

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday
8:00 AM - Men’s Breakfast
9:15 AM - Coffee & Fellowship
9:45 AM - Sunday School
10:55 AM - Morning Worship

Wednesday
5 - 6:00 PM - Fellowship Meal
5:15 PM - C.A.R.E. Teams
5:30 - 6:15 PM - Children’s Music
5:30—7:00 PM - Youth Hang
Time & Bible Study
6 - 7:00 PM - Adult Prayer
Meeting
6:15 - 7:00 PM - Children’s
Missions
7 - 8:00 PM - Sanctuary Choir

**THE CURRENT
NEWSLETTER
INFORMATION:**

All information, for this new monthly publication, will need to be in by the 20th of each month. This will give the church office time to both publish and mail the newsletter, with the goal of it arriving in mail boxes before the 1st of each month.

**SUNDAY MORNINGS
IN JANUARY:**

- 3 - What Are You Searching For?
Matthew 2:1-12
Wesley Smith
- 10 - Baptist Children’s Homes
- 17 - Pastor Keith McKinney
- 24 - Men’s Sunday
- 31 - State of the Church Address
Pastor Keith McKinney

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The Current

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KEITH’S KORNER

It is with great excitement we (Church Staff) introduce you to this new and improved newsletter format for BSBC! You will find our regular staff articles and articles from our new youth minister Alan Newcomb, as well as an article from Day Care Director Dawn Moore. We hope you will enjoy the larger print and the overall new layout!

This new name, The Current, reminds us of the significance of water in our town of Boiling Springs and also serves as a way of communicating the flow of our ministry and up-to-date (Current) information. Jesus referred to himself as Living Water as he was by Jacob’s Well in John 4; it is our hope others will find this life giving water, as well, through the ministries and mission of Boiling Springs Baptist Church.

As we move into a new calendar year, I am reminded of the meaning behind the word for our first month on the calendar, January. “Janus” was the Roman god of gates and doorways, depicted with two faces looking in opposite directions. You may be asking, “Why is this important for us and Boiling Springs Baptist Church?” Well, as we grow and mature in all areas of our lives, it is important for us as individuals and as a church to look in opposite directions as well. What can you and I learn from the past that will help us as we look to the future? What can the church learn from its past that will help in regards to its future?

Once we have some time of reflection on the past I would guess that you would join me in discarding certain habits and traits from this past year. As we look to the future, a new year is a great time to make a fresh start! The Apostle Paul wrote that he wasn’t satisfied with what he’d done in the past. This is what he determined to do: “Forgetting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus” (Phil 3:13,14). This is something we can all do. Will you join me in resolving to go deeper in your faith and reflect more of Christ in 2016?

In conclusion, looking two ways reminds me of the analogy of a windshield and a rear view mirror. How appropriate it is that the windshield is large and the rear view mirror is small. I am eager, excited and filled with hopeful anticipation that as we look through the large windshield of our future, while not ignoring or overlooking the rearview mirror of our past, we will be moving in the direction of growth and health in 2016!

Thanks for all your many kind expressions of love during the Christmas season!

You are loved,
Pastor Keith

Special thanks to Stephanie Webb for creating a great new newsletter header for The Current! Also, thanks for your help with our new Boiling Springs logo (On back)!

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**SPECIAL EVENTS IN
JANUARY**

- Committee Training,
January 3, 4PM in LEC
- Wed. evening
Fellowship meals begin
on January 6
- Baptist Children’s
Home Sunday, January
10
- Baptist Men’s Sunday,
January 24
- Sunday evening
Spiritual Growth
Sessions to begin on
January 24! 5PM
Weekly
- Starting Point for
visitors and guest
wanting to learn more
about BSBC, January
24
- Children’s Church to
begin January 24



The entrance of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple (Psalm 119:130).

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path (Psalm 119:105).

The word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart (Hebrews 4:12).



Sundays at 9:45AM
For class information you may... call the church office, check out info. on our web site or see the information desk in the sanctuary lobby.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER TO ADULTS

January always starts off by forgetting to write the new year in the date. How many checks do you write and have to scribble out the date or change it because you wrote the wrong year in the date? Wait, who writes checks anymore? I want to thank you for being patient through our transition. I would also ask that you continue to be patient as I get use to the change. It has been a great eight and half years as the Youth and Children’s Minister. It’s an honor to serve you. I look forward to serving you in a new role.

