



# The Presbytery of Western North Carolina

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**TO:** *Churches of the Presbytery of WNC*  
**FROM:** *Bobbi White, General Presbyter*  
**DATE:** *April 15, 2008*  
**SUBJECT:** *Prayer Calendar for May and June*

*Many of our churches include the following paragraphs in their bulletins and newsletters each week. This encourages their members to pray for these congregations on the designated Sundays.*

\* *Consider sending the churches a card telling them they were held up in prayer.* \*

**May 4<sup>th</sup> - Shiloh (P.O. Box 76, Grover, NC 28073)**

*No information available.*

**May 11<sup>th</sup> - Siloam (25 Willoughby Way, Marion, NC 28752)**

*Siloam Presbyterian Church is now offering support for Barbara Nagy in Malawi. We also have Rev. Harry F. ("Pete") Petersen as our Stated Supply since his wife, the Rev. Dr. Martha Jane Petersen, stepped down from this position after serving as supply pastor for almost seven years. Both Petersens preach at Siloam, but Pete now takes the lead in Session business and visitation. The church continues its monthly fellowship luncheon and twice monthly Sunday School, with members rotating in teaching.*

**May 18<sup>th</sup> - Southminster (1401 Hoffman Road, Gastonia, NC 28054)**

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*Please pray that the Session continues to discern Christ's will for Southminster regarding staffing, discipling, youth, and use of space. Remember our pastor, Jerry Bron.*

**May 25<sup>th</sup> - Spindale (P.O. Box 225, Spindale, NC 28160)**

*Please join the members of Spindale Presbyterian Church in asking God's richest blessings on the community in transition; on the congregation, especially those with health problems; on the music ministry of pianist, Justin Radford; on the Session; and on pastor, Bill Kirk. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us as we seek to discern and do God's will.*

**June 1<sup>st</sup> - Spruce Pine First (P.O. Box 764, Spruce Pine, NC 28777)**

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*Please pray for our focus on children and families as we reach out into the Mitchell County community and beyond. We continue to host an after school program on Wednesdays, have started a senior high youth group, have planned a mission trip to Johnson City, TN, to renovate a women's shelter, and will try our first camping trip in mid-May. We have also started a Wednesday lunch-time Bible study with soup and sandwiches, and are in the midst of planning for our Vacation Bible School in June and our annual church picnic on July 6<sup>th</sup>. We recently completed our pictorial directory and are forming shepherding groups to nurture our sense of community. Our youth are excited about raising money to support the hospital in Malawi as an extension of our Christian witness and responsibility beyond where we live. Pray for our Pastor, Bill Sweetser.*

**June 8<sup>th</sup> - Swannanoa First (P.O. Box 216, Swannanoa, NC 28778)**

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*Give thanks for one adult Profession of Faith and Baptism and the Baptism of three children on April 13th. Pray for our PNC as they search for a part-time pastor; for the church's efforts to find its niche in the Swannanoa community; and for members to increase their spiritual energy during this transitional time. Remember our Interim Pastor, Stratton Peacock.*

**June 15<sup>th</sup> - Sweetwater (500 21<sup>st</sup> Street, SE, Hickory, NC 28602)**

*No information available.*

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> - Sylva First (46 Presbyterian Drive, Sylva, NC 28779)**

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*The First Presbyterian Church of Sylva would like to give praise to God for our exceptional music program, both in the traditional and contemporary service. We are also especially grateful for the excellent work being done by David Cathcart, our Family Life Director. We ask that the Lord help us find ways to minister to the unusually large number of young children we now have in our church. We also ask that we clearly teach God's Word in all areas of our church. Remember our Pastor, Bill Serjak.*

**June 29<sup>th</sup> - Third Street (605 North Highland Street. Gastonia, NC 28052)**

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*Please pray for Third Street Presbyterian Church as it goes through a time of revitalization and spiritual discernment. Especially we ask for prayers for our pastor, Eddie Deas, elders, deacons, and ministry team members.*

**MISSION PRAYER CALENDAR:** *Even as we pray each week for specific churches in our Presbytery, we can also remember our missionaries and mission activities as a reminder that our family extends into all the world.*

