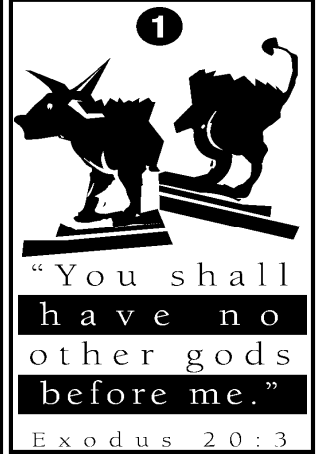


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A WORD FROM PASTOR JACK...

REDEFINING GOD

Jeroboam, king of Israel, stood before his people, gestured toward two golden calves, and pronounced a decree: “It’s too much trouble for you to go to Jerusalem to worship. Look at these – the gods who brought you out of Egypt!” (1 Kings 12:28 MSG) I wonder what part of “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, you shall have no other gods before me.” (Exodus 20:2-3 NIV) he did not understand.

You see, Jeroboam had his own selfish agenda. He was the king of Israel. His brother, Rehoboam, was the king of Judah. In order for Jeroboam’s people to worship God in Jerusalem, they were required to cross over enemy lines into Judah. So, Jeroboam came up with a plan. He redefined God. He convinced the people of Israel to forsake worshiping God at the temple in Jerusalem by setting up two golden calves at locations north of the border. And then he blasphemed God by telling the people that these calves were the gods that rescued them out of slavery in Egypt. Jeroboam’s family was destroyed as a consequence of his sin.

I am often tempted to pronounce judgment on Biblical characters without first examining my own heart. As easy as it is to condemn Jeroboam for his actions, we can learn an important lesson from his evil actions. The mistake Jeroboam made was to set up a false representation of God for his people to worship. Are we guilty of the same?

We must be careful to represent God accurately. We find the truth about God in his word, and even when the truth is not convenient or popular – it is still the truth. We do a great disservice when we set up a god who is feeble, a god who winks at sin, or a god who caters to our every whim. God does not exist to glorify us – we exist to glorify Him. As the familiar praise song goes: “You are not a God created by human hands.”

As we get closer to Christ’s return we should expect a departure from the truth about God. Paul wrote to Timothy, “For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.” (2 Timothy 4:3-4 ESV) Pray for me and for those who teach the word at Quaker Gap. We need to redouble our efforts to know and proclaim the true God. Follow the real Jesus. Never accept a substitute.





We welcome the following new member into the fellowship of our church:

Stephen Michael by Statement of Faith

Sermon Series

Date	Title	Text
March 6, 2011	"Through the Water"	1 Peter 3:18-22
March 13, 2011	"A Wholehearted Follower"	Numbers 14:20-25
March 20, 2011	CHILDREN'S SERVICE	



BLUEPRINTS OF THE CROSS

Date	Title	Text
March 27, 2011	"A Blueprint of Venom"	Genesis 3:13-15
*April 3, 2011	"A Blueprint of Suffering"	Psalms 22:1-18
April 10, 2011	"A Blueprint of Sacrifice"	Isaiah 53

* The Lord's Supper

Salt Teens Yard Sale Coming This Summer!

It's that time again! Get a jump on spring cleaning and start clearing out your attics, basements, garages, and closets now. Then take all of the nice, clean, unbroken, gently used items you no longer use, and donate them to our Youth Yard Sale coming up this summer. On May 21, 2011 the Salt Teens Youth group will hold a huge yard sale in King. It has been 2 years since we did a big church yard sale, so we know you have accumulated lots of great items to donate. So start saving things now or if you prefer, we can go ahead and collect those items from you. Just contact Scott Hinson, Mark Holt, or the church office to arrange for a pick up. Proceeds from this sale will go towards the two summer mission trips our youth will be taking to Puerto Rico or Kentucky. Thank you for supporting our youth ministry!



Birthday Blessings to...

