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## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

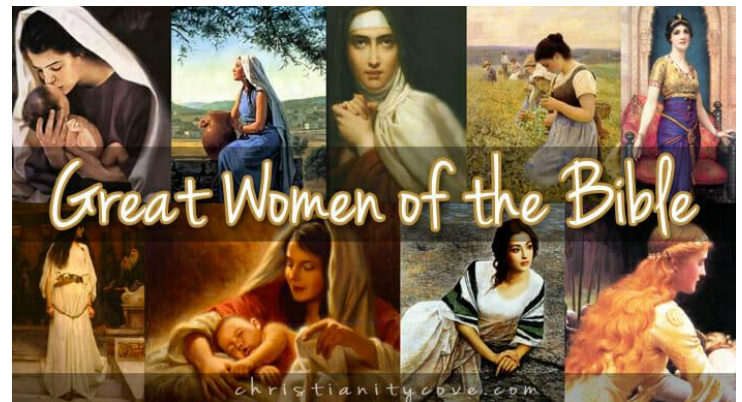
My wife told me a while back something that really surprised me: "I don't think I've ever heard you or any preacher do a series of messages on women in the Bible." I wanted to argue with her! I wanted to tell her she was wrong! And I think she is. But to be fair, I probably haven't preached very often about women. I probably did a short series maybe 25 years ago or something. And maybe there's been an occasional message on Ruth or Esther, but that's not very much. I hate to admit it, but Deb's right. A series on women, especially the women of the Bible, is long overdue!

So we're going to have, Lord willing, a series on women of the Bible, starting July 1! In case you haven't noticed, there are some splendid women in the Bible, and their stories are inspiring. I intended to

preach 5 messages (July has 5 Sundays this year), but 6 stories of women really jumped out at me, and I simply could not limit it to 5, so the series will stretch into the 1<sup>st</sup> week of August! I'm looking forward to it! Pray for me and for this series. And bring someone with you to church to hear these messages! I think women will be encouraged by them, but they are not for women only—all of us will be blessed to hear these uplifting stories as told to us on the pages of Scripture. I'll be looking for you.

God bless you and your family—

Tony



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# SERMON SERIES

## JULY MESSAGES

### Not-so-Little Women

- July 1 Deborah: The Singing Warrior,  
Judges 4:1-15
- July 8 Abigail: A Beautiful Mind,  
1 Samuel 25:1-3, 14-35
- July 15 Esther: Right Time, Right Place,  
Right Woman, Esther 4:11-17
- July 22 Unnamed: Great Sin, Great Faith,  
Great Love, Luke 7:36-50
- July 29 Priscilla: Tag Team Teacher,  
Acts 18:1-3; 24-26
- Aug 5 Phoebe: A Sensational Servant,  
Romans 16:1-2

## Wednesday Menu

**THERE ARE NO  
MEALS DURING JULY**  
however, there are  
activities for Adults,  
Youth & Kids

## Missions Spotlight



AMOR FE Y ESPERANZA



Mission focus for July is Afe ( Amore Fe y Esperanza is now partnering with The Trash Mountain Project as their 501c (3) organization. The Trash Mountain Project (TMP) was born out of compassion for the people of the Tegucigalpa trash dump when the founders, Brett and Jaelie Durbin visited AFE in 2008. They felt the need to respond to what they saw as they visited the dump, which ultimately led them to found TMP, which has been involved with AFE since then and also now partners with ministries in other trash dump communities around the world. For more information about this organization please visit their web site <https://trashmountain.com/> or you can go to <http://afehonduras.org/>. Go to [LilburnChristianChurch.org/missions](http://LilburnChristianChurch.org/missions) to find out more about AFE and a link to their web site. Pictures are from the TMP web site.



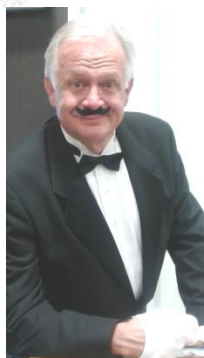




# LCC Music Ministry

The CTO (Choir/Tech Team/Orchestra) hosted the summer Wednesday night meal on June 20<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful evening where everyone enjoyed one of our all-time favorite meals here at LCC while beautiful music floated through the air! We appreciate all of the CTO members that helped with everything from planning the menu, to shopping, chopping and cooking the food; from setting up and decorating the FLC to cleaning up afterwards; from serving dinner with a smile, to serving dessert with flair. We want to give a special thanks to our truly unique hosts and our very talented musicians.

