

# Hermon News

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## New Life Christian Academy 37 Graduate

New Life Christian Academy graduated 37 students yesterday. This was the third and largest graduating class in the eight-year history of the school. Thirty-five of the thirty-seven graduates have been accepted by seven universities on full or partial academic scholarships.

The Academy currently has 225 students in kindergarten-twelfth grades. In addition, there are fifty students in the pre-school.

The school currently has sports teams in the following fields: girls and boys basketball, baseball, football, girls softball, both boys and girls soccer.

The debate team took fourth place in the NC state finals on April 26th.



## Hermon to Present *A Star for Freedom*

The choirs, orchestras, and drama teams from all of the Hermon campuses will combine for three performances of the musical *A Star for Freedom*. You will not want to miss this musical retelling of the Biblical story of Esther. Altogether, over 300 men, women and children make up the choirs, orchestra, and cast for this musical drama. Join us for a wonderful evening on Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, or Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM. Tickets are still available in the Welcome Center at each Hermon campus. There is no charge, but tickets are required.

## Counseling Center Celebrates Five Years of Ministry

Each year, the Hermon Baptist Counseling Center touches many lives. For five years now, people have come to Hermon to get Christian, Bible-based counseling to help them through difficult times in their lives. This center, which started as a dream in the heart and mind of Pastor Donnie Gamble has truly served to bring change in lives and renewal in many relationships. God continues to use counselors to help hurting people surrender their lives and relationships to Christ.

## *Singles Ministry*

### Singles Conference at Ridgecrest

If you are a single adult looking for a unique way to spend your Labor Day Weekend, check out the Singles Labor Day Conference at Ridgecrest Conference Center August 31 - September 3. You will join with singles from across the nation for this weekend of adventure.

Worship sessions and powerful workshops will impact your life well beyond Labor Day, but you won't be stuck indoors all weekend. The conference offers plenty of free time for you and your friends to hike along scenic mountain trails, test your skills on a climbing wall and high ropes course, or take in any number of amazing sight-seeing opportunities in the beautiful Asheville, North Carolina area.

Don't miss this opportunity to invest a few days in your spiritual journey that will impact your life in dramatic ways. We have made reservations for 100 people to attend this conference. You can register today on the Hermon website!

# Youth and Children

## Children's Camp July 16-20

Excitement is building as we prepare for Children's Camp! Our children will enjoy getting to know each other as children from all three campuses come together for a week of fun and learning at camp this year. The theme this year is ***How to Be Light in a Dark World***. We currently have 200 children registered for camp. If you have not yet registered your child, please do so by this Sunday.

## Youth on Mission

Final preparations are underway for the Youth Mission Trip to Venezuela. We will be leaving on Friday, July 27th and returning on Wednesday, August 8th. Some of our youth are still needing help with raising their money for the trip. Please pray about what God would have you to do to help our Youth go to do VBS and Sports ministry in Venezuela. We need your prayer and financial support as we go!

The Senior High Youth have just returned from leadership training in Florida. It was three days of intense training on how to be better leaders in our church and school. Our Sunday School Classes are now broken down by grades and gender, which allows us to cover issues that we face at home and in school on a more personal note. We are beginning to raise money for our mission trip to South America to do VBS and Evangelism. We are also looking forward to our Discipleship Now weekend. We will be staying in groups of five or six in the homes of Hermon members for the weekend as we study and sharpen our skills on witnessing. As our Senior High Youth develop spiritually and develop their leadership skills, they are inserted into different areas of the church to become a functioning part of the Hermon Baptist Ministry. Many of them are being used as interns to work with various adult leaders.



## Opportunities to Serve This Week

### Sunday

#### Main Campus

Blended Worship. . . . .	8:30 & 11:00 AM
Contemporary Worship. . . . .	9:30 & 11:00 AM
Sunday School . . . . .	8:30 & 9:45 AM
Children's Church. . . . .	8:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal . . . . .	5:00 PM
Youth Activities/Bible Study . . . . .	5:00 PM
Small Group Discipleship/Ministry. . . . .	6:30 PM
Children's Music/Missions. . . . .	6:30 PM

#### Waxhaw & Indian Land Campuses

Worship. . . . .	10:30 AM
Sunday School . . . . .	9:00 AM
Children's Church. . . . .	10:30 AM
Praise Choir Rehearsal . . . . .	5:00 PM
Youth Activities/Bible Study . . . . .	5:00 PM
Small Group Discipleship/Ministry. . . . .	6:30 PM
Children's Music/Missions. . . . .	6:30 PM

