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**ITEMS FOR EVANGEL DEADLINE: MONDAY NOON**

**Meridian Prayer Line**  
579-6632  
**CALL IN YOUR PRAYER REQUEST**

**GROW TEAM "O"**  
Monday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.

### **WORKERS FOR SUNDAY** October 14, 2018

#### **DEACONS OF THE WEEK:**

Linville Brooks Mike Colquitt \*  
Walter McDaniel

#### **EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS:**

Kelly Keener Anne Ballenger  
Starlene Williams Summer Basil

#### **OBSERVER PATROL—TEAM THREE**

Phil Keener Lynn Rimmer Russell Blevins

#### **GREETERS**

Owen & Gayle Doman

#### **VAN DRIVER**

Joe Fielden

#### **USHERS:**

Jim Brackett David McLemore Ken Burnett  
David Ghormley Scott Frei Joe Fielden

#### **IN THE HOSPITALS**

Jessica Bennett, U.T. Hospital



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**FALL FESTIVAL**  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
**OCTOBER 31**

**6:00 - 8:00 PM**

**Ages Toddler thru 5th Grade**

Join us for a great time of games, food & fun. We need volunteers to assist with set up; games/activities; serve food; trunk or treat; safety at blow-ups; provide cookies/cupcakes; provide candy. Setup begins at 4:00 pm. Flyers will be in Sunday's bulletin for signups.

**Trunk or Treat**  
**begins at dusk**



### **CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES**

*Food boxes will be available October 14th*  
We are asking all Sunday School Departments and/or classes to consider providing at least one box for needy families in our area. Forms with a complete list of food items are provided through the Sunday School trays. Food boxes are due Sunday, December 9th and will be distributed on Saturday, December 15th.



## OCTOBER

This month is Pastor Appreciation Month so take this opportunity to tell all your Pastors how much you care.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**  
Pick up a shoebox today!

The Win-Some Class has furnished boxes again this year and are available for you to pick up outside the Church Library. Please sign the sheet on the table and indicate how many boxes you are taking. Inside the box is a list of items suitable to pack in your box. Fill out the form and place \$9.00 inside the box for shipping. Please return the box no later than Nov. 4th. Your participation will bring a smile to a child. Thank you for taking part in this project.



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#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12**

6:30pm—Youth to Corn Maze

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14**

9:30am—Sunday School

10:50am—Morning Worship

12:00pm—Publicity Comm.

5:00pm—Preschool Comm.

5:00pm—Recreation Comm.

5:00pm—Kitchen Comm.

6:00pm—Evening Worship

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 15**

10:30am—WinSome Class Mtg.

6:30pm—GROW Team "O"

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16**

8:00-4:30—Lifeline Screening

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17**

4:30pm—Young at Heart

5:00pm—Meal

5:30pm—Personnel Comm.

6:00pm—TeamKID

6:15pm—Youth Unite

6:15pm—Business Meeting

7:15pm—Sanctuary Choir

## STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

I'm currently in the process of doing an almost complete renovation of our downstairs area. The only thing we aren't doing is pulling brick off the walls. But doing all of this work and finding new things to do or worry about is always tiring and frustrating. But once the demolition is done, you can assess what needs to be done and in what order. Then once you start putting everything back together, you can see it coming to fruition. I know we will be happy with the final result and will be relieved when we finally get there. All of this makes me think about our walk with God. There are things in our lives that keep us from having that happiness and relief you can get from building your life with God. There are a lot of things we need to tear down in our lives in order to rebuild our relationship with God. And I bet if we start to tear those things from our lives we are going to find some other things hiding in the shadows that needed to be addressed that we didn't even know was there. Finding those things allows us to remove whatever might be truly keeping us from a great relationship with God, and allow us to rebuild something even better.

Blessings,  
Chris

### YOUTH TO CORN MAZE Friday, October 12th

Meet at the church at 6:30 pm. We will leave at 7:00. Eat before you come!  
Cost: \$20

### WIN-SOME CLASS FELLOWSHIP October 15

Meet 10:30 at the church for class meeting, then leave for lunch at 11:00.

### L.L.L. NOVEMBER 16 TRIP

L.L.L. will be going to Historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant in Berea, KY on Nov. 16th. Cost will be \$5 per person for gas for bus. Food (order from menu). Leave church parking lot at 8:00am. If you sign up to go, please make every effort to go unless you have an emergency. Contact Patsy Randles for more info (573-5794).

