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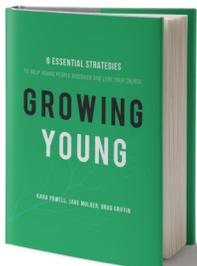
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Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.
“Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.”
John 15:4-5 New Living Translation

Will you join me in reflecting on this verse here at the beginning of 2018? It is my strong desire to see abundant fruit in and through my own life and ministry and through the ministry of Boiling Springs Baptist Church. This verse reminds us that without a personal commitment to remain / abide in Christ our lives will not produce fruit. Please know my family is grateful for your thoughts and prayers concerning my dad's health and we are grateful for the many ways you have expressed kindness during the Christmas season. Thank you very much for your Christmas gift! You are loved!

I look forward to seeing what God will do in and through Boiling Springs Baptist in 2018! *Let's Move!*

January Spiritual Growth Emphasis Sundays at 5PM in the Lighthouse room



**All Churches grow old,
strategic churches
grow young!**

High school students through older adults are invited to be a part of this special study. We will learn about innovative churches that are engaging 15-29 year olds and are growing spiritually, missionally and numerically.

Led by Pastor Keith

Learn about 6 Essential Strategies to help young people discover and love your church.

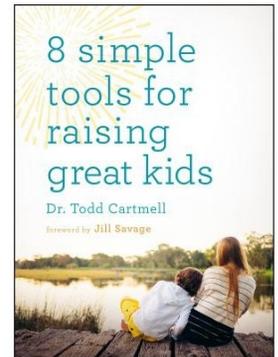
Wednesday Night Parenting Class

Have you ever said, “*I love my child, but parenting is hard?*”

Whether you think parenting comes natural or it's impossible, we could all use a hand here and there.

Parents of young children - parents of high school seniors, you are invited to this new parenting class, led by Pastor Keith, Wednesday nights, beginning **January 3**, at 5:30PM in the Young Adult SS room.

This intensely practical book, and our time of discussion, will help parents with talking, listening, influencing, connecting, teaching, encouraging, correcting and leading our children.



January Sermon Series Stories Jesus Told

Lessons from the Parables of Jesus

- 7 – A Story of Grace and Responsibility – Matthew 18:23-35
- 14 – A Story of Discipleship – Luke 14:28-32
- 21 – Men's Sunday
- 28 – A Story about Money and Stewardship – Luke 16:19-31

Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 11AM & 6PM

- In January, Wednesday evenings will be led by:
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|----------------------|----------------|
| 3—Jeremiah Hamby | 24— Bob Lamb |
| 10—Justin Webb | 31— Doug Bryan |
| 17—Sandy Quattlebaum | |

*The Staff would like to
thank you for the
generous Christmas
Love Offering.
We are touched by your
kindness and love.
We appreciate each and
every one of you.*

International Missions Offering

Goal: \$11,000

**Collected to Date:
Total: \$7,999.00**

SBC Lottie Moon:
\$3,388.74
CBF Global Missions
\$4,610.26

Offering will be open
through January, until
the first of February.

WATCH FOR....

28 Days
of
Love

AND

FIRST EVER Spiritual Growth
Emphasis for couples



**IN FEBRUARY
2018**

From our Associate Pastor for Music & Adults... Candy Wilson

Mark your calendar now for the Sunday, March 4, 10:55 am worship service at Boiling Springs Baptist Church. What a special day that will be as we dedicate our new *Celebrating Grace Hymnals* during a Hymn Festival led by Paul A. Richardson, Professor *emeritus* of Music in the School of the Arts at Baptist-related Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Richardson taught voice and church music and was the recipient of the university's John H. Buchanan Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching.

Paul Richardson was born in Virginia. He is a graduate of Mars Hill University (Bachelor of Music) and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Master of Church Music and Doctor of Musical Arts). A past president of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada, Dr. Richardson was named a fellow of that organization in 2010. He served on the editorial committee for the *Celebrating Grace Hymnal* and has authored several hymns. Dr. Richardson has served and/or contributed to a number of other hymnals and worship leader resources. He is joint author with Harry Eskew and David Music of *Singing Baptists: Studies in Baptist Hymnody in America*. He also authored *Will You Come and Follow Me*, a worship and devotional resource on faith, vocation, and learning. His collaboration with David Music of Baylor University entitled "*I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*": *A History of Baptist Hymnody in America* was one of the resources I used for the hymn study I led at BSBC in January of 2017.

