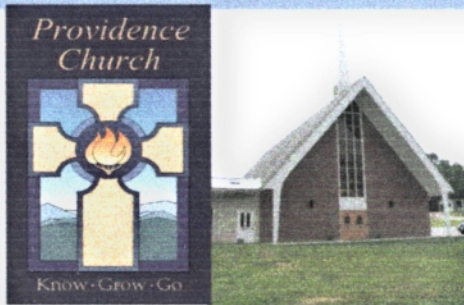


# THE PROVIDENCE POST

*Providence Church - an Evangelical Presbyterian Church congregation*

*Located on the Haywood Christian Academy senior campus - 1400 Old Clyde Road, Clyde*



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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

### **Tuesday**

12:00 pm - Lunch with Pastor

6:45 pm - Behold Your God study

### **Thursday**

6:45 am - Men's Prayer Group

## *September 2015*

Take me out to the ball game  
Take me out with the crowd;  
Just buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jack,  
I don't care if I never get back.  
Let me root, root, root for the home team,  
If they don't win, it's a shame.  
For it's one, two, three strikes, you're out,  
At the old ball game.

This Labor Day Sunday evening we are inviting the church to come to the final home-game of the season for the Asheville Tourists. It promises to be a fun filled time of fellowship and cheering on the home team. This great time watching an all American game is a wonderful way to help our church bond with old and new people who have been coming recently. Its a beautiful thing to worship together and serve together on Sundays, but spending time with each other in different contexts and places helps us to see a different side of the body of Christ.

*Pastor Edward*



## **Highlights of August Session Meeting**

- 1) Volunteer update for Nursery and Children's Church – According to Pastor Brouwer, several new volunteers have been recruited for these 2 ministries. Barb Dresdow will be coordinating the schedule & curriculum for Children's Church.
- 2) Elder Nominating Committee Update – Sam Mitchell reported that the Elder Nominating Committee has met and elected Alan Bush as Chairman. This committee includes: Elder Sam Mitchell, Elder Luke Allsbrook, Alan Bush, Susan Kingshill, and Mike Shelton. They will be filling 3 ruling elder vacancies.
- 3) Process for educating prospective members – Luke Allsbrook created an information sheet covering the questions to be asked, the Essentials of the Faith, and the Presbyterian form of government. Packets will be given to prospective members that include this information sheet and EPC brochures.
- 4) Resolution for Julian Bacon, Summer Intern – The Session acknowledges with appreciation the work of Summer Intern, Julian Bacon, and would like to honor him with a reception after church on Sunday, August 23, 2015. An honorarium of \$50 will be given to him in the form of a gift card from Amazon in appreciation of his service.

# Providence Happenings



## New Sunday School Class

Beginning at 9:30 am on September 13th, Karen and Paul Zimmerman will lead a class for young married couple. Child care is provided.

## Au Revoir, Julian

Summer intern Julian Bacon, seen here with fiancée Rachel Brouwer, has returned to Tyndale



Theological Seminary in the Netherlands to complete the last semester for his Master of Divinity degree. He was honored with a cake and punch reception on his last Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Providence.

## 2016 Nominating Committee

### Positions to nominate

- Class of 2018 - 2 elders for 3 year term
- Class of 2017 - 1 elder for 2 year term (ex Taylor Cook)
- Class of 2016 - 1 elder for 1 year term (ex Jim Spencer)
- 2017 Nominating Committee - 3 congregational members

The committee asks for your prayers and suggestions. If you know of someone you believe would make a good elder (see 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9), first ask that person if he or she is willing to serve. If so, contact a member of the committee:

Alan Bush (Chairman) 828-734-9394 [drbushdc@aol.com](mailto:drbushdc@aol.com)  
 Susan Kingshill 828-421-4862 [kingshill123@bellsouth.net](mailto:kingshill123@bellsouth.net)  
 Mike Shelton 828-452-5518 [meshelton@bellsouth.net](mailto:meshelton@bellsouth.net)  
 Luke Allsbrook 828-400-0387 [lukeallsbrook@yahoo.com](mailto:lukeallsbrook@yahoo.com)  
 Sam Mitchell 828-627-6006 [dvm@charter.net](mailto:dvm@charter.net)

