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"I Hope You Know"

Who are the forgiven? Those who seek divine forgiveness do so with a confidence, that God will forgive them of their sins (I John 1:9). Who are the forgiven? Those who are able to find in their hearts the ability to forgive others their sins against them (Matthew 5:46; 6:15; 18:35; Luke 15:32). Who are the forgiven? They are the children of God, even those children who leave the Father for a time, but find their way back to Him, expecting the least but receiving the greatest love they have ever known (Luke 15:23-24). Who are the forgiven? Those whose hearts live like they are forgiven, without the heavy burden of regret. They are able to function each day, without every moment of today being haunted by all the sins and transgressions of yesterday. They can lay down at night and sleep and their sleep is sweet. But for too many, the pain of yesterday finds a permanent place in every today. So instead of a night slumber, it is a night of sorrow.

The bible says quite a lot about sleep. Sleep is a euphemism for death (John 11:11, I Thessalonians 4:13). Sleep is an explanation of consciousness (e.g., Adam's sleep, "a deep state of inertness" (Genesis 2:21) vs. Jacob's, "a trance" (Genesis 28:11)). Sleep is discouraged, when it becomes too much (Proverbs 6:9-10). Sleep is encouraged when it's not enough (Mark 6:35). Jesus slept when it seemed inappropriate to some (Mark 4:38), but those same critics of Jesus slept when He needed them the most (Matthew 26:40). Yet Jesus still seemed to understand, "the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak."

We need sleep. But what happens when sleep becomes elusive? There are at least 10 sleep clinics within a 60 mile radius of Centerville. According to the <u>National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke</u>, about 40 million people in the United States suffer from chronic long-term sleep disorders each year and an additional 20 million people experience occasional sleep problems. There are more than 70 different sleep disorders, which are generally classified into one of three categories: lack of sleep (e.g., insomnia), disturbed sleep (e.g., obstructive sleep apnea), and excessive sleep (e.g., narcolepsy). One doctor said,



"Sufficient sleep is not a luxury, it is a necessity." But then there are those inexplicable aches and pains we seek medical help to heal, but there seems to be more appointments with doctors than answers from doctors. We are like David, "When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my vitality was turned into the drought of summer" (Psalm 32:3-4). No matter how hard we try, it just seems as though the life is drained out of us.

The matter which touches all our hearts is the matter of forgiveness. When the mind is in continual thought of all the regrets of life, all the guilt of days gone by, and all the missed opportunities - when this is all we look at, think of, and focus on, no wonder we struggle to find rest in our mind, body, and soul. David said, "My sin is always before me" (Psalm 51:3). We don't always forget the pain of our past. But we do not have to permit it to poison our present. For each time David recalls his sin and guilt, he more than twice as often, praises God for His mercy and forgiveness and promise to never again remember this sin. What do we think of more? I hope you know the Lord's power to forgive is offered to you and you think more on that blessing than any other burden.

# Special Days in July...



Guy & Janet Barber Married 56 Years July 2, 2012



Bobby & Mary Katherine Bates Married 64 Years July 6, 2012



Don Luther 83 Years Old July 6, 2012



Charles Horner 83 Years Old July 19, 2012



Marie Boehms 86 Years Old July 21, 2012



**Bill & Betty Davis** 

**Married 54 Years** 

July 18, 2012

Kenneth Jenkins 84 Years Old July 21, 2012



Viola Rushton Vickers 93 Years Old July 22, 2012



Paul Litton 80 Years Old July 29, 2012

# Camp Meribah Fun





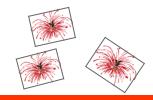






# 4th of July Celebration

Sunday, July 1, 2012
Following P.M. Worship Service



Food Fellowship Fireworks



# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

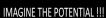
#### **CONTRIBUTION**

*\$* 9,843.85 **BUDGET -\$ 12,820.00** Sunday School - \$ 138.82

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.





#### Memorials

- ...a Camp Meribah Scholarship has been given in memory of Inis Puckett and Owen Barber by Roger & Susan Dotson.
- ...a Camp Meribah Scholarship has been given in memory of Joshua Bryant by Brad & Elda Francis.
- ...a donation has been given to the Framing the Future Fund in memory of Owen Barber.
- ...a Camp Meribah Scholarship has been given in memory of Lamar Chessor and in honor of Sally Chessor.

### Area Events

... Gospel Meeting at the Rocky Valley Church of Christ, July 1-4, 2012. Speaker: Johnny Clayton Bible Class: 10:00 A.M.; Worship: 11:00 A.M.; Evening Worship: 7:30 P.M.

... School Supply Give-A-Way at the Fairfield Church of Christ July 28, 2012. Time: 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

#### Youth In The News...



Congratulations to Grant Dotson and Josh Copley and the 9 U Travel Baseball Team the Columbia Rookies

for winning the BPA State Tournament! They will travel to the World Series in July! We are proud of you!!

## Moving



**Barbara McClannahan has** moved to her new home. **Her address is :** 

**327 Cedar View Court** Hillsboro, MO 63050

#### July Events...

...July 1st 4th of July Celebration ...July 1—6 Teen Week Camp Meribah A FEW SPOTS AVAILABLE !!

...July 12 Visitation Team 2 at Outreach Center 6:30 P.M.

...July 15 Visitation Team 3 meets at the Outreach Center after P.M. worship

...July 15 Men's Monthly Business Meeting at 5:00 P.M. in the chapel.

