

# The Encourager

Deep Creek Friends Meeting

June, 2023

## Mentors I've Never Met

With the death of Tim Keller, one of my mentors I never met, I am reminded of others, who, through the decades deposited seeds of truth into my mind and my spirit. Let me share a few of the quotes of great Christians whom God has used to draw me to Him throughout the years. Slowly savor these anointed words and see if any of them resonate with you spiritually as well.

**God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks to us in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world. C.S.Lewis (1898-1963)** This often-used quote by Lewis can be proven by experience as we find a deeper appreciation and yearning for God when we go through suffering.

**A frightened world needs a fearless church. A.W.Tozer (1897-1963)** Tozer was always getting right to the point when it came to the mission and life of the Christian and the church. His challenges made me think.

**There is a way of ordering our mental life on more than one level at once. On one level we can be thinking, discussing, seeing, calculating, meeting all the demands of external affairs, but deep within, behind the scenes at a profounder level we may also be in prayer and adoration, song and worship and a gentle receptiveness to divine breathings. Thomas Kelly (1893-1941)** This Quaker helped me understand Christian "centering". That we could live on two levels at once. Not limiting what is sacred to Sundays but being in worship all the time.

**Here is a truth you must never forget: God is more interested...in the person you are becoming than in your work, your ministry, or your job. Dallas Willard (1935-2013)** Willard often emphasized that the work of the Kingdom of God is nothing less than our total transformation.

**You have made us for Yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in You. Augustine (354-430)** This quote has had an almost haunting grip for me. It helps us understand that our unsettled longings can only be filled by God.

**I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there can be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again. William Penn (1644-1718)** Penn was probably the most famous Quaker. He gives us pause as to how we spend every fleeting moment of this life.

**"Let him who cannot be alone beware of community...Let him who is not in community beware of being alone. Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945)** This German pastor and martyr has given me deep spiritual insight into our relationships. He exposes our tendency to manipulate even those we love, unless we go through Christ to one another.

**To talk with God, no breath is lost. Talk on! To walk with God no strength is lost. Walk on! To wait on God, no time is lost. Wait on! E.Stanley Jones (1884-1973)** Jones, a Methodist missionary to India, had great insight into prayer. His writings were priceless to me as a new Christian.

**One way to define spiritual life is getting so tired and fed up with yourself you go on to something better, which is following Jesus. Eugene Peterson (1932-2018)** Peterson always had a way of putting a mirror in front of the self in a way you could not argue with.

**The gospel is this: we are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the very same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope. Tim Keller (1950-2023)** This has been a guiding thought in my own life, reminding me of the humbling miracle of God's grace.

Randy

Friends, we should read the works and retain the quotes of great Christians, not to look clever in a crowd, but to become spiritually deep. Try it this summer. Read! Resist the superficiality of this age. Read something that is rooted in the eternal and has stood the test of time. I warn you that this will not be easy reading. It is not shallow fluff, but real nourishment that will stick to the ribs of your soul.

**NOTE: Wearing Masks is optional. Use your good Judgement.**



**Each Sunday:** Sunday School at 9:30 AM; **Worship at 10:30 AM Options:** **Inside;** Tune in to: **FM 88.9;** **Facebook Live**

Submitted By Ginger Holt:

**Special Music:**

June 4 – The McDonald Girls  
June 11 – The Choir  
June 18 – Jacob Brendle  
June 25 – The Choir



**Choir Practice:**

Sunday, June 4 @ 3:00 PM;  
Wednesday, June 21 @ 8:30 PM

NOTE: Choir will take the month of July & part of August off for the summer

Submitted by Jay Brendle.

**Nursery Volunteers during Worship:**

June 4 – Janet Robbins  
June 11 – Cathy Shore  
June 18 – Ginger Holt  
June 25 – Priscilla Shore

**Greeters for the month of June:**

Adam Hutchins and Sarah Ray

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Friend Day – June 4**

Bring a friend to church today.

**June 11– Graduation Sunday  
Recognizing Graduates**

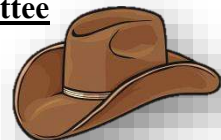


**June 11 – Monthly Meeting  
After Worship**

Each Committee: *Please appoint a spokesperson for the meeting.*

**Sunday, June 18 @ 8:15 AM  
Christian Education Committee  
will meet**

Angie Brendle, Chair



**June 18 – Happy Father's Day**

**Monday, June 19 - Billy Graham Library Tour**  
Leave from the church at 9:00 AM See Pg 4

**Tuesday, June 20 at 7:00 PM  
Ministry & Counsel will meet**

**Thursday, June 22 – Camp Creek  
9:00 AM-11:00 AM Children Bring a friend**  
See Sydney for more information Pg 8

**Saturday, June 24, 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM at  
Picnic Shelter – Tour de Llama Bicycle stop  
for Samaritan Ministries annual fund-raising  
event to provide food and shelter to hungry and  
homeless neighbors in the Winston-Salem area.**

**Sunday, June 25 – Friday, June 30  
Vacation Bible School, 6:00 – 8:30 PM  
Friday Program and Hot Dog Supper 6:30  
Everyone Invited**

**THOUGHT for June**

I grew up going fishing with my Daddy. It was kind of “our thing”. We started out walking to a pond near his house or going to my Uncle Orville’s farm pond. Later, when I was an adult, Daddy bought a small fishing boat, and we went to Lake Norman at the 150 bridge. Daddy had a fishing buddy, Joe, who went with him fishing each week. But, once a week during my summer break, Dad would make an extra trip to the lake each week to take me fishing. It was an adventure that began about 4am for Dad. He would get up early enough to fix ham biscuits for our breakfast, and fried bologna sandwiches for our lunch. By the time I got to his house, around 5 am, he would have everything nicely packed away and ready for travel. We had to be at the lake by 6 am so we could be in place by the time “the fish woke up”.

