



# Swift Creek Chronicles

## FROM THE PASTOR...

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Grounds Maintenance  
Mrs. Sandy Jones, Custodian  
Mrs. Kim Sharp, Church Secretary  
Mrs. Susan Moore, Financial Secretary

**Church Office Hours:**

Monday -- Friday - 9 a.m.-1p.m.

**Sunday Schedule:**

Coffee Fellowship—9:30 a.m.  
Bible Study—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service—11:00 a.m.

**Wednesday Schedule:**

Fellowship Meal—5:30 p.m.  
Prayer and Bible Study—6:30 p.m.  
Children on Mission—6:30 p.m.  
Adult Choir Rehearsal—7:15 p.m.

**Monthly Events:**

1st Sunday-Men's Breakfast  
1st and 3rd Sunday - Youth  
2nd Friday - PNO  
3rd Thursday - WOM  
4th Tuesday-C.A.R.E. Ministry

Jess Moody in his wonderful collection of stories called "Club Sandwich", tells us how in the early 1920's, a young boy, by the name of Philo Farnsworth, changed the world. Philo was working on a farm, plowing a straight line in a potato field, but his mind was far away, thinking about the possibility of transmitting moving pictures through the air. He had no electronic or engineering background, nor was he a scientist. No one in the world of science would have considered him a serious contender in the chase to find the answer to photographic transmission without the aid of wires.

Scientists from all over the world had been struggling to solve this dilemma and although many had been aided by research grants, no one came up with the answer. So, what chance did Farnsworth, a potato farmer with no education, have?

While plowing, he imagined a different approach. He imagined dividing a screen into long rows just like the field he was plowing, using electricity to create areas of light and darkness at each point along the row. Then stacking the rows on top of each other, he imagined that they could bring to focus a picture. Bingo! The results were better than anything the world of science had ever conceived. It is the very system used today in a standard television.

What did Farnsworth invent? Television. It was his vivid imagination coupled with a propensity toward science that has literally changed the world. But unfortunately he was not credited with the idea since he was only 14 years old. Two business men, George Everson and Les Gorrell took an interest in Farnsworth and invested their life savings in his research. In spite of his age they had faith in him and on September 7, 1927, Farnsworth transmitted history's first electronic television picture.

The world changed because Philo Farnsworth kept his hands on the plow and never looked back. We never know what God may be doing or how God plans to use those who are willing to use their gifts to serve those around them. Let us faithfully continue to plow the fields with our imagination fully engaged.

In God's Grace  
David Vess

## ROBIN'S ROUNDTABLE

Summer is winding down and it's time to start planning and praying about upcoming Fall events. As our calendar fills up, I will be looking for volunteers and chaperones to assist with these events. While some of these events are for Children and Youth, many are church wide events and your prayers and help will be needed. All these we do to further God's Kingdom and for His Glory.

In Christian Service,  
Robin Atkins

August 17	Training Extravaganza @ Trinity Baptist church 8-noon
September 7	Fun Day 10am—1pm
September 13	Parent's Night Out (PNO) Resumes 6pm—9pm
September 21	Church Yard Sale
September	Ladies Bible Study Resumes TBA
October 11	PNO 6-9
October	Fall Festival Time TBA
November 2	Annual Christmas Shopping Spree 9am-2pm
November 8	PNO 6-9
November 17	Collection of Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child
November 24	Dedication of boxes
December 7	Breakfast with Santa
December 13	PNO 6pm-9pm

Dear Church Family,

We would like to thank our Church family for all of your cards, prayers and phone calls during Will's surgery and recovery. He is doing well. It means a lot to have a church family that prays for us.

Love, Peanut, Barbi, Will and Blake

### Deacon Update

At the regular July Deacon's Meeting, in addition to the Family Ministry concerns the Deacons discussed the following items.

\*Foyer update- Jim Walker still trying to find commercial contractor to work with.

