

# Foursquare Focus

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*Greetings,*

*I read a story recently about a man who was slowly losing his memory. After the examination, the doctor said that an operation on his brain might reverse his condition and restore his memory. He also warned that the surgery would be so delicate that during the procedure a nerve could be easily be severed, which could result in total blindness.*

*The surgeon asked the man, "What would you rather have, your sight or your memory?"*

*The man considered his options for a few moments and then replied, "My sight, because I would rather see where I am going than where I have been."*

*You see, Paul had made the same decision in his life when he wrote Philippians 3:13-15. He was a very successful man in the world's eyes but he was also filled with guilt and shame when he was making the decision to put it all behind him and instead focus his eyes on God. We can't forget our past mistakes and failures, but it doesn't mean that we have to live them all over again.*

*Our goal should be that we learn from our past so God can lead us into the future that He holds. May God richly bless you this month and remember, we miss you when you aren't here.*

*Blessings,*

*Pastor Kevin*

### Nursery Ministry

**AM Service 10-11:30 am**

4<sup>th</sup> Kristy Whittington / Nicole Payseur  
 11<sup>th</sup> Angie & Courtney Tignor  
 18<sup>th</sup> Mickey Harris / Barbara Laney  
 25<sup>th</sup> Erik & Kerri Hester

**PM Service 6 pm**

No PM Service  
 Michelle Muse / Angie Walters  
 No PM Service  
 Teresa Crews

**Wednesdays 7 pm** Teresa Crews



### Preschool Ministry

**Sundays 10:30 am**

Mike & Jennifer Grant

**Sundays 6 pm**

w/ Nursery

**Wednesdays 7 pm**

Tom Cagle



### Children's Ministry



To all the kids... Have a great school year and remember "you are who God says you are!" GO BIG FOR GOD in all that you do!!

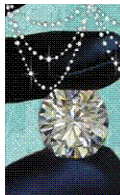


Thanks to all who helped make this year's VBS so much fun! And a BIG thank you to Clark and the Consuming Fire Youth Ministry for writing our VBS – "It was great!"

### Women's Ministry



**Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Baby Shower for Deena Acker** - All ladies are invited to join in celebrating the birth of Medlin Acker from 2-4pm in the FLC. Deena is registered at Target and Babies R Us.



The **Southeast District Women's Conference "You Were Created to Shine"** will be held on *September 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>* at Myrtle Beach. Please be in prayer for all the ladies who are attending.

### General Announcements



*Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>* will be a special day in the life of our church. Please invite your family and friends to join us as we have our **8<sup>th</sup> Annual "Praise in the Park" Celebration** in Stowe Park. Our time together will begin at 10am with praise 'n worship, a brief message, food, fellowship and games. Please sign up on the Life Board so we can get a rough headcount and let us know if you would like to bring a side dish, chips, drinks and/or a dessert – all items would be greatly appreciated. As in the past, the church will provide the hotdogs and hamburgers. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Kevin.



Please **pray for Pastor Kevin** as he travels with a group of Foursquare Pastors to follow in the footsteps of Paul. He will be leaving on *September 19<sup>th</sup>* and will return on *September 30<sup>th</sup>*. If you need anything during that time, please contact the church office and the staff will be glad to help you with any questions you may have.



The numbers are in and the news is great!!

At **Camp Courtney** this year, 352 people received Christ, 103 were called to ministry, 78 were healed, and 61 water baptisms were held – Praise the Lord!!

### What Money Can't Buy...

*Money may be the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not loyalty; days of joy, but not peace or happiness.*

~ Henrik Ibsen

## Keenagers

Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> - **Covered Dish Dinner**



Are you over 50? If so, we would love to have you join us for our monthly fellowship – The evening begins at 5pm with a delicious meal served at 5:30pm. See Gary or Sandra Lundquist with any questions.

## Hope Ministry



We appreciate your support this month as we collect: *flour, sugar, cereal and cookies*. You are such a blessing to those in need!

## Youth Ministry



Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> – **End Zone** - We are planning on “transforming” our bus into the “End Zone Party Bus and providing transportation from the games to the End Zone parties! Park Street UMC will be our host following the South Point/Burns game.

Also on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> – **Crisis Pregnancy Center’s “Walk for Life”** - Our Youth Ministry team has been asked to once again provide the music and be the D.J. for announcements from 4-8pm. If any students would like to volunteer for this event, we will be setting up the sound system at CPC at 3pm. After the walk is over, we plan to take the bus and head to the game to pick up students for the End Zone Party. Please let us know if you are interested in helping.

Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> – **“Youth Rally”** - We’ll be at Park Street UMC from 5-7pm for a night of worship, fellowship, dinner, dessert and an amazing speaker – You will not want to miss this Group Youth Event with guest speaker Pastor Jeremy White shares his powerful testimony.

Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – **“See You at the Pole!** - Get involved with your school’s planning for this great event!

Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> thru October 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Fall Youth Retreat** - We will again be teaming up with Lakeshore Christian Fellowship for our fall retreat weekend! This year we will be going to Camp Thunderbird in South Carolina. The cost is **\$95** per student and covers 2 nights, all meals, and all activities such as water slide, canoeing, zip-line and so much more! Please sign up if you’d like to join us – a deposit of **\$50** is due by *September 18<sup>th</sup>*.

**Thought for parents this month:** *Don’t just raise your students in church, raise them in Christ.*

## Surprised by God...

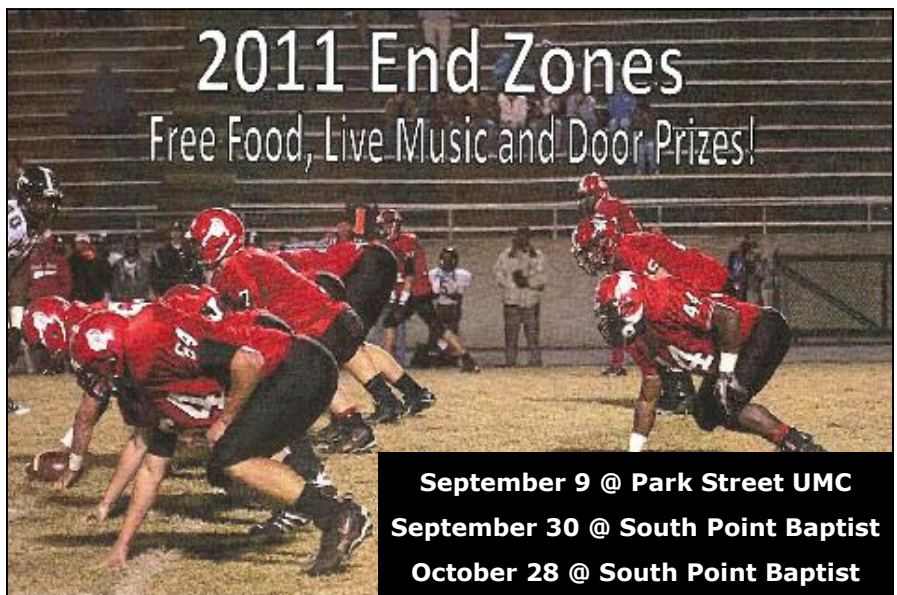


*A grandmother took her three-year old granddaughter into her lap and began reading to her from Genesis.*

*After a while, noticing that the little girl was unusually quiet, the grandmother asked, “Well, what do you think, dear?”*

*“Oh, I love it,” answered the child. “You never know what God is going to do next!”*

*~ Anonymous*





September 9 @ Park Street UMC

September 30 @ South Point Baptist

October 28 @ South Point Baptist

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28  Prayer 5-6pm	29  Volleyball 6:30-9pm (CLC)	30	31  Prayer 5-6pm Christian Classes 7pm	1	2	3
4  No PM Service	5  Labor Day Church Offices Closed	6	7  Prayer 5-6pm Christian Classes 7pm	8	9  CPC's "Walk for Life" 4-8pm (CPC, Gastonia) Youth Ministry - End Zone at Park Street UMC (after the game)	10  Baby Shower for Deena Acker 2-4pm (FLC)
11  Prayer 5-6pm	12  Volleyball 6:30-9pm (CLC)	13	14  Prayer 5-6pm Christian Classes 7pm	15	16	17
18  8th Annual "Praise in the Park" 10am, Stowe Park	19  Volleyball 6:30-9pm (CLC)	20	21  Prayer 5-6pm Christian Classes 7pm	22	23	24
25  Prayer 5-6pm Youth Ministry - Youth Rally at Park Street UMC 5-7pm	26  Volleyball 6:30-9pm (CLC)	27  Keenagers' Covered Dish Dinner 5:30pm (FLC)	28  Prayer 5-6pm Christian Classes 7pm	29	30  Youth Ministry - Fall Retreat at Camp Thunderbird <hr/>	1  