



The Window

The Newsletter of Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

Message From the Pastor

April 2015

Dear Friends of Fort Hill,

This month we celebrate the gift of new life in Christ, who overcomes death and the grave. And we are called to respond to that good news of God's love and grace! Eggs, butterflies, and the empty cross are concrete symbols of new life and hope.

Another concrete reminder of new life is you, the church. I see your care for one another, your service to others in the community, your teaching and demonstrating the good news. The church is the people, Christ's body. You are a sign of new life. Our building is the place where we come together, worship, serve, and grow in faith. Our building is what our colonial ancestors called the "meeting house." We have planned to improve our "meeting house" with our Master Plan so we can be a strong sign to the world of God's good news.

Soon you will be hearing about *Bridging Generations: It's our Time!* Campaign. Each one of us is a critical part of this church, and your love and gifts are important. I believe Fort Hill Church can do anything it wants to. I know we can reach our goals. Those who came before us have provided us a place — a concrete sign of God's redeeming love, the church. Now it is our turn to do our part. So begin thinking about all the ways God has been faithful to us, to you, and how you might respond with grateful hearts with a significant gift of the resources God has entrusted to your care. Ask what you might do to honor God and to bring God joy! I bet you will be glad you did.

What a privilege it is to share this corner of the Kingdom with you.

Your Pastor,

Laura

Laura Smith Conrad



Joining together on a journey of Christian faith, we seek to be Disciples of Christ and to share God's love in our community and around the world.

We do this as we Glorify God, Grow Disciples, Meet Human Needs.

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Scriptures for Sunday Worship

4/5 Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43; Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24;
1 Cor. 15:1-11; John 20:1-18

4/12 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35; Ps. 133; John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31

4/19 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-19; Ps. 4; 1 John 3:1-7;
Luke 24:36b-48

4/26 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:5-12; Ps. 23; 1 John 3:

The Window May 2015 Deadline

The deadline for announcements, articles, and features for the May issue of *The Window* is **Wednesday, April 15.**

Please email your item as a Microsoft Word document to the church office at window@forthillchurch.org or type the item directly into your email and send. If you don't have access to a computer, you can leave the item in Lori Houck's box in the FHOG office.

**"I WAS
HUNGRY
AND YOU GAVE
ME FOOD"**

Matthew 25:35



Easter Sunday, April 5

Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday, April 2 at 7:30 pm

We will enter into the darkness of the betrayal of Jesus as he turns to face a cross. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper and be served God's grace. Before the Supper, Jesus took a towel, knelt down, and washed his disciples' feet. You may choose to come forward for hand or foot washing as part of this profoundly moving act of love and service.

Easter Sunrise Service, Sunday, April 5 at 6:30 am

In the Amphitheater of the Old Stone Church outdoor cemetery on the corner of Hwy 76 and Old Stone Church Road. It tends to be chilly, so please remember to dress warmly. Bring your coffee and hear the good news, "He is Risen!" death and the grave have been overcome.

Easter Sunday Worship Services, April 5

Celebration of the Lord's Supper. *Join us for worship.* We will have two identical services with the Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary at 8:30 and 10:30 am. During the service, we will be collecting our Easter special offering, the One Great Hour of Sharing offering which supports Presbyterian Mission programs that provide disaster relief, food, clean water, training, and resources to people in need all over the world. Due to parking issues, please join us early on this day if you can. Clemson police are aware of the date, but do not take any chances and avoid parking on the street.



Choir Corner

What to keep? What to pack? What to purge/toss or give away? Isn't that what many of us ask this time of year as we undertake to do some spring cleaning?

We look around our homes, our yards, our garages, our offices, etc. to decide on what we no longer need or use. It's a good feeling to clean out and feel cleansed after a dark, cold winter. There's something refreshing about starting anew.

With the upcoming changes soon to take place in our facilities with a new HVAC system and upgrade to our education building and a facelift throughout our church facilities, there is packing and purging to be done.

Our music committee, choir members, and others have been working in the choir room to pack up music for our continued use, toss the very outdated material we have saved for 50+ years, with plans of reorganizing when the new choir room space is ready. Those can be good feelings anticipating newness and change.

