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who has wonderful experience in planting churches both here in the States as well as overseas. Al has retired several times, but the Lord always seems to have something new for him and his wife to do.

I don't have the time to tell you about the work of RUF – Reformed University Fellowship. It is through this ministry of our General Assembly that the churches of the TVP are ministering to hundreds of college students on the campuses of UTK, UTC, CC, and elsewhere.

I believe God is at work in our Presbytery, and I ask you to pause and remember these various attempts to propagate the Gospel, build God's church and expand the borders of His Kingdom.

-Pastor Caines

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

### Feb. 3

**9:30** *Infants:* A Wooten, D Misner  
*Creepers/Toddlers:* K Swanson, R Ray  
*Toddlers:* T & I Higgins

**SS** *Infants:* B & K Smith  
*Creepers:* J & M Logterman  
*Toddlers:* J Davis, S Gritter

**6 PM** *Combined:* D & L Grant

### Feb. 10

**9:30** *Infants:* M Horton, K Fisher  
*Creepers/Toddlers:* P & L Jones  
*Toddlers:* M & T Bacon

**SS** *Infants:* L Caines, P May  
*Creepers:* R & P Lyons  
*Toddlers:* E Beatty, J Mauroner

**6 PM** *Combined:* M & A Walker

**Please note:** If you are unable to find a replacement for your nursery duty, call Tammy Higgins at 706-820-0491.



# THE NEWSLETTER

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### *From the Senior Pastor . . .*

Dr. Henry Schum served for many years as the associate pastor of CPC. Our fellowship hall is named in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Schum. Hank is now with his Lord, and Ruby lives with her daughter in south Georgia.

Before becoming our associate pastor, Hank served as a church planter for our Presbytery.

A week ago Saturday the Presbytery – a gathering of elder representatives from all the PCA churches in the Chattanooga/Knoxville corridor – met in a beautiful new sanctuary in Dayton. Westminster PC began with Hank gathering together a number of people from the Dayton community for Bible study. The Rev Carter Johnson was the organizing pastor for WPC and continues to serve as their pastor.

How I wish Hank could see how the Lord has blessed this work to which he gave his heart, soul, time and energy.

There are many good things taking place in our Presbytery, and I want to let you know how the Lord is using our denomination to impact our extended community for the cause of His Kingdom.

A week ago Sunday, Redeemer PC became an established church of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery. Located in downtown Knoxville next to the campus of UTK, it is a thriving church, eagerly seeking to minister to its

neighbors. Its congregation is made up of working people, students at the university, and many of the poor and homeless that live close by.

There's another church plant in Knoxville, United Faith Church. It is a congregation striving to minister to the African-American population. CPC has supported them financially. They will soon be relocating from west Knoxville to east Knoxville. The leadership of the church is convinced this is what they need to do to more effectively carry out their mission.

In Dalton, Grace PC's outreach to the Hispanic community has blessed the church with significant growth. Their ministry to Hispanics is flourishing, and many who are not Hispanic have been attracted to the church because of its zealous attempts to be faithful in reaching out to the "strangers" in their midst. It has been CPC's privilege to support this effort both financially and by helping to "man" their outreach to the Hispanic community during the summer months

Here in Chattanooga, steps are being taken to begin a new church plant in the East Lake area of south Chattanooga. New City Fellowship has taken the lead in this endeavor, but by God's grace, it will be a cooperative effort on the part of the PCA churches in our community.

And up in Cleveland, our daughter congregation is being led on an interim basis by Dr. Al Lutz, a PCA minister (Continued on back page)

## COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Mark Wilson, Dir. of Christian Education & Administration

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## FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

**Football Celebration** – Sunday evening, February 3, following the evening service.

**The middle school youth retreat** will be February 8-10. Contact Todd Gaither for details.

**Chaperones!** We are looking for a few men and women to be chaperones for the High School Retreat February 29th-March 2nd. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Carden.

## DONATION STATEMENTS

If you have not picked up your 2007 giving statement, they are available in the church office. Call the church office or come by during regular office hours.

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

We will publish a new membership directory in February. If you have phone, address, or email changes since the last directory, please call the church office or email [awalker@covenantchattanooga.org](mailto:awalker@covenantchattanooga.org).

## MEXICO MISSION TRIP



An organizational meeting for our Mexico mission trip is scheduled for Sunday, February 10, at 7 PM in the visitors classroom. If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please join us. See Pastor Mullinax if you would like a fact sheet. The trip is scheduled for June 21-28.

### PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS:

- \* **Brient Hobbs** — Sewanee (upper class)
- \* **Matt Mason** — GA Tech (upper class)
- \* **Caleb Haynes** — Bryan College (freshman)

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### Fellowship Groups

- The East Brainerd Fellowship I will meet Monday, February 4, at 7 PM at Brenda King's home.
- The Mothers Encouragement fellowship will meet Tuesday, February 5, at 10 AM at the church. Childcare is provided.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### Sunday Worship

This Sunday, February 3, we will focus through worship on our *INFINITE* God. Two of the hymns we will sing are "Vast the Immensity" and "How Great Thou Art."

### Michael Card Concert

We still have Michael Card tickets available. After next week we are going to make these available to other PCA churches and to Covenant College. So please let us know soon if you need tickets. The concert is February 23 at 7 PM.



## IRONMAN'S BREAKFAST

All men are invited to the Ironman's Breakfast on Saturday, February 9, at 8:30 AM. Ernie Brown will speak on "Life-on-Life Discipleship." Join us for a great time of fellowship, food, discussion, and prayer.

## BUDGET

Copies of the church budget approved by the Session for 2008 are available in the lobby. Contact Tom Lowe if you have any questions.

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### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The session will meet with anyone desiring membership on Sunday afternoon, February 17. Call the church office (899-5377) to schedule a time.

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