Our fishing trips were never as successful as the ones Daddy and Joe had. I guess it had something to do with all the wasted time Dad took putting bait on my hook, or maybe all the talking I did. However, Daddy never seemed to mind, and always seemed to be excited about taking me.

If you had asked during that part of my life if I liked to fish, I would have told you that I loved to fish. I believed it too. In fact, I did tell people that. I even told my first real boyfriend that. So, of course, he took me fishing. Well, turns out, I don’t love fishing. I loved my Daddy. I loved spending time with him, even if it meant fishing. And, I bet Daddy didn’t really love having unsuccessful fishing trips, but he loved me. He loved spending time with me, even if it meant having to put the bait on my hook.

I bet you all have similar stories. When it gets down to it, it isn’t what we do with our Dads, but that they take the time to do those things with us. So, if you are a Dad and you like to fish, go ahead and take that little girl fishing. I bet she will love it.

*We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19*

Happy Father’s Day to all the Fathers and Fathers at Heart.



Ginger Holt, Clerk

**Nursery for Sunday School 9:30-10:30 AM – Volunteers**

**June 4 - Jean Hutchins June 11- Priscilla Shore June 18 - TBA June 25 - Donna Raines**



From Randy: *Join Us*

## Friend Day!

June 4<sup>th</sup> @  
10:30 AM

*This year we have 4 Friend Day Sundays. Our second will be on June 4th.*

Invite someone to come with you on this Sunday

*Bible Study continues each week:  
Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM – Meal included*

## God's Grace in the Midst of Crisis

A Study in The Book of Ruth

God is not absent. He can weave his providential grace in our lives in ways we've never imagined. God was at work in Ruth's life in ways she could have never imagined.

Join us as we continue to study the Book of Ruth in a field of barley.

### One of the Core Values of Deep Creek Friends Meeting: STEWARDSHIP

We believe that all we have comes from God and belongs to God. We seek to encourage each other to be good stewards of God's resources of time, energy and finances.

*Pray Daily for Ministries, Other Friends Meetings and Leadership:*

FCNC Prayer Calendar		JUNE 2023		<i>"To Know God And Make Him Known"</i>		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>"When you go to God in prayer, you are not overcoming His reluctance, you are laying hold of His willingness." ~George Muller, Evangelist</i></p>				1 Bethel Church Marcus Wall <b>FEMAP</b>	2 Branon Friends Gloria Simmons Jordan Ramey Carlene King	3 Cane Creek Friends Cheryl Benson
4 Cedar Square Friends Michael Fulp Jr Sterling Brown	5 Centre Friends No Pastor No Youth Pastor <b>FCM</b>	6 Concord Friends Greg Creed	7 Connection Church Mike Wall	8 Deep Creek Friends Randy Quate Jared Warden Sydney Matthews	9 Forbush Friends Mitchell See Kyle Widlicka	10 Goldsboro Friends George Strickland <b>QUAKER MEN</b>
11 -Harmony Grove No Pastor -Hunting Creek No Pastor	12 Hood Swamp Friends Lee Lane <b>East Africa YM</b>	13 Kernersville Friends Jeff Barnes	14 Liberty Friends <b>James Moore</b> <b>QUAKER LAKE</b>	15 Marlboro Friends Ray Luther Terry Linthicum	16 Mar Mac Friends Howard Seymour <b>USFW</b>	17 Mountain View Friends No Pastor
18 Odre Nuevo (New Wineskins) Misael Morales	19 Pilot Mountain Jeremiah Thomas	20 Randleman Friends Wade Craven	21 Rocky River Friends David Hobson <b>FDS</b>	22 Science Hill Friends John Porter <b>Superintendent</b> <b>Mike Wall</b>	23 South Plainfield Friends Hugh Spaulding	24 Thomasville Friends Eric Morrison
25 White Plains Friends Dusty Ball <b>Jamaica YM</b>	26 Winthrop Friends Georgianne Hartline	27 Archdale Friends Rodney Kirby <b>Social Media Co</b> <b>Jenny Gullion</b>	28 Asheboro Friends David Millikan	29 Back Creek Friends John Voncannon	30 Baltimore Friends Gilbert Imbayi	

## Food for the Hungry

**I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for Me.**

Matthew 25:4

**Thank You for Your Help.**

**Regular Items Needed:**



### Food Items:

- Cereal
- Cooking Oil
- Fruit
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Meat
- Crackers
- Sugar (2-pound bags)

- Flour (2-pound bags)
- Soup
- Mayonnaise
- Juice
- Canned Vegetables
- Spaghetti
- Macaroni & Cheese

### Household Items:

- Toilet Paper
- Toothbrushes
- Dish & Laundry Detergent

## Hands of Hope

**Hands of Hope is a faith based 501(c)3 nonprofit primary health care clinic that is open Monday and Tuesday to serve Yadkin County residents ages 18-64 who do not have medical insurance.** The clinic partners with Dr. Taylor for dental, Yadkin Vision and Piedmont Imaging.

