



The eNewsletter

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From the Pen of the Chairman of the Nursery Committee...

Looking Ahead...

June 17

Ladies' Friday Morning
Bible Study
Mother's Encouragement
Group: Riverpark Playdate

June 19

Morning Worship
Sunday School
Youth Parents' Meeting

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

July 4

Church Office Closed - Fourth
of July

July 5

Ladies' Summer Bible Study
Women's Council Meeting
Men's Summer Bible Study

July 6

Mission: Chattanooga

July 7

Swim Day

July 8

Mother's Encouragement
Group: Swimming

"Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate." -Psalm 127:3-5

The beginning of this Psalm reminds us that our covenant keeping LORD builds the house and He protects the city and that it is vanity to be anxious in our work, because He gives His beloved rest. In the same breath, the Psalmist juxtaposes that thought with the importance of God giving us children, and therefore showering us with His blessing and heritage through our children. The Lord builds, protects, gives rest, blesses, and passes on His heritage through Covenantal offspring.

We seem to have figured out this mechanism quite well at CPC! Many blessings from the Lord have and continue to make their entrances into this world even this month! And now, God has proven faithful to His Word in building the house and protecting the city. On Monday night of this week, the Nursery Committee met to finalize a proposal to the Session for breaking ground on the nursery expansion. On Tuesday night, the Session approved the plan, and the long awaited construction will begin in July with the hopes that by or before December 31 we will have a new nursery for the newest arrows in our collective quiver.

While we trust God implicitly, we also take all possible natural precautions to protect and nurture our little ones. The new and remodeled spaces for our nursery will provide adequate room for our large (and growing!) number of

kiddos, provide greater protection through security, and give comfort to those who may be visiting our body that we care deeply for our children. There will be a single access point for drop off and pick up, the ability to quickly lock down the Nursery in the event of a security situation, and a room for nursing moms to easily feed their infants. Additionally, we will have the toddler nursery set up so that the 2 year old Sunday School class will be sectioned off by a partition to avoid transferring half our 2 year olds to a different place for Sunday School each week.

While the work is far from complete, I do want to thank our Nursery Expansion Team - Paul Beatty, Pete Johnson, Heather Harris, Jason Brown, and Young Brock - as well as Duane Horton and Gentech who have all been instrumental in getting us to this point. In reviewing original budgets, we realized this project started back in 2012, and by God's grace will be complete in 2016. God's timing may not always be our timing, but through the wisdom of our Session, and the work of many, God is providing this *house* in such a way that it is paid for before we start (no additional debt), it will appropriately hold our growing number of children, it is being built with current updated building codes, and all security measures were well vetted through great decision making. May God continue to give us His heritage and blessing through the growth of Covenant families at our church.

~Jason Coffey



What's Happening?

Nursery Schedule June 19

Worship

Infants

Esther McEachern
& Joyce Trask

Creepers

Lisa Hobbs
Melissa & Macie Horton

Toddlers

Mindy Horton
& Katherine Fisher

Floater

Will Horton

Sunday School

Infants

Domekia & Ellie Gaines

Creepers

Sarah & Maggie Wade

Toddlers

Adam & Leanna Cathey

June Coordinator:

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YOUTH PARENTS' MEETING

Parents of current CPC Youth: Please plan on attending the Informational Parent Meeting on Sunday, June 19, during the Sunday School hour in the Sanctuary. Tom Schreiner, Tracy Horton, and Todd Smith are sharing the summer plans for the Youth Ministry and discussing the transition. High School and Middle School Sunday Schools are still meeting.

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 with questions or to RSVP.

MOTHER'S ENCOURAGEMENT

The Mother's Encouragement Group, which meets during the school year, has planned some *Fri-yay Fundays* over the summer months. We encourage families to join us, even if you haven't been able to attend our meetings before. This summer would be a great time to start! All of these activities are "come when you can, leave when you must" and also BYOF&D (bring your own food and drinks). Please encourage your husbands to join us for any of the activities as they are available.

- June 17, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Riverpark playground
- July 8, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Grigg's home for swimming
- July 22, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Imagination Station Playground
- August 5, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Grigg's home for swimming
- August 26, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Imagination Station Playground

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 meets 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.

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 the CPC Info emails.

FOURTH OF JULY

The church office is closed, Monday, July 4. There will be no eNewsletter sent on Thursday, July 7.

CHATTANOOGA FURNITURE BANK

The Chattanooga Furniture Bank is looking for good, used furniture to donate to those in need. Please call Lee or Danny at 423.757.9527 if you have anything to donate.