

# Jarvis Memorial



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### **Record of Faithfulness (through May 31, 2017)**

- Operating Budget:  
\$1,385,000
- Total Contributions:  
\$503,133
- Total Spent in pursuit of  
mission: \$543,022
- Total Indebtedness:  
\$431,863
- Would you like to help  
donate food items for the  
monthly Shelter Meal  
dinner? If so, call the  
church office at 752-3101.



Pastor Liz and David,  
we will miss you!





Congratulations to our  
College Graduates

East Carolina University  
David N. Argenbright  
Rebecca K. Poole

North Carolina State  
Henry Hamilton Piner

Pitt Community College  
Jacob Michael Griffin

Texas Tech University  
Health Sciences Center  
Taylor Rea Norris

## SUMMER HAPPENINGS

### Summer Sermon Series

This summer our worship themes will center around the theme: Fruit of the Spirit: The Character Traits of God. "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

There is no law against such things." (Galatians 5: 22-23) These qualities not only describe God's character and nature, but become the qualities that describe Jesus' followers. Join us this summer as we explore each trait.

*Oops!*  
*WE GOOFED.*

### *The Good Samaritan Award*



The Good Samaritan Award is a method by which United Methodist Churches recognize youth who demonstrate the attributes of The Good Samaritan described in Luke 10:25-37. This award recognizes ministry to others through outreach, humanitarian assistance or advocacy. Each of our candidates has demonstrated significant personal and selfless contributions toward others, assistance to individuals or to a collective group of persons in need. Award recipients are (from left to right): Evan Marr, Austin Mooney, Watson Evans, Kearston Hudson and Max Begelman. As one great philosopher and Nobel Prize winner, Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."



### *We Welcome Rev. Rhonda Grant Jordan*

Rev. Rhonda Grant Jordan initially joined the staff of Jarvis UMC in July of 2016 as the part-time Associate Pastor of Congregational Care. Beginning July 1, 2017, she will serve as full time Associate Pastor. Rev. Rhonda is a graduate of East Carolina University and has continued her training at Asbury Theological Seminary. She previously worked for Pitt County Mental Health for 20 years, the City of Greenville for 4 years and will come to Jarvis after eight years with Vidant Medical Center. Rhonda comes to Jarvis with 20 years experience in ministry. She was licensed in 1996 and ordained in 1997 within the Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Rhonda has been married to Gaston Jordan Sr. since August 16, 1986 and they have one son, Gaston Jordan Jr. Rhonda's husband and son own and operate three local businesses. Two other close members of the family are their beloved Rottweilers, Bentley and Zoe. Rev. Rhonda enjoys reading. She also enjoys walking the beach and going to the mountains.

## Future Events: Mark your Calendar

- \* **Umbrella Market** - Wednesday, June 28 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Five Points Plaza. Come check out the lemonade stand that Jarvis Children's Ministries is running this summer. All proceeds go to local Greenville missions.
- \* **Pastor's Reading Circle** - Sunday, July 23 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Conference Room. We will discuss Margaret Feinberg's book, Scouting The Divine. Everyone is welcome to participate.
- \* **Hero Central Vacation Bible School** - VBS is this Sunday, July 16 from 4-7 pm and Monday through Thursday, July 17-20 from 9 to 12 pm. To register go to: [www.jarvis.church/children](http://www.jarvis.church/children)
- \* **Living Out Loud (LOL)** - Monday, July 31st through Friday, August 4. LOL is a mission-focused program for rising 6th graders that helps teach our students to work together for others to the glory of God.



## Summer: Ways to Worship the "Son"

- ★ Use a new prayer routine. Pray with a friend regularly, fast and pray one day a week, use a new type of prayer list.
- ★ Write in a prayer journal to God, list only thanks and blessings instead of prayer requests.
- ★ Make it a point to make something right with someone you have wronged.
- ★ Take a picture of something in nature that inspires you to worship the Lord for all He has created and journal about it or find a Bible verse to go with it and display it in your home.
- ★ Watch the sunrise or sunset and take that time to pray about personal and spiritual goals you have.
- ★ Find a place you like to visit where you can admire the beauty God created.
- ★ Get involved in a missions outreach, volunteer to be a part of something where you can SERVE.
- ★ Do your personal devotion outside under a tree, around a campfire, at the beach, anywhere outside!

I challenge you not to just add God-centered activities but to be God-centered so that you can do these things without ruining their purpose. I encourage you to take the challenge to add more things about the Lord into your summer and see if God will use that to strengthen you and your family.

