



# Bethany Presbyterian Church

**DIVERSE PEOPLE UNITED BY GOD'S LOVE IN EVERYDAY LIFE**  
**Worship Sundays 10am Give Gift\$**

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## BETHANY ARCHIVES - 2012

Jan 29 - Annual  
Congregational Meeting

Feb 24 - HIHI

Mar 4 - Music Director Leaves  
Bobbi Mogelesky

Mar 17 - Game Night

Apr 1 - "Go Green" Project

Apr 5 - Holy Week Dramas  
begin

Apr 27 - Hope For Haiti

May 27 - Confirmaniacs 2012

Jun 2012 - Celebrate  
Graduates

Dec 2012 - 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Living  
Nativity "Where's My Angel?"

### 2012 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - January 29, 2012



What a productive Meeting! We renewed the Pastor's call, thanking God for the years that he has been with us and hoped for many more to come. We elected new officers and listened to annual updates from Session, Deacons and various committee members. We thank all vacating officers for their extra hard work and dedication. We welcome all new officers and pray that God blesses them as they take on new responsibilities. See current officers and committee members on the ABOUT BETHANY page.

### BETHANY'S HIHI FEEDS BODY & SOUL - February 24, 2012



Thank you for helping Huntington's homeless as Bethany completed its 8th year of HIHI (Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative). Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." HIHI makes it possible! On designated nights, Bethany hosts the event at St. Elizabeth's Church in Melville, providing dinner & dessert, a movie, overnight supervision, breakfast and lunch. Contact Lanzel Powell or Ed Wong to share ideas or learn about volunteer requirements necessary to participate.

### MUSIC DIRECTOR'S STEPS ON THE JOURNEY - March 4, 2012



Over 6 years ago, Bobbi Mogelesky prayed that the Lord would lead her to the right place of music ministry. Bethany had an opening so she applied for it and prayed hard for guidance. After talking with the pastor and committee, she felt very much at home and thought it would be a good fit for her to worship here and contribute what she could to our music. It was a very decisive answer to her prayers at that time. See "2012 Music Director" in BETHANY PHOTOS.

## GAME NIGHT WAS A BIG HIT IN 2012 - March 17, 2012



Game Night was a big hit. Xbox, Guitar Hero, Checkers, Taboo... Family and friends brought their favorites and had a great time. Annually, the Nurture Committee sponsors this fun event and all ages are welcome! Along with games, refreshments are served... but you're always welcome to bring your own, too. Go to the ABOUT BETHANY page to contact Nurture Committee members for details on future events.

## "GO GREEN" PROJECT BEGINS 2012 - April 1, 2012



Bethany started making positive changes to Go Green and become an Earth Care Congregation. With many ideas and steps to protect this beautiful planet God has entrusted to us, Bethany's journey began. Learn how our youth kicked off this initiative during worship service. See the presentation they created and learn what YOU can still do to help. See "2012 New Officers & Go Green" in BETHANY PHOTOS.

## HOLY WEEK DRAMAS 2012 - April 5-8, 2012



The Easter Dramas began on Palm Sunday, continued on Maundy Thursday, followed through on Good Friday and ended on Easter/Resurrection Sunday. We celebrated the last days and glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ. Once a symbol of pain and suffering, the nailed cross from Good Friday was transformed into a towering beacon of beauty and life on Sunday morning. Members, family and guests 'flowered' the cross, securing a variety of beautiful flowers onto the cross. See "2012 Holy Week Dramas" in BETHANY PHOTOS.

## HOPE FOR HAITI - April 27, 2012



Haiti - years after the devastating earthquake - still needs a lot of help! Bethany's youth put aside Friday night parties and movies to come together for a worthy cause! Helping hands were in abundance as Bethany's youth and youth from neighboring churches and organizations, helped to pack almost 12,000 meals for the Hope for Haiti initiative. Bethany, as one of the sponsors, measured grain and spices, then weighed, heat-sealed and boxed these life-saving packages. For two hours, each production-line group bonded together for this common cause. See "2012 Haiti Meal Packing" in BETHANY PHOTOS.

## **FIVE CONFIRMANDS TAKE NEXT STEP ON SPIRITUAL JOURNEY - May 27, 2012**



We're blessed to have five new confirmands! Training with Pastor Rea is complete... their spiritual journey has just begun. We celebrate "Confirmaniacs 2012": Justin Miller, Walton Rea, Shamar Powell, Rechelle Dennis and Jordan Williams. See "2012 Confirmation Class" in BETHANY PHOTOS.

## **CELEBRATE OUR GRADUATES - June 2012**



Congratulations, Bethany youth! We're so proud of your recent accomplishments. You're maturing, persevering and accomplishing great success. We pray for God's continued blessings for all: College Graduate - Natalia Whitehorn - University of North Carolina, Greensboro Campus; High School Graduate - Crystal Davis-Hannah, Jill Miller, Kaitlin Whitehorn; Bethany Confirmands - Rechelle Dennis, Justin Miller, Shamar Powell, Walton Rea, Jordan Williams.

## **8TH ANNUAL LIVING NATIVITY - "WHERE'S MY ANGEL" - December 2012**



"Where's My Angel?" opened with a hustle-bustle scene of busy, rude, inconsiderate shoppers who obviously had money to make purchases, but none to spare with a down-on-his-luck pan handler. The story unfolded with a couple who were shopping for a gift to donate to Bethany's Christmas toy drive. It was clear that this couple had very different opinions about Christmas and the toy donation: the man was cynical; the woman was overjoyed. The Drama continued with the traditional Nativity story, complete with 'elevated' angels and a live musical performance. Finally, it transitioned back to the couple. They had come to buy a gift for Christmas; instead the man received the gift of 'Christmas'... after meeting his angel. See "2012 Where's My Angel?" in BETHANY PHOTOS.