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## WESLEY MEMORIAL

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION  
High Point, North Carolina

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### From Our Pastor



#### RAMBLINGS FROM A REVEREND

Our summer has been very busy! We are seeing God do great

things in the life of our congregation.

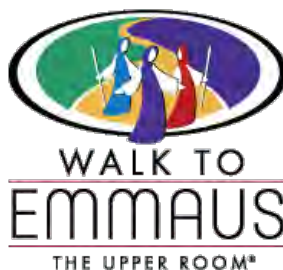
Thanks to Debbie Foust and all the volunteers who helped with our Children's VBS. We had about 130 kids each session. To pour our lives into the Christian formation of our children is a great calling. I'm also grateful to the 93 adults who joined me for our Adult VBS.

Our Church Camp, the Wesley 100 Men's mission trip to the Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky, and the upcoming

student mission trip to Lexington, SC, are life-changing ways that our congregation is living out our calling to be the presence of Jesus Christ in the world. People's lives are being changed, including those that volunteer to serve.

Receiving Carter Ferguson on our staff has been a great blessing. Under his leadership, we will continue to bless our community through the Ward Street Mission Church.

Our Vesper service on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm has been a great way for us to stay connected to God and each other during the summer. I am very thankful for the great attendance. It is a time of joyful fellowship and worship in the sweet presence of our healing God.



The deadline for the upcoming set of Emmaus Walks is rapidly approaching. The **Men's Walk** is **September 13-16** and the **Women's Walk** is **September 20-23**. The deadline for registering is **August 16**. The Walk to Emmaus is an Upper Room ministry. The walks are three-day weekends focused on spiritual growth. If

you are interested in attending a walk, please see me or anyone who has attended a previous walk. Over 100 of our members have attended the Walk to Emmaus. For more information, you can go to [www.Emmaus.upperroom.org](http://www.Emmaus.upperroom.org)

This is only a snapshot of the growing vitality of our congregation. There is much else going on, especially the hidden work of God in our hearts.

With Confidence in Christ,  
**Pastor Jeff**





# Vacation Bible School







*"Best Week  
of the Summer!"*





# student ministries



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## August Calendar

**Girls Bible Study**, Tuesdays 10:30 am, *The Underground*

**Boys Ball & Bible**, Tuesdays 2:00 pm, *Fellowship Hall*

**7 Summer Nights**, Wednesdays, 7:00 pm,

August 1—Henleys' House, 1219 Westwood Avenue

August 8—Cullers' House, 1108 Wynnewood Avenue

**Summer Game Day** (for everyone), Thursdays July 26 and August 2, 2:00 pm, *Fellowship Hall*

## Save the Dates

**Carowinds** (for everyone) Thursday, August 9 (see below)

**Family Hour** (for students and parents) Sunday, August 19, 9:45 am

**Ward Street Outreach Dinner** (for everyone) Thursday, August 23

**6 Grade Welcome Lock-In** Saturday, August 25 thru Sunday, August 26

**Move-Up Sunday** (for everyone) Sunday, August 26, 9:45 am



Summer Nights



Girls' Bible Study



Game Day



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## Vacation Bible School Mission Project



Operation Kid-to-Kid is partnering with World Vision to provide Haitian families with drought-tolerant seeds—enough to grow food for the *entire* family, with additional crops to sell in community markets. Donations also help farmers learn sustainable farming practices, contribute toward reforestation, and help nourish entire communities for years to come!

A \$10 gift provides seeds that can grow into food that will feed a child for an entire year and *any* donation makes a difference! We are collecting money in "Seed Packets" during VBS July 16 -19. **You can help until August 12.** Add whatever you can to the Operation Kid-to-Kid Seed Packet displays outside each worship space and in the office foyer. Thank you for the difference your donation will make in the life of children in Haiti .

**MOVE UP**  
SUNDAY

**August 26**

Look  
For Details



**Thank You Students!** On behalf of Children's Ministries and ALL the children who attended VBS 2018, we appreciate your presence and leadership during VBS.



