



JULY 2013

First LIFE

FROM THE PASTOR...



In last month's pastor column in our newsletter I wrote

about how many activities we have upcoming this summer, particularly in children and youth ministries. I asked also that all of us be in prayer about these events. Well, we must have been praying because good things are happening! As I am writing this column today (June 13) many around here are still glowing and misty-eyed over what happened during CityKids Camp last week. Five young people

came to know Jesus Christ as their savior. Four of them came forward during worship last Sunday and asked for baptism and perhaps number five will come soon. Lives have been changed for all eternity. Souls have been saved. Others are sure to follow as we continue this ministry and the Good News spreads in our CityKids families. This is more wonderful than anyone can put into words. How did this happened? It happened because you, the membership of First Baptist Church, have chosen to believe that God placed us in downtown Hickory as part of His plan

and according to His will. We are a downtown church and we embrace this as our identity. Through CityKids, our Garden of Eaten Café, Trunk or Treat, hosting of various club meetings and community events, and so many other things we let it be known that we are here to serve the downtown Hickory area first and then also beyond. Surely, God is pleased with this kind of faithful obedience to His call and leading. Now, this is not all we are called to this summer. Beach camp is going on as I write. Middle schoolers and high schoolers may encounter Christ as

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IN THE PULPIT...

July 7 - 10:30am
Faith Therapy - Dr. Phillip Reynolds

July 14 - 10:30am Baptism
In the Meantime - Dr. Phillip Reynolds

July 21 - 10:30am
Good Lord - Dr. Phillip Reynolds

July 28 - 10:30am
Dr. Phillip Reynolds

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Wednesdays 6pm
Prayer and Bible Study

Summertime Stories: A Study of the Parables of Jesus

Dr. Phillip Reynolds

July 24 - Church Conference
6pm in the fellowship hall

CHURCH-WIDE 
BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, JULY 7 • 8:30am • COURTYARD