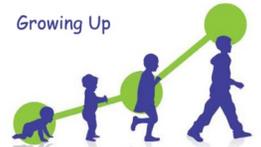
Don't let his credentials fool you! He is a regular guy who is an interesting speaker with a great sense of humor. Paul is an avid baseball fan (especially the Dodgers) who recently retired in order to spend more time with his family and to be able to make more frequent visits to various baseball parks around the country.

Dick and I have been friends with Paul and his wife, Susan (a very accomplished musician in her own right), for more years than I would like to count. Paul and Susan are the parents of two grown children, Robert and Rachel. I know you will want to take the opportunity to get to learn from Paul and to get to know him. His visit with us should prove to be a wonderful worship experience. You don't want to miss it!

Sing to the Lord!
Candy

Preschool and Children...

"I want you to be leaders also in the spirit of cheerful giving."
2 Corinthians 8:7



As we reflect on 2017, I hope that we can look on the times when we as individuals, families, and as a church have given even the simplest of gifts to others as God has given to us. We are a blessed community and there are many with needs that we have seen and assisted, and many that still have needs each month. God uses us each day to help meet many of these needs and will continue to show us how to better serve Him through our gifts. I hope that as we look toward 2018 we will continue to share with others. It can be as simple as a child's colored card, snack bag, and food. Many know we are here and that they can turn to us for help and God has given us the resources, especially time, to talk and pray with them. I invite you to look around you, see the simple smile from a card, or hear thank you from a food pantry recipient. God asks us to be cheerful givers.

In the coming months the children are going to be studying and learning from verses and sections of the Bible that deal with kindness and love. They will be sharing simple acts of kindness with others to show God's love and kindness. They will have the opportunity to share not only with our church families but with their own families, friends and school mates. Encourage them to know that simple acts of kindness can so easily show others their faith and of love of God.

Later in the month the pre-k pals will have the opportunity to join others in an afternoon of Snowman fun and laughter. The children will be having a "share the warmth" mission night geared toward sharing items that will help people stay warm during the winter months.

"Kaitlyn worked hard all morning making a blueberry pie for her mom! She could hardly wait to see the happy look on her mom's face. Did you know that gifts don't have to come from a store? You can color a picture or make a card. God gave us so much. And he wants us to be happy to give gifts to others." Simple lessons of love and caring can give joy and love to others.

"May the Lord fill your hearts with God's Love." 2 Thess. 3:5

Miss Ellen

A Message from Our Youth Minister...

The season of Advent, recognized as the preparation for the birth of Christ, has ended. Christ is born! The 4-week anticipation has reached its climax and the moment all of us have been waiting for has come. Christmas day is over; our radio stations have gone back to normal, our houses (although not ours specifically) are no longer decorated, and family has returned back home. So much of our lives in the last month have been wrapped up with thoughts of anticipation for Christmas, and in the life of the church, for the birth of Christ. The question which is in the mind of children all across the country who have received their presents, and in the mind of Christians who have appropriately waited and now received the gift of Jesus, is this—now, what?

It is 2018, a new year. With a new year we are given time to reflect on both the previous year and the year ahead. We remember both the joyous and solemn times of 2017 and we anxiously hope for new experiences and new life in 2018. To answer the question—now, what? We live. We are called to live in peace, in unity, and in love. Although we have exited from the season of giving, may we never lose our desire to give. In 2018, our prayer for ourselves and for each of you, is that we simply do our best to live as the people God has called us to be. Not falling into resolutions in which the world tells us are important, but genuinely seeking to love God and others above ourselves. May God provide peace and blessings to you in this new year.

