

# SPOTLIGHT

LEARNING. GROWING. SHINING.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. Luke 2:52

## TOMORROW

- Chapel, 8:30am,  
Pastor Josias Flores
- Parents in Prayer Group,  
8:15am, APCS library

## Upcoming Dates

*A full calendar is available on line.*

### January 2018

- 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
—In school observance
- 8-12 APCS Week of Prayer,  
MPA Students
- 17 Devotions, 8:15am,  
Pastor Patrick Williams
- 19 Chapel, 8:30am,  
Pastor Jeff Wait
- 19 APCS Spirit Day,  
Sports Day
- 19 Early Dismissal, 12:00pm,  
Teacher Study Group
- 22 NO SCHOOL,  
Teacher Training Day
- 22 APCS Board Mtg, 7:00pm
- 26 Chapel, 8:30am,  
Pastor Patrick Williams

### February 2018

- 9 Early Dismissal, 12:00pm,  
Teacher Study Group
- 19 NO SCHOOL, President's Day

**APCS Constituent Churches invite you to visit our worship services this Saturday,**




www.mpasda.org

9:30am: Prophecy Class:  
Focus on Prophecy Seminar

10:45am: Welcome New Year, Speaker: Pastor Jonathan Michael

11:02am: Hear All About It, Speaker: Pastor Patrick Williams



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## GLORIOUS MESS

*One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly. ~Andy Rooney*

I feel like we really did Christmas this year. At APCS it started the first day of December, decorating classroom trees, planning gift exchanges with the other students, making holiday art. We had a surprise snow storm that knocked us out of school for a day and got us in a vacation mood. Our Christmas Concert was beautiful! So many hours of hard work that ended in carols and hymns celebrating the season.



Often our students have a let down after Christmas. The anticipation, the surprises, the plans -done. Long, eventless and cold, January looms. It can be a time for post Christmas blues.

But it can be just the opposite. Some people start a new year with with a feeling of euphoria. We survived the holidays! Back with our friends and a few new classmates! The school is scrubbed cleaned, desks rearranged. There are still a couple of Christmas trees up and snow flakes falling, but we are heading toward Spring!

In Romans 3:23-26, Paul wrote a new perspective on the Christmas story. *"Since we've ...proved that we are utterly incapable of living the glorious lives God wills for us, God did it for us. Out of sheer generosity he put us in right standing with himself. A pure gift. He got us out of the mess we're in and restored us to where he always wanted us to be. And he did it by means of Jesus Christ."* The Message Bible

I think that is why Andy Rooney's quote caught my attention this year. It reminded me that I am a glorious mess. A glorious mess redeemed in a manger, in a stable on Christmas day. *Don't clean it up too quickly!* Long after the tree is down I want that pure gift of Christmas to stay with me, unpacked and celebrated all year long.

Erin Miller, APCS Principal

## PARENTS in PRAYER

Beginning on Friday, January 5, **Parents in Prayer Group** will meet weekly at 8:15am (following drop off) in the library. All parents are invited to attend this group where we will spend time praying for both students and teachers at APCS. Please join us and let's witness the amazing power of prayer on our school. Catherine Louis, APCS Parent



## After School Basketball Begins Next Week

**Basketball for Grades 2nd -5th** starts Wednesday, January 10th. Basketball will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays through February 15th, from 3:30pm—5:00pm in the Mount Pisgah Academy gym. Participants will walk to MPA Gym with basketball coach. Parents are to pick their student up at 5:00pm from the MPA Gym. **To participate, sign up in the APCS office.**



**We need assistant coaches!!!** If you are interested in helping or learning more please call/text Patrick Hickey at 828-545-2659.

## APCS WEEK OF PRAYER



Next week MPA students are providing a week of prayer for APCS students. We are really looking forward to a wonder week of Spiritual Emphasis!

Monday	Jesus our Friend	Thursday	Jesus our Healer
Tuesday	Jesus our Teacher	Friday	Jesus our Savior
Wednesday	Jesus our Creator		

## MORE NEWS.....

HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

### APCS Spirit Days



### Sports Theme Day

**Friday, January 19th!**

Wear a shirt, hat, socks of your favorite sports team.  
Jeans may be worn!!!

**Remember that your dress needs to be neat and modest in both appearance and fit.**

### Support the Mount Pisgah Academy Girls Basketball Team at Chipotle

# SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support MOUNT PISGAH ACADEMY. Come in to the Chipotle at **946 Patton Ave** in Asheville on **Sunday, January 7th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to MOUNT PISGAH ACADEMY.

★ **Just mention the fundraiser to the cashier prior to paying.** ★



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

**School Closing or Delays** - Severe weather may require the closing of the school. All notices relative to closing will be made on Channel 13, WLOS -TV, by 6:30 a.m. One can also check the WLOS website at [www.wlos.com](http://www.wlos.com) where you can also sign up to receive text message weather alerts/school closings from WLOS. Be sure to listen for delayed openings. Please use your discretion about bringing your child to school when road conditions in your area are questionable. Absences and tardies will be excused due to extreme weather related conditions.



## Upcoming Lunch

**Wednesday: January 10th**

### 8<sup>th</sup> grade Fundraiser Lunch

- \$1.50 per pizza slice
- \$0.50 Juice Box
- \$0.50 fruit cup
- \$0.50 chips

### Pictures Wanted for Yearbook

Email pictures of APCS events to [apcspictures@gmail.com](mailto:apcspictures@gmail.com).

Thank you for helping us gather picture memories.

Tuition and fee payments are due January 10th. Please remember our school is dependent on your on time payments. Thank you for your commitment to APCS.



Spanish Classes are coming to APCS January 11th for 3rd—8th grade students!

SE HABLA ESPAÑOL



### Update on LABEL Fundraisers:

APCS will receive \$0.25 for each UPC/label from the canned Loma Linda & Worthington foods products. Eligible UPC/labels begin with 45561.

We also receive \$0.10 for each BoxTop official coupon.

Bring collected labels to the school office. Thank you for participating.



### Learn, Grow, Shine...

#### Psalm 80:3

Restore us, O God; make your face **shine** on us, that we may be saved.