



# The eNewsletter

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## *From the Pen of the Director of Music Ministries...*

### *Looking Ahead...*

**June 10**

Canada Mission Trip Begins

**June 12**

Morning Worship  
Sunday School  
Music Camp Performance  
Ice Cream Social

**June 14**

Ladies' Summer Bible Study  
Men's Summer Bible Study  
Session Meeting

**June 15**

Mission: Chattanooga  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**June 16**

Swim Day  
Memorial Hospital Lunch

**June 17**

Ladies' Friday Morning Bible Study

**June 19**

Morning Worship  
Sunday School

**June 21**

General Assembly Begins  
(Mobile, AL)  
Ladies' Summer Bible Study  
Men's Summer Bible Study

**June 22**

Mission: Chattanooga

**June 23**

Swim Day

**June 24**

GNO - Movie Night

**June 26**

Morning Worship  
Sunday School

**June 28**

Ladies' Summer Bible Study  
Men's Summer Bible Study

**June 29**

Mission: Chattanooga

**June 30**

Swim Day

**July 3**

Morning Worship  
Sunday School

Music Camp at Covenant is a rite of passage for our young folks as well as our older ones. Music Camp was around long before I came, and I plan on it continuing at least as long as I am. Many in our congregation have participated in this yearly occurrence as campers, helpers, or teachers, and we know that without a Todd, an Ardeth, a Paige, a Mark, a Melody, a Heather, or countless other saints who have lined the way, Music Camp would not have developed into the huge outreach it is today to the East Brainerd community.

Mindy and Melissa are now the bedrock this camp builds upon. They make a fabulous team because of their close friendship and their love for their Lord and the children who come each and every year. At this year's camp, we have right at 190 campers along with 75 teachers and helpers participating. Almost 70 of those kids are in Ms. Mindy's class alone! Ms. Melissa teaches the motions to all grades, and then they tag-team getting drama parts handed out to the older kids. Ms. Mindy then mesmerizes the children in the combined rehearsal.

Each year Monday begins with a bang. All of us wonder how a 45-minute musical can be done in just one week. The kids come back Tuesday after rehearsing at home (and no doubt driving a few parents crazy) and amaze the staff each and every year. This year is no different.

This church campus becomes a school for one week a year, needing facilities setup, administration, "lunchroom" staff, and a dedication to love children

enough to give all you have during this time period. Our teenagers and adult volunteers go above and beyond to make sure each child is loved and cared for. We are structured (we have to be), but that structure is there so we can teach them the truths that God has for them.

This year we are preparing *The Musical Hymnstory Tour*, one we premiered in 2007. The children get to learn some great hymns, old and new, and some background about the hymn writers that penned them. I have had the pleasure of teaching those hymn stories to the children this week by dressing up as men such as Martin Luther and John Newton (I drew the line when it came to Fanny Crosby). The children are sponges, soaking up every fact you can give them, and pointing out your discrepancies as well (Martin Luther would not have worn a watch).

So here's what I ask of you. If you know someone who is or has helped with Music Camp, either now or in the past, thank him or her. The seeds that have been sewn for over 25 years are bearing fruit! Many who were in Music Camp have now taught! We are teaching new generations the same stories that were taught before! God is producing mighty oaks for the kingdom through this little thing called Music Camp that was started a quarter century ago.

~Jeremy Gaines



## What's Happening?

### Nursery Schedule June 12

#### Worship

##### Infants

Amy & Meg Wooten

##### Creepers

Carla Stevenson  
& Karen Saxton

##### Toddlers

Mike & Holly VanderGriend

##### Floater

Mary Kate Oldham

### Sunday School

##### Infants

Debby Gardner  
& Sandra Nicely

##### Creepers

Rachel Miller  
& Anna Steere

##### Toddlers

Cayce Weekley  
& Babs Leach

### June Coordinator:

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### MUSIC CAMP 2016

We've had 190 campers roaming the halls of CPC this week. Please plan to attend *The Musical Hymnstory Tour* program on Sunday, June 12, at 6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social to follow.

### MISSION: CHATTANOOGA

The CPC Summer Mission: Chattanooga projects have begun. Each Wednesday, activities will be on-campus and off-campus from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A list of activities will be sent each week via email.

### MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in becoming a member of CPC, please contact the church office by phone or email to set up an appointment.

### BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR

The June birthday and anniversary calendar is available at the Welcome Center.

### CANADA MISSION TRIP

Tomorrow, June 10, our Canada Mission Trip Team begins their journey to Lethbridge. Pray for a blessed week as our team works with CPC members, Howard and Sandy VanderGriend, and their ministry to the Blackfoot Nation.

### MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MINISTRY

Our church has the privilege of being part of a lunch ministry at Memorial Hospital. Next Thursday, June 16, we will provide lunch to families in the surgery waiting room. **We need volunteers to help deliver and hand out food.** Plus, if you are able to contribute sandwiches, chips, snack cakes, or fruit, please call or email the church office.

### GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Ladies of CPC, you are invited to a movie night at Diane Lazor's home (7016 Clarissa Drive, Ooltewah, TN) on June 24, 7:00 p.m. The movie is *Pride & Prejudice* and light refreshments will be served. Please contact Colleen Murphy at 423.463.5885 or [violingirl86@gmail.com](mailto:violingirl86@gmail.com) with questions or to RSVP.

### DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please make the following change to your CPC church directory.

Pete & Mandi Johnson  
9648 Wiltshire Drive  
Ooltewah, TN 37363

### SWIM DAY

Swim days at the May's pool are Thursdays, from 11:00 a.m. to 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.

### MEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

CPC Men are invited to a Men's Summer Bible Study on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Mark Miller. The study is *The Triumph of God: Demonstrated through the Life of Elijah*. The study will meet from May 31 to August 9. Please contact Mark Miller with any questions at 423.298.8842.

### LADIES' SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Join the CPC Women's Ministry for their annual Summer Bible Study on Tuesdays, June 14 thru August 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Nursery is provided if requested. The study is on Cynthia Heald's book *Becoming a Woman Whose God is Enough*. The study leaders are Bev Fowler and Susan Steere. Please contact Susan Gunter with any questions.

### PLASTIC BAGS NEEDED

Regular plastic grocery bags are needed for a weaving project of sleeping mats. Thousands of bags needed, so don't be stingy! Mats will be used locally and for a Haitian mission. Please put bags in the box outside of Pastor Mullinax's office.

### ADDRESS CHANGE

Please keep us informed of any address, phone, or email changes. You may email us at [cpcoffice@covenantchattanooga.org](mailto:cpcoffice@covenantchattanooga.org).