

## NEWS & NOTES--September 14, 2008

**HOSPITAL/SICK:** **Samantha Polston** (bed rest until her baby arrival), **Jospehine Pearce** (had MRI done Monday, now home), **Glenda Lane** (had two stents installed Wednesday), **Hollie Engle** (back problems); **Dena Penn** (diagnosed with breast cancer), and **Jantra Jennings** (unable to get out and about).

**PRAYERS:** **Bill Cullen** (has been moved to St. Elizabeth's Place), **Kay Clifft**, **Bryan Nichols**, the **Van Tate family**; **Doug Puckett**, **Earl Baker**, **Maxine Rose**, the **Walton family**.

**SYMPATHY...** is extended to the family of **Maudie Puckett** (Tom Looper's mother; **Karen Shirley's** and **Greg Puckett's** grandmother). Funeral services were held Friday.

**WEDNESDAY (9/17):** Speaker: **Cameron Baldrige**, Menu: Hamburgers

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Today--CCCM Board meeting, 2:00pm in the Library.
- Today--Elders and Deacons meeting at 4:00pm
- Sept. 21--Blalock Shepherd group will have a potluck after morning services.
- Sept. 21--Shirley Sherherd group will meet after morning services in room 14.
- Sept. 24--VBS Meeting, 6:15pm, Library (everyone welcome)

**COOKBOOKS...** will be distributed today and Wed. before and after services (Fellowship Hall). Cost is \$10.00. Cookbooks would be great Christmas gifts!

**PANTRY ITEM:** Cereal and Oatmeal (and everything else!)

**PICK UP DISHES:** Dishes are available for pick up on the table just inside the Fellowship Hall (west entrance). Check for yours.

**DONATION:** A collection of tapes, "The Creation Week," has been donated to the church library by **Pat Hurd** in memory of **Harlan Hurd**.

**NEW PHONE NUMBERS:** **Rita McQuay** 870-530-7071; **Ki Houston** 253-4148.

### AID FOR ORPHANS:

**ROMANIA:** Children's socks and underwear (or donations) for Romanian orphans (box on foyer table).  
**UKRAINE:** Toothbrushes (or donations) for Ukrainian orphans (box on foyer table).

**GOSPEL MEETING:** at Harrisburg Church of Christ September 14-17, A. L. Parr, speaker.

**SINGERS REQUESTED:** The Nettleton Church of Christ will be recording singing for its TV program on Thursday, September 25th at 7:00pm.



## NEW ARRIVAL!!!!

**Kayli Amanda Hazlewood**  
Born: September 7, 2008  
8lbs. 9oz.

Parents: **Lorne and Jodi Hazlewood**  
Grandparents: **Rick & Sharon Griffin**  
and **Leslie Hazlewood**  
Great-grandparents: **Sibyl Griffin,**  
**Dorothy Blevens,** and **Ida Dickey**

## NEW ARRIVAL!!!!



**Madison Rae Cune**  
Born: September 6, 2008  
6lbs. 15oz.

Parents: **Randy & Casey Cune**  
Grandparents: **Tom & Jeanie McAdams**

### RECORD Week of 9/7/08

AM Class -----	165
AM Worship -----	300
PM Worship -----	111
Wed. Class -----	137
Contribution -----	\$5038.00

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about \$180K in hand from the sale of the old student center building). It's a great challenge to think of raising \$720K. But I for one will be undaunted; I believe God has given His people plenty (and He even owns everything His enemies think they own!). Anyway, when you've done all you ought to do for Bono's needs, please consider helping this much-needed ministry.

Many of you still are not availing yourselves of the great spiritual goldmine that is in our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening Bible classes. If you're looking for a Sunday morning class to join, the class in Rm. 14 has just begun studying a series entitled, "Getting Through the Tough Stuff." It will be taught by several of the men in the class: **Brad Martin, Darrell Parks, Tony Sauser, Carroll Thetford, David Watson,** and myself. The "tough stuff"? Things like temptation, misunderstanding, anxiety, shame, doubt, confrontation, pain, prejudice, hypocrisy, inadequacy, and disqualification. Our class is a mixed-age class, so everyone is welcome.

**Darah Watson** has recently begun a class for out young women (roughly 7<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> grades). If you have a daughter or you have a relationship in some other way with a young woman in this age group, get them involved. **Darah** will bring them a great blessing.

Next Sunday, I'll start the series on forgiveness. We'll call it "Total Forgiveness." Bring someone along with you who might be blessed by what the Bible says about this great topic.

