



Just a Thought  
Laughter is a tranquilizer with no side effects.

Mary Francis Waggoner – Nancy Hartman  
Vaniece Jacoby (health) – Marie Huie's sister  
Rhonda Kilburn – Amy Swanson  
Mike O'Shea (health) – Claudia O'Shea  
The Gee Family  
Michele De Loach – Ruth Fuls  
Kathy Bandy  
Archie Shivar  
Frank Shore – Janie Fuller & Margaret Young  
Liz Wilcher (health) – Kelly Patterson  
Kaye Bandy – Kathy Bandy  
Yanira Pellot – Ana Laura Gamborino  
Barbara McConnell – Sandy Ball

To all the volunteers who came in last week:

Thank you for all your help last week with manning the office! I truly appreciate all the help during the busy holidays and for all the work that you do for this church and congregation. Thank you for all your help!

Emily Hardwick



# Chapel Hill

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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January 3, 2017



### CHAPEL HILL UMC STAFF

Rev. Elzie Odom, Jr.  
Senior Pastor

Tiffany Smith  
Family & Children's Ministry

Brandi Loggins  
Youth Ministry

David-Seung Lee  
Worship & Music Ministry

Emily Hardwick  
Office Manager

### Happy Birthday Jesus Party

Praise God! We had 60 people for the Happy Birthday, Jesus party!! Some came casual, others in pajamas and a good time was had by all. We sang songs, read the Christmas story, opened presents and devoured cake and cocoa and the support for this event was overwhelming. Church members were asked to bring a gift or devote items needed by the church and some were asked to bring a gift or donate items needed by the church and some chose volunteer opportunities, we thought you might like to know what Baby Jesus received:

- 8 books
- A stuffed toy
- 3 Cleaning supplies
- \$215 in cash donations

Services volunteered:

- Clean the pastor's office
- Minwax the narthex
- Clean Class Menagerie's classroom (quarterly)
- Assist in children's area,
- Sweep church entrances weekly
- Build shelves in children's area
- Create flower bed around the church sign
- Weed the prayer labyrinth
- Plant flowers in the parking lot entrances
- Hem the tablecloths

These gifts and services are gratefully accepted in honor of Baby Jesus. A special thank you to the awesome team that planned this party; we will call on you again. The reason for the season was so evident and remind us that Jesus began his life in the cradle and paid the ultimate price on the cross that we might live life abundantly. But the most important gift we can give him is our heart. Tell someone you love them this week and include Jesus.

Nancy Hartman



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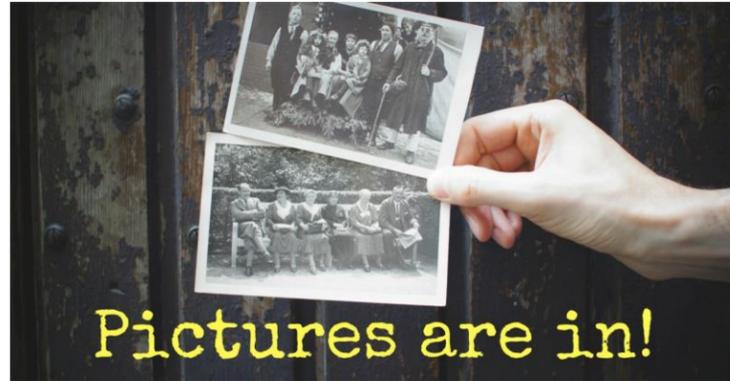
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**Photo Pickup**

The photos are in! Come by the Church office and pick up your pictures. If you have ANY problem with your order, call 1-877-896-9667 and ask for Mandy in Customer Service.



**We still have pictures for:**

Sammy Christlieb

We want to make sure that you have your pictures for the holiday season, so call or email the office so that we can get you those pictures as soon as possible **OR** pick them up on Sunday in the copy room! Thanks!



**Maxine Osburn Memorial**

The memorial for Maxine Osburn will be taking place on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am here at the church. Let us come together and celebrate the wonderful life that Maxine led.

