

The newsletter of Beck's Reformed Church
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*Beck's Reformed Church is called
To Love and Serve God; To Accept His Son Jesus Christ;
To Live and Proclaim the Gospel; To Provide Christian Fellowship; and
To Share His Love with a Hurting and Lost World.*

From the Pastor:

WHAT IS YOUR LIGHT?

Psalms 119:105

“Your word is a **lamp** to my feet And a light to my path”

John 1:14

“And the Word **became flesh** and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth”

Each of us face decisions in our personal lives which affect the direction of our lives. Congregations face decisions which affect their direction. The directions we choose in both cases, determine our future.

In Psalm 119, David asks the question “*How can a young man keep his way pure?*” His answer is that this is accomplished by “*holding on to Your Word*” (Holy Scripture). One's life is kept right in its path by using the Word of God as their light and guide.

The opening words of the Gospel of John tell us that God's Son, Jesus our Savior, is the Word of God revealed in the flesh. We first look unto Jesus and through what He shows and teaches us, we look to the Bible to be guided in our decisions as individuals and we are not following God's direction and are guided by the Word in the Flesh, Jesus the Bible then, we may proceed with

The sad thing is that too many times other lights for their life in place of those custom, what is popular thinking at the seems to be “*right in our own eyes*” and have should remember that one of the times it did “*what right in their own eyes*” (Judges 21:25). God wants us to be under His direction and authority. He wants us under no other authority including even our own. Any path other than His path is the wrong path.

If your life or the life of a church is to function correctly then it must be through following the light which God has given in His Son and the Holy Word. If we are directed by anything else we are walking in darkness. Let us keep our ways pure by walking in the Light given by God.

If we are guided by the Word in the Flesh, Jesus our Savior, and by the Word revealed in the Bible, then we may proceed with confidence.

Love In Christ,

Gerald M Sanders

August 2007 Beck's Reformed Church

Youth and Young Adult Pastor

Mark Rachels

The scriptures in Matthew 25:40 tell us "*Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.*" On July 14, four vans full of young men and women left Beck's parking lot with the intentions of serving our brothers and sisters who were in need of help. What transpired during the course of the trip demonstrates how many times we may not fully understand God's divine plans. Many lives were touched and changed through this trip.



While we were able to serve families in a tiny town located 300 miles away, those touched the most may have been those who left the parking lot on July 17th. Through serving God, young men and women were filled with the spirit of God. Their lives were changed and their desires were focused on serving God. They truly wanted to glorify His Name! Their desire to serve the Lord opened doors for many here at home to become involved and to give guidance on how we are to serve others through our Christian faith.

I would personally like to thank my church family for giving me this opportunity to serve the Lord. The encouragement I have received has been overwhelming. God has blessed this church with such a wonderful group of young men and women of whom we should be proud, especially of their Christian service. I look forward to serving this congregation as we grow in Christ.

I am also looking forward to working

Ladies Spiritual Re- newal

Make plans to attend our
2nd Annual Ladies Spiritual Renewal
On October 6, 2007.

Our theme will be

"Healing Through Forgiveness."

Connie Wagner and Scottie Barnes
will be our guest speakers. Registration Forms
will be available at a later date.

Fellowship
Spiritual Growth
Music
Food

THE GATHERING

Make plans to join us at
Dan Nicholas Park
in Salisbury on
August 12, 2007
from

3:30PM – 8:30PM.

Look for more details and
sign up sheets
coming soon!

Notes from the Consistory

Consistory Meeting Minutes

07/09/2007

Call to order

President Shirley Putnam called to order the meeting of the Beck's Reformed Church, Inc. Consistory at 7:04 PM on 07/09/2007.

Roll call

The following persons were present: John Bryant, Rick Black, Rick Leonard, Shirley Putnam, Bonnie Mize, Eddie Garner, Michael Green, Josh Regan, Terresa Parks, Scott Shoaf, Michael Burris, Pastor Sanders and Mark Rachels.

