

CENTERVILLE Church of Christ

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Bryan McAlister

"I Hope You Know"

"The Time Is Now" for our Friends and Family Dedication Day! Hundreds of invitations have been sent, with the hope to share this great day with all we know and love. Many have made the work of the last 10 months possible, and it will be our intent, in part, to recognize their efforts in this project we've known as Framing the Future. Sunday, August 26, will focus on the blessings our God has shared, and the responsibility we have to be good stewards of His gifts.

Commitment has been our emphasis for the month of August. Within this attribute of faith, it is at the heart of accomplishing anything for the sake of our Savior. No small measure of commitment was needed to see our way through the events of this project, which find their inception back at the beginning of 2010. This is not adequate to enumerate all that has been accomplished during this time, but there is room to say the work was provided for by skilled hands, safety was a gift received by those involved, and sacrifice continues to be made to be good stewards of this project.

Nehemiah challenged Israel to accomplish a great task, not merely because they were able bodied and capable of the work, but because it was a work that God would prosper (Nehemiah 2:20). To commit ourselves in such a way to the Lord that leans on His power and strength to prosper our efforts in any endeavor, is our only true source of help. I hope you know, this is the commitment the Lord needs from His church today, to accomplish great things for His glory!



**Friends,
Family,
Dedication
Day**



August 26, 2012

Worship Service 9:00 AM

Building Dedication 10:30 A.M.

Luncheon 11:00 AM

P.M. Worship 12:45 P.M.

Tours of Renovated Areas

Following Lunch

The Centerville Church of Christ...

first met in 1870 and has continued without division for the last 142 years. The congregation has been served by 9 ministers thru its history. Paul Rogers served as minister more than one-third of this time. The physical plant has moved location three times with numerous renovations and currently is located on 138 North Central Avenue facing Highway 100. It has been located here since September 1966, when the new building was dedicated. Since 1966 two major renovation projects have been completed with the most recent renovation occurring in the last year. The dedication of our new office building and the completed renovation project will occur on Sunday, August 26, 2012 at 10:30 AM. , during our annual *Friends and Family Day*. The project began over 1 year ago with the installation of a new HCAC system and culminated with complete auditorium renovation with new seating, new foyer, 2 elevators, and the new office building for a total renovation cost of \$1.4 million. This project has been made possible by the generosity of several members and the gift of one.

Thru out our 142 year history members' generosity has made possible many additions to our property. Beginning in 1968 with the donation of 160 acres for Camp Meribah, then additional 60 acres in 1979 followed by the completion of Ken McDonald Hall, Rogers Staff Cabin, the A-frame Chapel, numerous cabins, playground, and finally the Dotson Lodge has enabled the church to serve over 200,000 in the history of Camp Meribah. On the main church campus additional properties made possible thru gifts are the Kittrell Bus Garage, the Outreach Center, the Hope House, and the Rogers Bell Tower. In 1992, a \$1.2 million expansion was completed and gave us a beautiful new wing for our Day School which continues to serve 60 pre-schoolers everyday. Also in this wing is our Fellowship Hall which has made possible many church and community functions in the last 20 years

The Centerville congregation has had nine occasions across the 142 years where more than 1,000 gathered for worship. As early as 1966 with the original building dedication when 1,071 were present and as recent as May 2, 2004 when we set an all-time record for small town Churches of Christ with 1,405 in attendance for Generations Day.

We have been blessed with support from our great community and you are cordially invited to be a part of our 2012 *Friends and Family Day* on August 26, 2012. Worship will begin at 9:00 AM followed by our dedication at 10:30. Lunch will follow, then tours of the building. The day will be completed with evening service beginning at 12:30. Hope you will come and be part of the next chapter of our history!



Proverbs 27:17

August 22

Lighthouse

5:00-7:00

-August 25

Cookout &

Creek

Splashing

4:00-7:00

At McDonald

Farm

-August 29

Lighthouse

5:00-7:00

-August 30

JR High

Fireside

@ The

Shelton's

YOUTH ON HIS PATH

Praise, Apply, Teach, Heighten

Craig Shelton

WHAT A WONDERFUL, BUSY WEEKEND!... We began with a 5th Quarter on Friday night right after a big Bulldog win. We packed the Fellowship Hall with over 80 in attendance. It would not have been possible without Patrick Allen, Mark Bentley, Matthew & Cissy Dotson, Andrew House, Lonnie Mayberry, Brian Qualls, Chris Teet, and Misty Shelton for helping to chaperone. Our next 5th Quarter is September 7 and Dodgeball is on the agenda!

