



January 7, 2026

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY

How Should We Live in a World Hostile Toward Christians?

John 15:18-20

Choosing to "Follow Jesus" and live by God's Word means we will often be misunderstood, hated, and even oppressed by society. So, how should we—as Christians—live in a nation that seems to be increasingly hostile toward us because of our beliefs and values.

Join us Sunday as we look at practical strategies for living out our faith in a world hostile toward God.



Three services every Sunday! Can't attend in person? Join us online!

8:30 AM Contemporary Service (in person only)

9:45 AM Contemporary Service (in person & online)

11:00 AM Traditional Service (in person & online)

THIS WEEK AT THE CREEK

Wednesday, Jan. 7 / **One Night Wednesday BEGINS** / 7:00PM / All Buildings

Thursday, Jan. 8 / **Elevation Big Birthday Bash** / 4:00PM / Western Sizzlin

Sunday, Jan. 11 / **Emerge Worship Night** / 6:00PM / The Pointe

Monday, Jan. 12 / **Prayer Team** / 7:30PM / Sanctuary

Tuesday, Jan. 13 / **Elevation Bible Study** / 10:00AM / Fellowship Hall

GENERAL INFO

Prayer Requests

Howie Shaw - metastatic thyroid cancer

Martin Hooks - lung infection

Ray Brosseau - fighting leukemia at UNC Chapel Hill

Myrna Jones - recovering from recent hospitalization at ECU Health due to pneumonia and heart attack

James Hayes - recovering from recent hospitalization at ECU Health due to complications of flu and pneumonia

Becky Peed - recovering from shoulder surgery



Vickie Taylor - recovering from stroke (mother of Michael Taylor)
Jeff Sparks - recovering from Heart Attack (friend of Michael Taylor)
David Berg - cancer (Roger Lee's son-in-law)
Rich Butler - recovering from hospitalization for blood clots



Lunch with the Pastors

If you are new to Stoney Creek, we would love for you to join us for our first Guest Luncheon of 2026. Whether you have been attending for months or only visited a few times, this is a great way to get connected with our staff and learn more about Stoney Creek Church!

If you would like to attend this luncheon, please register [HERE!!](#)
Other ways to register are by **scanning the QR code** on the announcement slides for our Sunday services or by calling the Church Office at **919-735-3916**

WELCOME

Walker and Abigail Honeycutt

Associate Pastor
of Children



Director of
Preschool Ministries



1Night Wednesdays start TONIGHT at 7pm

1. Gospel of Mark study at **the Pointe**
2. DivorceCare in room **206 of CEC** (here's the hyperlink registration for the in-person class)
<https://find.divorcecare.org/groups/285385>
3. Emerge students in the **hangout space** at the Pointe
4. Creekidz Ministry, **1st floor of CEC**
5. "You Said This, I Heard That" *Color Study* by Kathleen Edelman in room **204 of CEC** - sign up [HERE](#) (tonight will be an introduction to the course and next week will begin the study. Click this link to purchase the workbook <https://a.co/d/67kcAn4>)



Belize 2026

Stoney Creek Church and Emerge are heading to Belize again!! On July 25th-31st, we will be going back to Belize for a missions trip. Anyone interested must pay a deposit of \$125.00 by January 11th. Total trip cost is \$1,700.00. All payments, cash or check, should be

made out to Belize 2026. **ONLY 20 SPOTS AVAILABLE THIS YEAR!!!**

Contact [Pastor Anderson @ \(919\) 223-8980](#) for more information!

Bible in a Year Small Group

We have around 90 people participating this year! It's not too late to join us. Contact any of our facilitators for more information about joining: Betsy Roberson, Barry Williamson, Brittany Bledsoe, Curt Hinton, Josh Whitfield, Lauren Massey, Lisa Williamson, Stacey Robinson.



Small Group Leaders:

Barry & Lisa Williamson, Ryan & Betsy Roberson, and Curt & Trey Hinton.

How to Join:

Text Pastor Barry (919-920-4996) or Curt Hinton (919-344-2169) to express your interest and get connected. Or—just show up on January 4th. We can't wait to grow alongside you as we dive into God's Word together!



