

The Spire

WOODMONT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 4, 2020



Meet our Habitat family!



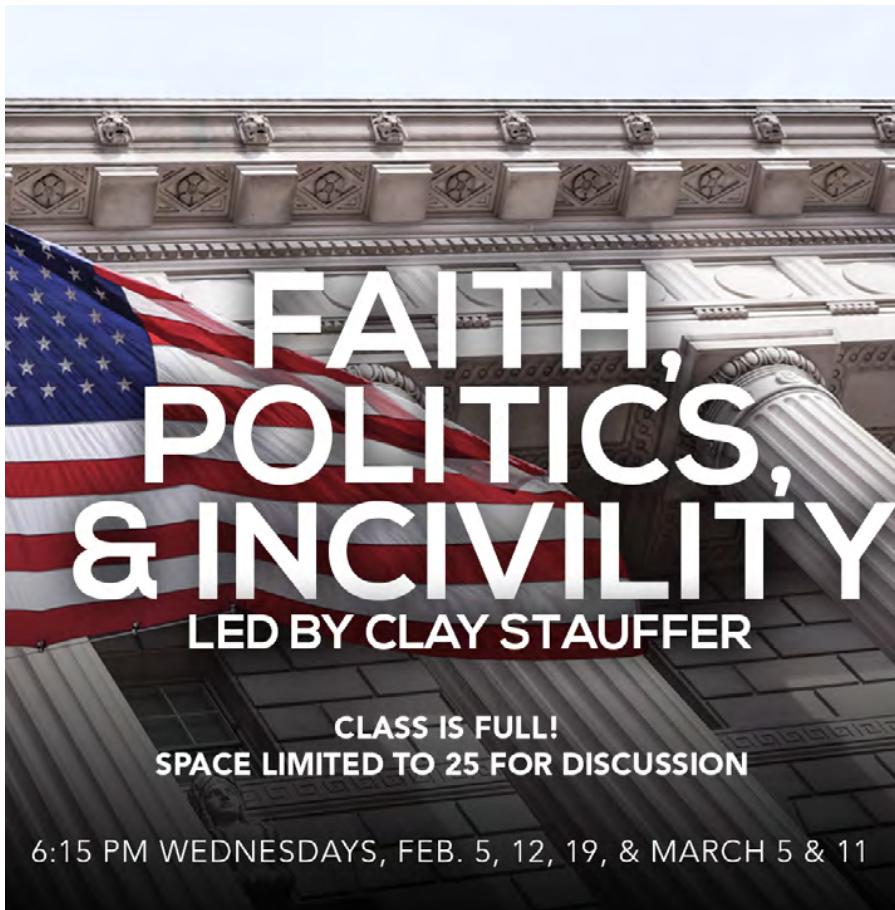
Hashakimana and Uwimana pay over \$1,200 in rent for a three-bedroom apartment that is not enough space for their large family of nine. Their family includes seven children ranging in age from 14 years to 1 year old. Two of the children sleep on a pullout couch in the living room and one child

sleeps with the couple. In addition, the stove in their apartment smokes and causes the fire alarm to go off and carpet was removed from a bedroom closet to cover a bare area of the living room leaving exposed nails. After repeated requests, maintenance has still not fixed either. Their car tire was punctured

and vandalism is common in their apartment complex.

Hashakimana has worked at Tyson Foods since 2016 and Uwimana works at a uniform rental company. The couple works different shifts so one parent is always home with the children. They desperately need more affordable space for their large family. A friend and current Habitat homeowner told them about the Habitat homeownership program and they applied and qualified. The couple immigrated from Uganda to the U.S. to escape war and internal conflict. They are attending Habitat's homeownership classes and will work on the build site with their sponsors to earn an affordable mortgage. They will build a five bedroom Habitat home and their reduced monthly housing cost will help them save money. To their sponsors they say, "God bless you and may you live a long life!"