# Summer 2018

*...making and sustaining spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ...*



Adult VBS



Wesley 100 Mission Team  
Frakes, Kentucky



Chicken Pies



WMS  
Summer  
Programs



Adult Forums

Ancient Wisdom For An Anxious Church



## HYMN FESTIVAL: One Joyful Choir



CELEBRATING THE HYMNS  
of Charles Wesley & Isaac Watts  
with the Chancel Choir, 2 Trumpets & Organ

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 AT 11 O'CLOCK WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

**SIGN  
UP** FOR OUR  
**NEWSLETTER!**  
AND STAY UP TO DATE WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING

The **Wesley Weekly** is published every Thursday and includes a preview of upcoming Sunday worship experiences and other week's activities. Go to [www.wesleymemorial.org/NEWS/Wesley Weekly E-News](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/NEWS/WesleyWeeklyE-News) and enter your email address.

## Memory Café

### What is a Memory Café?

A Memory Café provides a gathering place for friends with Alzheimer's (or other dementias) along with their caregivers and families to relax and enjoy socialization, refreshments, discussion and entertainment.

### What Can you Expect?

Peer support: free valuable information and education: Social contact with others having a similar experience; an informal relaxed stigma free environment.

**Activities include:** warm-up/introduction, Father's Day trivia and musical bingo with prizes!

**Thursday, August 2**

**10:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.**

**Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church**

**Small Dining Room**

*\*Refreshments and activities are provided at no cost to participants\**

**For more information contact Mikayla Tate at**

**Senior Resources of Guilford at (336) 333-6981.**



**Join Our  
Weekly  
Email  
Prayer  
List**

**If prayer is your gift,  
we invite you to sign-up  
to receive this weekly email!**

**To sign up,  
call Cynthia Reddick at  
336.884.2204**

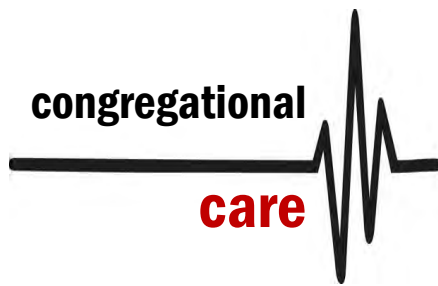
**JOURNEY  
GROUPS**  
CONNECT • REFLECT • EFFECT

[wesleymemorialjourneygroups.org](http://wesleymemorialjourneygroups.org)

**VESPERS**  
[about] an evening prayer service

**Wednesdays  
6:00 – 6:30 pm  
(Chapel)**

**A midweek service  
of Holy Communion  
and  
Prayers for Healing**



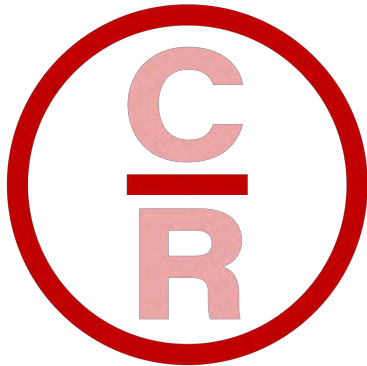
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## Celebrate Recovery Now at Wesley Memorial



**Celebrate Recovery**  
A CHRIST CENTERED Recovery Program

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered 12-step recovery ministry that helps individuals struggling with hurt, pain, or addiction of any kind. It is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that control our lives. Since its start at Saddleback Church in California 26 years ago, Celebrate Recovery has helped over five million people!

Celebrate Recovery currently meets in the **Media Center from 6:30-9:00 pm on Friday evenings**. Gatherings include worship, teaching, and small group sharing. Wondering if Celebrate Recovery is right for you or someone you know? Check out [celebraterecovery.com](http://celebraterecovery.com), watch Celebrate Recovery videos on [youtube.com](http://youtube.com), or talk with one of the pastors.

Interested in helping support this ministry? We're looking for people to do anything from train to be small group facilitators to helping provide dinner each week. Contact Jared Stine to share your gift

## Stephen Ministry Training begins in August



Do other people often tell you that you're a great listener? Do you long for the next step in using your gifts to help other people? Are you wondering about the skills it takes to have an impact on friends, family members, our church, and our community? Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one

lay caring ministry that equips and empowers caregivers—called Stephen Ministers—to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. Care receivers may be going through a divorce, grieving a loss, or find themselves in an uncertain season of life. Through 50 hours of thorough training, Stephen Ministers learn how to provide appropriate care to others. Stephen Ministers repeatedly say that training helps them grow in their faith, and strengthens relationships with family and friends.

