



The eNewsletter

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From the Pen of the Senior Pastor...

Looking Ahead...

- May 10**
Men's Breakfast
- May 11**
Mother's Day
Morning Worship Service
Congregational Meeting
and Vote
Sunday School
- May 12**
Ladies' Evening Bible Study
- May 14**
Wednesday Night Supper
Wednesday Night Activities
- May 15**
Memorial Hospital
Lunch Ministry
- May 17**
Prison Training Meeting
O'Rourke/Adams
Bridal Shower
Youth Car Wash
- May 18**
Morning Worship Service
Sunday School
Membership Sunday
Teacher Appreciation Sunday
HS Junior/Senior Study
of WCF
MS D-Groups
HS SNL
- May 20**
Mothers' Encouragement
Group
- May 21**
Last Wednesday Night Supper
Mission: Chattanooga
Presentation
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Session Meets
- May 23**
Ironmen Golf Outing
- May 24**
Martof/Jones Wedding
(Private/Off Site)
- May 25**
Morning Worship Service
Sunday School
Graduate Recognition
and Reception
Youth Family Picnic

Why Timothy? In Acts 16 why does Paul, upon returning to Derbe and Lystra during his second missionary journey, choose Timothy to accompany him?

Well, we know that Timothy was well spoken of by the brothers in Lystra and Iconium, the two towns where Paul had ministered before coming to Derbe and Lystra.

Were there no other young men in the other towns where Paul had been during his first missionary journey who were believers? Assuming there were suggests there was something about Timothy that prompted Paul to add him to his missionary team.

Our Men's Ministry encourages those mature in their faith to find a Timothy they can disciple. Our younger men are encouraged to find a Paul to disciple them.

Paul would disciple Timothy. In 2 Timothy 2.2, Paul encourages Timothy to find younger men he believed to be faithful to the Lord and to teach them what Paul has taught him, so that they might be equipped to teach others.

How, in Acts, had Timothy's faith matured to the point that Paul chose to focus his time and energy upon him?

According to 2 Timothy 1.5 it had a lot to do with his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice. Paul speaks of their *sincere* faith which was now Timothy's faith as well.

Timothy's father was not a believer, for in Acts 16 Timothy's mother is called a believer while his father is simply described as being a Greek.

Even though the head of the house was not a believer, the *sincere* faith of his grandmother and mother had taught and shown Timothy what it meant to be a follower of Christ. Most likely his grandmother and mother had come to the faith during Paul's first missionary journey. During the intervening time, their faith had become Timothy's faith.

Mom, Grandma – what more could you ever ask than to know that your *sincere* faith lived before your child or grandchild would become their faith so that, like Timothy, they would be greatly used of the Lord to expand His Kingdom.

There are a lot of people I'm eager to meet when I find myself with the Lord. These two ladies are two of them. How intriguing their story must be. What was Timothy like as a child? What was he like as a teenager? How did the Lord enable you to equip him with such a *sincere* faith that it prompted Paul to choose to be his discipler?

Mom, Grandma – by God's grace, may your *sincere* faith be passed on to your children, so that they might pass it on to their children and to their children's children, even unto a thousand generations, until the Lord returns.

Mom, Grandma – if you have not yet seen your faith become the faith of your child or grandchild, continue to faithfully uphold them before the Lord who is able to do more than you presently think possible.

By God's grace may you hear Him say to you, and to your descendants, "Well done, good and faithful servants."

~ Pastor Caines



What's Happening?

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Ministry invites men of all ages to their monthly Men's Breakfast this Saturday, May 10, at 8:30 a.m. Brian Salter is speaking on "Stirring the Pot."

BRIDAL SHOWERS

A bridal shower in honor of Caroline O'Rourke, bride-elect of Josh Adams, is Saturday, May 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the home of Christine Morrison. Caroline is registered at Target, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Crate & Barrel and online at Williams-Sonoma.

IRONMEN GOLF OUTING

Join us Friday afternoon, May 23, at Nob North Golf Club in beautiful Cohutta, Georgia. Tackle this challenging course and enjoy a post-play barbeque. Space is limited, so register soon with Eric Mullinax at emullinax@covenantchattanooga.org or 423.899.5377.

PRISON MENTOR MINISTRY TRAINING FOR MEN

The next training for men to participate in the Prison Mentor Ministry at Walker State prison is Saturday morning, May 17, at CPC.

For details contact Alan Bonderud at 423.903.3700 or arbonderud@gmail.com.

PRISON MENTOR MINISTRY TRAINING FOR WOMEN

The next training for women to participate in the Prison Mentor Ministry at The Next Door is Saturday morning, May 24, at First Presbyterian Church.

For details contact Alan Bonderud at 423.903.3700 or arbonderud@gmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome our New Members who recently joined us.

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CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE DIRECTORY

Please be sure to make the following changes in your CPC Church Directory:
Jay Spalding.....no landline, 423.503.4331 (cell)
Sue Spaldingno landline, 423.503.3080 (cell)
John Spalding.....no landline, 423.504.6548 (cell)

WE NEED YOU!

It's time to put those baptismal vows into action! If you are interested in working in the children's ministry on Wednesday nights in Covenant Corps or on Sunday mornings during Sunday School, please contact Holly Lehmann at hlehmann@covenantchattanooga.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and is served 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 the month of May: J. Gaines, M. Griggs, T. Lowe, E. Mullinax and T. Wright. Please contact Steve Leach (deacon in charge) to let him know you can help.

MUSIC CAMP JUNE 23-27

Music Camp 2014 is right around the corner! Kids from kindergarten through rising 6th graders are invited to come and join us for a week of music, drama, crafts, Bible and all-out fun! You can register on our church website (something new). There you can fill out, submit and pay for your child's registration. Cost for the week-long camp is \$25. See Jeremy Gaines for more details.

YOUTH

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER:

The youth are hosting a car wash Saturday, May 17, at the Cornerstone Bank on Gunbarrel Road. The car wash starts at 12:30 p.m. The car wash itself is free. Please plan to help our youth by getting your car washed!

RENT-A-YOUTH:

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? Email Christine Morrison at rpghatt@comcast.net.

Nursery Schedule

May 11

Worship

Infants

Emily Elwood
& Sandi Schreiner

Creepers

Dawn & Emilia Reynolds

Toddlers

Adam & Millie Sanders

Floater

Andrew Schreiner

Sunday School

Infants

Peg May & Lynda Brown

Creepers

Amy Wright
& Jessica Greer

Toddlers

Ernie Brown
& Amy Mclellan

May Coordinator:

Becky Pearce

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

May 14 Cowboy Casserole
May 21 Hot Dogs

You are cordially invited
to the wedding of
Chris Schreiner
and
Brittany Fishburn
on **May 31, 2014**
at **2:00 pm**
Covenant Presbyterian Church

Dessert reception will follow
the ceremony
Schum Fellowship Hall