



# The eNewsletter

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

### **Looking Ahead...**

#### **July 13**

Morning Worship Service  
Sunday School  
Delk Baby Shower  
Summer Youth Fellowship

#### **July 14**

WM Bible Study  
Men's Genesis Bible Study

#### **July 15**

Session Meets  
WM Philippians Bible Study

#### **July 16**

Youth Bible Study  
Praise Team Practice  
Mission: Chattanooga

#### **July 17**

Memorial Hospital Ministry  
Swim Day

#### **July 20**

Membership Sunday  
Morning Worship Service  
Sunday School  
Teresa Snow -Young Marrieds  
Duble Shower  
Summer Youth Fellowship

#### **July 21**

WM Night Owl Bible Study  
Men's Genesis Bible Study

#### **July 22**

Youth Six Flags Trip  
WM Philippians Study

#### **July 23**

Youth Bible Study  
Praise Team Practice  
Mission: Chattanooga

#### **July 24**

Swim Day

#### **July 25**

Taters and Tubesteaks

#### **July 27**

Morning Worship Service  
Sunday School  
Shepherding Groups Meet  
Summer Youth Fellowship

#### **July 28**

WM Bible Study  
Men's Genesis Bible Study

#### **July 29**

WM Philippians Study

The Lord has many ways of humbling me. Sometimes it's by a dear friend bringing to my attention a factual mistake I made in this Sunday's sermon. I, who take such pride in my knowledge of history, had the pilgrims landing 100 years before they did! I mentioned at the beginning of the sermon that their landing date was 1520 and of course, as I do know, it was 1620. One of the advantages of getting older is to be able to claim that you had a brain cramp. Which I did.

Another way the Lord humbles me is by putting me in circumstances over which I have no control. I had several of those during our recent trip to and from Houston.

First, I couldn't find the long-term parking area at the Atlanta airport. I was looking for "long-term parking," not realizing it was titled "economy parking." Halfway up the wrong ramp there "just happened" to be an attendant closing off one of the gates. I did what I almost never do - I stopped to ask her if I was in the right place. She told me I wasn't and gave me directions to the economy lot. Even then, it took me a while to find it.

Then, after unloading all our luggage, I began to worry about how I was going to get to the right gate. I looked up and there "just happened" to be a dear man driving an extended golf cart, who "just happened" to be coming down our lane at that very moment. He picked us up and took us to the next place where we had to unload our luggage.

However, where he let us out was still a long way from check-in. So again, as I unloaded our bags, I began to worry about how we were going to get to where we needed to be. Again, a woman "just happened" to walk up to us and offer us the cart that she had used to bring her luggage to the sidewalk area where she was waiting for her ride. I offered to pay half the cost of renting her cart, but her response was "Oh no, I'm just glad some-

one else can use it."

So we loaded up our luggage and successfully made our way to check-in. The King we serve is the Lord of "just happenings."

What I didn't realize upon our return from Houston was that my sugar was terribly low. After leaving Linda on the sidewalk outside the terminal, I went to look for our car. I pride myself on my sense of directions, but I had no idea where our car was. Over the next half hour I asked two different policemen for directions, but as soon as I'd walked away from them, I couldn't make head or tails out of what they told me. I returned to where Linda was and told her I was lost. A third policeman was standing there, who not only gave me directions, but walked me back into the terminal and pointed me to the steps I needed to take.

Finally I found the "economy parking." Again, another man in another golf cart "just happened" to show up and took me to my car.

Once again, as I pulled out of the parking lot, I was so turned around and confused it took me another half hour, covering approximately 15 miles of driving, to find Linda.

After leaving the airport, we stopped at a Hardee's. I ordered two hamburgers, a sweet drink and a chocolate milk shake. That should have put my sugar dangerously high, but when we arrived home two hours later I measured my sugar. It was in the normal range, which suggests that there's no telling how low it had been.

We arrived home safely, fell into bed and slept for several hours. I was humble and grateful for my King who knows the declining number of hairs on my head and is the Lord of the details. It's good to be humbled.

~ Pastor Caines



## What's Happening?

### Nursery Schedule July 13

#### Worship

##### Infants

Anna Harnsberger  
& Judy Foster

##### Creepers

Tammy & Lexi Bacon,  
Mollee Brown

##### Toddlers

Eric & Lucy Mantel

##### Floater

Jonah Harris

### Sunday School

##### Infants

Peg May & Diane Lazor

##### Creepers

Britt Collier & Ingrid Guyton

##### Toddlers

Selah, Brandon  
& Sophia Cross

##### June Coordinator:

Crystal Middleton

### SHOWERS

A baby shower in honor of Kelly Delk is this Sunday, July 13, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Perseverers Classroom. Kelly is registered at Amazon.com and Babies R Us.

A bridal shower in honor of Jessica Duble, bride-elect of Grant Yentzer, is Sunday, July 20, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Perseverers Classroom. Jessica is registered at Target, Pottery Barn and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

### TATERS AND TUBE STEAKS

Join us for a night out with the family on Friday, July 25. The hot dog dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. in Coolidge Park. Stay for the Lookouts game at AT&T Park at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person or \$15 per family - the best entertainment value in town! Please sign up at the Welcome Center or contact the church office.

### RENT-A-YOUTH

This program helps our students raise the needed funds to attend youth activities. The youth need to raise money throughout the year, so many jobs are needed. To *Rent-a-Youth*, use the request forms at the Welcome Center. If you have questions or a request, please send Christine Morrison an email at [rpgchatt@comcast.net](mailto:rpgchatt@comcast.net).

### WE NEED YOU!

It's time to put those baptismal vows into action! There are immediate needs for the Covenant Corps program beginning Wednesday nights this fall. If you are willing to volunteer, please [email](mailto:email) Holly Lehmann soon as she is planning for the fall.

Specific needs for the Covenant Corps program on Wednesday nights include:

- ⇒ Helpers in 3-year-old class
- ⇒ Teachers and helpers in 4-year-old class
- ⇒ Teachers/helpers in Kindergarten class
- ⇒ Helpers in combined 1st-2nd grade class

### LOST AND FOUND

The bookcase and stairwell next to the coke machine have filled up with precious items left behind at church. Please be sure to check these two locations for any item you may have misplaced!

### SWIM DAY

Swim days at the Mays' pool are Thursdays throughout the summer from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This invitation is open to anyone at CPC. Parents, please remember that you are personally responsible for the supervision of your children and for cleanup.

### MISSION: CHATTANOOGA

This summer at CPC, Mission: Chattanooga meets each Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A nursery is provided for children 3 and under for those participating in Mission: Chattanooga.

On Campus activities: Mission Kidz, no Cooking with a Purpose (meets July 23, August 6 & 20), Missions Support (stamp ministry and letter writing), general grounds keeping and prayer group.

Off Campus: Weekly Visitation (at local nursing homes, assisted living facilities, with our shut-ins), Amani Ya Juu Warehouse renovation and other construction/renovations projects as needed.

### MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in becoming a member of CPC, please call or email the church office for an appointment.

### YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Six Flags Trip - Tuesday, July 22, all youth and parents are invited to visit Six Flags together. We depart from CPC at 8:30 a.m. returning at 9:00 p.m. Cost for admission is \$25 per person which is due Sunday, July 20. This does not cover the cost of meals or spending money.

Going Deeper - An in-depth Bible study is available in the CPC Youth Suite from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays during July. This Bible study is geared for students intent on growing spiritually.

Youth Summer Fellowship - Each Sunday in July from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. the youth are invited to participate in fun games and activities sponsored by CYAM. This is a great time to build and maintain relationships through activities!