## Global Leadership Summit

What is the Summit? The Global Leadership Summit is a two-day, annual world-class leadership event, broadcast via satellite from the Willow Creek campus near Chicago, Illinois. This year, Jarvis Memorial will be an official satellite location for The Summit.

Who is the Summit for? Any person who has influence in their day-to-day life. In a nutshell . . . EVERYONE!

When is the Summit? August 10-11, 2017 in the Taft Christian Life Center

How can I register to attend or volunteer? Log onto: [www.jarvis.church/summit](http://www.jarvis.church/summit)

## Congratulations to our High School Graduates

Arendell Parrott Academy  
Christopher C. Thomas, Jr.

D.H. Conley

Ruth Kathleen Bishop  
Lucas (Luke) Allen Everette

Cameron Grace Faulconer  
Broughton L. Goodson, II

Greenville Christian Academy

David Austin Mooney

J.H. Rose

Lynn Watson Evans, II  
Garrett McLeod Fagundus

Andrew Robert Griffin  
Caroline Wilson Kuhn

Evan Vander Marr  
Sara Bondurant Young

South Central  
Christopher Wayne Poole

**Congratulations to the Seawell family on the baptism of Morgan Thomas Seawell who was baptized on June 4. Proud parents and grandparents are Robert and Elizabeth Seawell and Ronnie and Anne Briley respectively.**

**The Congregation and Staff of Jarvis UMC wish to extend their sincerest sympathy to:**  
-Broughton and Wanda Goodson upon the death of Wanda's father, John Willis, who passed away on May 14.

-Larue Hill upon the death of her brother, J.D. Buck, who passed away on June 8.

-Bill and Beanie Taylor upon the death of Beanie's mother, Lillian Lena Hembree Hannah, who passed away on June 5.



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## *Life Sucks Seek God*

Ken Hagler's "Life Sucks Seek God" offers a means of recovering intimacy with God in the middle of lives that are often difficult. His hard-won and straightforward guidance resists easy answers to life's hard places and invites the reader into a conversation with God that might seem impossible in the face of tragic loss and separation. If you are struggling to believe that God can still hear you, this book is a hopeful reminder that God can still hear your prayers.

Sometimes life just sucks. Period. This is a book about honestly facing pain and suffering. No facade. No masks. This is also a book about God and faith. It is about wrestling with the reality of the struggle to hold onto our faith in God when it seems like everything is coming apart. Ken writes about his own journey through "the valley of suck" as caregiver for his wife, Heather, and now a single parent for their children. It is a personal account of wrestling with faith in God and the five soul healing practices which sustained Ken's faith during and after the death of his wife. While his words speak directly to the struggle of being a caregiver and losing a spouse, Ken addresses the issues many people face when life just seems to suck worse than they imagined. No matter how bad it gets, there is hope and a way forward.

— Frederick W. Schmidt Rueben P. Job Chair in Spiritual Formation at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and author of *The Dave Test: A Raw Look at Real Faith in Hard Times*

## *Calendar Events*

<b>June 28</b> 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<b>Umbrella Market</b> Five Points Plaza	<b>July 28</b> 5:15 pm	<b>Shelter Meal</b> TCLC Kitchen
<b>June 30</b> 7:00 am	<b>Men's Prayer Breakfast</b> Cypress Glen	<b>Aug. 10-11 Leadership Summit</b> Taft Christian Life Center Gym	
<b>July 2</b>	<b>Communion (All Services)</b>	<b>Sept. 10</b> Guest Preacher: Dr. Roger Owens 10:55 am	<b>Fill the House 3.0</b> Sanctuary
<b>July 4</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b> <b>Happy Fourth of July!</b>		
<b>July 12</b> 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<b>Umbrella Market</b> Five Points Plaza	<b>Summer Library Hours</b> Join us on Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 12 pm for summer library hours. Story time is at 10 am. Invite your friends and neighbors!  If you are unable to attend a Sunday service, you may listen to the 10:55 am service live broadcast over WAGO-FM 88.7, 91.1, 97.7, 100.5 and 101.1.	
<b>July 16-20</b>	<b>Vacation Bible School</b> Taft Christian Life Center		
<b>July 19</b> 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<b>Umbrella Market</b> Five Points Plaza		
<b>July 26</b> 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<b>Umbrella Market</b> Five Points Plaza		