

# St. Giles Presbyterian Church

July, 2008

St. Giles is committed to pursuing the **Heart of God** together by moving...  
 ...**Upward** – Lifting up Word & Spirit in a life of whole-hearted worship  
 ...**Inward** – Discovering who we are in Christ and who Christ is in us  
 ...**Outward** – Recognizing our spiritual gifts & using them to reach our world for Jesus

## 4TH OF JULY



**FRIDAY, 5:00 — 7:00 PM**

Join us as we have fun together! This year's event will feature a Dunking Booth, a Noah's Ark Moonwalk, and games. **Something you do not want to miss is the Elders versus Deacons in a greased melon melee!**

What would a 4th of July Celebration be without a cookout? Your taste buds will be watering for the grilled hamburgers, hotdogs and all those fixn's. Everything kicks off at 5pm! This is a great event to bring friends. We hope to see you there!

## FURY YOUTH

### Weekly

Sunday Night Fury: 6:00 – 7:30pm Wednesday Night Small Groups: 6:30 – 7:30pm  
 Sunday School: 9:30-10:15am

### Upcoming

July 4: July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration @ St. Giles 5-7pm  
 July 11: Worship Night @ the Horne's 7-10pm  
 July TBA: Lake Day @ Lake Norman (Details to follow)  
 Aug 1-3: Retreat @ Camp Joy in Hickory, NC  
 Aug 13: Movie Night @ St. Giles  
 Aug 24, Aug 31 & Sept 3: No Fury  
**Sept 7: Fury Kickoff**

## MEN OF ST. GILES

July 10 (Thursday) Men's "Knight" Out.. Join us as we head to Knights Stadium for a baseball game against the Richmond Braves. This would be a great father/sons event! Contact John Brown in the Church Office & reserve your tickets. Tickets are for lower level seats (\$11 per person).

There will be no Men's Meeting in August. We will kick off the new year on Wednesday, September 17.

## WOMEN OF ST. GILES

### August 15-17 2008 Mid-Atlantic EPC

Women In Ministry Retreat , Blue Ridge Assembly-Black Mountain, NC

Theme: Finding Rest in the Warmth of God's Smile  
 Speaker: Nancy Kennedy - Join us as Nancy reflects on the ways women often keep themselves from enjoying the freedom that's already theirs.  
 Worship Leader: Barbara Gregory (several of our ladies will join the worship and ministry teams)

Pick up a brochure in the Narthex or go online to register: at [www.epcmidatlantic.org](http://www.epcmidatlantic.org)



Ladies, you are invited to an evening of worship, teaching, fun and fellowship with Marty Barkey, Kerri Sasnett and Lee Bogert. It's a mini retreat, Tuesday evening, July 8th, 6:30 – 9:00 pm at the Townsend Building Auditorium. at JAARS, on Davis Road, Waxhaw, NC. The Townsend Building is the building with the flag pole beside it. A love offering will be taken to help with their next ladies' retreat in Papua New Guinea, Oct. 2008. For more information contact Marty Barkey (873-0875).

## PRAY FOR OUR EXPECTING MOMS:

April Weber, July 8	Jan Burns, August 25
Gail (Burger) Lilo, July 22	Christie Werner, October 6
Ashley Franklin, August 13	Ardyth Philyaw, October 27
Gretchen Baldwin, August 22	Melanie Boyd, December 8

Congratulations to David and Elizabeth Brown on the birth of their daughter, Mary Charlotte Brown, born May 27.

## UPCOMING DATES

July 16 Women's Meeting at St. Giles  
 July 19 **Barry & Batya Segal** from Israel will be sharing at 7:00 p.m. at St. Giles. Barry is founder of Vision for Israel & The Joseph Storehouse. He is well known as a musician, an international Bible speaker and host of the television series "Roots and Reflections."  
 July 25-26 **Healing Rooms Training** (Youth Bldg.)

## PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

It is that time again! We have scheduled Olan Mills to be at St. Giles on the following dates:

Tuesday, August 12 from 3:00—9:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday, August 13 from 3:00—9:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday, August 20 from 3:00—9:30 p.m.  
 Thursday, August 21 from 3:00—9:30 p.m.