**Stephen ministry training will take place on Tuesdays from 6:00-8:30 pm starting August 21.**

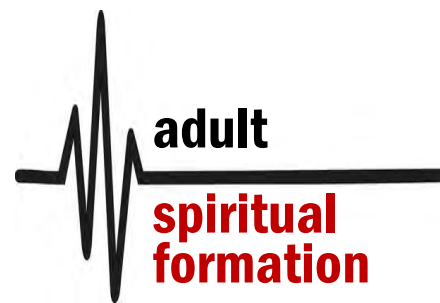
Multi-week breaks will occur during Furniture Market and the Christmas season. The commitment is great, but the rewards are even greater! Visit [stephenministries.org](http://stephenministries.org) to learn more and watch videos. Contact **Jared Stine**, or **Mike Flack** at 336-688-5526 to sign-up or ask questions. Training at Wesley Memorial is open to multiple churches throughout High Point, so reserve your spot soon!



## The Reverend **Erin** Beall

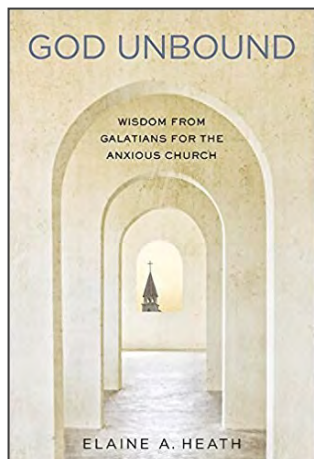
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## Adult Forums Continue:

### Ancient Wisdom For An Anxious Church



In these times of political unrest and social upheaval, even our denomination is not immune. Anxiety, therefore, plagues many people of faith and infects many churches' internal cultures. We are committed to making sure that Wesley Memorial UMC does not become one of these "anxious churches"! So we are turning to our favorite source of guidance: the Bible. Galatians, specifically. This summer, we are hearing from the book of Galatians from the pulpit, as well as from a new book from Duke Divinity School Dean,

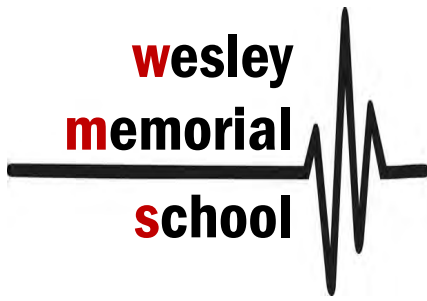
Elaine Heath, *God Unbound: Wisdom from Galatians for the Anxious Church*. In August, Pastors Jeff, Jared, and Erin are teaching this book Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45). This series will culminate with Dean Heath herself coming to preach on August 26 at 9:45 and 11:00 (the 8:30 services are cancelled that day). Join the pastors for this Sunday School hour offering we're calling an "Adult Forum." Books are available from the Front Desk for \$12/each.



**Sunday, August 26**  
**GUEST PREACHER**  
**The Reverend Dr. Elaine A. Heath**  
**Dean of the Duke Divinity School and**  
**Professor of Missional and Pastoral Theology**  
**9:45 am & 11:00 am**

**Sunday, August 26**  
**TWO SERVICES ONLY**  
**9:45 Contemporary & 11:00 Traditional**





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## Summer Happenings

Our Wesley Memorial School summer camp program concluded with a week of water fun. Our children have had so much fun taking part in different learning activities and experiences. Each week the children participated in stories, songs, crafts, chapel time, visits to our ecology classroom, and outdoor play. To enhance lessons of virtue such as kindness, compassion, and gratefulness, our older preschoolers through first graders participated in hands on mission work. This helped the children to understand the sharing of God's love and living like Jesus through serving others. Some of their work included tending to and cleaning up around the church grounds, they made special craft projects to share in our pastoral care ministry, and they packed backpacks for the Fairview food ministry.

All our families participated in our collection of supplies for Sunset Stables. Sunset Stables, a friend of our school, experienced a tragic fire this spring. A special thank you to all who helped with this! We are so grateful for Sunset Stables for bringing their petting zoo to our campus for our children to enjoy!

One of our favorite weeks was called "Young Scientist". The children spent the week doing fun experiments, creating, and inventing. Did you know that if you put raisins in Sprite soda, the carbonation causes the raisins to dance up and down? Our toddlers really enjoyed this. Our little inventors made robots that can draw. They made slime and "gak" to play with and experimented with food.

Another favorite was "Health and Fitness" week. High Point Gymnastics Academy did an awesome job teaching our children tumbling and gymnastics skills. Even our littlest ones participated in playing on the equipment.