NEXT WE GOT OUT THE SOAP AND MOPS... In preparation for Friend's, Family, and Dedication Day (and just basically because it was needed) we cleaned all four of our buses. We washed, mopped, dusted, and even climbed up on top of the big buses to make them spotless. Thanks to all who came, especially Jim Hudgins, Marty Smith, Chris Teet and Misty. You did good!

WE ENDED THE WEEKEND at our home with the Senior High Fireside. We had just over 20 for some food, fun times, and to discuss being "The Tree." May we challenge ourselves to help others see Christ and that may just simply be the way we live our lives in dedication to Him. Thanks to Misty for some great taco salad and to all who came to be a part!

THE LIGHTHOUSE OFFICIALLY REOPENS WEDNESDAY... The grand reopening of the Lighthouse begins at 5:00 and will last up until worship time. There have been several upgrades and renovations to make it a grand spot. There is still one big thing in the works that Mike Goodpasture is assembling that may not be in place by Wednesday, but the youth group has grown impatient with me, so we must open. A big thanks to Bryan McAlister for his time and efforts in helping get everything into place. Also, thanks to Brian Qualls, Marty Smith, Chris Teet, and Shane Willis for their grunt work. The biggest changes have come by way of Troy Bates. He was instrumental in one of the biggest additions that I am sure everyone will love. Remember, the Lighthouse will be open two Wednesday nights of the month (found on the calendars) with food or snacks being served at both. Invite your friends and come enjoy!

THIS SATURDAY AT THE MCDONALD'S FARM at Beaverdam will be our creek splashing and a cookout. This is for all ages and will begin around 4:00. We will supply the hotdogs, burgers, and drinks and you supply the side dishes and desserts. Bring a kickball, frisbee, fishing pole, and/or creek essentials and plan on a great time!

"KEEP COMPANY WITH GOOD MEN AND GOOD MEN YOU WILL IMITATE." That in a nutshell is why youth groups exist. We must be there for one another to strengthen, lift one another up, and encourage. I Cor 12, Heb 3:13, Eccl 4:12, Prov 27:17, are among just a few verses that back that up. At all ages in the church we need others to help us go through the "narrow gate," to keep us focused on the goal, and reach our destination of the home in heaven with God. Be there for one another and continue to... follow His path, Craig

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

\$ 13,786.09

BUDGET -\$ 12,820.00

Sunday School - \$ 192.88

Many families have made the commitment to

"Be In For Ten"

Adding an additional \$10.00 to their current contribution.

There are 250 families within our Church Family.

IMAGINE THE POTENTIAL !!!



Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to Camp Meribah in memory of Thelbert Bradley by the ladies in Wanda Givens' Wednesday night bible class.

...a Memorial has been given to Camp Meribah in memory of Thelbert (T.J.) & Jane Bradley and in honor of their children by Bill & Joy McDonald.

Thank You

Thomas & June Bowen write:
"We sincerely appreciate all of your calls, cards, words of comfort, and prayers at the death of my sister and also for your concern and prayers for our son Chris. We feel truly blessed to have you for our church family. In Christian Love..."

Ladies' Bible Class

The Thursday morning *Ladies' Bible Class* will resume on September 6, 2012. They meet at the Outreach Center at 9:30 A.M. Please come and study with them !

New Address



David, Kathy, Luke, Anna Grace and Sam Brown have moved. Their new address is:

2810 Skyview Drive
Centerville, Tennessee 37033

August Events

...August 25 Team Harvest "Top Shot"

...August 26, 2012

Friends/Family/Dedication Day

*Fellowship Meal to follow !
Invite, Invite, Invite !!*

Sympathy



Cynthia Scott Mitchell

1915- 2012

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Cynthia Scott Mitchell who passed away at the age of 96. Mrs. Mitchell was a member of the Centerville Church of Christ for many years and a resident of Tulipwood. To her son James (Shirley) Scott, Antioch, George (Margaret) Scott, Dallas, Texas, stepdaughter Sue (Edward) Faulkner, Brentwood, all family and friends, we extend our deepest sympathy.

