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Our 175th Anniversary Year

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Sixteen Youth & chaperones

will leave from church this Sunday, July 11 heading out for Wingate, NC, and an exciting week of spiritual renewal and service at **Passport Camp**. Pray that they will have a safe trip and experience the best of God's blessings July 11-17



Mount Hermon Baptist Church

Our proposed Mission Statement:

**MHBC: A loving community empowered by Christ
to serve His purposes and the needs of others**

Our proposed Vision statements:

- **We envision Mount Hermon Baptist Church as a growing network of Christian friends who share the good news of Christ in ways that help others connect strongly with Him.**
- **We will provide Bible-based learning and creative, relevant ministries to enhance the spiritual formation of children, youth, and adults in order to equip them to serve.**
- **We will reach out in warm, positive ways so that this body of Christ will be healthy and strong to carry out God's mission.**

Adults and Youth... Mission Opportunity: Join some Mount Hermon missionaries on a trip August 19-22 to Hyaets in Charlotte, NC. We don't know exactly what we are going to be working on until we see who is willing to go. One

thing known: we will be preparing a community meal for 40- 50 people. The remainder of the trip will be designed around the talents of those willing to step up and participate.



Special Worship later this month

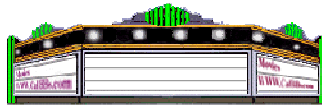
On **Sunday, July 25** there will be an early service at **9:30 AM** in the chapel. Included will be time for you to **share memories** of people and events associated with the old sanctuary, which was Mount Hermon's worship place for 143 years! The chapel is still used for baptisms, weddings, funerals, and special events.

NOTE: on July 25 the regular worship time will be held in the new building as usual at 11:00 AM, but there will be no Sunday School that day.

Come to either service, or both!

Want to share *What MHBC Means to Me?* Contact Lee Ellison

Kids! - FREE Movies



at Commonwealth 20 Theater all summer on Tuesdays and Wednesdays starting at 10 AM



Men's Softball – Monday, July 12

8:30 PM, Ironbridge field #5

Sunday – July 4

Contributions – \$ 3,753.25
Avg. weekly need – 3,758.00

Sunday School – 33
Worship – 94

Offerings to date: \$ 101,802.05
Budget Goal to date: 101,466.00

New & Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Tootsie Payne** in Sheltering Arms, 417
- **Burley Spivey and Larry Hollister** are both in intensive care units at MCV in serious but stable conditions being treated for injuries suffered in an auto accident Tuesday afternoon on County Line Road
- **Patty Tardy**, daughter of Sandra Hauser, diagnostic tests

Congratulations to Randy Holder & Karen Holloway who were married Wednesday, July 7, at Topsail Beach, NC!

Sunday ministers

Nursery Care: July 11 – Nicole & Brandon Garrett
July 18 – Belinda Kunkel and helper

Children's Church: July 11 – Belinda Kunkel and helper
July 18 – Russ & Stephanie Hancock

Ushers: July 11 – Wayne Boothe, Eff Ayers, Russ Hancock, Mary Ann Mann, Charles Payne, youth
July 18 – Lee Thompson, Brian Nichol, Tom Hauser, Georgie Capps, Brandon Garrett, youth

Happy Birthday!

July 11 - Lillian Fleming	13 - Janice Witt
11 - Felice Hall	15- Brett Thompson
13 - Margaret Orange	16- Isaac Fleming

Quotes for Today

There is never enough time, unless you're serving it. -- Malcolm Forbes

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. - Mahatma Gandhi



From the Pastor

Why a Mission Statement?

This Sunday, I'll be sharing and explaining the purposes of a mission statement and why your Vision/Planning team proposes this particular statement to guide the dynamisms of our church life today...

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Sometimes the purpose of a group or organization is easily gleaned from its name or title. Sometimes not. – For instance, the name COLT doesn't tell you that it is a telecommunications company, while First National Bank leaves no doubt as to its

purpose and business. Given the fact that there are tens of thousands of churches that go by the name Baptist, what in the world does Mount Hermon Baptist Church try to be and do?

At their best, mission statements are brief, memorable, and accurate. That's how you should judge the proposed mission statement. Does it encapsulate what we are, or what we can be, or what we want to be? Also, useful mission statements guide the process when they help us know why we exist and where we are going.

You can't improve on the Great Commission Jesus gave us in Matthew 28, but we can translate that mission into 21st century context and language, as this mission statement seeks to do. But just have a motto can result in mere sloganism, and who needs that? Not us.

Let's take this Sunday to consider our God-given mission more closely together.

Yours in Him,

Lee



Worship, July 11 – 11:00 AM

Mission: Possible or Impossible?

Thoughtful Preparation for Worship

Scripture call to worship

Ken Paul

Matthew 5:14-16

Invocation prayer

* Song of Praise 581 “We Have Heard the Joyful Sound”

* **MHBC: A loving community empowered by Christ
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* Greeting each other

Welcome and Church Highlights

Children's Time

Lee Ellison

Scripture Matthew 28:16-20, Acts 1:6-8

Prayer

* Offering Song 572 “I Love to Tell the Story”

* Offering Statement & Prayer

Ken Paul

Special Music

Praise You!

Small Chorus

Message

Lee Ellison

“Your Mission... should you decide to accept it”

* Commitment Song 576

“Take the Name of Jesus With You”

* Parting Blessing

* Parting Song

congregation

“Go Forth and Tell! O Church of God”

The flowers Sunday are placed by Charles & Karen Blankenship and family in loving memory of Todd Blankenship, who on July 10 would have been forty years old.
