

PSALM 145:18-19

# The Wednesday Connection

April 10, 2024

## Pray

Father, we thank you for the **agape love** that you have for us. We rely on that love to give us the strength that we need for today and the hope we need for tomorrow. Forgive us when we forget that you are all we need, and we only view our relationship with you through the lens of brotherly love. Oh, teach us Lord, to agape love you! Give us the confidence in knowing that you will never drive us away or cast us out. As you patiently wait for us to return, You welcome us with love and open arms, and then you tell us to follow you. Lord, remind us why we are your followers. Show us how to be the source of love to all of those who don't know you. Teach us in those moments the reason we have decided to follow you, for you are the source of life, and our all in all! In Jesus' holy name, amen.

### In Need of Prayer

Marilyn Ashley  
Jean Champion  
Mary Dolvin  
Gary Kirby  
Max K  
Allen & Kaye Monello  
Jason Noon  
Adam Phoroah  
Mary Anne Wagener  
Glenn & Edna Wright  
Joyce Woodward

### Rehab/Nursing Home

Bill & Lynn Blumreich, at home  
Alice Cunningham, CRNH  
Marie Gregory, CRNH  
David & Yolanda Keating, at home  
Mary Joyce Kimsey, at home  
Connie Lake, CRNH  
Georgia Moultrie, CRNH  
Jack Oliver, CRNH  
Flora Jean Roberts, Union NH  
Joan Shields, CRNH  
Barbara Van Nus, CRNH  
Pat Wright, CRNH  
Kay Yandell, Hayesville House

*But godliness with  
contentment is great gain.*

*1 Timothy 6.6*

### Recovery from Surgery/Illness

Rob Viduna  
Stacia Childress

### In the Hospital

### Upcoming Surgeries

Russ Bennett, 4/10  
Edna Wright, 4/11 & 4/23  
Julia Stevens, 5/7  
Glenn Wright, TBD  
Diane Harrison, TBD

### Sympathy

**Timothy & Sarah Garrett**, at the death of their daughter, Teresa Roth .  
**Dale & Brenda Holloway**, at the death of Dale's uncle, Dwight Kephart

# Events from the Church Calendar (4/11 - 4/17)

<b>THURSDAY</b> 4/11	9:45 a.m. 10:00 am - Noon 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. 7:00 - 9:15 p.m.	Book Study, "Mysteries of the Messiah", #233-FLC GriefShare, #219-FLC Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm Romans Book Study, #026-LL ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC	<b>MONDAY</b> 4/15	10:00 - 11:00 am 3:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	Prayer for the Country, call for details Awana Clubs, FLC Band Practice, Worship Center
<b>SUNDAY</b> 4/14	7:15 - 7:45 a.m. 8:30 - Noon 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. <b>8:30 - 9:30 a.m.</b> 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. <b>11:00 a.m.</b> 12:15 p.m.	The Orchestra Warm-up, Worship Center PEAK Kids Worship—THE 8:30 & 11:00 (nursery available for all services) Library Open before & after both services <b>THE 8:30 Worship with Choir &amp; Orchestra</b> The Band Warm-up, Worship Center Sunday School for all ages <b>THE 11:00 Worship with The Band</b> Next Steps Class, The Lodge	<b>TUESDAY</b> 4/16	7:00 a.m. 10:00 - 11:00 am 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Bfst, Mary's Southern Grill Prayer Group, #026-LL Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm
			<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 4/17	10:00 am - Noon 10:00 a.m. 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. 5:15 - 5:45 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.	Library Open (also 5:30—6:00 pm) Community Quilting Group, #219-FLC Summit Students Hangout Time- The Lodge EDGE & Summit Family Meal, FLC Summit Students, The Lodge PEAK Kid's EDGE - Children's Dept. Parents Small Group, #234-FLC Wednesday in the Word w/Pastor Steve, Worship Center Prayer Groups, Esther & TEL Classrooms Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS | 4/18

The annual Special Olympics is **Thursday, April 18**, at the Union County High School football field. McConnell Deacons are providing lunch that day for the Special Olympics children, their families, and volunteers (350-400 people!). If you'd like to help or just cheer on the athletes, come to the field between 9:00-9:30 a.m. We'll be serving lunch at 11:30 a.m. Questions? Contact Harry Gilbert at: 706-455-6482.


### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! CAMP HOSANNA CABIN CLEANING | 4/20

The Hiawasse Baptist Association will help Camp Hosanna get ready for summer camp on Saturday, April 20th; 9:00 am—noon. Each church will take a cabin, and help with cleaning the bath houses, so bring your cleaning supplies and be prepared to work together. Info about Camp Hosanna is at <http://www.camphosanna.org/about.html>. Address: 2201 Pope Rd. Hiawasse

### AVERI ROUNTREE BRIDAL SHOWER | 4/20

There will be a Bridal Shower for Averi Rountree & Merritt Turner on April 20th at 2:00 pm in The Lodge. The ladies of the church are invited to attend the celebration. **RSVP to Debbie Bradbury at (404) 396-6358 by April 15th.**

### BAPTISM | 4/21

 We will have baptism on Sunday morning, April 21st. If you, or someone you know would like to be baptized, scan the QR code here to register or contact the church office at 706-896-2281.

### MEN'S MINISTRY FISH FRY | 4/21

Calling all men! Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 21st at 5:00 pm for our Men's Ministry Fish Fry! We'll meet at Jimmy Kimsey's property at 390 Kimsey Cove Rd, Hiawassee, for a night of fun, food & fellowship. Spread the word & invite someone new. Contact Steve Awtrey for more information at [children@mcconnellchurch.org](mailto:children@mcconnellchurch.org).

### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 4/23

There's currently an urgent need for blood donors of all blood types. Our annual Spring blood drive, Tuesday **April 23rd from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm**, helps ensure that blood products are readily available for patients in need at a time when the need is critical. Please visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) and enter zip code 30546 to make your appointment now, or [click here](#).

### MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CHORUS CONCERT AT MMBC | 4/26 & 4/27

The spring concert of the Mountain Community Chorus will be held on Friday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 27th at 3:00 p.m. in the Worship Center at McConnell. This group is composed of wonderful people from various occupations and ages. The one common interest they all share is a love of choral singing. *The performance is free, donations are appreciated!*

Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	4/7	YTD
\$35,832.44	\$501,654.16	\$42,108.80	\$450,889.01

Sunday, April 7th
<b>Sunday School Attendance — 282</b>
<b>THE 8:30 Church Attendance — 263</b>
<b>THE 11:00 Church Attendance — 212</b>