#### November 16, 2016

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### **Worship Care Workers**

Babies
Allison Sepulveda & Alice Turner
Toddlers & Preschoolers
Korey Chambers & Anna Thomas

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**Deacon Greeters** 

Jeanne Alley Willard Sisson

# Sunday, November 20

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

Fellowship 10:30AM



Worship at First

It's a "dollar \$unday"!

10:45 AM SONGS OF COMMUNITY EMMA ECHOLS, SOPRANO

#### 11:00AM

Thomas Quisenberry

Luke 23:33-43

Grace Is Given

#### Our 10th annual CHRISTMAS BRUNCH for those in need is



**Saturday, December 10**, from 9:00-11:30AM. This is a church-wide event, everyone can help in some way! Mark your calendar to **help pack backpacks** on **Wednesday, December 7**, at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Plan to bring a \$10 toy or two to our Hanging of the Green service on Sunday, December 4, at 11:00AM. The toys should be for children ages 2-12 years old. Please do not wrap these, but place them in a gift bag with tissue paper and labeled with the age/gender of the child. The gifts may be placed on the balcony steps before or after Worship. These will be distributed to children attending the Brunch.

Also, we are collecting **new children's books** to give to the approximately 100 children attending the brunch. These need to be brought to church by Sunday, December 4. Monetary donations for books, toys and other needs are always welcome. Just indicate in the memo line of your check how you would like the donation used.

The Missions Committee is looking for a few good people to help with a sewing project. We are making warm blankets for the homeless, with a generous donation from Susan and Rusty Rouse, and need help putting blanket binding on each one. All materials are furnished.

Please call Lynn Strong at 423.877.0311 (h) or 423.309.6979 (c).



We welcome our newest members, Jan & David Varnell!

## POINSETTIA SUNDAYS

#### December 11 & December 18

Poinsettias are \$11 and will be placed in the Sanctuary. You may pick up your poinsettias after the service. Please place your order by Wednesday, December 7, by calling the church office at 423.265.2257 or by returning a completed order card with payment. Poinsettia order cards are placed around the building. Thank you!



Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Gateway will not be published next Wednesday, November 23.

#### Church Family Concerns

(Updated from Sunday School prayer sheets and by office staff. Names are not listed in order of priority.)

Area fires & firefighters

Area/national violence issues

Construction Workers in the Hwy 27 Expansion Area

Battle Academy staff: Michelle Meyners, Rebecca Piper, Kelly Splawn

Those experiencing job losses/job searches

Those homebound; those travelling

Our nation and its leaders

**Essie Bartlett** 

Fernando Calderon

**Bobby Colvin** Cindy Elam Olen Grubbs

Barbara Koller Sue McNeil Ferman Miller Ron Phillips Jack Quinton Regina Schwall

Mable Stephens Ben Stone

Barbara Thomas

Jeanne Baucom's friends, Julie & Martha Taylor Berry, son of Jim Blentlinger's friend, Dale

Myrna Cowen, Imogene Stone's friend Davy Crockett, Jr, Sue Crockett's son

Kenny Crofford, Tina Shoop's brother-in-law Gary Davidson, David Wollert's friend

Joshua Davis, Carol & Tom Prevost's neighbor

Heather DeRose, Doris & Ed Green's relative

Kathy Ledford Gable's friend, JT Jim Grainger, Juanita Grainger's son

Carolyn Guerry's brother

Joe Heron, Steve Yantis' friend

Will Hunt Karen Lee, Carole Daniel's daughter

Cindy Mannon, Carolyn & Doran Carrell's niece Mary Stewart Markham, the Markham's granddaughter Barbara Morgan (2403 Battlefield Pkwy #503B,

Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742)

Ray Naff, Roberta Echols' father

June Rinallo

Teresa Rodgers, Katsy Bruner's friend Gretta & Reid Ross, John Hunt's In-laws Nathan Sexton, Elizabeth Fogo Sexton's husband Jean Smith, Greg Pierce's mother-in-law Betty Southerland, Steve Yantis' aunt

No known members hospitalized



#### **TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE**

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5:00 pm 5:40 pm 6:00 pm 7:15 pm	Fellowship Meal Church Conference Handbell Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal	FH FH C104 Sanctuary		
Babies & Toddlers				
4:45 pm	Childcare	E101 & E104		
Preschoolers				
4:45 pm	Childcare	E104		
6:00 pm	Preschool Music & Missions	E107		
	Children (K-5 <sup>th</sup> grade)			
6:00 pm	Children's Choir	E111		
Youth				
6:00 pm	Youth Gathering	Youth Area		
	Adults			
6:00 nm	Eninhanias (Study/Discussion)	2nd Floor Lobby		

6:00 pm Epiphanies (Study/Discussion) 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Lobby Dietrich Bonhoeffer Facilitated by Karen Henderson with Jeanne Baucom

6:00 pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study Luke 21:5-19

Led by Thomas Quisenberry

#### NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Inez Kelley 3958 Knollwood Ter Chattanooga, TN 37415

Jane & John Kerr 4710 Brentwood Dr Chattanooga, TN 37416

Vivian Langford 1023 East Valley Dr Rossville, GA 30741

Eloise Litz c/o Nancy Oliver 1792 Coventry Rd Decatur, GA 30030

Ruth Moore 7719 Shallowford Rd. #303 Chattanooga, TN 37421

Thelma Quinton 1501 Emming Ln Rossville, GA 30741

## Serving in the military

FH200

Tyler Cain, David Dillivan Rvan & Nova Howell, Keith Mays Toby Quinton, Caleb Renegar Nathan Skidmore, Shawn Taylor Jason Webster, Matthew Webster

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Nov. 17	David Campbell
	Jim Lane
Nov. 18	Cheryl Brown