### Monday

Celebrate Recovery—Waxhaw Campus . . . . .	7:00 PM
First Place Health Group—Waxhaw Campus. . .	6:00 PM
Co-Ed Volleyball—Main Campus. . . . .	6:00-9:00 PM

### Tuesday

Praise Team—Vocal and Band (All Campuses)	7:00 PM
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### Wednesday

Small Group Prayer/Discipleship (All campuses)	7:00 PM
AWANA (All Campuses). . . . .	7:00 PM

### Thursday

Co-Ed Volleyball—Main Campus. . . . .	6:00-9:00 PM
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### Friday

Graduation—Main Campus. . . . .	7:00 PM
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### Saturday

Singles Fellowship—Main Campus. . . . .	6:00 PM
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SENIOR ADULTS

# J.O.Y Ministry

(Just Older Youth)

If you are 55 or older,  
the J.O.Y Club Needs You!  
Read the happenings below to see why  
YOU need the J.O.Y Club!

The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Please come and join us!

## Fort Caswell Retreat September 17 – 19, 2018

Let's celebrate fall by heading to the Beach! We're gonna have a blast as we board the mini-buses and make our way to Fort Caswell, where we will enjoy a fun-filled program of inspirational singing, drama, leisure time, back porch picking, and rocking. This trip price, \$125 per person (double occupancy) includes transportation, 2 nights lodging, the entire Fort Caswell program, and all meals while at Caswell. Don't miss this one! Please call Karen Jackson at 704-xxx.xxxx to sign up now as space is limited. Payment of \$125 secures your reservation and is due by August 10th.



# Hermon Baptist Athletic Association News



UPWARDS! We had a record number of participants this winter/spring: 432 Basketball players & cheerleaders and 300 Soccer players! We held the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We would like to again thank all of you family and friends who came out to support our athletes. Also, we wish to thank the coaches who give so generously of their time to work with the children and youth who participate in Upwards.



Fall Baseball & Soccer Signups! Information and Registration forms for your child to participate in our Baseball and/or Soccer season that will begin in the fall can be found in the Children's area of the Educational building, the Family Life Center, or you may register your child online at [www.hermonbaptist.org](http://www.hermonbaptist.org). Your child's coach will be making personal contact with you regarding practice times and the game schedules.



Hermon Heroes! Our Baseball League for children with special needs continues to grow and receive recognition in our community as we strive to offer a safe and fun environment for these kids to learn about baseball, teamwork, and get the exercise needed to help their bodies and minds develop. We are recruiting additional leaders to help in this ministry. Please complete the background check that can be found online or in the Welcome Center to get started to become a Hero for our special little Hermon Heroes!



# Hermon Missions

Hermon Celebrates 25 Years  
Of Sending Teams to Brazil!



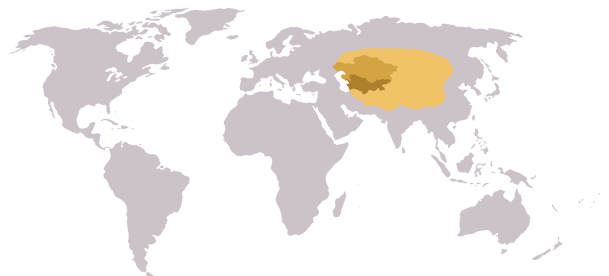
Largest Team Ever  
Headed to Newfoundland  
VBS, Construction, Prayer Walking—  
Something for Everyone

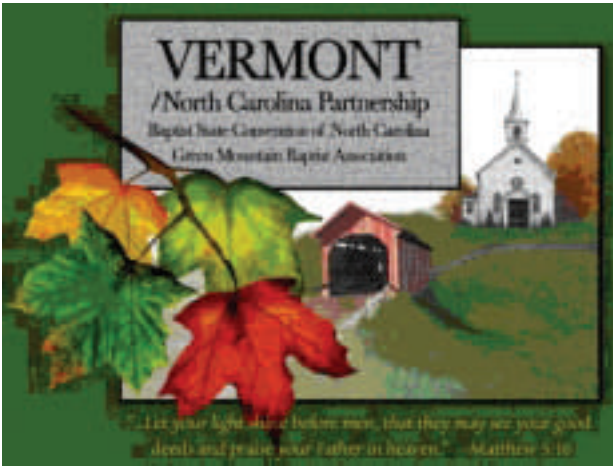
Mansonka Bible Completed!  
Hermon Team Travels to Guinea-  
Bissau for Dedication