Bonnie Mize provided devotions, scripture reading from Romans and prayer.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Secretary Josh Regan presented the minutes from the last meeting. Eddie Garner made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Michael Burris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

***Financial Reports** Terresa Parks/Shirley Putnam-A motion was made by Josh Regan to approve the financials as submitted. Rick Leonard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

*** Shirley Varner Putnam will have Devotions, Announcements and Church Closings for August.**

Committee Reports

- a) Trustees-Michael Burris- Looking into painting the handrails on the handicap ramp, cemetery walk, and fellowship hall staircase. Working on getting the pews cut as well for handicap access. Calling EMC to repair rear parking lot security light. Calling Bull's Plumbing to check on the water temperature issue in ladies bathroom. A portion of brick at fellowship hall (purchased for BBQ pit) has been stolen.
- b) Video & Sound-Scott Shoaf-Having trouble with one camera. Service man has been contacted for repairs. One mobile mic not working, getting that fixed as well.
- c) Youth Fellowship-Rick Black-Reported on the Mission Trip. Huge success. Hard work and a moving experience. Looking forward to the Sunday night service/presentation.

Old Business

1. Time issues of Worship Service: Collectively agreed to make the "glorification" of Christ Jesus the focus of our worship and let the rest take care of itself.
2. Pictorial Directory: Bonnie Mize coordinating.
3. Children's Sermon volunteers: Sign up sheets are being passed around to Sunday school classes by Jodi Hernandez.

Notes from the Consistory (Continued)

New Business

1. Fall Revival. Pastor Jerry discussed possible speakers.
2. Scholarship Applicants. After discussion, the decision was made to table this until the August meeting giving time for collection of further information and prayer.
3. Nadine Lohr has requested to start a college-aged student correspondence group to communicate with and pray for Beck's members who are in college or military service. Those that would have interest in being a part of this group should contact Nadine.

Report from Mark Rachels- Commented on the Mission Trip. Very positive effect on our children's lives. The young adults were very appreciative of the opportunity and what our members did for them by sending them on this life-changing trip. Have had many adults comment on getting an adults' Mission Trip together. Looking at doing a Youth Revival, traveling to an outdoor ropes/spiritual retreat/helping local mission groups here in Lexington as well. Was contacted by Memorial UCC and asked to spend one hour per week with their youth. Praying about it and considering it.

Report from Pastor Sanders- Visiting the needy and the sick. Preparing messages on the Christian life. Patience as a Christian virtue is the next message. Will be speaking on tithing as well. Moving forward on planning stages of Contemporary service. Praying about our growth.

Adjournment

Shirley Putnam adjourned the meeting at 9:22PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Josh Regan, Secretary

CONSISTORY MEMBERS 2007

ELDERS

Shirley Varner Putnam - President
Michael Green - Vice President
John Bryant
Rick Leonard
Doug Beck
Eddie Garner

DEACONS

Josh Regan - Secretary
Terresa Parks - Treasurer
Bonnie Mize
Scott Shoaf
Michael Burris
Rick Black

BOCE

The Board of Christian Education will host Promotion Sunday and Teacher Appreciation Sunday on August 26. There will be no Sunday school. We will gather in the Sanctuary at 9:30 for a program and then to the church basement around 10:00 for refreshments. Children will begin new classes, BOCE officers, and Sunday school officers will begin duties on Sunday, September 2, 2007.

Each Sunday school class is reminded to return the Sunday school information sheets concerning officers and materials by Sunday, August 19th.

2007 - 2008 BOCE Officers

Superintendents - Paul and Tammy Lopp
Assistant Superintendent - Kelly Dalton
Secretary - Tammy Burkhart
Assistant Secretary - Tammi Rachels
Children's Superintendent - Tara Young
Assistant Children's Superintendent - Jennifer Younts
Congregational Representative - Beverly Leonard
Consistory Representative - Scott Shoaf

Reaching Out in Christian Love to Those Serving God

Many thanks to the Mens Bible Sunday school class for donating the money to purchase soft drinks and to everyone who brought snacks for the youth and adults serving our community through mission work. It was exciting to stand back and watch the expressions on the faces of the mission workers. We heard comments like "Are these for us? Who would do this for us? Are the snacks and drinks free?" They were amazed at the hospitality shown by our church. Isn't it amazing that what sometimes appears to be a small gesture of kindness turns out to be a huge act of love.