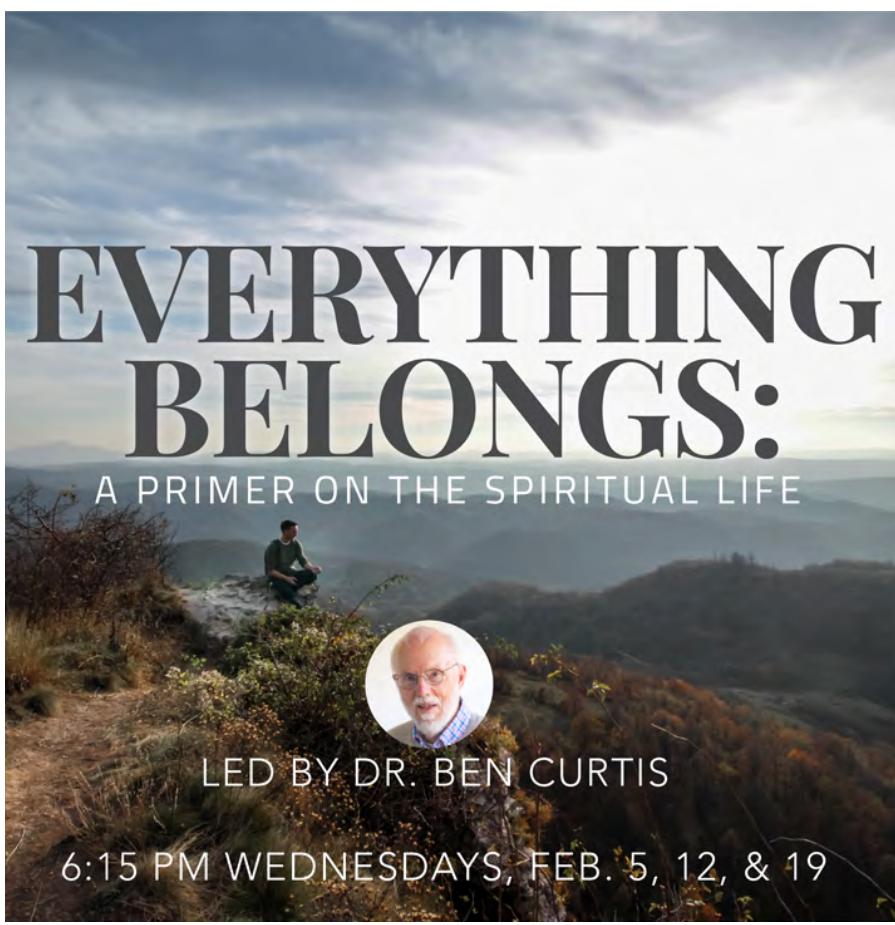
- THIS WEDNESDAY -



**FAITH,
POLITICS,
& INCIVILITY**
LED BY CLAY STAUFFER

CLASS IS FULL!
SPACE LIMITED TO 25 FOR DISCUSSION

6:15 PM WEDNESDAYS, FEB. 5, 12, 19, & MARCH 5 & 11



**EVERYTHING
BELONGS:**
A PRIMER ON THE SPIRITUAL LIFE



LED BY DR. BEN CURTIS

6:15 PM WEDNESDAYS, FEB. 5, 12, & 19



**WOODMONT
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Construction Progress

BY CLAY STAUFFER

Thank you for supporting the “Building for Our Future” Capital Campaign! It is very exciting to now see the walls of our new chapel going up.

We spent most of the fall digging into rock, excavating, and getting the site ready to build. This involved a significant amount of rock removal and detailed civil engineering to deal with stormwater run-off and drainage. The steel beams are being delivered this week and soon the chapel will be framed.

We also appreciate your patience with our challenging parking situation on Sundays. We are hoping to have the new parking lots in front and behind South Hall completed in time for Easter. Eventually, we will be adding over fifty new parking spaces to our campus.

Like any construction project, progress is made when the weather is good. When rain comes, it slows things down. The cinder block walls that you see in the air are reinforced with rebar in both directions. These walls will be framed and capped with the steel beams providing significant structural support. Once the steel beams are in place, the structure will begin to take shape. We are still anticipating completion of the project in mid to late August, one year after groundbreaking.