That's what we are awaiting now as the season of Lent has ended with Palm Sunday and Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem, the Last Supper, the heaviness and sadness of Golgatha, and the celebration of the resurrection. He is risen, He is risen indeed!! That gives us renewal, life, hope, energy and anticipation of good things to come.

Spring cleaning isn't exactly the powerful experience of Easter, but it does allow us to start over and afresh with endless possibilities. Let's see what life brings us in the coming months.

Happy Easter and Happy Spring!

Margaret

Deacon Retreat — February 21

"Clearly deacons are not the only Presbyterians who provide the ministries of sympathy and caring. All Christians are charged to love their neighbors and care for one another. But the deacons provide an *organized* way of bringing the love of Christ to the church and the community." (From *The Presbyterian Deacon, An Essential Guide*, by Earl S. Johnson, Jr.)

On February 21, twenty-two deacons attended the annual Deacon Retreat in the Club Room for the purpose of not only learning how to best support their Circles of Care, but also to become participating members of the newly-reorganized congregational care ministries of compassion, witness and service. Under the guidance of the deacon executive team, Diane Egan, Robin Weeks, Evanne Thies, and Mary Morrison, the deacons began the process of learning about the many ways that deacons support our congregation. They were also given a variety of resources to help them as they minister through their Circles of Care.

Beginning this year, specialized congregational care will be organized under the following caregiving ministries:

- **Ministry of Compassion**, which will include sub-ministries developed for the purpose of offering acts of kindness and support in times of grief, illness, seclusion or particular need. (Bereavement Meals, Flowers, Prayer Shawls, Special Receptions)
- **Ministry of Witness**, through which those serving will offer engagement as the Body of Christ with birth, baptism, the Lord's Supper and prayer. (Homebound Communion, Membership/Assimilation, New Baby Ministry)
- **Ministry of Service**, which will offer support for wellness and participation in the life of the faith community. (Healthcare and Transportation)

Enthusiastic about the development of these ministries, development that will be ongoing in the coming year, the retreat attendees had many ideas to contribute, opinions to discuss and insights to share. Mixed in with the work were the fun of being together and the enjoyment of the fellowship that the day provided. All in all, it was a rewarding time of sharing the commitment to Christ and to carrying out His ministry of caring, love, compassion and prayer.

Diane Egan, Deacon Moderator



Top, left to right: Gensie Waldrop, Jerry Chapman, Cile Dunkelberg, Judy Blackwell, Jayne Fort, Donna Crader, Paul Durland, Harriet Salley, and Joy Skelton. Middle, left to right: Marchita Culpepper, Robin Weeks, Cynthia Gravely, Audrey Thompson, Cheryl Trammell, and Laura Lefevre. Bottom, left to right: Peggy Rutland, Diane Egan, and Terri Smith.

Sunday Servants

Pastor on Call

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|------|---------------|
| 4/5 | Mary Morrison |
| 4/12 | Laura Conrad |
| 4/19 | Laura Conrad |
| 4/26 | Mary Morrison |

Elder at the Font—8:30 Service

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| 4/5 | Erika Hays |
| 4/12 | Jay Jones |
| 4/19 | Tina Mostertz |
| 4/26 | Nancy Spittler |

Elder at the Font—10:30 Service

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| 4/5 | Bob Jones |
| 4/12 | Wayne Madison |
| 4/19 | Jerry Reel |
| 4/26 | Gail Williams |

Infant Nursery

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| 4/5 | Tom & Stephanie Scott |
| 4/12 | |
| 4/19 | Ally Young |
| 4/26 | |

Toddler Nursery

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| 4/5 | Tommy & Tracy Bolger |
| 4/12 | Amy Worley |
| 4/19 | Billie Jackson |
| 4/26 | Denise Anderson |

2 & 3 Year Old Nursery

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| 4/5 | Aleta Robinson |
| 4/12 | Meridith LeCroy |
| 4/19 | Reagan Blondeau |
| 4/26 | Helen Mohr |

4 & 5 Year Old Nursery

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| 4/5 | Donna Crader |
| 4/12 | Donna Crader |
| 4/19 | Donna Crader |
| 4/26 | Donna Crader |



Announcements & Concerns



Christian Sympathy is extended to:

Baerta Graff and family in the death of Baerta's mother, Connie Graves, on March 8, 2015.

