickly became one of my favorite times each week. The students who attended this event had

the opportunity to reason through and discuss different stories about Jesus and how those stories impact our knowledge of Him and relationship with Him today. It quickly became clear to me that our students could greatly benefit from a similar study that would run during the school year, not just the summer.

The middle school and high school Bible studies will provide an opportunity for students to meet and discuss the Bible and their relationship with God in a setting that fosters community and Spiritual growth. The groups will meet at separate times and study different topics, but the goals will be the same: 1. The students will grow in their knowledge of God and their love for Him as they come into a greater understanding of His grace and love toward them. 2. The students will grow deeper in their relationships with other students. Please join with me in prayer as the logistics are finalized for this event and the groups begin meeting. I know that God was at work in the lives of our students this summer, and I am excited to see what God is going to do over the course of this school year.

Drew Peyton



2014 Fall Schedule

All events are open for students in the 6th-12th grade

All events meet at the Cove except youth breakfast

Starting September 2nd and 4th - Tuesday and Thursday-Cove Open Afterschool 3:00-5:00pm. We will enjoy snacks together from 3:30 -4:00 and spend the rest of the time in fellowship.

Starting September 4th - Thursday morning youth breakfast, 7:00 -7:40 am each Thursday morning school is in session; come out for a great hot breakfast and a guest speaker each week. Transportation is provided to middle and high school after breakfast. This event meets in "Room A" inside the main church building.

Starting September 7th - Sunday night Youth Group 5:30 - 7:00 pm. This is a time for students to grow in their love for God and their love for one another as they fellowship through the sharing of heavy snacks, playing games, and studying Scripture together.

This fall will be full of lots of great events! Times and dates TBA for Friday Fellowship events and once a month Saturday Service projects. Also be on the lookout for announcements regarding middle school and high school small group weekly meetings.

Sunday school will continue to meet as previously scheduled. (9:30-10:30)

Cottage Meetings (on-going)

Our new Pastor, John Check, has a great idea for meeting and getting to know our Mount Olivet congregation. We are scheduling a series of "cottage meetings" on upcoming Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week both in the morning and in the evening. We encourage everyone to either agree to host one of these cottage meetings or to participate.

The meetings are get together of about 8 to 12 adults in someone's home with Pastor John and gives us the opportunity to let John know who we are and to discuss matters related to our Church.

Aletia at the Church office is coordinating these events. If you are interested in hosting one or participating in one please give her a call so this can be scheduled in the near future.

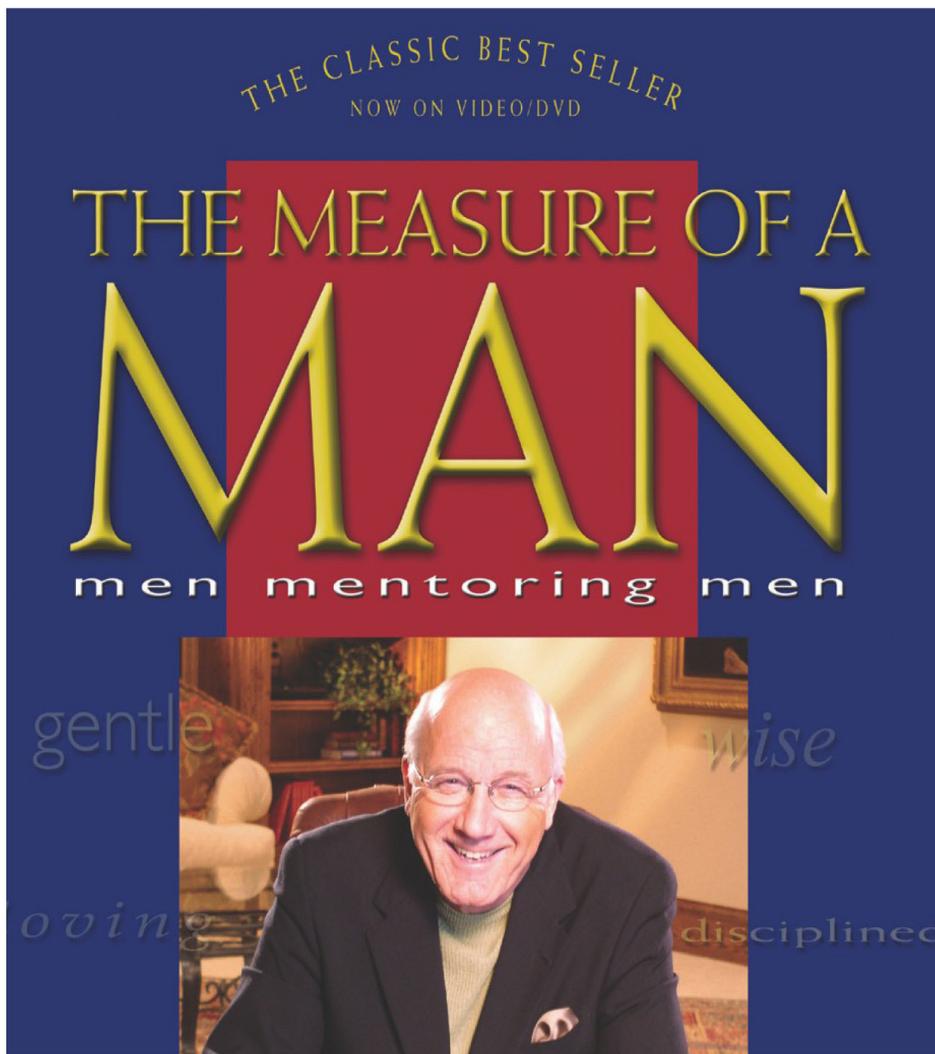
Also, if you would like to participate but Tuesdays and Thursdays don't work, we will arrange a meeting or two at the Church at a convenient time. Again, please contact Aletia.

