



Family News

Congratulations

Mark and Jennifer McCord on the birth of a daughter, **Madelyn Rae**, Tuesday, January 13, weighing 9 lb., 1 oz. and 21-1/4" long. Big sister is Amber and big brothers are Mark, Jr. and Ean. Proud grandparents are Larry and Londa Parker.

Kenny and Ellen Bailey on the birth of a son, **Silas Griffin**, Friday, January 16, weighing 7 lb., 6 oz. and 20-3/4" long. Big brothers are Samuel and Seth.

Responses

Baptized: **Ron Bell**
Prayer: **Kayla Moore**

Sympathy

Charles Light and Joyce Quinn on the death of their brother, **Vernon Light**, Sunday, January 25. His funeral was Wednesday in Smyrna.

Family of **Nancy Roberson**, who passed away Sunday, January 25. She was the grandmother of Cristy Crague. Her funeral was Wednesday at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home.

Family of **Ruby Marsh**, who passed away Wednesday, January 28. She was the mother of Patsy Graham. Her funeral was Saturday at Hendersonville Funeral Home.

Baby Girl Teas

The ladies are invited to a baby girl tea for Maggie (Connor) White on Sunday, February 8, from 1-3 p.m. in the Tea Room. Maggie is registered with Babies R Us and Target.

The congregation is invited to a baby shower for Melody Sheppard on Sunday, February 22, from 1-3 p.m. in the Tea Room. Melody is registered with Babies R Us and Target. Melody is the daughter-in-law of Brian and Amy Sheppard. Families are invited.

"Be My Valentine" Lunch

The Golden Hearts/Seniors' Ministry is hosting a "Be My Valentine" lunch on Friday, February 13, at Hermitage House Smorgasbord. Cost is \$12 per person and includes your meal, drink, tax, tip, and transportation. Entertainment will be provided by Danny McCorkle. We will leave from the church at 11:15 a.m. and return by 3 p.m. Space is limited, so sign up soon. Sign-up forms are available in both lobbies and can be returned to Bob Dillon or Carolyn Braden.

ADULT EDUCATION

9 a.m. Sunday • January - March

Classes	Location	Teachers
New Christians	TBA	Nathan White Jimmy Robinson
College-Age Singles Ecclesiology	Room B-2	Sean McPherson Rod Stamps
Young Professionals Portraits of Christ as Seen in the Gospel of John	Room B-1	Richard Swint John Young
Young and Married Meet the Family	Room 419	Tim Bewley Owen Slaughter
Homebuilders The Christian's Everyday Problems	Room 420	Mark Hayes Barry Potts
Young & Restless Grace	Room 421	Larry Graham
Baby Boomers Parables	Room 201	David Swanger
Seekers Jesus' Apostles and Other Disciples	Room 204	Doug Brown John Kester
Keenagers Jesus and His Teachings	Room 422	Joe Jackson Clyde Head
Empty Nesters Miracles	Room 101	John Groves Karl Wagnon
Special Family Needs Bringing Peace and Harmony to the Blended Family	Room 202	Brian Sheppard
Special Class Lamplighters	Room 203	Jan Blackwell
Auditorium Class 1 Timothy	Auditorium	Bill Ruhl

Pennsylvania Dutch Tour Meeting

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in going on the 5-day Pennsylvania Dutch Tour April 27-May 1 in Room 101, at 4:45 p.m. on Sunday, February 8. The tour group is about half full at this time. If you have questions, please contact Michael or Mabel Jordan at 851-2014 and they will find the answers for you.



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Morning Worship 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Song Leader Joe Connor
Song #226 How Great Thou Art
Scripture: Mark 4:35-41 Andy Bell
Opening Prayer Greg Gray
Song #976 Sweet Adoration
Song #360 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me
Song #345 It Is Well with My Soul
Song #359 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross
Song #203 Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Lord's Supper - Communion
Dismissal for Children's Worship Ages 2-5

Song #425 Master, the Tempest Is Raging!
Sermon: "Where's My Bailout?" Brian Sheppard
Song #859 He Paid a Debt
Song #421 Love Lifted Me
Closing Prayer Thomas Warrington

Evening Worship 5 p.m.

Song Leader Jonathan Senn
Song #134 Faith Is the Victory
Song #640 The Providence of God
Song #613 Take My Life, and Let It Be
Scripture: James 1:1-8 Huston Hudson
Opening Prayer Tim Davidson
Song #843 As the Deer Panteth for the Water
Song #340 Into Our Hands
Sermon: "Being Mature" Brian Sheppard
Song #655 There's a Fountain Free
Song #968 Shine, Jesus, Shine
Closing Prayer Jeff Carrigan

Church Office Hours
Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Email Us
HendCOC@aol.com
24-Hours News Line
615.824.0808
Day School
615.264.0308

Pier 511 Youth Ministry
www.Pier511.com
Life of Christ Study
www.StudyJesus.com
Sermon Broadcasts
Cable Channel 3
Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Saturday at 7 p.m.