## Poppysed Chicken anyone?



And decadent desserts!

# STUDENT MINISTRY

During the last month, I've had the opportunity to meet many of you, and I am looking forward to continuing to get to know you all! First, thank you for the warm welcome my family has received; we feel blessed to be a part of this congregation! Second, thank you to the men and women who have done an outstanding job of building up the student ministry. I am grateful for the foundation you have laid and excited about working alongside you! Third, I'd like to share some of the plans we're making! (Please know that, even though some of our events will cost something, I never want money to be the reason why a student doesn't join us. If the cost is an issue, talk with me, and we'll work it out!) Again, thank you! I can't wait to see how God works in and through our student ministry! - Josh Cox, Youth Minister



Above, you'll find a group photo from June 6th. That evening, following VBS, we went to Wendy's for a frosty. As you can see, we had a wonderful turnout and a great time!

This— WENDY'S WEDNESDAY— is something we will continue doing on the second Wednesday of each month. Following youth group, students are invited to join us at Wendy's from 8:15 to 9:00.

I'd love for your students to join me at camp! North Georgia Christian Camp is one of my favorite places! It's fun, but it's also meaningful and impactful. Senior 2 (9th-12th grade) is July 1-6. Teener 3 (6th-8th) is July 15-20. The cost is \$215. (As mentioned earlier, we want your students to go, so talk with Alison or Josh if you need financial assistance.) You can pick up a registration form at the church or register online at [www.christiancamp.net](http://www.christiancamp.net).







Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church



We kicked off the month of June with Vacation Bible School, where kids (and adults) discovered that Jesus Rescues! We averaged about 95 kids each night, 27 youth volunteers, and 65 volunteers. We had 113 kids attend at least one night! Most of those who helped would agree that it is not just for kids. One of our dedicated volunteers began crying one night when telling the bible story to the kids! She was filled with God's spirit as she was telling the children how Jesus can wash away our sins and rescue us! My heart was overjoyed to see everyone getting so involved and doing such an amazing job with all the children. If kids went home with anything, it was that they are loved by Jesus and the people at LCC! VBS was a big success for the whole church! A huge thank you to all the volunteers, kids, and parents!!! Check out more photos on our website and Facebook page!

## August 1: Back to School Bash

6:00-8:00 pm

More details to come!



## Coming up:



### July 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>- Summer Camp at North Georgia Christian Camp for rising 3<sup>rd</sup> graders-5<sup>th</sup> graders.

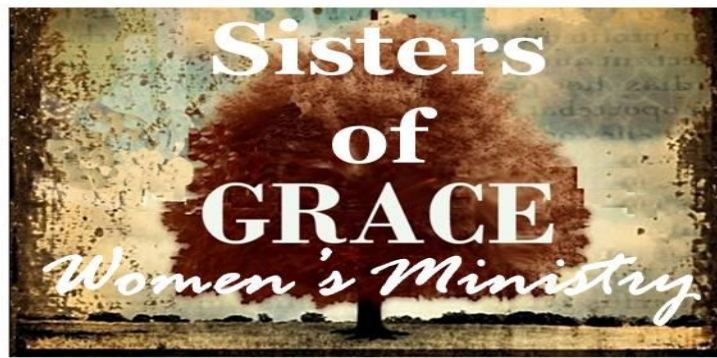
At summer camp, campers are given time to experience God in His creation. Campers will expand upon their understanding of God's love for them through worship and teaching geared specifically toward their age group and through relationships the campers will make. From racing to the top of the climbing wall to paddle-boating with friends and from talent shows to skit nights to campfires under the stars, fun at camp abound from sun-up to sun-down. Transportation is provided. See Allison for more details.

