



# The eNewsletter

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## *From the Pen of the Senior Associate Pastor...*

### *Looking Ahead...*

**October 25**

Youth Leave for Fall Retreat

**October 26**

Youth Fall Retreat

**October 27**

Morning Worship Service  
Special Sunday School  
Speaker: Kurt Schimke  
Youth Return from  
Fall Retreat  
Shepherding Groups Meet  
Reformation Service at New  
City Fellowship

**October 30**

Wednesday Night Supper  
Children's Choir  
MS Route 68  
HS D-Groups  
Wednesday Night Activities

**October 31**

Ladies' Bible Study

**November 2**

Turn back your clocks!

**November 3**

Lord's Supper Celebrated  
MS D-Groups  
HS SNL  
Parent Class

**November 5**

Mothers' Encouragement  
Group  
WM Council

**November 6**

Wednesday Night Supper  
Children's Choir  
MS Route 68  
HS D-Groups  
Wednesday Night Activities

**November 7**

Ladies' Bible Study

**November 9**

Men's Breakfast

**November 10**

Morning Worship Service  
Mission Committee Meeting  
Daconate Meeting  
MS D-Groups  
HS SNL  
Parent Class

**November 11**

Ladies' Evening Bible Study

Our annual missions conference is fast approaching. The dates are November 10-17...“sort of”. I say “sort of” because we’ll have a prelude and a postlude to the missions-emphasis week. **Drs. Sujai and Lavanya Suneetha**, CPC-supported missionaries, were with us over the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend and told us of the expanding work of Nireekshana ministries in Hyderabad, India. **Gideon (Excel) Umukoro**, CPC-supported director of Nigeria’s Servant Leadership Institute, is presently visiting CPC and his ministry colleague Pastor Steere. **Kurt Schimke**, dean & faculty member at CPC-supported African Bible University in Uganda, will speak during the Sunday School hour on October 27. CPC-supported missionary in Costa Rica, **Jeff (Heather) Vaughn**, will be with us on November 24 and will speak during the Sunday School hour.

Most of our missions conference activities will take place from Sunday to Sunday, November 10-17. This year’s theme is *ACROSS THE LANDS*, taken from Psalm 107:1-3, where the psalmist calls us to give thanksgiving for the LORD’s redemptive work across the lands. Throughout the week we’ll hear of God’s work in distant lands, from massive international cities to the remotest hamlets, and how we can partner in the extension of His kingdom. We’ll also hear of the Lord’s work here in our land and among us.

Sunday, November 10, **Dr. Kefa Sempangi** of Uganda will preach in CPC’s Morning Worship service. Dr. Sempangi is seen as the founder of the Presbyterian Church in Uganda. His book *A Distant Grief* is a victorious statement and a compelling account of persecuted Christians during the vicious reign of Idi Amin.

Wednesday evening, November 13, we’ll gather for an international dinner. The missions committee is providing the

meal at no charge, so just come! Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. with Covenant Corps being dismissed to their regular classes around 6:45 p.m. All others will remain in Schum Fellowship Hall for an evening program. **Frank and Cindy Sindler**, MTW-Enterprise, and **Jill Tyson**, Belarussian ministries, will speak.

Shepherding groups will be meeting either on Saturday or Sunday, November 16-17, with missionary guests. Watch for further information.

Sunday, November 17, activities will be familiar as **Rev. Tom (Ann) Austin**, MTW-Global, will preach in the Morning Worship service. Missionary guests will be speaking in all Sunday School classes.

Along with the Austins, our missionary “guests” will be: 1) **Christine Harrison**, Wycliffe-South Sudan. Many at CPC are getting to know this gifted lady. 2) **Cara Childers**, East Ridge WyldLife, an East Ridge PCA member. She enthusiastically directs Young Life’s ministry at East Ridge schools. 3) **Jill Finley**, CRU-Brainerd, is one of our members. She is “in the trenches” with local high school students. 4) **Kay Burkin**, OneChild. This ministry, formerly Street Child International, ministers to abandoned, abused and homeless children in major cities around the world. 5) **Pete & Joanna Vaughn**, Amani ya Juu, a Christian discipleship and economic development ministry for marginalized women in Africa that CPC has been involved with since its beginning.

I so anticipate such times of concentrated focus on missions...across the lands. Nursery services will be available at all activities. Please mark your calendars and make every effort to be a part of these important events in the life of CPC.

