

Another church member attended Evangelism Explosion training because he "wanted to be equipped to engage our lost family, friends, and associates in a friendly gospel conversation." At first, he worried that he would not be able to remember all the details of the presentation, but he learned that success in witnessing does not rely on our memory of every detail. Even in an imperfect manner, he found that he was able to present the biblical gospel in a way that the Holy Spirit would bless for the salvation of others. As an example, he tells of meeting some men at the water fountain in Falls Park. They were willing to speak about the gospel, although they initially held strong objections to it. But our friend was able to effectively explain man's problem in sin and God's gift in sending His Son to die for our sins. After hearing the gospel, the man asked why he would speak to someone he did not know about Jesus Christ. Our church member answered: "because I am simply grateful for the great gift I've been given." When asked if he wanted to receive the same gift, the man stated that he did. Our evangelist expressed his joy over what took place: "I saw a rebel become a friend of God before my eyes because God worked salvation in his heart."

Would you prayerfully consider attending Evangelism Explosion training? The next class begins on Tuesday, October 2, and takes place at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room. These classes also perform a vital ministry for our church by doing follow-up visits with those who visit our church for Sunday worship. Please be in prayer for the witness of the gospel in and through our church, not only as it is preached from the pulpit but as it is shared from the lips of loving Christians who are telling family, friends, and visitors about the love of God in Jesus Christ.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Rick Phillips

Save the Date

Calvary Pres WIC Fall Retreat
October 26-27, 2012
Friday, 4:00 PM until Saturday, 3:00 PM
Bonclarken Conference Center, Flat Rock, NC
Speakers: Debbie Gamble and Crystal Liu

From the Church Historian

The series of displays concerning the founding members of the church continues with Jessie Louise Garlington (1876-1958). Presented in the wall display case in the history room is information regarding her life and work as a teacher in the Parker District School system at the Brandon Mill School in Greenville. Please come by at your convenience and learn more about the history of your church. The history room is open between Sunday School and the 11:00 worship service.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Church Services: Sunday: Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Morning Worship - 8:30 and 11:00 AM * Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: Supper - 5:45 PM * Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 6:45 PM

Upcoming Events

Sept. 19	Evangelism Explosion Banquet
Sept. 23	Evangelism/Church Growth Meeting
Sept. 26	CE Committee Meeting
Sept. 26	WIC Circle 6
Sept. 28	Sr. High Fellowship at the Spears'
Sept. 28	7th and 8th Grade Fellowship
Oct. 2	Evangelism Explosion Training begins
Oct. 3	BLOOD DRIVE
Oct. 3	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Oct. 3	WIC Council
Oct. 4	David Bragdon's Fold Dinner
Oct. 5	Men's Ministry Bowling Night
Oct. 7	CHURCHWIDE FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
Oct. 7	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Oct. 8	Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting
Oct. 9-10	WIC Circles
Oct. 10	Missions' Committee Meeting
Oct. 13	CHURCH FALL PICNIC
Oct. 15	Young At Heart
Oct. 18	Jessamines
Oct. 21	The Lord's Supper at the evening service
Oct. 24	CE Committee Meeting
Oct. 25	Calvary Presbytery at Shannon Forest PCA
Oct. 26-27	WIC Fall Retreat
Oct. 26	Jr. High Fellowship
Oct. 26	Sr. High Dinner and Bonfire at the Evans'
Oct. 28	REFORMATION SUNDAY
Oct. 31	REFORMATION PARTY

New Youth Choir

A new "Youth Choir" has been formed for Junior and Senior High Students!!
The Youth Choir will prepare selections to be sung during the Sunday Evening Worship Service, joint anthems with the Adult choir, Christmas Eve Service and various church events throughout the year. For more information please contact Cindy Duncan at CindyADuncan@gmail.com or Elizabeth Guest at elizabeth@secondpca.org. We look forward to seeing you Wednesdays at 6:15 pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

Nursery Volunteers

The Fall/Winter Nursery Schedule is now available at the nursery check-in desk. The new schedule begins Sunday, September 23. Please pick up your schedules.

New Baby

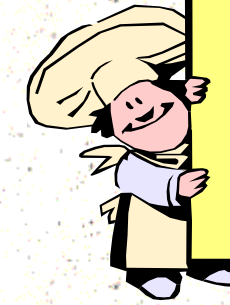
We rejoice with Jeff and Mariah Windt in the birth of Elijah Lucas on Saturday, September 15, 2012. Elijah weighed in at 9 pounds, 2 ounces. Both mother and son are doing well.

Meals for New Moms

If you would like to take a meal to Jeff and Mariah Windt please sign up on "takethemameal.com" There will be a page prompting two different schedules. Please choose the bottom "let's go." If you have any questions, please contact Janice Leathers (895-6646) or Kitty Swillen (244-7993).

Evangelism Explosion Banquet

Wednesday, September 19
Dinner: 5:45 PM
Program: 6:45 PM
Speaker: Dr. Robert Cathcart
Friendship Presbyterian Church
Senior Pastor



WIC Shower



All ladies are invited to a WIC Linen Shower for

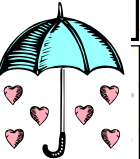
Kaitlyn Lyons Bouchillon

Saturday, September 22, 2012

10:00 - 11:30 am

Church Fellowship Hall

Aaron and Kaitlyn's colors are earth tones and they have a double bed.