In 2022 they served 632 patients. **The clinic is in need of donations of unopened prescriptions, insulin, Depends, lotion and Miscellaneous medical supplies.** The clinic is located at 320 W Maple St, Yadkinville, NC

The Quaker Women met May 23rd and enjoyed hearing about Hands of Hope Medical Clinic from Bridget Boyles, Director. Prior to coming to Hands of Hope, Bridget was a NICU nurse at Novant for 27 years. She knew that she wanted to go into mission work after she and her family went to Peru on a medical mission trip. Each day at Hands of Hope begins with prayer. A chaplain comes on Tuesdays to pray with patients.

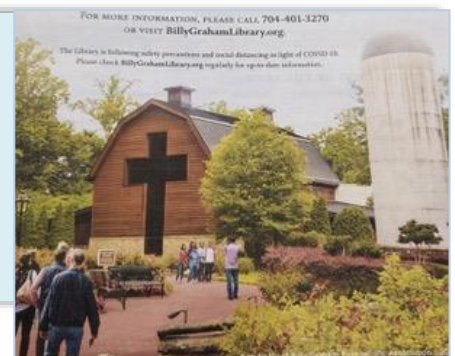


## Billy Graham Library Tour – Monday, June 19

Please join the Quaker Women for a tour of the Billy Graham Library. We will leave from the church at 9:00 AM and return by 4:00 PM.

**Please let Janet know you would like to go - 336-971-1212.**

We need to make reservations for our Journey of Faith Tour that takes 1.5 hours. We will eat lunch there before we return home. **Hope you can join us!**



**REMINDERS:** \* **If You Wish to Use** the Picnic Shelter, Fellowship Hall, or Sanctuary, Contact Ginger at 336-244-5235 to be put on the calendar.

\* If church groups wish to use the Church Van, contact Ginger to be put on the calendar in order to prevent conflict with the new Sunday Van Ministry.

**Rules to Live By: The Queries from the Faith and Practice of Friends Church of NC**

### **YOUTH AND THE CHURCH**

**Do you seek the conversion to Jesus Christ and spiritual development of your young people? Do you instruct them in the principles and practices of Friends? Do you strive to create a community life that will promote their mental and physical well-being?**





**Did they learn how to fly fish at *Fly Fishing Class*?**  
With all types of rods, reels, lines, knots, flies and casting practice?



**Your friends are waiting for a big Fish Fry!**





**Can You Help?**

# North Carolina Friends Disaster Service

AN OUTREACH MINISTRY OF N.C. FRIENDS

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## Eastern N.C. Disaster Relief June 11 - 16, 2023

*New Bern, North Carolina*

*We will be returning to New Bern in June to continue repairing hurricane damaged houses. During our trip to New Bern in March, we constructed a large wheelchair ramp and hung sheetrock in two houses. During this June trip, we will be doing miscellaneous repairs to multiple houses. There is still a large number of people with no insurance or funds to repair their homes damaged by multiple hurricanes. Volunteers are the only way these homes will be repaired.*

*We will be working with the Baptists On Missions Disaster Group. The Baptist on Missions group will be providing us with all our meals and we will be staying at their New Bern Rebuild Center. The accommodations will be dormitory style with women in one area and men in the other. If you would like to participate, please contact one of the Co-Coordinators listed above as soon as possible.*

**Lodging : Baptists on Missions – New Bern Rebuild Center  
2108 Old Cherry Point Rd.  
New Bern N.C. 252-571-6347**

**Meals** will be provided by the Baptist on Missions group.  
(Prepared by our wonderful cooks !!!!!)

Plan on meeting Sunday afternoon, June 11th at 5:00 PM at Moore's BBQ  
3621MLK Blvd, New Bern, NC for a group meal.

**Please share this information with everyone**

Thank You for your continued support of the  
**North Carolina Friends Disaster Service**

**Happy Father's Day - June 18**

*He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and  
the hearts of the children to their fathers. Malachi 4:6*





## Young Adult Gastro Church Gathering

15 young adults gathered for an evening meal, devotions, and fellowship time. What a beautiful evening God provided for us to be outside in his creation. Special thanks to Brandon and Kristi Hutchens for the use of their yard. We are thankful for a church family that supports the young adult ministry.



## Fire Pit Friday

June 9 at 7:00 pm  
At the home of Adam and Jean  
FOR YOUNG ADULTS  
See Angie for more info





# CHILDREN

From Sydney

**Camp Creek** is beginning this month!! We will be diving into three big superheros of the Bible. I hope you can attend our **Super Hero Adventure** and bring a friend!

