



# CENTERVILLE

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### Moments That Matter

*All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace*" (Isaiah 54:13). These words from the prophet Isaiah are still quite relevant today. As the summer keeps rolling by, I hope we realize how fortunate we are to have a ministry such as Camp Meribah. For the past 14 years, Clay and Tara Chessor did a phenomenal job of helping countless children be *taught by the Lord*, and Carter and Shelby Hoover have now taken on this new work and are doing likewise. Especially in these seemingly chaotic times, our children need a great deal of *peace* in their life. Our congregation is blessed with people like the Chessor's and Hoovers; by the work they do and the love they have for the youth of our community.

Summertime is always a wonderful time for our Young Adult Ministry (YAM), and the summer of 2022 is no different! As you can see from the pictures included in this publication, the YAMs have enjoyed being together this summer, with many of them being home from college. In May we welcomed several new graduates into our group with dinner and volleyball. At the beginning of June we enjoyed a Summer Kickoff Cookout at the home of David and Kathy Brown (thanks to our hosts!), and just a couple of weeks ago we had a large group enjoy a "Night-on-the-Town" with some bowling in Dickson. In addition to these events, we've been studying/discussing "Our Greatest Fears" during Sunday morning Bible class, as we learn to face the challenges of our time which biblical leaders faced before us. I always say this, but this group of young leaders remain a great blessing to Cissy and me. If you're a young adult and looking for a group to be involved in, come join us in Room 222!

In just a few weeks (hard to believe) we will have our annual Sunday School "Promotion Day." As a parent with two young children, I want to take a moment to send a big THANK YOU to all of our Bible class teachers here at Centerville. Whether you teach on a Sunday morning or Wednesday evening, young child or adult, one quarter or all year, please know that you are *very much appreciated!* It is such a blessing to have so many who are willing to volunteer their time and help teach our children about the Bible and how much God loves them. Jean Qualls does a phenomenal job creating a curriculum that will help our young people grow in spirit and truth, and those of you who help carry this out are to be commended. If you're not yet teaching a class and would be interested in giving it a try, please see Mrs. Jean and get more information. Again, to those of you who teach, we are all so *thankful* for your efforts!

We find the following words in James 5:17-18, *"Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."* Here James gives us a brief history not only of the faith of Elijah, but of the power of fervent prayer. This past Sunday many prayers were answered as we watched a substance which has eluded us all summer—*rain*—fall from the sky. It was much-needed for so many people, and we were reminded of how even the simplest blessings from God give us reason to rejoice. As James taught us, 1) we are but human, yet 2) God hears our prayers. In the moments of our life where we feel like the rain will never fall, the financial toil will never cease, the personal setbacks will never stop, or Satan will never relent, may we each remember that God is *always* there to listen. What a simple, oft-forgotten gift we have been given! God bless, Matthew







## Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the church in memory of Bennett Schmid by the following: Coleen Williams, Randy & Jackie Deitmen, Tim & Melissa Sanderson, Mike, Amber, Harrison, Meredith Kelley, Mrael/Mike Bryant, Jeremy/Stephanie Lobdell, Greg Yokley, Hope Church, Steve & Wanda Turner, Bryan & Sydney Walker, Sally Chessor, Bobby Copley, Peggy Owen, Mike/Peggy Palk, Smitty, Janie & Friends, Jim & Gina Babcock, James & Janet Kuykendall, Terry, Susan, Emily Pace, Dawn Reaves, Lori White, William & Rachel Rivers, Kellen Beard, Robin W. Nelson, Brooks & Lori Bass, Marty Crosslin Insurance, Zachary Whitley, David. J. Hill, Jason Reeves Insurance Agency, Goldman Wealth Management, Donna & David Mackens, Reba W. Walker/Virginia Walker, George & Cindy Garland, Jimmy & Cathie Copley, Doug Shepherd, Shirley Chessor-Yearata, Marty & Liz Garrison.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Greg McCord by Mike, Amber, Harrison and Meredith Kelley.

...a Memorial has been given to the Scholarship Fund in memory of David Dansby by Doug Shepherd.

## Baptism

**BAPTISM**

We rejoice with Jagger Lawson who was baptized June 24, 2022 by Carter Hoover. Jagger is the son of Shaun & Jamie Lawson.

## Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Clara Wright who passed away.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Barbara L. Beard who passed away. She was the sister of Edgar (Barbara) Beard and cousin of Gethlyn (Ruth) Gardner.



**LIFE-LINE**

**Daily Updates & Devotional Message**

**931-729-5055**

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### CONTRIBUTION

**June 26, 2022:**

**\$ 12,533.50**

**Camp: \$ 129.00**

**Budget:**

**\$ 13,532.00**

## July Celebrations



**Don Luther**  
93 Years Old  
July 6, 2022



**Wayne & Carolyn Chessor**  
Married 59 Years  
July 12, 2022



**Farris Baker**  
84 Years Old  
July 30, 2022

"Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well."

3 John 1:2

...Wayne Rediker spent some time in the local hospital due to pneumonia. He is recovering at home.

...Leon Gilbert is doing well after having 2 stents implanted in his heart last week.