**Wedding Shower** for Will Roberts and Christina Grasty, was held August 9<sup>th</sup> following worship service. More pictures are on our web site [providencechurchwaynesville.com](http://providencechurchwaynesville.com)



## Providence Church Divisions

Edward William Brouwer, Pastor

### Our Session

#### Class of 2015

Luke Allsbrook - Discipleship  
 Sam Mitchell - Worship

#### Class of 2016

LuAnn Davis - Clerk  
 Jim Spencer - Congregational Care

#### Class of 2017

Vacant  
 Curt Sevig - Missions

### Music Director

Renee Allsbrook

### Administrative Assistant

Barb Dresdow

## Renee Allsbrook Releases New Album

Novare Music, Latin for to renew, is music composed and produced by Renee Allsbrook. Comprised of both sacred and secular songs, it is intended to nourish the soul and stimulate inner renewal. Many of the songs are ideal for corporate worship.





CALL IT JOY

Novare Music presents the new album, *Call It Joy*, a collection of songs composed by Renee Allsbrook, available on iTunes, Amazon Music, and Spotify. Videos, scores, back stories, and CDs available at: [www.novaremusic.com](http://www.novaremusic.com)



# Mission News



## Mideast Update

We are now back in the Middle East after a wonderful time in the US. We are getting adjusted to the chaotic driving, hot weather (131 F last week), being recognized where ever we go, and the prime visiting hours from 10 pm-2 am. We are thankful to be back in a place that is familiar to us with close friends who we are reconnecting with.

Here are a few our girls favorite memories...

- Going to Summer Camp with friends
- Riding a roller coasters at Carowinds (Charlotte, NC)
- Living near the beach (Wilmington, NC)
- Strawberry picking with Grandma
- Natalie and Alia learning gymnastics
- Easter candy (they discovered Starbursts)
- Chick-fil-A (it was our last meal before we left!)
- Making wonderful new friends at Myrtle Grove Christian School and labeled "Best School Ever"
- Extra attention given by the girls' teachers to help get them caught up academically
- Makayla winning the 5th Grade Timothy Award for student role model voted on by her peers
- Jumping on trampolines (with water balloons was a favorite!)
- Being able to speak English all the time (it's back to Arabic)
- Being with our family (they even got to see an Uncle who they hadn't seen in 6 years)

**God's School Plan...**Last year we knew that we needed to have a better educational plan for one of our daughters with special academic needs. So we talked to everyone we could think of to find a teacher to come and help us. We didn't know that when we returned last month...the only International School in our city would change management, causing instability and all the foreign teachers to leave.

God knew this...and provided not one teacher...but FOUR sets to each come and help home school our family for 2-3 month increments. We are so grateful as we start the new adventure of home schooling grades 2, 3 and 6. Isn't God good!

Thank-you for all your prayers and loving ways you support us! Pray for us this week as we welcome two new teammates, help with a youth camp of 60 Arab girls, and lead a 3-day business seminar with local community development leaders.

Your friends, *Lance & Lisa*



## We Are In The US - Let's Connect!

As many of you know, we're in the US for our 1 year Home Ministry Assignment/Furlough. A whole year? Yes due to social security/pension agreements between the US and Germany. But this gives us a great opportunity to reconnect with so many of you.

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If you are in the Charlotte/Huntersville area, we'd love to get together. Instead of doing a ton of emailing back and forth to figure out when we can get together, we are using a little bit of tech to help us out. Check out our calendar and pick a time that works for you: [Our Appointment Calendar](#) (no registration required). For those outside of the Charlotte/Huntersville area, we're making our rounds throughout the US. [Contact Krista](#) to see when we will be near to you.

eDOT has released a new version of [C2C Story app \(Creation to Christ\)](#) with a new interface to better help people learn how to share the story as well as adding new languages. Currently the app reaches English, French, Turkish, Russian and Ukrainian speakers. We hope to release an update in Aug/Sept that will include Arabic, Saudi Nedji (an Arabic dialect) and Bulgarian with more translations in the works.