I’ve been thinking about how the birth of Jesus changed everything. Though it seemed as though things were the same, the birth of Jesus changed everything. God had come to earth!

“9 The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. 11He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.” John 1:9-13

A savior had come, and most didn’t even know it. The same is true today. There are so many around us today who do not know about Jesus, or why

he came. I pray that we are always looking for ways to share with people who Jesus is and how much he loves them!

I would love to see each adult in a Sunday School class or small group study. Small group options will begin again the week of February 7.

FREE SHOWING OF MOVIE, “WAR ROOM,” Saturday, January 23. The small group options will be based on the movie. It’s not necessary to watch the movie to participate in a study group. Our group facilitators will be Wesley Smith (men’s group), Sandy Quattlebaum (women’s group), Debby Wease (women’s group), Jamie and Pam Nolen, and John Cannon. For more info contact the church office or email me.

Adult 50+ Ministry.... don’t miss January 14th trip to Jamin J’s pizza, 11:15am. Our monthly luncheon will be Tuesday, January 26. Soup and cornbread will be provided. Bring a dessert if you’d like. Our program will be Vince Reese Of Clearwater Paper Co.

Thank you to everyone for your contribution to the staff love offering. It was very kind of you. It’s an honor to serve here.

In Christ,
Wesley

**FREE SHOWING
JANUARY 23, 6PM IN LEC**

From the ward-winning creators of Fireproof and Courageous comes War-Room, a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives. www.warroomthemove.com

Child-care provided!

Small Group Studies offered, starting week of February 7, 2016. Sign up for small group studies on church web site!



WELCOME TO OUR BSBC STAFF
Alan Newcomb, Minister to Youth

PERSONAL NOTES:
I want to express my deepest gratitude to my church family for all your expressions of love through your phone calls, cards, visits and gifts! God bless each one of you!

Charlotte Koch

Thank you so much for the Remembrance luncheon. We really enjoyed the food, the chance to talk with others, a time of remembering our loved ones, and all your kind help and attention. It was a very special occasion.

Sincerely, Judy Harrelson


HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR JANUARY ‘80’ AND OVER:

Heyward “Pete” White January 18
Geraldine Humphries January 22
Forrest “Pat” Kelly January 25
Betty Bridges January 25
Alice Greene January 28

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS OFFERING:

Goal: \$12,200.00 Given to Date: \$9,023
Lottie Moon: \$3,321.30
CBF Global Missions: \$5,701.70

CONGRATULATIONS to Aaron & Downey Washburn Hinton on the December 23, 2015 birth of a daughter, Rheece McNeill Hinton. Congratulations to big brothers Luke & James! Congratulations to grandparents Harry & Sherwin Washburn and great-grandparents, Eugene & Betty Washburn.



Baptist Children’s Homes
of NORTH CAROLINA

ON JANUARY 10, 80 CHILDREN AND STAFF FROM BCH WILL BE LEADING OUR WORSHIP.

Plans are to give them hygiene products such as bath wash, lotion, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.

If you would like to donate... you may place in boxes at each end of our educational building.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:
Contributions (as of Dec. 27, 2015)

Basic Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,844.51
Budget Receipts	18,077.50
Designated Receipts	2,120.00
Basic Budget Needs to Date	511,914.52
Budget Receipts to Date	547,637.11
Over (+) / Under (-) Budget	+\$ 35,722.59

2016 BUDGET – WEEKLY NEEDS: \$11,620.93

SUNDAY SCHOOL:
Attendance for December

December 6.....	200
December 13.....	178
December 20.....	200
December 27.....	156



STARTING POINT

Guests... meet the staff and learn more about Boiling Springs Baptist!

Sunday morning, January 24, 9:45AM in the Fellowship Hall.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY to Tanner George on the recent death of his grandfather, Oscar George, from Kentucky.

