



The eNewsletter

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From the Pen of the Senior Associative Pastor...

Looking Ahead...

May 19

Brittne Canada Bridal Shower
Evening Bible Study
Youth Group
Kids, Inc.

May 21

Mothers' Encouragement
Group

May 22

Last Wednesday Night Supper
Wednesday Night Activities

May 26

Graduation Recognition
Reception
Shepherding Groups Meet

May 27

Memorial Day
Office Closed

May 29

Mission Trip to Haiti Begins
Mission: Chattanooga Begins
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Session Meeting

June 1

Men's Breakfast
Belarus Mission Pre-Trip
Concert

June 2

Lord's Supper Celebrated
Promotion Sunday
Evening Bible Study
Youth Group
Kids, Inc.

June 3

Music Camp

June 4

Music Camp

June 5

Music Camp
Mission: Chattanooga
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

June 6

Music Camp

June 7

Music Camp

June 9

Music Camp Musical
Presentation

June 10

Belarus Mission Choir
Trip Begins

June 12

Mission: Chattanooga

"*Saved...to do good works*" is an abbreviation of those wonderful verses in Ephesians 2.8-10. These words have often served as the heading for **Mission: Chattanooga** and other mercy ministry project announcements.

Mission: Chattanooga is our concentrated effort to facilitate some service and outreach opportunities. Participation in **Mission: Chattanooga** is for anyone and everyone (young, not-so-young, singles, individuals, couples, families), especially during the summer in and around Chattanooga...home missions, if you will.

Many of these **Mission: Chattanooga** opportunities will be scheduled on Wednesday evenings (beginning May 29 through August 21) from approximately 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Please join us in these efforts of serving in Christ's name.

Most regularly scheduled Wednesday evening activities here at the church take a summer sabbatical...that is, ceasing from one thing in order to give ourselves to another...in this case, **Mission: Chattanooga**. Please note, however, that a few groups will continue to meet regularly on Wednesday evenings in the summer (Choir...for most of the summer, the indispensable Prayer Group...all Wednesdays).

The scheduled service opportunities of **Mission: Chattanooga** are by no means exhaustive. There are other service and outreach ministries by our church and our people that have been taking place and continue to take place. **Mission: Chattanooga** is just a means for organizing our efforts a little more. Hopefully, our people's participation in some of these **Mission: Chattanooga** opportunities will not just be seasonal, but familiarity with and participation in some of these ministries that we partner with, may lead to greater involvement throughout the year.

There will be some work this summer off-campus with local ministries and agencies including Choices, National Abortion Memorial, Widow's Harvest, Hope for the Inner City, The Health Center @ Standifer Place, Steps2Hope and Amani Ya Juu. Ministry would involve general repair and maintenance, grounds keeping, building, home/hospital/nursing facility visits, short term mission team support and other things as we discover needs and opportunities.

There will be on-campus service opportunities as well. We'll cook meals for distribution. We'll have some craft classes at church for the making of items to share with others. We'll offer a sewing class that will make items for various local ministries. We'll have a support group for letter writing and working with our stamp ministry.

We have a **Mission: Chattanooga** opportunity this Saturday morning (May 18) at CPC supported Amani Ya Juu. Warehouse renovation work is needed there. The warehouse is located at 400 South Willow in the Highland Park area of Chattanooga. If you can lend a hand, please contact Lewis Reid at 423-227-367 or l.g.reid@epbf.com.

Just from the things listed in this newsletter (not to mention ministry opportunities that we're individually aware of), we see many, many ways of serving the Lord and bearing witness to His saving grace in our lives. May God help us to engage in those things He would have us do, remembering His Word...*God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him...(how?)...as you have helped his people and continue to help them.* (Hebrews 6.10)

~Pastor Mullinax



What's Happening?

Nursery Schedule May 19

Worship

Infants

Esther McEachern
& Sally Forrester

Creepers

Denys, Michael Ann
& Olivia Tawzer

Toddlers

Mike & Jennifer Schleger

Floater

Katherine Gaither

Sunday School

Infants

Marty & Nancy Cooper

Creepers

Sue Spalding
& Alayne Griffin

Toddlers

Patty, Kristen
& Alexis Liner

P.M.

