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## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

We've been in Galatians all summer! The subject of this great book is "The Joy of Living Free." When you've been free, why would you want any other lifestyle? True, authentic freedom comes not from simply declaring you are going to do whatever it is that you want and then going after that full-bore. I would call that adolescence! And freedom doesn't come either from the political world (thank goodness), or from music, or movies, or fashion, or face-altering surgery, or joining a fitness club, or getting back to nature, or starting going fishing or playing golf all the time (though writing those last two does give me pause...I do love to fish and golf!) Freedom isn't found in religion or no religion.

Think of it this way: Paul (Galatians' author) would have been in the running for "World's Most Religious Man"! He told the Philippians that no one could beat him at the game of keeping rules and regulations regarding life and worship according to the law: he was "Faultless"! (Philippians 3:6) He had everything. Except freedom! Freedom came to him not through living a clean life, earning his way up the ladder, but in falling to his face in the dirt on a road when suddenly he encountered the living Christ! Paul had to go down to get up! I suspect we all do.

### AUGUST SERIES

"The Joy of Living Free"  
Galatians 5:1

Freedom from learning we must ask for help. Not a little help. Total help. Recognizing: "I simply cannot do it. I am miserable. And God seems a million miles away." When we say that—and then in simple trust say, "Jesus, I need You! I give You, me", we THEN begin to find God's marvelous gift of freedom! Freedom in the Spirit. Freedom in living with Him within us. Freedom to become, by His grace, what we never could have been without Him! With Jesus...there will be no stopping us! Our potential is unlimited!

That's why Paul writes, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." (Galatians 5:1). I hope you will join us as this series continues during August.

I am grateful for the remodeling that has been going on in our Sanctuary! I pray that our Lord will do the real work of change in our hearts and use us to do something great for His Kingdom here at LCC. My love and prayers to you all—

Tony

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# SERMON SERIES

“Where Cultures Meet Christ”

## AUGUST MESSAGES

### “The Joy of Living Free”, Galatians 5:1 Continues

- August 6: “Free to Lift Others”, Galatians 6:1-5  
August 13: “Free to Please the Spirit”, Galatians 6:7-10  
August 20: “Free to Do What Counts”, Part 1, Galatians 5:6  
August 27: “Free to Do What Counts”, Part 2, Galatians 6:15

## Wednesday Menu

### AUGUST

- 8/2 Chili Spaghetti & Hot Dogs  
8/9 Sloppy Joes  
8/16 Roast Port  
8/23 Chicken Pot Pie  
8/30 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

Missions Spotlight



School starts back in August for many of our students, and the UGA and GA Tech Campus ministries are there and ready to welcome your new Freshmen. If you have a student attending one of these schools, please encourage them to get involved with the one of the campus ministries. They have dinners, retreats and other outreach activities that provides a Christian environment for your kids while away at college!

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# *Sisters of Grace*



WHERE WOMEN REST  
IN GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

## **Gal's Get-Away - October 20, 21, 22, 2017 Savannah, GA**

Our Retreat theme is "Lavender Springs Spa", and we will be studying the Psalms.

As you know, the major portion of the cost of the Get-Away goes towards lodging, so we are trying something new.

### **COST:**

Single:	\$269 per person
Double:	\$150 per person
Triple:	\$131 per person
Quad:	\$111 per person

The costs include two breakfasts, one lunch, room for two nights, and materials for the Get-Away. You are responsible for getting your own roommates.

All LCC ladies are encouraged to attend. It is a great time of spiritual renewal and Christian fellowship, so Save the Date and start saving for your Get-Away. Registration begins August 6 with 50% deposit. The balance is due Sept. 24.

If you are interested in the Women's Ministries, or even if you're just curious, call:

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*Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church*

July splashed by! KUC and CAYAC have been meeting on Wednesday nights for Family Fun Night. We have had a great turn-out (about 30-40 people each Wednesday), and we have really enjoyed our time together! Also about 65 people showed up and had a blast at our second Movie on the Lawn! We did have to move it indoors due to the storms, but we still managed to enjoy ourselves and hope the visitors did too! Here are some pictures of all the fun.



**Sundays:** We have had a lot of new families visit our church this summer (at least 7). So be on the lookout for new faces and say hello! We will be starting some new series in August and are hoping to fill classes!!

