Pfafftown Baptist Church is on mission to serve God by sharing joyful life and displaying love with our greater community.

Pfafftown

Baptist Church



August 2015



God Moments



t's only the end of July, but this has been one long, tiring summer for me. Any thoughts of this summer being restful or restoring are foolish. I'm genuinely tired, but it's not a bad tired. Bad tireds come after a day of digging ditches, or roofing homes. Good tireds come after all the great times we've had so far this summer.

More-so than the experiences we've had I'm more thankful for the *God moments* I've experienced this summer. What are *God moments? God moments* to me are those times when the experience is so reflective of the fruit of the Spirit that God is felt in a powerful way. I'm very certain you have

experienced *God moments* in your life; I have experienced many *God moments* so far this summer.

- ✓ Seeing the commitment of folks to the prayer marathon in June and experiencing the quiet reflections of faith that day were powerful experiences of God.
- ✓ Watching Ashley Escoe, our former children and youth minister, be ordained to ministry was a true witness of God.
- ✓ Experiencing worship with an auditorium full of kids at Passport Camp was surely a moment for Jesus.
- ✓ The sweet fellowship and full bellies at the Dan'l Boone Inn was as close to communion as most of us are ever likely to come.
- ✓ The joy of the adults who participated in the adult VBS was surely a gathering that included the spirit of God.

What do see in common in this list? What is common in any list of *God moments* is when we set aside our differences (Colossians 2:1-17), focus on Christ (Mark 12:28-34), and commit to the best of Christ (Galatians 5:16-26). Show me that trio and I'll nearly promise you a *God moment*. It can be worship, a committee meeting, a business conference, a conversation, a mission activity, a fun fellowship event, a bible study, anything. The only thing that prevents us from experiencing God more is ourselves. What can you and I do better to manifest God in our experiences?

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I suppose we could feel frustrated when opportunities pass and we did not experience God. I don't get much joy in feeling frustration. I prefer to do my best to make the next moment a ripe moment for God, no matter where it is or with whom I am. Will you make that commitment with me? Can we make the rest of 2015 so God filled Shekinah glory is real to everyone around us? We can when we commit to our best. I will. Will you? Will we? We will!

I've had my say; what have you to say? Reach out to me by any way and I'd love to hear what's on your mind.

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College Student Ministry

Our college students will head back to their schools this month. Please remember them as they head back for a new year of learning and growing. Pray that they will be a light that shines for Christ.

Appalachian State University

David Parker Kalin Rierson

UNC-Chapel Hill

Sarah Rierson Will Rierson Hannah "Noel" Stinson

UNC-Charlotte

Chloe Sizemore

UNC-Greensboro

Cassidy Allen



WMU Night Group invites you to start collecting school supplies to donate to the children at the Good Neighbor Center to help those children start off the

school year with what they need to be successful. Please have your items in the **B Building by August 12**.

- ⇒ Notebook paper (wide rule)
- ⇒ Marble notebooks (wide rule)
 - ⇒ Pencils
 - ⇒ Markers
 - ⇒ Colored pencils
 - ⇒ Glue sticks
 - ⇒ Pocket folders
 - ⇒ Pencil pouch/box
 - ⇒ Dividers
 - ⇒ Backpacks
 - ⇒ Scissors

If you have no way to shop, or feel uncomfortable buying the supplies, a collection will be taken Sunday, Aug 3 following worship. Money collected will go to buy the supplies.



Two years of service at Pfafftown Baptist have **flown by quicker than I imagined**. My time working with the youth and children provided me with space to grow in my own faith while ministering to the next generation of leaders. I wish to thank *every member in the church* for the constant support and love present throughout my entire internship.

Although a *goodbye* is in the near future I will cherish the memories and knowledge gained from serving alongside you all. Thank you for all the encouragement and prayers as I step out into the broad world of ministry.

Peace of Christ, Larke





Mary Burchette	Aug 3
Sylvia Long	Aug 3
Rebecca Ware	Aug 4
David Lane	Aug 6
Eli Bounds	Aug 7
Claudia Dameron	Aug 9
Angie Swaim	Aug 13
Bob Opoulos	Aug 19
Maxine Davis	Aug 22
Cassidy Allen	Aug 23

AUGUST CALENDAR

Aug 1 Men's Breakfast
Aug 9Children's Pick Up & Play
Aug 11Youth Sunday
Aug 16Newsletter Deadline
Aug 16 Deacons' Meeting
Aug 20Single Senior's Lunch
Aug 23 Back-to-School Pool Party
Aug 30The Keffers Concert



Sunday, August 30 @ 6:00pm

Concert will be followed by a covered dish meal.

Bring a friend!

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