Ham Supper

It's almost time for our Annual Ham Supper and you don't want to miss it! Each plate includes Country Ham, Rice & Gravy, Field Peas, Baked Apples & Homemade Biscuits! Tickets (\$10) are available from members of the Koinonia

Class, YAMs Class and the church office. We appreciate your support and look forward to serving you on Jan. 24, 4:30 - 7 PM -- eat in or take out!

ELEVATION ADULT MINISTRY

Helping adults 40 and over reach

- UP in worship to God
- OUT in service to others
- IN to develop spiritually



**elevation
adult
MINISTRIES**

Winter 2026 Elevation Ministry Overview

January 8 (Thursday) 4 PM – Big Birthday Bash at Western Sizzlin

February 13 (Friday) 6 PM – International Night - Catered Dinner and Special Guests Don & Sarah Reed – Career missionaries to Africa (no charge - all welcome)

March 19 (Thursday) 9:15 AM – Yoder's Dutch Pantry & Yoder's Farm & Garden



Elevation Bible Study

Next week (Tues, 1/13), we will continue our new series as we move into Daniel chapter 5 and look at "The Finger of God."

As we look at the life of Daniel, we will talk about how to stand strong in our faith in a nation that is increasingly hostile to

Christians and our belief in God and the authority of the Holy Bible.

Come join us expecting to receive a blessing!

Donuts, coffee and water will be available for your enjoyment. You are always welcome to bring a friend.

Big Birthday Bash!

We're celebrating everyone's 2026 birthday with a party at Western Sizzlin!

Thursday, January 8th...Be in line before 4 PM if you want to get the special pricing on the Special Lunch Menu items. Or show up after 4 PM if you want to take advantage of the Dinner Specials.



Go ahead through the line and order when you arrive and then join us at the tables reserved in the back. We will meet you there!

We will bring a **large birthday cake** so we can celebrate your birthday after we eat. Don't miss your chance to win a **door prize/birthday gift**, enjoy great food, hear a short devotion, and get to know some **wonderful people!**

Sign-up is not necessary, but will help us better know how many tables to reserve. You can sign-up in the Connector or online by clicking [HERE](#). But please be sure to join us--even if you don't sign up.



Elevation Ministries **International Night**

February 13 (Friday) 6:00 PM

Join us for International-themed catered dinner, dessert and then be inspired by mission field stories by Don & Sarah Reed. The Reeds are career missionaries to Africa. They served in several African countries—the longest

in Tanzania. They also work with churches and pastors in Brazil and are connected with missionaries and mission work around the world. Don & Sarah founded Open Door Enterprises in 1989. There is no charge for this event, but please sign-up [HERE](#) so we can give our caterer an estimate.

ELEVATION

ADULT MINISTRIES

2026 CALENDAR



January 2026

Sun., 4, 11, 18, 25 – Sunday School/Discipleship/Small Groups

Tues., 6, 13, 20, 27 – Prayer & Bible Study in FH (10 AM)

Thurs., 8 – Big Birthday Bash @ Western Sizzlin (4 PM)

Thurs., 15 – Widow/Widower Meal (CFC) (6 PM)

February 2026

Sun., 1, 8, 15, 22 – Sunday School/Discipleship/Small Groups

Tues., 3, 10, 17, 24 – Prayer & Bible Study in FH (10 AM)

Fri., 13 – International Night Dinner & Missions Stories in FH (6 PM)

Sun., 22 – I Love You Night w/Emerge Students in FH (6 PM)

March 2026

Sun., 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – Sunday School/Discipleship/Small Groups

Tues., 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 – Prayer & Bible Study in FH (10 AM)

Thurs., 19 – Yoder's Dutch Pantry in Grifton (9:15 AM)

Fri., 27 – The Seder Experience: Messianic Passover Seder Meal & Explanation with Dr. Randy Outland in FH (6 PM)

April 2026

Sun., 5, 12, 19, 26 – Sunday School/Discipleship/Small Groups

Tues., 7, 14, 21, 28 – Prayer & Bible Study in FH (10 AM)

Thurs., 16 – Widow/Widower Meal (CFC) (6 PM)

