

McConnell Memorial Baptist Church

Mountain Messenger

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*"Celebration of Grace"
To God be the Glory!*



Baptism & Picnic

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A Note From Brother Don

What a great day! Sunday August 22nd really was a celebration of grace! I was so moved by the testimonies and the response of everyone. I hope it genuinely led us to focus on the glory and grace of the Lord Jesus.

These are pivotal days for us as a church. What we do and how we respond to the announcement of Marc's resignation will tell a lot about who we are as a church. We are grateful for Marc McFarland's ministry here. Our thoughts and prayers are with Marc and Mary as God begins to open a new chapter in their lives. I would ask that you pray for Wayne Hundley, our choir and our whole music and worship ministry.

God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we can ask or even imagine. Don't forget that it is all about Him. When it is all said and done, we really only have an Audience of One.

"Freeing The Future". Over the next couple of months, we will be given an opportunity to help pay down the principle on the building indebtedness. I invite you to begin praying now about what God would have you do. We have been excited about what the Long Range Planning Committee has shared. We know there are ministries we'd like to undertake, and the reality is we must take care of our financial responsibilities.

Pray with me that God would show us something "exceedingly abundantly" above all that we ask or imagine. Won't it be great when the debt is gone and we are free to invest everything in ministry?

Love one another. Pray for one another. Encourage one another. Spur one another unto good works.



Our Deepest Sympathy



Pastor Don, Sharon and the entire McConnell congregation extend our Christian sympathy to Rosemary Robinson at the death of her stepmother and Pat Carlisle at the death of his mother, Lillian Braidwood, to Karen Kelley at the death of her mother, Naomi Baudin, to Virginia Martin, at the death of her mother, Elizabeth Scheidegger, and to Allan Driskell at the death of his sister, Nina McPherson.

Hiawassee Baptist Association

Lower Hightower Baptist Church will host the Hiawassee Baptist Association annual meeting on Thursday, September 16 at 5:00 p.m. Anyone interested in attending as a messenger, please contact the church office.

Upcoming Events...

Church Pews Available

As part of readying the old sanctuary for multipurpose use, the pews are being removed. (should you desire one or more of these for a donation only) please register your request at the church office no later than Wednesday, September 15.



Kitchen Klackers

The "Kitchen Klackers" are in need of servants to help in their ministry to the area nursing homes. "Musicians" are needed for the band and craft oriented people are needed to make small gifts to those having birthdays when the Klackers are visiting the nursing homes. Are you gifted in these areas and would like to serve? If so, talk with Marilyn Waye or contact the church office for further information.



Bridal Shower!!

For Rachel Patton
Saturday, Sept. 25

2:00—4:00 pm

Family Life Center

Rachel is registered at Hiawassee Hardware, Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Women's Missionary Union Yard Sale...

to benefit missions will be held in the church parking lot on Saturday, September 25th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. If you would like to donate items for this sale, please bring them by the church office as soon as possible.



Group leaders needed

Leaders are needed for the months of October, November & December. Please contact Lynne at 706-781-9499 or Barb at 706-994-2925.

"not lacking in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."
Romans 12:11

Upcoming University Of Christian Training Courses:

- ◆ **Step By Step Through The New Testament**—understanding and interpreting the New Testament and Biblical background. Class meets Wednesdays for 13 weeks, beginning **September 1** at 6:15 pm in room #233 of the FLC. Facilitator is Phil Heard. Cost is \$15.
- ◆ **Jonah: Navigating A Life Interrupted** by Priscilla Shirer. Class will meet Mondays for 7 weeks, beginning **September 13** at 9:30 am in the Ministry Center. Sheila Barnes will be the facilitator.
- ◆ **One In A Million** by Priscilla Shirer will meet Tuesdays, beginning **September 21st**. Morning class will meet at 9:30 am. Facilitator is Ann Lawrence. Evening class will meet at 6:30 pm. Facilitator is Marilyn Kimsey. Both classes will meet in room #216 of the FLC. Cost is \$12.

You may register for class by signing up at the announcement board in the FLC.

Calendar of Events

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Sundays 8:15 - 8:30 AM Instru. reh. 8:30-9:00 AM Library Open 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Morning Worship (After Church - Library Open & till 6 pm Sunday evening) Children's Media Center Open (before & after s.s. & 5:00 pm Sundays) 6:00 PM Evening Worship</p>	<p>Mondays 10:00 AM Prayer for the Country - Family Life Center 11:00 AM Moral & Civic Concerns</p>	<p>Tuesdays 8:30 AM Staff Meeting 12 Noon Sonshiner's Bible St., #219, FLC</p>	<p>1 5:30 PM—Student Min. Team 5:30 PM - Family Supper 6:15 PM—New Testament Study—#233, FLC 6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting & scheduled activities 6:30 PM—"The Gathering" - Youth—Min. Ctr. 6:30 PM—Children's Choirs 8:00 PM - Instrumental Reh.</p>	<p>2 10:00 AM - Green/McKimmey WMU - #216, FLC</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 9:00 am—Sonshiner's to "Pow-Wow & Ripe Corn Festival"—Rome, GA</p>
<p>5 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Morning Worship Service No Evening Services</p>	<p>6 Labor Day (church office closed)</p>	<p>7 1:30 PM - Alzheimer's Support, #216 - FLC</p>	<p>8 5:30 PM - Family Supper 6:15 PM—New Testament Study—#233, FLC 6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting & scheduled activities 6:30 pm—"The Gathering" - Youth—Min. Ctr. 6:30 PM—Children's Choirs</p>	<p>9 7:00 pm—ESL Class—Min. Ctr.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>12 9:00 AM - Sunday School 10:15 AM - Morning Worship Service 5:30 PM—Awana -FLC 5:30 PM—emptySpace—Youth—Min.Ctr. 5:45 PM—"Marriage Built To Last" - #233, FLC 6:00 PM - Evening Worship</p>	<p>13 9:30 Am—Jonah Bible Study—Min. Ctr. 2:45 PM—School AWANA</p>	<p>14 7:00 PM Stephen Ministers - LL Classrooms Happy Birthday, Brother Don!!! </p>	<p>15 5:30 PM-Family Supper 6:15 PM—New Testament Study—#233, FLC 6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting & scheduled activities 6:30 pm—"The Gathering" - Youth—Min. Ctr. 6:30 PM—Children's Choirs 8:00 PM - Instrumental</p>	<p>16 7:00 pm—ESL Class—Min. Ctr.</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
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September Servants In Ministry and Etcetera...