## Prayer Requests

- We ask for continued prayer as we figure out the best ways to engage in the US this year. We want to be a blessing to our US community and church, but need to be strategic on how we best use our time and energy.
- Home school is off to a great start. We've been at it a whole month already and Alex is at the top of his class :) Seriously, we are thankful for his attitude and diligence. We will be folding in his CO-OP classes as well as youth group and his Bible study group over the next weeks. Pray in particular for a friend for the year.
- Pray for Miette, our newest eDOT person, who will be arriving in Germany next month, and for Jeff will be going into language school. Pray for wisdom for Courtney as he leads them from afar.
- Pray for Courtney, who in the coding phase of an intense project. He has a big push for the next 2 months to reach the first major milestone. It's detailed and intense work, that often requires focused blocks of time. Pray for the Lord's creativity and for wisdom and great problem solving skills. It's a really exciting project that we will be sharing with you soon.



## Update from the McKays

Hello to All: We are settling back into the school routine and the end of summer lamentations are fully in bloom. I am contacting churches before fall budgets are set and trying to remain faithful and patient in the process for the Black Forest and Beyond. Sandra continues with her life and is busy helping internationals settling in for work here in the area. Samuel just turned 13 and is doing well re-adjusting to school and all its thrills (a term that could potentially lead to heated debate from the only teenager in our house!) Ian loves fourth grade (after four days) and has some great teachers.



If you have noticed in the news, the refugee crisis is growing rapidly in Europe. Hundreds and thousands of refugees are pouring in, primarily from war-torn lands, often from Muslim areas. We are asking the Lord to use us in this situation. Our hearts have been moved by it since a short-term mission trip to help with refugees over a decade ago. Sandra and I believe this is to be an element of our calling to Europe. We were privileged to meet a couple this summer in Basel, Switzerland that does refugee ministry and to see how vital it is to expose these displaced people to the love of Jesus as soon as possible after they arrive in this difficult and frightening new world. Please join us as we seek to take His love to a continent in great need. We love you and thank you for your prayers and support on our journey. *Adger, Sandra and boys*

## Update from the Luptons

Our summer season of travel has come to a close, and we have happily settled back into our Bogotá routine... for a few weeks at least. Will you pray for us as we travel to Mexico to lead the youth program for their country-wide retreat? And while we're on the subject, you can also pray for United Church of Bogotá as we reach out to the many internationals moving to Bogotá at the beginning of the school year.



And now, some highlights from our summer:

**Highlight 1: Hanging out with missionary kids at MTW's ReConnect:** We spent a long weekend with missionary kids whose families had just come off the field for a season of home ministry assignment (furlough). Several of these students will not be moving back to their host country, since they will be attending college in the States. What a privilege to process through the excitement and sadness of this transition with them!

**Highlight 2: Hanging out with even more missionary kids at Summer Conference:**

Following the ReConnect weekend, we went straight into Summer Conference. Following our fearless leader, Rebecca Larsen, we walked through God's story of redemption in a very hands-on, personal way. I felt myself growing in the gospel right along with the students.

**Highlight 3: Family time!**

We were able to spend a wonderful week with each of our families, enjoying our favorite things about suburban America: root beer, baseball, and big backyards.

**Highlight 4: Asia/Pacific Area Retreat:**

Andrew flew over 22,000 miles to lead a portion of MTW's Asia/Pacific Area Retreat. This was the largest group of Tweens yet and Andrew had an excellent team of volunteers helping him serve these families. Retreats like these continue to strengthen church planting families and we come away from them every year thankful to be a part of God's work in their lives.

Thank you for partnering with us in the gospel! It is such a blessing to have you on our team as we serve the global church by reaching the next generation with the gospel.