Thurs., 23 – Wilmington Petals, Platters, & Pier Escape (8:30 AM)

Elevation Ministry serves adults 40 and over--helping you grow:
UP in worship to God, OUT in service to others, IN to develop spiritually

EMERGE STUDENT MINISTRY



EMERGE SPRING 2026

January

4: Worship Night & Small Groups
11: Worship Night & Small Groups
18: Worship Night & Small Groups
25: **EMERGE LIVE NIGHT: Skate Night at Round About Skating**

March

1: Worship Night & Small Groups
8: **YTH REVIVAL @ PG**
15: Worship Night & Small Groups
22: **EMERGE LIVE NIGHT: SMALL GROUP MEET UP**
29: Worship Night & Small Groups

May

3: Worship Night & Small Groups
10: **NO EMERGE FOR MOTHER'S DAY**
17: Worship Night & Small Groups
24: **EMERGE LIVE NIGHT: Warbirds Game**
31: EmERGE Summer Nights @ The Pointe

July

4-10: **BELIZE (tentatively)**
19-23: **VBS @ SCC**
26: EmERGE Summer Nights @ The Pointe

February

1: Worship Night & Small Groups
8: **SUPER SUNDAY: Super Bowl Party**
15: Worship Night & Small Groups
22: **I LOVE YOU NIGHT with Elevation Adults**

April

5: **NO EMERGE FOR EASTER**
12: Worship Night & Small Groups
19: Worship Night & Small Groups
26: **EMERGE LIVE NIGHT: Bonfire and Cookout Night**

June

7: **Grad Brunch & Grad Sunday**
7: EmERGE Summer Nights @ The Pointe
15-20: **C3 CAMP**
21: EmERGE Summer Nights @ The Pointe
28: EmERGE Summer Nights @ The Pointe

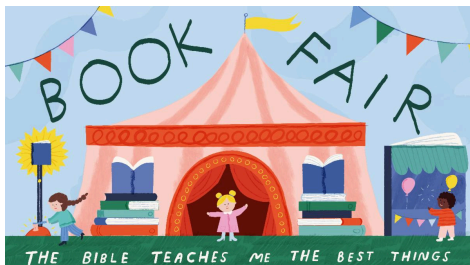


EMERGE WORSHIP NIGHT!!

Join us **SUNDAY NIGHT** for EmERGE Worship Night!! It's going to be a great night...spaghetti, worship, AND fellowship. We want to see you there!! Invite a friend and share the Good News of Jesus with them!

Sunday, January 11th at 6:00 PM in the Pointe

CREEKIDZ MINISTRY



Preschool Focus for January

Theme/Focus: Book Fair – The Bible teaches me the best things!

Memory Verse: *"Your word is truth"*
John 17:17



Elementary Focus for January

Theme/Focus: Gameplan - Growing stronger in faith every day!

Memory Verse: *Training the body has some value. But being godly has value in every way. It promises help for the life you are now living and the life to come.* 1 Timothy 4:8

POWER PLANET

THIS SUNDAY is Power Planet FX! You don't want to miss it!!



Power Planet Family Experience (aka FX) is a high energy time to sing, dance, worship and laugh while enjoying skits, games, a Bible lesson and more. Bring a friend and we'll see you there! Power Planet FX ...where kids take their parents to learn. And it's SO. MUCH. FUN.

- 5:45 Registration/ door opens
- 6:00 PM Light supper (hot dogs, chips &

dessert)

- 6:30 PM Power Planet FX

Nursery available for ages 3 and under following the meal.

MORE WAYS TO CONNECT

How can we pray for you? [Submit a PRAYER REQUEST](#)

Want to receive occasional texts? [Sign up for SCC TEXT MESSAGES](#)

Change of email, address, phone? [Submit a CHANGE OF INFORMATION](#)

Are you interested in serving at SCC? [Start HERE](#)

Building need? Contact Facilities Manager, [Steve Pate](#) (919-502-9588)

Need something added to the Creek Connection? Contact [Kaylin Honeycutt](#)

Need to contact a pastor? **Email by clicking below or text/call them!**

[Josh Whitfield, Senior Pastor](#) 252-286-3014

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