I want to thank those who are serving on Woodmont’s building committee to oversee this project. This includes Dr. Tom Gormley, Christine Beck, Billy Crawford, LA Galyon, Dave Malone, Allen McDonald, Jay Ramsey,



A VIEW OF THE WALLS GOING UP ON OUR NEW ADDITION, WHICH WILL HOUSE ADDITIONAL CHILDREN'S CLASSROOMS, A LARGE COMMON AREA, AND A MULTI-USE CHAPEL FOR CHURCH SERVICES & COMMUNITY EVENTS.

Wilbur Sensing, Cyril Stewart, Jack Derryberry, Ralph Parsons, Philip Piercy (Civil Engineer), Justin Lowe and Tara Walsh (Centric Architecture), as well as multiple Batten and Shaw representatives (contractor). Any of these individuals can answer questions that you might have and are well-informed on the project. I am thankful for their hard work, oversight, and input.

To date we have received 368 pledges towards this capital project. I am happy to report that as of the end of January 2020, we have received just over *\$6.6 of the \$8.3 million dollars pledged*. This is greatly limiting our need to borrow from Pinnacle Bank during the construction process.

It is still not too late to be a part of this exciting campaign. This year (2020) is the third of a three-year campaign. However, if you need to give into the early parts of 2021, that is perfectly fine. Our goal from

the beginning of this project has been to complete it without taking on any permanent debt. We still feel very good about that as long as the pledges come in.

I am humbled and thankful to serve a church that is growing and building additional space for the future. The vision that we have is strong and so is our momentum. Once we have the additional children's space and classrooms, it will allow us to get our class sizes and ratios more in line with where they need to be. The new chapel will be the permanent home for The Bridge service as well as a beautiful space to host smaller weddings, funerals, speakers, and gatherings. In the mean-time, we must all continue to support the ongoing operations of Woodmont's mission and ministries. Thank you again for your support! Please let us know if you have any questions.

With sincere gratitude,

Clay Stauffer



The Essentials

BY FARRELL MASON

“For any spirit suddenly awakened to how deep its life, how short its stay.” - Mark Nepo

Recently, I was at a lecture at our church on the Lord’s Prayer given by nationally-renowned New Testament Scholar and Vanderbilt Divinity School professor Amy Jill Levine. She said the gestalt of Jesus’s prayer is to live as if you have one more day before you die. Jesus is not being morbid, Levine said, but rather he is trying to help us to live for what truly matters.

After the loss of my friend Isse, I know poignantly how precious and fleeting our time is here. So what if this was my last year on the planet? How would I live it? What would I do and absolutely not do? Are there things that I would make sure I said? How would I insure it was a year of joy and deep meaning? What would my relationship with God look like?

Over the holidays, my family and I enjoyed the beautiful film *The Peanut Butter Falcon*. The hero of the story is a young man with Downs Syndrome named Zac. Together with a drifter/”savior” named Conor, he sets out on a “Tom Sawyer-inspired” adventure to meet his hero, a washed-up celebrity wrestler named, “Saltwater Redneck.” They face many a trial, tribulation and joy. After nearly drowning and being saved by Conor, Zac asks the question, “Am I going to die?” Conor’s response was exactly what I needed to hear coming into 2020. “Yeah,” Conor says, “You’re gonna die. Everybody’s gonna

die. That’s not the question. The question is *“Are they gonna have good stories to tell about you when you’re gone?”*

At the end of the film, you have no doubt that people will be sharing stories about the amazing Peanut Butter Falcon long after he is gone. Why? Because he lived a life of courage, purity of heart and deep joy. He would have done anything for love, even given his own life. Zac appreciated everything that came his way. He believed the world to be beautiful and took setbacks in stride. And he never gave up on hope.

This could be our story too!

Instead of resolutions this year, I made a list of the essentials to living as Jesus said: *A life that matters*. A life of love given and received. A life filled with joy and deep meaning. A life with no regrets, only gratitude. A life that contributes in some way to the greater good. A life that is not rushed, but savored. A life that I would be proud of. A life that God would be proud of.