**Jayneen** and I are so grateful for the Bono church and for God bringing us your way. The elders asked me last Sunday afternoon if we needed to sign a new contract... I told them I thought I had a good one already. I hope God blesses us that we can work together for whatever useful ministry years I have remaining.

John says of the Word (Jesus): "*In him was life and the life was the light of men...*" To be His true disciples means we're always lighting the way to the cross for the world. Shine on!

**Morning Services, September 14, 2008**

Opening Prayer: Shawn Gott  
Reading: Darrell Parks (Luke 15:17-24)  
Table-East  
Kenny James  
Sam Sullivan  
Lester Wilson  
Michael Owens

Closing Prayer: Len Sharp  
Communion Prayer: Bill Lane  
Table-West  
Donnie Brooks  
Jamey Felkins  
Ronnie Norman  
Rick Thomas

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Donald Jones  
Foyer and Halls: Alan Keith

Closing Prayer: Robin Castleberry

**Morning Services, September 21, 2008**

Opening Prayer: Bill Keith  
Reading: Gynn Arnold (Isa. 61:1-2; Matt. 5:23-24)  
Table-East  
Donnie Brooks  
Mike Tolbert  
Gene Layne  
Walt Sauser

Closing Prayer: Justin Welch  
Communion Prayer: Brad Martin  
Table-West  
Alan Keith  
Michael Montgomery  
Josh Cureton  
Wes McBroome

**Evening Services**

Opening Prayer: Wilson Lane  
Foyer and Halls: Darrell Parks

Closing Prayer: Lorne Hazlewood

**ELDERS:** Danny Blalock (935-7693), Donald Jones (932-7654), Arvis Shirley (935-7574), Carroll Thetford (935-3629)  
**DEACONS:** Gynn Arnold (972-0305), Rick Griffin (932-2724), Kenny James (932-5975), Alan Keith (932-5075), Wilson Lane (935-7649), Tommy McElrath (935-9707), John Owens (935-5857), Darrell Parks (935-4664), Gaylon Tate (972-1252)  
**MINISTER:** Richard Akins (919-8925), e-mail: richakins@yahoo.com  
**MISSIONS:** CCCM-ASU, Children's Homes, Crowley's Ridge College, Families First, Africa, Truth for Today.  
**SERVICES SCHEDULE:** SUNDAY: Classes, 9:00am, Worship, 9:50am and 5:30pm, WEDNESDAY: Classes, 7:00pm  
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# PRO BONO

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September 14, 2008 (37/08)

What a wonderful day we had together Sunday. I appreciated so much **Marco's** planning and leading of our morning worship hour. **Marco** is a young man with great love for the Lord whom God has given a great talent. I believe God will continue to use him to do great things in the kingdom.

We have other young people who might be inspired by **Marco**. They, too, have talents and abilities along with their love for the Lord. We'd welcome our young men stepping up to lead singing, be Scripture readers, or lead prayers (most of you already serve at the communion table).

And parents of smaller children, consider God's dreams and plans for them and start them early. They won't suddenly one day be able to flip a switch and instantaneously know how to live and work for God.

Still on children... *The Christian Chronicle* arrived in the mail today. It features two books related to children and the kingdom... (1) *Nurturing Children's Spirituality: Christian Perspectives and Best Practices*, and (2) *Welcoming Children: A Practical Theology of Childhood*. If you'd like to know more, ask me.

And still on children... Great news!!! Planning work has been done this week for a Youth Committee. **Allen Keith** brought me the news of a meeting **Carroll Thetford, Darrell Parks**, and he had and said it looks like the committee may be heavy with Bono's women... to which I say, "Hooray for our women!" I also say, "Most women I know will know how to get their men involved." Anyway, I am looking forward to seeing what we can do better for our youth. I believe God will bless it and we'll see exciting things from a great group of kids and a great group of our older members loving and leading them.

Thanks to **Terry and Connie Stevenson** who were replacing a TV and gave their old big screen to CCCM. It will certainly be usable for a while and save us considerable expense.

Speaking of CCCM, I know most every member here gives to the work of the church and then "above and beyond" to other needs you consider worthy. I hope you'll consider the campus work at ASU with that "above and beyond" giving. It is a great work that will require a fairly large amount of money to build a new campus center—probably a total of \$800-900K (we already have

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**TOTAL FORGIVENESS**

*Be kind and compassionate to one another; forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*  
*Ephesians 4:32*

**5-lesson series begins next Sunday morning, Sept. 21**