

# Mid-Week Informer

FEBRUARY 3, 2016



A COMMUNITY OF  
GRACE THAT IS  
GROWING & GOING

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### FEBRUARY

- Chili (guys) and dessert (gals) cook-off on Sun. Feb. 7th at 5:00 PM
- Collecting cans for Garrard Food Pantry and Parrish
- Directory pictures rescheduled until Feb. 18-22

## Food Drive



## From Your Pastor

We are frequently reminded of the frailty of life. This week many were alarmed and saddened by the shooting of a man in our community. The truth is, we never know when someone's life will end. We all need to be ready to step into eternity. The Bible (Jesus Himself) tells us there is only one way to Heaven (John 14:6). Jesus told Nicodemus (John 3:3), "unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Jesus began his ministry by proclaiming the gospel and saying (Mark 1:15), "the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe the gospel." So, we know how to get to heaven: turn from your sins and believe in the gospel.

Sadly, some people know the truth but are never quite ready to turn from their sinful lifestyles and follow after Jesus. Some believe that they do enough good that God will surely let them into heaven. Please hear me... "no one will ever be good enough to get to heaven." We are sinners and our sin separates us from our holy God and condemns us to hell. Apart from a genuine faith relationship with Jesus Christ, we will die in our sins and go to hell. However, Jesus came and lived a sinless life on earth. He was able (because He was sinless) and willing to go to the cross to pay the wrath of God against sin.

I also see lots of people who claim to be a "Christian" and yet their lives are no different than a lost person's. They still talk like a lost person, treat others harshly, do not seek to minister the love of Christ, do not raise a hand to help a neighbor, often respond angrily when wronged, and the list goes on. Some even act that way at church. Jesus said that by our love for one another we verify that we are His disciples (John 13:35). If you are still living comfortably in your sin or if your life has not changed since you encountered the gospel of Jesus Christ, you should consider if you have even been converted. No, I'm not the judge. I'm just a pastor who is concerned for your soul. Death is too certain to be uncertain about eternity. If you have questions about your salvation or the assurance of going to heaven, please call me. I'd love to help you examine your life in light of the truths of Scripture. Let us heed Paul's exhortation in 2 Corinthians 13:5, "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?" *Bro Harold*



**Visit:**

[www.tellyourstory.today](http://www.tellyourstory.today)

**DVDs & CDs:**

We have DVDs & CDs available for our Sunday services.

Please see Chris Woolums (sound area) if you would like one (free). Donations welcomed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW DIRECTORY:** Rescheduled for **Feb. 18-22.**

**UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING:** Games resume this Saturday. You are invited to come out any night and visit with parents while their child is practicing. We'd love for you to help on Saturdays in January and February. We could always use more help.

**FOOD COLLECTION:** We are now collecting food for our local food pantries in the month of January (through Feb. 7th).

**HISPANIC CHURCH PLANT:** This Hispanic Church Plant has been approved and the first service will be held at the beginning of March. Please be praying for this church plant.

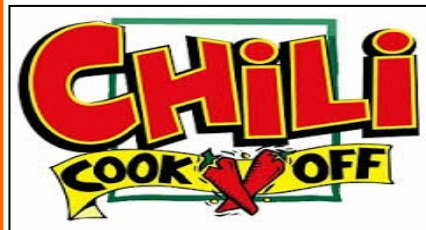
**MARRIAGE RETREAT 2016:** March 11-13 in Pigeon Forge, TN with Buck Run Baptist. Register by Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> for \$230 (Feb. 8-28 for \$250). Go to [www.buckrun.org/event/marriage-retreat/](http://www.buckrun.org/event/marriage-retreat/) to register or see Vonda Anderson.

**FLC POLICY:** New FLC use policy took effect on January 1, 2016. Copies are available in church office

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Sunday evenings at 4:00 PM.