Nikki Wald and family in the death of Nikki's grandfather, Hugh Tims, on March 5, 2015 in Georgetown, SC.

Donna London and family in the death of Donna's father, Dick Sparkman in Cameron, SC.

Duaine Wigger and family in the death of church member, **Bob Wigger** on March 29.



Congratulations on the birth of Elizabeth Rose Crader on March 26 daughter of Bo Crader and Debbie Vaughn, sister to Helen, Henry, and Edward.

Thank You!

Members of Fort Hill,

I would like to express by deepest gratitude to my church family for all the support Dean and I received during this past year. The prayer shawl, all the food, cards, rides, calls and visits were so freely given. The support from FHPC was beyond our expectations. What a loving, caring and giving church we chose 13 years ago.

Jacquie McFall

Men of the Church Breakfast — Tuesday, April 7th, at 7:00 am in Tartan Hall. Please join us for a great breakfast and fellowship. Dusty Oates will give us an update on the Capital Campaign and Church Renovation.

Children's Ministry Update

VBS

June 8-11 — 4 years—5th grade

June 12 — Service Project Day for grades 3-5

We are working as a "GREEN" team with First Baptist Church Clemson. They have graciously offered us shelter for VBS. I am very excited to be working with Becky Dewitt and Lauren Evans on a special "green" VBS. We will explore our responsibility as "Caretakers of God's Creation". Look for registration forms in the Narthex and outside the FHOG office beginning the week of April 6. The form will outline times and opportunities previously listed in the March Window.

We need workers during Vacation Bible School to help with large group assemblies, leading small groups, helping with art, music, science, and drama. We need help for the Nothin' But Net Basketball Camp, helping at lunch for participants staying all day, and with recycling. We will need a group to set up an art gallery to display the children's creations. Friday's Service Project will also need willing helpers who like to create, dig, and plant.

We need help prior to VBS to compile registration, collect and sort art supplies, and to call volunteers.

As a congregation, I ask for prayers of support and volunteer support.

We also need some of your discards. We plan to use many materials you may view as trash or donation items. We will make terrariums and dish gardens which means we need a variety of containers. We are asking for butter or cool whip type tubs, clean two liter bottles and their tops, terra cotta pots (we will even take broken pots), plastic or glass containers that can be transformed into a terrarium. (Elementary hands will need to be able to fit into the space to plant). Broken or soon to be discarded beads or other jewelry can also be used. We are also collecting buttons, yarn, ribbon, and fabric scraps. I will have collection lists available next to the FHOG office and a bin in the collection room. Closer to June 8, we will need small plants and moss.

The Easter Egg hunts were fun and well attended. The elementary flashlight hunt was attended by 30 young folks with three additional volunteers. Thank you, Leanne Broome, Lisa Britt, and Reagan Blondeau. Saturday's preschool hunt had 17 egg hunters along with parents and the church Easter Bunny. Thank you again to Leanne Broome, Lisa Britt and Andrew Mohr.

On April 19 an afternoon opportunity for learning about Camp Buc with Steve Cummings is planned. Watch for times from Christian Action Ministry.

May 15, families can join together for an outdoor movie. More info to come.

Hey Kids — Learn About Camp Buc!

Have you ever wanted to hike waterfalls, swim in a mountain lake, zip line, whitewater raft or maybe learn to be a counselor? Camp Buc is for you!

Calling all kids that have completed K-4 through 5th grade and your parents! Steve Cummings, Camp Buc's director, will be here on April 19 at 4:00 pm in Bethlehem Hall. He will introduce you to Camp Buc with a few fun games and answer all of your questions about the summer of 2015 program.

Steve will also visit with our middle and high school "big kids" at 5:00 on April 19. This summer at Buc there are four new adventure camps for middle and high school students. High school students can learn about the leaders in training and counselor in training programs offered this summer.

Questions about Camp Buc are the summer of 2015 programs? Contact Helen Mohr (mohr98@gmail.com or 864-940-7118). Also check out the Camp Buc website at www.campbuc.org.