**Camp Creek Dates:**

**June 22**

July 6

July 20

## REGULAR EVENTS :

### Children's Church:

June 4

June 18

### Friends of Jesus:

June 11

June 25 (*this will be VBS*)

Sydney Matthews:

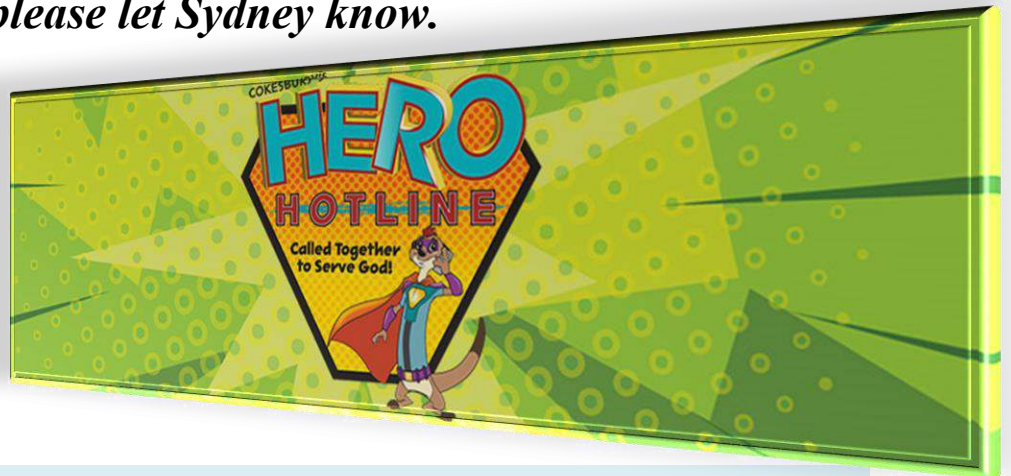
(336) 469-3476 or

[syd.matthews22@gmail.com](mailto:syd.matthews22@gmail.com)



VBS is this month!! Get ready to meet **Super Meer the Meerkat** and all his friends in **Hero Hotline**, **June 25th-30th from 6:00pm-8:30pm**. We are excited for you to come to our hero headquarters to learn more about the ultimate Hero!

*\*If you would like to volunteer for VBS please let Sydney know.*



## There is Now a Nursery for Sunday School for the Little Kids



Sometimes  
With  
Bigger kids  
For fun





# YOUTH & JR. YOUTH

From Jared

## Upcoming Events:

### June 3rd:

Dogs at 5:00  
Youth at 6:00

### June 11th: Graduation Sunday during the worship service.

Parents please have pictures to Jared by June 4th.  
Jared will be taking the graduates to lunch after the service.

### Union Cross Bible School starts at 6:00

(Youth invited to help with VBS)

### June 18th:

No evening programs. Enjoy time with family for Father's Day!

### June 25th:

Deep Creek Bible School starts at 6:00

(Youth invited to help with VBS)

### July 1st: Youth One Day Beach Trip

### July 15th - 22nd: Youth Mission trip to Pittsburgh, PA

### August 12th: Carowinds

## A Little Fun After Dogs Meeting



*O God, who made the earth round and hurled it into space with infinite power and accuracy, bless us who are gathered here today, whose aim it is to imitate your divine action on the golf course. Grant us a portion of your power, smoothness and accuracy.*



# Thank You to Everyone

## Who Donated



### Deep Creek Friends Meeting 2023 Annual Golf Tournament

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| <b>Platinum Sponsors</b> | Smith Family Farms • Yadin Veterinary Hospital • Advantage Machinery and Crane & Rigging<br>PCW Construction Inc. • Risen Wealth Mgt. Group (Lincoln Miller)  |
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Thank you Geneva Reece for Making the treats



Thank You Cooks







*Enjoy the Game*



## CONGRATULATIONS

### TOMMY AND CATHY SHORE'S FAMILY GROWS



Craig and Sophy Shore are delighted to announce the adoption of Chazmynn Unique Jones Shore, age 7, and Chazier Josiah Shore, age 5 as their children. Chazmynn and Chazier join sister Felicity, also 5, after five years as foster children with the Shores in Montgomery, Alabama. The family is pictured above with foster sister Ja'Kyiah and Judge Kim Kervin at their adoption hearing on May 9th. Proud grandparents are Tommy and Cathy Shore.

### DESTINY RAY RECEIVES AWARD



Destiny Ray was on the President's List this year at Wingate University. (Includes those students who have earned a term GPA of 3.80 on at least 12 quality point academic hours.) She serves as a lead Resident Assistant and was awarded the

Veteran of the Year Award. (for Residence Life - being prepared and willing to help her co-workers)

### KAYLEE SHORE RECEIVES RECOGNITION

Kaylee Shore was on the Chancellor's List at Appalachian State University for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time this year. (Recognizes full time students who receive a grade point average of 3.85 or higher.) Her hard work has paid off.

### MAGGIE RAY IS STARMOUNT MARSHAL



Maggie Ray is a Junior Marshal for the 2023 graduating class at Starmount High School.