Family Meeting on Transition

In order to continue communication on our current transition, we will be having a Family Meeting Sunday night, February 8. After a brief devotional, we will take up to 45 minutes to discuss the following topics:

- Youth Minister search.
- Self-study to prepare for Pulpit Minister search.
- Time line of the Hendersonville Church of Christ.
- "Introduction to Hendersonville" to give prospective preachers information on our congregation and our community.
- Questions and comments.

Transition Monitoring Team Meeting

The *Transition Monitoring Team* will meet in Room 101 following services Sunday night, February 15. We will be out in one hour.

One Heart

Our first One Heart small group Bible study for 2009 will be on Sunday, March 8. For those not currently connected to a group, you will have the opportunity to sign up February 15 and 22. If you would be interested in leading a group or have additional questions, contact David Swanger in the church office.

Premarital Counseling Available

Is a wedding in your plans for 2009? Premarital counseling services are available from Brian Sheppard, Family Minister, and will help you begin your marriage relationship on a solid foundation. If you would like to schedule an appointment for premarital counseling, please call Brian at 824-6622.

Worship Time Change Tonight

The evening worship service for tonight will be at 5 p.m.



Barber Clippings

Contentment 101

Where do we find, how do we learn contentment?

Pain

“My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing” (James 1:2-4 NKJV). Jean Paul Richter said, “For sleep, riches, and health to be truly enjoyed, they must be interrupted” (*Reader’s Digest*, August 1997, page 49).

Practice

Paul said he had learned to be content (Philippians 3:13, 14). The word means “to learn by use and practice, to acquire the habit of, be accustomed to” (Vine, W. E., *Vine’s Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words*, Grand Rapids, MI: Fleming H. Revell 1981). Barbara DeAngelis illustrates:

“Imagine that you want to be a concert violinist. Someone gives you an old, poorly made violin on which to practice. Of course, you wish you had a Stradivarius, the best violin in the world, but you don’t. So you study day and night, you pour your heart and soul into playing that inferior violin well. One day, a benefactor appears and hands you the Stradivarius you always dreamed of. Your hands begin to shake as you pick it up, and then you begin to play, and you play exquisitely. The reason you can play so beautifully is not because you’re using an instrument that’s worth \$250,000. You play so well because you had developed your skill as a violinist.”

“If you had not learned how to play that old secondhand violin properly, you would not have been able to play the Stradivarius.”

“If you don’t develop your skill at enjoying what you have, you won’t be happier when you get more” (*Real Moments*, page 19).

Paul said this was the way he attained a clear conscience: “And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men” (Acts 24:16 KJV).

Contentment is not pleasure without stress. It is doing the best we can, with what we have, where we are - and being pleased with that, knowing that God is pleased.

Jerrie Barber



Children’s Ministry News

VBS DVDs are still available for purchase at the information desk in the back lobby. The cost is \$10.

Mother/Daughter Day Out

“Girls Just Want to Have Fun”

All girls age 4 through grade 5, join us Saturday, February 21, from 10-12 a.m. in the Adult Annex. Cost is \$10 per family. Sign up today and next Sunday in the back lobby. If you would like to help, see Kim Bryant or Dana Craig-head.

Mother/Daughter Banquet

“Mothers And Delicate Daughters”

(Mothers-in-Law and Daughters-in-Law included)

Don’t miss the chance to create a lasting memory. All daughters grade 5 up to any age, join us Saturday, February 21, at 6 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Photos begin at 5:30 p.m. Dress is casual to dressy. Cost is \$10 each to be paid by February 15 in the front lobby. Please bring a photo of you and your daughter and leave it at the front lobby with your registration fee. For more information, contact Judy Tedder (822-0342) or Shellie Tucker (838-0022).

Singular Connections

(New Ministry for Singles)

One of the great needs of this congregation is a strong singles’ ministry. That need will soon be a reality. There will be a luncheon and organizational meeting for all singles 30+ on Sunday, February 8, immediately following the 10 a.m. worship in the Pier. Bring your appetite, your dreams, and your ideas, as we discuss our plans for the future of this ministry. If you have friends that would benefit from this ministry, please call Tina Bailey at 826-0030 with their names and a contact number (preferably email).