~Pastor Mullinax



## What's Happening?

### Nursery Schedule

October 27

#### Worship

##### Infants

Jeanie Ray  
& Esther McEachern

##### Creepers

Joey & Michelle Logterman

##### Toddlers

Gerald & Donna Schreiner

##### Floater

Jonah Harris

### Sunday School

##### Infants

Tim, Susan, Elyssa Gunter

##### Creepers

Julia Gracy & Alayne Griffin

##### Toddlers

Becky Fingerle  
& Ernie Brown

### October Coordinator:

Teri Akovenko

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Ministry invites men of all ages to their monthly Men's Breakfast November 9, Saturday, at 8:30 a.m. Brian Cosby is this month's speaking.

### RENT-A-YOUTH

*Rent-A-Youth* helps our students raise the needed funds to attend youth activities. The youth need to raise money throughout the year, so more jobs are needed. At this time, the youth are working on raising money for the Fall Retreat. If you would like to *Rent-a-Youth*, request forms are outside of Chris' office or at the welcome center. Have questions or a request? Please email Christine Morrison at [rpgchatt@comcast.net](mailto:rpgchatt@comcast.net).

### THANKSGIVING POUNDING

It's time again for our annual collection of nonperishable food items to share with those in need. Please bring your donations of canned goods and staples and place them in the box outside Mark Wilson's office by November 20. Monetary donations are always welcome and are needed to purchase perishable items (turkey, ham, etc.) on the day of delivery. If you know someone in need or if you yourself could use a hand this year, please contact the church office or an elder.

### TVP REFORMATION SERVICE

Sunday evening, October 27, at 6:00 p.m. the churches of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery are meeting together at New City Fellowship for a time of worship. A combined choir will practice at 4:30 p.m. to help lead worship during the service. Please plan to join us for this wonderful evening of worship.

### NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES

The new Membership Directories are almost ready to be printed. If you have recently moved, changed phone or email service and have not notified the office, please contact Susan immediately.

### BIBLE IN THE SCHOOLS

There is still time to donate to *Bible in the Schools*. Pledge cards are available at the Welcome Center if you are interested in praying or supporting the *Bible in the Schools* program.

### CHANGES TO THE DIRECTORY

Please be sure to make the following changes in your [CPC Church Directory](#):

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### CHATTANOOGA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Chattanooga Christian School (CCS) is hosting an Admission Open House for prospective families on Thursday, November 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to meet the school president, elementary and upper school heads, faculty members and get a complete overview of the programs offered at CCS.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Wednesday Night Dinners are served from 5:30 p.m. until 6:40 p.m. The suggested donation for adults is \$4 and \$2.50 for children ages 5 to 11. Children 4 and under eat for free. The maximum family donation is \$15.

The following shepherding groups have clean-up duty for October 30: J. Harris, G. Duble, T. Smith, J. Coffey and C. Wilkie. Please contact James Hall (deacon in charge) to let him know you can help.

### PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Remember our college students as you pray. Here are a few of the many we have:

Chris Gaither	UTC
Austin Harnsberger	Calvin College
Alexis Liner	UGA
Kristen Liner	Southern Poly Tech

### SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL SPEAKER

Reverend Kurt Schimke is an ordained PCA minister from the Rocky Mountain Presbytery. He and his family now minister at African Bible University in Kampala, Uganda, where Rev. Schimke is ABU-U's dean and faculty member. CPC has been a supporter of ABU-Uganda since its inception. He will be speaking in Schum Fellowship Hall October 27. All are welcomed.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) collects shoe boxes filled with small gifts to deliver to needy children around the world at Christmas time. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share the love of Jesus. Stickers are available to place on the boxes marking age and gender of the child. You can participate several ways:

- \* **Fill a shoe box** for a specific gender/age child (2 to 4, 5 to 9, 10 to 14). OCC requests the use of Walmart or Dollar store's plastic boxes which are shoe box sized as they are more durable. If you are able to write a note to include in your box, it would be a great blessing to that child as they have been known to prize things like letters and pictures well into adulthood. Collection point is the Ladies Sunday School classroom across from the coke machine.
  - \* **Donate** - empty shoe boxes or items for shoe boxes. Sample items: soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, washcloths, small toys, combs, socks, school supplies, hard candy (no chocolate since it melts), etc.
  - \* **Donate money** - OCC requests \$7 for shipping per box. Make checks payable to Samaritan's Purse, and put OCC on the memo line. Drop it in the offering plate no later than November 17.
  - \* **Wrap and stuff boxes** on Saturday, November 23, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Perseverers Sunday School classroom.
- November 23 is the deadline for boxes and items.**

### DVD ORDERS

You may fill out an order form for a DVD of *Covenant Beginnings* and *What Makes Covenant Covenant* at the Welcome Center. Cost is \$3.