

# Millfield News

Events and activities at Millfield Baptist Church

## *First Three Teams Identified*

# Deacons Announce New Ministry Team Model

Since their retreat last January the Deacons have been moving toward a new form of ministry. That new model is called Deacon Team Ministry. The goal of this new ministry model is to recover a more biblical way of serving as a deacon and to more effectively use the gifts and abilities of all members of the congregation. The deacons will organize themselves into ministry teams with each team having responsibility for carrying out a specific ministry task. This structure will coordinate well with Millfield's new emphasis on gift-based leadership — developing leaders based on their gifts and abilities.

Over a series of meetings the deacons identified needs in the congregation and in the community, and they prioritized those needs. Then they considered the personal resources within the church. These resources were the gifts, skills, and abilities of our church members and regular participants. Seeing where the needs and resources best came together, the deacons decided on the first three teams to be formed. They are a Hospital/Sick Visitation Team, Crisis Intervention Team, and Outreach Ministry Team. (See box at right for descriptions.)

It is important to understand that while deacons will coordinate these teams, the teams will be made up of church members and participants at large. These teams are for everyone.

Over the next several weeks, the congregation will be given more information about the teams. Members and participants at Millfield are asked to prayerfully consider if God is calling them to serve on one of these teams. On a Sunday yet to be designated (probably in November) people will be asked to sign up for a team. The deacons on the teams will then start the process of training team members so that their ministry can begin.

## Deacon Ministry Teams

### ***Hospital/Sick Visitation Team***

**FOCUS:** Individuals and families affected by illness, injury, or medical procedures resulting in hospitalization and/or home care. The ministry will include in-person visits and phone calls.

**MESSAGE:** We support you (individuals and families) spiritually and physically in your time of crisis

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS:** Administration, caring, compassion, encouragement.

### ***Crisis Intervention Team***

**FOCUS:** To minister in Christian love to those persons grieving from the loss of loved ones or in other crisis situations.

**MESSAGE:** Burdens are lighter when shared. We want to help and encourage you.

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS:** Administration, hospitality, encouragement, empathy, mercy, helps

### ***Outreach Ministry Team***

**FOCUS:** To contact people in our community who may be looking for a church home. To warmly people when they visit. And to help new members and visitor assimilate into life at Millfield.

**MESSAGE:** We care about our community and the people in it.

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS:** Administration, integrity, encouragement, compassion.

**Pastor Search Team  
Forming in coming weeks**

**See page 2 for details!**

## Dedication of Memorial Garden and Flagpole Held on October 1



Looking upon the cobblestone terrace in front of Millfield Baptist Church, a wreath of fresh fall flowers added to the beauty of urns, spilling over with an array of foliage. As the sun shone through the treetops, Millfield's memorial garden and flagpole dedication was held with approximately 100 people attending. The short program began with a welcome by Bob Felts to church friends and guests, which set the mood for patriotism in each person's heart. Our invocation and benediction was given by the Rev. Wellford Tiller. Christopher Jernigan, a music major at Chowan College, played the National Anthem on trumpet, and finalized the service with "Taps". Remarks by Frank Patterson and SSgt. David Marino gave tribute to Sgt. Jayton Patterson and to all service men and women who are serving and have served our country. The U.S. flag presented, was flown over the Capitol on January 15, 2005. GySgt. Paul Mason, Ret. received the flag,

which was fully raised to the top of the flag pole and lowered to half mast by SSgt. Marino and Major Henry Goodrich. A reading describing the importance of the American Flag was read during this part of the ceremony. As the flag flew proudly in the wind, the words of the Pledge of Allegiance sounded out in perfect unison by those attending. Please stop by Millfield Baptist Church, sit on a garden bench and feel the presence of God. On the memorial marker are the words from 2Timothy 4:7: "I have fought the fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." Jayton and so many more fully lived the words of this verse.

Thanks to all who contributed to make this tribute possible.

