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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Prayer! We've been praying more in church. "About time!", you're thinking? Well, we always pray in church. And, of course you and I, as individual worshipers, can (and should) always pray while we worship. But we're making an effort to pray more, to have more time allotted where we can pray. At the Choir and Orchestra program on Palm Sunday, we had a special time for prayer, where people with needs or burdens could come forward and have a prayer partner pray with them. We allowed time for everyone to bow or kneel if they wished, or pray where they sat. We even put in time for people to raise their hands and a prayer partner would come to them and pray. Prayer is a big deal! Having someone pray for and with you is a big deal!

We felt so strongly about this that we are trying to incorporate prayer into our regular Invitation time at the close of worship. We ask for those who want to accept Christ as their Savior and be baptized to come up, and for those who wish to join our church to come up. But we are also inviting any who need prayer to come up to pray, and we will also offer those who wish to raise their hands and have a prayer partner come to where they are to do so. Jesus said, "My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations." (Mark 10:17) Let it be so here!

I hope when people come to LCC they can say, "What a friendly place—48 people greeted me!" And, "That's the best nursery and Children's ministry I've ever seen!" And, "My goodness, that was the most uplifting music in worship I've even heard or been a part of!" And, "What a fantastic preacher!" (Just kidding about that one.) Best of all, we hope people can say, "I felt like God was there, and I was close to Him. I got to pray and speak to Him today."

I'm praying for you! Thanks for your prayers for me and for LCC—

Tony



"And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."

[Philippians 4:19](#)

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SERMON SERIES

MAY MESSAGES

A Hot Mess > His Holy People ***1 Corinthians***

Our series from 1 Corinthians,
Continues:

May 6: "Grow Up, You Big Baby",
1 Cor 3:1-9

May 13: "Pick the Right Foundation",
1 Cor 3:10-15

May 20: "Arrogance is Not a Good
Look", 1 Cor 4:18-21

May 27: "Blessed Subtraction",
1 Cor 5:1-13



Wednesday Menu

MAY

- 2** Roast Pork Medallions
- 9** Lasagna
- 16** Poppy Seed Chicken
- 23** Spaghetti (Last day of school)

Pictorial Church Directory

Many thanks to those who've had their pictures made to include in our upcoming 2018 Church Directory! And thanks also to our photographers, who've given of their time to make this happen. If you have not had your photo made and would like to, there is one more make-up day coming on Sunday May 6.



CTO Fun and Fellowship

Ahoy Matey! Mark your calendar with a great big "X" for May 5. The Choir, Orchestra and Tech Team will set sail for an adventure on the High Seas! Be watching for more details. Please let either Kathy Huddleston or Teri Wilson know if you need child care that night.



Goodfriends is for anyone who can join us! (young or not-so-young, young at heart or young in spirit). We enjoy an activity or an outing on the 3rd Thursday of each month (unless noted) from September thru July.

On Thursday, March 19th, we had 8 people meet in the FLC to cut out various items in preparation for VBS Pre-school crafts. In a short amount of time (just an hour and a half!) we completed everything that was set up to be done that day. Afterwards, we journeyed across the side parking lot to have lunch at AgaVero. Good food and good fun with Goodfriends....



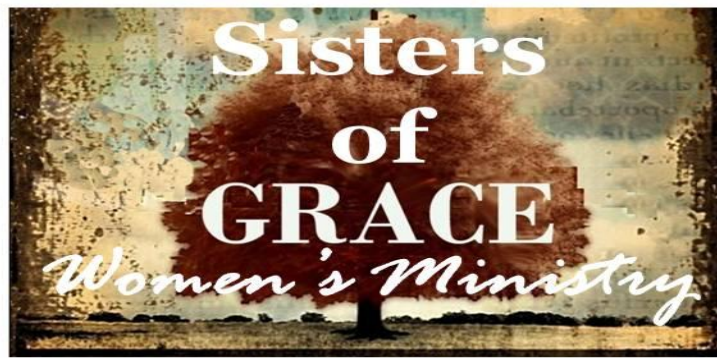
Please note: the May 31st event with Mt. Carmel's Young-at-Heart has been **cancelled**.

We have no activities planned for May or June. If you have a suggestion, or would like to plan a Goodfriends event, please contact Rosie Bengtson at 404-403-5765.



