

MAY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 9:15am Prayer at the Altar 9:45am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 4:30 pm Deacon's Meeting	7 5:30 pm Harvesters *Bo Butler	1 Wycliffe Dinner Invitation, Salisbury Civic Center, 7-9 pm *Wayne Dover	2 6 pm Prayer/ Discipleship 7 pm Choir Practice	3 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 12 noon at Stallings Memorial Baptist with lunch included	4	5 10-11 PRAY ROWAN on the Courthouse Steps
13 9:15 am Prayer at the Altar 9:45am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship MOTHER'S DAY	14 6 pm WMU	15 10 am Community Brunch	16 6 pm Prayer/ Discipleship 7 pm Choir Practice	17	18	19 ARMED FORCES DAY
20 9:15 am Prayer at the Altar 9:45am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 12:00 pm Business Meeting 12:30 pm Connolly Wedding	21	22	23 6 pm Prayer/ Discipleship 7 pm Choir Practice	24	25	26
27 9:15 am Prayer at the Altar 9:45am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	28 *Frankie Sullins MEMORIAL DAY	29	30 6 pm Prayer/ Discipleship 7 pm Choir Practice	31		

*Birthdays
** Anniversaries



**Milford Hills
Baptist Church**

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Dr. Bruce Beck, Pastor

Our volunteers are:

Greeters:

May 06: Jackie Harris
May 13: Brenda Swink
May 20: Marvin Query
May 27: Frances Yates

Nursery:

May 06: Brenda Swink and
Lois Fowler
May 13: Dennis Sims and
Dorothy Sims
May 20: Betty Dehart and
Jackie Harris
May 27: Brenda Swink and
Lois Fowler

Ushers:

May 06: Lonnie Lemly
Mark Rimmer
Todd Russell
May 13: Matt Butler
Mike Anderson
Spencer West
May 20: Jere Wilson
Mark Rimmer
Stephen Hartzoge
May 27: Charlie Christmas
Larry Fowler
Todd Russell

Deacon for May:
Matt Butler

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Report of Rowan Baptist Team Hope for Appalachia Mission

On Monday April 9th, at 8:00 am, the Mission Team, representing Rowan Baptist Churches, pulled out of the parking lot of Milford Hills Baptist Church, Salisbury. They were headed for Harlan County, Kentucky on a mission trip coordinated by Hope for Appalachia. There were three church vans, one pick-up truck and one sedan carrying 27 volunteers. One van and the pick-up were pulling two enclosed trailers loaded with Hope Boxes for the children in two Harlan County Schools. The team members were from North Main Baptist, First Baptist of Rockwell, Stallings Memorial Baptist, and Milford Hills Baptist. Three Pastors led the trip: Rev. Matthew Laughter of Rockwell, Dr. Bruce Beck of Milford Hills and Dr. Dale Robertson of North Main. The coordinator for Stallings was Ms. Claire Karriker.

The team proceeded to Wytheville, Va., then to Bristol, Va., before turning northwest toward the "coal country" of eastern Kentucky. Part of the team went through Abingdon, Va. and over the mountains to the designated rendezvous. Along the way, the main group stopped for a break in Pennington Gap, Va. It was there they discovered the wheel bearing had failed on one of the trailers. The truck and the trailer had to be left behind while the team drove the remaining 50 miles into Harlan. Parts had to be purchased before our skilled mechanics could return and repair the damage. After dinner in Cumberland, Kentucky four men drove all the way back to Virginia, repaired the trailer and brought it back to the staging area in Kentucky. We were grateful to God that the wheel did not come off and cause a serious accident.

The team stayed at Solomon's Porch, a retreat hostel in the small town of Lynch, Kentucky. We were graciously fed our Monday evening meal courtesy of the Pizza Hut of Cumberland, a town close by. On Monday evening the team was briefed by Dr. Dale in preparation for their first school visit the next morning.

On Tuesday morning, after prayers, the team loaded up and headed over the mountains to Bledsoe, Virginia. Our first visit was to Green Hills Elementary. This is a small school in a rural area. There we gave Hope Boxes to 137 children. We also gave the Gospel Message to each child, using the EvangeCube witnessing

tool. We recorded 14 children in grades 5 through 8 who prayed to receive Christ. This year we were able to give New Testaments to each child and to each teacher, courtesy of the local Gideon Camp in Harlan County.

Tuesday afternoon we went back to Cumberland for lunch/dinner at the Dairy Hut. This was a non-descript, short-order café which was recommended to us. The food was great! Later in the evening several of the men from Rockwell went back for ice cream. There they fell into conversation with a local man. He asked about their reason for being in the area, and they explained the purpose of their mission. This led to a deeper conversation about faith in Christ. In the end, these men were enabled to lead this gentleman to faith in Christ as his personal Savior. Hallelujah!

On Wednesday morning we packed up all our belongings in preparation for our departure. We were headed to the city of Harlan. It was on the route toward home, so we would not return to Solomon's Porch. We arrived at J.A. Cawood Elementary School (JACES) at 8:00 am. This is a large school with almost 400 children enrolled. We unloaded our boxes, Bibles, and supplies and prepared to minister to the students. Beginning at 8:30 am and continuing until almost 1:00 pm we visited with class after class. We divided them up into small groups which sat together in various places in the large gymnasium. Each child was presented with the gospel message and given a Hope Box. As on the previous day, the students and teachers were given a Gideon New Testament. Some team members talked with the children and recorded the decisions for Christ; other members gave out the Hope Boxes. The contribution of each member was vitally important. After the children were served, we found that 52 children in grades 5 through 8 had prayed to receive Christ. We were overjoyed!