### RAY COUSINS DO WELL IN TRACK



At the Conference Meet, **Maggie** placed 2nd in Discus, 1st in 4x200, 2nd in 4x100, 2nd in 4x400, and was an All-Conference player. At the Regional Meet, she placed 4th in Discus and finished 10th at the State Meet. **Samuel** placed 3rd in Shot Put

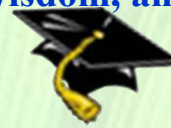
at Conference and 5th at Regionals with a personal best of 44 feet 2 inches.



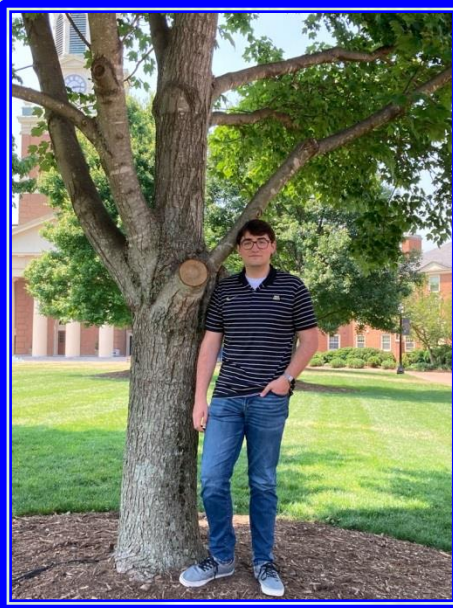
# HONORING OUR GRADUATES 2023

God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy.

Ecclesiastes 2:26



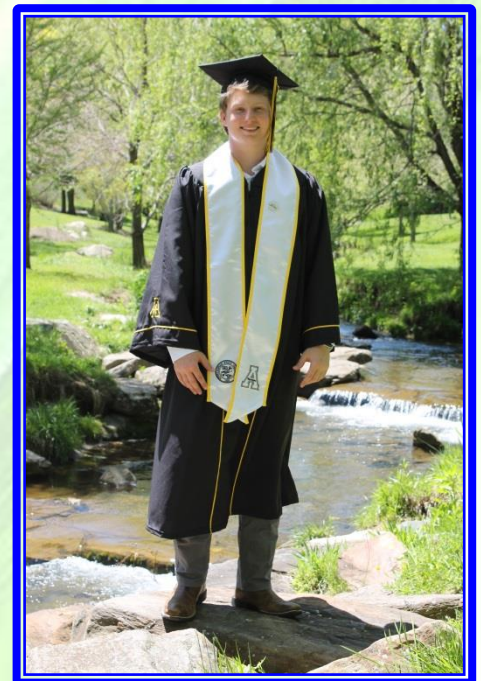
## JACOB CARLYLE BRENDELE



Jacob Brendle will graduate this August with a Master of Arts in Bioethics from Wake Forest University. Throughout the year, he has had the opportunity to take courses such as Biomedical Research Ethics, Health Law and Policy, Virtue Theory, and Justice and Public Policy. He also attended the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon. Currently, he is finalizing his master's thesis which discusses the ethical arguments for and against compulsory childhood vaccination as well as the emotions involved in vaccine decision-making. Outside of school, he has worked at Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist as a Clinical Research Technician in the Department of Neurological Surgery where he has written research protocols, submitted research applications, collected informed consent, and drafted manuscripts. In the fall, Jacob will attend law school to pursue his interest in health law and its intersection with bioethics. Jacob is the son of Jay and Angie Brendle.

## JOSHUA RHETT STEELMAN

Rhett Steelman graduated from Appalachian State University on May 12 with a Bachelor of Science in Recreation Management and a minor in Sociology. While at ASU, Rhett was involved in Appalachian Wesley and Collegians for Christ Campus Ministries. He was also a manager for the Appalachian State Wrestling Team. He worked at Boone United Methodist Church with the preschool children and as a lifeguard for Campus Recreation. On May 7, 2023, Rhett was baptized in the Watuaga River as part of Boone United Methodist Church and Appalachian Wesley. Rhett is the son of Don and Pam Steelman and grandson of Gale and Mary Wooten and the late Roy and Helen Steelman.



## CHARLES DANIEL REECE



Charles Reece graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Anthropology from Western Carolina University. Charles has participated in archaeological projects in Cherokee, N.C., Cahokia Mounds, Illinois and recently traveled to Israel. He will be pursuing his Master's Degree starting this fall at East Carolina University. He is the son of Danny & Jennifer Reece of North Wilkesboro and the grandson of Tony & Geneva Reece.



**SKYLER RENAE RAINES**



Skyler Raines graduated from Wilkes Community College on May 10 with an Associate Degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology and General Education. She was in the National Technical Honor Society and Phi Theta Kappa. She plans to go to UNC Charlotte for a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering. She is the daughter of Jason and Donna Raines of Yadkinville. Her paternal grandparents are Mary and the late Denny Raines and her maternal grandparents are Sandy and the late Ed Charles.