Team Harvest Top Shot

Time: 9:00 A.M.

When : Saturday, August 25th

Where : The Lake at
Camp Meribah

*Please bring .22 rifle,
cartridges, shooting stick, and
a steady aim and join us for the
most fun you will ever have
with a golf ball.*

Power of Prayer



...Jenelle Clay is having some health problems and has requested prayers.

...Edward Loveless has returned home from the hospital and doing much better.

...Doug Burchard will have a very serious surgery on September 4th at the Sarah Cannon Cancer Center at Centennial Hospital. *Please remember the Doug Burchard family in your prayers.*

...Kenneth Emler, brother of Marge Rushton, is recovering at home from surgery.

...Carolyn Stoltz, mother of Melissa Qualls, Helen Simmons & Jamie Stoltz, will be having hip replacement surgery on Sept 11 at St. Thomas Hospital.

The following are recovering from surgery or dealing with an illness:

J.T. Moss, Jerry Shepard, Anthony Mayberry, Olga Dotson, Chris Bowen, Karen Powers, Joyce Carroll, Margaret Forrester, J.T. Wright, Bobby Kelley, Teresa Stone, Maxine Shepherd, Dan Wallace, Paul Litton, Fay Bowen, Mollie Orton, Jason & Tawny Kramp, Noah Elliott, Janie Billions, Andrea Spears, Robert Pitts, Lisa Shepherd, Kathy Lawhon, Janie Warren.

Nursing Home Residents: Life Care Center:

Norma Nicks Parham, George Dotson, Francis Harris, Stephen Church, Ruth Stephenson, Nicus Loveless, Elsie Mathis, Thelma Chessor, Thelma Deitmen, Lillian Bradford, Ida Mable Gerard, Lois Masters.

Hickman County Nursing Home:

Brown Breece, Ruby Wells.

Vanderbilt Stallworth Rehab.:

Shane Birdwell

Home: Lula Mae Gilliam, Curtis & Margaret McCord, Mozine Atkinson, Dorothy Easley, Jean Plemmons, J.W. & Sue Roder, Troy Parks, Edward Loveless, Belva Goins, James & Louise Westmoreland.

Our Elders



Lonnie Gilliam



Mike Goodpasture



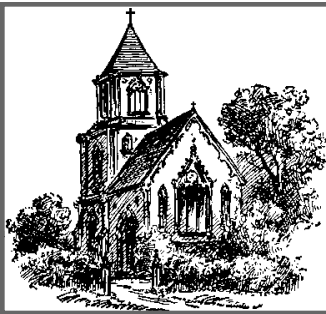
Bill McDonald



Wayne Qualls

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How long does influence last? As we set aside time this coming Lord's day to honor another milestone in our church history with our recent building expansion and renovation, we have received yet another reminder of the high regard hearts have held and continue to hold for this great church. The year was 1873, and the goal was lofty, establish a notable presence for the church in Centerville. Among the families involved, the family of *Maude Parris* would have no small hand in helping to secure the original building site on Church St., just off the town square. How long does influence last? For one family, the reach is measured by 142 years. *Mrs. Louise Parris* (daughter-in-law of *Mrs. Maude Parris*), bequeathed a significant gift to the Centerville Church, and it is with much graciousness the gift is received. How long will your influence last? This is a fitting challenge to all who read these words place what is given in our hands, into the hands of others who will be faithful stewards for the glory of God. From our hearts to the heart of *Mrs. Louise Parris*, "Thank you."

Worship Service Times

Sunday A.M.	9:00 A.M.
Bible Class	10:15 A.M.
Sunday P.M.	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday	7:00 P.M.

READ SCRIPTURE

August 26 David Hudgins
 September 2 Mike Elkins

Prayer Week of August 26

S.M.W.	S.M.D
David Brown	Randy James
S.E.W.	S.E.D.
Don Luther	Daniel Dressler
W.E.B.S.	W.E.D.
Chris Teet	Mike Brown

Worship Involvement: Please contact the following if you are unable to serve:

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