We look forward to your participation.

*Yours in Christ,
Chris Seawell*

Men's Bible Study

New Ten-Week Video Series Starts September 15



20 ATTRIBUTES OF A GODLY MAN DR. GENE GETZ

Drawing from Paul's maturity profile in I Timothy and Titus, Gene lays it out: "This is what a Godly man looks like. This is what a Godly church leader, husband, businessman, pastor, or teenager should strive to become."

TIME: Mondays 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
PLACE: Mt Olivet UMC - Room A
Workbooks are optional

The Nannie Midgett Circle will meet on Sept. 15, Monday, at 7:30 pm, at the home of Janice Tillett.



We would like to express our gratitude for the ladies in the church office and the members of the congregation as well as the community for contributing to the Mt. Olivet (Roanoke Island) Food Pantry. It's hard to express how very appreciative we were for your generosity during what, for us, had become a difficult journey. The hurricane (Arthur) that brought us to your beautiful town was truly a Godsend to the two of us. We are preparing to our home in St. Martin now, where hopefully we can pay it forward!

*Sincerely,
Guests at the Food Pantry*

(P.S. Thank Ms. Linda for the ride)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
We are so blessed to share fellowship with you. In the last month we received wonderful baked goods from the Food Pantry, thank you especially to your new leaders. We were also blessed by the Summer Mission Camp, 1st-5th grade and Miss Tina who planted bright cheerful petunias in the flower garden along the house. We were also blessed financially by the Missions Activities Account. It is your faithfulness to the Father's call that supports and encourages so many in ministry. Hosea House is grateful to serve along side committed Christians both faithful and obedient to support God's vision for His people. All of our provision comes from God and His servants.

We ask God to equip you all for your circumstances in life; that He will prepare and equip you for every good plan. May He draw your hearts to His own.

*In His Love,
Cheryl Glover*

SCHOLARSHIP THANK YOU

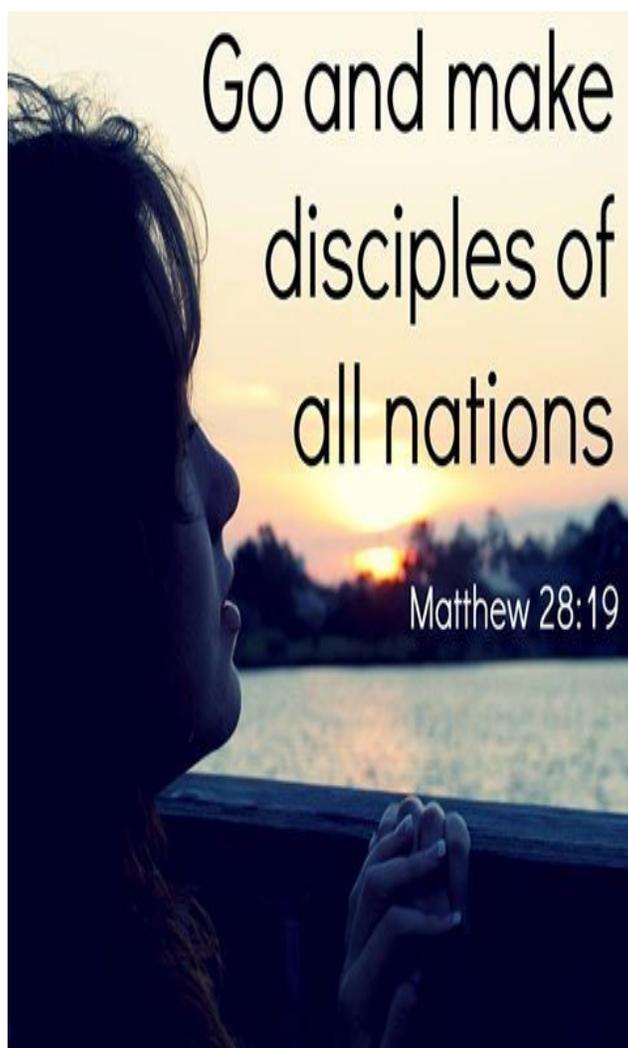
Dear Mount Olivet Church Members,
Words cannot express how thankful and honored I am to have received both the Betty Flowers Gibbs as well as the Woody Gaskill-Keith Jones Scholarships. Because of these scholarships, I am now able to attend East Carolina University in the fall. I will now be able to pursue my dreams of becoming a physical therapist with hopes of giving back to the community that has done so much for me. I move August 23rd, classes start the 26th. I could NOT be more excited.