JANUARY NURSERY SCHEDULE

January 3
Rhonda & Dale Hamrick

January 10
Jamie & Jay Washburn
Sherwin Washburn

January 17
Allana Bryson & June Evans

January 24
Catie & Austin Stitzel
Elizabeth & Dixon Crowder

January 31
Amy & Jason Hamrick

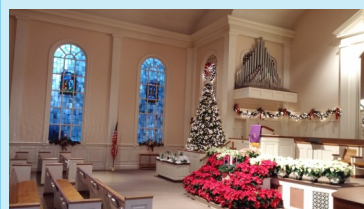
AUDIO / VISUAL NEED:
Preparations are being made for some possible additions to the audio / visual equipment in the sanctuary. If you have even a slight interest in assisting in this area in 2016 please speak with a member of the staff. Exciting additions could be coming but a good team of people will be needed for both presentation (computer) work and work with the sound board. Training will be provided.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR JANUARY 2016

January 24
Tom Poston

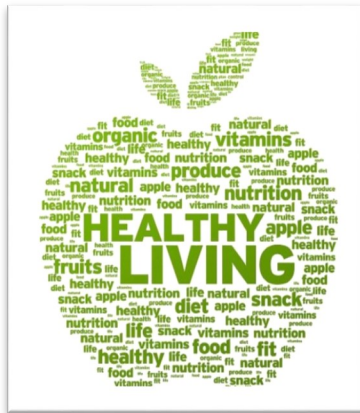
If you would like to place flowers in our sanctuary for any upcoming 2016 Sunday dates, please contact the church office.

CAUGHT ON CAMERA IN
DECEMBER



WINTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH SESSIONS!

Living Healthy and Whole In Christ!



Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body (I Corinthians 6:19-20 NIV).

Beginning Sunday evening, January 24, at 5PM, we will begin a six week emphasis on Holy and Healthy Living! This is not a dieting class but rather a comprehensive study on healthy living. Experts from the Nursing and Health Science Departments at Gardner-Webb will be leading classes on healthy habits, benefits of healthy food choices (Including what should I buy that's organic?), preparing healthy meals for families on the go and preparing

healthy meals for singles. Other classes will be on diabetes, heart disease, benefits of basic exercise / fall prevention and the last class will be on mental health and well being. If you are experiencing dis-ease in any area of your life it's going to affect your whole being. Even the Bible tells us that when one member suffers, the whole body suffers (I Corinthians 12:26).

Please help in communicating these classes to friends, neighbors and throughout our community.

The details of the first three classes are listed below...

January 24 - Healthy Habits, led by Nicole Waters, DNP, RN - Nicole is Chair of the RN-BSN program at GWU. She has a passion for nursing, education and medical missions. Nicole is a member of Hulls Grove Baptist Church in Vale, NC.

January 31 - Benefits of Healthy Food Choices, led by Becky Threatt, MSN, RN, CHSE - Becky is the Simulation Coordinator for the College of Health Sciences at Gardner-Webb University and works with the Hunt School of Nursing, the Physician Assistant Studies, and the School of Preventative and Rehabilitative Health Sciences. She is a Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator, and will be working with all of the health sciences as well as developing and coordination inter-professional simulation and education experiences. She has worked and taught in health care for over 35 years; teaching and working in three different states, and four different countries. Although her background and education are primarily in nursing, she has also taught for the Department of Radiation Sciences at Virginia Commonwealth University, the Hamlin School of Midwifery in Ethiopia, and worked with medical students, physical therapy students and many others including the variety of students she currently works with. In addition to teaching, Becky has worked in critical care, cardiac cath lab, a physician's office, hospice, home health, the mission field, the US Embassy in Ethiopia.

February 7 - Diabetes, Heart Disease and Obesity Education, led by Frances Sparti, DNP, APRN, CDE, Associate Professor of Nursing - I have been an RN for more than 36 years and an NP since 1995. I have worked in women's health (L & D, post-partum, and new born nursery). I worked for 12 years in Public Health, focusing primarily on women's health (family planning, obstetrics, STD and NCI clinics), but also taught in the community on health living and prevention. I was a Captain and NP in the USAF for four years and worked in primary care, but focused on women's health and the high risk referral clinic. I worked six years in Community Health in primary care focusing on women's health, diabetes and cardiovascular disease. I have taught at GWU since 2007 and worked part-time and PRN at Dallas Family Practice in Dallas, GA since 1995.

PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN NOTES...

As we begin a new year together I would like to share a devotion from, "Little Visits to Jesus," by Dr. Mary Simon.

Growing Up and Up

I used to be one, And I had such fun.

Do something you could do as a one-year-old.

I used to be two; See what I could do.

Do something you could do as a two-year-old.

I used to be three; Take a look at growing-up me! Do something you could do as a three-year-old.

You've grown a lot since you were a baby. Who are some of the people who helped you grow? Those people used to be little, too. Everyone starts out as a baby.

Even Jesus was a baby, then a one-year-old, then a two-year-old, and then He was as old as you are now (children audience).

"Jesus grew in wisdom and stature," Luke 2:52.

As we enter into this new year and beginning of a new year in ministry for children and preschoolers, I look forward to being a part of your children growing up in faith. The joy in their eyes, the smiles on their faces as they enjoy, learn, share, and become a part of God's plan for them is the wonder of each day. They are so loving and inviting in their joy for Jesus! I look forward to being with them this year as we learn what God has in store for each of them as a person and as a part of this strong church. God is holding each of us in His hands and the plans He has for us are endless and exciting. When I look at the children and see their excitement and joy for life I say, "Thank you for giving me the opportunity to have a part in their growth in faith. Thank you for sharing them with me! God has a plan and together this year we will strive for the betterment of our children and their faith." My door is always open and I welcome you to share your thoughts with me. I ask for your prayers as I begin to plan and work for the coming year with your children. God has blessed this church and our families with His Love.

GREETINGS FROM THE DAY CARE,

We currently have 64 children enrolled and approximately 24 staff members. Christmas is such an exciting time for the staff and the children. The children have enjoyed hearing the story of the birth of Jesus. We also had a great visit from Santa during the month of December. We have been getting to know Ellen and are enjoying her visits with us each week during our chapel time.

Please be in prayer for our center as we are waiting for our annual state licensing visit. We are also going through every aspect of our program in preparation for our rating scales for our star renewal. This big inspection will be in the spring.

I have spoken with Keith and he has asked me to come and share information about the daycare ministry during a few of the Sunday morning Mission Moment times in 2016. I am looking forward to sharing part of who we are with you!

"Behold children are a heritage from the Lord" Psalm 127:3

Many blessings, Dawn

Growing Up



CAUGHT ON CAMERA
IN DECEMBER



Children's Church will begin Sunday January 24 for school age children!

More details will be coming in Sunday bulletins.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY

9:45AM - Sunday School

Wednesday

5:30-7PM - Hang Time /
Bible Study

Thursday

Breakfast

6:45AM—Snack Shop

The Boiling Springs Baptist Youth Group is a great place for students 7th-12grade to spiritually develop as well as have a great time. We meet on Wednesday nights and hang out at 5:30pm in the gym. Bible Study begins at 6pm in the youth room upstairs. Hope to see you there!

A MESSAGE FROM NEW YOUTH MINISTER ALAN NEWCOMB

As a new year is getting kicked off, new beginnings and new opportunities are everywhere. In my own life, in the youth group, and even in the church at Boiling Springs Baptist, the new year brings exciting new adventures. It is hard to find words on how excited Mary and I are to begin our ministry at BSBC. I want to begin by thanking you all, the congregation of Boiling Springs Baptist, for accepting me as your new Youth Minister. As a 21 year old college senior at Gardner-Webb, I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to serve and be a part of this church and staff. I look forward to officially beginning in January and look forward to the future ahead at BSBC.

Just to give you a brief insight into our ministry; my wife Mary and I very much have a passion to work as a team in youth ministry. I could not have asked for a better life partner than my wife of now one year and I am so pleased to have her support and dedication into our ministry together. We look forward to getting to know the youth at BSBC on a personal level while walking beside them through life. We love being able to simply spend time and build relationships with youth. In just the short amount of time we have already spent with the youth at BSBC, we are excited to be a

part of the lives of such a great group. We are dedicated in ministry to show and teach love of our fellow Disciples of Christ and plan to use that as our focus throughout our time at Boiling Springs Baptist. We are deeply committed to our time with the youth and cannot wait to begin building new friendships and relationships!