*Sharon Patterson*



## OCTOBER

### BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Robbie Felts**
- 6 Jessica Atkins**
- 13 Ken Warren**
- 21 Danny Felts**
- 23 Sarah Dowless**
- 29 Mattie Patterson**

## NURSERY WORKERS SCHEDULES

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

- 1st Regina Garner & Brenda Lowe**
- 8th MaryBeth, Chandler, & Falon Williams**
- 15th Tracey & Kelly Stallard**
- 22nd Yvonne & Jerry Hacker**
- 29th Linda Chitwood & Heidi Pittman**

## Pastor Search Team Being Formed

The Transition Team has announced the procedure for forming the Pastor Search Team. The Team will consist of seven people: two from the Transition Team, one from the deacons, and four from the church at large. Susan Stone and Jean Felts from the Transition Team have already been appointed to the Search Team.

On Sundays, October 8 & 15, church members will have the opportunity to suggest members for the Search Team. A form will be provided to allow each member to suggest up to three people. These names will be collected and categorized by our intentional interim pastor. The Transition Team will then select individuals from this list to approach for service on the Search Team. Achieving diversity throughout the congregation will be one goal in the selection process. Once the at-large members have agreed to serve, the congregation will be asked to affirm these members. Please be prepared to suggest spiritually mature church members for this team on October 8 & 15. Only one member of a married couple will be allowed to serve. (Names may be mailed or emailed to the church by October 16 if you are going to be away these Sundays.)

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

- 1st Jean & Mert Felts  
Tracey & Kenny Stallard**
- 8th Louise Felts**
- 15th BROTHERHOOD**
- 22nd Jennifer & Neil  
Cutright**
- 29 Need a VOLUNTEER**

# October 2006

Every Sunday  
 9:30 AM—Fellowship Time  
 10:00 AM— Sunday School  
 11:00 AM— Worship

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 7:30 Deacons Meeting	3	4 11:00 Daytime WMU Group— VA Diner 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Programs 7:30 Choir & Signing Pract.	5 7:30 Church Conference	6	7
8 5:00 Puppet Practice 6:00 Youth Snack Supper 6:30 Youth Meeting	9	10	11 7:00 Signing Practice 7:30 Choir Practice	12 7:00 Personnel Committee	13	14
15 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast  7:30 PM Fall Festival of Music	16	17	18 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Program 7:30 Choir & Signing Practice	19	20	21
22 6:30 Youth Meeting	23 7:00 Women of Faith	24	25 7:00 Signing Practice 7:30 Choir Practice	26	27	28
29 11:00 YOUTH SUNDAY 4:15-YOUTH Leaving for Smithfield Skate Rally	30	31 6-8pm HARVEST FESTIVAL				



*You're Invited*

*To a  
Musical Evening*

*At*

*Millfield's Fall Festival  
of Music*

*Sunday, October 15, 2006 at 7:30pm*

*Featuring Musical Selections by:*

*Millfield's Choir, Hands in Service Signing*

*Team, Felix Lanier, Josh Borden,*

*and other special guests*

*\*A light dessert reception will follow*



**HARVEST FESTIVAL**

**Tues. Oct. 31, 2006**

**6-8pm**

Make your plans now to join us for our Harvest Fest! There will be something for everyone, just check out the evenings schedule of events:

Hot Dog Dinner

Magic Show

Puppet Skit

Costume Contests

Hay Rides

Trunk or Treat

Cake Walk

Games

Prizes

Lots of Family Fun!!

### **YOUTH EVENTS CALENDAR**

October 1st— 5pm Puppet Practice, 6pm All YOUTH Supper, Lighthouse meets  
6:30-8pm

October 4th— 6:30 Youth On Mission

October 8th— 5pm Puppet Practice, 6pm All YOUTH Supper, Lighthouse meets  
6:30-8pm

October 15th —Music Fall Festival (No meetings/practices scheduled)

October 18th —6:30 Youth On Mission

October 29th— 11:00 am YOUTH SUNDAY

BBA Youth Fall Skating Rally @ Smithfield from 5:15-7:15 (leave Millfield @ 4:30)

October 31st— 6:00-8pm Harvest Festival (Youth assisting with Games)

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