

Catawba Baptist



Relationship · Transformation · Impact



January 2018

Beginning a New Year

One of my favorite portions of scripture is Phil. 3:13-14. “Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. “ Paul knew that he was not where he should be, but he was determined to put the past behind and press toward a future of pleasing God. He knew the only way he could do so was through an abiding relationship with Jesus Christ, “in Christ Jesus”. Such should be the case for us as well. None of us are perfect, but by God’s grace we can move in the right direction as we focus on our relationship with Christ.

Relationship with Jesus Christ leads to transformation. Only as we abide in Christ will we be able to bear fruit; without Him we can do nothing (Jn. 15:5). As we behold Him, according to Paul in 2 Cor. 3:18, we “are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.” Transformation is a process, but the more time we spend with Jesus Christ the more we will become like Him through the power of the Holy Spirit. Evidence of this is found in Gal. 5:22-23, which says “the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.” The more time we spend with Jesus, the more we will be manifesting these characteristics.

Of course, transformation leads to impact. The more like Jesus we are, the more of a difference we will be able to make in the lives of others. Jesus put it like this in Jn. 15:8. “By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.” As we abide in Christ, we will bear fruit, resulting in glory to God. That is what being a disciple is all about. I do not know about you, but I want to be a better disciple of Jesus this year, abiding in Christ, bearing fruit, and glorifying God. So be it!

— Pastor Ron

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Weekly Events

Sunday

- 8:00 Men's Prayer Time
- 9:15 Sunday School Life Groups
- 10:30 Morning Worship
- 6:00 Pastor's Bible Study & Bible Study Electives; RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends (Birth-Grade 5); Youth; & College Age

Monday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 7:00 C.A.R.E.

Tuesday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 9:30 Staff Meeting

Wednesday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 12:30 Praying for Our Nation
- 6:15 Catawba Kids JAM & Youth
- 6:30 Bible Study and Prayer
Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies on First & Third Wednesday
- 7:30 Celebration Choir

Thursday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions
- 6:30 Unchained Rehearsal

Friday

- 9:00 Staff Devotions

January Special Events

- 1 Happy New Year Church Office Closed
- 7 6:00 Bible Study Electives begin
- 13-15 Youth Strength to Stand Conference
- 14 4:30 Property & Space Meeting
- 15 Church Office Closed
- 21 4:30 Church Council
- 27 11:00 Baby Shower For Jamie Aiton Britton "It's A Boy"
- 28 4:30 Deacon Meeting

CARE for January

- 7:00 C Team [January 8](#)
- 7:00 A & R Team [January 22](#)
- 7:00 E Team [January 29](#)
- 1:00 Senior Adult [January 22](#)

Children's Ministry

Let's start the New Year off Right!
Parents get your children involved in Sunday Morning Bible Study each Sunday at 9:15, RAs, GAs, Mission Friends on Sunday evening at 6:00, and Kids Jam/Preschool Jam on Wednesday evening from 6:15-7:30. We have lots of teachers that would love for your children to join them each week!

As we begin 2018, I would like to thank our entire Children's Ministry Teachers and Volunteers for all their hard work in 2017 and look forward to what God has in store for 2018! You are leaving fingerprints for a life time! Thanks!!



Baby Shower For Jamie Aiton Britton Saturday, January 27 11:00-2:00 at the Connection



Catawba Baptist Church Thank you, my church family, for your many acts of kindness during my hospital stay. Thanks for the visits, cards, phone calls and most of all your prayers.

Love in Christ, Pete Crenshaw

Catawba Baptist Church Thank you so much for all your prayers and encouraging words during my hospitalization and rehab. God answers prayers and I am living proof. Love in Christ, Tonda Williams

Independence Elementary has sent several thank you notes for all the different things the church has done. A list is forthcoming.

Youth Group

Strength to Stand

A weekend for all students to invite friends to hear the Gospel and grow in Jesus!

January 13-15

Location: Pigeon Forge, TN

The theme is *Think Different*. Students will explore how following Jesus involves us thinking differently than the culture around us. Please pray for us as we travel and experience the presence of Jesus together.

SummerSalt – There is still room! A life changing week of worship, Bible study, fun and excitement for all students!

June 11-15

Location: White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro, SC

Cost: \$180 per student (siblings \$90)

Registration: Student must be registered with Jeromy by March 25 with non-refundable \$50 deposit.

Music & Senior Adult



Senior Adult Event

Dawn Smith Jordan In Concert
 Plus Lunch-\$5

Monday, January 22, 2018

First Baptist Church

Let Chuck know if you're interested in attending.

Homebound Member

For January

Frank & Lucille Watts
 760 Azalea Rd.
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