“THE ESSENTIALS”

Love my family indulgently

Create a home that is a sanctuary for the people I love

Talk to God everyday, about everything

Read Jesus’ words

Be a good friend

Generously give people the benefit of the doubt

Write something beautiful that makes people believe God is with us

Spend more time outside than inside

Find daily joy in the small things, like my afternoon cookie and cup of tea, talking to my mom on the phone, or making muffins with the kids

Regularly do something brave

Speak a word of hope to every single person who crosses my path

Flip my screen time from 80/20 to 20/80

Do things that make my body and soul feel good and loved

Not only forgive, but return some sweetness to the relationship

Be serene. Waste no breaths, mental space or precious time worrying about the silly stuff

Go on adventures, especially to places that have croissants and good coffee and dark chocolate

Giggle a lot!

Here’s to giving 2020 the best of us!

JIMMY ROBBINS / MATT JENKINS / JT HARDING

THE LISTENING ROOM CAFE FEB. 19TH

6PM

WRITERS' ROUND
BENEFITTING WCPS

\$25



JIMMY ROBBINS IS A GRAMMY + CMA NOMINATED NASHVILLE SONGWRITER, PRODUCER, + PUBLISHER WHO HAS PENNED OVER 200 CUTS IN MULTIPLE GENRES. HE HAS EARNED 11 TOP 10 HITS INCLUDING 8 #1 SONGS. JIMMY IS A CMA TRIPLE PLAY AWARD WINNER + WAS ASCAP SONG OF THE YEAR WINNER FOR THOMAS RHETT'S "IT GOES LIKE THIS". JIMMY'S OTHER #1 SONGS INCLUDE BLAKE SHELTON'S "SURE BE COOL IF YOU DID," KEITH URBAN + MIRANDA LAMBERT'S "WE WERE US," DAVID NAIL'S "WHATEVER SHE'S GOT," JASON ALDEAN'S "LIGHTS COME ON," MICHAEL RAY'S "THINK A LITTLE LESS," + MAREN MORRIS' "I COULD USE A LOVE SONG." JIMMY LANDED 4 CUTS ON MAREN MORRIS' ALBUM GIRL INCLUDING HER CURRENT HIT SINGLE, "THE BONES". JIMMY ALSO CO-WROTE + PRODUCED KELSEA BALLERINI'S NEW SINGLE, "HOMECOMING QUEEN".

MATT JENKINS IS THE SONGWRITER PUBLISHERS DREAM OF. PERFECTLY RIDING THE LINE BETWEEN COOL AND COMMERCIAL, JENKINS' SONGS ALWAYS LEAVE THE LISTENER WANTING MORE. MATT HAS HAD 5 #1 COUNTRY SINGLES INCLUDING "SETTING THE WORLD ON FIRE" BY KENNY CHESNEY FEAT. PINK, "SONG FOR ANOTHER TIME" BY OLD DOMINION + "DO I MAKE YOU WANNA" BY BILLY Currington.

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J.T. HARDING WAS BORN + RAISED IN SOUTH DETROIT. WHILE OTHER KIDS WERE ON THE BASEBALL FIELD, J.T. WAS IN HIS BASEMENT JUMPING AROUND TO MTV + TRYING TO WRITE HIS OWN SONGS. HE FORMED SEVERAL BANDS IN HIGH SCHOOL THEN MOVED TO LA TO PURSUE HIS DREAM. JT MADE HIS FIRST DEMO TAPE WITH PRIZE MONEY HE EARNED BY WINNING THE TV GAME SHOW VH1 ROCK N ROLL JEOPARDY. HE HAS WRITTEN SEVERAL CHART TOPPING HITS INCLUDING THE 3 MILLION SELLING "SMILE" BY UNCLE KRACKER, "SOMEWHERE IN MY CAR" BY KEITH URBAN, "SOMEWHERE WITH YOU" + "BAR AT THE END OF THE WORLD" FOR KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY'S "DIFFERENT FOR GIRLS," JAKE OWEN'S "ALONE WITH YOU," + SUPERSTAR BLAKE SHELTON'S NUMBER ONE SONG "SANGRIA."

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Welcome 2019 New Members!



