



Heart Sisters on Mission

June 2021 Newsletter



WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

This month we are highlighting [Sarah \(Sarai\)](#).

Her Name: Sarah means chieftainess or *my* princess. Sarai just means princess.

Her Character: Beautiful to attract rulers in the ancient world. Strong-willed and also jealous. She was considered a loyal wife. She did what was right. She didn't give in to fear.

Her Sorrow: Sarah remained childless for most of her life.

God's Promise: She would be "a mother of nations"

Her Joy: At the age of ninety Sarah gave birth to a child that was the promised Isaac.

Praise God: He keeps His promises.

Key Scriptures: Genesis 12:1-20; 16:1-8; 17:1-22; 18:1-15; Galatians 4:22-31

Spotlight on Mission and Ministry Opportunities

This month's Mission Minute focuses on adopting a person who lives in a nursing home. There are several nursing homes in our county, and unfortunately all of them house residents who have no family members or friends regularly contacting them. Rather than Heart Sisters placing an emphasis on one nursing home, and because ministries and missions you and I are called to do are personal to each of us, we want to suggest that you choose a nursing home, contact the administrator or social worker, and ask for the name of an individual living there who can use a friend. Volunteer to be that friend, and then begin ministering to them, with cards, calls, special treats they may be able to have, and eventually as each home opens, visits to your new friend. It will be one of the best investments of your prayer life and time you will ever spend.

Can you imagine how lonely and isolated it would feel to live in a home where you only see nurses, aides, staff members, or doctors . . . no one who takes the time to talk with you and find out who you are as a person? So many residents of nursing homes end up "invisible." *We are better than that as Christians.* Please pray about and consider adopting a person who just happens to reside in a nursing home. As with anything given to God, we are the ones who are blessed.

To get you started, here is a list of area nursing homes and some loved ones we know that reside there:

Brantwood Nursing Home & Retirement Center
1038 College Street, Oxford, 27565
919 690 3334

**Mattie Goodwin

Granville House
200 Coventry Drive,
Oxford, 27565
919 603 5576

**Hank Plott

**Eleanor Foster

Toney Rest Home
904 Raleigh Street, Oxford, 27565
919 693 2123

Universal Health Care
500 Prospect Avenue, Oxford, 27565
919 693 1531

**Robert Haynie

Thank you for being open to showing others that because Someone, long ago, reached out and asked to be your friend, you want to return that favor and introduce them to Him.

Gail Birdsong



Answer to May's trivia

question: " Can you name at least 5 of the chrismon symbols?"

ichthus, dove, cross, HIS, Alpha and Omega, Star of David, Nativity star, crown, shepherd's crook or staff, Triquetra, Trefoil, hands in prayer, scroll, lamp, candle, lamb, angel cup or chalice.

Winner to May's trivia question: Brenda Tuck

June Trivia Question:

At FBC Butner, who led our women to make the first chrismons?

Tell Tammy Duke your answer.

Camp Mundo Vista

Since 1969 Camp Mundo Vissta has a rich tradition of supporting the mission of our guests. Our vision is to create an atmosphere where God can speak, His voice can be heard, and His words will have impact.

2021 Events:

Horizon Camp for Girls (Ages 3rd grade through age 17)

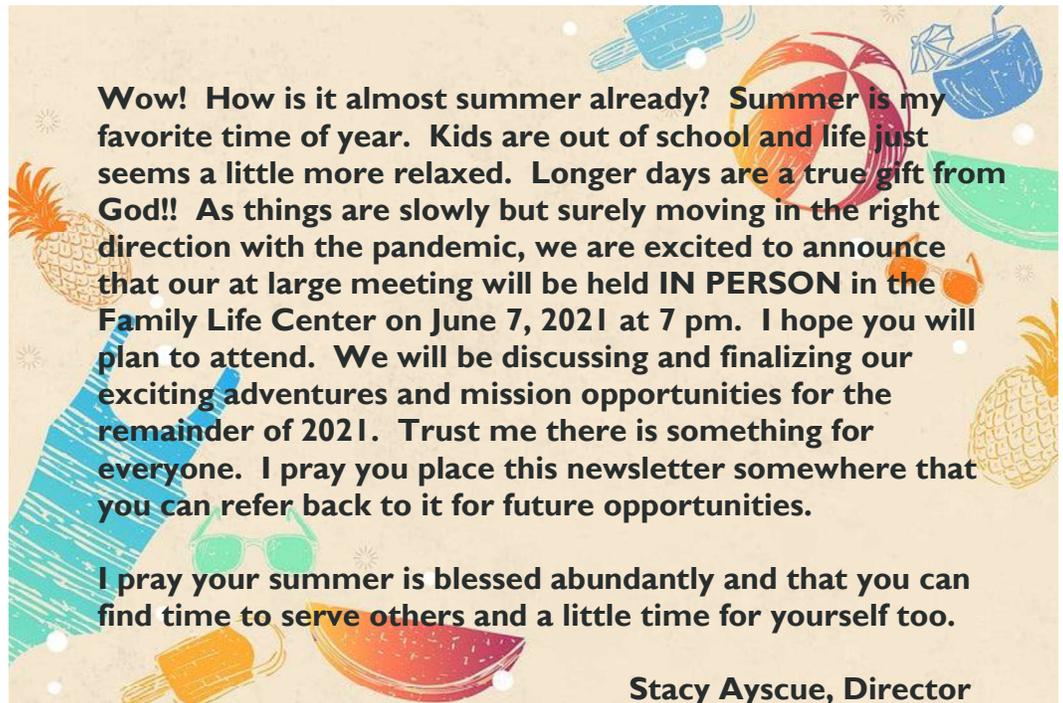
July 13-15.

