

# Macedonian Call

## May 2015

### Phone 704-735-3287

### Website [www.macedonianow.org](http://www.macedonianow.org)



#### A Note from Pastor Randy

On Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> we'll observe the National Day of Prayer. The theme verse for this year's observance is "Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in Your presence this day" (1 Kings 8:28). The Scriptures urge us to consistently lift our petitions, supplications & thanksgivings to God. In 1 Thess. 5:16-18 the Apostle Paul exhorted believers to "rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." The phrase "without ceasing" may also be translated "without interruption." You could say that: "Prayer doesn't interrupt our day, but our day often interrupts our prayer." In Acts 2:42, the early church continued "steadfastly" in prayer. They were "steadfast," because they were very much aware of their need! Prayer was a priority for early believers. It should be a priority for us as well. Join us in praying for our church, families, government, military, education system, media outlets & businesses on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Helpful prayer guides are available at our Welcome Center for your use. ~ Pastor Randy



#### Men's Fishing Trip

Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>



Everyone is invited to join us as we observe the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. A light lunch will be served at no cost.

Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> our Baptist Men will prepare Mother's Day Breakfast. All women are invited to drop in from 8:30 – 9:30 am.



CARE Night - Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>  
Meal @ 6:00 pm - Ministry @ 6:30 pm  
An evening of outreach to our community & encouragement to our church family.



OPERATION INASMUCH  
SATURDAY, MAY 16<sup>TH</sup>  
MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 8 AM  
Sign up for available projects now.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> will be a date I will never forget, even though I have no specific memory of the day. I had developed a bad headache which was suspected to be a bad sinus infection. But after a CT scan I was rushed to CMC in Charlotte with a chronic brain bleed (Yes they really did find a brain in there). After 3 surgeries over the next 5 days they still could not tell my family for sure if I would live. My faith family made up of brother and sisters across several states got involved in something that has separated the sea so that an entire nation could walk through, shut the mouths of hungry lions and fed thousands with one little boy's lunch. They prayed! My family gathered around my bed and asked the Father to allow me to live. You, my Macedonia family asked the Father to allow me to live and He performed a miracle for me as great as dividing the sea, closing the mouths of lions or feeding the thousands! He has given me life!! I thank you and love you more than you could ever know. You were all so special to my family during this time. I especially thank my pastor, Randy and Denise. They have been friends for many years and at times like last month it was a blessing to have their love and compassion. So I say thank you to all of you and want to assure you that our Father can still do miracles and boy am I glad!  
Your brother with new life ~ Pastor Joe



Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Men's Meeting 7:00 am & Local Mission's Day at 8:30 am. All men are invited to a light breakfast, prayer time, mission & ministry updates & a brief Bible study.



Children's Church  
May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, & 24<sup>th</sup>

Memorial Day – Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>  
Church Offices closed

Youth Rally @ Cornerstone in Maiden  
Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> – 7-10 pm  
Speakers, Praise & Worship Music, Games, Snacks & lots of fun!!!

Youth will go out to eat following their Bible study on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>



#### "Invest In India"

The cost of constructing a church in India is \$6000. Our next quarterly offering will be on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Please pray concerning what God would have you give toward supporting this ministry.