**JACK BENJAMIN WAGONER**



Jack Wagoner graduated from the Yadkin Early College on May 12 with an Associate in Arts Degree and a High School Diploma. He hopes to pursue the possibility of a career in Business and Finance. Jack is the son of Sacha and Seth Wagoner, as well

as the grandson of Vicki and Mike Shore and Steve and Denise Wagoner.

**ANTHONY MANUEL RANGEL**



Anthony Rangel is a Suma Cum Laude graduate of Starmount High School. He was a member of the BETA Club and Vice President of National Honor Society. Anthony was on the Basketball Team all four years while at Starmount and received the Most improved Player Award. He received the

Danforth *I Dare You* award for his strong perseverance and multiple scholarships. He will attend Appalachian State University in the fall with a Full Scholarship and plans to major in Computer Science. We are proud of you Anthony! – Michael & Sarah



*You have as much laughter  
as you have faith*  
Martin Luther



**AVERY BLAINE BUELIN**

Avery Buelin will graduate from Forbush High School on June 14. He will graduate with honors - Magna Cum Laude. He is an active member of

the Beta Club, National Honor Society, and National Technical Honor Society as well as Skills USA. He has earned in excess of \$29,000 in scholarships to Universal Technical Institute because of his performance in Skills USA competitions and will attend their school starting in August at the Orlando campus. He will focus on heavy diesel mechanics and specialize in Cummins Diesels once he completes his regular coursework. In addition to performing well in school, Avery also completed in excess of 200 community service hours during his high school career. Avery is the son of Jeff and Shannon Buelin, and the big brother of John Wesley, Vance, and Wade. He is the grandson of Mike and Vicki Shore and Harold and Brenda Buelin.

**HALEY NOELLE QUATE**

Haley Quate will graduate Cum Laude from Forbush High School. She has received Awards based on her Grade Point Average and her studies at Surry Community College. She was chosen as an Outstanding Senior. Haley was a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Forbush Junior Civic Club. She ran Cross Country and served as a manager for the Track Team. Haley plans to explore Photography and Design at Surry Community College. She is the daughter of Randy Quate and LeAnne Nestor.

**BRYAN ALEXANDER MORRISON**

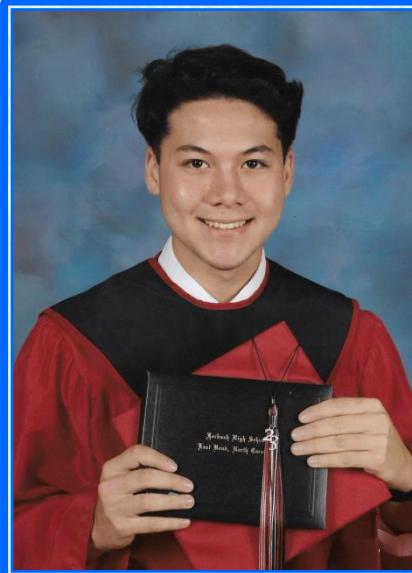
Alex Morrison will graduate from Forbush High School on June 14<sup>th</sup>. He was a member of Student Council both his Freshman and Sophomore years and served as President of the Freshman Class. He was a member of Future Farmers of America

where he was recently awarded the Greenhand FFA Degree and the Chapter FFA Degree. Alex will continue his education at Advanced Technology Institute in Norfolk, VA to study Diesel Mechanics and obtain his CDL License.

Alex is the son of Eric and Karen Morrison and the grandson of Brady and Ann Morrison and the late Charles and Nancy Scott.





**LOGAN RAY RAINES**

Logan Raines will graduate from Forbush High School on June 14. He was in the BETA Club and the National Honor Society. He plans to go to Surry Community College for Mechatronics.

He is the son of Jason and Donna Raines from Yadkinville. His paternal grandparents are Mary and the late Denny Raines and his maternal grandparents are Sandy and the late Ed Charles.

**OLIVIA MARION RAY**

Olivia Ray is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of Starmount High School. She was a member of the BETA Club, National Honor Society, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Olivia played Varsity Volleyball all four years and did exceptionally well at Swimming her Junior and Senior years. She was All-Conference in Swimming and All-Conference / All-Tournament in Volleyball. She was named

Edward Jones Athlete of the Month and received a Marine Scholar Athlete Award.

Olivia also received Academic awards for Math, Science and English and was nominated "Best All Around". She received multiple scholarships to go towards her first year at college. She will be attending UNC Wilmington this fall with plans to major in Environmental Science.

*We are proud of you Olivia! – Momma and Daddy*

**WILLIAM SAMUEL RAY**

Samuel Ray will graduate from Starmount High School with honors - Cum Laude and with a Grade Point Average of 3.5. He was recognized on Awards Day for Good Grades and

Attitude. He played Football all four years, earning All-Conference Honorable Mention and Offense Line Most Valuable Player for 2022. He competed in Shot Put and Discus in Track for four years, earning All-Conference for Indoor Track for 2023. Samuel received the Certificate of Recognition for Excellence in Construction: Core, Carpentry, and Masonry. He plans to get his CDLs and attend Wilkes Community College for a degree in Architecture and work for Shore Brothers Farm. He is the son of Tracy Ray and Brian Ray, grandson of Clark & Brenda Shore and Libby Ray and great-grandson of Kate Shore.

