

NOVEMBER 5, 2023

# His Prayer

Eph. 4:3-6, John 17:20-24, Mt. 28:19

*Focusing on what matters most*

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### OCC SHOEBOX NEWS

The deadline to return your filled shoeboxes is next Sunday, 11/12.

You may also **Build a Box** online at [www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/). If you do build online, please call the church office and let us know the number and your boxes will be included in our count.

McConnell Church is serving as a regional drop off center for Samaritan's Purse from 11/13 thru 11/20.

If you would like to serve in this ministry, call Cheryl Peebles at [mtns4me2@gmail.com](mailto:mtns4me2@gmail.com) or the church office at 706-896-2281.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE drop your connection cards in the offering stands outside of the Sanctuary.

### ACORN TREE



The Fall crop of Little Acorns is ready for harvest on our Oak Tree in the Welcome Center. 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!*

### AWANA CLUBS - CHRISTMAS STORE

The Awana Clubs are seeking donations of new or gently used items for the **Awana Christmas Store** on December 11th. Men's items will be especially helpful! Clubbers have earned Awana Bucks to be able to shop for gifts for their parents, grandparents & siblings for Christmas. Collection bins are located in the FLC foyer, the Hope Lobby and the church office **during the month of November**.

### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP | 11/7

The Towns County Alzheimer's & Dementia Monthly Support Group, facilitated by Shannon Larsen, will meet on Tuesday, November 7th at 1:30 pm in room #219-FLC. For more info Call Shannon at: 706-885-4643.

### GROUNDS WORK DAY | 11/11

Wayne Hundley & the Grounds Committee are coordinating a church grounds work day on Saturday, November 11th, 8:30 am until noon. Bring a 5-gallon bucket and your yard tools (rakes, wheelbarrows, blowers, etc.). Come prepared to help dig up or pull weeds, clean up the fall leaves, and prepare our grounds for winter! What a great opportunity to serve and be outdoors! Questions or want to sign up? Call the church office at 706-896-2281.

### FREE! MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CHORUS CONCERT 11/17 & 11/18

Mountain Community Chorus will perform two concerts at McConnell on Friday, 11/17 at 7:00 pm & Saturday, 11/18 at 3:00 pm. Directed by Terry Hooper and assisted by Laura Stookesbury, the chorus is made up of about 70 local singers who love to make music. The concert is free and has a wide variety of styles to be enjoyed. Small or generous donations are truly appreciated and are also tax deductible. Both concerts are in our Worship Center so mark your calendar and invite your friends!

### 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. Tickets are \$15 each and seating is limited. We also need 35 hostesses to provide a centerpiece for each table; everything else will be provided. Call or text April Porter at 757-535-4058 if you are interested.

### 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](mailto:nstahl@windstream.net)



My Prayer Request:  Confidential  May be shared with prayer groups

My prayer has been answered!

I give praise to God for:

Questions or Comments

# Connection Card

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Time Guest    Second Time Guest    Frequent Attendee    Member  
 Preferred Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guest Of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age: \_\_\_Under 20   \_\_\_20's   \_\_\_30's   \_\_\_40's   \_\_\_50's   \_\_\_60's   \_\_\_70's   \_\_\_80's & up  
 Check here if change in Address/Phone/E-Mail

I prayed to receive Christ today.  
 I would like to talk with the Pastor  
**I would like more information on:**  
 Becoming a follower of Jesus  
 Church membership  
 Serving at McConnell  
 First Steps / Newcomers Class  
 Life Groups / Sunday School  
 Children's Ministry / PEAK Kids  
 Nursery  
 Other  
*For more info, [www.mcconnellchurch.org](http://www.mcconnellchurch.org)*

## Weekly Activities 11/5 - 11/11

<b>SUNDAY</b>	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 Worship
	<b>10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
	5:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Pathfinders—YHC Small Group, The Lodge
	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	This is the Gospel-Discipleship Pathway, #233-FLC
<b>MONDAY</b>	10:00 a.m.	Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room
	3:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Awana Clubs, FLC
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mary's Southern Grill
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group, #026-LL
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm
	1:30 p.m.	Alzheimer's Dementia Support Group, #219-FLC
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10:00 am - Noon	Library Open (also open from 5:30—6:00p.m.)
	5:15 - 5:45 p.m.	EDGE & Summit Family Meal, FLC
	3:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Summit Students - The Lodge
	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	PEAK Kid's EDGE - Children's Dept.
	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Parents Small Group w/Pastor Danny, #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 Classrooms
	6:45 - 8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Missions Committee Meeting, Conference Room
	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
<b>SATURDAY</b>	8:30 a.m.—Noon	Church Grounds Workday, Meet in Parking Lot

### HIAWASSEE CHRISTMAS PARADE

McConnell will be entering a float in this year's Christmas Parade on 12/5. If you are interested in volunteering call Steve Hutchison at 470-381-9839.

### Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor - Rev. Steven Taylor  
 Associate Pastor - Rev. Danny Byers  
 Associate Pastor/Children & Discipleship - Rev. Steve Awtrey  
 Associate Pastor of Students/Young Adults - Rev. Jeremy Pearson  
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Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	10/29	YTD
\$30,629.90	\$1,347,715.60	\$82,151.89	\$1,429,600.77



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