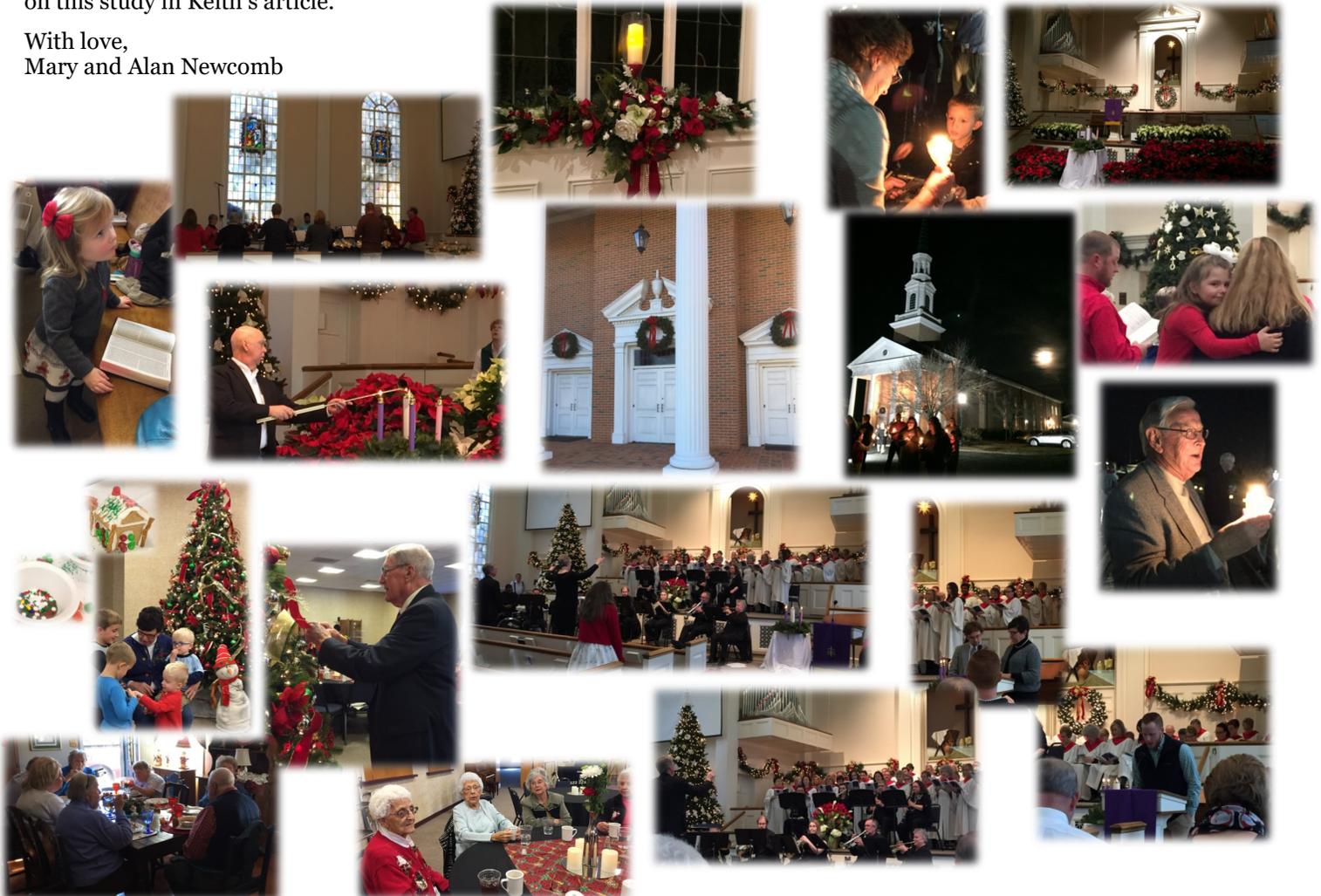
Here are a few events for the youth to be aware of for January:

Sunday, January 21 we will be going to Charlotte, NC for **Winter Jam 2018**. We will meet at the church at 3:30 PM and return late in the night, around 10 PM. All youth, parents and church members are welcome to join us for this awesome night of Christian music by some of the best Christian artists in the world.

Youth basketball has begun! At the time, we do not have a schedule for games, but it will be posted outside of Alan's office and in the bulletin each week once available. The youth will practice **Thursday nights at 5:30** in the LEC. We would love support from the church family at our games!

Pastor Keith is beginning a very important study in January on **Sunday evenings** based on the book **Growing Young**. This is a wonderful book about how churches can begin to include its younger generation. We will be having discussions on how our church can do this. It is extremely important that **ALL** people who are able to come, do come. Youth, parents and all church members are invited and encouraged to come. This is an extremely important message for all people in the church to be here and we hope you will join us on Sunday nights in January. There is more information on this study in Keith's article.

With love,
Mary and Alan Newcomb



Church News...

Mrs. Irene Greene would like to express her thankfulness to each of you who cared for her family during her illness and the surgeries of both her boys, Don Greene and Jerry Greene. She appreciates all the cards, food, and especially the prayers. Jerry is home and Don is now at White Oak. (update: Don is now under Hospice care.)

