

# Sunago come together

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## **From The Pastor's Heart**

*We live in very anxious times. From the economy, to wars, to uncertainty in the job market to problems on the home front, life can be overwhelming at times. I believe there can even be the temptation to "hunker down" and just wait out the storm until it passes us by. While many people have survived that way, I believe we might possibly miss God's movement—even in these anxious times. Below is a GracEmail from author Edward Fudge. You can subscribe to his emails by visiting [www.edwardfudge.com](http://www.edwardfudge.com). I hope you will find it as encouraging and affirming as I did.*

- Pastor Adrian

"Life seems overwhelming," a gracEmail subscriber says. "I don't know how I can handle another day."

I am very sorry for your troubles and I pray for God's constant presence with you, for his protection around you and for his power within you. You rightly note that we live just one day at a time. For encouragement in living each new day as it comes, let us look to Jesus our Savior -- "a man of sorrows and acquainted with griefs" (Isaiah 53:3). He sympathizes with our weaknesses and he invites us to come to him for grace to help in our times of need (Heb. 4:14-16). Jesus' own example provides us valuable insight into handling anxiety.

1. REMEMBER GOD'S WORD (Matt. 3:16 -- 4:11). No sooner had God confirmed Jesus' identity and mission at his baptism than Satan called it into question in the wilderness temptations. Each time, Jesus responded by saying, "It is written," then quoting from Deuteronomy -- the ancient record of God's "son" Israel, who also went through the water into the desert to be tested regarding trust in God. Fill your heart continually with God's Word -- the Holy Spirit will use it to encourage and strengthen you in times of trial.
2. DO GOD'S WORK (Matt. 8-9). As Jesus entered on his ministry of teaching, healing, and exorcism, the needs were overwhelming. He faced the situation without despair by doing what God had sent him to do -- day by day, one person at a time. When the task seems too enormous to bear, remember that we breathe one breath at a time. Simply do whatever you know God has given you to do for that moment and that day. God will give strength, wisdom and guidance for each new occasion.
3. REST IN GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY (Matt. 11:20-30). Some cities which saw most of Jesus' miracles still did not believe in him. Jesus' response was a joy-filled heart and a prayer to God -- who is always in charge and whose work will never be defeated. When your agenda crashes and your hopes and plans fail, rest in the knowledge that God has an eternal purpose, and that no one will ever thwart his master plan for the salvation of all those who rely on him.
4. TRUST GOD'S FAITHFULNESS (Matt. 26:36-44; 27:46). In the Garden of Gethsemane and again on the cross, Jesus entrusted himself to the Father's keeping -- confident even in his godforsakenness that death would not have the final word. Sometimes, life reveals no answers, no solutions, no escapes. But God is always faithful, and we can always entrust ourselves to his care with full confidence and without any equivocation or reserve. The last chapter has not yet taken place. When it does, we will see that God is faithful and that our trust in him was never in vain.

## August Birthdays

Cece Wash	August 5th
Brad Penny	August 11th
Chris Simpson	August 13th
Derrick Burr	August 25th
Josh Smith	August 25th
Josh Mitchell	August 28th
Lynn Hooper	August 30th
Ricky Massey	August 30th

Did we miss yours?  
Please let us know!



## Church Loan Update

### August '09

Northside Community Church is aggressively paying down a loan used to plant the church as well as acquire property. This loan is interest free and as it's paid back, these monies are being used to plant and build other churches. If you would like to contribute to help meet this need, please note your gift for "loan repayment" and mail it to:

Northside Community Church  
PO Box 1139  
Knightdale, NC 27545.

*Invested in us to get Northside where we are today...*

*what we owe so that we might invest in others:*

**\$81,463.23**

## Youth Trip To Emerald Point

### Water Park!

On Saturday, August 22nd, the youth group will be going to Emerald Pointe in



Greensboro. We will leave the church at 8:00 am and will return at 8:00 pm Saturday night. The cost per person is \$30.00, plus money for meals and snacks. The church will provide the transportation. All students 12-18 years old are welcome to go.