Worship at Perry Correctional

On Saturday evening, September 22, 2012, Second Presbyterian will be leading a worship service at Perry Correctional Institute in Pelzer. There are a variety of ways you can help be a part of this prison ministry and help our church's outreach to those in need of the Gospel behind bars. Please contact Bill Watkins (304-4737) to join in this vital Gospel endeavor.

WIC Jessamines

Our first Jessamines (SPC young ladies 5th-8th grade and their moms) for the year will be on September 27, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Lora Evans will be our guest speaker and the topic is "Godly Friendships." The dinner theme is "Soup and Salad." Please bring a generous portion to share! If you have any questions please contact Cindy Duncan (235-6907).

New Members' Class

Began Sunday, September 16, 2012
9:50 am in Classroom C-209
Second Class—September 23rd
Doctrines of Grace
Taught by Dr. Richard D. Phillips
It's not too late to join!

Fall Church Picnic

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
Saturday, October 13, 2011 * 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Herdklotz Park, 126 Beverly Road, Greenville
The Deacons will be smoking BBQ.
Everyone please bring salads, side dishes, and desserts.
There will be a dessert contest!
Lunch will be about 11:30 am but come early and enjoy the park.
There will be organized games under the shelter and in the park.

BLOOD DRIVE
Wednesday, Oct. 3 * 5-8pm
Watch for sign-up sheets

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 23

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM New Members' Class
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM Diaconate Training
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 12:30 PM Al Wills' Fold Luncheon
 4:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**
 6:30 PM Wee Worship Choir
 7:15 PM Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 25

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828
 7:00 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball practice

Wednesday, September 26

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir
 6:15 PM Youth Choir
 6:45 PM CAT Kids and Covenant Kids
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study
 6:45 PM WIC Circle 6
 6:45 PM **PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY**
 7:00 PM Diaconate Training
 8:00 PM Sr. High Boys' basketball practice

Thursday, September 27

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study
 5:30 PM Jr. High Girls' Basketball practice
 6:30 PM Jessamines

Friday, September 28

12:00 PM Men's Bible Study and Fellowship Lunch
 6:30 PM Jr. High Fellowship
 6:30 PM Sr. High Dinner & Movie at the Spears

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following shut-in member.
 Also, send her a note of encouragement.

Luella Henderson
 Shepherd's Care #117
 2100 N. Pleasantburg Drive
 Greenville, SC 29609

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Stu and Priscilla Carmichael
Jordan and Jeni Carter
JP, Charles, Addis
Randy and Nancy Carter

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**WORSHIP AT SECOND
 THE LORD'S DAY
 SEPTEMBER 23, 2012**

MORNING WORSHIP
 8:30 & 11:00 AM

THE CHRIST OF THE CANDLETICKS

Revelation 1:10-20

Anthem:

We Lift Up Our Hearts and Voices

Hymns: 44, 342, 347

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 PM

MY PEOPLE SHALL KNOW MY NAME

Isaiah 52:1-6

Hymns: 345, 600, 708

Psalter: Psalm 147

Rev. Seth T. Starkey preaching



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Letter from the Senior Minister

Evangelism Training at Second

"Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15).

One of the most exciting experiences is to be used by the Lord to lead another person to salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. I might add that one of the most important things in our lives is for us to possess the ability to explain the gospel to people we know and love who have not yet believed. This requires us to devote some time and energy to evangelism training. Like most other meaningful things in life, evangelism doesn't always just happen, although we certainly praise the Lord for extraordinary opportunities. But normally we will be able to speak to others in a clear and accurate way about Jesus Christ because we put the effort into preparing ourselves for such an opportunity. For this reason, a modest investment in time and effort for evangelism training will provide a life-long benefit to us and may, by God's grace, make an eternal difference in the life of others whom we love.

Many people are hesitant to witness because they aren't sure exactly what to say. Others are inhibited by concerns that such a conversation would go poorly and sever friendships. But the goal of our evangelism training is to equip you naturally and effectively to convey the truths of the gospel to anyone. Our training employs the Evangelism Explosion method, which is an outstanding and proven approach to presenting the gospel. I have personally been through the EE training and found that it was an enormous help to my ministry and my personal witness. I have also witnessed the excitement that it creates for speaking to people about Christ. Evangelism Explosion teaches a biblically accurate and compelling approach to telling others about God's wonderful gift of eternal life through faith in Christ, so that students are not only equipped for their witnessing but are greatly strengthened in their own faith.

One member of our church said this about her experience in our Evangelism Explosion training:

I really enjoyed taking the Evangelism class with Ken. He really has a gift of teaching this class. As a Christian, we should all want to be trained and ready to share the gospel to anyone when the opportunity presents itself. After you take the EE class, you will be more assured of how to easily share the gospel with anyone. It has really helped me to have the confidence to share the good news of Christ with others.