February 1

Wynne Callis
Kay Carrigan
Maribeth Lyle
Sharon Lyle
Anna Savage
Mary Jo Williams



February 8

Becky Campbell
Julie Cummins
Heather Jackson
Julie Watson
Jana West
Beth Williams

Calendar of Events

February

- 1 Caring Cards, 4-6 p.m., Community Room
- 2 Ping Pong, 7-9 p.m., Pier
- 3 Ladies’ Bible Class, 10 a.m., Room 420
- 3 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 4 Senior Moments, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 5 Men’s Bible Class, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 5 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 7 Community Hearts Dinner/Whitten, 4-7 p.m., MPR
- 8 Singles Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Pier
- 8 Baby Girl Tea for Maggie (Connor) White, 1-3 p.m., Tea Room
- 9 Ping Pong, 7-9 p.m., Pier
- 10 Ladies’ Bible Class, 10 a.m., Room 420
- 10 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 11 Senior Moments, 9 a.m., Community Room
- 11 Wednesday Night Meal, 5 p.m., MPR
- 12 Karate, 7-8 p.m., Pier
- 13 Rookie Rook Club, 5:30 p.m., Community Room
- 14 Red Cross Blood Drive, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., MPR
- 15 Lads to Leaders, 4-6 p.m., Room 202

Community Hearts Dinner

Come out this Saturday night, February 7, and let’s support George Whitten Elementary School! It is an “all you can eat” soup and sandwich buffet. Enjoy chili, taco soup, or chicken noodle, along with ham and turkey sandwiches. You can’t beat the price: adults \$6, students \$4, kids \$3. The meal will be served between 4-7 p.m. in the MPR and takeouts are available. If you can donate a dessert, please bring it by the MPR between 12-3 p.m.

Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be a blood drive honoring Colby Hitchcock, youngest son of Jason and Rebecca Hitchcock, Saturday, February 14, in the Multipurpose Room. They will be helping the Red Cross replenish the blood supply for not only Colby, but other children or adults who are in need.

FOR THE RECORD

Attendance:	1-25-09
9 a.m. Sunday School	818
7:30 a.m. Worship	165
10 a.m. Worship	1285
Total AM Worship	1450
6 p.m. Worship	396
6:30 p.m. Wednesday 1/28	431
Contribution	\$41,926.84
Weekly Budget	\$46,000.00
YTD Budget	\$184,000.00
YTD Contribution	\$168,390.00
Under Budget	\$15,610.00
www.StudyJesus.com	35,545

FROM OUR ELDERS

Craig Callis	Larry Perry
Rick Fussell	Ron Ponders
Larry Graham	Glen Rodgers
Dennis Johnson	Bill Shannon
John Kester	Rod Stamps
Don Litchford	Karl Wagnon

A Football Game to Be Remembered

I love sports and enjoy cheering for my team as much as anyone. However, I admit that at times, the competitive spirit seems to get out of hand. Winning replaces sportsmanship, and people who are created in the image of God (sometimes even our brethren in Christ) become our enemies.

Rick Reilly, a columnist for *ESPN Magazine*, described a unique football game that took place this fall in Grapevine, Texas, pitting Grapevine Faith against Gainesville State School. Grapevine (7-2) was a moderate sized Christian school with 70 players and 11 coaches, while Gainesville (0-8) was a maximum security correctional facility that only had 14 players and had to play every game on the road.

Faith’s head coach, Kris Hogan, decided this was an ideal time to attempt an unorthodox experiment. He asked half of their fan base to sit on the opposing sideline and cheer for the visiting Gainesville team. He even provided them a roster so they could shout out player’s names. The students designed a banner for the visitors to run through that said, “Go Tornadoes!” He divided the cheerleaders, so half of them led cheers for the opposing team. For the ride home, they gave each player a bag with a hamburger, fries, soda, candy, Bible, and an encouraging note from one of Faith’s players.

When the game was over (Faith won 33-14), both teams met in the middle of the field for the traditional postgame prayer. One of the players from the correctional school asked permission to lead that prayer. He said, “Lord, I don’t know how this happened, so I don’t know how to say thank you; but I never would’ve known there was so many people in the world that cared about us.” As the players, handcuffed together, were led to their bus, their coach grabbed Hogan by the shoulders and said, “You’ll never know what your people did for these kids tonight. You’ll never, ever know.”

Maybe the story seems strange or a bit “cheesy,” but it sure sounds a lot like the heart of Jesus Christ. Remember, He was the One who touched lepers, forgave an adulteress, chatted with tax collectors; and in more than one story, He painted a Samaritan as the hero. The small things we do can make a gigantic difference in the lives of others. Have we really been captured by the heart of God and the mind of Christ?

Don Loftis
The Gospel Messenger

The Elders