

MARCH 17, 2024

# Snake Bitten

Numbers Pr. 4:23, John 2:18-19, 3:1-18

Wk 3 - The Heart Matters



### AWANA GRAND PRIX TONIGHT!

All parents, grandparents, kids, and interested spectators are invited to the **Awana Grand Prix** tonight at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. This is a fun & exciting Pinewood Derby style racing event that is about more than building a race car! It helps to build a bond between kids and their parents as they work together to build the best car ever! It's not only about winning the race, but winning moms, dads and kids to Christ. The leaders & parents will have a soup/chili cook off for dinner, so come and enjoy this, and cheer the racers on!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

There are two scholarships available to graduating high school seniors - the Ray Nicholson Scholarship, which is available to Towns, Union & Clay County students and the Frances Johnston Hirschy Memorial Nursing Scholarship, which is available to Towns & Clay County students pursuing a nursing degree. Applications are available in the church office. Applications for the Ray Nicholson Scholarship must be completed & submitted to the church office **by noon on Friday, 4/5. The FJH Scholarship is due Monday, 4/1.**

### ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

**Prayer guides are still available at the Information Station.** Special offering envelopes are available in the pew pockets thru March 31st. You can also designate Annie Armstrong in your online donation or in the memo line of your check. Our 2024 goal is \$25,000.

### MCCONNELL PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2024-25

Preschool registration for the 2024/25 school year runs daily thru 3/15 at 8:00 a.m., for church members and current enrollees. Registration will be open to the public starting Monday, 3/18 thru 3/29, at 8:30 a.m. daily. Call Emily Winn, Preschool Director for more info at 706-896-2281.

### NEW LADIES BIBLE STUDY | 3/21

Mark your calendars for Thursdays beginning March 21st, 9:45-11:45 am. This 6-week study will allow us to explore Jesus starting in Genesis. "Mysteries of the Messiah" by Rabbi Jason Sobel will open our eyes to fill in the connections we may have missed between the NT and OT. For more information about the study, or to sign-up and order your book, contact Paula Roach at: [pmroach1959@gmail.com](mailto:pmroach1959@gmail.com) or call/text at: 770-883-2694.

### VBS 2024 VOLUNTEERS MEETING | 3/24

Calling all VBS volunteers! VBS 2024 is June 24th - 28th. If you have committed to serve, or are interested in serving at VBS 2024, come to a short informational meeting on Sunday, 3/24 immediately following THE 11:00 Worship Service in the Children's dept. Call or text Pastor Steve A. for more info at 205-567-7729.

### EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE | 3/29

Celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ at the annual Sunrise Service at Hamilton Gardens at 7:00 a.m. This early morning, outdoor service will be hosted by Hiawassee United Methodist Church with the message by Rev. Fred Whitley. This is a great way to start this Easter Sunday! Come enjoy uplifting music and an encouraging word as we praise & honor Him! A love offering will be taken and all proceeds will be donated to a local charity.

### MARCH MISSIONS HIGHLIGHT

Redemption Point Center is a faith based recovery center in Blairsville, GA directed by Matt Pankey and his wife, Ashley. After God rescued him in 2014 from a life bound by addiction, Matt felt called to minister to those still trapped by addiction so that they may be set free through the power of Jesus Christ. Please pray for Matt and his family as they walk in obedience to God's call on their life. Pray for those in our community who are battling addiction that they may be set free through the redeeming power of Jesus Christ. For more information, please visit their website at [onlifelineministry.com](http://onlifelineministry.com).



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  
 Next 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 3/17 - 3/23

Day	Time	Activity
SUNDAY	7:45 - 8:15 a.m.	The Orchestra Warm-up, Worship Center
	8:30 - Noon	PEAK Kids Worship—THE 8:30 and THE 11:00 (nursery available for all services)
	8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Library Open - before and after services
	<b>8:30 - 9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>THE 8:30 Worship with Choir &amp; Orchestra</b>
	9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	The Band Warm-up, Worship Center
	9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>THE 11:00 Worship with The Band</b>
	1:00 p.m.	Rob Chassner Memorial Service, Mtn Harbor Lot 116A
	4:30 p.m.	Awana Grand Prix, FLC
	5:30 p.m.	Pathfinders: College & Young Adult Sm. Grp, The Lodge
	<i>Month of March</i>	Ray Nicholson & FJH Scholarship Applications, Church Ofc.
MONDAY	8:30 - 11:00 a.m.	MMBC Preschool Reg. open to the Public, daily thru 3/29
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer for our Country, call church for details
	3:00 p.m.	Awana Clubs, FLC
TUESDAY	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mary's Southern Grill
	10:00 a.m.	Churchwide Prayer Group, #026-LL
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Room
	6:00 p.m.	Thrive Moms, The Lodge
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am - Noon	Library Open (also open from 5:30—6:00 p.m.)
	10:00 a.m.	Community Quilting Group, #219-FLC
	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	
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Book Study, "Mysteries of the Messiah", #233-FLC
	10:00 a.m.	GriefShare, #219-FLC
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm
	6:30 p.m.	Romans Book Study, #042-LL
	7:00 p.m.	ESL (English as 2nd Language), #219-FLC

### Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor - Rev. Steven Taylor  
 Associate Pastor - Rev. Danny Byers  
 Executive Pastor & Interim Pastor of Students/Young Adults - Rev. Jeremy Pearson  
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 Assistant Worship Leader and AV Director - Tyler Moody  
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Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	3/17	YTD
\$35,832.44	\$358,324.40	\$33,248.50	\$326,899.35
Annie Armstrong to Date: <b>\$18,646.00</b>			