News From Presbyterian Women

PW Birthday Luncheon — April 11 at 11:30 am in Tartan Hall

Our speaker will be Deb Richardson-Moore, the senior pastor of Triune Mercy Center, a non-denominational church in Greenville devoted to meeting the needs of the inner-city population; and the author of a memoir, *Weight of Mercy*. Ms. Richardson-Moore will be sharing with us the mission of her church. *All women* attending Fort Hill Presbyterian are invited to special gathering. **Bring a salad to share, invite a friend or someone new to our church to join you, and come!** Please remember to come prepared to contribute to the Birthday Luncheon Offering. Our donations will go towards projects chosen by Presbyterian Women fulfilling our mission to improve the lives of others. **Come join us!**

Thank You Family Promise Volunteers!

Thank you, all FHPC volunteers that cooked, visited, and stayed overnight, shopped and did laundry for our 11 Family Promise guests! You collectively gave over 300 hours of service for the week of February 22-March 1, 2015 to care for our Family Promise Guests! Without your help we could not accomplish the task!

Linda Gahan and Mary Barron, Family Promise Coordinators

April Paper Goods for Helping Hands

During the month of **April**, Presbyterian Women will be collecting paper goods (paper towels, Kleenex, toilet tissue, etc.) for **Helping Hands of Clemson** — a home for abused children. Please bring your paper goods donations to the Collections Room beginning **April 1**.

Come See Columbia Day

Presbyterian Women are invited to visit Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga. on **Thursday, April 16, 2015**. All are asked to please go through their closets prior to this trip and glean any used, seasonally appropriate clothing suitable for wearing to church and school. Your clothing donations for the seminary students and their families need to be in the Collection Room to the left of the stairs across from the Club Room by **April 8, 2015**. Often these students are financially stretched and count on the contributions we give. Please contact Nan Jones at 864-654-1539 or jones4927@bellsouth.net.

From the Finance Ministry

Through the first two months of 2015, total income was \$164,553 while expenses were \$127,776 for a surplus of \$36,777. Overall expenses are at 13:75% of budget, while income is at 17.7% of budget. Spending in January and February is normally below budget as ministry chairs implement their plans for 2015. Your financial support enables Fort Hill to continue its ministries to members, community and around the world.

Fort Hill Income/Expenses 2015



Announcements & Concerns

Spring's here! Let's hike. On **April 12**, we will meet in the upper parking lot at 1:00 pm for an easy hike in the Clemson Forest (location picked so we can see wildflowers). Back by 3:30. Kid friendly. Call Ben Sill with questions (506-1920).

FHPC Church Directory — Does your family need a new picture for uploading to the directory? Mark your calendars to come ready for the camera on **Sunday April 12, 19 & 26**. The Fellowship Ministry will have photographers on hand to take your family's photo. Meet in Room 210 of the Education Building. All member information in the new online directory will be secure.

Presbyterian Women will be collecting paper products (paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, napkins, diapers, etc.) the month of **April** for **Helping Hands**. Please leave your contribution in the donation room marked **HELPING HANDS**. Thank you.

The Fort Hill 2015 Spring Blood Drive has been rescheduled to **Wednesday, May 20th** from 4:00-7:00 pm. For those who have already signed up, please mark your calendars and make plans to participate. For additional information please call Judy Blackwell, 864-868-4045.

In 1949 local Women of the Church (now Presbyterian Women) in Decatur formed Columbia Fellowship Circle to pray for the students and staff of Columbia Theological Seminary to encourage individuals to enter the seminary and to support the seminary financially. Every spring Presbyterian Women conduct a campaign to raise money for several scholarships for seminary students who are there with their family. Many at seminary are those who enter the ministry as a second career which means their financial needs are great. Contributing towards the Columbia Friendship Circle can make a life changing difference in their ability to complete their degree.

Exciting New Mission Opportunities!