Thanks for sharing in God's work!

~ Mark

A Message from Kevin . . .

If you are interested or know someone that would be interested in getting together to learn and play popular Christian music, please let me know. I am looking for people that can play Guitar, Keyboards, Bass, and Drums at this time to meet twice per month to start. Please come see me at church on Sundays or call me if you're interested.

Kevin Lipe
746-7600-Home

Day Circle

By Jeanne McCarn

Hope everyone is enjoying the steamy days of summer! We did not meet this month because of vacation schedules. Happy Birthday to Betty Hedrick on July 2. Anniversary wishes are sent to Debbie Younts on July 26.

We send condolences and deepest sympathy to the family of Irene Crotts, our dear sister in Christ, who passed away on July 19. We will truly miss her thoughtfulness and sweetness. She would have celebrated her birthday on July 22.

Our August 9 meeting will be held at Carol Crouse's lake home. We will meet at the fellowship hall at 9:30 a.m. to caravan there. Carol will be both hostess and program leader. Please notify Carol by



Breakfast Circle

By - Marilyn Hilton



We did not have a July meeting (summer vacation).

We will resume our fellowship on Wednesday, August 1. Due to the fire at Southern Lunch, we will be having the meeting at Smiley's Restaurant on Winston Road. Please join us if you do not currently have a circle you attend.

Wonderful Wednesdays

Beck's Church began a new opportunity for fellowship and spiritual growth for all ages last fall. Look for plans to resume this program again in the bulletin soon!

SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

Marilyn Hilton



There was no meeting in July. We will resume August 15 with a program and covered dish meal at 10:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please make plans to attend, All are welcome!

NEWS

Middle School Youth
By Kristie Regan

We are very proud of our Middle School Youth for the awesome job they did at our Mission Trip Celebration and Dinner. Josh Parks, Alex Lipe, Anna Swing, and Megan Younts all blessed us with their musical gifts while Sarah King, Corbin Eller, Caryn Renas, and Spencer Davis blessed us with their testimonials. It was a beautiful evening and a wonderful time to reflect on what a great time we had on our mission trip. There are DVD's available from the evening if anyone is interested, please let me know.

We also have an exciting August planned. Our beach trip will be Aug. 3-5. Then, Aug. 13 & 14 we will be going to God's Country Outfitters for an overnight ropes challenge. Details will follow in the bulletins but please let me know ASAP if your child plans on attending or if you would like more details.



Our MSY Kickoff for the new year will be September 9 at the home of Mark and Tammi Rachels from 4-6pm. We will have a pool party and cookout and are excited to meet all our new 6th graders.

We are sad to say goodbye to our members moving up to the Senior High. We have truly enjoyed having you and wish you a most blessed experience in Senior High Youth.



Kids For Christ

Fellowship News
By Terresa Parks

The Kids For Christ Fellowship Group will have a family pool party at Brookside Pool on Sunday, August 19, 2007, from 4 PM - 7 PM. Pizza, chicken tenders, snacks, and drinks will be provided. Looking forward to seeing you all at this special time together. Please note: If rain cancels this outdoor activity, the Kids For Christ Fellowship Group will meet in the Church basement from 4 PM - 6 PM for food, games, and fellowship the same date.



☪ **PRAYER MINISTRY OF BECK'S REFORMED CHURCH** ☪

August 2007

“Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” *James 5:16*

Please help us keep this prayer list up to date. For names to add or take off our prayer list call

Donna Yarbrough 357-7569, Rev. Sanders, the church office 357-2369, or

email at churchsecretary@beckschurch.com.