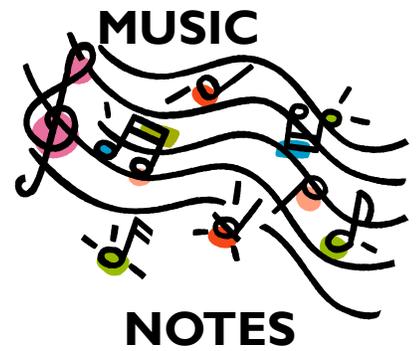
\*Church sign- meeting July 17.

\*List of Deacon Nominations

\*Date for pastor resource meeting with prospects set for July 21.

First, let me thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards and other expressions of kindness during my recent surgery to remove a kidney stone. I am much better now and hope to get a good report when I return to the doctor.

If you read this article prior to July 28, don't miss the opportunity to hear the sound of brass during our worship service on that morning. The instrumentalists are: Trumpets – Bill Collins & Kyle Malone, French Horn – Whitney Beaver, Trombone – Steve Cox and Tuba – David Vess Jr. They will play selections for the Prelude, Offertory and Postlude and accompany the congregational hymns.



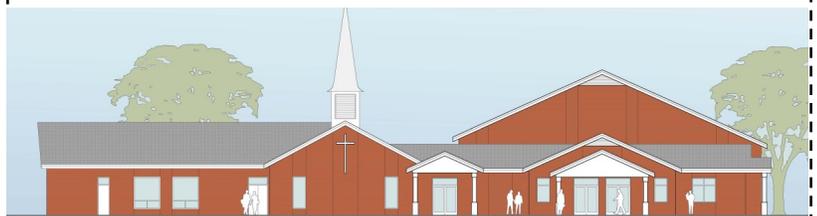
The new sound system is already opening doors for the music ministry by its capacity to meet our needs whether the music requires instrumentalists, a vocal ensemble or other scenarios such as producing a Christmas pageant. In addition, it has been a blessing to see the response of our tech team as we all work closer together in order to enhance our worship experience each Sunday.

David Beaver

*Psalm 150: 3-4, 6 Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet; praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with the timbrel and dance; praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.*

Swift Creek Baptist Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on 8/30/2013. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$159 (\$149 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).**

## FAMILY LIFE CENTER UPDATE



CURRENT FUNDS ON HAND \$109,952.00

## LIFE LINE SCREENING



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## August 16

Dear Lynne and Swift Creek Baptists,

Thank you so very much for your generous fan donations for needy seniors in Eastern NC. Your thoughtfulness, compassion, and willingness to help goes a long way to provide much needed relief from the summer heat for numerous aging adults. Your gifts are also clear demonstrations of the love and provisions of our great God as well as the practical benefits of heat relief. I hope you'll find joy in knowing that God is using you, mightily using you, to make a great difference for others!

Gratefully,  
 Wendy

### NURSERY WORKERS FOR AUGUST

- 4- Jennie Jones, Tiffany Arnett
- 11- Dorothy Smith, Joyce Powell
- 18- Janet Yunker, Dianne Davis
- 25- Christian Leggett, JoAnne King



### The C.A.R.E. Ministry

Care Ministry will meet on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Many have been blessed with our calls, visits, cards and prayers. Thank you for your dedication to this important part of Swift Creek's outreach program.



### Average Attendance and Giving June 23, 2013-July 14, 2013

Bible Study Attendance	45
Worship Service	76
Tithes and offerings	\$2,810
Needed weekly to meet budget	\$4,434

Thank you for your gifts!

### Online Giving

Available at [www.swiftcreekchurch.com](http://www.swiftcreekchurch.com)  
 You can now make secure donations on our website using a credit card, debit card, or Paypal account. This feature allows you to make contributions from anywhere internet access is available.

### Swift Creek Baptist Church Clothes Closet and Food Pantry

**AS OF JULY 17 WE HAVE FED AND CLOTHED  
 414 PEOPLE IN NEED THIS YEAR!**

Don't forget the food pantry on your next shopping trip.  
 Anything you donate that is store bought is greatly appreciated.