FHPC Mission Outreach

For all of you who have ever thought you would like to be a part of a mission team, soon there will be more opportunities for you! In August 2014, a group of members from Fort Hill Presbyterian Church gathered to organize a companion ministry to our very successful FHPC Medical Eye Mission. Also organized under Christian Action Ministry, **Mission Outreach**, our newest mission venue, is **non-medical** by design. It has the purpose of building bonds of faith and fellowship in communities in need, both in our own country and abroad. Offering a "hand up", we are preparing to go and do what needs to be done, whether to distribute food, to provide needed supplies and labor for construction of schools, to provide the tools and demonstrate the skills needed to build safer homes and more sanitary living spaces, to lead Bible Schools, to work with children in orphanages, to fellowship, or to pray and eat together. In short, we are going to heed the call and witness first-hand how God works through us to help others prosper.

There is much to be done in beginning this new venture! Initially, our mission group began by forming committees and defining the specific responsibilities of each one. In concert with that, we are developing a manual specific to our committee to provide guidelines for future committees. We chose a name for our committee and are working on a logo that will represent us. We are identifying, compiling, and researching possible sites to visit both in the US and outside of the US. For example, one of our Clemson graduate students from Kenya, Shani Ole Petenya Yusef, will speak to us at our next meeting on April 9, about the possibility of a team from our church going on a mission trip to Kenya in 2016. Preparing for our travels, we are also developing the personal information forms needed prior to travel, and interest forms for those who would like to join us. The interest forms will be available in the hall outside of the sanctuary the first Sunday in April.

Our Mission Outreach Committee plans to have several mission opportunities available each year, both regionally and abroad, with varying individual financial commitments, varying group sizes and configurations, and varying lengths of time per trip to meet the requirements of the greatest number of people.

Our first mission trip is to Terrier Rouge, Haiti, scheduled with Bethlehem Ministries for May 1-9, 2015. Larry Sloan is leading this trip with his wife Cindy, Jim London, Art and Gail Williams, and Mary Barron. We know we will be distributing food to villages and purchasing paint and painting a school. Our contributions will assist in improving educational facilities for students in Terrier Rouge.

You can be a part of our new mission emphasis! Whether you choose to go with us and share your talents, expertise, and your enthusiasm; or, if you would rather participate with your prayers and finances, we invite you to be a part of the life-changing experience of stepping out in faith! In the near future, look for announcements of Mission Outreach opportunities in the Window and church bulletins. Be a part of the team!

Your Mission Outreach Committee:

Pansy Duke, Chair

Mary Barron, Bill Beckwith, Cathy Spragins, Raenota Merrill,

Jim London, Chuck Conrad, Marlene Nicholas, and Larry Sloan

El Faro Mission Trip Report

Despite the early morning cold (8 degrees!) the Eye and Dental Teams of Fort Hill Medical Mission set out with high spirits bound for Guatemala. Dr. Bob and Susan Brown headed up the Eye Team, joined by Pamela Waddle, Crossie Cox, and myself. Dr. Gus Gustafson and his teammates, Gary Duncan and Jim and Joan Woods, made up the Dental Team. Upon landing in Honduras, we traveled by bus and by boat 3.5 hours to our final destination, the beautiful grounds of El Faro.

The first week at El Faro we worked alongside a large group arriving from the Maranatha Church in Chicago, the church of El Faro's founders Phil and Nikki Ephraim and their daughter Meagan. Traveling to remote villages along the Rio Dulce and by bus to neighboring villages, the Dental team worked steadily, addressing the need for proper dental care. For the Eye Team these days passed swiftly, screening more than 550 villagers for possible surgery and dispensing reading glasses to over 250.

Memories of these days are still vivid as I think back to setting out by boat, traveling along the isolated, and beautiful Rio Dulce, the banks of which are inhabited by birds of all description and by amazing rock formations seemingly reaching to the sky. But the most profound and lasting image of these early days is of the loving, trusting and patient people we met as we moved from village to village and their gratitude for our being there. Memories not to be forgotten center around the spirit of camaraderie between our group and the Maranatha Church group, the friendship, the joy of working together, the smiles and weary hugs at the closing of each day.

On week two we said our goodbyes to Dr. Gus, Joan, Jim and Gary and the volunteers from the Maranatha Church as they made their way back to the States. After their way back to the States. After their departure, the operating room was set up and a week

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of surgery began. Through the week, 59 operations were performed as Pam, Crossie and I marveled at the skill and certainty of Bob's steady hand and Susan's flawless assistance. Each morning the previous day's patients gathered to have their bandages removed, and amid smiles, hugs, and prayers of thanksgiving, they welcomed a new day with vision restored. In these special, shared moments we all felt very close to God and to one another, His children all.

