



Our Church Family

Florence Dixon is now home from the hospital, still undergoing tests... **Jim Hixon** remains in Health South rehab on Union Ave. room 217... **Dot Jones** is now at home after being hospitalized recently... **Judy Kuntz** is in Baptist DeSoto rehab after knee surgery last week... **David Lipsey** is in Baptist DeSoto with pneumonia... **Ed McIntosh** is at home following knee surgery last week... **Connor Mobley** is back at home after surgery to remove a brain tumor last week. He is waiting on biopsy results.... **Gary Pruett** is at home recuperating from knee surgery... **Rolando Saradpon** will have shoulder surgery on Thursday of this week... **Bob Wall** is in Baptist Memphis. Doctors have determined that surgery will not benefit him... Fred Whitlock remains in Methodist University Hospital, Rm. 914T... **Wade Barth's** mother, Lou, suffered a mild heart attack last week... **Yuvonia Mardis'** mother, Ruth Curington; 945 High Chaparral Road; Russellville; AL 35653, fell and dislocated her shoulder... **Mary Patterson's** sister, Dorothy Rushing, is in ICU... **Terri Pounders** dad, Gene Giles, is in Methodist University Hospital Rm. 455 Crews.

ITEMS NEEDED

The Lads are studying 6 of the Jewish Feasts. They are in need of a Shofar and a Menorah. If you have one they can borrow please contact Debbie Williams @ 662-895-2453.

SHARE

Our Goodman Oaks singers will leave the building at 3:45 this Sunday to go sing at the local nursing homes. Please make plans to join us.

TLCS

Will meet Friday night at 6pm in the FLC for their monthly brownbag fellowship.

SPORTSMAN'S DINNER

All hunters and fishermen: we will host a Sportsman's dinner March 25 at 6:30pm in the FLC. Please prepare your wild game or fish along with vegetables and desserts. Come enjoy an evening of fellowship and good food. For more information contact **Art Shumway, Greg Kuntz** or **Sonny Howell**.

SPRING BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Mornings:

- Life Guards - 22 - Daniel continued
- Tweeners - 20 - Passion of Christ conclusion
- Sonshiners - 24 - Colossians
- Faithbuilders - 27 - Romans
- Auditorium - Hebrews

Wednesday Nights:

- Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther - 20 - Steve Reeves
- Family Conflict Resolution - 22 - Michael Davis
- World Bible School - 24
- Men's Class - 26
- Singing Class - FLC
- Lads' Jewish Feasts - 1

Special Note: Beginning Wednesday, March 3rd everyone will go directly to class. We will not meet in the auditorium prior to class time. Announcements will be made by the teachers of the classes.

LADIES DAY COMMITTEE

A Ladies Day meeting for all committee members and interested people will be Sunday, March 14 at 4pm in the Ladies Classroom.

ANGEL FOOD ORDERS

The last day to order is March 15 by 3:30. Pick up date is March 20, 10am-12. Stop by the information desk to pick up a March menu. See the Hammers to order or stop by the office M-F 9:00-3:30.

NUMERICALLY SPEAKING

February 28, 2010

Sunday Bible Class	477
Sunday Morning Worship	673
Offering	\$22,294

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

- Sunday:**
- Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.
- Worship - 10:00 a.m.
- Worship - 5:00 p.m.
- Fellowship, Study and Service - 6:15 p.m.
- Tuesday:** "Encouragement Class" - 10 a.m.
- Wednesday:**
- Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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Around The Oaks

With Steve Reeves

(Note: Here's an excellent article from our friend and fellow-preacher **David Anguish** of the Southwind congregation in Memphis. May we prayerfully consider its message. - swr)

WE'VE ALREADY BEEN ASKED

David Anguish

Jill Briscoe's *Here Am I, Send Aaron!* is definitely one of my favorite book titles. It immediately brings to mind not just the story of Moses, but the excuses he attempted to avoid God's call. He wasn't important enough (Exodus 3:11). The people wouldn't know the Lord had sent him (Exodus 3:13). They would not believe him (Exodus 4:1). He wasn't articulate (Exodus 4:10).

Finally, with all excuses exhausted, he had to confess: he just didn't want to go (Exodus 4:13). He never actually said, "Here am I, send Aaron," but we get the sense that he would have had he thought of it.

Of course, Moses' response is only part of Briscoe's clever title. Most of it comes from Isaiah, called to preach to a stubborn people who did not see, would not hear, and ultimately refused to obey. But, there's Isaiah, so in awe after his vision of the Lord that he could not contain himself. "Here am I Send me!" he exclaims (Isaiah 6:8).