**There are  
far, far  
better things  
ahead than  
any we leave  
behind.**

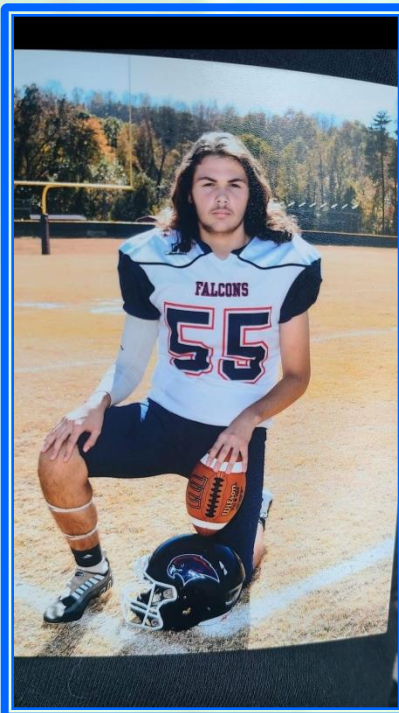


## KATENA SVETLANA MORRISON



Katena Morrison will graduate from Forbush High School with honors and was a member of the National Honor Society. She participated all four years in Volleyball, Swim and Track & Field. She received Honorable Mention and All-Conference Honors in Swim and participated three years on the Regional Qualifying Relay Teams. In Indoor and Outdoor Track, she was All-Conference three years, a 3 time Conference Triple Jump Champion, Indoor 55m Hurdles Conference Champion and Outdoor 300m Hurdle Conference Champion. She qualified for the Indoor State Track & Field Championships twice and qualified three years for the Outdoor Regional Championships. As a Junior, she was the starting leg of the State Qualifying 4x400m Relay Team. Katena received the Female Falcon of the Year Award, the R.P. Buchanan and Jecholiah Dinkins Hollar Legacy Scholarships. She will attend Methodist University with a Methodist Opportunity Scholarship. She plans to study Occupational Therapy and be a hurdler and jumper for the Track & Field Team. Katena is the daughter of Eric & Karen Morrison and the granddaughter of Brady & Ann Morrison and the late Charles & Nancy Scott.

## ADAM KARIM DEYAB



Adam Deyab is graduating from Eighth Grade at Forbush Middle School. He was on the Football Team both years at Middle School and all through Elementary School. He will be starting at Forbush High School in

August where he is excited to begin his JV year of football. Adam is looking forward to the future of earning a scholarship to a university for football and one day making that his career. Adam is the son of Ronnie and Diane Hutchens and grandson of Roger and Shelia Combs.



## GAGE BRIAN THOMAS



Gage Thomas graduated from Eighth Grade at Yadkin Valley Community School, Gage is very artistic, loves to draw and write and is considered by his teachers academically gifted, even mastering 9th and 10th grade level studies. He had poetry

published in the YVCS book. Gage really excelled in his studies and was a mentor to other students. He will attend Yadkin Early College in the fall.

His parents are Brian and Julie Thomas.





## REMEMBER TO **PRAY** – Prayer changes things!

The following information is included by request. **Be specific when you pray** and send notes.

\*This color indicates an addition or change from last month.

### **Among those requesting prayer:**

**Brenda Adams:** Brenda is recovering from a broken pelvis and says, “I am a lot better and I know that God is on my side and I will get well soon.”

Address: 2336 Courtney-Huntsville Rd. Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Amie Brendle:** Amie had hip replacement January 25. She continues slow recovery with both physical and occupational therapy and is making some progress.

Address: 3208 Smithtown Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Scott Brendle:** Scott continues dealing fairly well with severe joint pain and in surrounding areas, diagnosed as PMR, an autoimmune disease for which there is no cure.

Address: 3208 Smithtown Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Richard Church:** Neighbor of Fred Taylor. Richard is dealing with health issues and now has 24 hour care.

Address: 2517 Country Club Rd, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Cliff Clarkson:** Brother of Harold Clarkson. Cliff’s cancer seems to have spread and he is having a challenging time.

**Stephen Evans:** Family member at daycare of Dylan Hammer. Stephen has Stage 4 kidney failure. They have started him on insulin and his numbers have come down which they hope should help kidney function as well.

Address: 1054 Henry St, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Beth Gentry:** Daughter of Marion & Jewell Welborn. Beth had open heart surgery and is recovering at home.

**Shelby Howard:** Sister of Robert Steelman. Shelby’s brain tumor is aggressive, progressing and is now grade 3, plus she is having difficulty with mobility.

Address: 592 Kay Dr, Easley, SC 29640

**Dwain Hunt:** Friend of Robert Steelman. Dwain is the banjo picker in Robert’s bluegrass group. He is still making slow progress after a stroke.

Address: 2649 Binkley Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Shirley Jones:** Friend of Vickie Warden. Shirley continues treatment for kidney disease.

Address: 5936 E Old US 421 Hwy, East Bend, NC 27018

**Katie Mathis:** Katie continues recovery from multiple kidney surgeries. Eye surgery has been delayed due to an infection.

