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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

August 12, 2009



Who are you inviting?

Please start praying now and make your invitation list of those you want to bring to "National Back to Church Sunday"
September 13, 2009

TOP TEN REASONS PEOPLE LEAVE THE CHURCH

#1 "I don't believe in organized religion."

#2 "I have my own way of connecting with God."

#3 "I got tired of the church always asking for money."

#4 "My life situation changed, and I just never went back."

#5 "I don't have to go to church to be a good person."

#6 "I'm too busy, and Sundays are my only day to rest."

#7 "Church is boring."

#8 "The people in church tend to have their own cliques—I never fit in."

#9 "Christians are judgmental and hypocritical."

#10 "I don't think I'd be welcome anymore---I've done some bad stuff."

--- from "Re-Think Church," by Kim Levings of Outreach, Inc.

KARM FRIENDS COMING THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

We're spending the week with a wonderful group of 25 children for our third annual KARM Vacation Bible School in downtown Knoxville. Thursday we will travel together by bus for a day at Wilderness Resort Water Park in Sevierville.

This Sunday, August 16 many of the children and their families will be our special guests for worship and a potluck dinner in the gym. Please bring your delicious meat, salad, vegetable, and dessert dishes to share with them.

Many faithful friends make this ministry possible. Thank you, church family, for giving your time to lead and to provide a ray of hope and encouragement to the homeless families of Knoxville!

"And the King will say to them, 'I assure you, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to Me!" (Matthew 25:40)

NEW YOUNG ADULT CLASS BEGINS AUGUST 30

Come and join John and Lindsay Duncan, Scott and Amanda Roberts, James O'Neal, Julie Rech, Nick and Lisa Deal, Brent Witmer and other young adults, married and single, who are beginning a brand new Sunday School class Sunday, August 30, 9:30 a.m. in the Keene Room. They are looking for you to join them in creating other opportunities for young adult ministry at First Church. Get in on the ground floor and make your faith count!

ORIENTATION OF ALL COMMITTEES AUGUST 23

An orientation meeting for all committees of the church will be held Sunday, August 23, 4:00 p.m. in classroom 26. Anyone serving on a committee for the remainder of 2009 and 2010 is encouraged to be present for this one-time meeting. If you cannot attend please contact your committee chair or the pastor.

PIONEER CLUBS IS COMING!

Pioneer Clubs will begin this fall with a "Back to School Splash," Sunday, September 13 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. We're planning loads of fun for all kids in our church and community! The ten-week fall session of Pioneer Clubs will begin Sunday, September 20 and continue through Sunday, November 22, 4:00-6:00 p.m. each session. Pioneer Clubs is for all children, pre-school through middle school.

SESSION MEETING

The Session will meet for its regular meeting Tuesday, August 18, 6:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. A large part of the meeting will be devoted to making final plans for our "National Back to Church Sunday" on September 13. All elders are encouraged to be present.

~Pastor Kevin







Happy Birthday



August

17-Kelsey Kane 21-LuAnn Jarnagin 21-Brandon Sprauge



Activities for August 16-22, 2009

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Tues., 6:00 p.m Session

Wed., 11:00 a.m. Friendship Club Luncheon -

Bel-Air (Halls)

Sat., 10:00 p.m Rebeccas—Perkins

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for August 9, 2009

Voor to Data (as of Assessed 2000)	
Expenses paid last week\$11,440.4	7
Memorial/Building Fund\$0.0	
Capital Improvements Fund\$2,120.00	
Offering\$2,661.9	
Worship8	
Sunday School50	

Year-to-Date (as of August 9, 2009)

Offerings received to date:\$88,274.58
Facility usage fees received to date.\$13,636.50
Expenses paid to date:\$169,593.87

CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEEDS YOU

We need volunteers for the remainder August. If you feel called to help with Children's Church, please call the office or Dianne Pipkin or Amanda Roberts. This is an important program and needs your involvement.

Volunteers for Children's Church are:

Aug 16- Amanda Roberts

Aug 23- Is it You? Aug 30- Is It You?

FRIENDSHIP CLUB TO BEL AIR GRILL

The Friendship Club for anyone 55 and older will meet Wednesday, August 19, 11:00 a.m. at the Bel-Air Grill in Halls. Please sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office (588-8581). The Bel-Air Grill is directly behind Burger King in Halls.

CRAZY GOLFERS TO RARITY POINTE THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

The "Crazy Golfers" are teeing it up at Rarity Pointe

Golf Course this Sunday, August 16 with tee times at 2:00, 2:10 and 2:20 p.m. If you plan to play please call Mike Bachman (342-3007) by Saturday, August 15 or sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office. Reservations are required. The cost will be \$32.00 including cart. Rarity Pointe is located in Lenoir City (988-0370).



Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Ian Miller (nephew of Lisa Deal's co-worker), St. Jude's Children's Hospital, brain cancer

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; CP Missionaries; Brack Emory; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; William Barron; Jonathan Migas; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Lois Witmer; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Lea & Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones; Marlene Ritchey; Doug Bailey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bridget, daughter of John Lindley; Rex Holt; Tyler, Becca and Skylar Meece; Bud & Betty Hickman; Cecil Presnell; Irene Marshall; Stephen Park (health and family; knee surgery August 3); Pam Wisner; Sheena Richardson Beal; Bob Moore (father of co-worker of Allison Davis); Camille Graves (daughter of a friend of Wendy Goodrich); Caleb Michael Bundon; Gene Murr (co-worker of Nick Deal); Janie Beeler (friend of Kevin and Nancy Wood); Judy Lawson, (Lisa Deal's aunt); Bill Keene; Virginia Chesney (surgery July 27); Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Eleanor Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's sister-in-law); Steve Henderson (co-worker and friend of Mindy Goddard Landry, kidney cancer and brain bleeding); the Banvelos family (friends of the Deal's; Bob Goodrich (Steve Goodrich's father); Hannah Davis.

Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes, additions or deletions to our Prayer Concerns list.

REBECCAS CIRCLE

Rebeccas will meet Saturday the 15th, at 10:00 a.m. for breakfast at Perkins on Kingston Pike.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Please correct your directory.

Betty Wilson—Home phone number is 806-8865. Cell phone number is 951-0813.

If you have any corrections to the directory please let the office know, so we can inform all.

Dear Church Family,

John and I have been working on a new love of ours: the Kirabo Foundation (check them out at: www.kirabofoundation.org). We, along with Dr. Bill Snyder and a committee of people, are hosting a dessert reception, silent auction, and concert at the Tennessee Theater on Wednesday, August 26th at 6:30p.m. We would like to invite each and every one of you to this free event. To RSVP, please email or call Lisa Carroll at 865-414-3467 or kirabofoundation@hotmail.com

Thank you, John and Lindsay Duncan