**DISCOVERY CLASS:** Sunday, Feb. 28th at 9:00 AM in the library.

**DEACON'S MEETING:** After AM service this Sunday, Feb. 7th.



## In All Things By Prayer...

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Jack Armstrong	Mike Doughty	Landan Maynard	<p><b>HOME BOUND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bob Ballard</li> <li>• Jewell Callis</li> <li>• Lois Carrier</li> <li>• Lucian Clark (CCC)</li> <li>• Nellie Cole</li> <li>• JoAnn Grow</li> <li>• Juanita Gullett</li> <li>• Virgie Long</li> <li>• Della Meadows (CCC)</li> <li>• Anna Meadows</li> <li>• Marie Naylor</li> <li>• Dorothy Shockley</li> <li>• Katherine Sowder</li> <li>• Myrtle Stump (CCC)</li> </ul> <p><b>OUR CHURCH</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bro. Harold &amp; family</li> <li>• Bro. Stephen &amp; family</li> <li>• Bro. Nehemiah &amp; family</li> <li>• Our Deacons</li> <li>• SS Teachers</li> <li>• Church leaders</li> <li>• New believers</li> <li>• Chervens</li> <li>• Amanda Hubler</li> <li>• Tyler Woods</li> <li>• Michael Anderson</li> </ul> <p><b>COMMUNITY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County Judge</li> <li>• City Mayor</li> <li>• Police/Sheriff</li> <li>• Schools</li> <li>• Lost</li> </ul> <p><b>NATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President</li> <li>• Legislatures</li> <li>• Armed Forces</li> <li>• Missionaries</li> <li>• Persecuted Christians</li> <li>• Spiritual Awakening</li> </ul>
Rapley Armstrong	Margaret Dunn	Virginia May	
Betty & Buddy Arnold	Mike Durham	Christi McCollum	
Blanche Ballard	Frankie Eden	Debbie Middleton	
Bob Ballard	Stephanie Elam	Judy Middleton	
Sue Ballard	Wyatt Fielder	Cloyd Naylor	
Brent Ballew	Bethany Floyd	Donnie Prewitt	
Lynn Bateman	Jimmy Flynn	Gladys Richardson	
Enith Bentley	Jim France	Adriana Rodriguez	
Randy Blevins	Bro. Albert Gisler	Lisa Logan Rogers	
JC Broaddus	Jesse Goins	Savannah	
J.O. Burkhead	Barbara Hackney	David Simpson	
Bud Byrd	Barb Hall	Virginia Simpson	
Forrest Calico	Jeanne Hall	Danny Smith	
Morris Caudill	Leland Hall	Pam Smith	
Gordon Clark	Candi Hamilton	Suzie Stafford	
Lucian Clark	Shavna Harwick	Mike Sutton	
Paul Clark	EJ Hasty	Sheila Taylor	
Doty Ann Clifford	Nancy Helton	Jimmy Teater	
Levi Clontz	Amanda Hicks	Pauletta Teater	
Junior Cox	Dewayne Holland	Priscilla Tudor	
Rosa Cranfill	Carolyn Hunt	Noretta Vanwinkle	
Christi Crouch	Cheryl Johnson	Cindy Wade	
Brian Crumb	Julia Kay	Tonia Warren	
Bonita Dailey	Carl Kidwell	Flonnie Whitaker	
Gladys Dailey	Ed Land	Sherman Willoughby	
Lloyd Dailey	Angela Long	Charlotte Winter	
Sue Davis	Jimmy Lowery	Melanie York	
Polly Dennis	Jimmy Lucas		
Billy Denny	Mandy Lynch		
Jo Denton	Molly Lanham		
<p><b>Memory Verses:</b> <i>As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. Genesis 50:20</i></p>			
<p>Please contact Della Hall at 859.548.9250 to add or update prayer list or serve as Prayer Warrior.</p>		<p><b>Prayer Warrior</b>  <b>Anna Ward</b>  <b>Sun., February 7, 2016</b></p>	



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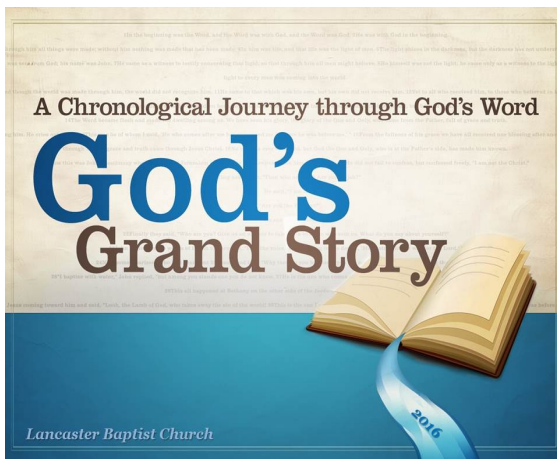
**Ministerial Staff:**

**Senior Pastor:** Harold Best  
**Worship Pastor:** Nehemiah Wilkinson  
**Youth Pastor:** Stephen Brogli

PLEASE BE PRAYING FOR OUR UPWARD SEASON.

# Mission Opportunities

**GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP:**  
If you are interested in working with Prince of Peace Home for Girls, we will be taking a mission trip June 11-17, 2016. Please see Bob or Carmen Miniard for more details.



**DO YOU WANT TEXT MESSAGE UPDATES?**

If you would like to receive text message updates (deaths, canceled services, prayer request) from the church you can text (502) 512-0276 and put @4e5fd as the message and you will be added to the list for text updates.