Mother-Daughter Retreat

(for daughters in grades 1 – 8) July 30 – August 1.

Register at:

<https://campmundovista.com/programs/>



Wow! How is it almost summer already? Summer is my favorite time of year. Kids are out of school and life just seems a little more relaxed. Longer days are a true gift from God!! As things are slowly but surely moving in the right direction with the pandemic, we are excited to announce that our at large meeting will be held **IN PERSON** in the Family Life Center on June 7, 2021 at 7 pm. I hope you will plan to attend. We will be discussing and finalizing our exciting adventures and mission opportunities for the remainder of 2021. Trust me there is something for everyone. I pray you place this newsletter somewhere that you can refer back to it for future opportunities.

I pray your summer is blessed abundantly and that you can find time to serve others and a little time for yourself too.

Stacy Ayscue, Director

WMU of NC News

Virtual Luncheon Topic:

Re-evaluate, Reset, Refocus, & Then Adjust Your



Memories of the past and challenges of the current times can be overwhelming at times. As we grow older and come into new seasons of life, it becomes increasingly important to periodically take steps to make sure our crowns are still appropriately positioned. Embracing and implementing Christine Harper's "3Rs" will provide you with the perfect crown adjustment tool kit, and help you see your purpose in your current season of life.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Christine Harper of Making Disciples Ministries

Time & Place:

Thursday, June 10, 2021, from 12:00 PM-12:45 PM / ZOOM

Registration cost: Free

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ei09sjye4de81451&oseq=&c=&ch=>

**Register to attend the live meeting, or If you are unable to participate in the luncheon live, you can still register to receive the recorded call for later viewing.*



New Heart Sisters' T-shirts Coming Soon!



There are still a lot of backpacks that need to be claimed! Pick one up in the vestibule or office hallway at church. Make sure you write your name on the sign-up sheet beside the number that corresponds with the one on your backpack.

VBS is July 30, July 31, and August 1 for all children nursery through those that have just finished the 8th grade. Volunteers are needed to teach, lead crafts and recreation, and provide snacks! Talk to Tammy or Liz for more info. Sign-up sheet in the church office hallway.

Join our Facebook Group:
FBC Butner Heart Sisters
on Mission



**Heart Sisters Weekly
Prayer Time**

Every Wednesday @ 7:30 pm
Via Zoom
If you would like to get on the list, contact Liz Davis

**Heart Sisters
Leadership Team**

- Stacy Ayscue – Director
- Teresa Walker – Co Director
- Liz Davis – Secretary / Treasurer
- Tammy Duke – Discipleship Coordinator
- Gail Birdsong – Mission Coordinator
- Stefanie Kempinski – Outreach Coordinator

Saturday, Oct 9, 2021 from 9am to 1pm in our Family Life Center we will have our own Women of Joy! This will be a great time of fellowship, praise and worship, and of course, food! We will hear encouraging messages from from Liz Curtis Higgs, Karen Kindsbury, Mandisa, Lisa Harper, and comic relief from Mark Lowrey. Stay tuned...



Our Summer Book Club reading will be *The Longing in Me: How Everything You Crave Leads to the Heart of God* by Sheila Walsh. Sheila has a simple message on the subject of your longings: Whether you know it or not, all you long for is God. The work of recognizing that may take a lifetime,

but the result will be peace, patience, and freedom from the mistakes that have controlled your life.

In *The Longing in Me*, Sheila tells the story of her first marriage--from the car accident that kicked it off to the silence that followed--and the parallels with her troubled childhood she should have spotted from a long way off. Closely guided by the story of King David, Sheila makes it clear that your longings are rooted in a need for God alone--and when it comes to filling that void, nothing else will ever do.

You can tap the one fountain that will quench your deepest thirst. You can change the way you respond to life's stresses. You can heal from the past and find joy today. Not someday. Today.

The Longing in Me: How Everything You Crave Leads to the Heart of God
By: [Sheila Walsh](#)

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If you are interested in participating in our first Summer Book Reading, please let Tammy Duke know no later than Sunday, June 6 and we will place one order for the books. We can plan for our first meeting to be on Sunday, June 27th at 6:00 at the church.

We will begin our studies that coincide with "Embracing the Seasons of Life as They Prepare Us For a Time Such as This" in September. When all of the studies have been selected, information will be shared with our Heart Sisters.