TAYLOR & KRISTEN HOOD
JAN. 13



BETSY GARBER & STEVE Vining
JAN. 30



PAUL & GRACE DENT
FEB. 3



JASON & ASHLEY BYRD
FEB. 3



CAMILLE MORGAN
FEB. 10



DUNCAN & SLOAN ALLEN
FEB. 10



EDWIN & LIBBA VICKERY
FEB. 17



JEFF HAMM & KRISTINE WEST
FEB. 17



SCOTTYE & JERRY CROOK
FEB. 24



KATRINA LOTHAMER
MARCH 3



BRENDAN COOPER
MARCH 3



WADE & PAT DANIEL
MARCH 3



ELAINE DAVIDSON
MARCH 10



MARISA & DAN MARTIN
MARCH 17



JOE & SARAH ANDREWS
MARCH 24



TYSON & LINDSAY MOORE
MARCH 31



ZACH & ALYSON FLYNN
APRIL 7



DEBORAH SANDVIK
APRIL 14



VIRGINIA & DOYLE RIPPEE
MAY 22



DONNA SCHILLING
MAY 26



AMANDA EGGLESTON
JUNE 2



JILL GROSWIRTH
JUNE 2



MATT & LESLIE HOGABOOM
JUNE 2



CAMILLE & CHARLIE BITER
JUNE 9



ROD & TRISH BEVERSTEIN
JUNE 16



CINDY & BART DURHAM
JUNE 16



DREW & CORY SHANNON
JUNE 16



VIRGINIA WADDEY
JUNE 16



BRANNON & ABBY VANN
JUNE 19



DAVID GRAVITTT
JULY 7



HEATHER DOHERTY
JULY 14

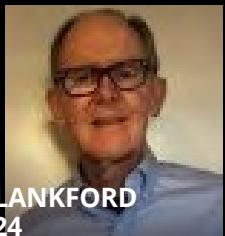


MELISSA LONG & DAVID LAROSA
JULY 14

As we begin a new year, we would like to once again welcome all who joined Woodmont in 2019!



DENNY SAROKIN
JULY 21



LYLE LANKFORD
JULY 24



SACHA & CHARLES ROBERT
BONE, AUGUST 2



MARK & GRACE HUNT
AUGUST 4



JENNY SIMMONS
AUGUST 4



DEBORAH DANKER
AUGUST 4



KEN MCMAHAN
AUGUST 11



SARAH WOOD
SEP. 1



TAD & ANN WOOD
SEP. 8



FRANK & KELSEY THOMASSON
SEP. 8



LAURA HOBSON
SEP. 8



HANNAH HARRIS &
RYAN TRAVIS, SEP. 29



DAVIS & JENNA WEDGWORTH
SEP. 29



RACHEL & WALKER MATHEWS
SEP. 29



CHANDLER CLAY
OCT. 6



DERRICK DISHNER &
LYNN PUTNAM, OCT. 20



LESLIE MINKOFF
OCT. 27



TANYA & THURSTON
CROMWELL, NOV. 3



BRAD & ANNSLEY REYNOLDS
NOV. 3



PAULA & JOHN GHOLSON
NOV. 10



JOAN STORY & ROBERT
CROWNOVER, NOV. 17



BOB & JANETTE MCDUGALD
NOV. 17



JOHN THETFORD
NOV. 17



BRAD & DAYNA TURNERY
NOV. 17



BLAIR & HUNTER FUTCH
NOV. 17



SARA & CRAIG PERRY
NOV. 24



DANIEL DARDON
DEC. 1



JUDY & JERRY FORD
DEC. 15

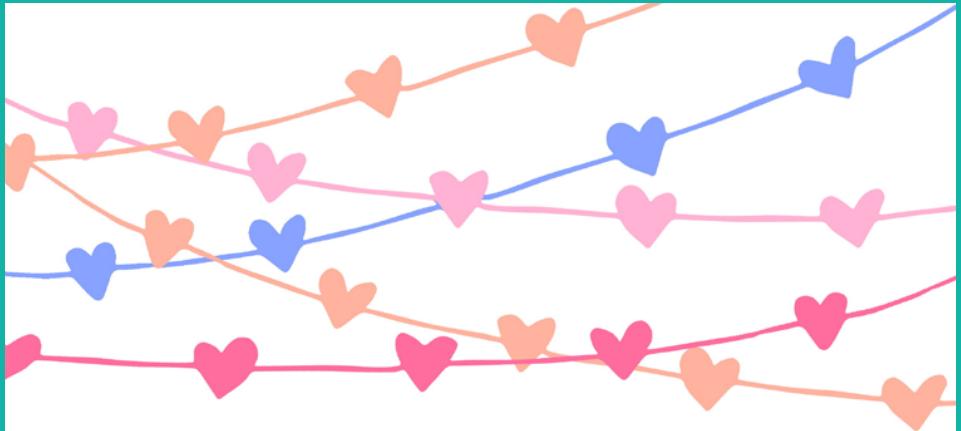


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CHRISTIAN CHURCH

WOODMONT KIDS

February birthdays:

