



# The Linden Lantern

September 1, 2010 - October 31, 2010

### Special points of interest:

- Sept. 4-Pancake Breakfast
- Sept. 6-Labor Day
- Sept. 11-Patriot Day
- Sept. 12-Homecoming
- Sept. 23-Autumn Begins
- Sept. 23-Senior Fall Fling
- Oct. 2-Pancake Breakfast
- Oct. 11-Columbus Day
- Oct. 16-Natl. Boss Day
- Oct. 31-Halloween



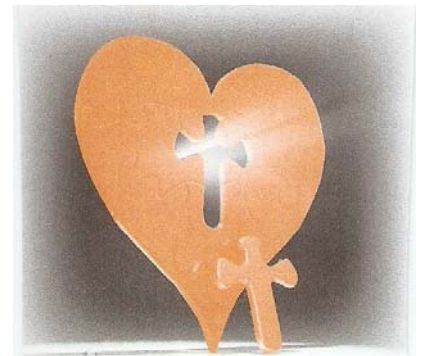
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## What Have You Done Lately?

Think of all you do to keep your teeth from falling out, all the money you invest to keep your home comfortable and your car running smoothly. Consider how hard you work to keep your dream job or to build a college fund for the kids or a 401(k) for yourself. Noble efforts for sure, but what have you done lately for your relationship with the Lord Jesus? How has your Sunday School attendance been? How about your worship attendance? What about Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study? And how about your financial support of the church? When was the last time you really took action to make your relationship with the Lord Jesus stronger and more authentic? Well, now is a good time to do something.



## With Sympathy

We express our Christian sympathy to Mr. Tom Hudson on the loss of his wife, Blanche on July 15, 2010. We also express our Christian sympathy to Ms. Maggie Bell McAbee on the loss of her husband, Leonard on August 4, 2010 and to Betty Huffstetler on the loss of her father, Leonard McAbee.

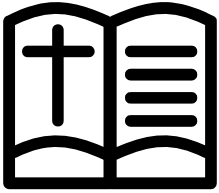
*"The same God who directs the earth in its orbit, who feeds the burning furnace of the sun and trims the lamps of heaven has promised to supply you with daily strengths."*

Charles H. Spurgeon

## A Team Without A Coach



Have you ever seen a little league team without a coach? The Children's Ministry needs coaches-(teachers, leaders) everything from nursery attendants (adults) to elementary, middle and high school coaches (teachers). These needs are immediate and are necessary for Linden to have a winning team. Please help! If you would like to volunteer, please notify the church office or the pastor and let him know your desire to be on the winning team and of your availability for serving. This is something you should want to do to help make your relationship with the Lord and His church stronger.



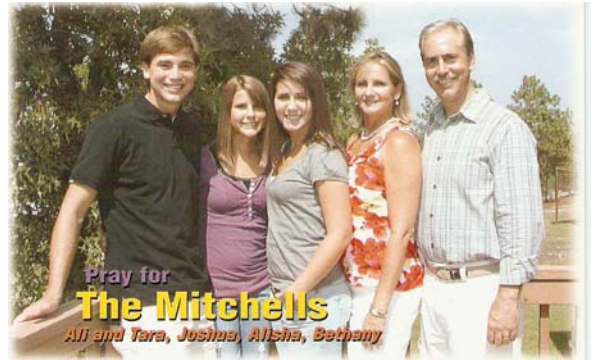
Let's all be good stewards for the Lord and say...

*"I will volunteer to work in the nursery on Sunday morning or Wednesday night;  
I will volunteer where needed. I will be a part of the team."*

### HOME COMING 2010

## Sunday, September 12, 2010

This year Linden is 98 years old and every year we celebrate with our annual homecoming. We will be celebrating on Sunday, September 12th with our special speaker of the day Mr. Ali Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell assists the ARP Church in reaching out to the Muslim community through the ministry called ARP Connect. His sermon will be "What the Good Samaritan Says About Reaching Muslims". We look forward to having Mr. Mitchell here at Linden. We also look forward to your being here and having a great time of Sunday School and worship and then a great time of fellowship as we have lunch together. Bring plenty of food and by all means bring someone with you!