Interested?

Any questions can be directly to:
Rosie Bengtson 770-978-7774 or 404-403-5765;
Glenda Middleton 770-614-5972;
Betty Hubbard 678-446-7926;
Janet Curtiss 540-819-3846.



Save These
DATES

B.A.S.H. (Book and Salad Hour)

July 16 Time to Embrace by Karen Kingsbury (Fiction)
July 30 Hiding in the Light by Rifqa Bary (Non-fiction)

Books will be read ahead of time and discussed on the above dates. If you would like for Cathy Wade to order a book for you on Amazon.com for about \$7 each, please let her know. The meeting place and time will be announced in our next newsletter.

Gal 's Get-Flray



The famous Windsor Hotel in
Americus, GA
September 28 & 29, 2018
Watch for more information.

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

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Betty Hubbard	678-446-7926	Pam Morgan	404-697-4293
Cathy Wade	404-867-6102		



Praise the Lord for an amazing Heaven on Earth Retreat on April 14th. We had 34 kids attend and 22 volunteers!!! It was a great day! We experienced amazing worship, led by Andre and a team of kids! We heard amazing messages, by Kristin Turpin (What is Heaven Like?), Marcus Huff (How do we bring Heaven down to Earth?), and Jeff McAlister (Narrow is the Gate/Walking in the Spirit)! The kids had blast playing some really exciting games, led by Tim Quey, Rob Hubbard, Ana Smith, and others. Kids got pied in the face with cool whip during our battleship game, raced through the mario cart obstacle course, had fun outside in the inflatable Incredibles obstacle course, bounced around in bubbles, danced, planted some seeds that they got to take home and had a blast getting to know each other. Oh, we also had amazing food served by some beautiful ladies in the kitchen!!! The day could not have gone better!!! Thank you to all who participated and a big thanks to all those who sponsored kids and made this day possible for so many kids!!! Hope to see everyone there again next year! We will definitely be doing this again!!!



Upcoming KUC Events:

Vacation Bible School: June 3rd-7th: Registration is now open online at www.lilburnchristianchurch.org. Scroll to the events section and click on the VBS banner to follow the registration link.

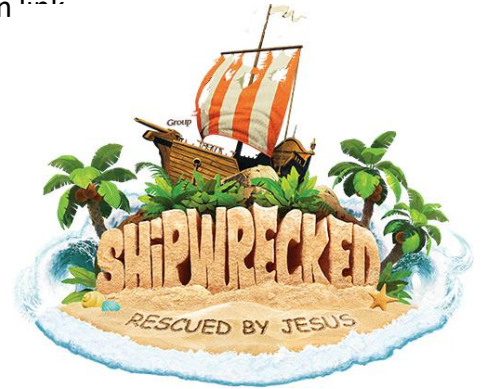
VBS workdays:

May 12th 9-12

May 26th 1:30-3:30 (moving furniture into pod)

We still need 20 oz Gatorade bottles (wide mouth lids). Washed and with labels removed, paper grocery bags and paper towel (cardboard) rolls, please!

Summer Camp (rising 3rd graders to 5th graders): July 8th to 12th. Allison will be leading this week and will take the church van so parents will not need to provide transportation.



Missions Spotlight



deepStreams Ministries
Brock Johnson and
Family

Brock and his family announced they are leaving Guatemala after 10 years of service there. God has called them elsewhere. Read part of their announcement below.

God is calling us to expand our ministry to new territory. There is a latitude/longitude box on the globe called the 10/40 window. Inside it, you'll find those 4.5 billion lost souls I mentioned (many of which are unreached, having never heard about Jesus). The 10/40 window is also the home to the majority of the world's poor. As a result of these stirrings from the Holy Spirit, in December of 2015, Mynor and I visited Morocco. In 2016, we went to the cross & crescent conference on Islam. And in May of last year my family went to northern Iraq.

In early July of this year, my family will be transitioning out of Guatemala with plans to relocate to Iraq. God has given me a vision for BVSA. A soccer ministry on its surface, it is actually just a training ground for young men to come to faith, be discipled, and evangelize their communities. The fact that soccer is the world's sport - a language in and of itself - makes it an amazing tool.