Neither Moses nor Isaiah knew on the front end all that their commitment to service would entail. Moses would duel with Pharaoh whose refusal and vacillation must have been gut wrenching for him. Having won that battle, he was "rewarded" with forty years shepherding Israel with their litany of complaints and habit of disobedience. He would never live in Canaan.

Isaiah's task was no easier. He preached. He warned. He pleaded. He promised. For his trouble, if Jewish tradition is accurate, he was sawn in two (cf. Hebrews 11:37). These are amazing stories of incredibly brave and committed men. But, there's an aspect to their service that we may miss. We never read that God repeated his call to Moses when it came time to climb the mountain, or select the spies, or arbitrate disputes, or find water in a rock. We're never told that Isaiah's commission was renewed when Uzziah died and was succeeded by Jotham, then Ahaz, and then Hezekiah (Isaiah 1:1).

These great men of faith never decided their commitment to serve on a case-by-case basis. They never said, "I'll do that if I'm asked." The need was evident; their talents would meet it. So, they got to work – for God. He had already asked. That settled everything.

"Here am I! Send Aaron!"? Or "Here am I Send me"? Does the Lord have important work that needs doing? Absolutely. Has God blessed you with your talents, put you where you are, and provided opportunities to serve? Yes, he has.

Waiting to be asked? You already have been. What do you answer?

Kevin's Korner

...Kevin Jourdan

Who am I?

On Wednesday nights for the next six weeks we will have a series for the College/Young Single's class titled, "Who am I? How Can God Use Me?" We will look at a number of different stories from Scripture where God used normal people like you and me to do great things for Him. If you are a college student or a young single please make plans to be with us on Wednesday nights.

Dinner and Game Night

This Friday, March 5 we will have dinner and play games at Keith Mardis' house. We will start at 6pm. Please come and join other College age and Young Singles as we hang out together.

New Connection Groups

For the past six months we have had a young adult small group, which included singles and young marrieds. This Sunday night the groups will start meeting separately. We will have a young marrieds small group, led by **Paul Tullos** and **Justin Tremor**, and a College/Young Singles group (age 18-30). The College/Young Singles will meet this Sunday, at 6:30 at **Kevin and Natalie's** house. The Young Marrieds will meet at **Justin and April Tremor's** house at 6:30. Please make plans to join other singles and young marrieds as we study God's word and grow together.

Summer Mission Trip

We are going to the Timothy Hill Children's Ranch in Riverhead, NY June 19-25. They have asked us to come and host a VBS on the Ranch for the community. We will also work on the ranch during the day. The cost is \$400 per person. This will cover everything for the trip. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer. **The deadline to sign-up is this Sunday, March 7.** We need to know so we can book the flights ASAP. We will start fundraising in a couple of weeks.

Youth News

... Jeff Shocklee

Senior Night

Our Senior Night will be May 2. All seniors need to turn in up to 10 photos in a digital format by April 11. Please make sure to include at least one senior picture appropriate for the bulletin. Additionally, there will be a quick meeting of the parents of the juniors immediately after the AM assembly on April 18.

Workcamp

It is time to think about Workcamp again! Each year we paint 25-35 houses in urban Memphis. We work with about 15 other churches and 400 teens. We serve people in the name of God and we worship Him together each evening.

The dates for Workcamp are June 7-11. Registration forms will be available beginning this week. Pick one up and join in! It's going to be hot. It's going to be difficult. It's going to be a blast! You'll love it!

UPLIFT

Uplift will take place from June 26-July1 at Harding University. The cost is \$190 per person. The deadline to sign up and pay a \$90 non-refundable deposit is May 2.

Summer Interns

As we look forward to summer, it is always exciting to find our interns each year. They play such a large role in making things happen during the 10 weeks they are with us. We look for fun, energetic Christians who have shown good character, responsibility, and are deepening their faith in God. It helps if they can drive a van, too!

This summer Ben Brownfield will be returning to work with us. We are currently looking for housing for Ben for the summer since his family is moving to Knoxville. If you are interested, please see Jeff.

Our second intern for the summer is Hailey Ray. Hailey and her family are much loved here at GO and we are very excited about having her as part of our summer team. She will bring a lifelong devotion to Christ and the church to her work. She gets along with anyone! And I KNOW we are going to laugh a lot! Please keep our summer plans and interns in your prayers. There is a lot to be done!

Friday at the Movies

This Friday, March 5 at 6:45-9pm!