



Family News

Hospital List

Hendersonville Medical Center

Janie Johnson, Room 301

Jim Sweeney, Room 342

Discharged

Sara Carter Gladys Hall

Jean Shanes (mother of Brenda Allen)

Sympathy

Matt Stewart on the death of his grandmother, **June Templeton**, April 8.

Keith Parker on the death of his aunt, **Doris Miller**. Her funeral was Monday in Huntsville, Alabama.

Billy Miles on the death of his father, **Douglas Miles**, April 29. His funeral was Friday at Mt. Olivet Funeral Home.

Responses

Placing Membership:

Clifton J. and Shirley Boyte

Clifton "Todd" and Gwen Boyte, Ally and Noah

Andy and Jennifer Willingham, Reagan and Reese

Congratulations

Greg and Shannon Elrod on the birth of a boy, **Henry Harrison**, April 27, weighing 7 lb., 6 oz. Big sister is Emerson and big brother is Lincoln. Proud grandparents are Larry and Wanda Graham.

Bridal Showers

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Stephanie Huff** and **Michael Lyle, Jr.**, today, 1-3 p.m. in the Tea Room. They are registered with Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target, and PamperedChef.com.

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Megan Sisk**, May 17, 1-3 p.m. in Room 101. Megan is registered with Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target, PamperedChef.com., and www.cscottphotography.net.

Baby Shower

The ladies of the congregation are invited to attend a baby girl shower honoring **Nicole Singleton**, May 17, 1-3 p.m. in the Tea Room. Nicole is the daughter of Dennis and Sandra Johnson. She is registered with Babies R Us.

ADULT EDUCATION

9 a.m. Sunday • April - June

Classes	Location	Teachers
New Christians Orientation	TBA	Nathan White Jimmy Robinson
College-Age Singles Ecclesiastes	Room B-2	Sean McPherson Rod Stamps
Young Professionals A Study of John	Room B-1	Richard Swint John Young
Singular Connections Keeping in Step with the Holy Spirit, Part 2	Room F	Nick Rapheal
Young and Married What God Says About Money	Room 419	Mike Ryan Pat Raymer
Homebuilders The Mission of the Local Church	Room 420	Mark Hayes Barry Potts
Young & Restless Women's Role in the Church	Room 421	Rodney Cloud Dan Walker
Baby Boomers Spiritual Disciplines for Ordinary People	Room 201	David Swanger Brian Sheppard
Seekers Jesus' Apostles and Other Disciples	Room 204	Doug Brown John Kester
Keenagers Early Church History	Room 422	Joe Jackson Clyde Head
Empty Nesters Miracles	Room 101	John Groves Karl Wagnon
Auditorium Class II Timothy	Auditorium	Bill Ruhl Larry Graham

Seniors/Golden Hearts Outing to Chaffin's Barn Dinner Theatre

All seniors are invited to join us on Thursday, May 14, for a senior matinee performance of the comedy "The Second Time Around" at Chaffin's Barn Dinner Theatre in Nashville. Cost is \$29 per person and includes your ticket, a box lunch, tax, and transportation. We'll leave from the church at 10:15 a.m. and return by 3:30 p.m. Sign-up flyers are available in both lobbies. Seating is limited, so sign up today!

Ushers Meeting

There will be an important meeting for all ushers on Wednesday, May 13, at 6:45 p.m. in Room 101 (after our 6:30 p.m. devotional and during class time).

Welcome to...

Sunday, May 3, 2009

Hendersonville

Church of Christ

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Morning Worship 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Song Leader Joe Connor
 Song #970 Step by Step
 Scripture: Romans 5:3-5 Mike Campbell
 Opening Prayer Jeff Castle
 Song #486 O Lord, Our Lord
 Song #216 He Leadeth Me
 Shepherd's Prayer 7:30 Service, Craig Callis
 10:00 Service, Dennis Johnson
 Song How Deep the Father's Love For Us
Lord's Supper - Communion
Dismissal for Children's Worship Ages 2-5

Song #860 He Is My Everything
 Sermon: "Great Hope" Brian Sheppard
 Song #125 Do You Know My Jesus?
 Song #583 Sing to Me of Heaven
 Closing Prayer Mark Mundy

Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Song Leader Jonathan Senn
 Song #19 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
 Song #671 There's a Royal Banner
 Song #177 God Himself Is with Us
 Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17 Steve Perry
 Opening Prayer Jim Hamblin
 Song #716 Walking Alone at Eve
 Song #679 They'll Know We Are Christians
 Sermon: "Getting the Horse Before the Cart"
 Brian Sheppard
 Song #653 The Way of the Cross
 Song #595 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus
 Closing Prayer Wavil Mills

Church Office Hours
Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email Us
Office@HendCOC.com

24-Hours News Line
615.824.0808

Day School
615.264.0308

Pier 511 Youth Ministry
www.Pier511.com

Singles Ministry
www.SingularConnections.com

Life of Christ Study
www.StudyJesus.com

Sermon Broadcasts Channel 3
Wed., 5:30 p.m., Sat., 7 p.m.