**Recovering from surgery or other illness:** Liz Bryant, Billy & Juanita Garner, Amy Douglas, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Lonnie Garrett, Ann Johnston, Pam Anderson, Loudean Qualls, Reba Horner, Ann Spencer

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Dealing With Cancer:** Joe Shipp, Jill Akens, Buster Peters, Rebecca Mears, Charlotte Graves, Mark Chessor, Shirley Harris Burns, Luther Brown, Steve Higginbotham, Everett Kelley

### Nursing Home Life Care Center:

Francis Qualls, Katherine Hoover, Louise Gordon, Donna Blackwell, Betty Claud, Addie Bell Nash, Georgia Moss, Larry Talley

**St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:** Winnie Aydelott, Martha Bates, Francis McClanahan

**NHC Dickson:** Ruth McFarlin  
812 N. Charlotte St.

Dickson, TN. 37055

**St. Thomas Hickman Hospital:** Betty Davis

## A Baby Girl!



Congratulations to Ethan & Alisha Skelton on the birth of a baby girl June 26, 2022. Emery Caroline weighed 5 lbs. 9 ozs. and is 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are Danny & Melody Skelton and great grandparents are Dorris & Margie Claud.

## Area Events

...Area Wide Singing at the Upper Sinking Church of Christ July 8th at 7 P.M. Food after singing Come and bring a friend! Master of Ceremony: William Tankersley

...Gospel Meeting at the Little Lot Church of Christ July 17, 2022. Morning worship 10:30 A.M. followed by a meal in the Fellowship Hall. Singing led by Jeff Wright Evening service begins at 2 P.M. with singing by James Tidwell.



4<sup>th</sup> of July

Celebration

July 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Following 7:30pm  
 Worship Service

Hot Dogs, Popcorn,  
 Cookies, Drinks,  
 Snow Cones,  
 Fireworks!

Please Bring  
 Cookies  
 or  
 Brownies



## The Shepherd's Pen

This is the last week of June. Six months of 2022 have come and gone. Sunday we will have stepped into July. Sunday evening will be our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration following evening worship. Do you feel as though only yesterday you were saying, "Happy New Year!" Time is passing. By the time I say this moment – that moment is gone – and it cannot be caught back up and put into a chest somewhere to be used later. Time does not work that way. Imagine there is a bank that deposits \$86,400 into your account every single morning. Imagine that no matter what is left over that night the balance goes back to \$0, but every morning another \$86,400 shows up. It is "use it or lose it." What would you do? Draw out every cent, every single day of course! We have such a bank. The bank's name is TIME. Every morning, we are credited with 86,400 seconds. We do not get a single second more and any second, we do not use wisely, is lost forever. Time carries over no balance. It allows no overdraft. It does not allow for any "rollover minutes." You cannot keep time in a bottle. There is no going back. There is no drawing against the "tomorrow." You must live in the present on today's deposits. The clock is running. "You do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away." (James 4:14) Make the most of today and every day. "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is." (Ephesians 5:15-17) Looking forward to seeing you Sunday. Keep the faith, *be steadfast, immovable, and abounding!* God will see us through. *Your Elders*

## Those To Serve in July

<p><u><i>Prayer Week of July 3</i></u></p> <p><u>S.M.W.</u> Cecil Qualls</p> <p><u>S.M.D.</u> Clay Chessor</p> <p><u>S.E.W.</u> James Aydelott</p> <p><u>S.E.D.</u> Brett Martin</p> <p><u>W.E.B.S</u> Kevin Isenberg</p> <p><u>W.E.D.</u> Eli Jacobs</p>	<p><u>BOYS TO PICK UP CARDS IN JULY</u></p> <p>7/3: Landon Jenkins, Logan Jenkins, Jagger Lawson, Jackson McDonald 7/10: Bo McDonald, Boone Newsom, Brody Chessor, Bruin Dotson 7/17: Keegan Dotson, Cade Hoover, Macray Qualls, Landon Jenkins 7/24: Logan Jenkins, Jagger Lawson, Jackson McDonald, Bo McDonald 7/31: Boone Newsom, Brody Chessor, Bryson Chessor, Bruin Dotson</p>	<p><u>RADIO ROOM JULY</u></p> <p>Alex Seagraves Derek Newsom Cameron Wright Marshall McCauley</p>	<p><u>NURSERY:</u></p> <p>Mandy Harrison</p> <p><u>BAPT. CLOTHING:</u></p> <p>Lesley Hudgins</p>	
	<p><u>Read Scripture July 3</u> <i>Major Qualls</i></p> <p><u>Elders' Prayer</u> Ken Dickerson</p>	<p><u>Preside July 3</u></p> <p>Robert Bowman</p>	<p><u>Meals On Wheels July</u></p> <p>July 6: Shirley DeVore July 13: Joy McDonald July 20: Jean Qualls July 27: Wayne Rediker</p> <p><u>PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40</u></p>	<p><u>USHERS:</u></p> <p>Ronald Coates Monty Dunn Don Chessor</p>
		<p><u>Greeters</u></p> <p>Justin Beard John &amp; Debbie Bradley Mark &amp; Shela Chessor Gethlyn &amp; Ruth Gardner</p>	<p><u>P.M. Communion</u></p> <p>Trevor Buchanan Robert Bowman</p> <p><b>SERVED IN THE CHAPEL</b></p>	