### July Family Fun Nights

(Wednesday nights, 6:30-8:00)

In July, we will continue the Wednesday night fun. Dinner will not be served, but the fun will go on! Bring your kids (all ages) to the gym at 6:30. We have a bunch of fun games and activities planned. Bring clothes that can get dirty and wet. Parents are welcome to stay and join in the fun!





*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, please let her know.

Book discussions will take place in the FLC at 7:00 pm. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer.

## **Gal's Get-Away on September 28 & 29 – information is on page 7.**

### **Sign-up sheets are in the foyer for both of these events.**

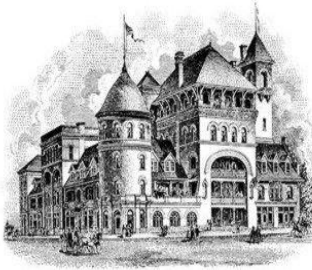
If you are interested in the Women's Ministries, or even if you're just curious, call:

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|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
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| Pat Ferguson  | 770-466-5212 | Dixie Grimm    | 404-932-5990 |
| Betty Hubbard | 678-446-7926 | Pam Morgan     | 404-697-4293 |
| Cathy Wade    | 404-867-6102 |                |              |

# **“Treasured”**



**2018 Gal's Get-Away**  
**September 28 & 29, 2018**  
**Historic Windsor Hotel in Americus, GA**



**WINDSOR**  
*Hotel*  
Established 1892

125 W. Lamar Street  
Americus, Georgia  
229-924-1555  
FAX 928-0533



**Registration begins July 1.** Sign-up in the foyer.

**Retreat Cost:** \$ 100 per person with \$50 deposit at time of registration or no later than *July 15* and \$50 balance by *Aug. 22*.

**YOU!** “The Lord has chosen you to be a people for His treasured possession” (Deuteronomy 14:2).

We are the precious, treasured possession of our heavenly Father, who sought us and claimed us as His own in Christ! From coal to diamonds, we are continuously being transformed in Christ, reflecting His glory and light to a dark world. Join us for a bedazzling Gal's Get-Away! We will walk in the light of God's Word together, enjoy fabulous food and tasty treats, and lift our voices in praise, all as we share encouragement, fellowship, and fun in Christ, the light of the world!



# Prayer Requests

Geraldine Coleman  
Bob Collier  
Jim Gurr  
Jamila Coleman  
Russ Burchfield  
Barbara Johnson &  
Family  
Donna Anderson  
Diane Shelton  
Beverly Underwood  
Betty Hubbard  
Grace & Norah Nguyen  
June Strobino  
John Panuska  
Gensie McDonald  
Sandra Denton

Augustus & Mary  
Lakpor  
Mary Huppuch  
Dorie Botteicher  
Loetta Benton  
Jim Moore  
Teresa Herring  
Steve Simon & Family  
Jory Stubblefield &  
Family  
Clark & Suzette  
Cregger & Family  
Neville Hawkins &  
Family  
Marie Cape  
Rob Lyew

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

## BAPTISM



**Parker McAlister**  
**6/3/18**



**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 two prayer beepers out.

**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.

**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.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### July

- 1 Classic Sunday Night at 5:00 pm
- 1-6 Summer Camp for high school kids at NGCC
- 4 Independence Day Holiday
- 8-13 Summer Camp for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Graders at NGCC
- 15-20 Summer Camp for middle school kids at NGCC
- 16 Ladies B.A.S.H. at 7:00 pm in the gym
- 22 CTO at Antioch Christian Church, 6:30 – 7:30 pm with call time at 5:00 pm
- 24 Primary Special Election
- 30 Ladies B.A.S.H. at 7:00 pm in the gym

### August

- 1 Regular Wed. night activities start back
- 8 Gwinnett & Walton Co. schools start back

### 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 – currently off for the summer

#### Wednesday:

- 6:30 pm KUC, CAYAC
- 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

### CLASSIC SUNDAY NIGHT at Lilburn Christian Church

July 1, 2018  
5:00 pm

Favorite Hymns,  
Hot Dogs and Homemade Ice Cream

**save**

the **date**

**16th**  
**September**

**LCC HOMECOMING**

**More details will be  
forthcoming.**

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