SUNDAY SERVANTS FOR 9-5-10

I. PRAYER 10:15 AM B. & J. Cone **6:00 PM** M. Waye & S. Barnes
INFANTS & 2 YEAR OLDS, 3 & 4 YEAR OLD EXTENDED SESSION
 M. Peebles, B. Rouse, J. Gibson, W. Witkowski
KIDSTREET WORSHIP: 10:15 AM - L. Stokkeland, & L. & F. Robinson
FIRST TOUCH TEAM - C. & S. Hood **SEPTEMBER GREETERS** - Team # 9
SECURITY TEAM - D. Gardner, W. Nelson, M. Heinisch, G. Keller
WELCOME DESK - H. & F. Smith
TV/VIDEO TEAM - T. Wade, T. Daniel, N. Wade

SUNDAY SERVANTS FOR 9-12-10

I. PRAYER 10:15 AM M. Wine & E. Shead
6:00 PM L. Main & L. Boeckel
INFANTS & 2 YEAR OLDS, 3 & 4 YEAR OLD EXTENDED SESSION
 M. Peebles, S. Keller, B. Caruthers, A. Kelley
KIDSTREET WORSHIP: 10:15 AM - L. Stokkeland & C. Larson, V. Benson
FIRST TOUCH TEAM - K. & M. Joyner **SEPTMEBER GREETERS** - Team # 9
SECURITY TEAM - B. Manto, J.R.Murray, W. Naylor, S. Green
WELCOME DESK - L. Shook & O. Walker
TV/VIDEO TEAM - J. Yandell, D. Milleman, S. Nichols

SUNDAY SERVANTS FOR 9-19-10

I. PRAYER 10:15 AM A. & C. Therrel **6:00 PM** J. & M. Dolvin
INFANTS & 2 YEAR OLDS, 3 & 4 YEAR OLD EXTENDED SESSION
 M. Peebles, F. Nixon, S. Hedden, S. Reaser
KIDSTREET WORSHIP: 10:15 AM - L. Stokkeland & R. & L. Robinson
FIRST TOUCH TEAM - A. & A. Lawrence **SEPTEMBER GREETERS** -Team # 9
SECURITY TEAM - C. Nicholson, D. Phillips, R. Robinson, A. Sanford
WELCOME DESK - J. & D. Harrison
TV/VIDEO TEAM - D. Nicholson, T. Daniel, N. Wade

SUNDAY SERVANTS FOR 9-26-10

I. PRAYER 10:15 AM J. & G. Moultrie **6:00 PM** E. Lehotsky & L. Gardner
INFANTS & 2 YEAR OLDS, 3 & 4 YEAR OLD EXTENDED SESSION
 M. Peebles, W. Witkowski, T. Barrett, B. Mills
KIDSTREET WORSHIP LEADERS:10:15 AM - L. Stokkeland & M. Mills
FIRST TOUCH TEAM - R. & L. Bartlett **SEPTEMBER GREETERS** - Team # 9
SECURITY TEAM - H. Smith, W. Sutton, T. Turner, B. Winn
WELCOME DESK - I. Kozesky & B. Van Nus
TV/VIDEO TEAM - T. Wade, D. Milleman, S. Nichols

Wednesday Night Supper Menus

September 1 - Pecan Encrusted Tilapia
 September 8 - Fried Chicken
 September 15 - Ham Steaks
 September 29 - Lasagna

Reservations required. Please complete a reservation card & place in the offering plate on Sunday or call the church office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday.
 Cost: Adults \$5.50 Children (10 and under) \$2.50
 Family Maximum \$15.00

Email Address Update...

The church office is in the process of updating email addresses. Addresses will be used both for the Mountain Messenger e-newsletter and for email messages from the church office to you. **Please email the church office at info@mmbcnet.org if you would like to have your email address included.**

September Ushers

Master Usher: Oskar Lehotsky
Head Usher 10:15 AM Service: Harold Smith
 J.Armstrong, H.Bailey, R.Bartlett, M.Clem, E.Denton, F.Johnson, R.Kelley, J.Ledford, G.Mitchell, T.Shook, P.Turner, V.Price, C.Woolfolk
Head Usher 6:00 PM Service: Gunther Peters
 B.Eaton, B.Stallworth, M.Waye

Deacons On Call

week of 9-5-10
Frank Witkowski, assisted by his wife, Wilma.....706-896-7072
Jeff Hedden, assisted by his son, Jeff.....706-896-4752
week of 9-12-10
Phil Heard, assisted by his wife, Dot.....706-379-4112
Andy Helm, assisted by his wife, Barb.....706-379-2726
week of 9-19-10
Bill Earnest, assisted by his wife, Hazel.....706-379-1946
Rick Robinson, assisted by his wife, Luann.....706-379-1063
week of 9-26-10
Jerry Armstrong, assisted by his wife, Jean.....706-896-7332
John Dolvin, assisted by his wife, Mary.....828-389-9451

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