*A special thank you to our tremendous summer staff and all our special visitors that shared their gifts and talents with us!*





## **We Remember and Honor our Loved Ones**

Gifts received June 2018

### **In Memory of:**

**T.K. Amos** (Father of Rick Amos): Chris Amos

**Patricia S. Anderson**: Bill Anderson

**Mary Gwendolyn Jones Gibson**: Becky & Herman Hunter

**Nora Lassiter Mangum** (Sister of Chase Lassiter & Martha Lassiter Meredith): Devona Hill

**William (Bill) Burke Mewborne, Jr.**: Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Hathaway

**Bettye Chaney Packer**: Charlie & Libby Cheek, Bonnie & David Horney, Harold & Betty Martin, William & Ann Reece, Barbara Strowd, Cynthia Tobin

**Thomas C. Stout**: Nancy & Neil Anderson, Jerry Bain, Huntley & Kris Bass, Janie & Bob Bass, Family of Doris Bulla, John & Louise Campbell, Tom & Linda Chafin, Mr. & Mrs. David Covington, Ned & Katherine Covington, Bill & Linda Davidson, Candy & Bill Fenn, Nan Flynn, Karen & Jim Gooding, Leslie Huntley, Claude & Sarah Jones, Sarah Kemm, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kester, Bart & Barbara Lassiter, Robert Lett, III, Mary Lyon, Harold & Betty Martin, Joann McCuiston, New Vision Sunday School Class, Linda O'Briant, Liz & Raymond Rogers, Mike & Susan Samuel, Robin Thomas

### **In Honor of:**

**Leigh Clinard's** Birthday: Thomas & Marianne Ludwig

**Mary Jo Southern** on her Birthday: Lucille Duncan



### **In Memoriam**

**James Woodrow Younts Jr.**; June 30, 2018

**Anna Margaret Slack**; July 4, 2018

**Fred John Huston Jr.**; July 8, 2018

**William (Bill) A. Horney Jr.**; July 9, 2018

**Robert (Bob) Hunt Howard**; July 11, 2018

### **Sympathies**

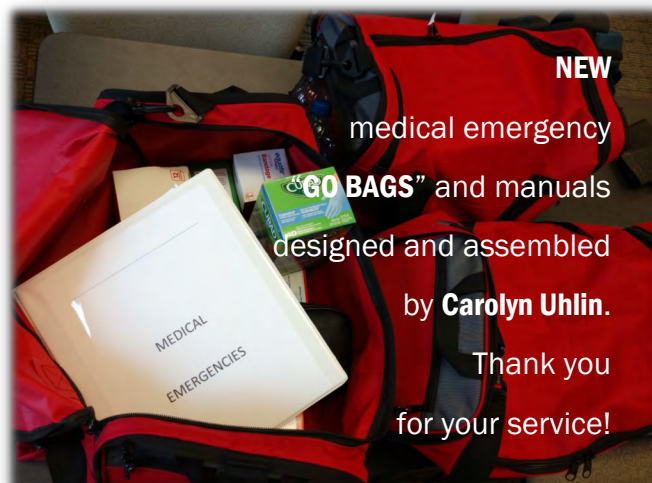
The family of **James Woodrow Younts Jr.** upon his death on June 30, 2018.

The family of **Anna Margaret Slack** upon her death on July 4, 2018.

Jackie Huston and family upon the death of her husband **Fred John Huston Jr.** on July 8, 2018.

**Daphne Horney, Jeff and David Horney, Daniel, Charlotte & Catherine** upon the death of her husband and their father and grandfather; William (Bill) A. Horney Jr. July 9, 2018

Kenneth Howard and family upon the death of his father, **Robert (Bob) Hunt Howard**, on July 11, 2018.







United  
Methodist  
Women

If you are interested in visiting/joining a UMW Circle, you are invited to email Peggy Holden at [mopeg@northstate.net](mailto:mopeg@northstate.net) or Lucille Duncan at [lbd48nc@triad.rr.com](mailto:lbd48nc@triad.rr.com).

**Circles will resume meetings  
in September.**

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Student Ministries Fall Beach Trip

September 28-30

[www.wesley Memorial.org/Students](http://www.wesley Memorial.org/Students)

to register (by August 31)

**SEPTEMBER**

**heart♥beat Deadline**

**Friday,**

**August 24, 9:00 am**

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