As our group traveled to and from airports checking nine large containers of medical supplies before boarding, I was reminded of the generosity of those in FHPC who have supported numerous medical missions over the years, contributing both time and money to help those less fortunate. I was reminded too of the compassion of Bob and Susan, reaching out across the globe to touch the hands and hearts of the poorest of the poor, promising the gift of sight. Like so many of us, I need a reminder now and then.

In closing, this message to the Fort Hill congregation would not be complete without again mentioning El Faro's founders, Phil and Nikki Ephraim, and the outstanding people they have chosen to work with them there. These folks made our days so enjoyable with words of encouragement and appreciation. All played an important part in our stay from the young missionaries and interpreters who helped us communicate with patients, to the wonderful cooks who prepared our daily meals, to the boatmen who ferried us about, to all El Faro personnel and their families.

I like to think that like the sun, God shines down on El Faro with His blessings. Just ask any of us who have traveled there.

Joanne Trenholm

Letter from Dr. Bob Brown, FHPC Medical Eye Mission

Fort Hill Medical Mission began in late 1997 with a trip to the island of La Gonave, Haiti. Since that time, 38 marvelous trips have been made to many special parts of the world — India, China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Haiti, Nigeria, Ghana, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi, and Zambia. What a second career I have enjoyed!! And I could not have been successful without Susan by my side. We have accumulated 1.5 years outside the USA. And how we have enjoyed being with all our wonderful teammates! We always stood on very strong shoulders.

At our most recent trip to El Faro, Guatemala, in February and March, I had the opportunity to spend time the first week with a fine ophthalmologist from Huntsville, Alabama, Dr. Bert Bowden. After my first trip to El Faro in April 2013, Bert went there for his first time in September 2013. He fell in love with El Faro, too. At this recent trip, he and I worked together during the outreach campaign in the villages around El Faro, and we had time to talk. He left before the second week, our surgery week. Here is a summary of what I learned.

Bert would like to donate a great quantity of his eye equipment, examination and surgical, to El Faro. It is now possible that El Faro could decide to create a free-standing eye facility. Bert would consider partial retirement, planning on making a one-week mission trip each month to Guatemala, and many of those to El Faro. Of course, this is wonderful, and it would fill a need for the people of that region who cannot afford a private ophthalmologist — either for examinations or for surgery. Bert could even do some general medical work for El Faro and the surrounding region — all without charge.

As I listened to Bert's plans and sensed his excitement, and as I have reflected on all this since then, I have come to recognize that El Faro's eye situation in the future will be well-handled. He will be there often and he will have equipment on-site, always available. It will be easy for him to go and come regularly. In fact, some of his material will be arriving in a few weeks, and he is planning on a mission there in May.

Into my heart, the Lord whispered that it would be all right for me to now lay down my knives. I always knew this time would eventually come. And I knew that my degree of peacefulness would let me know if the time was indeed right. Yes, I am at peace, and the time is right. I know I could resume surgical missions to other locations, but my heart says it really is time for me to gently let go. El Faro has been the perfect place for our final surgical journeys.

Of course, the story is not over. It is just changing. My mother used to say that we lived our lives somewhat in chapters. And that we should be happy for the chapters, even the ones we see slipping into the past — because of the new ones we are walking into right up ahead. In fact, we will be planning on returning to El Faro next February for the general medical campaign. I just won't be adding my own eye surgery into that activity.

I am grateful to the Lord for all He has given me. Susan and I have been filled with fantastic memories and with the love of wonderful teammates — folks who have traveled with us as well as those who have supported and encouraged and prayed for us. And we have been loved by our patients, those wonderful people who simply trusted us — immediately and completely.

I wish God's blessings on all our families, on our teammates, on Fort Hill Medical Mission, on Fort Hill Presbyterian Church, and on all of you, dear friends. I love and appreciate you all.

