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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 TBQ 9am & 6pm AM: Communion & Receiving New Members Cleansing Stream Ldrs Mtg @ 4pm-102 Financial Peace Class @ 3:30-Youth Room	2 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	3 Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	4 JBQ - 5:45 6pm: Praise Team/Choir 7PM: Place Workshop Room 101	5 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Albemarle Jail 7pm: Praise Band	6 NC Women's Conference - Concord First Assembly	7 Pastor Appreciation Reception @ 6pm In The Youth Room
8 TBQ 9am Pastor Appreciation Sunday-No PM Service Financial Peace Class @ 3:30-Youth Room Cleansing Stream Ldrs Meeting-4pm-102	9 Columbus Day Office Closed	10 Cleansing Stream Seminar-6:30pm - YR Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	11 JBQ - 5:45 Youth Worship Practice 5pm 7PM: Place Workshop Room 101 6pm: Praise Team/Choir	12 7pm: Praise Band	13	14 JBQ Competition Wilmington
15 TBQ 9am & 6pm Receiving New Mem. Couples Group Eating Out After AM Service Financial Peace Class @ 3:30-Youth Room Cleansing Stream Ldrs Meeting-4pm-102	16 7pm: Men's Ministry Meeting - YRoom	17 Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	18 JBQ - 5:45 7PM: Place Workshop Room 101 6pm: Praise Team/Choir	19 Senior Saints Potluck Lunch @ City Lake Park 6:30pm: Jail Ministry @ Albemarle Jail 7pm: Praise Band	20 6-9PM: Place Workshop - 102	21 TBQ Competition Greensboro 9AM-1PM: Place Workshop - 102 Cleansing Stream Retreat - Charlotte
22 TBQ 9am & 6pm Financial Peace Class @ 3:30-Youth Room Student Leaders Mtng @ 4:30pm Room 102	23 7pm: Stephen Ministry CE	24 Cleansing Stream 1st Class After Retreat Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	25 JBQ - 5:45 Youth Worship Practice 5pm 7PM: Place Workshop Room 101 6pm: Praise Team/Choir	26 7pm: Praise Band	27	28 5pm: WM of AFA Get-Together
29 TBQ 9am & 6pm Financial Peace Class @ 3:30-Youth Room Family Fall Festival @ AFA 3-6:30pm	30	31 Cleansing Stream 2nd Class After Retreat Living Free 7pm: Rooms 101-102 6pm: Divorce Care & DC4K	Sunday 9am: Adult, Youth & Children Sunday School 10am: Adult Worship Children's Church	Sunday 6pm: Worship Service Tuesday 1pm: Ladies Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home	1st Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Woodhaven 3rd Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Forrest Oakes	4th Sunday Nursing Home Ministry @ Bethany Woods 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed 7pm: Small Groups 2nd & 4th Wed 7pm: Bible Study

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“a great harvest of generosity...”

Thank you to everyone who made a “Faith Promise” during our recent missions’ emphasis!!! I am convinced God will honor our commitment to His Word and will... I am also convinced we have the heart and vision of God when we respond so generously in our missions giving! The reference for **this year’s theme is 2 Cor. 9:6-7 NLT; 6-** Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. **But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop.** That is powerful in its context. But, I believe that the next passage **2 Cor. 9:10-11 NLT is also overwhelming in power.** Capture the heart of verses 10 and 11; **10 - “For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. 11 - Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. “**

Beloved, to be able to give with great generosity, you have to have something to give... Sounds simple, but this is the power of God’s Word on the matter. **Because of your generosity in missions, “...He will provide and increase your resources... so that “...you (and I) can always be generous.”** Beloved, it is always better to give than receive... (Acts 20:35). His Word also says, "Give and it shall be given unto you" (Luke 6:38). And, **God will continue to give unto you because He can trust you to be generous to others,** here in our county, across the nation and beyond our borders. Your giving, as unto the Lord, is what could be called “Grace giving....”

THE CHALLENGE BEFORE US IS GREAT!!! BUT, HE IS GREATER!!!

Thank you for giving to the Lord!!!
Pastor Bob

**First Assembly...
 a place to belong
 a place to become**

Music Notes

Congratulations, Pastor Bob on 20 years of excellence at AFA. The Worship Department and I would like to say it’s been a joy to serve you over the years and we look forward to what God has in store for you at AFA in the years to come!

Our prayers go out to Team India as they head out this month on their medical missions trip! We pray for divine protection and a healing anointing in your hands as you serve. Our own, Linda Hartsell will be heading back to Romania soon. We pray for her and her team as they minister alongside Elder Orphan Care. Please join us in praying for these and all the missions groups from AFA.

See Ya Sunday,
Pastor Stacy

Senior Saints
Thursday, Oct., 19th
Potluck Picnic @ Noon
At City Lake Park

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For More Info See Pastor George & Janice Mullen

Men’s Ministry
Monday, Oct., 2nd & 16th
Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
In Youth Room
Supper Provided

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For More Information See Keith Reeder

GRAVITY YOUTH JAM Ministries

It’s fall! One of my favorite times of the year, weather gets cooler, leaves start changing, and hunting season is coming!

We will have our annual costume party on Wednesday, October 25th, some of the costumes have been incredibly good in the past years and I can’t wait to see what you come up with this year.

Our first TBQ match for the new season is Saturday, October 21st. The students have been studying really hard. Please be in prayer for them as they hide God’s word in their heart.

I’m really excited to help celebrate Pastor’s 20 years of service to AFA. What an honor it is to serve him! I can’t wait to see what God has in store for AFA through the strong leadership of Pastor Bob!

Pastor Josh

Women Of AFA
Friday & Sat., Oct., 6th & 7th
NC WM’s Conference

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Saturday, Oct., 28th
Ladies’ Get-Together @ 5pm

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For More Info See Amy Mott

Can you believe it? Summer is over, the kids are in school, and now it’s Fall. Christmas kid’s choir as well as the Bells are in preparation on Sunday nights and we are loving it!

Please bring your children to enjoy this opportunity. The Preschool children are practicing on Sunday mornings. Thank you Ms Susan, Ms Becky and your teams for all the love and dedication you give.

On Saturday October 14th our two, very excited, JBQ teams will be attending our first competition of the season. We will travel to Wilmington for this match. A church is graciously allowing us to sleep in their sanctuary Friday night. What an adventure!

On Sunday, October 29th we would like to invite you to our Family Fall Festival BBQ from 3-6:30pm. We will enjoy a line-up of Candy Cars, a Candy Car decorating contest, a hayride and games. Be sure to watch in the church bulletin for all the details. We need volunteers to sign up for the Trunk or Treat and we need lots of candy donations. This will be a great time for your entire family. Please invite all your family and friends to join us. A great time to bring all of those who need a loving church family. If you have children or grandchildren it would be our pleasure to serve them.

Because He Lives,
Pastor Lilly