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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Church Family,

Ecclesiastes 3:11 partially states that God has “set eternity” in the hearts of men. If we pause to think about this, there is much truth in it. Inside each one of us we desire to live forever. We do not desire to die. In many cases we fear it; we do not want to think about it. Many human endeavors are a pursuit to avoid death. Doctors research how to eradicate cancer and heart disease. We exercise and diet so we can live as healthy and as long as we can. Then there is the proverbial search for the “Fountain of Youth.” We humans just desire eternal life.

As a parent, I am awfully aware of the passage of time and how it will eventually come to an end. My children are a reminder of this. I can recall all the great times we had together when they were young. Their mother and I saw their first smile, heard them laugh for the first time, and watched them take their first step. But now, they are much older. They grew up fast. Time went by quickly. We did not and do not want our time with them to ever end. But it must. We cannot stop it. Eternity is in our hearts, but we are ever lunging toward death.

This may not seem like an uplifting topic to ponder, and it may just not be. We do, however, need to consider it. Scripture invites us “to number our days, that we may present to You a heart of wisdom” (Ps 90:12; NASB). We are reminded by James that we are “just a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away” (Jam 4:14). Our time on earth is very short.

In light of this truth, what are we to do? Are we to be depressed about it and continually think about death? Shall we throw our hands up and pronounce that all is vanity? Quite the contrary! God desires for us to live every day to His glory and even enjoy the days He has given to us. Solomon wrote, “Here is what I have seen to be good and fitting: to eat, to drink and enjoy oneself in all one’s labor in which he toils under the sun during the few years of his life which God has given him; for this is his reward” (Eccl 5:18).

Additionally, we need to continually pursue wisdom and goodness. “Remove grief and anger from your heart,” says Solomon, “and put away pain from your body, because childhood and the prime of life are fleeting” (Eccl 11:10). Solomon then concludes that we are to “fear God and keep His commandments” (Eccl 12:13).

Yes, we very much desire to have eternal life. We do not want life to end. The knowledge that it will end seems to taint our daily lives. But God tells us that we are to love him and enjoy our days on this earth. There is nothing inherently wrong with this. But we must remember, too, that we do in fact have eternal life! We should never lose sight of this. This is what enables us to live this life in peace and to have hope. Although our days are numbered in this life, our days are numberless in the next! Praise Jesus for His death and resurrection that grants us this hope! Enjoy this short life, but look forward to the next!

Your Friend and Minister,
Dr. Pete

MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT



"Dedicated to preach the Word, make Disciples, restore the Kingdom & serve the needy with the love of Christ"

Kerala Christian Mission was founded in 1978 with the purpose of serving humanity using Christian principles found in the Holy Bible. KCM exists to see this practiced by all using their free will. They do this through their service and support of churches like LCC, through their hospital, church ministries in Kerala, Tamilnadu, Karnataka, Andhra, Thelungana, Odisha, Dubai, Doha and New York. They have training programs where they train leaders on a regular basis updating them on Socio-legal matters. They offer a senior home "Salem Senior Home" where they care for the destitute and needy. They have the Serenity Counseling Center where they offer pre-marital counseling, seminars etc. They offer child development projects where they arrange classes to children development, vacation clubs for summer vacation time, as well as offering a girl's home.

Please pray for this very important ministry during the month of July, and pray for Rajan Ipe and his wife Reni as they continue to lead this mission.



Thrive



During the month of June and July, we have quite a few events for the youth group. There is no event on June 5 due to VBS. June 12 was Movie Night. June 19 we went to Stone Mountain to see the Laser Show. June 26 we had Thrive Olympics. There is no event on July 3. July 27 we will be tubing in Helen and

We do it every year to give the kids the opportunity to invite friends to take part in a time of fellowship.

Keep Thrive in your prayers as we go through the summer and as our kids are traveling on vacation.



