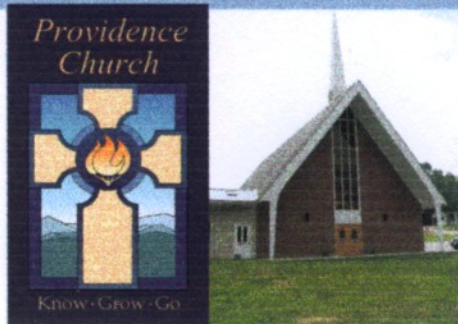


THE PROVIDENCE POST

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Directions to Providence (On HCA campus) 1400 Old Clyde Road

From Waynesville: 19/23 to exit 105, right on Hospital Drive for 0.1 miles, right on Jones Cove Road to end (0.3 miles), right on Old Clyde Road for 0.1 miles, church is on right.

From Clyde: 19/23 to exit 105, right on Jones Cove Road, then as above.

Worship and Church Activities

Sunday

9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages

10:45 am - Morning Worship with
Nursery and Children's Church

Monday

4:30 pm - Women's Bible Study

Thursday

6:45 am - Men's Prayer Group

February 2015

Glenda and I have received such a warm and gracious welcome from all of you in our new church family. The Lord has lavished his grace upon this small community to love and bless us as new comers. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the gracious Christmas gift and also the wonderful and generous gift card celebrating my recent birthday. Wow, truly the Lord has blessed you with the grace of giving that Paul writes about in Corinthians.



Newcomers class

Speaking of the Lord's grace upon us, He is bringing new people into the Providence community. In light of this I am leading an 11 week Sunday School class offered at 10 am Sundays, beginning February 8. This class is open to everyone but especially those who want to learn more about who we are, what we believe and what our vision for ministry is. It is based on a DVD series called Alpha and explores the basics of our Christian faith. We will discuss topics ranging from who Jesus is, to why we can have confidence in the Truth of God's Word. We'll look at the role of church, why and how to pray, and the importance of sharing the Good News--just to mention a few. We look forward to this uplifting and enlightening time together. Come join us!

Pastor Edward

Session News

At the January meeting the Session elected LuAnn Davis to the office of clerk for a 2 year term.

Providence Happenings



Thank You



Dear Providence Family,

I cannot thank you all enough for your incredibly generous Christmas bonus this year. Thank you for sacrificing to bless me and our family in such a practical and kind manner. Luke and I both so enjoy serving through worship, and count it a true privilege to worship alongside each one of you.

Thank you for the encouragement and for your kind hearts and hands,

Renee



Dear Church Family-

Thank you guys so much for your generous appreciation bonus last year. I love you all very much.

~Liz Alley

Providence Church Divisions

Edward William Brouwer , **Pastor**

Our Session

Class of 2015

Luke Allsbrook

Sam Mitchell

Class of 2016

LuAnn Davis - Clerk

Jim Spencer

Class of 2017

Taylor Cook

Curt Sevig

Music Director

Renee Allsbrook

Administrative Assistant

Elizabeth Alley

Coming Soon - Want Ads

Beginning next month the Post will include a column of advertisements for items you wish to buy, sell, or trade. Items may be submitted to Bill White or Liz Alley, They must be received by the 22nd day of the month before the issue in which they are to appear, and will appear in that issue only. They may appear in more than one issue but must be resubmitted each month.