# Sympathy



STELLA BREECE 1915-2012

We express our sympathy to the family of Stella Breece who passed away. Mrs. Breece would have celebrated her 97th birthday on July 19, 2012. To her daughter, Marv Francis (Larry) Welch, grandchildren, all family and friends, we extend our deepest sympathy.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Danny Sawyer who passed away. He was a relative of Peggy Breece, Christine Sawyer, and Gary Sawver.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Peggy Clarkson who was killed in a house fire early Sunday morning in Dickson. She was the mother of Jennifer Hudgins.

## Baby Girl!



Congratulations to Troy & **Emily Bannister on the** birth of a baby girl, Adelyn Catherine Bannister. She was born June 15, 2012,

and weighed 8 lbs. 2 0zs. The proud grandparents are Bryant and Mitzi Williams and the great-grandparents are Hezekiah & Reda Springer.



BAPTISM... We rejoice with Jamie Winters who was baptized on June 22, 2012, by members of the Jail Ministry.



....Paul Litton is in the Centerville Life Care Center for therapy.

- ...Lilianna Dressler, infant daughter of Mark & Jessica, will have a procedure done this week to remove a spot on her back.
- ...Dan Wallace had multiple by-pass surgery on June 26 at Vanderbilt Hospital.
- ...Nancy Weaver is dealing with an infection.
- ...Mollie Orton will have surgery Wednesday, June 27th, at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital for a feeding tube insertion. Please continue to pray for Mollie daily.
- ...Jason Kramp is waiting for a kidney transplant. His wife, Tawny, hopes to be the donor. They are waiting for tests results this week. They are friends of John Bradley.
- ...Nona Capps, the 86 year old grandmother of John Bradley, is very sick in NHC in Dickson due to suffering several strokes.
- ...Teresa Stone, the mother of Eric Ghant, is in Dickson Horizon Medical Center.

#### Fundraiser for Baby Mollie

Infant daughter of *Lee & Cassidy* Orton Food, Auction, & Family Fun Saturday, July 21, 2012 11:00 A.M-1:00 P.M. Fairfield Church of Christ **BBQ** or Hamburger Plate \$8.00 Hot Dog Plates \$ 6.00 Silent Auction, Cake Walk, Bouncy House & Music Will Be Available **During Event Time!** Some Items Included In The Auction Are: Beech **Bend Park Passes, Gift Baskets & Gift Certificates From Local Businesses, Baked Goods & More! Atttention Members of the** Centerville Church of Christ...We have been asked to donate *canned* drinks for this benefit. You may bring your drinks and leave them in the church lobby beginning Sunday, July 8th. We appreciate your help with this.



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#### Those to Serve in...July

**Wait on Table** 1st Sunday **Charlie Shelton** 2nd Sunday Gary Gatewood 3rd Sunday **Daniel Dressler** 4th Sunday **Brian Qualls** 5th Sunday **Jimmy Copley Left Bobby McFarlin** J.B. Brown Samuel Gilbert **Bob McDonald** Right **George Garland** Alan Potts **Robert Bowman Warren Potts** <u>Alternates</u> **Marty Smith Lonnie Mayberry** 

Lord's Supper P.M. Served in the Chapel Bob McDonald Jason Oliphant

PRAYER WEEK
OF July 1
S.M.W.
Ward Mayberry
S.M.D.
Randy Wright
S.E.W.

S.E.W. Alan Potts S.E.D. Will Chessor W.E.B.S. Elders W.E.D.

**Elders** 

**To Drive Bus in July** 

7/1 Brandon McCauley

7/4 Mike Goodpasture

**Mark Chessor** 

7/8 John Bradley

7/15 Patrick Allen

7/11 George Garland

7/18 David Hudgins

7/22 Michael Bryant

7/25 George Garland

7/29 Patrick Allen

Phillip Allen

**Lonnie Mayberry** 

**Mark Chessor** 

**Lonnie Mayberry** 

## Meals On Wheels

7/4 July 4th Holiday
7/11 Roger Dotson
7/18 Susan Dotson
7/25 Ridonna Goodpasture
PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40

<u>USHERS</u>: Bobby Breece, Frank Atkinson, Randy Wright, Lonnie Mayberry

A.M.

P.M.

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#### **BOYS TO PICK UP CARDS IN JULY**

<u>1st SUNDAY</u> - Thomas Alderson, Heath Buchanan, McKale Baltz, Trevor Buchanan

 $\underline{\text{2nd SUNDAY}}\,$  - John Jacobs, Eli Jacobs, Gage Dotson, Grant Dotson

<u>3rd SUNDAY</u>—Riley Haithcoat, Bryce Hughes, Jared Brown, Jackson Thigpen

4th SUNDAY - Major Qualls, Aiden Wallace, Lincoln Smith, Lake Bates

<u>Sth Sunday</u> -Zachary King, Will McDonald, Andrew Weaver, Cameron Wright

Please be up front by 8:50

READ SCRIPTURE
July 1 Joey Hunt
July 8 David Brown

GREETERS
Bob & Kathy McDonald
Bryan & Lori Woods
Bobby & Valerie McCoy
Mike & Janice Brown

NURSERY
Shelby Prince
BAPTISMAL CLOTHING
Carolyn Brown

RADIO ROOM Marty Smith Griffin Elkins Grady Teet

#### **NURSING HOME SERVICES**

LIFE CARE CENTER
7/1 Shane Willis
7/8 David Hudgins
7/15 Daniel Dressler
7/22 Larry Lawhon
7/29 Daniel Dressler
Tulipwood Service - John Bradley