PSALM 145 18-19

The Wednesday Connection

April 3, 2024

Pray

Heavenly Father remind us during this season to be especially thankful for our church body and the surrounding beauty of your creation. Help our church be a community of grace and forgiveness. Teach us to have an atmosphere of love and encouragement by being grateful for Christ's work in us. Show us how to continue to enable our congregation to be inspired to show genuine hospitality to all who come through our doors. We pray that the Spirit of humility is utilized and practiced in and outside of our church, and that false humility does not take root among our people. Let our lights shine so brightly, that the people in this community will ask about the hope that is in us. Teach us to see every person as You see them. Then, Lord Jesus, let us tell them about the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love that You have for them, and help us to show it in the process! In Jesus name, Amen.

In Need of Prayer

Lydia Boeckel Mary Dolvin Kim Jordan Family Joyce & Bob Keilholtz Donna Kendrick Henry & Cindy Powers Glenn & Edna Wright

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

In the Hospital

For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another. **1 John 3:11**

Recovery from Surgery/Illness Mary Dolvin Carol Ledford Rob Viduna John Whitaker

Upcoming Surgeries

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

Sympathy Terry & Milinda Thomas, at the death of Terry's sister, Becky Fox.

Events from the Church Calendar (4/4 - 4/10)

THURSDAY 4/4	9:45 a.m. 10:00 am - Noon	Book Study, "Mysteries of the Messiah", #233-FLC GriefShare, #219-FLC	MONDAY 4/8	10:00 - 11:00 am	Prayer for the Country, call for details
	10:00 a.m. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. 7:00 - 9:15 p.m.	WMU/Nannie Rose Tatham, #026-LL Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm Romans Book Study, #026-LL ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC	TUESDAY 4/9	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
FRIDAY 4/5	Noon	Ray Nicholson Scholarships Due	WEDNESDAY 4/10	Closed	Church Office Closed for In-house Workday
SUNDAY 4/7	7:15 - 7:45 a.m. 8:30 - Noon 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.	The Orchestra Warm-up, Worship Center PEAK Kids Worship—THE 8:30 & 11:00 (nursery available for all services) Library Open - before and after services THE 8:30 Worship with Choir & Orchestra			NO Evening Services
	9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	The Band Warm-up, Worship Center			

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WMU | 4/4

The Nannie Rose Tatham/WMU monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 4th** at 10:00 am in the Choir Suite Room LL-042. **All are welcome!!!** This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about our specific mission efforts in different areas of the world, and meet new friends.

IN-HOUSE WORKDAY | 4/10

The church office will be closed on Wednesday 4/10 for an in-house workday. This gives our church staff an opportunity to clean up files, paperwork, etc. There will be no evening activities due to TC Schools Spring break.

NEXT STEPS/NEW MEMBERS CLASS - 4/14

If you are new to the church or want information on joining the church, please join Pastor Steve & Pastor Danny as they share information about McConnell's vision. The class will be held on April 14th, at 12:10 p.m., in The Lodge immediately following THE 11:00 worship service. A light lunch will be served. *This class is a prerequisite for joining the church*. <u>Register online</u> or call the church office at 706-896-2281.

RUNNING INTO SUMMER 5K BLAIRSVILLE | 4/20

There will be a N. GA FCA 5K run/walk fundraiser at Meeks Park on 4/20 at 8:30 am. This will help raise scholarship funds for athletes to attend FCA summer camps. If interested, pick up a flyer at the Information Station.

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.

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 and enter zip code 30546 to make your appointment now, or <u>click here</u>.

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!*

Sunday, March 31st	Budget Received		Budget Required		
Sunday School Attendance — 318	YTD	3/31	YTD	Weekly	
THE 8:30 Church Attendance — 416	\$408,780.21	\$28,060.97	\$408,780.21	\$28,060.97	
THE 11:00 Church Attendance — 384	Annie Armstrong to Date: \$36,873.00				