Hoath Hamm 2/1
Quinn Johnson 2/1
Bethany Burks 2/3
Kemp Presley 2/6
Barton Rollins 2/7
Scott Reynolds 2/8
Miller Reynolds 2/8
Isla Moore 2/8
Madelyn McConnell 2/9
Jack Johnson 2/11
Ella Grace Kidd 2/11
Isla Bell 2/12
Tripp Davis 2/13
Livi Langan 2/13
Clayton Stauffer 2/13
Charlie Neal 2/17
Ellis Stokes 2/20
Grace Harper 2/21
Alcy Cazana 2/22
Bradley French 2/24
Chase Demastus 2/24
Zach Demastus 2/24
Mattie Ann Harwell 2/25
Batton Askew 2/25
Calla Moran-King 2/25
Morgan Andrews 2/26
Caroline Cloud 2/26
Finn Mason 2/27
Paul Dent 2/28
Sam Hamm 2/29



JOIN US FOR THE 5th ANNUAL
*Father Daughter
Dance*

We invite any Father, Grandfather, Uncle or Special Friend
to join us for this occasion.

Sunday, February 9th, 2020
4-6pm

PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 5TH
[CLICK HERE TO RSVP FOR DANCE](#)



Hearing God Speak

BY ROY STAUFFER

How many times across the years have I heard a church member say, "I wish I could hear God speaking to me like he spoke to people in Bible times ... for example, Moses and the Burning Bush." The fact is, however, we have the opportunity to hear God speak that people in Bible times didn't. It's called the Bible.

I've often asked people, "Do you really want to hear God speak to you?" "Oh, yes, yes," they say. "Then why don't you read the Bible?"

I've been reading the Bible all my life but I have to say there are many passages in both the Old and New Testaments that I can't really understand just by reading them. I understand them a lot better when I have a good Bible Commentary, or are in a Bible Study or Small Group where the people share their understandings of a particular passage. Together we can get closer to what the Bible is really saying.

I remember having to memorize Scriptures when I was a child in Vacation Bible School or in Sunday School. It was only years later when I experienced the realities of life that I gained a better understanding of what those passages were saying. But thank goodness I had learned them.

When I was a youth (and the minister's son), I didn't really like going to Sunday School, so I volunteered to be the one who

counted the attendance and the offering during Sunday School. The only year I remember actually attending class was the 7th grade Boys Class. Our teacher, an elderly gentleman (or at least he seemed old back then) would read to us each week from a book of Bible Stories. Can't say I was excited about it back then, but you know, I learned more Bible that one year in his class than I learned at any other time growing up.

It used to be that some Sunday School teachers were dedicated and taught the same class for years. I remember one little lady who had taught the fourth grade Sunday School class for 25 years! Sunday School in our Memphis church was a big deal. Back in the 1950's and 60's some of the classes had more than 200 people in each class. When I got there in the 70's there were still many classes that averaged more than 60-80 people in attendance each week. The teacher of our largest adult class told me he spent 30 hours a week preparing his lesson. He was a judge and loved to read. So he read in the early morning, during breaks in court, during his lunch hour, and then in the evenings. And his lessons reflected his great preparation.

When I first became the minister, two young adults came to me and said we didn't have a Sunday School class for their age group. So they wanted to start one ... and they wanted me to teach it! I could have said, "I'd love to but I'm

already preaching two worship services." But I didn't. I realized I not only wanted to provide a class for their age group, but I needed one myself. So I taught that class for 25 years until we added a third Sunday morning service and I literally couldn't do it any more time-wise. But over the years, some of my closest lifelong friends were made in and through that class. And are still close friends today. One of them is actually coming to spend the night with Anne and me as I write this column.