**Wednesdays:** August 2<sup>nd</sup> is our Back 2 School Bash starting at 5:00. And we will resume normal classes and activities on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

**HELP NEEDED!** If you would like to help in the KUC, we could use your help. On Sundays, we still need help in the nursery and can really use some more back-up teachers for pre-school, and I need help at the counter. On Wednesdays, we are looking for help in the nursery, and we would like to start a toddler class and are looking for someone who wants to help with this. Please see Allison for more details!





# LCC Music Ministry

This past month has been a time for rest for the Choir and Orchestra from practices on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings, and from participation in Sunday morning Worship services. But singing and playing on Sunday Morning are not the only things many of the members are involved in here at LCC. Below are just a few pictures of our Choir and Orchestra members involved in other ministries.



The above picture shows one of their many "field trips" to share their talents with others. Below are future dates Choir and Orchestra events that will be taking place. Come join them for these times of worship.



## PUT THE UPCOMING EVENTS ON YOUR CALENDAR

**August 6<sup>th</sup>** – Concert at Antioch Christian Church, Watkinsville, at 6:00 p.m.

**August 27<sup>th</sup>** – Choir & Orchestra practice with other churches in preparation for Ekklesia, 1:00 pm

**September 17<sup>th</sup>** – Homecoming concert, 2:00 p.m.

**October 1<sup>st</sup>** – EKKLESIA at Galilee Christian Church, Jefferson



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 2 Soft Kickoff - Join us for a night of Fun 5:00-8  
Aug 9 Cayac Kickoff- Bring your friends and start the  
year right. Worship, bible study and small groups.

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## *Wednesday Night Activities*

### **Wednesday Night Activities Resume August 2!**

- 5:45 pm: Meal
- 6:45 pm KUC and CAYAC activities for children and youth
- 6:45 pm Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Adult Bible study





# Prayer Requests

## Prayer Needs

Geraldine Coleman	Janyce Perry & Family
Donna Hill	Sheryl Peace
Bob Collier	Diane Shelton
Jim Gurr	Beverly Underwood
Joyce & Terry Bissell	Patrice Evans
Jamila Coleman	Frank Umberger
Sharon Townsend	Betty Hubbard
Carl & Louis Johnson	Sandy Amrhein
Russ Burchfield	Marge Renshaw
Barbara Johnson	Norah Nguyen
Donna Anderson	William Renshaw
Sandra Denton	Ken Akins
Vicky Levy-Harrison	

If any of these listed on our prayer list need to be taken off, please contact the church office. We appreciate your help.

## Prayer Beepers:



**Prayer Beepers** – Did you know that LCC has several ‘prayer beepers’? When requested, we assign one of the beeper numbers to an LCC member who is ill or needs prayer for a specific reason or time period. Basically, after assignment, we notify the congregation via e-mail with the name, beeper number and prayer request. When you pray for that person, you call the beeper number and it signals them. That way, they know someone just prayed for them. If you would like to receive a prayer beeper or just want more information about them, please contact Paul Bengtson. Many people who have used a prayer beeper in the past found great comfort and encouragement from them (even when they go off in the middle of the night!). Currently, we have no prayer beepers out.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### August

- 2 Wednesday Night Activities start back.
- 6 C&O Concert at Antioch Christian Church, 6 pm
- 27 C&O practice with area churches at 1:00 pm

### September

- 4 Labor Day Holiday
- 17 Homecoming & Concert

### Every Week

#### Sunday:

- 9:30 am Sunday School Classes
- 9:30 am KUC Sunday School Class
- 10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship
- 10:45 am Worship Service
- 10:45 am KUC Children’s & WEE Worship

#### Monday:

- 7:00 pm Men’s Bible Study

#### Tuesday:

- 9:45 am Ladies Bible Study



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**"LCC: Where Cultures Meet Christ"**



Father of all mercies

We ask that you would bless  
the youngest and littlest of learners,  
the most helpless and powerless of persons,  
with Your infinite and loving mercy,  
granting them the strength to learn, concentrate,  
and act in love towards  
their teachers and fellow students.

We also ask that You would watch over them,  
at home and at school  
and give them proper direction  
so that they may learn  
of Your wonderful virtues.

We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

[David Bennett](#)

