

## COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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3) **Charlie & Amie Brown** (Wycliffe - Papua New Guinea), "double" covenant children now career missionaries in PNG; 4) **Ruth Caines** (MTW-South Africa), Render and Linda's youngest, headed to South Africa for a one year internship with MTW; 5) **Jay Fowler** (FCA-East Tennessee), "our" Jay serves as the regional director for the FCA; 6) **Lucy Wykoff** (Sage Center of North Georgia), "our" Lucy serves as the director of Sage Center (formerly A Plus Women's Care) meeting multiple needs in North Georgia; 7) **Sam Oppong** (Equipping Leaders International - Ghana), "our" Dan Steere's right hand man in Ghana.

I so anticipate such times of concentrated focus on missions...near and far. Nursery services will be available at all activities. Please mark your calendars and make every effort to be apart of these important events in the life of CPC.

Pastor Mullinax

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

### November 1

- 9:30** *Infants:* A & L Reid  
*Creepers/Toddlers:* L Swan, J Hall  
*Toddlers:* R & J Ray, C Gaither
- SS** *Infants:* B & R Roop  
*Creepers:* T Bacon, L Choquette  
*Toddlers:* K Fisher, M Horton
- 6 PM** *Combined:* A & M Walker, Jonah Gaines

### November 8

- 9:30** *Infants:* S Forrester, G Brown  
*Creepers/Toddlers:* L & M Hobbs  
*Toddlers:* S Gaither, L Caldwell, L Rogers
- SS** *Infants:* A Eaton, B Parker  
*Creepers:* M & M Ferrel  
*Toddlers:* R & P Lyons
- 6 PM** *Combined:* C Wilkie & A Gaines

**Please note:** If you are unable to find a replacement for your nursery duty, call Laura Spotts at 423.892.6475.



# THE NEWSLETTER

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### From the Senior Associate Pastor . . .

Our annual missions conference is fast approaching. The dates are November 13 - 15...sort of. I say "sort of" because we'll have a prelude and a postlude to the conference weekend itself. Our own Dan Steere will be speaking in the PM services on November 1 and 8. I'm sure Dr. Steere will not only challenge us from the Word, but also give us information and updates on his and ELL's work in west Africa. Supriya Suneetha, from Hyderabad, India, will be visiting and sharing at CPC the week after the missions conference. She's a young graduate student who works closely with her parents, Drs. Sujai and Lavanya Suneetha, in a mercy ministry to those affected by HIV/AIDS in central India. Supriya's parents are dear friends and have visited CPC in the past.

Most of our missions conference activities will take place from Friday evening, November 13 to Sunday evening, November 15. This year's theme is *NEAR...and FAR*. As we hear of God's work in far away places, from massive international cities to the remotest hamlets, and how we can partner in the expansion of His kingdom...we should not forget that the Lord is at work here, near, among us, in our community...and our opportunities are local and immediate.

Friday evening, November 13, an international dinner kicks off the conference. Please bring an "international" dish to share, and

please arrive early enough (with your dish) so that we can begin promptly at 6:30 PM. Around 7:15 PM the evening program will begin in Schum Fellowship Hall (several of our missionaries will share). Children, ages 3 through fifth grade, will be dismissed for their near and far destinations program in the Perseverer's Classroom at that time as well.

At 8:30 AM on Saturday, November 14, we'll gather for a light breakfast. But, the real focus of our time together will be prayer. We'll literally be praying around the world....for our people and God's work...from Tunnel Hill, Georgia to Ukarumpa, PNG...from Portland, Oregon to Pankow, Germany.

On Missions Conference Sunday, November 15, activities will be familiar. Rev. Aaron Messner, Chaplain of Covenant College, will preach in the AM and PM services. Aaron is a very popular speaker. Missionary guests will be distributed throughout Sunday School classes to speak.

Along with Rev. Messner, our missionary "guests" will be 1) **Jean Sharpe** (Partners in Asian Missions), many of you have known Jean's late husband, Jerry, now Jean continues in that work of spreading the gospel in partnership with EE International; 2) **Lee Leadbetter** (Reformed University Fellowship-International), Lee works among the large community of international students at UT-Knoxville; (Continued on back page)

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### Sunday Worship

This Sunday our worship will focus on our *INFINITE* God. We will sing *Vast the Immensity, Mirror of Majesty* (p. 24 TH).

## SYMPATHY



The church extends sympathy to Gordon and June Fleming and their family in the death of their son-in-law, Coleman Burroughs, on October 23.

## YOUTH & FAMILY

### Points to Ponder

- October 30-November 1 is the Fall Retreat at Camp Vesper Point for both Middle & High School. Cost is \$47 per person. Scholarships are available. The youth will leave on Friday at 7PM and return Sunday at noon.
- Service Project: November 21, 9AM—1 PM. The girls will be restocking the mercy ministry freezer while the guys serve our widows by doing yard work. Guys please bring gloves, rakes and other equipment.
- Turkey Bowl II (Youth vs. Adults Flag Football) is on November 28 from 10:30 AM—12:30 PM.



## NEAR...AND FAR Missions Conference November 13-15

This year's theme will be NEAR...and FAR (Ephesians 2.13). Joining us for the conference is Aaron Messner (Chaplain, Covenant College), Jean Sharpe (Partners in Asian Missions), Lee Leadbetter (RUF-International, UTK), Ruth Caines (MTW-S. Africa), Sam Oppong (ELI Coordinator for Ghana), Charlie & Amie Brown (Wycliffe PNG), Jay Fowler (FCA East TN) and Lucy Wycoff (Sage Center, North GA). Look for more information to come!

## BUDGET REPORT

Year-to-Date as of 10/27/09

General Budget Giving	\$812,975
Budget Requirement	<u>935,458</u>
Shortfall	(122,482)

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour for the end of Daylight Saving Time before going to bed this Saturday night.

# FALL BACK

## 2nd Annual AMERICAN/JAPANESE THANKSGIVING

This is an outreach effort to Japanese families who have re-located to the Chattanooga area. We are looking for people who would like to share a special Thanksgiving like no other! Help is needed in the following areas: setting up on Wednesday night, serving and fellowshiping with the Japanese families, and clean-up. The celebration is on Thanksgiving Day from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM. All family members are welcome! If you are interested, please contact Carol Beatty.

## SYMPATHY



The church extends sympathy to Danny Grant and his family in the death of his mother, Lilian Grant, on October 23.

## THANKSGIVING POUNDING 2009

It is time to begin our annual collection of non-perishable food items to share with those in need. Sign-up sheets will be in the lobby and adult Sunday School classes soon. If you know of anyone in need, please contact the church office (899.5377). As a church body, we are abundantly blessed. May God use us to bless others in His name.

## COMMUNION / DIACONATE OFFERING

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated during the morning worship service this Sunday. Please prepare your hearts.

This is also a time when a special diaconate fund offering is received. The funds supply the financial resources for the ministry of mercy conducted by our deacons, primarily assisting CPC family members who are in need.