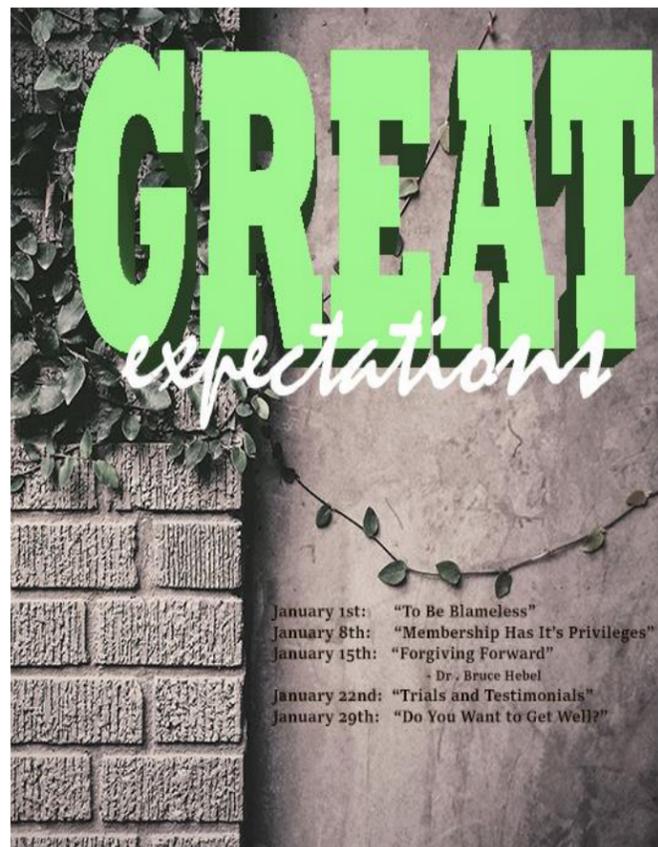
**BIRTHDAY REMINDER:** Please let our church office know your birthdate, mm/dd/yyyy, so your church family can acknowledge your special day. **Your 'year' will remain private:** [office@chapelhillumc.org](mailto:office@chapelhillumc.org)



Janie Fuller 1/10  
 Archie Shivar 1/16  
 Janis Coggsall 1/22  
 Logan Stansell 1/28  
 Karen Davis 1/31

Scott Smith 1/13  
 Jose Ramirez 1/17  
 Sue Kim 1/22  
 Barbara Tatum 1/29

Glen Womble 1/15  
 Amy Swanson 1/18  
 Alex Young 1/23  
 Sarah Bandy 1/30



**Great Expectations**

As we begin 2017, many of us will adopt resolutions that are intended to shape our behavior over the next 12 months. Many of us will adopt the same resolutions we have adopted for years.....exercise more, eat healthier, improve our relationships, save more, stay within budget, watch less T.V., .....and the list goes on. In a way, these resolutions express the expectations we have for our lives, our families, our careers, and yes...our church.

In fact, each of us has etched in our minds a very personal picture of where we want to be at age 30, 40, 50, 60, and beyond. Our images are drawn with the greatest of expectations. In many ways, these expectations represent the hope we have for our lives. However, sometimes our plans and expectations fall short of picture perfect. How do we construct and adopt realistic, yet GREAT, expectations? In this series, we'll take a look at a few of the expectations we have for our spiritual journey and for the life of our church.

**Flowers**

The new Flower Calendar is up on the bulletin board for the New Year! Sign up for the dates that you want flowers ordered. They are \$35 each and remember to pay at least the week before your flower order.

**Bulletin Boards**

The new bulletin boards are finished and installed in the narthex thanks to Dr. Putnam. Say thank you when you see him. We need a volunteer to come up with a set of guidelines so the boards are always current and the old information is discarded after the events publicized. If anyone is interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Nancy Hartman at 972-247-3629



**Bruce Hebel is coming!**

As we go into the New Year with our next series, Dr. Bruce Hebel, creator of *Forgiving Forward*, is coming to our Church as the guest preacher on January 15<sup>th</sup> for worship and will be conducting a seminar in February. Dr. Bruce Hebel (ThM, DD) is an international speaker with a compelling message that is revolutionizing the hearts of people from the local church. Bruce is now following God's call to the Church-at-large. Backed by over 30 years experience leading churches, all of his training has led to this: helping people experience the freedom of the Gospel through forgiveness. His passion is pointing people to, "Christ in you, the hope of glory." Mark your calendars and tell all your friends, neighbors, and maybe even the people you meet as you go about your day, to come to these two events so that we can all be forgiving forward.



**January Usher List**

1/8 - Bob Bull, Sandy Fletcher, Pat Moore, Laurie Peake  
 1/15 - Cindy Brown, Meredith Moore, Roger & Angela Romine  
 1/22 - Brayson Romine, Glorie Romine, Kermit Coggsall, Barbara Tatum  
 1/29 - David & Ilene Oldfield, Habib & Pat Khoury.



**Wednesday, January 4**

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:00 noon GISD Gym
- 6:00 PM Chapel Bells
- 7:00 PM Plus 4's Square Dancers
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir

**Thursday, January 5**

- 6:00 PM Prayer Team
- 7:00 PM Forgiveness Group

**Saturday, January 7**

- 7:00 PM Solitaire Square Dancers

**Sunday, January 8**

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship
- 11:30 AM Children's Council
- 11:30 AM Family Life Meeting
- 4:00 PM Children's Choir
- 5:00 PM UMYF
- 5:00 PM Rock-n-Praise Choir

**Monday, January 9**

- 9:00 AM GISD Gym
- 10:00 AM Companions in Christ
- 11:30 AM Prayer Group
- 1:00 PM GISD Gym
- 3:00 PM Project Transformation

**Tuesday, January 10**

- 12:30 PM UMW Book Club
- 3:00 PM Project Transformation
- 6:30 PM Worship Meeting
- 7:30 PM COM Meeting

Please see our full calendar at:

<https://www.chapelhillumc.org/getinvolved/calendar/>