- 1 Jesse Hayden
Jacob Woody
- 2 Landon Darida
Ashlee Hooks
Dianne Johnson
- 3 Matt Gordon
Morgan Plemmons
Casey Proctor
- 6 Donna Clark
Larry Moser
- 7 Pam Moore
- 9 David Lee
Lucas McKinney
Jeff Work
- 10 Bryan Adkins
Nich Boles
Laken Ford
Debbie Hicks
Mark Holt
Randy Le
- 11 Janet Holsclaw
Darren Le
Rollins Vance
- 13 Jana Elliott
Michelle Jones
Amber Tritt
- 14 Ryan Ragan
Renée Stowers
- 16 Chad McKinney
Phillip Vance
- 17 Madelyn McKinney
- 18 Zach Boles
Kathy Lineberry
Jennifer Walton
- 19 Peggy Boles
Fred Flinchum
- 20 Karlie Manley
- 22 Jennifer Benfield
Caleb Holt
Bryan Largent
Brandy Manley
Oberia Reudelhuber
- 23 Joseph Nickell
Carol Whitaker
- 24 "Nubbin" Greene
- 25 Joey Bottoms
- 26 Natalie Borders
Donna Wood
- 27 Brian Carder
Reagan Lee
- 28 Michael Miller
- 29 Molly Blackmon
Ashley Cox
Diane Scoville
- 30 Logan Hopwood
- 31 John Henry Boles
Jonathan Dillon
Anslee Hooks
Brice Jackson



Darshan's Soul Notes...

The Rushing Wind of the Holy Spirit

"And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting."

As I hear the March winds begin to whip around the corner of the house, I can feel the wind of the Holy Spirit blowing at Quaker Gap. Recently, one of the newer members of our Sunday school class commented that he could see that our church believed in the power and working of the Holy Spirit. He had not seen that in some of the churches he had visited before moving to this area. I assured him that like the apostle John wrote, "By this we know that we abide in Him and He is us, because He has given us of His Spirit." Just like the Spirit came and filled the church in the book of Acts, we believers here at Quaker Gap are filled with His Spirit. Because of that, I "rest" in the fact that He dwells in us and that allows us to abide in Him.

The presence of the Holy Spirit is a source of great assurance in our lives. However, it is good when we sense a "rush" of the mighty wind of His Spirit. I believe it makes us aware of God's presence in our midst and His presence energizes us for the work He has prepared for us to do. That energy is what I am seeing in the body here as God is at work among us.

Our adult and youth mission teams are preparing their hearts as we set out for Cuba, El Salvador, Puerto Rico and Kentucky. Many others involved in the Women's Ministry and Baptist Men are hard at work ministering to those here in our own neighborhood. Hearts full of praise are coming forward to spread the gospel in song. The worship team is abuzz as they start the preparation of the Easter musical, "Worthy is the Lamb of God". Our children's church group is excitedly preparing to lead in worship this month.

The wind of the Holy Spirit is moving in our midst. I pray that we will all stop and sense the rush of His Spirit and allow Him to fill our lives and energize us for the work He has prepared for all of us to do. Ephesians 5:17-21 says: "Therefore, do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of God." Here, Paul reminds us that when we allow the Spirit to fill us, we can understand what the will of the Lord is for our lives and our church.

As the Music Minister, it excites me to also see that living in the Spirit encourages us to make melody in our hearts to the Lord! It produces grateful lives that submit to one another in reverence of our Heavenly Father. What a beautiful picture of the working of the Holy Spirit in God's people. As we listen to the March winds blow around us, let's still our hearts before God and sense the rush of the Holy Spirit blowing through our lives. I believe it will help us understand God's will for our church, develop thankful hearts ready to glorify God in song, and produce unity in the body where we each give of ourselves to others to honor the God we love. May all people who look at us see that we believe in the power of the Holy Spirit!



Singing His Praises,
Darshan

SEEDS OF HOPE DAY CAMP

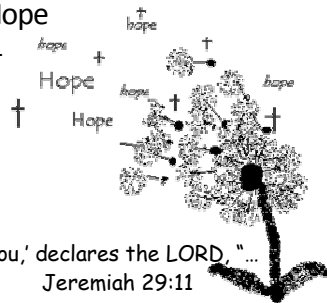


2011 BENEFIT BIKE RIDE
APRIL 30, 2011

RAIN DATE: MAY 7, 2011

Join the Seeds of Hope ministry as they raise funds to host the 2nd annual Seeds of Hope Day Camp, a camp for children 1-8th grades who are in need, are adopted, or are in foster care in Stokes County. This camp is intended to be free of charge to the children and the families that we serve. You may minister to these children and their families in several ways:

1. Pray for these families and the judicial system that they may be part of
2. Be a mentor to a child considered "at risk," adopted, or in foster care
3. Be a check point church for riders to receive refreshments and encouragement along the ride route, then volunteer to serve
4. Be a rider and pay your entry fee of \$25 per bike
Registration forms, medical release forms, and the bike route has been posted to our church website www.quakergap.info
5. Make a donation payable to Quaker Gap Baptist Church with "Seeds of Hope Camp" designated on the memo line and envelope
6. Encourage your friends in other churches to become a partner in the Seeds of Hope Ministry as we seek to surround families engaged in foster care or adoption in Stokes County with a network of support



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "... plans to give you hope & a future." Jeremiah 29:11



Items for the Homeless

Our RAs are continuing our ministry to the homeless by putting together homeless ministry bags. All Sunday School classes are asked to continue collecting their specified items for these bags. If you don't know what your class should be collecting, please contact J. C. Holt, and he will let you know what is needed.