We've gotten solid feedback from contacts in Iraq and Morocco that this unique approach could be effective in their environments. Ministries geared toward young Muslim men can be very powerful, as a male Muslim-to-Christian convert has much influence over his family, and future generations. We will be leaving Guatemala a month short of our 10-year anniversary.

It's been an amazing 10 years, full of both hardship and immense blessing! The work here is just beginning. The Leivas are capable leaders, equipped with a fantastic team of young men who came up through the academy and now share the vision to keep leading young men to Jesus. We will temporarily relocate to our hometown of Jacksonville as we make plans towards our next move.

We will need sufficient time to plan, as moving to this part of the world as missionaries can be complicated. If you are a supporter of our family, or of BVSA, please continue with us! Nothing will change regarding your support as it continues to allow us to take the love of Jesus to the nations.

Please pray for the Johnson family as they make this huge transition!

Prayer Requests

Geraldine Coleman
Bob Collier
Jim Gurr
Jamila Coleman
Russ Burchfield
Barbara Johnson
Donna Anderson
Diane Shelton
Beverly Underwood
Betty Hubbard
Grace & Norah Nguyen
June Strobino
John Panuska
Blake Fraser
Sherman Wade
Jeff Truitt
Steve Bryant
Sandra Denton

Gensie McDonald
Sandra Denton
Ed Haney
Bruce King
Augustus & Mary
Lakpor
Mary Huppuch
Huck Huddleston &
Family
Richard Baldwin &
Family
Dorie Botteicher
Richard Baldwin &
Family
Jim Moore
Loetta Benton
Terry Green
Karen Throckmorton &
Family

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 three prayer beepers out.

Kevin, Grace and Norah Nguyen -prayer beeper number is 770-929-5115.

Here is the message you will hear –
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Kevin and Grace Nguyen. We are grateful that baby Norah has received a partial liver transplant. Please pray for complete healing for both Norah and Grace. Thank you for your continuing prayers on Norah’s behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to them. Thank you.

Betty Hubbard – prayer beeper number is 770-929-5114.

Here is the message you will hear –
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Betty Hubbard. Please pray for physical strength to return and for complete healing after her surgery. Thank you for your prayers on Betty’s behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

Gensie McDonald – prayer beeper number is 770-929-5130.

Here is the message you will hear –
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Gensie McDonald. She has been diagnosed with bone cancer in her lower back. The doctor is pleased with the treatment she has undergone so far. Please continue to pray for complete healing. Thank you for your prayers on Gensie’s behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

Please Welcome our New Members



**Mark & Wanda
McClanahan
4/15/18**



**Neville Hawkins
4/15/18**



**Sharon Keyes
4/15/18**



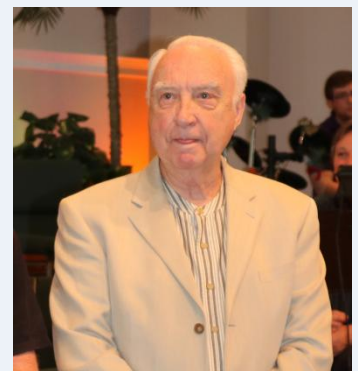
**Emily Everett
4/22/18**



**Susan Parker
4/29/18**



**Rick Kicklighter
4/29/18**



**Jerry Kicklighter
4/29/18**



**Rob & Doreen Curry
4/29/18**

UPCOMING EVENTS

May

- 2 Grief Counseling Group begins
- 3 Berkmar High School Awards Ceremony 5:30 pm
- 5 CTO End of Year Party in FLC at 5:00 pm; Youth Nerf in Chapel at 5:00 pm
- 6 Last day for photos taken for the LCC Directory
- 12 Set up day for VBS in Chapel
- 13 Mother's Day
- 20 Graduation Sunday with breakfast and recognition
- 22 Primary Election



June

- 3-7 VBS
- 11 Lifeline Screening in the gym
- 17 Father's Day

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

Wednesday:

- 5:45 pm Meal
- 6:30 pm KUC, CAYAC, C&O practice
- 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study - **Balm from Psalms**

New Youth Minister

We are thrilled to announce that Josh Cox will be coming to serve as our new Youth Minister! Josh and his wife, Ashley have 3 children: Judson, Memphis and Jenson. Josh has some good training and experience in youth ministry, and he and Ashley and their children plan to be here to begin their service with us in June! Please pray for them as they begin their time here with us.

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