I am so appreciative of all the cards and notes I have received about Sophie's death. I also have enjoyed the cards for my birthday and the Christmas cards. Thirlen Osborne

*Dear Church Family,
You can't imagine the joy the Christmas cards brought. Thank you for remembering us. We miss Boiling Springs and our church. May each of you be blessed this Christmas season.* *Love, Roger & Susan Gaddis*

Sending Christmas Greetings and every good wish for a happy and healthy New Year Gene and I enjoyed the music (Christmas caroling), the visit and the beautiful cards you brought us last Sunday. It really brightened our day! Merry Christmas to you all. With love, Gene and Betty

Thank you so much for your visits, cards, and prayers. They have meant so much. Please continue to pray for me. I wish you all a Merry Christmas! *Winburn Lee*

(the following note was also placed in the bulletin before Christmas)

Dear Boiling Springs Baptist Church,
We MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!! I never in my life imagined that I could miss my lifelong home church as much as I do, so much in fact that I often just cry for you.
You bless us daily with an endless flow of beautiful cards containing your heartfelt sentiments; you can never truly know how much we appreciate each and every one of these cards and notes. We continue to read and re-read your notes and mentally wrap our arms around you in thanks. Your ceaseless prayers and thoughts of support and love are our source of strength. God never stops amazing us, and neither do you!
We love, love, love you and wish every single one of you the most wonderful Christmas ever as we celebrate the birth of our dear Lord and Savior with you.

Merry Christmas with all our love,
Charles and Jane Stroud

REMEMBER!
EACH WEDNESDAY MORNING
PRAYER MEETING/BIBLE STUDY
11:00am in the Kerygma classroom

Pastor Keith leads this daytime meeting for those of you who don't like to be out after dark!!

Homework Club for Disadvantaged Children

4th Monday Evening of each month
Resumes Jan. 22 and each Fourth Monday thereafter
5:30-7:45 at Aldersgate Methodist Church, Shelby

Our church is helping CBF Missionary, Cecilia Beck.

We will provide a simple meal, then help with homework.

(about 12 children, grades 1-6)

Eight people from our church have volunteered, but we still need more.

If interested, call Kathryn Hamrick, 704-473-6390 or call the church.

CONGRATULATIONS...

...to Boyd & Whitney Harris on the December 5 birth of a son, Orion Cicero Harris.
Congratulations to grandparents, Alan & Ginny Harris.

...to Chase & Kaitlyn Smith Panther on the December 11 birth of a son, Steven Cree Panther. Kaitlyn is the granddaughter of Pete & Margaret White. Congratulations on the birth of a new great-grandson.

Happy Birthday

TO OUR JANUARY 80's AND OVER

- Bobbie Frye.....Jan 08
- Heyward (Pete) White...Jan 18
- Geraldine Humphries...Jan 22
- Forrest (Pat) Kelly.....Jan 25
- Betty Bridges.....Jan 25
- Alice Greene.....Jan 28

Heartfelt Christian Sympathy to

...the families of
Jerry Daves
Brother of Ken Daves

Louise Moore
Mother of Doris Callahan

JANUARY NURSERY
JAN 7

Donny & Catherine Hastings
JAN 14

Anna Whitaker, Diane Rabon,
June Evans

JAN 21
Sam & Darlene Hamrick

JAN 28
Jay & Jamie Washburn,
Sherwin Washburn

WELCOME COMMITTEE
JANUARY

Bob & Carolyn Hunt
(North side of building)
Betty Bridges
(South side of building)

Sanctuary Flowers
JANUARY

JAN 21 - Reserved
ALL OTHER DATES
OPEN in 2018
Please contact church office if you would like to place flowers in our sanctuary for a Sunday in 2018

SUNDAY SCHOOL:
Attendance -December

Dec 3.....	198
Dec 10.....	185
Dec 17.....	202
Dec 24.....	No SS

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR
DECEMBER

Dec 3.....	\$16,497.00
Dec 10.....	\$15,582.00
Dec 17.....	\$ 8,022.29
Dec 24.....	\$17,940.00

Basic Weekly Budget
Needs : \$11,823.32

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and/or
reminders through text,
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Forms are available in
sanctuary vestibule and outside
church office to register to
receive emails and texts from

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship
9:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:55 AM Morning Worship

