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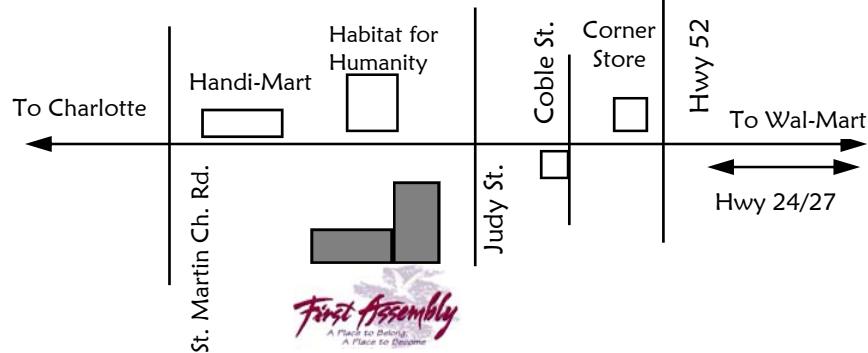
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sunday</b> 9am: Adult, Youth & Children Sunday School 10am: Adult Worship Children's Church	<b>Sunday</b> 6pm: Worship Service FUSION MS Bible School - Youth Room	<b>Monday</b> 7pm: Men's Prayer Meeting Visitation Ministry <b>Tuesday</b> 6:30pm: HS Bible Study @ Ryan & Mary Story's 6:30pm - 8:30pm: Adult Dance Team Practice (Sanctuary)	<b>Wednesday</b> 5pm - 7pm: Girls Dance Team Practice (Sanctuary) 7pm: Fusion Children's Ministries		<b>1</b> CFC - Room 102	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> BP Checks Communion Membership Class 4pm-Youth Room	<b>4</b> Kid's Band Practice 5:30pm - 7pm	<b>5</b> 1pm: Ladies Intercessory Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home 7pm: Rooms 100-102 Victorious Overcomers	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10am Connect365 WM 1 Hour With HIM Sanctuary 8pm-9:15pm: Adult Band Practice	<b>8</b> Women's Ministry Conference - Hickory, NC	<b>9</b> Youth Car Wash 8am-until
<b>10</b> A.C.E. Begins Baptism 9am - Flu Shot Clinic Nutrition Class 4pm-Youth Room	<b>11</b> Columbus Day Office Closed Kid's Band Practice 5:30pm - 7pm 7pm: Stephen Ministry	<b>12</b> 1pm: Ladies Intercessory Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home 7pm: Rooms 100-102 Victorious Overcomers Visitation	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 10am Connect365 WM 1 Hour With HIM Sanctuary 8pm-9:15pm: Adult Band Practice	<b>15</b> CFC - Room 102	<b>16</b> Men's Breakfast Sunshine Pancake House- 8am Albemarle, NC PRC -Walk For Life 9am -YMCA Park Pastor Appreciation Reception - 6pm- YR
<b>17</b> Pastor Appreciation Nursing Home Ministry @ Forrest Oaks No PM Service	<b>18</b> Office Closed Kid's Band Practice 5:30pm - 7pm	<b>19</b> 1pm: Ladies Intercessory Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home 7pm: Rooms 100-102 Victorious Overcomers Visitation	<b>20</b> 7pm: Small Group	<b>21</b> 10am Connect365 WM 1 Hour With HIM Sanctuary Senior Saints Dan'l Boone Inn Boone, NC 8pm-9:15pm: Adult Band Practice	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> OCC Kickoff Nursing Home Ministry @ Britthaven <b>31</b> CFC - Retreat Ridgecrest	<b>25</b> Kid's Band Practice 5:30pm - 7pm 7pm: Stephen Ministry	<b>26</b> 11:30AM LunchBunch W/Char Zaxby's 1pm: Ladies Intercessory Prayer @ Bea Cox's Home 7pm: Rooms 100-102 Victorious Overcomers	<b>27</b> 7pm: Bible Study	<b>28</b> 10am Connect365 WM 1 Hour With HIM Sanctuary 8pm-9:15pm: Praise Band/Team Practice	<b>29</b> Fusion CampOut	<b>30</b> KidzAblaze Event 5pm-Youth Rm Harvest Festival Critter's Clubhouse 6:30pm CFC Retreat

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# First glance

October, 2010

2011 - - A Time to Harvest . . .

*Thank you to everyone who made a "Faith Promise" during our recent missions emphasis. Since we have been faithful in planting, watering, and working the field of missions, we do good to refresh our thoughts on the Laws of the Harvest.*

There are six Laws of the Harvest - Galatians 6:7-10

- Law 1 We reap where we did not sow - Luke 19:21 NKJV  
"You collect what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow."
- Law 2 We reap the same "kind" as we sow - Galatians 6:7 AMP  
"For whatever a man sows, that and that only is what he will reap."
- Law 3 We reap in a different season than when we sow - Eccl. 11:1 NLT  
"Send your grain across the seas, and in time, profits will flow back to you."
- Law 4 We reap more than we sow - Hosea 8:7 NLT  
"They have planted the wind and will harvest the whirlwind."
- Law 5 We reap in proportion to what we sow - 2 Cor. 9:6 NKJV  
"He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."
- Law 6 We cannot do anything about last year's harvest, but we can about this year's. . .