Attention: Your Help is Needed

The Seeds of Hope ministry is prayerfully making plans to facilitate the second annual Seeds of Hope Day Camp for children who have been adopted, are in the foster care system, or are considered "at risk". This camp will run July 11th-15th at Mt. Olive Elementary School in King. In an effort to raise funds to insure this camp is completely free of charge to the children and families we serve, the Seeds of Hope team is hosting a benefit motorcycle ride on Saturday, April 30th (rain date May 7th). Please help us make this ride successful by providing gift certificates redeemable for service or goods from your business to provide to the riders as participation incentive. If you or someone you know would like to participate in the ride, please refer to the QG website for more information, rider registration, and release forms:

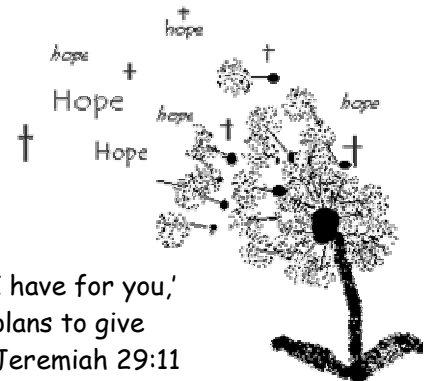
<http://www.quakergap.info/seeds-of-hope.html>

In addition, we will be providing the children with a birthday celebration the last day of camp. Every child will be celebrated and will receive a goody bag. If you are interested in making a donation toward these bags, please contact the camp coordinator, Jana Elliott. We are looking for items appropriate for kids in 1st through 8th grades.

Thank you so much for your consideration.
God Bless!

Seeds of Hope

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King, NC 27021
Phone: 336-994-2117
Fax: 336-994-2116
Camp Contact: Jana Elliott
janak313@surry.net
Jana's Phone: 336-351-2848



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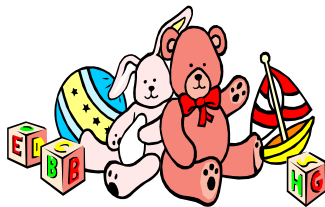
Infants & Ones

- 3/6 M/M Rich Henry & Lizzy Shaw
- 3/13 M/M David Burge
- 3/20 M/M Mike Hopwood
- 3/27 Debra Wilkins
Mary Moser
- 4/3 M/M Terry Baker & Erica



Twos

- 3/6 M/M Keith Ford
- 3/13 M/M David Lee
- 3/20 M/M Brain Walton
- 3/27 Dennis Ruff
Katie Poole
- 4/3 M/M Zane McKinney



**Wee Worship
(Threes & Fours)**

- 3/6 M/M Chris Stover
- 3/13 M/M Cory Snow
- 3/20 M/M John Clark
- 3/27 M/M Chad McKinney
- 4/3 M/M Jeremy Borders



**Wednesday
Evening Nursery**

- 3/2 Angie Pugh
Beth James
- 3/9 Dennis Ruff
Joyce Proctor
- 3/16 Kathy Ford
Jana Elliott
- 3/23 Angie Pugh
Beth James
- 3/30 M/M John Clark
- 4/6 Clint Hartgrove
Jeri Darida



Nursery Contact

Natalie Borders will be the nursery contact person through April. If you have nursery questions or scheduling issues that you cannot work out, please contact Natalie at 922-4466.



*Sanctuary
Flowers*

- 3/6 Chris Clark
- 3/13 M/M Zane McKinney
- 3/20 M/M Dale Davis
- 3/27 M/M David Lee
- 4/3 OPEN

Ushers

- 3/6 L. C. Allen
Larry Lancaster
- 3/13 John Henry Boles
David Lee
- 3/20 Terry Boles
Larry Mankins
- 3/27 Jeremy Borders
Chad McKinney
- 4/3 James Calloway
Zane McKinney

Deacon of the Week

- 3/6 Hal Stultz
Terry Boles
- 3/13 Cory Snow
Danny Bowman
- 3/20 Max Snow
Terry Bowman
- 3/27 Mark Smith
David Burge
- 4/3 Mike Sands
James Calloway

Forgiveness
BRACELET

Jesus died on the cross to forgive our sins, and he tells us to forgive other people, too. Make and wear this craft as a reminder that you are forgiven – and should be forgiving.