Combined:

Clint Wilkie & Avery Gaines

May Coordinator:

Teri Akovenko

BRIDAL SHOWER

There is a bridal shower for Brittne Canada on Sunday, May 19, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Schum Fellowship Hall. Brittne is registered at Home Depot and Bed Bath and Beyond.

MISSION: CHATTANOOGA

Help is needed for building renovations at the CPC supported ministry (Amani Ya Juu) warehouse at 8:00 a.m. this Saturday, May 18. Anyone skilled or unskilled who is willing to work is welcomed. The warehouse is located in the Highland Park area at 420 Willow Street. For info, contact Lewis Reid 423-227-2367 or l.g.reid@epbf.com.

HELP NEEDED

There will be a group of East Ridge Presbyterian Wyldlife leaders and kids going out to Camp Vesper Point this Saturday, May 18, to help clean and prepare the campground for the kids coming to our Urban Young Life Summer Camp in just two weeks! Volunteers are welcomed and needed! For more information, contact Cara Childers at childers.cara@gmail.com or 407.312.6400.

THE GIDEONS

Rich Denkinger is giving a brief presentation this Sunday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m. on the Gideons' International work of Bible publication and distribution. An offering is going to be received for this work as the evening service concludes.

SINGSPARATION

Tracy Wright will lead a night of joyful singing and praise as well as telling us about the lives and histories of the authors of those hymns at our *Singspiration!* Plan to learn more about Fannie Crosby and Elisha Hoffman on Sunday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and phone calls during my recent illness and test procedures. I am so grateful to the Lord for the support of my church family. It was an encouragement and blessing to know that you all were behind me.

Sarah Ann Lonas

Randy and Eunice Martin thank each of you for your concern, prayers and cards with the passing of Randy's father.

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

Come help us celebrate Esther McEachern's 32+ years of service to the Hamilton County School Systems. Join us for dessert in Schum Fellowship Hall on Friday, May 24, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. No gifts please.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

HAITI NEED

The Haiti mission team needs a soft rooftop cargo bag to transport gear to Florida, May 26 - June 11. If you can help, please contact Pastor Mullinax.

RENT-A-YOUTH

Rent-A-Youth helps our students raise the needed funds to attend summer mission trips or summer camps. The youth need to have their trip paid for by June 3, so more jobs are needed. If you would like to *Rent-a-Youth*, request forms are outside of Chris' office or at the welcome center. Have questions or a request? Please email Christine Morrison at rpgchatt@comcast.net.

BELARUS MISSION TRIP CONCERT

The mission trip team comprised of choir members from Lookout Mountain Presbyterian, First Presbyterian, and Covenant Presbyterian is presenting a concert at Covenant Presbyterian Church at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 1. The concert is comprised of music they are performing while in Belarus. This concert is free and there is a reception that follows.

LAST WEDNESDAY SUPPER

Next week's dinner is our last one until the fall. Hot Dogs and fixings will be ready at 5:30 p.m. and served until 6:40 p.m. The suggested donation for adults is \$4 and \$2.50 for children ages 5 - 11. Children 4 and under eat for free with a maximum family donation of \$15.

The following shepherding groups have clean-up duty for the month of May: G. Dubble, J. Harris, T. Smith, C. Wilkie. Please contact your shepherding elder to let him know when you can help.

MUSIC CAMP

This year's Music Camp is June 3 - 7. The musical is *It's Cool in the Furnace* from Daniel 3.8-30. Registration forms are available at the welcome center or on-line. Cost is \$25.00 per child.

CHANGES TO THE DIRECTORY

Bev Mealor..... mealor555@gmail.com

JOHN & ELIZABETH DAVIS

For those of you who remember the Davis family, they have recently moved. Here is their current address: 2810 State Hwy 253, Guin, AL 35563.