

## Church Briefs

### Family Night Saturday at Dixon Presbyterian

The monthly family night program of Dixon Presbyterian Church will be held Saturday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. at Dixon School, 603 Dixon School Road, Kings Mountain.

A covered dish meal will be served, followed by entertainment by the Mount Olive Baptist Church Choir.

All members of the community are invited to attend.

### 30 Hour Famine to hit country church group

A number of young people in the area will go without food for 30 hours on February 21-22 to help fight hunger and poverty around the world. The local students will join thousands of others across the U.S. and Canada in World Vision's annual 30 Hour Famine.

The international Christian relief and development agency World Vision sponsors the 30 Hour Famine each year to help young people learn about global hunger issues and to raise funds for the fight against hunger.

Participants are asking family, friends, and neighbors to sponsor them financially as they go without food for 30 hours to identify with those who are hungry. Through videos, games, special events, and involvement in local community service projects, they learn about hunger and what they can do to help others.

In 1996, more than 300,000 American young people raised over \$4 million through the 30 Hour Famine. Doug McGlashan, the national director of the 30 Hour Famine, has seen the program grow dramatically over the past few years. McGlashan says, "Young people in this country have enormous compassion for children and families in need. The more they learn, the more they become committed to making a difference in their world. We can all learn from their example and enthusiasm."

"This is a great way for all of us to actually do something about the problem of hunger around the world," says Sue Unnasch, who is leading the youth group from Long Creek Presbyterian Church in the weekend of the 30 Hour Famine. "Sometimes when we see people starving, we feel there's nothing we can do, but this is a way that we really can make a difference in people's lives."

As part of the Famine, local participants will make and fill "worship bags" for the younger children to use in the worship hour at Long Creek. They will also prepare a flower bed at Good Hope Presbyterian Church in Kings Mountain, and at Long Creek for planting later in the spring. They will spend some of the time in prayer and study as well as writing letters to members of Long Creek's partner church in Guatemala.

Last year, similar Famine events around the world involved over one million participants who raised enough to feed 22,000 children for a full year through World Vision projects.

Anyone interested in participating in the 30 Hour Famine or in sponsoring participants in this group can contact Sue Unnasch at 629-6901.

### Lutheran child center gets \$500 grant

St. Matthew's Pre-School in Kings Mountain has been awarded a \$500 grant from Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL).

The grant is designed to help the staff of Lutheran early childhood centers pursue professional staff development opportunities and resource center expansion.

The grant was provided through the AAL Lutheran Early Childhood Education Grant Program, which was offered to more than 4,000 Lutheran early childhood centers throughout the country.

"AAL recognizes the role that Lutheran early childhood educators play in providing the building blocks needed for children to grow in their education and their faith," said Marya McCree, manager of AAL grant programs. "We are happy to support their work."

AAL, based in Appleton, Wis., is one of the nation's leading fraternal benefit societies. Founded in 1902, AAL's purpose is to enable Lutherans to help themselves and others. AAL accomplishes this by providing scholarship and grant programs, volunteer opportunities, insurance protection and self-help educational programs.

### Crusade rally banquet is February 20 at KMHS

Dr. Dwight "Ike" Reighard of Atlanta will be the guest speaker at the rally banquet for the Jay Strack Impact Crusade of Kings Mountain Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Kings Mountain High School cafeteria.

Dr. Reighard, a native North Carolinian, was ordained in the Southern Baptist Convention in 1975 and served as pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville, Ga. for 18 years. During that time, New Hope Church experienced incredible growth and was noted in 1986 as the second fastest growing church in the Southern Baptist Convention and the fastest growing church of any denomination in the state of Georgia. During Dr. Reighard's ministry there, over 3,200 persons were baptized.

Dr. Reighard has conducted seminars and preached for numerous Southern Baptist agencies and has served on the faculty of the Billy Graham School of Evangelism. His writings include one book, "Treasures from the Dark," and numerous articles in local and nationwide newspapers and magazines.

He is a graduate of Luther Rice Seminary with a Doctor of Ministries degree and has also received honorary doctorates from Southern California and Immanuel Baptist Seminaries and Liberty University. Currently, he is senior associate pastor and pastor to a satellite congregation of First Baptist Church of Atlanta.

The Jay Strack Impact Crusade of Kings Mountain is being sponsored by the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association and will be held August 24-28 at John Gamble Stadium. The rally banquet is an opportunity for all interested persons to learn more about the event and how they and local churches can be involved.

Reservations are required, and tickets are available for \$7 per person through the crusade office at 801 W. King Street, Kings Mountain. Office hours are 10 a.m.-12 noon Monday-Friday. For more information call 730-0120.

### Lenten luncheons and services continue

The annual Kings Mountain Community Lenten series is continuing each Wednesday. The theme for the 1997 series is "The Commands of Jesus." The sponsoring Kings Mountain Ministerial Association encourages every pastor and congregation, as well as the public, to participate in the series of fellowship meals and worship.

Services will begin promptly at 12:05 p.m. and last 20 minutes. An offering will be received during the worship services for the Kings Mountain Crisis Ministry.

The meal will be \$2 per person to help defray the host church's cost of meal preparation.

The schedule is as follows:

February 26 - Resurrection Lutheran Church. Preacher, Rev. Hal Schwantes. Sermon "You Must Be Born Again" from John 3:1-18.

March 5 - Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church. Preacher, Rev. Pat Stone. Sermon "Love God - Love Neighbor" from Matthew 22:34-40.

March 12 - Boyce Memorial ARP Church. Preacher, Rev. Dick Newsome. Sermon "Do Unto the Least" from Matthew 25:34-40.

March 19 - Kings Mountain Baptist Church. Preacher, Rev. James Dougherty. Sermon "Go Into All the World" from Matthew 28:18-20.

### Singing set at Cherryville Church of God

Bob and Jeanne Johnson will be in concert Sunday, March 30 at Cherryville Church of God.

The Johnsons regularly appeared on the PTL television ministry, and they spent several years with the Speer Family Singers. Jeanne received the Dove Award as Best Female Singer of 1975. They host their own TV program, Signature, which airs on The Inspirational Network on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free and a love offering will be taken. For more information, call 435-2275.



# This WEEK

## WORSHIP GOD

## The One Who Knows



Sunday  
**1 Corinthians**  
11:17-34

Monday  
Psalm  
9

Tuesday  
Psalm  
10

Wednesday  
Exodus  
23:1-9

Thursday  
Leviticus  
19:1-18

Friday  
Isaiah  
61:1-11

Saturday  
Luke  
4:16-30

"Ah, sweet mystery of life," says our young Sherlock.

Youngsters are naturally curious. Though their methods may be simplistic, their lack of refinement is overshadowed by an overabundance of determination. Repeatedly, we hear, "Why?" That is how a child learns...by asking one who knows.

As the child grows to adulthood, the questions become more difficult and the answers more elusive. Where does one go?

Most solutions are found through experience and in the written word. It has been said that children live what they learn. If their experience has been to learn of God's wisdom and love at an early age, they will likely search His Word for answers to more complex issues as an adult.

In Matthew 7:7, we read..."Seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." Seek God this Sabbath in your local church or synagogue. Ask the One Who knows.

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