

PSALM 145:18-19

# The Wednesday Connection

August 30, 2023

## Pray

Father, you tell us to be as shrewd as snakes and innocent as doves. Right now we are all under attack from the adversary who is supernaturally shrewd and doesn't fight fair. Open the eyes of Your children so we can see that this spiritual battle requires new tactics....shrewd ones. Lord, we ask that You show us how to keep our focus on ministries that further Your kingdom. Guide us as to where to go. Send a harvest of workers who are willing to come together and reach out to this community with Holy Shrewdness that is intentional, not accidental. Give us a heart that yearns to love not only those in this body of believers, but the lost. And teach us to share Jesus Christ with those who have not heard about His sacrifice and His love. And we give You the Glory, amen.

## In the Hospital

### Upcoming Surgeries

Glenn Wright, October

## In Need of Prayer

Tricia Ashley  
Bryant  
Louise D  
Carl & Gail Gooding  
Aaron Henley  
Dewey Hudman  
Al Jackson  
Kathy & Travis  
Max K  
Joy Murray  
Adam P  
Angela Rigg  
Doug & Terri Sharp  
Joan Shields  
Mary Anne Wagener

*Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."*

*John 6:29*

## Recovery from Surgery/Illness

Jean Armstrong  
Dwight Wilson

## Rehab/Nursing Home

Peggy Driskell, CRNH  
David & Yolanda Keating, at home  
Connie Lake, CRNH  
Flora Jean Roberts, Union NH  
Barbara Van Nus, CRNH  
Pat Wright, CRNH  
Kay Yandell, Hayesville House

## THIS IS THE GOSPEL

You are invited to be part of a pilot group for our Discipleship Pathway that will be launching October 15th. To register, go to <https://mcconnellchurch.org/discipleship-pathway/> or scan the QR code on the poster in the Welcome Center. Call the church office if you have any questions.

## Sympathy

**Carol Barry & family**, at the death of her husband, Dennis.  
**Jan McCombs & family**, at the death of her husband Jim.  
The family of Helga Peters.

# Events from the Church Calendar (8/31 - 9/6)

<b>THURSDAY</b> 8/31	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.  7:00 p.m.	GriefShare, #219-FLC Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm "Escape the Coming Night" Bible Study, #LL-042 Choir Suite ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC	<b>MONDAY</b> 9/4		Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day
			<b>TUESDAY</b> 9/5	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.	Men's Prayer Bfst, Mary's Southern Grill Prayer Group, #026-LL Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Group, #219-FLC
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9/3	8:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.  9:00 a.m.  10:15 - 11:30 am 10:15 a.m.	Senior Over 60 Breakfast, FLC Band Rehearsal, Worship Ctr. Library Open - (also before and after worship service) Sunday School for all ages (Nursery Available) PEAK Kids Worship (3 yrs—5th grade) <b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9/6	10:00 am 10:00 a.m.- Noon 3:00—5:15 pm 5:15—5:45 p.m. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.  6:45 - 7:30 p.m. 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.	Community Quilting Group Library Open (also 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.) Summit Students Hangout Time, Lodge EDGE & Summit Family Meal, FLC PEAK Kids Edge, Children's Dept Summit Students, The Lodge Parents Small Group, #233-FLC Wednesday in the Word w/Pastor Steve, Worship Ctr Prayer Groups, TEL & Esther Rooms Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WOMENS BIBLE STUDY GROUP | 9/14

Fall Ladies Bible study to begin THURSDAY, 9/14 from 9:45-11:45 a.m. This 10-week video study by Jen Wilkin will lead us through the book of Hebrews, learning how Christ is the substance of the shadowy truths of the Old Testament records. If you will sign up early we will order your book for you—for the cost of \$17.11 each. This study will be held at the church, #233-FLC. Notify April Porter to join us on this new adventure. [Aprilporter1968@gmail.com](mailto:Aprilporter1968@gmail.com) or 757-535-4058. LAST SIGN UP DAY 9/7/23.

### MY ESTATE ROADMAP CLASS | 9/14 - 10/12

Would you like to make wise end-of-life healthcare decisions? Would you like to make life easier for your executor by better organizing your important information? If so, please join us on Thursday evenings starting September 14th at 5:30 PM in the Lodge for five 90-minute sessions led by trusted legal, medical, and funeral-home professionals. Signup at the Welcome Center or call the church office to register at 706-896-2281.

### NEW – COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY!

You are invited to serve as a part of a team at **Matts Ministry Food Pantry** in Hayesville, one Saturday a month, from 9:00 am—12 noon. For those interested in joining the team please call Jon Noon @ 321-312-5668. There will be a "Come-Together" short meeting of the volunteers following the Worship Service on September 10th in the Family Life Center.

### GBCH ANNUAL TRUCK LOADING EVENT

The Hiwassee Baptist Association is collecting the following items for the *Georgia Baptist Children's Homes*:

**Packs of individual snacks, chips, Jello & Pudding packs,  
Canned Fruit, Pickles (dill & sweet), Trash bags (13, 30, 60 gallons), and Toothpaste.  
Gift Cards are also appreciated!**

Drop your donations off in the collection bins in the Family Life Center,  
Drive Thru Portico, or Church Office **by Sunday, September 18th.**

### MISSION:GEORGIA

The September Mission Georgia offering emphasis represents the collaborative efforts of Georgia Baptists to love our neighbors and serve the vulnerable. Your gifts allow us to help our churches grow in compassion for their neighbors and to share the gospel while meeting needs throughout our great state.

**Our 2023 goal is \$17,500.**

Look for prayer guides at the entrance tables and offering envelopes in the pew pockets thru the end of September.

8/27	Budget		Moving Mountains	
	Weekly	YTD	Weekly	Since last pmt.
<b>Required</b>	\$30,629.90	\$1,072,046.50		
				<b>To Date</b>
<b>Received</b>	\$27,178.10	\$1,008,567.44	\$3,805.00	\$652,254.12

<b>Sunday, August 27</b>
<b>In Church Attendance — 484</b>
<b>Sunday School Attendance — 293</b>