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We hope to hear from others in the coming months who will make similar trips. Lewis and Anna Reid will travel to New Zealand for ministry in a few weeks. Dan Steere and Pastor Caines will be in Nigeria and Ghana for a couple weeks next month teaching pastors and church leaders. And CPC has a team scheduled for mission work in Haiti in the fall.

By the way, we, the missions committee, are so "pumped" about our senior pastor making this trip to Africa and the potential "trickle down" benefits to our entire congregation that we've given \$1500 from our discretionary funds to aid in getting him there. If any of you would like to contribute to Pastor Caines' missions trip account that has been established by our missions committee, you may do so with a check payable to CPC with "Pastor Caines - Africa" included on the memo line.

Pastor Mullinax

NURSERY SCHEDULE

July 20

9:30 *Infants:* S Gritter, E McEachern
Creepers/Toddlers: D, O, MA Tawzer
Toddlers: B Firth, S Wade

SS *Infants:* D & R Kemp
Creepers: J & J McNeely
Toddlers: M & S Haywood

6 PM *Combined:* Fowler Family

July 27

9:30 *Infants:* S & T Helton
Creepers/Toddlers: A Creamer & S Spalding
Toddlers: D & T Holland

SS *Infants:* S Choi, M Johnson
Creepers: K Lambeth, P Plucker
Toddlers: H Harris, P Johnson

6 PM *No Evening Service:* Shepherding

Please note: If you are unable to find a replacement for your nursery duty, call Peg May at 423-894-1538.



THE NEWSLETTER

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From the Associate Pastor...

This past Sunday evening's service was so sweet. If you missed it, we had it in the "old" sanctuary, now the "new" Schum Fellowship Hall. Being in this room with such a large crowd **brought back** memories of many encouraging and edifying moments . . . weddings, baptisms, sermons, testimonies, concerts, conferences, dinners, and other corporate gatherings that were of great benefit and blessing.

Recalling or remembering such moments is an exercise the Lord calls His people to do. The Old Covenant people were often commanded to do something to memorialize God's faithfulness and provision (in Genesis 35:14 "set up a stone"; in Joshua 4:8 "take up twelve stones"). Samuel established a memorial or *ebenezer* to commemorate and recall God's victory over the Philistines (I Samuel 7:12). The psalmist exhorts us to recall, recount and declare the Lord's goodness (Psalm 71:16-18). The Lord Jesus tells us that as often as we partake of the Lord's Supper, we are to do so remembering Him and His completed work at Calvary (Luke 22:19). And the Apostle Paul says a failure to recognize (bring back to mind) "the body of the Lord" at the Lord's Supper brings judgment (I Corinthians 11:29).

The theme of Sunday evening's service was essentially a report by some of our people who had ministered outside the United States this summer. Representatives of CPC's Reynosa, Mexico mission team spoke. Bev Fowler shared about the value of such mission trips for whole families. Nathan Bowers addressed the need for deeds to follow the gospel message, using Reynosa missionary, Kelly Green, as an exemplary example of that. John Mark Griggs shared of his experiences with other American youth in Reynosa and how they connected with the Mexican youth through sports ministry.

David Close shared about a missions opportunity that he and his daughter, Kelly, had in Honduras in June. Ken Henry spoke about leading a group of students to Tanzania and their work with Habitat for Humanity. Dan Steere shared about his teaching opportunities at Israel Theological Seminary and his travels to west Africa for continued ministry.

Hearing our people recall what they were privileged to do on these trips, how they saw God's kingdom being expanded in those places and how these experiences might impact them for years to come made for a wonderful evening. Those testimonies are now added to my bank of memories.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY
The senior high and middle school youth will meet this Sunday following the evening service.



TATERS & TUBESTEAKS
JULY 25

Join us on Friday evening, July 25, for a night of food and fun. We will meet at Coolidge Park between 5:45 - 7:00 PM for grilled hotdogs & sausages, chips, cookies and soft drinks. Then at 7:15 PM we will take in a ballgame at AT & T Field where the Lookouts will play the West Tennessee Diamond Jaxx. The cost is \$5 per person with a \$15 maximum per family. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board by the lobby.

BLOODMOBILE

The Bloodmobile will be at CPC this Wednesday, July 23, from 4-8 PM. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board by the lobby.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS



Two helpers are needed in the 2-year-old class beginning in September. Contact Mark Wilson if you would like to help.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

If you do not have a scheduled appointment to have your picture made for our new directory, please contact Patsy Pressley (423.476.6265) as soon as possible.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies, be sure to mark your calendars now for the Women's Ministry Fall Retreat scheduled for September 19-20.

MUSIC MINISTRY 
Sunday Worship

This Sunday, July 20, we will focus through worship on our *MERCIFUL* God. Two of the hymns we will sing are "Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee" and "From Every Stormy Wind That Blows."

If you would like to hear these hymns and use the words in preparation for worship, the website www.cyberhymnal.org may be helpful. It has the words, a recording and sometimes the history of the hymn and hymn writer.

SUNDAY EVENING

This Sunday evening, July 20, Teresa Snow a missionary with Campus Crusade for Christ will give a brief report of her work.

Also this evening will be a time for an eclectic look at past and present day hymns along with the history behind them. Join us for this night of wonderful music.



HANDBELL MEETING

This organizational meeting is for anyone who may be interested in being part of our newly-forming handbell choir. This choir is open to anyone middle school age and up. We will decide on the best time for holding practice. If you are interested, join us in the Perseverers classroom on Sunday, July 20, at 4:30 PM.

For Your Information...

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Mission: Chattanooga is happening each Wednesday at 6:30 PM throughout the summer. Everyone is welcome. Each Wednesday projects include: home repair, grounds keeping, visitation, childcare, kids Bible clubs, prayer group and clerical support for a missions organization. If you would like more information, contact Pastor Mullinax, Bob Cary or Todd Smith.

REMINDER: STAMPS & CELL PHONES NEEDED

Please remember to place foreign and domestic stamps that are in good condition in the collection container beside the door of Pastor Mullinax's office. The money from the sale of these stamps funds Spanish language curriculum for Sunday schools in Latin America. One of our Mission: Chattanooga teams this summer will prepare these to be sent off to the processing location.

Also if you have an old cell phone no longer in use, donate it here at the church to support A+ Women's Care. Place cell phones in the collection container beside Pastor Mullinax's office door.

MISPLACED BIBLES

If you have mislaid your Bible, check the bottom shelf of the Book Shelf next to the Coke machine. We have a large number of unclaimed Bibles.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The session will meet with anyone desiring membership this Sunday afternoon, July 20. Call the church office (899-5377) to schedule a time.

BULLETIN BLOOPERS

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.

Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.

Don't let worry kill you - let the Church help.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hostility.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 P. M. ... prayer and medication to follow.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM, Please use the back door

The eighth-graders will present Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement on Friday at 7 PM. The Congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Announcement in the church bulletin for a National PRAYER & FASTING Conference: "The cost for attending the Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals."

LOOKING AHEAD AT CPC

- July 23 Bloodmobile
- July 20 Teresa Snow Update PM
- July 27 Shepherding
- Aug. 7-9 Sitting Dates for Pictorial Directory
- Aug. 27 Wed. Suppers resume
- Sept. 19-20 WM Fall Retreat
- Oct. 19 Shepherding
- Oct. 26 Joint TVP Service at CPC
- Oct 29 Haiti Mission Trip