More information will be sent to you in the next couple of weeks on how to sign up.

**Pastor:**  
Steve Keller  
**Director of Hispanic Outreach:**  
Alejandro Ruz  
**Administrator:**  
John Brown  
**Director of Vision Advancement:**  
Chris Houston  
**Youth Director:**  
Nate Horne  
**Children's Ministry Director:**  
Sharon Seward  
**Administrative Associate:**  
Margie Gladden  
**Receptionist:**  
Pat Andrews

**Elders**

Jeff Barhite Norman Kaneklides  
Tim Burns Bob Poole  
Steve Gladden Robert Whitlow

**Deacons**

Daniel Burns Paul Farish  
Jim Collins Ron Hartman  
David Evans Steve Seward  
Ken White

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Church Phone Number: 553-1977  
St. Giles website: [www.stgilesec.org](http://www.stgilesec.org) Hispanic website: [www.comunidaddelasnaciones.org](http://www.comunidaddelasnaciones.org)  
Newsletters, sermons and other teachings are available on the web sites.

## KING'S KIDS SUMMER PROGRAMS



### VACATION BIBL SCHOOL

July 28 - August 1, 6:00 - 8:30 pm.

All kids (3 years - 6th grade) are invited to join us for an exciting week! **Our focus will be on learning to make the best choices.** Call the church office to sign up. Be sure to give us your t-shirt size and pick up a music CD! Adults we need your help! Last year Debbie Pelhan said, "Decorating the gym the week before VBS is like getting ready for the prom!" Come help us get ready the week of July 25th (Mon. - Wed. from 6:30 to 9:00 pm). **We also need large appliance boxes, juice cans and 2 liter bottles.**

**St. Giles Jr. Dance Ministry will host a Summer Dance Camp!**  
July 21st - 25th, 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon

All girls ages 5 - 12 yrs. are invited to join us for a great week of dance instruction (including devotions, crafts and snacks). Girls will need to wear tights, leotards and ballet shoes. Cost: \$35.00 per child. Call the church office to register (**deadline July 11th**).

## OUTREACH

### LOAVES AND FISHES BLESSINGS

Thousands of our neighbors have been served boxes of food by volunteers at our Loaves and Fishes food pantry. Doris and Hank Poole have been active with it for the past 25 years. "I was not even a member of St. Giles when the former food pantry coordinator, Betty Paules, asked me to help," said Doris. "I had the time so I started."

Satisfaction in helping others is one of Doris' blessings. In addition, "It has taught me so much about other people. I am much better off than I thought I was," she explained, "especially when I hear about their problems." After she meets and talks to the many people the pantry blesses she realizes how much she has, she said.

"I feel we all serve a purpose and I have a heart for this need. I've learned tremendously from volunteering and realize I can touch people's lives. Seeing their smiling faces and hearing their comments keeps me going."

Getting more volunteers from our St. Giles congregation would be great, she added. Ask her how you can help with packing boxes, greeting, and praying with appreciative people. "We especially need volunteers on Fridays," stated Sharon Wohlfarth (our pantry's coordinator). Tell them of your availability and the day you can help the pantry volunteers so you can also be blessed.

## YOUNG AT HEART (AGES 55+)

August 8 Movie Night at St. Giles  
Sept. 6 Trip to the Wohlfarth's lake house for a cruise on the lake and dinner. More information to follow (Rain date will be September 13).

## PRAYER NEEDS

Our Christian sympathy is extended to:

- Rick Slate and his family on the loss of his mother, Virginia Slate of Mt. Airy, June 10
- Alex Berkeley and his family on the loss of his mother, Frances Berkeley, June 25.

## OTHER NEWS

The "Nehemiah Vision Committee" is currently meeting on a regular basis and seeking the Lord about our church grounds and buildings. Members are Bruce Andrews, David Evans, Daniel Burns, Mick Campbell, Marlise Newman, Tim Burns, Kay McGarity, and Steve Keller. Please be praying for this group, and also provide input and comments to any of the members as you feel led. The committee plans to meet with the rest of the church body sometime soon for more discussion and input.