## Celebrating Birthdays in September and October

Carolyn Pearson-September 2

Sarah Kelly-September 24

Lance Black-October 8

Tim Morrow-September 10

Maggie McAbee-September 26

Christina Clemons-October 8

Gene Crenshaw-September 16

Zachary Crump-September 26

Betty Hodge-October 11

Larry Morrow-September 20

Mary Black-October 1

Nick Dimeo-October 13

Jon Hopper-September 22

Savannah Crump-October 6

Linda Rhyne-October 16

Ashley Dimeo-September 23

Donna Jenkins-October 7

Loyde Black-October 29



You know you're getting old when it takes twice as long to look half as good.

## Contributing To the General Advantage

Worship is the greatest and grandest privilege of our Christian lives. In worship we magnify God in the beauty of holiness. At Linden we have a bold, joyful and participatory style of worship which is a careful blend of dignity and freedom. Our worship strives to be "high" and "majestic", yet warm and personal. To that end, Linden recently received a most generous gift of a projection system for use in the sanctuary. Though our first attempt at using it had some glitches, we will get those corrected and be able to use the system in a way that will be pleasing and honoring to God, and beneficial to each of us.

Projection systems get associated with a lot of praise singing—some that is worshipful and some that truly is not. Our system will be used to bring visuals that will help better communicate our sermons, our church activities, missions and yes music from time to time. Imagine what we can do as we put together church history, various videos you have taken over the years and then project them for all to see and remember and be challenged to move forward in the years to come.

God is good and this is a gift He has allowed to come our way. May we use it to His honor and glory. Thanks to all who made this gift possible. It is a gift that contributes to the general advantage of others.

*"When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices; through the blessing of the upright a city is exalted. Proverbs 11:10-11"*



## "See The Leaves"

Bonclarken is currently planning the 4th annual *See the Leaves* event for October 12, 13 and 14. This event has become popular for the fellowship and the fun enjoyed while experiencing the natural beauty of the North Carolina mountains, as the leaves change into an amazing array of fall colors.

There will be an evening of local entertainment after the dinner meal on the day you arrive. On Wednesday you will travel to Max Patch, where the scenery is among the best in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Later that evening, we will enjoy an outrageously funny play at the Flat Rock Playhouse. We will end our time together after breakfast with an optional tour of the Heidelberg House.

Contact Sheri Clarke at 828-692-2223 for reservations. Space is limited, so hurry! Costs, including all tickets and other fees are as follows:

\$250 per person	Single Occupancy	<i>See the Leaves</i> is a great time for you to sit back and let someone else do the driving while you watch the drama of the outdoors unfold. The fun, food and fellowship make for a great trip.
\$200 per person	Double Occupancy	
\$150 per person	Staying in Private Housing	

## All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

On Saturday, September 4th and Saturday, October 2nd Bob and Sandy Harwell will be serving an All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast. The menu includes not only pancakes but sausage, bacon and drinks.

The breakfast takes place in the Linden Fellowship Hall and begins at 7:00 am and ends at 10:30 am. The cost per person is only \$5.00.

**We look forward to seeing you there**

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***Our Purpose:***

*By the grace of God and for the glory of God, Linden ARP exists as a worshipping community of believers who are committed to being and making disciples of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond.*

***Happy Anniversary***

*Michael and Jane Kelly-September 7  
Rick and Connie Hodge-September 18*

*Tommy and Henrietta Dagenhart  
October 9*

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[www.LindenARPCChurch.org](http://www.LindenARPCChurch.org)

## First Presbyterian WM Retreat - Holding On To Hope

The First Presbyterian Women's Ministries Retreat will be held on November 5-6, 2010 at the Bonclarken Conference Center. The Featured Speaker is Nancy Guthrie. Nancy has written several books including Holding on to Hope, Hoping For Something Better and Hearing Jesus Speak Into Your Sorrow.

Four seminars will be offered. You may choose two, one for each time designated on the schedule.

- "Effective Personal Prayer & Bible Study" *Jana Evans*
- "A Devoted Body; Health and Fitness" *Karen Willis and Eliza Hardin*
- "Holding On...In the workplace, as a busy mom, or as a caregiver" *Elizabeth Burns*
- "Celebrating the birth of our Savior with Christmas Crafts" *Nancy Myers*

**To guarantee a room please pre-register by September 30th.**



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Nancy Guthrie