Hermon's Adopted Village in India—  
Mission Team to Build Church

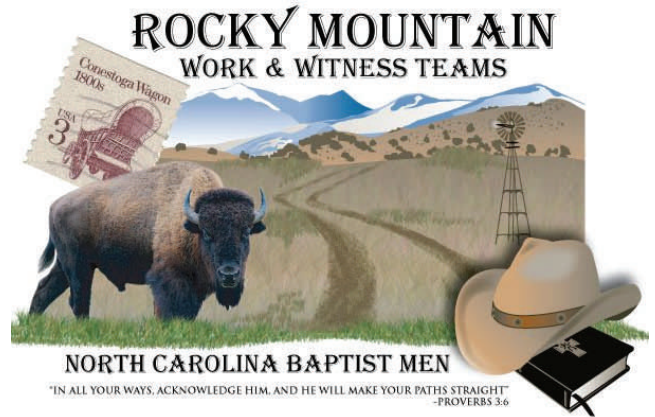
Central Asia Work Team Scheduled  
August 12-22





Hermon's Vermont Church Plant Celebrates 5 Years with New Sanctuary and 25 new Christians Baptized.

Hermon Team Travels to Montana to Install Dry-wall for New Sanctuary and Hold VBS.



## Workday at Celebrate Recovery Halfway House



UBA Operation Inasmuch September 8th



**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Over \$20,000!**



Courtney Putman, WMU Director, reports that together we have given over \$20,000 to the Annie Armstrong Offering for North American missions. Thank you for giving so that others may go and share the gospel with those who have never heard!

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Debbie Isom heads up this ministry assisted by Todd McCray, Roger Dowd, Jack Starnes and Art Keller. In addition to the regular Monday night meetings which number about 100 in attendance, the group runs a coffee house ministry on Providence Road. They also operate a Halfway House for those who temporarily need a helping hand, a place to live, a skill to offer and employment opportunities to be able to fit back into society.

The group makes periodic trips to Atlanta, GA to share testimonies and minister in whatever ways are needed at a sister ministry called *Set Free Memorial Drive Ministries and Sanctuary Shelter* directed by Pastor Reggie Robbins.

Anyone in need of assistance/intervention or interested in learning more about this ministry may contact Rev. L at 704-XXX-XXXX.

## Prayer Ministry—The Power Behind the Ministry

Isaiah 59:1-3a “Behold, the Lord’s hand is not so short that it cannot save; Neither is His ear so dull that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, And your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood,”

Samuel to the children of Israel in I Sam. 12:23 “far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you;”

I had to ask myself the questions:

How much blood is on my hands because of my prayerlessness?

How much have I sinned against the Lord by my prayerlessness?

Without Him we can **do** NOTHING

Without a vital prayer ministry our **DOING** will be in vain.

The theme verse in The Upper Room Prayer Chapel is Jeremiah 32:17 “Ah Lord God! Behold, Thou hast made the heavens and the earth by Thy great power and by Thine outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for Thee.”

During every ministry opportunity of the church there is a group meeting in this room to pray specifically for that ministry. The individuals who pray vary from meeting to meeting, but there are always at least 2 or 3 gathered together. Sunday worship services, Sunday school, choir practice, Sunday evening discipleship training classes, youth and children’s meetings, recovery groups, visitation, men’s meetings, women’s meetings, fellowship suppers, AWANA, midweek ministries, team meetings, deacons meetings, staff meetings, basketball and other sports ministries, everything that goes on has someone praying during it. Participants also pray for each church member and attendee by name. They pray for each staff member. Each missionary is prayed for regularly. At the Wall of Prayer, everyone is encouraged to post their needs to have others praying for them. The Upper Room Prayer Chapel is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for ongoing intercessory prayer. In addition, Hermon members staff a phone bank, making themselves available to pray for those individuals throughout the surrounding communities who have needs.

Everything written in this Newsletter is a direct result of God’s power demonstrated because of His great pleasure in seeing His children at Hermon truly humble themselves and pray, looking to Him alone, and trusting Him for the impossible.