There's even a possibility of me staying in Greenville next summer and taking extra classes. Thank you all for believing in me. I will not disappoint you.

*Sincerely,
Lucy Mason*

Happy Anniversary!

- 1 Reuben & Jean Payne - 20 yrs.
- 5 Cam & Angie Sellers - 43 yrs.
- 11 Clint & Juanita Hepler - 49 yrs.
- 13 Hannon & Lisa Fry - 17 yrs.
- 14 Robert & Alice Turney - 45 yrs.
- 15 Charles & Joyce Edwards - 30 yrs.
- 15 Mike & Jen Meekins - 7 yrs.
- 15 Doug & Julie Tillett - 24 yrs.
- 16 Chris & Christine Basnight - 35 yrs.
- 20 Malcolm & Susan Fearing - 34 yrs.
- 23 Will & Sandy Atkinson - 30 yrs.
- 25 Pat & Misty Burke - 15 yrs.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Edith Cox, Amy Hinnant, Amelia Pitts Rozmus
- 2 Karen Zillifro
- 3 Emily Brown, John Check, Jerald Craddock,
Eugene Grissom
- 4 Flossie Tugwell
- 5 Leigh-Anne Farquharson, Luciano Zottoli
- 6 Jerri Hopkins, Lara Snyder
- 7 Frank Adams, Mari Beth LaRose
- 8 Mary Burrus Basnight, Brittanie Boone
- 9 Olin Davis, Alden Claire Roberts, Daryl Watts
- 10 Stuart Bell, Wade Dowdy, Rose Skinner,
Donna Wells
- 11 Dana Gainey, Becca Meekins, Dylan Rock
- 12 Korie Sawyer, Bree Tillett
- 14 Erica Sawyer
- 15 Caroline Davis Britton, Brandon
Scarborough, Michael Scarborough
- 16 Christine Basnight, Vicki Holmes, Kayla
Martin, Alfie Wheeler, Lee Wise
- 17 Will Atkinson, Greyson Lee Bell, Drew
Brown, Rebekahann Handran, Brodyn
Petty, Kim Snead, Taylor Wells
- 18 Mark Saxon Skinner
- 19 Kari Haywood, Sandra Holobaugh, Kelly
Zaytoun
- 20 Ken Daniels, Sara Presgrave
- 21 Mike Cox, Billy Gard, Vickie White
- 22 Grace Gallop
- 23 Maureen Thompson
- 24 Mark Brinkley, Dotsy Davis, Jim Gmitter,
Peggy Snead, Whitney Tine, Betsy Via
- 25 Ola Austin, Jamie Hopkins
- 26 Elissa Phillips
- 27 Jake Brown, Pat Burke, Lauren Daniels,
- 28 Krista Cicalese, Kyle Enochs, George Speake
- 29 Sarah Lynn Phillips, Sandra Sawyer,
- 30 Michele Cribb, Mary Houston, Peggy Parker

Missions

Mount Olivet is very fortunate to be able to partner with those in Missions locally, nationally and Internationally. It is so very special to be able to partner with, and offer financial support to some who have been part of our congregation. We have been fortunate lately to hear from a few of our family who are serving God outside the boundaries of our community:

Michael and Brenda (Spake) Brent - they were recently in Manteo from Croatia where they serve as Missionaries through CRU (formerly Campus Crusade for Christ) We were blessed to have Michael stand in for Pastor Check, who was sick, at a moments notice. What a blessing to see them and have them share with us.

A recent note from Griff Crews, who is in seminary:

“Thank you so much for your generosity and support. I will be using the money you sent me to purchase books for the upcoming semester.....”

Note from Todd Davis (son of Dotsy and Olin Davis), assistant Pastor at Oasis Church, Holly Springs, NC

“Thank you so much for your continued support and prayers during this launching year of our new church. I am excited to share that since we began, over 100 people have decided to follow Jesus for the first time or have recommitted themselves to Christ. We have had over 50 of these folks get baptized.”

Note from John and Cindy Peterson - Cindy grew up in Manteo

“Thank you for your continued investment in our ministry with CRU. Recently I was encouraged by one of our student ministry staffers sharing that they had been nervous about sharing with professors but followed their heart and was given an opportunity to speak with an atheist professor who invited them back to talk more in the future. God is WORKING!”

Outer Banks Christian Radio is taking a step of faith.... they have established a new website that allows them to be on the air 24 hours a day. Please TUNE IN from your computer:

www.outerbankschristianradio.com

Missions Committee