What you need:

- Clear plastic bottle (about 16oz.)
- An adult to help
- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Permanent black marker
- Glue or clear tape
- Thin ribbon or yarn
- Small hole punch

What you do:

1. Remove any label from the bottle. Have an adult help you cut the bottle in half, width-wise. At the middle, cut out two identical half-inch wide strips.
2. Cut out paper the same size as the plastic strips.
3. On the paper, write “Forgive, and you will be forgiven” (Luke 6:37, NIV).
4. Place the paper between the two plastic strips.
5. Cut and glue ribbon or yarn to run along the top and bottom of the verse, framing the words.
6. Punch a hole at each end, through all three layers.
7. Tie the bracelet to your wrist with ribbon or yarn.

The Salt Box

As this month begins, I feel that we as a church need to invest in people, even if they aren't investing in us. I am reminded of the life of Joseph, and how he handled things in the worst of times in his life. Joseph was a Godly man that continuously invested in every relationship he encountered, regardless of how he was treated in return. Every success he achieved seemed to be followed by struggles, where his integrity was challenged. Whether it was when he was sold into slavery, framed for adultery, or left in prison, He did not let it stop him from continuing to develop relationships in his life. Joseph was a man of character, but he also had a personality that saw the value of people even when those same people did not value him.

So the question that I ask you as a church is, do we love people despite the way that they treat us? Because after all, God has called us to love people like He would, and we as the church need to make sure that we are loving others despite the way that they treat us.

Serving Him,
Daniel Parker



FROM THE HEART



Hospice & Palliative
CARE CENTER

Hospice & Palliative Care Center
acknowledges your gift of \$40.00
with deep appreciation
in loving memory of

Beatrice Tedder Hall

By supporting Hospice in this special way,
you are contributing to the overall program of
supportive care for our patients and their families.
We are sincerely grateful.

02/21/2011

The family of **Beatrice Tedder Hall**

*acknowledges with grateful
appreciation your kind expression
of sympathy*

Congregation of Quaker Gap,

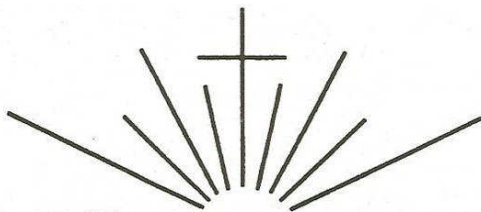
*We want to thank everyone for your love,
kindness, and prayers through the years. Mom
loved Quaker Gap and the people there. She en-
joyed the Senior meetings and trips as long as
she was able to go.*

*The gift to Hospice in her memory is much
appreciated. What a wonderful organization
that provides so much care and love during very
stressful times.*

*To the ladies of the church who furnished
food for the visitation following the funeral,
thank you. You did a beautiful job.*

*Thank you again for all your love and
support.*

Nancy Miller & all of Bea's family



KING OUTREACH MINISTRY

Thank you for your donations for King Outreach Ministry. Last month we collected 17 jars of peanut butter, 1 jar of jelly, 33 canned items, and 3 miscellaneous items. Quaker Gap's items to collect are canned beans (all kinds), peanut butter, and jelly. Please remember that this is an ongoing mission project. Donations are taken to KOM after the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Thank You

Quaker Gap Church,

*Thank you so much for the deli tray and fruit
tray that you provided during dad's death. We truly
appreciate your thoughts and prayers during this time.
Sincere thanks for your thoughtfulness.*

*Love,
Greg & Jill*

SALT-TEENS

MARCH 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1	2 5-6:00 PM Worship Team Practice 7-8:30 PM Youth Group	3	4 6:45 AM Prayer Breakfast	5	
6 6-7 PM Sunday Night Bible Study	7	8	9 5-6:00 PM Worship Team Practice 7-8:30 PM Youth Group	10	11 6:00 PM Cornhole Tournament #2	12	
13 6-7 PM Sunday Night Bible Study	14	15	16 5-6:00 PM Worship Team Practice 7-8:30 PM Youth Group	17  St. Patrick's Day	18 6:45 AM Prayer Breakfast	19	
20 6-7 PM Sunday Night Bible Study	21	22	23 5-6:00 PM Worship Team Practice 7-8:30 PM Youth Group	24	25 7 PM STNL	26	
27 6-7 PM Sunday Night Bible Study	28						

March 11th — We will be holding our second **Cornhole Tournament** fundraiser at 6 PM. All youth that are going on a mission trip this summer, should plan on attending and helping . Sign-ups are available in the Youth Room.