☪ **SHUT-INS AND REST HOMES** ☪

Norman Briggs:

Atria Forest Lake—451 Forest Dr Rm 221

Columbia, SC 29206

Roxie Floyd and Foy Floyd

(home) 543 Hedrick Mill Rd, Lexington, NC 27292

Bessie Greer:-

Piedmont Crossing-Room 310 100 Hedrick Dr, Thom. 27360

Bertha Kepley:

Piedmont Crossing Retirement center, Room 114, 100 Hedrick drive, Thomasville, NC 27360

Pauline Seaford:

608 Johnson Ridge Rd, #138 Parkwood PL, Elkin NC

Martha Seals:

Brookstone Retire. C., 2968 Old Salisbury Rd, Lex. 27295

Louise Spruill (Barbara Strickland's mother):

Carolina House, 161 Young Dr, Lexington, NC 27292

Ruby Tussey:

Piedmont Crossing-Room 209 100 Hedrick Dr, Thomasville, NC 27360

Leon Varner:

Lexington Health Care-Room 110, 17 Cornelia Dr, Lex 27292

Jearlean Regan: (home) 395 NC Hwy 47, Lexington, NC 27292

Roma Jean Burkhart

Lexington Health Care - Room 206

17 Cornelia Dr, Lexington

Hallie Hawkins—home with Rev and Mrs. Sanders

2844 Beck's Church Rd.

Carleen Allred— (home)

1882 Beck's Church Rd

Paul Miller

3637 Beck's Church Rd

Toby Willis Younts

Willa Younts

107 Eastview Dr.



☪ **LONG TERMS—PRAYER NEEDS** ☪

Becky Allison

Laura Benedict (terminal cancer) 3/13

Art Bethel (bone cancer) 3/27

Tamara Crotts 3/20

Patsy Flynn-(breast cancer) 4/17

Nellwynn Grubb (cancer) 12/15

Katie Gulleddge 1/30

Justin Hardin-age 3-pray for healing of leukemia 4/3

Ira Jones-Norm Jones' dad-chronic leukemia 6/12

Shelia Looper

Tip Cross – auto accident

Cheryl Norris (cancer) 5/8

Helen Washburn

Roger Younts

Parks Brown and Mary Adelee Brown

Betty Varner

Sherry Kepley

Willie Owen

Vanhoy Hines

Navahlia Quesenberry (colon cancer)

Scott Elliott & Family

Beulah Swing

Shell Crotts

Brett Tharp

Beau Stanley

Lillie Boyte



☪ **COMMUNITY-NATIONAL-WORLD** ☪

Schools-Teachers, Administration, and Students

Our World Leaders-God's will be done for World Peace

All military personnel and their families:

Jason Moore

PO Box 4

Richmond, ME 04357-0004

Willie & Sally Marshall

Family-stationed in Germany-serving in Iraq

Chris Hurd -Air Force-: *Chris' address:*

Chris Hurd,

502 Vermont Ave ...

Ft Walton, FL 32547

Zack Miller

503 E Sladen Place

West Point, NY 10996

**Memorial & Honor Gifts to
Beck's Reformed Church
June 10, 2007—July 8, 2007**

☞ Samaritan's Fund ☞

In Honor of Pauline Seaford's birthday

By Becks Reformed Circle 1

In Memory of Margaret Wampler, Joanie Parks' Mother

By Pete and Martha Moore

In Memory of Weldon Parks, Jeanne McCarn's Father

By Roy and Betty Sue Holman

In Memory of Myra Vickers, Brenda Hedrick's Mother

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In Memory of Myra Vickers, Brenda Hedrick's Mother