Bob Brown

April Fort Hill Church Activities

Wednesday, April 1

10:00 am Bible Study - Club Room

Thursday, April 2

7:30 pm Maundy Thursday - Sanctuary

Sunday, April 5

6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service - Old Stone Church

8:30 am Worship Service - Sanctuary

10:30 am Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, April 6

12:15 pm PW Circle 1 - Club Room

3:00 pm PW Circle 5 - Club Room

4:00 pm Daisy Scouts - Educational Building

4:00 pm Executive Capital Campaign Mtng - Conference Rm

5:00 pm Capital Campaign Leadership Meeting - Club Room

6:00 pm Cub Scouts - Bethlehem Hall

6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Club Room/Tartan Hall/ Bethlehem Hall

7:00 pm Bible Study - Library

Tuesday, April 7

7:00 am Men of the Church Breakfast - Tartan Hall

4:30 pm Building & Grounds Meeting - Conference Room

6:30 pm Finance Meeting - Club Room

7:00 pm Fellowship Meeting - Library

7:00 pm Personnel & Program Meeting - Conference Room

Wednesday, April 8

10:00 am Bible Study - Club Room

Thursday, April 9

7:00 pm APNC Meeting - Club Room

Friday, April 10

7:00 pm Fort Hill Prom - Bethlehem Hall

Saturday, April 11

11:30 pm PW Birthday Luncheon - Tartan Hall

Sunday, April 12

2:00 pm NAMI - Club Room

Monday, April 13

9:30 am PW Circle 3 - Club Room

4:00 pm Daisy Scouts - Education Building

5:30 pm Christian Action Meeting - Library

7:00 pm Bible Study - Library

Tuesday, April 14

10:00 am Building Generations Information Mtng - Club Room

4:00 pm Girl Scouts - Bethlehem Hall

5:30 pm Building Generations Information Mtng - Club Room

5:45 pm Music Ministry Meeting - Conference Room

6:30 pm Worship Ministry Meeting - Conference Room

6:30 pm Finance Meeting - Club Room

Tuesday, April 14, continued

7:00 pm Christian Education Meeting - Room 206

7:30 pm PW Circle 2 - Library

7:45 pm Children's Ministry Meeting - Room 209

Wednesday, April 15

10:00 am Bible Study - Club Room

6:30 pm Child Protection Training - Library/Conference Room

Thursday, April 16

7:00 pm APNC Meeting - Club Room

Sunday, April 19

11:30 pm Eagle Scout Luncheon - Club Room

1:30 pm Court of Honor - Sanctuary/Tartan Hall

2:00 pm NAMI - Club Room

3:30 pm JAM & Jesus Jammers Picnic - Barrett Park

Monday, April 20

4:00 pm Daisy Scouts - Education Building

7:00 pm Bible Study - Library

Tuesday, April 21

9:30 am PW Coordinating Team Meeting - Club Room

7:00 pm Girl Scouts - Bethlehem Hall

7:00 pm Session - Club Room

Wednesday, April 22

10:00 am Bible Study - Club Room

Thursday, April 23

7:00 pm APNC Meeting - Club Room

Friday, April 24

6:30 pm Boy Scouts - Blue/Gold Pot Luck Banquet - Tartan Hall

Sunday, April 26

2:00 pm NAMI - Club Room

2:00 pm Trey Williams Organ Recital - Sanctuary

4:30 pm Child Protection Training - Library/Conference Room

Monday, April 27

4:00 pm Daisy Scouts - Education Building

7:00 pm Bible Study - Library

Tuesday, April 28

4:00 pm Girl Scouts - Bethlehem Hall

5:30 pm Membership Meeting - Conference Room

Wednesday, April 29

10:00 am Bible Study - Club Room

Thursday, April 30

7:00 pm APNC Meeting - Club Room

Recurring Weekly Activities

Sunday

8:30 am Worship Service - Tartan Hall

9:15 am Sunday School - various locations

10:30 am Worship Service - Sanctuary

4:30 pm JAM & Jesus Jammers - Choir Room

4:30 pm Middle School Youth Group - Youth Room

6:00 pm Senior High Youth Group - Youth Room

6:00 pm PSA Dinner & Program - PSA Student Center

8:00 pm AA — Education Building, Room 205

Monday

6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Club Room, Tartan & Bethlehem Halls