Mary and I both plan to begin pursuing our Master of Divinity degrees from Gardner-Webb University in the Fall of 2016. We come to Boiling Springs with a great level of excitement and enthusiasm for ministry. We look forward to getting to know all of you in the church and to begin working with and walking closely with the youth at Boiling Springs Baptist. Again, I want to say thank you very much for accepting me as your new Youth Minister and for all of your kind and meaningful words.

Our first Sunday at Boiling Springs Baptist will be January 3rd and our first Wednesday with the youth will be January 6th. Can't wait for the exciting adventures ahead!

With love,

Alan and Mary Newcomb

PS. My top priority in the upcoming year is to create a clever title for this section of the newsletter.



MUSIC NOTES FROM ROGER LOWE

*O SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG, FOR HE HAS DONE MARVELOUS THINGS!
(PSALM 98:1A)*

At the beginning of a new year, we often think about making changes to improve our lives in the form of New Year's resolutions. We may promise to eat healthier, exercise more, study more, or give up a bad habit. Unfortunately, those promises that are made with the best of intentions can be quickly forgotten when we find ourselves back in the same old routines that we were in the previous year. It can be very difficult to try something new, but it is worth the struggle. In fact, recent research suggests that challenging our brains by learning new information or developing new skills may help us to avoid dementia later in life. Maybe that's part of the reason that the scriptures remind us in at least nine different passages to "sing a new song."

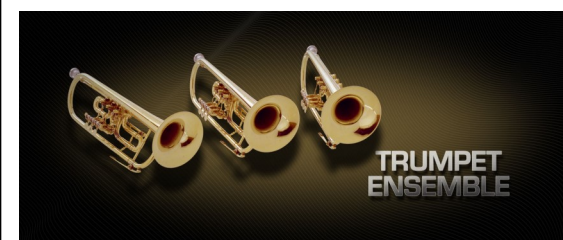
The beginning of a new year is the perfect time to look for a way that you might "sing to the Lord a new song" and what better way to do that than by joining the choir? The spring promises to be a fun time in the choir as we look forward to the Easter season. We will be singing some old favorites as well as some great new music. Choir rehearsals will resume on January 6, and last from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Any of the members of the Adult Handbell Choir will tell you that playing handbells is a great way to challenge your brain! On December 20, they played *We Three Kings*, one of the pieces they will be taking to the NC Baptist Adult Handbell Festival. This year's festival will be held in Shelby at the LeGrand Center on February 26 & 27. It is exciting to play bells in a large room with other choirs at festival. If you are interested in playing handbells, whether now or after the festival, please contact me or Lana Henkel. The Handbell Choir meets on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. and will resume rehearsals on January 4.

The BSBC Orchestra will have the entire month of January to recuperate from their Christmas program. Rehearsals will resume on Thursday, February 4 at 6:30 p.m. At that time, we will begin working on music for March 27 (Easter Sunday). This gives all you musicians who thought about it but didn't play in the fall another chance to be a part of this fun group. I'll need to know who is interested beforehand as parts have to be written for each individual player. Contact me in person at church, or by email at music@boilingspringsbaptist.org

Whether you decide to participate in one of these groups or find another way to sing a new song to the Lord, I hope that 2016 brings many opportunities for you to experience and share God's love. He has indeed done marvelous things!

In his service,
Roger Lowe



GWU TRUMPET ENSEMBLE

January 31, in AM worship and
evening concert at 6:30PM

ENJOY SINGING?

You are invited to join the choir. We meet weekly, beginning, January 6, from 7-8PM.



Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous
things (Psalm 98:1).

Sing for joy in the LORD, O
you righteous ones; Praise is
becoming to the upright. Give
thanks to the LORD with the
lyre; Sing praises to Him with
a harp of ten strings. Sing to
Him a new song; Play
skillfully with a shout of joy
(Psalm 33:1-3).



NC BAPTIST HANDBELL FESTIVAL

February 26 & 27

LeGrand Center

Shelby

Concert Saturday at 2pm