## Visit from the Kriegs

Your Providence Mission Committee is excited about an upcoming visit from Matt and Laurie Krieg on Sunday, September 20th. Matt and Laurie founded Hole In My Heart Ministries which focuses on Same Sex Attraction issues and Pornography Addiction. They approach the subjects from a Biblical perspective and provide insight and hope to those dealing with the issues, and also include families and friends in their outreach and perspectives. They will make a presentation during the Sunday School hour and have a Minute for Mission during the service. Plans are still evolving but anticipate an opportunity to visit Monday evening, the 21st, Arrangements for signing up for a confidential individual session with Matt and/or Laurie on Monday are being worked out. As details are firmed up we will get the information out to you. We hope you will avail yourselves of this opportunity to learn more about a subject that is constantly in the news headlines. And as part of our 'full disclosure' we want you to know that Laurie is one of our own Renee Allsbrook's sisters.

## Want Ads

Items you wish to buy, sell, or trade may be submitted to Bill White or Barb Dresdow. They must be received by the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of the month before the issue in which they are to appear, and will appear in that issue only. They may be re-submitted each month.

- Renee Allsbrook's new album, *Call It Joy*, will be available at Strains of Music and The Music Box in Waynesville.. Renee also has some available - you can contact her at 828-452-9656 or email [reneeallsbrook@yahoo.com](mailto:reneeallsbrook@yahoo.com). You can also check the website at [novaremusic.com](http://novaremusic.com) to find lyrics, photos of singers, and links to three YouTube videos.

- Gaby Lowell is looking for someone to take over her project of mailing birthday and anniversary cards to our missionaries. For more information or to volunteer, contact Gaby at 828-246-9692, or email her at [cook81050@gmail.com](mailto:cook81050@gmail.com)

## Providence Church Summarized Financial Information July 31, 2015

Tithe/Offering collections	89,906
Miscellaneous income	1,276
Designated giving	<u>3,542</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>94,724</b>
Expenditures	<u>(127,281)</u>
Revenue over expenditures	( 32,557)
Prior year bills paid	(2,940)
Bill yet to be paid	634
Accounts receivable/Prepaid	<u>(180)</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	(35,043)
Cash-in-Bank-Beginning of Year	<u>287,562</u>
Cash-in-Bank-End of Month	<b>\$ 252,519</b>
<u>Breakdown of Cash:</u>	
Checking Account	5,635
Building Fund CD/Savings	<u>246,884</u>
Total	<b>\$ 252,519</b>

## September Volunteers

### Snacks

Sept 6	Renee Mitchell team
Sep 13	Jerry Allsbrook team
Sep 20	Susan Kingshill team
Sep 27	Gaby Lowell team

### Nursery

Sept 6	Paula Rhodarmer Rhonda Lear
Sep 13	Jenny Alt Glenda Brouwer
Sep 20	T J Anthony Ann-Michael Winstead
Sep 27	Wally Cook Charlotte Allsbrook


### Children's Church

**MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Barb Dresdow is making a new schedule for Children's Church. To volunteer, or for more information, contact Barb at 770-883-3936, or email her at [providencechurchassistant@gmail.com](mailto:providencechurchassistant@gmail.com)

### Set Up/Usher Teams

Week 1	Luke Allsbrook team
Week 2	Jim Spencer team
Week 3	Curt Sevig team
Week 4	Sam Mitchell team
Week 5	Elders take turns

# September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 1:30 pm Mission Committee 12:00 Lunch with pastor Lucy Anne Cole Miriam Rose Cole <i>Gerry &amp; Jane Ladner</i>	2 Rick Boen Emily Liazrazu	3 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	4 <i>Larry &amp; Millie Hersenson</i>	5 Ann-Michael Winstead
6  Asheville Tourists ball game trip	7 <b>Labor Day</b>	8 12:00 Lunch with pastor	9 Wirt Skinner <i>Chuck &amp; Carole Torpy</i>	10 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	11	12 Eileen Bartlett
13 Lisa Kirby	14	15 12:00 Lunch with pastor	16	17 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	18	19
20 Bill Sterrett	21	22 12:00 Lunch with pastor	23	24 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group	25	26
27	28 <i>Sam &amp; Renee Mitchell</i> Jason Smith	29 12:00 Lunch with pastor <i>Alan &amp; Diana Bush</i>	30			