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*Winning lost souls to Christ and discipling them to become devoted followers of Him.
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Worship Attendance

The important question for each of us when we read this column each week is not, "What was our church attendance last Sunday?" There are actually several more important questions. Questions like: "Was I counted among the faithful in attendance last Sunday?" "If not, was my reason for missing church legitimate?" "Do the problems that I give for missing church prohibit me from other activities, appointments, and chores?" "Could I be more faithful in my church attendance?" "Will I get back in church on a regular basis this Sunday?"

There are more questions we could ask, but I hope you get the point that faithful church attendance is a matter of personal commitment to God. Don't give the devil a foothold in your life. Make it a matter of priority to meet with the saints of God around His table every Sunday. See you in church on Sunday!

8:30AM: 120

Bible School: 127

10:45AM: 128

6:00PM: 130

Lots of Spiritual Opportunities in October

- Oct. 2-5:** Bob preaches revival at Community Christian in Williamston
- Oct. 3:** Myrtle Williams Ladies Aid meets, 1:30pm
- Oct 3:** Visionary meeting for Elders and Deacons, 7:00PM
- Oct. 4:** Katie Staley Ladies Aid meets, 7:00PM
- Oct. 5:** Ham served for Family Meal
- Oct. 8:** FLC reserved for Sharon Waters
- Oct. 9:** Kevin and Susan Fry in Morning Worship Services
- Oct. 9:** 90th Birthday Celebration for Lewis Styons in FLC, 2:00-4:00
- Oct. 9:** Elders and Deacons meet following evening worship
- Oct. 9-12:** Bob in Revival at Collinsville, VA.
- Oct. 10:** Faithful Friends meet at 6:30 in Conference Room
- Oct. 12:** Soup and Sandwiches served on Wednesday night
- Oct. 13:** FLC reserved for Sharon Waters and Plymouth Lions Club
- Oct. 14:** Red Cross Blood Drive in FLC 12:00PM 'til 6:00PM
- Oct. 15:** Barbara James has FLC reserved
- Oct. 17:** Carpenter's Crew meets, 6:30PM
- Oct. 19:** Turkey Crew fills midweek menu
- Oct. 23-28:** PCOC Revival with Ralph Sproles
- Oct. 25:** Senior Saints Luncheon with Ralph Sproles, 12:00PM
- Oct. 26:** BBQ Chicken meal, (\$5) proceeds to Teen Mission Trips
- Oct. 30:** "Friends of the Family" Concert in PM service
- Oct. 30:** "Trunk 'N' Treat" following concert.

PCOC Revival

Your preacher is a big fan of revival meetings. I am not among those who see them as obsolete or outdated. I've seen too many churches and individuals turned around by the impact of good revival services. When God's Word is preached, when His people pray, when His praises are sung, when His name is exalted and when His people gather in Christian fellowship---good things happen. I am praying even now for great things to take place in our Fall Revival here at PCOC. Let me share some important information.

- The dates for our revival are October 23-28.
- Brother Ralph Sproles, from King, NC will be our guest evangelist.
- He will preach for both Sunday morning services on October 23rd.
- Sunday evening services on October 23rd will begin at 6:00PM.
- Services October 24-28 will begin at 7:00PM.
- There will be special music presented in each service.
- Child Care will be provided for each service.
- Children's classes will be provided for kids from 3-years-old to first grade.
- All of our seniors, (age 55 and over), are invited to attend a luncheon session at noon on October 25th. Brother Ralph Sproles will be speaking.

It takes a concentrated and collective effort to have a successful revival. The best program in the world is ineffective without people. Here are some ways we are counting on you and your family to help us:

- Attend the services faithfully. Put aside other activities and make room for spiritual things in your life for that week.
- Pray for God's blessings on our church family. Sign the prayer list in the Greeting Center and help us fill four weeks with prayer for this revival.
- Invite friends and family to attend the services with you.
- Especially reach out to those who are "unchurched".
- Volunteer to fill the servant roles for nursery workers, greeters and housekeepers.
- Distribute posters and information to help publicize our meeting.
- Take part in the teams who provide the daily fellowship meals for the evangelists.
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- Provide transportation to someone who may need it.

Revivals don't just happen. It takes prayer, preparation, planning, and publicity. But the most essential ingredient is participation. Give God your best. Don't scramble around and give God the leftovers of your life and energy. Join us October 23-28. Let's have a week of spiritual renewal and revival October 23-28.

Special Project for Myrtle Williams Ladies Aid

We want to remind those members of the Myrtle Williams ladies Aid of the special project for their meeting coming up October 3rd. Each lady is asked to bring items to be included in a "Care Package" to be sent to Clayton Holliday who is serving with the United States Marines in Afghanistan. If you have any questions, contact Betty Mebane.

What's Happenin' with Our Youth?

Thanks to the teens and sponsors that helped out with our "NOS" (night of service) this past week. It's amazing how much a group of people can get accomplished in a short amount of time. Our next "NOS" will be October 19th.

Thanks to Brian Bowen who took our teens to "The Path" last Sunday while I was filling in for Mr. Bob.

Mark on your calendar Sunday November 13th. This will be our Fall Festival. It will run that Sunday afternoon and we will cap it off that night with some "special" entertainment. I heard it has something to do with TOAST.