In all, 66 children, plus one adult were saved. That is a grand total of 67 souls added to God's Kingdom. Many other children testified that they were saved and attended church regularly. We asked for decisions from 5th through 8th grades only, but the seeds of Gospel truth were planted in the hearts of all the children.

At Green Hills we left a large sack of body wash, shampoo and conditioner with the resource lady. At JACES we left a large box of children's books with their resource lady. We left 560 packs of notebook paper plus 560 spiral-bound notebooks for the older students. These were divided between the schools. The younger children received Bible-themed coloring books to go with their crayons. In total, we gave 550 Hope Boxes filled with school supplies, personal hygiene items and treats to the needy students in this economically challenged area.

The kids were respectful, friendly, and grateful for their boxes. Their faces lit up as they examined the contents. They were pleased and happy as they returned to their classes. Two older boys were so happy they did back-flips across the gym floor. (They were also showing-off a bit.) All the teachers and both principals asked us to express their gratitude to the good people of Rowan County for their kindness and generosity.

After cleaning-up, debriefing, and taking a group photo, we gassed-up our vehicles and headed back to Bristol. There, we stopped for a late lunch, before heading home. We arrived in Salisbury at approximately 8:00 pm on Wednesday, Apr. 12. We were tired, but thrilled we could take part in helping needy children and leading 67 souls to saving faith in Christ. To God be the Glory!

The Hope for Appalachia 2018 Mission Team would like to thank the following supporters who made this project possible:

- ◆ Members of First Baptist Church, Rockwell, NC
- ◆ Members of Stallings Memorial Baptist Church, Salisbury, NC
- ◆ Members of Milford Hills Baptist Church, Salisbury, NC
- ◆ Members of North Main Baptist Church, Salisbury, NC
- ◆ Members of New Covenant Baptist Church, Kannapolis, NC
- ◆ Members of First Baptist Church, China Grove, NC
- ◆ Members of Franklin Baptist Church, Salisbury, NC

- ◆ Larry and Phyllis Beck of Faith, NC
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- ◆ Rebecca Stinson of Charlotte, NC
- ◆ Andrew Jackson Lodge 576 of Salisbury, NC
- ◆ St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Salisbury, NC
- ◆ Rowan Southern Baptist Association, Salisbury, NC (Rev. Jonas Perez, Director of Missions)
- ◆ The Members of the Mission Team were:
- ◆ Dr. Dale Robertson, Jake Cauble, Terry Raymer, Elaine Raymer, and Julie Perez of North Main.
- ◆ Claire Karriker, Johnny Karriker, Susan Lippard, Dana Lippard, Linda McDougald, Jasper McDougald, James Beattie, and Frances Keith of Stallings.
- ◆ Rev. Matthew Laughter, John Brindle, Mark Younts, Anthony Odum, Guy Jones, Barbara Eller, McKenzie Caster and Sandy Honeycutt of Rockwell First.
- ◆ Dr. Bruce Beck, Mrs. Amy Beck and their children, Emory, Ian and Mollie Grace, plus Stephen Hartzoge of Milford Hills Baptist.
- ◆ Cindy Jones of Rockwell and Claudia Robertson of North Main were our administrative assistants. They ordered the items for the Hope Boxes and kept up with donations and expenditures. We are grateful for their faithful and able service.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Dale Robertson, Team Leader

Rev. Matthew Laughter, Team Leader for Logistics and Organization.

UPCOMING EVENTS

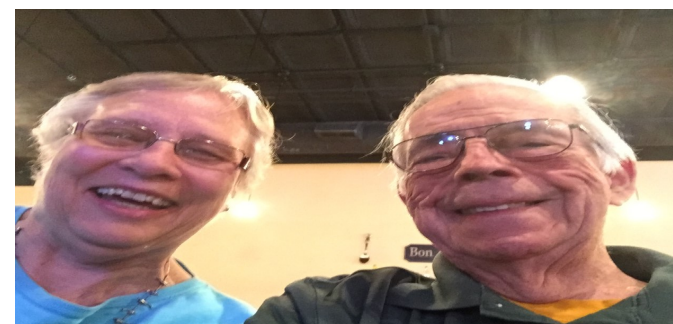
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 7-9 PM - Wycliffe Associates Fund-Raising Dinner Invitation to hear a special speaker from Botswana, PASTOR JACOB RAMOTHUDI at the Salisbury Civic Center. "Many guests are saying that it's wonderful to hear someone first-hand talking about MAST who is also a national. He is very articulate, full of life, expressive, transparent, laughs a lot, a smile from ear to ear; cannot say enough about him." FOR RESERVATIONS, CALL: JUDY OGG - 704-239-1539

THURSDAY, MAY 3—NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER—12 Noon at Stallings Memorial Baptist Church with lunch included

SATURDAY, MAY 5—10-11 am PRAY ROWAN at the Courthouse Steps.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9—6 PM MOTHER'S DAY DINNER THEATRE with a special presentation by the Youth. Please bring a covered dish and a friend.

SUNDAY, MAY 20—12:30 pm WEDDING OF CONNIE CONNOLLY AND LONNIE GRINER.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO SHARE IN THE CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE OF CONNIE CONNOLLY AND LONNIE GRINER SUNDAY, MAY 20, 12:30 PM (NO GIFTS PLEASE)