Jennifer Rasor
Children's Director

What a success our SCUBA VBS was! We had approximately 50-55 kids every night and 60 volunteers! We raised over \$2000 (doubled our goal!) to provide clean water, a house and other necessities for a sweet mother and her 3 little girls in Honduras. From our amazing station leaders to our preschool team, to my tech crew and crew leaders, and to all of those who pitched in wherever help was needed, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Let's do it again next year!

In Children's church, we have been focusing on Psalm 23 while on Wednesday nights, we have been playing Minute-to-Win-It games that have a spiritual application.

Be on the lookout for a swim party in July for our SHINE kids. Promotion Sunday is also right around the corner where we celebrate those kids who are moving from SHINE to Thrive. That will be the last Sunday in July.

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21



VBS Pictures





Women's Fellowship Ministry

2 Peter 3:18

34 of our ladies rose early on the morning of May 4 so they could be at LCC for their Annual Mystery Fun Day at 9:15 am. No one (except the seven team members) knew the destination. As they travelled, they played a game that was designed to get the menu choices for lunch which would come later in the day.

The game was “If You Were Queen for a Day, I Would...”. There were multiple choice answers. Beverly Miles was chosen at random and was crowned Queen for a Day.

The ladies were surprised when arriving at AMC Theatre in Snellville to see the movie, “Unsung Hero”, a story of the Smallbone family coming to America and the beginning of the career of Christian vocalist, Rebecca St. James and her brothers, known as The King and Country Christian group.

After the movie, the group returned “almost” to the church but turned right into the shopping center across Arcado Road where lunch awaited at the Copper Pot Restaurant. The ladies enjoyed a meal of Chicken Cordon Bleu, Salmon or Pasta served with a tossed salad and broccoli, followed by a Chocolate Mousse for dessert.

It was a fun day for the price of \$25 each.

Join us for B.A.S.H. which will be held July 9 and July 30 in the FLC.

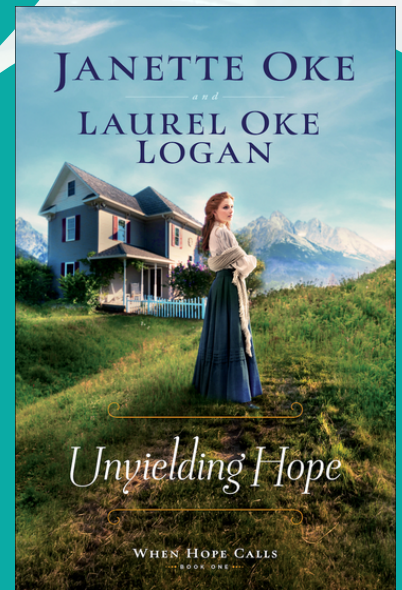
TUESDAY
JULY 9 @ 6:30 PM

LADIES B.A.S.H.

Book & Sandwich Hour
IN THE FLC

**The book can be purchased online
or borrowed from your local library.**

Sign-up in the Foyer!





Recharged (Adult Singles)



The Recharged (Single Adult Group) will be going to the Booth Western Art Museum on Friday, July 19th. Besides viewing their permanent collection, we will have the opportunity to view 3 special exhibitions.

The Folwell Family: 5 Generations of Potters

This exhibition will feature Native American pottery from 5 generations of the Folwell family of the Santa Clara Pueblo. It was established around 1550 and is located along the Rio Grande in north-central New Mexico. At Santa Clara, pottery making is passed down from generation to generation, and the potters are famous for their hand-crafted blackware and redware.

We, The People – Portraits of Veterans in America

This exhibition is acclaimed artist Mary Whyte's unprecedented series of stirring portraits of American veterans. Featuring veterans of all ages and in all walks of life, one from each of our fifty states, Whyte's large-scale watercolors have captured the essence of our country's everyday people with courage, empathy, and honor.

Georgia- O'Keeffe, A Life Well Lived

This collection of 48 previously unpublished photographs by Malcolm Varon reveals rarely seen aspects of O'Keeffe's life and personality. The exhibition is in association with the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum of Santa Fe.