## Church Basketball Team Sign Up

NCC will be fielding a Men's Basketball team in the Wendell Church League early fall. The season will begin in mid-September. You must be at least 18 years old to play. Cost to play is \$50.00 per person. Please make your check payable to the church and note it for basketball.



## News & Notes For August...

- **Men's Morning Bible Study** – The Men's morning Bible study meets every Friday at IHOP at 7:00 am.
- **Kid's Worship** – All children (ages 2 years – 5th grade) have their very own worship service at 10:00 am in the Youth & Children's Ministry Center.
- **Summer Bible Study** – This small group is working through Coffeehouse Theology on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm at the church.
- **Quarterly Finance Report** – NCC's 2nd quarter finance report is available to all partners. Please email Pastor Adrian for a copy of the report.
- **Holy Communion** – We will be observing Holy Communion on Sunday, August 9th at the 10:00 am worship service.
- **Promotions Team Meeting**—The Promotions Team will be meeting on Saturday, August 15th at 10:00 am at the church.
- **Building Team Meeting**—The Building Team will be meeting Sunday, August 16th at 6:30 pm at the church.

## Children's Ministry Teachers Needed!

Teaching children about Jesus Christ is one of the most important things we can do in life and in the



church. As we move towards the fall and the start of a new school year, we're in need of teachers for our children's ministry on Sunday mornings. It would be a commitment of one Sunday per month. If you have a heart for children and seeing them grow spiritually, please sign up in the lobby.

## A Look at the Numbers... July

	Attendance	Offering
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	96	\$2,063.00
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	86	\$968.00
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	101	\$1,633.00
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	103	\$2,933.00
<b>Total Amount of Tithes</b>		<b>\$7,597.00</b>
<b>Amount Needed Per Week</b>		<b>\$2,284.62</b>
<b>Average Weekly Tithes</b>		<b>\$1,899.25</b>
<b>YTD Budget Shortage</b>		<b>\$2,778.94</b>
<b>Building Fund Total</b>		<b>\$59,463.60</b>

*"The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to fear the Lord your God."* (NLT)

Deuteronomy 14:23c

### New Message Series!

Pastor Adrian will begin a verse by verse study on the Book of Acts beginning Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Book of Acts gives a historical account of the early church and provides a blueprint for how we should live today.

### Scripture Readers Wanted

If you would like to help out on Sunday mornings by reading the scripture passage before the message, please sign up in the church lobby. Pastor Adrian will contact you.



### Promotion's Ministry Team Meeting

The Promotion's Ministry Team will be meeting on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at NCC. We will go over plans for the remainder of the year and begin preparing for 2010. This will be an opportunity for those who would like to join this team as we seek ways to communicate the gospel to this community. For more information, please see Carl or Jessica.

**HELP  
WANTED**

*"It is no great thing to be humble when you are brought low; but to be humble when you are praised is a great and rare attainment."* [Bernard of Clairvaux](#)

## Church Mailbox

Dear Northside Church Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful plant you sent in honor of my



mom. We find peace in knowing we will see her again in heaven. She was an example of a godly woman that I am proud of. We will miss her everyday. With love in Christ,

Tom, Carole & Angel Carrothers

### Christian Sympathy

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Ricky & Tammy Massey. Ricky's father, Victor Massey passed away on Saturday, July 18th at Rex Hospital. Please continue to remember the Massey family in your prayers.

### Eric & Megan Getting Married

Eric & Megan will be getting married on August 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm at the Garner Advent Christian Church. The Northside Church family is invited to attend. Eric and Megan are registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.



### Church Refreshment Schedule

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Debra Dixon Shoshannah Dixon
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Tom & Sue Bodette
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	David & Fern Winston
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Jesse & Joyce Poole

### Church Greeting Schedule

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Carl & Heather Richardson
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Tom & Sue Bodette
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Sue Wade & Nellie Griner
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson

### Church Cleaning Schedule

August	The Watson's & Frank Pritchett
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