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MOTHERS

May is the month when we honor and remember our mothers. This makes it one of my favorite months of the year.

Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948) first suggested the national observance of an annual day honoring all mothers because she had loved her own mother so dearly. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Miss Jarvis gave a carnation (her mother's favorite flower) to each person who attended. Within the next few years, the idea of a day to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother's Day was observed in a number of large cities in the U.S. On May 9, 1914, by an act of Congress.

President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. He established the day as a time for "public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country." By then it had become customary to wear white carnations to honor departed mothers and red to honor the living, a custom that continues to this day.

It is the role of parents and often the mother's role to rear the children. Great are the mothers who raise their children with a strong Christian influence and teaching. John Wesley's mother was such a mother.

Susannah Wesley's Rules for Raising Children:

1. Subdue self-will in a child and thus work together with God to save his soul
2. Teach him to pray as soon as he can speak.
3. Give him nothing he cries for and only what is good for him if he asks for it politely.
4. To prevent lying, punish no fault which is freely confessed, but never allow a rebellious, sinful act to go unnoticed.
5. Commend and reward good behavior.
6. Strictly observe all promises you have made to your child.

May we use this special day to give our mothers the honor and appreciation they deserve. And may we pray daily for Godly mothers.



Wayne





The Church would like to thank you for your gift in memory of the following members:

In Memory of:
Mrs. Elinor Thomas

Ms. Judith L. Gibson
Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Whitehead
Mrs. Elouise Bray

In Memory of:
Mrs. Valerie H. Davis
By Mrs. Elouise Bray

In Memory of:
Mrs. Beryl Brady
By Mrs. Elouise Bray

In Memory of:
Mr. Bill Smith
By Mrs. Elouise Bray

In Memory of:
Mrs. Shirley Trogdon
By Mrs. Elouise Bray

MEMORIAL DAY

On Monday, May 28, 2012, we will honor those individuals who have fought to keep our nation free. Remember to pray for all those who served our country in the past and those who are now serving. God bless and protect all.



MOTHERS

Your love was calm and true when I was crying,
A soothing peace was waiting at your breast;
Your touch was like a fairy's, full of magic,
And all your words came lulling me to rest.

You lived for me and by your understanding.
Kept open court of justice for my rights;
No faults of mine could make you turn against me,
You trusted me and prayed through tempting nights.

-Allen A. Stockdale



Mother's Day



Sunday, April 1, 2012

Sunday School..... 68
General Fund..... \$2,818.00

Sunday, April 8, 2012

Sunday School..... 56
General Fund..... \$1,990.00

Sunday, April 15, 2012

Sunday School.....54
General Fund..... \$2,146.00

Sunday, April 22, 2012

Sunday School.....53
General Fund.....\$1,643.00

Sunday, April 29, 2012

The figures will be in the June Bell

Annie Armstrong \$ 947.88
THE Group \$ 14.00

MOTHER'S DAY SPEAKER

On Sunday, May 13, 2012, the Rev. Gene Booker will be our guest speaker. During the month of May an offering will be received for the North Carolina Baptist Hospital Mother's Day Offering.

WMU

During the month of May our church will be receiving an offering for the North Carolina Baptist Hospital Mother's Day Offering.

Christ's love is at work, lifting burdens and leading hurting people closer to Him in gratitude. Our gifts help patients in serious financial need pay their hospital bills in the name of love.

Thank you for being His hands, giving witness to Christ and making an eternal difference." Let us honor the Lord as we honor or memorialize our Mothers with this offering. Please come. You will be blessed by Rev. Gene Booker who will be our guest speaker for May 13, morning service.

Thank you for giving to our Easter offering. The total amount given was \$947.88.

RGMG Meeting is May 2nd, at 5:00 PM in the church fellowship hall. Come and join us. There is a spot just for you!

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Food Pantry items for May: Biscuit & Muffin mix, canned fruit (regular and sugar-free). Thanks for all who give food and volunteer for this Mission work in our community. There is still a need for volunteers. Let me know if you are interested.

Ramseur Food Pantry meeting date is Monday, May 21st at Ramseur Christian Church.

May God bless each of you this month of May. Remember that God loves you, He always has and He always will!

CONGRATULATIONS

Our own Jennifer Richardson McGee will graduate from UNC Charlotte on May 12, 2012, with a Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership. She is currently working as a Research Associate in the College of Education at Appalachian State University.

<u>May</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>		
Nursery	Vivian Hogan, Wanda McAlister, Roca Eterna	Gilbert & Gilda Buckner			Nursery <u>Directors</u> Patty McGuire Jackie Smith	 Happy Mothers Day Sunday, May 13
Ushers	Ernest Stout, Ron Coleman	Gilbert Buckner, Joey Caviness	Ernest Stout, Ron Coleman	Gilbert Buckner, Joey Caviness	<u>Greeters</u> Jeff & Susan Grose	
Tellers	Bill Hogan	Jeff Grose	Tate Brown	Lynda Fogarty	<u>Flowers</u> Betty Coleman	
Van Drivers		Greg Smith	Jeff Grose	Joaquin Martinez		

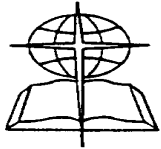
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National Day of Prayer

OUR NATION WILL OBSERVE THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER ON THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012. PAUSE AND ASK GOD TO RESTORE OUR NATION TO GODLY PRINCIPLES. A SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT 12:00 NOON AT THE RAMSEUR TOWN HALL. LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE. COME AND SUPPORT THIS FREEDOM THAT WE ALL ENJOY EVERYDAY.

MAY



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Hazel Overman

14
Patty McGee McGuire

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Bitsy Byrum
Lib Rinehardt



Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

For the many prayers you prayed for Mom and our family. We are truly grateful. Your loving words of comfort, your calls, cards, visits, delicious foods, and the beautiful peace lily were all appreciated. We also want to thank THE Group for the many kind things they did for Mom over the years. We love all of you.

Lynda, John and Family



Mother's love is next to God's love for us. Mothers give their lives for their children and God gave his life for His children. If you still have your mother with you be sure to honor her on Mother's Day, if not pause and thank God for the influence of a Godly mother!



Charles and Patty McGuire

May 1, 1963