Announcements

We are trying to eliminate as many public announcements as possible in the Sunday worship service. Please submit announcements for publication to the church office. The deadline is Tuesday afternoon for the Wednesday night News & Notes and Thursday at noon for the Sunday worship guide. Any prayer requests for hospitalization or deaths of members or their immediate family occurring after the deadline, can be given to the elder standing by the stage before worship services begins on Sunday.

Everyone Is Invited

Puppet Open House Today

Children's Wing upper level, Room 416
Anytime between 8:30-9 a.m., 9:45-10 a.m., 11-11:15 a.m.

An Opportunity to Serve

If you would like to help build PowerPoint presentations used during services, your help is needed! Experienced PowerPoint users who are willing to help, please contact Karl Wagnon at 824-6047.

Church Office Position

We are planning to fill a fulltime office staff position at Hendersonville Church of Christ. Responsibilities will include office management duties, as well as other staff duties. Membership in the Church of Christ and good computer, communications, and people skills required. Experience in accounting and office management preferred. If interested, please submit your résumé and cover letter to hcocresumes@yahoo.com.



WORSHIP

“Come let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care” (Psalm 95:6-7)

We assemble together to worship. We come to experience the presence of God, to acknowledge His authority over us, and to worship Him as the creator and sustainer of our lives.

Tim Kelly defined worship as “taking our affection and putting it on God.” William Temple said, “Worship is the submission of all our nature to God.” However one chooses to define it, the goal of worship is to transform the worshiper.

In his book “When God Builds a Church” Bob Russell states that we should be asking three questions about corporate worship:

1. Does our worship honor God?
2. Does it inspire, uplift, and transform the worshiper?
3. Is it powerful enough to draw visitors closer to an encounter with Jesus Christ?

Sports fans gather to honor teams. Christians gather to honor God. We assemble in worship to express our honor, gratitude, and appreciation for His greatness and goodness. Our goal is to focus on Him, and in so doing, we, the worshipers, experience inspiration and transformation. Russell further discusses four things that we should expect from an authentic worship experience. They are:

1. A sense of God’s presence. When we worship, it should be obvious that “Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.”
2. A conviction of our sinfulness. Upon entering the presence of God, Isaiah was convicted of his sins (Isa. 6:5). The closer one gets to God, the more obvious one’s sins. Light has a way of revealing the defects.
3. A joyful reminder of God’s grace. While Isaiah saw his sin, he also experienced atonement from his sins (Isa. 6:6-7). After the tomb was the resurrection and sinful people do experience sanctification.
4. The inspiration to serve. Having experienced the release of guilt, Isaiah cried out, “Here am I, send me” (Isa. 6:8). To leave able to critique, criticize, or complain is not the purpose of our worship. Leaving with a changed heart to serve is. We have all seen it above the door: “Enter to Worship-Leave to Serve.”

Peter Marshall once prayed before the U. S. Senate, “Lord, we thank you that we can come to you just as we are. But remind us that we dare not leave as we came.”

Change - that is the purpose of worship.

David Swanger



Children’s Ministry News

Puppet Open House - Treasure Island

We would like to invite the congregation to a Puppet Open House **today**. Please come by anytime between 8:30-9 a.m., 9:45-10 a.m., or 11-11:15 a.m. and see our new puppet area located in Room 416 on the upper level of the Children’s Ministry wing. Help us extend thanks to Huston Hudson, Karl Wagnon, Anthony Peden, Joe Kelley, and Charlie Wheeler for helping us make an exciting learning area for our children.

VBS - Sunday - Wednesday, July 26-29

Day Camp 2009

The dates and fees for Day Camp 2009 are as follows:

Day Camp 1: June 15-19 \$50

(for girls in grades 1-3)

Day Camp 2: June 22-26 \$50

(for boys in grades 1-3)

Day Camp 3: July 6-10 \$60

(for girls & boys in grades 4 & 5)

The grades indicated are for children who have COMPLETED those grades. Applications for campers who have previously attended Day Camp will be mailed soon. Brochures, applications, and Power of Attorney forms for new campers are available in the back lobby. If you have any questions about Day Camp, please contact Susan Whitehurst.

Goodpasture Christian School

Goodpasture Christian School is still accepting applications for the 2009-10 school year for families who are interested in a premiere, Christian education for their children. You may contact admissions director, Ted Bloodworth at 868-2600 ext. 212 or email tbloodworth@goodpasture.org.