Nov. 16 Tillie Ling

Christina G. Jolander Melissa Pettway

Nov. 19 Ron Cooper Ed Nichols

Nov. 20 Brooke Larm Lyndsay Smith

Nov. 22 **Brant Bagley** David Crockett, Sr. Bobbie Fitch Barbara Koller

Nov. 23 Chase Egli Brenda Hooper

Nov. 26 Max Bahner Madeleine Mardis

Melissa Laseter Nov. 27

#### **FBC Ministerial & Support Staff**

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Our October workday consisted of making final preparations for the dedication ceremony of 3405 Highland Avenue on the following day. This consisted of final cleanup of the inside plus caulking and touch-up painting of both the interior and exterior. This was the ninth house we



have assisted building within "the Villages at Alton Park," As always the fellowship was good spirited and included the presentation of "tape measure" suspenders to a team mate "to improve his productivity," i.e. less time wasted adjusting a sagging belt-line.

The homeowner, 30 year old Senga Lucie, was resettled here from Tanzania by the United Nations in 2007. She currently works at Pilgrim's Pride and is accompanied by her 21 year old niece whom she located three years ago in an African orphanage. Her story was recently highlighted in a feature article of the *Chattanooga Times Free Press*. She is a classic example of the owners of Habitat homes who qualify through their initiative and hard work.

Our next workday is Friday, November 18 and we would like you to join us if you are able. Contact Jim McAfee for more information (423-802-5011).



The Church Office will be closed Wednesday, November 23, and Thursday, November 24, giving our staff an opportunity to celebrate Thanksgiving with their families. We will not serve a Fellowship meal or have any activities on Wednesday, November 23.



#### Items needed by Sunday, November 27!

We will be sending care packages to our college students during final exams and we need your help! We need donations of these items: popcorn, gum, candy, ramen noodles, fruit cups, hot chocolate, note cards, highlighters,

etc. These can be placed in the designated tub outside the church office. Thank you!

**The First Friends Luncheon** is on Thursday, December 3, at 11:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. The Graysville Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus directed by Angie

Thomas will present the program. The \$6 meal includes Ham, Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Cranberry Salad, Roll and Dessert. Reservations are needed by Sunday, December 4. Please complete the sign-up sheet on tonight's supper table or in your



classroom on Sunday, or contact Frances(423.648.2543/frances@fbcchattanooga.org).

#### ON THE CALENDAR, NOV.17 - DEC. 4

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Thursday, November 17	
English (ESL) Classes	9:30AM
Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Dinner w/Mustard Tree Ministries	6:00PM
Friday, November 18	
Habitat for Humanity Workday	8:45AM
Saturday, November 19	
English (ESL) Classes	4:00PM
Sunday, November 20	
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time	10:30AM
Worship - Christ the King Sunday	11:00AM
SFA Student Recital	2:30PM
Youth Choir	4:30PM
Youth Supper	5:30PM
Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
Adult Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Monday, November 21	
Bridge of Hope (CWJC) Class	5:30PM
Wednesday, November 23	
Church Office Closed	
No Evening Activities	
Thursday, November 24	
Happy Thanksgiving!	
Church Office Closed	
Sunday, November 27	
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time	10:30AM
Worship – Advent I	11:00AM
Youth Choir	4:30PM
Youth Supper	5:30PM
Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
Adult Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Tuesday, November 29	
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	11:00AM
Wednesday, November 30	
Fellowship Meal	5:00PM
Preschool Music/Missions	6:00PM
Children's Choir	6:00PM
Youth Gathering	6:00PM
Epiphanies (Study/Discussion)	6:00PM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	6:00PM
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:15PM
Thursday, December 1	
English (ESL) Classes	9:30AM
Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Dinner w/Mustard Tree Ministries	6:00PM
Friday, December 2	
Parents' Night Out	6:00PM
Saturday, December 3	
English (ESL) Classes	4:00PM
Sunday, December 4	0.00
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time	10:30AM
Worship - Hanging of the Green	11:00AM
Dogwood Committee	12:15PM



The First Tuesday Book Group will discuss Signs Preceding the End of the World by Yuri Herrera (trans. from Spanish by Lisa Dillman) on December 6, at 6:00PM in the Conference Room. "Traversing the lonely territory between the US and Mexico is Makina, who knows only too well how to survive in a violent, macho world. Leaving behind her life in Mexico to search for her brother, she is smuggled into the US carrying a pair of secret messages - one from her mother and one from the Mexican underworld." (www.cbf.net/book-clubs/) We'd love to have you join us! A light supper will be served. Please contact Frances Marandi (423.648.2543/frances@fbcchattanooga.org) for more information.

## Members' Message Board

#### More Household Needs

Beyond the Bars Ministry has a client in need of a dresser/chest of drawers as well as a washer and dryer. If you are able to help by donating any of these items, please contact Jim Schwall (423. 280.7998).



## ADVENT 2016

- » Sunday, November 27 The First Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. – Worship, "The Mountain Top"
- » Sunday, December 4 The Second Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. – Worship, "The Stump and Shoot" Hanging of the Christmas Green
- » Saturday, December 10 Community Christmas Brunch 9:00-11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall, volunteers needed
- » Sunday, December 11 The Third Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. – Worship, "The Highway"
  O Come, Emmanuel
  music celebration led by the Children's, Youth and Adult Choirs
- » Sunday, December 18 The Fourth Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. – Worship, "The In-between" music led by the Adult Handbell Choir 6:00 p.m. – Church-wide caroling, groups formed following morning worship
- » Wednesday, December 21 Service for the Longest Night 6:00 p.m., Chapel
- » Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Vespers 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- » Sunday, December 25 Christmas Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Chapel



## JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

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