Over the next weeks, I want to encourage each of us to get into our Bibles and search out the spiritual principles of harvesting. I believe you will not only be encouraged but realize the wonderful promises of God to us, as we honor God's way of planting, working the field, and harvesting.

Let's Be the Generation that harvests "All Generations",

**First Assembly . . .  
a place to belong  
a place to become**

Pastor Bob

## FUSION FACTS

Welcome to the month of October. Football is in full swing. The chill is coming back into the air. The leaves are flooding our yards. What an amazing time of year. It's really easy to get caught up in the beauty of God's creation. Which I do encourage you to do so!

If you haven't already grabbed a FUSION Upcoming Events Calendar, October through January, do so. It will help you and your student get prepared for what's coming up! This month is the PRC Walk-for-Life, a benefit for our Stanly County Pregnancy Resource Center. I encourage all who can to participate and support this great ministry through this fun event. I have walked in this event and it is a wonderful opportunity to stand for LIFE and to partner with an amazing ministry!

This month also brings us closer to NC Youth Convention in Greensboro, at the Koury Convention Center. Youth Convention, November 12th-13th, is an awesome two day event where you child has the opportunity to connect with God in a way they never have before. With the help of a phenomenal speaker, amazing worship team, and a thousand of their peers, God is really going to bless their socks off. If you would be interested in sponsoring a student for convention, do not hesitate to talk to me! We at FUSION want everyone to attend this event!

**God Bless,  
Pastor Matt**

### A.C.E Classes

- Young Adults w/Sherri Carter - High School to 30ish - Room 99
- Honor Bound - Men's Class w/Steve Gantt - Room 100
- Coed Class - "Undercover" w/Victor & Linda Rakowski - Room 101
- Ladies Class - "Esther" w/Janice Mullen & Lynn Shimpock Room 102

## Kids Town News

### Firestorm Ministries...

The face of our children's ministry has taken on a new look as we move into Fall. During the months of August and September we had Victor & Linda Rakowski teach a youth version of Cleansing Streams. Our kids really opened their hearts so God could minister to them. Thank you Victor & Linda for bringing this message to the children.

Beginning Sunday, October 3rd we will kick-off Operation Christmas Child. A list of acceptable items will be sent home with each child. We are asking each child to fill a shoe box with those items. Our goal is to fill 200 shoe boxes. On November 26th we will be taking a group of youth to help get the boxes ready so they can be shipped to children all over the world. What a wonderful way to spread the love of Jesus!!

On Saturday, October 30th we will have KidzAblaze here for our fall festival. Also, this year the preschool age children will have a night of games, candy, and all kinds of fun. We invite you to come and be part of this event.

Children's choir has taken off with a bang. Susan Helms and her team are working hard with the children for their Christmas special. It will be presented on Sunday, December 5th @ 6pm, so remember to mark your calendar now because there's only 60 days until the children show their stuff!

**For His Glory,  
Pastor Harry**

### Couples For Christ

- CFC Small Group - Friday, October 1st & 15th @ 7pm - Room 101 - 102
- Victorious Overcomers - Tuesdays, October 5th - 26th @ 7pm Rooms 100 - 102
- CFC Retreat - Friday & Saturday, October 30th & 31st Ridgecrest Retreat Center

**Senior Saints Trip**  
Dan'l Boone Inn, Boone, NC  
Thursday, October 21st, 7am

## Mark Your Calendar

- ~ Sunday, October 3rd - "Discover Your Church" Membership Class @ 4pm In Youth Room
- ~ Saturday, October 9th - Youth Car Wash Fundraiser @ First Assembly 8am - until
- ~ Sunday, October 10th - New A.C.E. Classes Begin @ 9am
- ~ Sunday, October 10th - Water Baptism In Our Morning Service
- ~ Monday, October 11th - Church Office Closed
- ~ Saturday, October 16th - 9am PRC Walk For Life @ YMCA Park
- ~ Saturday, October 16th - Pastor Appreciation Reception @ 6pm Youth Room
- ~ Sunday, October 17th - @ 10am Pastor Appreciation - No PM Service
- ~ Monday, October 18th - Church Office Closed
- ~ Sunday, October 24th & 31st -10am

### Connect365 Women's Ministry

- Connect365 One Hour With Him Thursdays, October 7th - 28th @ 10am Sanctuary
- Women's Ministry Fall Conference Friday & Saturday, October 8th & 9th Hickory First Assembly
- PRC Walk For Life Saturday, October 16th @ 9am YMCA Park
- Ladies Bible Study Monday, October 18th, 7 - 8:30pm Sheila Holland - 433 Lindsey LN, Oakboro
- LunchBunch With Char Tuesday, October 26th @ 11:30am Zaxby's Restaurant