Tuesday

9:30 am Staff Meeting - Conference Room

5:00 pm Folk Dancing - Tartan Hall

Tuesday, continued

7:15 pm Foothills Chorale - Choir Room

8:00 pm AA - Education Building, Room 205

Wednesday

9:15 am Preschool Chapel - Bethlehem Hall

6:00 pm Chancel Bells - Choir Room

7:15 pm Chancel Choir - Choir Room

Thursday

9:15 am Preschool Chapel - Bethlehem Hall

8:00 pm AA - Education Building, Room 205

Friday

12:30 pm AA - Education Building, Room 205

April Birthdays & Anniversaries



4/1 Joe Dickey
Mandy Hays
Benja Mohr
4/2 Will Gregory
4/3 Russ Shealy
Jason Hudak
4/4 Gaston Gage
Robert Olker
4/5 Leanne Greene
Kathy Moore
Sherri Smith
4/6 Michael Bailey
Nathan Wilson
4/8 Hugh Garner
Miller Gregory
Rees Gregory
Jake McKinney
Sally Mitchell
4/9 Gene Goodwyn
4/10 Walker Christenbury
Paul Durland
Benton Halbig
Jesse Hudak

4/10 Margaret Ann Rodgers
Pat Street
4/11 Dick Shick
Allison Young
4/12 Sarah Jo Skelton
Mike Waldrop
4/13 Alex Davis
Elizabeth Hawthorne
4/14 Chris Bandy
4/15 Katie Schoonover
4/16 Megan Chavis
Katherine Sosebee
4/17 Janet Bean
Jacquie McFall
Irene Ruoff
Hannah Sawyer
4/18 Stephanie Aaron
Charles Barron
4/19 Colin Pettigrew
Suzan Simmons
Mark Sublette
4/20 John Martin
Jim Phillips
Diane Sherrick
4/21 Betty Cornwell
Karen Sawyer

4/21 Jillian Scott
Carol Walling
4/22 Janna McKale
Joanne Trenholm
4/23 Erik Fredman
Dave Harvey
4/24 Michael Van Daele
Gensie Waldrop
4/25 Beth Gregory
Wade Job
4/26 Doug Carlson
Jerry Greene
Henry Melton
Sara Shealy
Von Waldon
4/27 Norman Weber
4/28 Nancy Brown
Janette Hamilton
Hannah Job
Steve Lefevre
4/29 Mac Martin
Kyle Thomas
4/30 Mary Coronato
Tom Freeman
Baerta Graff



4/12 Randy & Clint Moore
4/13 Brian & Lauren Collie
4/14 George & Alison Reynolds
4/17 Denny & Laurie Sherrod
4/18 McClure & Jennifer Dickerson
Rob & Marsha Griffin
John & Amanda Stevenson
4/19 Keith & Terri Smith
4/24 Blackie & Grace Cook
Jay & Tommi Jones
Bill & Tina Mostertz
4/28 David & Amanda Crum
Larry & Jayne Horne
4/29 Jeremy & Heather Wright

Mission of the Month 2015



The BUC Outdoor Center which includes Camp Buc is 370 acres of mountain vistas, streams, waterfalls, and peace of mind isolated in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina. This facility which is part of Foothills Presbytery not only has a great summer camp, but also facilities for family reunions, weddings, retreats and more. You also won't want to miss the beautiful vacation cabins that you can rent for a long weekend or week away! The Reverend Ralph L. Buchanan said it best in his written history of Buc: "Here amid the handiwork of God, one's soul is cleansed and freed of distress and anxiety. As our world becomes more crowded and polluted, the people of the Foothills Presbytery will come to appreciate this remote and secluded spot more and more."

Buc is always in need of volunteers to build, paint, haul, trail build and the list goes on and on. Fort Hill Presbyterian has adopted two available summer cabins to spruce up before the summer campers get there. Join us on April 18 to do some painting on Cabin number 1. If we have enough interest we will take on Cabin number 2 as well. If trail maintenance is more of an interest to you, we can put you to work on that too!

Please contact Heather Wright (heatherdesigner@yahoo.com) or Helen Mohr (mohr98@gmail.com).

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