



*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



Hello Highlanders!

One of the greatest experiences a pastor has is to see people put their faith in Jesus. Every pastor longs for the children and youth of their church to trust in Jesus. The most important phase of a child's growth, particularly spiritually, comes before they begin school. To this end, two couples dedicate themselves on Mother's Day to raising their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord! With the help of the church, they will disciple their children toward a decision to trust Christ.

Additionally, several Youth will be baptized this month. Thank you, Eric and Youth Leaders, for making disciples and teaching them the importance of believer's baptism.

The Great Commission commands us to make, mark (baptize), mature (teach them to obey), and multiply disciples (start over again). (Matt. 28:18-20) A huge responsibility for parents and the church is to make disciples. We help individuals begin their faith journey as disciples.

An important next step for believers is to be baptized. We affirm believer's baptism by immersion. (Rom. 6:3-11; Acts 2:38)

This should be a high priority. Are new believers perfect because they said the right words and got baptized? By no means! However, they are on their way. Paul even wrote, "Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:12-15 ESV)

We must nurture a desire to be among God's people in worship and community by prioritizing worship as a family. We also cultivate a love for God's Word through Bible reading and study (Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; Luke 4:16). This encourages young believers to grow in their faith. As we grow, we discern our spiritual gifts and passions and discover avenues for serving. For example, I love hearing when parents take their children with them on a mission trip or to help build a ramp. They are modeling and mentoring their children to grow into maturing followers of Christ.

Let's work together to make, mark, mature, and multiply disciples!

Gratefully,  
Frank

# May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 9 AM:CEC Muffins w/ Mom 6:30 PM: WIA Bible Study	2	3 8:30 AM: YAH Breakfast
4 9 AM: Bible Study 10:30 AM: Worship Service	5 CEC Teacher Appreciation Week 10 AM: Staff Meeting 10 AM: Kards Ministry	6 7 PM: Deacon Meeting	7 6:30 PM: MIA Bible Study	8 12 PM:CEC Early Release	9	10
11 <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b> 9 AM: Bible Study 10:30 AM: Child Dedication	12 10 AM: Staff Meeting	13	14 YAH Picnic @ Barbara King's 6:30 PM: Prayer Walk	15 6:30 PM: WIA Bible Study 7:30 PM: Missions Meeting	16	17
18 9 AM: Bible Study 10:30 AM: Worship Service	19 10 AM: Staff Meeting	20	21 CEC Last Day of School 6:30 PM: MIA Bible Study	22 9 AM: CEC Graduation 6:30 PM: Stewardship	23	24
25 9 AM: Bible Study 10:30 AM: Worship Service	26 <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> Church Office Closed	27	28	29 8am: ATS Pastors Breakfast	30 9:30am: GSCC Homeschool Meeting	31

## "Mother"

by: Lola Ridge

A mother loves right from the start,  
No matter if her children are near or far apart.  
A mother gives never-ending love.  
She gives us comfort and peace  
like a beautiful dove.  
For us she will always do her best,  
Even when we put her patience to the test.  
She wipes our tears,  
Chases away our fears,  
Encourages us to follow a dream,  
No matter how far fetched it may seem.  
Her gifts can never compare to any other.  
I am so honored to call her my mother.  
Looking back on another year,  
I was so lucky to have a mother so dear.  
So Mom, on your special day, relax and enjoy  
And always know that I couldn't  
have asked for any other  
More incredible person to call my mother.

## Summer Mission Trip

JULY 27-AUGUST 2, 2025

**SIGN UP NOW**

Retirement Service & Luncheon

for Pastor Frank

**SUNDAY, JUNE 8**

**10:30 AM**

\*\*\*CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE  
TO RSVP FOR LUNCH



Jesus, you are the stable rock on which I stand, the warm water in which I float peacefully, the fragrant air that energizes my being. In you I rest and am strengthened for faithful living.

"What do you mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible if a person believes."  
Mark 9:23

Happy  
**Mother's Day**



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