Tuesday

1:00PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday

11:00 AM Prayer Meeting /
Bible Study
5:00 PM Fellowship Meal
5:15 PM C.A.R.E. Teams
5:30 PM Youth Bible Study
5:30-6:15 Threes & E
5:30 PM Children's Choirs
6:00 PM Prayer Meeting /
Bible Study
6:15 PM.....Children's Missions
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Remember

**Your January Monthly Food Closet
Donations!! Thank you for helping
feed the hungry in our area.**

**Also, Back-Pack items needed—
BSBC is now filling 11 bags per
week for children in need at
BS Elementary.**

**Continuous Needs: Cereals,
Peanut Butter & Jelly**

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Newsletter Information

All information for this publication needs
to be submitted by the **20th of each
month** so it can be mailed before the 1st of
each month.

**THANK YOU to all who help get the
Current Publication ready for mailing
each month. Your service is greatly
appreciated!**

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REGULAR SUNDAY
(SPECIAL Activities listed on Calendar)

8:00 Men's Bible Study
9:00 Prayer in Prayer Room
9:15 Coffee & Fellowship
9:30 Men's Bible Study
9:45 Sunday School
10:55 Morning Worship
5:00 Spiritual Growth

REGULAR TUESDAY ACTIVITIES
1:00 Staff Meeting

REGULAR WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
(SPECIAL Activities listed on Calendar)

11:00 Prayer Meeting in Kerygma
5:00 Fellowship Meal
5:15 CARE Ministry
5:30 Children's Choirs
5:30-6:15 Threes & E
5:30-7:00 Youth Bible Study
6:00-7:00 Prayer Meeting in Lighthouse
6:15 Children's Missions
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Fellowship Meal Leaders:
1/3 C&DWilson, MGuffey, GWasserman
1/10 C&DWilson, J&AHamrick, BGreene
1/17 School Out – NO Meal
1/24 C&DWilson, AGreene, DRabon, B Bridges
1/31 C&DWilson, T&CGreene, BGreene

REGULAR SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY							JANUARY 2018							* See Bottom Blocks for More Info on Sunday and Wednesday Activities						
ACTIVITIES Listed in Sidebar to LEFT																				
SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY								
SBC Lottie Moon & CBF Global Missions Offerings will be taken throughout January		1 NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY – Offices Closed 7:00 Cub Scouts in FH		2 1:00 Staff Meeting 7:00 Boy Scouts		3 Regular Activities *11:00 Daytime Prayer Mtg. Fellowship Meal starts *5:30 Parenting Class *6:00 Prayer Meeting 7:00 Sanctuary Choir		4 6:45am Youth Prayer Breakfast 5:15 C Team-CARE 8:00 Youth Basketball vs. Polkville at Polkville BC		5 6-8:00 LEC Rsvd		6								
7 Regular Activities *see bottom block *10:55 Morning Worship 1:00-7:00 LEC Rsvd *5:00 Spiritual Growth		8 10:00 Dorothy Edwards Bible Study 5:15 Handbells 6:30 Prayer Shawl 7:00 Deacons' Mtg. 7:00 Cub Scouts		9 1:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 DAR Executive Board Mtg. 6:00 Yth BB vs FBC Shelby at Zion 7:00 Boy Scouts		10 Regular Activities *11:00 Daytime Prayer Mtg 5:15 A Team - CARE *5:30 Parenting Class *6:00 Prayer Meeting 7:00 Sanctuary Choir		11 6:45am Youth Prayer Breakfast FH Rsvd		12 FH/Sanctuary Rsvd		13 FH/Sanctuary Rsvd								
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21 BAPTIST MEN'S DAY Regular Activities *see bottom block 9:00 Missions Cmt. *10:55 Morning Worship 3:30-10:00 Youth to Charlotte for Winter Jam *5:00 Spiritual Growth		22 5:15 Handbells 5:30-7:45 Homework Help at Aldersgate 7:00 Cub Scouts		23 1:00 Staff Meeting 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Yth BB vs. Zion at Polkville		24 Regular Activities *11:00 Daytime Prayer Mtg. 5:15 E Team-CARE *5:30 Parenting Class *6:00 Prayer Meeting 6:15-7:00 "Share the Warmth" w/ Miss Ellen in FH 7:00 Sanctuary Choir		25 6:45am Youth Prayer Breakfast 8:00 Yth BB vs. Bethel at Bethel		26		27 2:00-4:00 Pre-K Snowman Day								
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