

PSALM 145:18-19

The Wednesday Connection

October 25, 2023

Pray

Dear God, we give all honor and praise to you because we know that our relationship with you is what matters most. We don't want to walk this Christian journey unless you go with us. Do not disown us when we step out of line and go our own way. Forgive our wickedness, rebellion, and sin when we do not look to you first! We know that you are the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, who is slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness. We pray that you are pleased with us, and ask that you teach us your ways so we may know you and continue to find favor with you. Send your Holy Spirit to go with us and give us your rest. Then use that peace that only comes through Jesus, to distinguish us from all other people on the face of the earth. In his holy name, amen.

In Need of Prayer

Betty Bledsoe
Carlsberg Family
Diris Farmer
Travis & Lisa Henry
Dewey Hudman
Samuel Karp
Nancy Kelly
Brenlee Kitchens
Ruth McConnell
Patty Nesbitt
Ina Penland
Tom & Debra Plunkett
Bob Shepherd
Kay Yandell

Upcoming Surgeries

Brian Dyer, 10/25
Doug Shively, 10/26
Bob Miller, 10/27
Stacia Childress, 11/2
Debbie Wade, 11/9

*Truly my soul finds rest
in God; my salvation
comes from him.*

Psalms 62:1

Recovery from Surgery/Illness

Susan Adams
Bill Blumreich
Jim & Georgia Moultrie
Glenn Wright
Trudy Upshaw

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

In the Hospital

Joan Shields, CRNH

Sympathy

Marshall & Lorene Avery and Scott & April Porter, at the death of Marshall's brother and April's uncle, Clyde Avery.
Chris & Ashley Burrell and family, at the death of Ashley's father, Derryl Cone.
Betsy Stultz, at the death of her husband, Richard Stultz.
Missy Thomson & Robert & Rachel Thomson, at the death of Missy's husband and Robert's father, Rob Thomson.

Events from the Church Calendar (10/26 - 11/1)

THURSDAY 10/26	9:45 - 11:45 a.m. Better—Ladies Bible Study, #233-FLC 10:00 am - noon GriefShare, #219-FLC 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. "Escape the Coming Night" Bible Study, #LL-042 Choir Suite 7:00 - 9:15 p.m. ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC	MONDAY 10/30	10:00 - 11:00 am Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room 3:15 - 5:15 p.m. Awana Clubs, FLC
FRIDAY 10/27	Noon Visitation for the family of Richard Stultz 1:00 p.m. Celebration of Life for Richard Stultz, House of Prayer, Blairsville	TUESDAY 10/31	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Bfst, Mary's Southern Grill 10:00 - 11:00 am Prayer Group, #026-LL 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm 5:00 - 8:00 pm. Candy at the Fairgrounds, Fairgrounds
SUNDAY 10/29	8:15 a.m. Band Rehearsal, Worship Ctr. 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Library Open - before and after services 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 10:15 - 11:30 am PEAK Kids Jr and Nursery Only 10:15 a.m. Morning Worship/Pastor Appreciation Day/Family Worship Day/Acorn Tree 5:00 p.m. 5th Sunday Night Sing, Enotah Baptist 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. Pathfinders-YHC Small Group, The Lodge 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. This Is the Gospel, #233-FLC	WEDNESDAY 11/1	10:00 am - Noon Library Open (also 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.) 10:00 a.m. Community Quilting Group, #219-FLC 3:00 - 5:15 p.m. Summit Students Hangout Time, Lodge 5:15 - 5:45 p.m. EDGE & Summit Family Meal, FLC 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. PEAK Kids Edge, Children's Dept 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Summit Students, The Lodge 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Parents Small Group, #233-FLC 6:00 - 6:45 p.m. Wednesday in the Word w/Pastor Steve, Worship Ctr 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. Prayer Groups, TEL & Esther Rooms 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR APPRECIATION

There is still time to let each our pastors know how much they are appreciated and to encourage them in their ministry. Leave a personal note or card and in the basket at the Welcome Desk or mail your cards to P.O. Box 235, Hiawassee, GA 30546.

CANDY COLLECTION - FOR CANDY AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

We are still accepting donations of individually wrapped candy thru 10/29. Look for the bins located in the FLC, Drive-thru Portico Lobby, and the Office Lobby. The Candy at the Fairgrounds outreach is on **Tuesday, 10/31** from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Look for the McConnell Banner!

ACORN TREE | 10/29

The Fall crop of Little Acorns will be ready for harvest from our Oak Tree in the foyer on Sunday, October 29th! This is your opportunity to select a child (an Acorn) and commit to pray for that child throughout the year! *Lord, May our Little Acorns become Mighty Oaks for You!*

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR GENE BRUMBAUGH | 11/4

There will be a Celebration of Life for Gene Brumbaugh on Saturday, November 4th at 11:00 a.m. in the Worship Center. Visitation for the family is at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at the Osborn Cemetery.

OCC SHOEBOXES DUE 11/12

Filled shoeboxes must be returned to the church by Sunday, November 12th. McConnell Church will also serve as a regional drop off center for Samaritan's Purse from November 13th through November 20th. If you would like to serve in this ministry, contact Cheryl Peebles at mtns4me2@gmail.com or the church office at 706-896-2281.

MMBC MISSION TRIP | 11/12—11/18

McConnell is going to Live Oak, FL on a short term mission trip to Advent Christian Village for disaster relief, from Sunday, Nov 12th thru Saturday, Nov 18th. Will have a short informational meeting in sanctuary after service. Contact Pat Nesbitt at (404) 427-8772 for more info or email at: patnesbitt214@gmail.com ; or meet up with Tony Rooney after the service this Sunday, 10/29.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CHRISTMAS BRUNCH | 12/2

The McConnell Women's Ministry is planning a *"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"* Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 2nd at 10:30 a.m. Tickets will be available **starting October 29th thru November 19th** in the Worship Center on Sunday mornings after the Worship Service. They are \$15 each and seating is limited. 35 table hostess are needed, if interested, call April Porter at: 757-535-4058.

ATLANTA DISTRIBUTION CENTER | 12/5

A group from McConnell is planning a trip to the Operation Christmas Child Distribution Center in Atlanta on Tuesday, December 5th. They will leave from the church early that morning and will work in the distribution center from 10 am until 4 pm. If you'd like to join this group, contact Nancy Stahl at home: 706-896-9943, mobile: 770-883-2356 or email: nstahl@windstream.net

Budget Required		Budget Received		Sunday, October 22
Weekly	YTD	10/22	YTD	In Church Attendance — 260
\$30,629.90	\$1,317,085.70	\$21,024.10	\$1,347,448.88	Sunday School Attendance — 434