By Don and Joyce Greer

☞ Mission Fund ☞

In Memory of Myra Vickers

By Mark and Tammi Rachels

Donation by Ralph & Joni Mills

Donation by Cathy Fleming

Donation by Greg and Nadine Lohr

Donations by Anonymous

☞ Scholarship Fund ☞

In Memory of Myra Vickers, Brenda Hedrick's Mother

By Keith and Shirley Frank

☞ Video Fund ☞

In Honor of Odell Hedrick and Rev. Gerald Sanders

By W. Barry Sanders

☞ Cemetery Fund ☞

In Memory of Wade Lohr

By Lib Lohr

In Memory of Wade Lohr

By Eddie Lohr

*Thank
you!*

August 2007 Beck's Reformed Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Breakfast Circle 8:30AM At Smiley's Restaurant	2 Men's Fellowship 7PM Ocean View	3 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">MSY Beach Trip</div>	4
5 MSY Beach Trip Return	6	7	8	9 Day Circle 9:30AM meet to travel to lake home of Carol Crouse	10	11
12 The Gathering Dan Nicholas Park 3:30PM—8:30PM	13 Consistory Meeting-7PM <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Youth Trip-Survivor Challenge</div>	14	15 Senior Citizen's Meeting at 10:30AM Covered Dish	16 Men's Fellowship 7PM Ocean View	17	18
19 KFC Brookside Pool 4PM-7PM	20	21	22 Women's Guild Poor Man's Supper 4:30PM -7:00PM	23	24	25
26 Promotion & Teacher Appreciation Sunday No Sunday School	27	28	29	30	31	

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| <p>1 Marty Burris
Kara Akers</p> <p>2 Ann Leonard</p> <p>3 <i>Leon & Peggy Miller</i>
Ryne Holmes
Margie Hines
Jennifer Comer
<i>David & Teresa Parks</i></p> <p>4 <i>Keith & Mary Lynn Beck</i>
Diane Everhart
Samantha Sealey
Tempie Almstead</p> <p>5 <i>Paul & Tammy Lopp</i>
Chris Beck
Drake Carrick</p> <p>6 <i>Robert & Julia Younts</i></p> <p>7 Marie Fallenstein
Amanda Hedrick
Rodney Moretz
<i>Carmen & Drue Carrick</i>
Jennifer Younts</p> <p>8 Curtis Yarbrough
Reid Hernandez</p> <p>9 Kenny Newsome
Lisa Fallenstein
<i>Travis & Tanya McCarn</i>
Ann Bryant
Lauren Beck
Emily Mills</p> | <p>10 <i>Randy & Brenda Hedrick</i>
Krista Swing
Sharon Loflin
Dylan Holmes
Robert Swing
Margaret Burkhart
Madison Leigh Younts</p> <p>11 Kelby Tollie</p> <p>12 <i>Jerry & Betty Hedrick</i>
<i>Gary & Angela Graves</i></p> <p>13 Novelia Potts</p> <p>14 David Parks
Tim Burkhart</p> <p>15 Jose Rodriguez</p> <p>16 Bonnie Mize
Bruce Greer</p> <p>17 Kristina Kinley
Ronald Loman
Cora Dally</p> <p>18 <i>Keith & Becky Tucker</i>
Stephanie Beck
Jerry Hedrick</p> <p>19 <i>Greg & Sherry Burkhart</i>
Paul Miller</p> <p>20 Jeff Swing
Shaun Hedrick
Martha Moore
<i>Alan & Jennie Burkhart</i></p> | <p>21 <i>Jimmy & Ann Wilkes</i>
Sylvia Hedrick
Jennifer Merritt
<i>Leon & Betty Varner</i></p> <p>22 <i>Carroll & Brenda Burris</i>
Brandon Beck
Edgar Miller</p> <p>23 <i>Willie & Barbara Owen</i>
Jessica Merritt
Wende Everhart</p> <p>24 <i>Steven & Tara Young</i></p> <p>25 Hannah Younts</p> <p>26 <i>Roy & Betty Sue Holman</i></p> <p>27 Rodney Leonard
Tori Bull</p> <p>28 <i>Tim & Tina Burkhart</i></p> <p>29 Bessie Greer
Lori Degner</p> <p>30 Nancy Jones</p> <p>31 <i>Bill & Louise Cross</i></p> |
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