

The Wednesday Connection

January 3, 2024

Pray

Father, we thank you that every day is the eve of our future, and that you give us direction for wise decision making. Help us to stay committed to the Christian life and to follow you completely. Oh, how often we fail as our faith waivers in our daily walk. Forgive us when we take our eyes off you as we look around at our circumstances. We think that we are strong enough and smart enough to fix our own problems. Remind us to forget about ourselves and to look to you for every decision...day and night! We want to walk in your will and in your way, so we ask you to teach us to walk in your ways moment by moment! Lord, help us as we strive to give all our adoration and love to you. In Jesus' name, amen.

In Need of Prayer

- Wayne Bailey
- Betty Bledsoe
- Rob Chassner
- Faith
- Diris Farmer
- Kyler
- Marcia Mauldin family
- Russell Moody
- Allen Partridge
- Barbara (Rudder)
- Denise Rudder
- Savannah
- Travis & Kathy

Rehab/Nursing Home

- Marie Gregory, CRNH
- David & Yolanda Keating, at home
- Connie Lake, CRNH
- Flora Jean Roberts, Union NH
- Joan Shields, CRNH
- Barbara Van Nus, CRNH
- Pat Wright, CRNH
- Kay Yandell, Hayesville House

I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against You.

Psalm 119:11

In the Hospital

- Russ Bennett, Piedmont Atl.
- Georgia Moultrie, UGH

Recovery from Surgery/Illness

- Benny Cone
- Diane Harrison
- Susan Harkness
- Debbie Leonhardt
- Marcia Mauldin
- Patty Nesbitt



Upcoming Surgeries

- Helen Partridge, 1/3
- Martha Miller, 1/5
- Felicia Parker, 1/24 Macon GA
- Pat Hunt, 2/15 Florida

Sympathy

Pat & Patty Nesbitt, at the death of Pat's mother, Sharon Nesbitt.

Events from the Church Calendar (12/21 - 12/27)

THURSDAY 1/4	1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm 6:30—8:00 p.m. Escape the Coming Night, Study, #LL-042 7:00 - 9:15 p.m. ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC	MONDAY 1/8	10:00 - 11:00 am Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room 3:00 – 5:15 p.m. Awana Clubs, FLC
SUNDAY 1/7	8:00 a.m. Senior Over 60 Breakfast, FLC 8:15 a.m. Band Rehearsal, Worship Center 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 Sunday School & Worship (nursery available) 10:15 a.m. Morning Worship 5:00—7:00 p.m. Awana Zipline & Dinner, FLC	TUESDAY 1/9	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
		WEDNESDAY 1/10	10:00 am - Noon Library Open (also 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.) 5:00 - 6:00 p.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

FINANCIAL NEWS

2024 Offering Envelopes - are now available in the Welcome area. If you do not see a box with your name on it, there is a sheet on the table to sign-up.

Annual contribution statements will be emailed to those with an email address on file. Watch your email for this important message! For those without an email address, statements will be mailed by the end of the month. If you do not receive a statement, please call the church office.

Quarterly Financial Reports will be available on Sunday, 1/28/2024, at the Welcome Desk.

Quarterly Church Conference will be held on Wednesday, 1/31/2024, 6:00 pm, in the Worship Center.

AWANA ZIP LINE & DINNER | 1/7

Parents - Here’s an awesome opportunity to spend a fun evening with your kids (Sparks thru Trek) and other parents while enjoying dinner with the Awana leaders. You can watch your kids have a fun & exciting time “zip lining” through the Family Life Center tonight from 5 pm to 7 pm. *We do need you to remain with your kids for the zip line!*

THRIVE MOMS | 1/16

Come spend time with other moms who can relate and support you! We meet on the third Tuesday of each month during the school year, 6:00-7:30 pm, in The Lodge. Dinner will be served. To RSVP, text "thrive" to 706-995-7515. For more info call or text Calah Pearson at (706) 599-9144 or email thrivemomshiwasse@gmail.com.

MCCONNELL MEN’S CONFERENCE | 1/19-1/20



Register now using the QR code for the upcoming McConnell Men’s Conference in January. Can’t do QR codes? Go to: <https://mcconnellchurch.org/mmbc-men/> The conference will be held in the Lodge on Friday, 1/19 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm with dinner by Happy Hawg BBQ and Saturday, 1/20 from 9:00 am - noon, with breakfast. Our speaker is Pastor & Author, Brian Branam. We’ll have Free Raffle which will include a Browning Citori 12-Gauge Shotgun, a \$200 Osborn Farms gift card, and more!!!

NEW 13-WEEK GRIEF SHARE SESSION BEGINS | 2/1

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences. You don’t have to go through the grieving process alone. The next 13-week session of GriefShare will begin on Thursday, February 1st, from 10:00 am - 12 noon, in room #219-FLC. If you need more information, please contact the church office.

Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	12/31	YTD
\$30,629.90	\$1,654,014.60	\$39,473.40	\$1,792,572.23
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering: \$26,399.00			

Sunday, December 31
In Church Attendance — 359
Sunday School Attendance — 191