February Events

- 1st Super Bowl Party at The Strand Theatre. Doors open at 4 pm with kickoff at 6.30.
- 8th 9:55 am - Newcomers Class
- 15th 9:55 am - Newcomers Class
- 20th Youth and Family Ski night. Please come out to Cataloochee on Friday evening for a night of fun on the slopes. Group rates available.
- 22nd 9:55 am - Newcomers Class



Mission News



Shawn Stewart On the move... Reporting from England

The latest from FOX NEWS, CNN and the BBC is really: (you pick your phrase...) "making me nervous", "rising fear up inside of me", "really scary"! Islamic terrorist cell groups being activated in Europe, the news channels are roaring with more news... all of it grabbing our hearts... YET! did you know: that more Muslims



have become followers of Jesus Christ since 2001 than all the years before.. combined? Greg Livingstone, my mentor and with whom I staying in London, shared a few statistics that he has been tracking... and brothers and sisters... the news is really GOOD NEWS... Did you know they can confirm there are over 260,000 faithful followers of Jesus Christ in Iran? Want some encouragement? Look for the book, whose title comes from a statement made by an Iranian policeman: "Too Many To Jail" by Mark Bradley. Or this... after 90 years of trying to plant a church in Algeria without much success.. a growing community of 80,000 are worshipping our Savior. And then just today, I heard about a small group of 40 muslim background believers forming in the northern Pakistan/Afghanistan area. AMAZING!

So with all this terrorism.. who do you think is behind it? Really? Isn't it more than man... Satan isn't going to release his hold on the 1.6 billion Muslims without a fight, or a desire to cause fear for anyone wanting to bring light to darkness!

SO IF in the next week or month, you find yourself watching the news and you begin to feel fear, or afraid, or angry.. turn off the media... go take a walk and lift up prayers and PRAISE to our Father. And as you see the peacefulness in your only little neighborhood, let HIS peace grow into a hope for more to know and follow Jesus!

REminding: Two years ago, Lisa and I accepted a call for me to take the missionary role of Coordinator of Mission Recruitment for the Evangelical Presbyterian Church World Outreach. It meant leaving my Youth & Family ministry role in Montreat, NC and begin finding partners who would pledge to support us in this call through financial and prayer support.

The call was to find 60 - 80 new missionaries for 10 new church planting teams in "least reached" Muslim communities. This was for the brand new Engage2025 endeavor of the EPC World Outreach. Along with this, I was called to work with all other future missionaries going out with the EPC World Outreach through other sending agencies like SIM and Frontiers. In addition, develop short term mission exposure trips to help people learn more about Engage2025, and build networks to connect World Outreach to our EPC church youth and college ministries... All this is still my primary role and I could not do this with out your partnership... so THANK YOU!!!!!!!

REwarding:

As we look back, a lot has grown! World Outreach has gone from 2 Engage2025 workers on the field to 33! That would be 33 fully supported workers on the field NOW, all in the last two years. And we also have 10 more in the pipeline heading to join an Engage2025 team. Also we had our first enVision Trek trips (these are short term trips I am leading for people

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considering going to work with Engage2025 among Muslim least reached communities) have seen sweet results. Several of those in the pipeline came through our enVision Treks.

And on the networking with youth & college workers end of my job description, I have over 200 EPC college & youth leaders that I am getting more connected to; that we might find those who God would send to serve with an E25 team.

WOULD YOU REJOICE WITH US? Do a little happy dance?

Still have a ways to go, so stay on our team please! We need you!

Refreshing: I'm writing this to you from High Wycombe England. I am here for 5 days with Greg & Sally Livingstone to:

First - Be refreshed, retaught and reminded of how vital this recruitment role is for the success of Engage2025. Greg is the one who inspired me to step out of the local youthworker job and into this national position with World Outreach. I can confess I have felt and continue to feel out of my area of gifting... and so I've dropped in to gain more wisdom and teaching from my mentor. This time with Greg is a place for me to wrestle with what my role is...

Second - I am here to make plans for this summers enVision Trek - Pakistanis in Britain short term mission trip. July 14 - 31 we hope to bring about 8 people who have been sensing a strong nudge to GO... and perhaps consider joining an E25 LONG-term church-planting TEAM...

Third - Record much needed recruitment wisdom from Greg to use in helping our Mobilization team do this work before us. Greg will be helping me think through my plans for 2015!

Prayer Needs:

New believers all around the world, safety and wisdom for those sharing the Gospel with unbelievers.. and for the Holy Spirit to complete the work of the Gospel!

