



How many of us will be thinking about "spring" cleaning this month? The most thorough way to clean your house, garage, yard, etc., is to give it a complete cleaning. To give your heart a complete cleaning is to think seriously about the sacrifice Jesus made for you. Clean out the closets of your mind and decide what things are important and make up your mind to have Christ at the center of it. "Clean up what is inside the cup first, and then the outside will be clean too!" ~ Matt. 23:26b. When you've finished your "spring" cleaning, you feel so good. What about a clean heart and mind!

### MARCH / APRIL CHILDREN'S WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 6 ~ Children's Sermon	April 3 ~ Children's Sermon
13 ~ April Wyatt / Kristen Earwood	10 ~ Brian / Becky Brickman
20 ~ Donna / Mary Kate Powell	17 ~ Julie / Emily Fender
27 ~ Sarah / Allison Houser	24 ~ EASTER SUNDAY

If for any reason you cannot take your turn, either trade places with someone or call Kathy Turner at 433-6709 or 728-9345 / 310-8884.

### *Kids! Kids! Kids!*

**We are memorizing the Books of the New Testament on Wednesday evenings at 6:45, before KidsPlace. Come and join the fun with sword drills, games, prizes, etc.! Earn your certificate for reciting the 27 books of the NT.**

(We are also going to be memorizing The Lord's Prayer.)



The suggested items for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this month are hats, gloves, and scarves. If you would like to help the children out in this way, please leave items in the baskets located beside the narthex. The suggested items are based on seasonal sale items. This is also a good time to prepare ahead for your own individual shoeboxes. Thanks to those who participated last month!

Working together for Christ, Kathy Turner

### *With Special Thanks...*

*Dear WCG, Roger & Pam,*

*I love my new mailbox and repaired recliner.*

*Your kindness is very much appreciated. Thank You!*

*God's spirit shines through in people like you.*

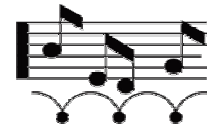
*Love, Joyce Turkelson*



# March Events

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wednesday	-10:00 – 11:30 a.m.	MOM's Business Meeting in the lower level
		- 5:45 p.m.	Chick Fil-A Fundraiser Supper for PowerHouse Youth
		- 8:15 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	- 10:30 a.m.	Children's Sermon (No Children's Church)
		- 4:30 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study
9 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	- 8:15 p.m.	Board of Trustees Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	- 10:00 a.m.	General Assembly Meeting at First Church of God in Archdale, NC (This meeting is concerning the proceeds from the future sale of Statesville property.)
13 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	- 4:30 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study
14 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	- 6:00 p.m.	Chrismon Class in the lower level
15 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	- 6:30 p.m.	CWC Meeting in the lower level
20 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	-12:00 p.m.	Fundraiser Luncheon for Janie Walker (medical bills)
		- 4:30 p.m.	Menu: Egg Rolls, Chow Mein, Fried Rice, Moo Goo Ladies Bible Study
26 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	- 11:00 a.m.	Triple Community Fire Dept. BBQ Fundraiser for D. Hughes
27 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	- 4:30 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study
28 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	- 6:00 p.m.	Chrismon Class in the lower level

### From The Choir Director



Hello, everyone! As I write this, it is a bright, sunny day with the temperature around 70 degrees. The robins everywhere and we have crocuses budding in our flower bed! The time of approaching spring is a wonderful time, when the earth is coming alive after a long, cold winter. And as we come into the Lent and Easter seasons, it is a glorious reminder of our Savior's resurrection after his persecution and crucifixion. The earth is shouting "I'm alive!" as we will be singing "He's Alive" on Easter Sunday!

The choir is beginning practice of our songs for Easter. If you are interested in singing with the choir on Easter, or would like to join the choir on a regular basis, you are most welcome. The choir meets at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights in the choir room on the upper level. We'd love to have you. The choir is more than just the group that sings for you each Sunday; we are a "small group" that prays and worships together and everyone in the group considers it a gift to be able to offer their musical talents to the church in praise of our Savior and King. Our hope is that our music will help to lead you in offering your praises and will help bring people closer to the Throne and the saving grace that waits there for us all. Sunday before last, we sang "We Sure Do Need Him Now" and the congregation sang "Jesus, You're All I Need". Jesus IS all we need to get through the tough times; at home, at work, at school and yes, even in church. He is the one person we can totally rely on and bring our troubles to. I'm so glad that He loves us and hears us when we call on Him. Aren't you glad that the Lord loves us! He loves us, no matter what!

The choir welcomed back one of our members week before last. My youngest brother, Frank, has been in Iraq for the past ten months, but is now back at home for good. But there are others still overseas and in harm's way. Please be in prayer for all the military personnel and their families. Please continue to be in prayer for all those in our community who are out of work, for the people in troubled parts of the world, such as Haiti, Myanmar and Egypt, and for all the lost. And as always, please be in prayer for our Church and for all the ministries and their leaders.

With a song in my heart, Beth