May 3

- Becky Campbell
- Julie Cummins
- Heather Jackson
- Julie Watson
- Jana West
- Beth Williams



May 10

- Freda Frazor
- Christie Rochelle
- Monica Sartain
- Brad Towe
- Cristi Towe
- Susan Whitehurst

Calendar of Events

May

- 3 Bridal Shower honoring Stephanie Huff and Michael Lyle, Jr., 1-3 p.m., Tea Room
- 3 Caring Cards, 4-6 p.m., Community Room
- 5 Ladies’ Bible Class, 10 a.m., Room 420
- 5 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 6 Senior Moments, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 7 Men’s Bible Class, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 7 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 8 Rookie Rook Club, 5:30 p.m., Community Room
- 10 One Heart (Please report your totals)
- 12 Ladies’ Bible Class, 10 a.m., Room 420
- 12 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 13 Senior Moments, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 13 Men’s Bible Class trip to Sounds baseball game
- 13 Wednesday Night Meal, 5 p.m., MPR
- 14 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 15 Friday Night Live, 6:30-10 p.m., Pier
- 17 Bridal Shower honoring Megan Sisk, 1-3 p.m., Room 101
- 17 Baby Girl Shower honoring Nicole Singleton, 1-3 p.m., Tea Room
- 17 Missions Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Room B
- 17 Lads to Leaders, 4-6 p.m., Room 202

Father (Grandfather)/Child Campout

The annual father (grandfather)/child campout at Whispering Pines Christian Camp will be May 23 and 24. Bring your tents, sleeping bags, drinks, snacks (i.e., smores) and you are ready. We will provide dinner on Saturday night and breakfast on Sunday morning. Brian Sheppard will be our speaker. A sign-up sheet will be passed around in the classes and placed in each foyer. Please fill out your name and the total number of people you will be bringing. Contact David Holdren at 584-7917 or email at david.holdren@specialtycaresg.com for information.

FOR THE RECORD

Attendance:	4-26-09
9 a.m. Sunday School	757
7:30 a.m. Worship	144
10 a.m. Worship	1167
Middle School Retreat	60
Total AM Worship	1371
6 p.m. Worship	132
One Heart Incomplete	318
6:30 p.m. Wednesday 4/29	539
Contribution	\$35,154.26
Weekly Budget	\$46,000.00
YTD Budget	\$782,000.00
YTD Contribution	\$725,479.00
Under Budget	(\$56,521.00)
www.StudyJesus.com	192,000

FROM OUR ELDERS

- Craig Callis
- Rick Fussell
- Larry Graham
- Dennis Johnson
- John Kester
- Don Litchford
- Larry Perry
- Ron Ponders
- Glen Rodgers
- Bill Shannon
- Rod Stamps
- Karl Wagnon

Trusting Faith

“I can do all things through Him who strengthens me” (Philippians 4:13)

There is no escape from the trials and tribulations of life. At various points of time we will experience such feelings as anxiety, stress, despair, frustration, grief, and fear, yet, our Lord instructs us, “Do not let your hearts be troubled, trust in God.”

God has a better way, although it is not easy. It does not flow naturally and is never automatic. However, it is His preferred way of taking charge. His way is waiting, trusting Him during time which would normally call for action.

To trust in Jesus is to allow His words to guide our actions and our thoughts even when we cannot see the light at the end of the tunnel. It is to believe His promises as if they were reality.

If Jesus is the way and the truth and the life, then trusting in Him is the key to living. As we place our trust in Him, we will be more successful in eliminating negative emotions from our thinking and from our lives.

Not all Christians exercise the same degree of faith. Some people seem to think their problem is too big for God to solve. Others are sure that God is all-powerful, but they’re not confident that He will do what is best for them. Still others affirm, “I know what God can do and I trust Him to do what He has promised.” These various attitudes range from a weak and tentative faith to a firm confidence that takes God at His Word and believes He is good.

I Peter 5:7 “casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He cares for you.”

God doesn’t always answer according to the strength of our faith. Rather in His wisdom, He responds to any degree of faith. His ultimate goal is to lead us to trust Him completely, so that we may know the fullness of His fellowship. Because of who Jesus is, He can turn the weakest faith into strong faith.

*“O for the peace of a perfect trust, My loving God, in you ---
Unwavering faith that never doubts
The good You choose to do”
...anonymous*

...Margaret Ann Green
IN HIS NAME©1999
“Daily Devotions”

If you have a special prayer request, attend our small group prayer session each Sunday morning at 8:45 in the Library, just before 9 a.m. Sunday Bible classes.

The Elders