March 25th—NERF The last Friday of the month, we will be playing NERF at the church from 7-10 PM.

The Living Well



Rural Hall Center for Lifelong Learning

The Living Well

After months of planning and praying, The Living Well ministry has been initiated for seniors in Rural Hall and surrounding communities. The goal of The Living Well is to provide a non-denominational, non-profit center where area senior citizens will find needed community programs and services that will enrich and enhance their quality of life. This center is organized by area churches and community members and is located in the bottom level of First Baptist Church Rural Hall.

Come to The Living Well and help work on the **World's Largest Jigsaw Puzzle!** Current times to work on this puzzle are: Monday, 9 AM-12 PM, Tuesday, 1 PM-4 PM, Wednesday, 9 AM-12 PM, Thursday, 1 PM-4 PM & 7 PM-9 PM. Everyone is welcomed. Many seniors are working on this puzzle but several non-seniors who enjoy puzzles and good fellowship are also taking part.

Journey to Jerusalem

Need to get some exercise? Want to grow in your walk with the Lord and join together with other believers for a weekly Bible study? The Living Well has just what you need! The Journey to Jerusalem is a walking program designed to increase the physical, spiritual and emotional health of participants. This 80 mile (approximately) imaginary trip to Jerusalem is accomplished by individuals logging their own walking miles each week. **Beginning on Wednesday, March 9**, individuals are challenged to walk approximately 2 miles a day for 40 days (excluding Sundays) leading up to Easter Sunday, April 24. This walk symbolizes Jesus' journey from Nazareth to Jerusalem which was approximately 80 miles.

If you would like to participate, we have Walking Calendars (including a daily scripture reading and a place to record your miles) available on the table in the foyer of the Fellowship Hall or at our church office. Feel free to invite others from your family, neighborhood, etc. to join you on this journey. You are also invited to join together with others for a brief weekly Bible study at 11 AM on Thursdays. We will meet at the picnic shelter at Covington Park in Rural Hall. A representative from one of the area churches will lead this brief Bible study. Participants on this Journey to Jerusalem may choose to walk at Covington Park on these days before or after the Bible study, or walk where you choose and divide up your walking according to what works well for you.

Mission Statement: The mission of The Living Well - Rural Hall Center for Lifelong Learning is to Support the independence and well-being of area older adults, enhance their dignity and self-respect, and promote their active participation in all aspects of spiritual and community life.

Worship Schedule

Sunday

9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Morning Worship Service
6:00 PM Youth Bible Study

Wednesday

6:15 PM Fellowship Meal
7-8:00 PM Adult Bible Study
KidZone (for Children K-6th Grade)
Preschool Program (for ages 3-5)
7-8:30 PM SaltTeens Youth Group

Children's Family Picnic

Mark your calendar! You don't want to miss it! Plan to join The Children's Ministry Team for a family picnic on **May 15th**, following the morning worship service. The picnic will be a potluck lunch at Horizon's Park for all children (K-6th grade) and their families. Watch for more details closer to the picnic date.



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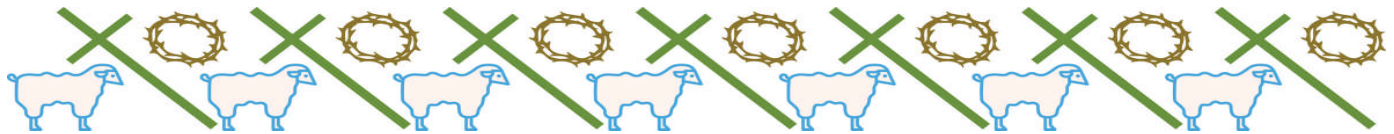
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Cornholin' for Missions II

The Salt-Teens Youth Group of
Quaker Gap Baptist Church
is sponsoring a Cornhole Tournament
On Friday, March 11th at
the QGBC Fellowship Hall
(2265 Flat Shoals Road, King)

6 PM check-in / 6:30 PM Game Time

Cost: \$30 / Team

(Team members must be 12 years of age or older.)
Contact Hal or Kim Sultz to register at 983-7453
or the QGBC Office at 994-2117

Grand Prize—\$150!!

Concessions Available

Hot Dogs, Tenderloin Sandwiches, Chips,
Desserts, Coffee, & Drinks

All proceeds will benefit the Youth Mission Trips
Come help support Quaker Gap's Salt-Teens

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone #: _____
\$30 Entry Fee: _____ Team Name: _____