I've realized over the years that I have learned far more by teaching than I ever learned sitting in a classroom. I've also learned more about the Bible by teaching it than I've ever learned just reading it.

The mind is a terrible thing to waste. Jesus said to love God with all of our heart and soul ... and MIND ... and strength. As followers of Jesus we are called to keep listening and learning and growing spiritually. And we do that best by listening for God's speaking to us. And we hear God best by reading and studying the Bible.

Do you want to hear God speaking to you? If so, I encourage you to become active in a Bible Study, Sunday School class, or small group. It is so worth the additional hour you'll spend each week besides worship.



Save the Date!

BY LAUREN BEUERLEIN

January was an exciting month of growth for our Young Professionals (YP) & Couples group! We had quite a few new visitors attend our monthly event, so I thought it might be a good idea to give a preview of what's to come.

Our YP & Couples group is a gathering of peers facing similar life stage challenges who enjoy each other's company. Varying from mid-twenties to mid-forties in age, some members are couples with kids while others are dating, engaged, or single.

If it sounds like this group might be a good fit for you, please email me at lauren@woodmontcc.org and save the date for these upcoming events:

- **Tuesday, March 3rd** — We're welcoming a special guest to our monthly dinner & discussion event: Enneagram expert, Hunter Mobley. We'll meet from 6-7:45pm at Campbell West. Dinner and childcare are provided as long as you RSVP. Email me to receive the registration link if you are not already on my distribution list.
- **Friday, March 13th** — We're hosting Room in the Inn's final night of the spring! If you have children, this is a great opportunity to include them. We still have volunteer spots open. Email me for more information.
- **Singles Group** — Our group includes young professionals in a variety of life stages. A robust group of singles has spawned a small group and meet for happy hours and social events each month. If this sounds like something you'd like to check out, email me and let me know. The next singles event is currently being planned and we want to get details to you!

Looking ahead, we have some fun things planned this year for the YP & Couples group, including game nights, backyard BBQ's, mission and outreach projects, and spiritual growth topics. This fall, we plan to bring back some events that were big hits with the group last year, like our Hit Songwriter Night and the Veteran's Day dinner honoring our WCC veterans.

If the YP & Couples group sounds like it could be a good fit for you, we want to meet you! Please email me at lauren@woodmontcc.org so that I can help you get involved.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEB. 9

8:30 AM	Seekers Bible Study, Room 105
9:30 AM	Challenge Class, Room 200
9:30 AM	Disciples Class, Room 105
9:30 AM	Informal Worship, Sanctuary
9:45 AM	21st Century Class, Boardroom
9:45 AM	The Bridge Worship, Drowota Hall
10:45 AM	Life in the Balance Class, C.W.
11:00 AM	Pathways Class, Boardroom
11:00 AM	Points of View Class, Room 105
11:00 AM	Reflections Class, Room 200
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 PM	Father/Daughter Dance, D.H.
5:30 PM	CWF Circle #7, The Bay Room
5:45 PM	Youth Group, Youth Wing

MONDAY, FEB. 10

3:00 PM	"Geezers," Boardroom
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TUESDAY, FEB. 11

9:00 AM	Women's Prayer Group, C.S.
9:00 AM	CWF Circle #4, The Bay Room
10:00 AM	CWF Circle #1, Room 200
10:30 AM	CWF Circle #2, Room 105
6:00 PM	Handbells Rehearsal, Choir Room

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12

6:15 AM	Men's Small Group, Room 100
7:00 AM	"Original" Men's Bible Study, 105
7:00 AM	Younger Men's Bible Study, Board Rm.
5:30 PM	Grace Notes, Kids Commons
5:30 PM	Wednesday Fellowship Dinner, D.H.
	<i>MENU: Tarragon Chicken • Spinach and Lemon Risotto • Field Green Salad with feta, cranberry, red onion, croutons, balsamic honey vinaigrette • Chocolate Cream Pies. VEGETARIAN: Quinoa/ Sundried Tomato Stuffed Mushrooms KIDS: Baked Chicken Pasta & green beans</i>

6:00 PM	DivorceCare, The Bay Room
6:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
6:15 PM	Deeper Bible Study, Room 107
6:15 PM	"Everything Belongs" with Dr. Ben Curtis, Room 100
6:15 PM	"Faith, Politics, & Civility" with Dr. Clay Stauffer, Boardroom

THURSDAY, FEB. 13

6:30 PM	Youth Basketball Practice, D.H.
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FRIDAY, FEB. 14

Room In The Inn, South Hall

“DO YOU WANT TO BE MADE WELL?”