## Our Giving

### FIGURES FOR OCTOBER 7

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| General Budget Fund    | \$14,796.25        |
| Capital Improvements   | 35.00              |
| Golden State Offerings | 600.00             |
| Non-Budget Designated  | 205.00             |
| <b>Grand Total</b>     | <b>\$15,636.25</b> |

Monthly Budget Requirement \$51,803.00  
October Budget Giving \$14,796.25

Golden State Offering to Date: \$2,125.00

## Our Attendance

|              |            |                 |
|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| Preschool    | 14         | Grow Team       |
| Children     | 14         | R               |
| Youth        | 8          | Members         |
| Adults       | 114        | 4               |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>150</b> | <b>Contacts</b> |
| Visitors     | 5          | 24              |

### CONSTANT CONTACT CONSCIOUSNESS

Contacts for the week of 10/1—10/7 Total 66  
4&5 Years—7 Adult 3—27  
Adult 4—17 Adult 5—15

### SINGLES FELLOWSHIP OCTOBER 26

The Singles will travel to McCloud Restaurant near LaFollette. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:30am. For more information or to signup call Joyce Nelson at 558-6809.

### Memorials & Honorariums:

An anonymous gift was given to Capital Improvements in memory of Harry Davenport.



**GOLDEN STATE MISSIONS**  
Our Goal \$3,800

### WEDNESDAY MEAL - OCTOBER 17

BBQ Slider Sandwiches Baked Beans  
Macaroni & Cheese Slaw Dessert

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults\_\_ Child\_\_

## Noteworthy News

**WHEN WE FAIL.** . .It occurs in all of our lives. You plan, you prepare, you arrange, you practice, you rehearse. Everything is organized in well-thought order. Your intentions are spot on. And then the perfect storm sweeps in, nothing goes according to plan, it all winds up in failure and disaster! When everything has transpired you are left with only, "what happened?" All we can do is pick up the pieces, chalk it up to experience and move on. Winston Churchill wrote, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

The Bible has much to say about failure:

Psalm 145:14 He helps those who are in trouble; he lifts those who have fallen.

Psalm 37:23-24 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

Zephaniah 3:17 The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

Sunday Amber Hunter sang, *You Say*. Here's the chorus:

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing  
You say I am strong when I think I am weak  
You say I am held when I am falling short  
When I don't belong, You say that I am Yours  
What You say of me I believe.

Blessings!

*Bro. Dennis*

### ANTHEM SCHEDULE FOR ADULT CHOIRS

Oct 14 Great Is Your Glory  
Yes, I Know (Young at Heart, PM)  
Oct 21 Our God  
Oct 28 All We Need  
Nov 4 Again and Again

## The Pastor's Pen

Dear Church Family,

Sunday a week ago, I asked the church to pray for me as their pastor. It was part of my sermon, but little did I know that God knew what was before us. This past week has been a difficult week as our daughter Jessica was re-admitted to the hospital after the birth of her first child. The report was grim and immediately caused quite a struggle of faith in our family.

Thankfully, God provided good doctors who removed excess fluid and an abscess causing extreme infection and they continue to work for her healing. But we also received support from friends who work in the hospital and church family that undergirded us with their prayers.

It is easy to trust God when everything is going well, but when a crisis arises the depth of your faith is revealed. Sadly Satan knows our weaknesses and immediately begins to whisper his lies in our ears. If you are not cautious you will allow fear to overshadow your faith. But thankfully we have the promises of God's Word and the comfort of His Holy Spirit.

When you give your problems to the Lord, God has a way of moving in and giving you His peace and presence. It's good to be a child of God, but it is even better when your children trust the Lord. I was thankful to hear Jessica and Scott pray about the problem and trust it into His hands. It was even better to hear my daughter testify of God's goodness and faithfulness.

I give much of the credit for the faith of my children to their mother and the love of our church who has helped to raise them through the years. Thank you for your prayers. And thank God, He is faithful! The apostle John said this in 1 John 5:14 "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." God has promised us His provisions and presence in the trials of life. Jeremiah said this in, Jeremiah 29:12-13; "Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

One thing is for sure, when your babies are involved, your prayer life becomes extremely critical! But aren't you glad you have a Heavenly Father that loves His babies even more than we do? God is Good, All the Time, God is Good!

God bless, Bro. Dana