Note: We will have lunch at Blevins Bistro in the museum. They offer freshly made sandwiches, salads, burgers, and desserts, plus light snacks and a variety of drinks.

The sign-up sheet will be in the foyer on Sunday, June 23. We hope you can come along!

Any questions, see Rosie Bengtson or Karen Throckmorton.

DISASTER! THE MUSICAL

We will be going to On Stage Walton in Monroe, GA as they present a musical comedy straight from Broadway about a floating casino and discotheque beset by earthquakes, tidal waves, and other catastrophes – plus hit songs from the 70's.

Ten Dollar Tuesday, July 23rd.

Show starts at 7:30 pm.

On Stage Walton, 215 High School Avenue, Monroe, GA

Tickets will be purchased on Friday, June 28th. (Total \$12 each with fees)

UPCOMING

EVENTS

July

There are no Wednesday night meals nor activities during July.

4 Holiday

9 Ladies B.A.S.H. at 6:30 pm in the FLC

27 Thrive: Tubing in Helen 9 am - 6 pm

30 Ladies B.A.S.H. - more info to follow

August

7 Fired Up Wednesdays @ 5:45 pm,
Wednesday Night Meals and activities
Start Back

18 Trive: Pool Party 12 - 4 pm



Bravlio, Ana Garcia
Christopher, Aanya & Ethan
6/30/2024



Kevin Rodriquez
6/30/24

SERMON SERIES

Foundations of the Faith:

07/07 Foundation 5: Jesus, John 1:1-5, 14-18

07/14 Foundation 6: Holy Spirit, John 16:5-15

08/04 Foundation 7: Humanity, Gen. 1:26-28, 2:21-25

08/11 Foundation 8: Sin, Gen. 3:1-7



Teresa Herring

Linda Proctor

Glenda Middleton

Dennis & Marcia Heinz

Richard Walker

Carol Hill

Laurie Evans

Whitney Krakeel

Family of Marilyn Nelson

Cheryl Hendricks and Family



BIBLE READING PLAN

NEVER UNDERESTIMATE
THE POWER OF THE
BIBLE.

JULY 2024

- 1 Isaiah 53-55; Psalm 128; 1 Cor 15
- 2 Isaiah 56-59; Psalm 70; 1 Cor 16
- 3 Isaiah 60-63; 2 Cor 1
- 4 Isaiah 64-66; 2 Cor 2
- 5 2 Kings 21; 2 Chr 33; Psalm 71; 2 Cor 3
- 6 No reading
- 7 No reading
- 8 Nahum; Psalm 149; 2 Cor 4
- 9 2 Kings 22-23; Psalm 73; 2 Cor 5
- 10 2 Chr 34-35; 2 Cor 6
- 11 Habakkuk; 2 Cor 7
- 12 Zephaniah; Psalm 74; 2 Cor 8
- 13 No reading
- 14 No reading
- 15 Jeremiah 1-4; Psalm 130; 2 Cor 9
- 16 Jeremiah 5-7; Psalm 75; 2 Cor 10
- 17 Jeremiah 8-10; 2 Cor 11
- 18 Jeremiah 11-13; 2 Cor 12
- 19 Jeremiah 14-16; Psalm 76; 2 Cor 13
- 20 No reading
- 21 No reading
- 22 Jeremiah 17-20; James 1
- 23 Jeremiah 22, 23, 26; Ps 77; James 2
- 24 Jeremiah 25, 35, 36, 45; Ps 133; James 3
- 25 Jeremiah 27, 28, 29, 34; James 4
- 26 Jeremiah 37, 21, 34; Psalm 79; James 5
- 27 No reading
- 28 No reading
- 29 Jeremiah 30-33; 1 Peter 1
- 30 Jeremiah 38, 39, 52; 1 Peter 2
- 31 2 Kings 24-25; 2 Chr 36; Ps 126; 1 Peter 3

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4th July
★ Happy ★
Independence Day