SUNDAY, FEB. 9 • “GOSPEL OF JOHN: LIGHT & LIFE” SERIES
CLAY STAUFFER • JOHN 5:1-18

SUNDAY SCHOOL:	TOTAL ATTENDANCE:	OPERATING:
JAN. 12: 431	1110	\$67,049
JAN. 19: 394	940	\$64,466
JAN. 26: 411	981	\$33,103
FEB. 2: 357	888	\$138,964

A Valentine FOR YOU

A WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN & BUSY MOMS

Feb. 13: “Spiritual Journeys for Moms” presents “A Valentine for You,” a journal workshop for non-artists

Hosted by Anne Stauffer and Amy Hobart

Thursday, February 13, 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the Bay Room
Creative Expression of thought, feeling, emotion, word, and image to God and the self on paper is one of the most healing and satisfying spiritual disciplines that exists. From ancient times to today . . . the process of pressing pen onto paper can soothe, inspire, clarify, like no other. We welcome Catherine Riddle Caffey, journaling expert extraordinaire who will guide us through the therapeutic benefits of journaling for us as women and busy moms. Catherine’s professional experience in advertising and as a wordsmith combined with her faith and spiritual walk give her a unique teaching approach that melds words and design into this sacred process. Join us for a creative candlelight experience designed to refresh your spirits and fill your hearts. To reserve your spot, please email achobart@gmail.com

Feb. 18: Book Club to discuss “News of the World”

The Book Club will meet Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 10:30 AM in Room 107 to discuss Paulette Jiles’ book, *News of the World*. Liz Ramsey will lead the discussion.

Feb. 19: Back by Popular Demand: WCPS Songwriters’ Night

Join us for an evening with Nashville’s hitmakers! Woodmont Christian Preschool parent Jimmy Robbins will again be joined by two of his songwriter friends in a round to benefit our preschool. This event is not to be missed and will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 6:00 PM at The Listening Room Cafe in downtown Nashville. Seats are limited! Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased here: listeningroomcafe.com/tc-events/jimmy-robbins-and-friends-benefiting-wcps/

All ticket sales for this event will go toward needed playground repairs and classroom materials at WCPS. Come join us and be ready to sing along with the amazing folks who write the music you know and love!

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITAL:

- Heather Dwyer - Centennial

CONTINUING CONCERNS:

- Cynthia Arnholdt
- Matt Beasley
- Betty Brent - Belmont Village 203
- Wills Cooper
- Elner Hamner
- Hale Hooper
- Sarah Peay
- Christine Reed
- George Shreeve
- Gary Thompson

FAMILY/FRIENDS OF MEMBERS:

- Kasey Clymer’s father
- Brad Gioa, friend of Farrell Mason - stem cell treatment at Sara Cannon
- Donald Greene, Bethany Liles father, The Medical Center, Macon, GA
- Glenn Hammonds, brother of Susan Hammonds-White, in Berkeley, CA
- Jeff Kinman’s father, Kirby Kinman, in Mobile, AL
- Judith Malloy, Jerri Malloy’s mother and Steve Lowry’s mother-in-law
- Mike Neeley, friend of Jonathan Farmer - stage 4 cancer in bones, lymph nodes, liver and back.
- Joel Pepper’s mother, Marjorie Cassell
- David Weatherman (Jackie May Weatherman’s husband)

PRAYERS FROM OUR ELDERS

This week, our elders ask you to join them in prayer for:

1. The Habitat for Humanity team and all who will participate in the building of the new home for our neighbors.
2. Our Habitat family, Hashakimana Athanaeli and Uwimana Wamahoro and their children, as they begin a new chapter in their new home.
3. Woodmont’s nominating committee as they discern which new leaders to call to lay ministry.



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