Address: 3349 Plum Ln, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Keena Moxley:** Friend of several in the Meeting. Keena was on dialysis and a ventilator for a while but is improving.

Address: 2808 Farris Rd, Boonville, NC 27011

**David Myers:** Father of Tracy McDonald. David is seeing improvements and will have CT scans this week.

Address: 3232 Tyra Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Wendy Mosteller:** Friend of Brenda Shore. Wendy’s cancer has returned. She is dealing with a very difficult situation.

**Elaine Quate:** Step-mother of Randy Quate. Elaine is home, recovering from surgery to repair a broken hip.

Address: 2305 Emerywood Dr, Greensboro, NC 27403

**Brian Ray:** Brian spent over a week in the hospital and came home Thursday. He had an infection in his left leg and his ammonia levels were high. He was finally feeling some better as of Monday.

Address: 412 W Main St. Boonville, NC 27011

**Diedra Redmond:** Friend of Vickie Warden. Diedra deals with health issues and is home after May 8 knee surgery.

Address: 1814 Richmond Hill Church Rd, Boonville, NC 27011

**Tony Reece:** Tony is dealing with Parkinson’s disease and is adjusting to life at Yadkin Nursing Center.

Address: PO Box 213, Boonville, NC 27011



**James Smith:** James continues treatments for bladder cancer.

Address: 5929 US 601 Hwy, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Mark Smitherman:** Relative of several in the meeting. Mark had ankle replacement and is now having therapy and walking on crutches with a walking boot.

Address: 3437 Forbush Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Linda Thomas:** Mother of Amie Brendle. Linda continues treatments for pain in the spinal/back area.

Address: 4036 Holly Springs Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Brona Vest:** Friend of Brenda Adams. Brona continues to deal with cancer.

Address: 4101 NC Highway 801 N, Mocksville, NC 27028.

**Phyllis Warden:** Sister-in-law of Jimmy Warden. Phyllis is facing a lot of challenges regarding her health.

Address: 1013 Warden Dr, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**William Watson-Brendle:** William has had breathing difficulties. He had another IV infusion therapy Tuesday.

Address: 3208 Smithtown Rd, East Bend, NC 27018

**Jewell Welborn:** Jewell is facing challenges and appreciates prayers. She was happy with a visit from the Choir.

Address: 2852 Round Hill Rd, Boonville, NC 27011

**Samantha Welborn:** Samantha was in a plane crash May 2021. She continues an amazing recovery. She is "asking for prayers in the upcoming months. The doctors are preparing to do the final surgery. I can't do this without y'all!"

Address: 3141 Rockford Rd, Boonville, NC 27011

**Sharon Willard:** Sharon continues to deal with health issues.

Address: 6913 US Hwy 601, Boonville, NC 27011

**Barbara Williams:** Sister-in-law of Harold Clarkson. Barbara is happy, but her memory continues to decline.

### **These Friends Passed Away**

**Libby Wiles:** Daughter of Frank & Jerrie Hayes of Pilot View Friends. Libby was killed in a car accident March 24.

Address for Frank & Jerrie: 125 Buchanan St, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Patty Sue Gregory Hutchens:** Member of Pilot View Friends. Patty Sue had a very large family and her grandson, Josh Williams, is pastor at Pilot View. She died Easter Sunday.

Address for husband, Jimmy: 1513 Hutchens Rd, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Joetta Parrish:** Wife of former pastor of Branon Friends, Hewey Parrish. Joetta died February 18. A memorial service will be announced for a later date.

**John Walker:** Family friends of Angie Brendle. John passed away after a battle with cancer. He and his family lived in the parsonage for several years.

Address for wife, Diane Walker: 3966 NC HWY 66 N, Westfield, NC 27053

### **Prayers of Praise and Thanksgiving: Keep praying!**

**Becky Smith:** Becky continues recovery.

Address: PO Box 244, Boonville, NC 27011

**Larry Tilley:** Father-in-law of Tracy Shore. Larry had a stroke March 23 and is doing better.

Address: 176 Old Decator Ln, Elkin, NC 28621

**Rhonda Titus:** Friend of several in the meeting. Rhonda had a successful lumpectomy, has finished radiation treatments and is doing well. She has several appointments coming up and appreciates the prayers.

Address: 517 Virginia Dr, Yadkinville, NC 27055

**Derek Tucker:** Father of Brandy, an associate of Roger Holt. Derek had another surgery for pancreatic cancer and the doctor feels confident that he got it all this time. He is doing great at home with some limitations. He seems to be cancer free, but may have some chemo as a precaution.

Address: 2829 Wyo Rd, Yadkinville, NC 27055

### **Additional Shut-ins in Our Membership**

**Audrey Bavender:** PO Box 879, Yadkinville, NC 27055 (Yadkin Nursing Center)

**Veronia Draughn:** Sister of Brenda Adams. PO Box 879, Yadkinville, NC 27055 (Yadkin Nursing Center)

**Wilma Sneed:** Brookdale Reynolda, Room #23, 2980 Reynolda Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27106

**Libby Tilley:** Mother-in-law of Tracy Shore. 176 Old Decator Ln, Elkin, NC 28621





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