Traveling mercies for my time on the road and also mercy for me and Lisa as will. We'll be apart a good bit the next 8 weeks!

For me to find these needed people: A long term worker who could mentor church planters in Indonesia; A team worker for Pakistan with a medical background to join that team; a sports person to help with the Cricket work on Pakistan and for a couple to consider joining one of these teams reaching: Muslim of Bihar in India, Tatars in Russia, Lebanon, Muslims in the Caucasus, and Muslims of Macedonia

And finally, for a person I am talking with who may become a team leader for a church planting team to Libya! Pray for N, and his wife K, and family and for the presbytery that may decide to adopt this field for their Engage2025 location.

Update from Lance & Lisa

We arrived to the States on Dec. 23rd, enjoyed Christmas with (Lance's family), caught the flu, visited friends in AL & GA, and got the girls enrolled in school. We are excited to see you!! We are planning to be in Waynesville May 15-17.

In just 4 weeks, we've met Arabs in 3 different states - NC: 3 Jordanian men at a local gas station, a women at a local fitness gym; FL: Jordanian & Palestinian men at grocery stores, Saudi couple at a friend's house; SC: Algerian woman at the grocery store. You definitely don't have to live in the Middle East to rub shoulders with Arab Muslims. We have grown to appreciate the warmth and hospitality of our Arab friends...so it's fun for us to see them here too.

Praise Report

We rejoice in the Lord for the grace of giving that he has given to our fellowship as we have once again abundantly seen his provision for our church. Our total revenue in 2014 was \$182,526 with total expenses at \$132,733. Our net revenue over expenses is \$49,793. We will place 10% in our missions budget, which honors the commitment that our church founders made when Providence was born, and the remainder in our building fund. Praise the Lord!

The Session

PS - The special Christmas Eve offering resulted in \$2006.50 for the Lizarazu car fund and \$536 for Brian Thomas/RUF at WCU.

Providence Church Summarized Financial Information December 31, 2014

Tithe/Offering collections	153,857
Miscellaneous income	1,316
Designated giving	<u>27,353</u>
Total Revenue	182,526
Expenditures	<u>132,733</u>
Revenue over expenditures	49,793
Prior year bills paid	(2,709)
Bill yet to be paid	2,940
Accounts receivable/Prepaid	<u>0</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	50,024
Cash-in-Bank-Beginning of Year	<u>237,538</u>
Cash-in-Bank-End of Month	\$ 287,562
Breakdown of Cash:	
Checking Account	78,384
Building Fund CD/Savings	<u>209,198</u>
Total	\$ 287,562

February Volunteers

Snacks

February 1	Rhonda Lear team
February 8	Jerry Allsbrook team
February 15	Susan Kingshill team
February 22	Gaby Lowell team

Nursery

February 1	Paula Rhodarmer Rhonda Lear
February 8	Gaby Lowell Wally Cook
February 15	Renee Mitchell Susan Kingshill
February 22	Paula Rbodarmer Rhonda Lear


Children's Church

February 1	Luke Allsbrook
February 8	Rhonda Spencer
February 15	Barb Dresdow
February 22	Liz Alley

Set Up/Usher Teams

Week 1	Taylor Cook team
Week 2	LuAnn Davis team
Week 3	Curt Sevig team
Week 4	Sam Mitchell team
Week 5	Luke Allsbrook team

February 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  Holy Communion 10 am Newcomer Class 4pm Superbowl Party Renee Allsbrook	2 4:30 Bible Study	3	4 Curt Sevig	5 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	6	7
8 10 am Newcomer Class	9 4:30 Bible Study	10	11 Samantha McGlone	12 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	13	14
15 10 am Newcomer Class	16 4:30 Bible Study President's Day	17	18	19 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	20 Youth and family ski night at Cataloochee	21
22 10 am Newcomer Class	23 4:30 Bible Study	24	25	26 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	27 Julia Lizarazu	28 Nathan Cole