

Calendar of Ministries

✠ Saturday, September 21

Evening Prayers at 8 p.m.

✠ Sunday, September 22

Sunday School at 9:45

Morning Worship at 11

Session meets at lunch

✠ Monday, September 23

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Tuesday, September 24

Morning Prayers at 8

Special Food Pantry Day in the afternoon and early evening

✠ Wednesday, September 25

Morning Prayers at 8

Choir at 7 p.m.

✠ Thursday, September 26

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Friday, September 27

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Saturday, September 28

Evening Prayers at 8

✠ Sunday, September 29

Sunday School at 9:45

Morning Worship at 11

Choir at Piney Grove in the afternoon

Things to Come

Mr. Sherrard has had good response to the idea of a Men's Group. He has planned an organizational meeting for Thursday, October 3, at 7 p.m. If you are at all interested, this meeting would be a good one to attend. Possibilities for the group include fellowship, Bible study, discussion, service, and whatever else may be on your mind. Set aside October 3 as a time to give your input for this new venture in ministry.



The Weekly Word

Windy Cove Presbyterian Church

September 19, 2013

Teens Return Safely; Bible Club Begins

More than 25 teens, young adult helpers, and adult leaders returned safely on Sunday afternoon, September 15, from their retreat at Headwaters Lodge in Highland County. These folks had been in retreat on Saturday and Sunday at the Youth Development International facility at Headwaters. They had spent two days refreshing and challenging themselves, both spiritually and physically.

On Saturday morning the group separated into two sections, one for guys and one for gals, for an extended prayer walk through the hills surrounding the Lodge. Each section chose a different path. Along the way each group stopped periodically to consider and pray about certain aspects of their lives. The entire walk was done in silence except for the instructions to "stop" or "go." Each person has a prayer sheet which outlines what the concerns are for that particular stage of the walk.

The young people consider and pray about their walk with the Lord; they pray for their parents, for their school, for their country, and for many other common concerns. This prayer walk has been a consistent part of our youth retreat, and it has

proved to be of great benefit in focusing attention of God.

After lunch the kids met the challenge of the zip line and the high bar. The zip line runs off a 40 foot platform across a draw. There are two challenging ways to make it to the platform. Each way involves walking on a taut steel cable. Of course, the young people are harnessed at all times. There really is no possibility of falling, but it's still a challenge!

On the high bar, kids climb to a platform about 30 feet in the air. Then, they are challenged to leap out and grab a high bar which seems to be floating in the air. The leap requires a full extension of body and arms in order to get to the bar.

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Take Note!

Special Food Pantry on September 24. We had a lot of things donated recently from Camp Mont Shenandoah and the Kroger suppliers' convention at the Homestead.

Women's Bible Study begin on Oct 1 at 6:30. Pick up a study book in the vestibule. Call Sharon Sherrard for details.

Men's Group organizational meeting on Thursday, October 3, at 7 p.m.

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Teens (Cont.)

Even with the realization that one is tethered, it is a "leap of faith" to dive straight out into the air.

Later in the afternoon, the group played a rather vigorous form of dodge ball. After that activity, it was time for supper.

Sharon Sherrard led the evening worship with joyful singing and praise to God. The speaker was one of the counselors at the camp. He was from Scotland and the son of a pastor in the Church of Scotland. His message encouraged the kids to keep their focus on Jesus so that everything that they said and did served to magnify the Lord. His own passion for Christ came through strongly in his message.

On Sunday morning the group had some time for individual reflection with God. They also heard inspiring testimonies from Cameron Farmer and Aaron Newmarker. There's nothing like a heartfelt word from a slightly older young person to get through to a teen.

After lunch there were more outdoor challenges before all made their way back to Windy Cove late in the afternoon.

The retreat was a rally point for Bible Club which began on Wednesday, September 18, at the High School. Bible Club meets each Wednesday before school for devotions and prayers. On September 25 Bible Club will encompass See You at the Pole with a meeting at the flag pole in front of the school.

Study of Paul's Work Begins

In Sunday School and Morning Worship on September 15, Windy Covians began a new study of the Apostle Paul. The adults in Sunday School divided into two groups. One group used a study sheet containing Ten Fun Facts about Paul. The other group concentrated on discovering the letters that Paul is responsible for in the New Testament. This second group also wrote down 10 or 12 things that they might want to tell a friend about a relationship with Jesus.

In worship Mr. Sherrard focused on the kind of person Paul was before he became of Christian. The congregation looked at the assumptions or opinions that Paul had about life before he met the resurrected Lord Jesus. The application of this word for us today is to consider what assumptions we carry with us that might prevent us from fulfilling God's full potential for our lives.

We thought that you might want to keep up with some of our study on Paul. So, in our next article, we offer you the opportunity to work through some of the fun facts about the Apostle Paul.

Fun Facts

1. Paul had two names. His Roman name was Paul. His Jewish name was _____ . (See Acts 13:9)
2. Early in his life, Paul was not a Christian. In fact, he persecuted Christians and put them in jail.

Then, he met the resurrected Jesus while traveling to the city of _____ . (See Acts 9:1-3) If you were traveling to this city today, you would need to visit the nation of _____ .

3. After Paul's conversion, he spent a number of years preaching in and around his home town of _____ . (See Acts 9:30) Later, Paul went on a missionary journey with another disciple named _____ . (See Acts 13:1-2)
4. During Paul's first missionary journey, he was preaching in Lystra. At first things went well; but, then, something terrible happened to Paul. What happened: _____ . (See Acts 14:19-20)
5. Later, Paul took a second missionary journey with a companion named _____ . (See Acts 15:36-40)
6. On this second journey, Paul also recruited a young man to help him. The young man's name was _____ . (See Acts 16:1-2)
7. Paul eventually traveled to the city of Philippi where he preached to a business woman named _____ . She became a follower of Jesus and invited Paul to stay at her house. (See Acts 16:13-15)

8. In that same city of Philippi, another terrible thing happened to Paul. What happened: _____ . (See Acts 16:22-24) However, this terrible thing turned out for good when this man, _____ , and his family became followers of Jesus. (See Acts 16:27-33)
9. Later on that same trip, Paul went to an important city in Greece where philosophy flourished. Paul preached an important sermon there in _____ . (See Acts 17:16-18)
10. Eventually, Paul took a third missionary journey. He spent between two and three years preaching in an important city in Asia Minor. This city was _____ . (See Acts 19:1-10)

We hope that you did well on the Fun Facts. If you want to learn more about Paul and deepen your life of faith, make plans to be in Sunday School and Morning Worship this week. Hope to see you there!

Women's Bible Study

Our women are pointing toward their study which begins on Tuesday, October 1, at 6:30 p.m. The study is on the Book of James. The study is entitled *Mercy Triumphs*. It features Beth Moore on video and a study book. You can pick up a book in the vestibule at church. God can use this opportunity to help you grow. All you have to do is let him!