

# SPRING HILL MESSENGER



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## Trusting in the Lord in Challenging Times

**W**e live in challenging times. Proverbs 3:5-6 calls us—as individuals and as a church—to:

*“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.”*

One wonders what King Solomon was facing when that was written? What circumstances brought forth that caution, and the assurance of God’s guidance and providential care (straight paths) to the one who puts their trust in God?

We’re in an economic slowdown, or perhaps better, a slow and as yet nearly jobless recovery. Some of us, and some of our neighbors and family members are struggling because of it. And there isn’t a clear end in sight.

On top of that, there’s the oil in the Gulf. People who have rebuilt their lives and businesses after several hurricanes are deeply frustrated because there’s seemingly nothing they can do to deal with this, and the end is not in sight.

How are we trusting the Lord? And are there ways our prayers, words, and actions will help others to do so?

We have recently elected new officers to several of the leadership positions in our congregation. Soon they will receive training and assume their positions. Let us pray for God’s leadership through our church’s officers at this particular time. Pray that they would “Trust in the Lord with all their hearts.”

Let us seek diligently to be God’s trusting and responsive people in these challenging times.

Pastor Sid



## Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

We are about to enter into that fun time of the church year, which I so lovingly refer to as “recruitment season!”

### **You know what I'm talking about.**

It's the time of year when the Director of Christian Education or some committee member starts calling your name and walking toward you on Sunday morning, and you immediately remember that you have somewhere else that you have to be. You try to fade into the crowd quietly, lest you be roped into teaching, leading, cooking, or chaperoning.

As I have gained more and more experience being on staff in a church I have learned a few things about “recruitment season.” First, I really hate it. I do not like asking for volunteers.

Sometimes, people feel guilty into saying “Yes,” and I don't like to make people feel that way. Sometimes, my pride gets in the way, and I wonder if they are secretly thinking, “Why don't you do it? Isn't that what we pay you for?” Sometimes, people ask me what is involved, and I can tell that they want me to say that the job is easy and won't take up much of their time, but often that is untrue. I really dislike this part of my job, and I confess this to you. I should not feel bad that have asked someone participate in Christ's ministry. I need to remember that participating in God's mission in the world is a privilege and an honor, and it also a responsibility of all church members. No matter what someone might think about me, I am called to remind them to use their gifts and talents for the sake of the kingdom.

Second I have also learned that some people have a really hard time saying a very simple, little word: “No.” I must remind church members over and over that it is okay to say “no.” While it is true that we need volunteers in every area of the church's life and that all church members are called to participate in the ministry in some way, it is also true

that “no” is just as faithful an answer as “yes.” We need volunteers but we don't just need warm bodies. We need volunteers who are passionate and committed and who believe that they are called to this ministry. It is okay to take some time and pray and discern whether or not God has given you the gifts, talents, time, and heart for this ministry. If you determine that He has not, please say “no.” Burnout is a huge problem in the ministry and it often stems not from an overabundance of activities but from a lack of call. We want our ministries to be run by those who are called, because when we are called, we give the glory to God, and that, after all, is the point.

So, this “recruitment season,” I will covenant to try my best to feel less anxious about approaching potential volunteers.

And, I am challenging the congregation to prayerfully discern where God might be calling you. If you decide that God is calling you to a certain area of ministry, why not beat the staff of committee member to the punch and approach them first?

(They love that!) And, if you discern that God is not calling you to a ministry in which you have been asked

to participate, feel free to say “no” with no sense of guilt or shame.

One thing that I know for sure is that God has gifted this church with some amazing people. He has given us an abundance of gifts and talents, and I hope that everyone takes the time to think about how they might be able to use their gifts this coming year. If you believe that God might be calling you to participate in our educational ministries, please contact me at [andrea@springhillpresbyterian.org](mailto:andrea@springhillpresbyterian.org).

There are many ways to be involved at various levels, so pray for guidance and discernment, and let us know what God has put on your heart.

Blessings,  
Andrea Hall



## *Molly's Musings*

### *"Everybody Knows Your Name."*

For 35 years I was not a coffee drinker. Didn't like it. Didn't want it. The Broders owned a coffee maker for one reason: company, mainly my mother-in-law. Then God called me into Campus Ministry, and I've learned not only to drink the stuff but to love it. You see, college students keep hours this mother of two youngsters is not used to keeping so I needed some support services. Coffee has become a ministry companion I could not live without!

I frequent Carpe Diem enough to be considered a regular. I don't know why, but I get such a kick when I enter that particular coffee shop and Luke or Ginger (the morning coffee baristas) yell, "BRODERS!" There's just something about walking into a place and knowing that on some level you are known (even if it is just by name). You might say that Carpe Diem is my "Cheers." If you think about it, there must be something to the theme song to that hit sit com, "Sometimes you wanna go where everybody knows your name and they're always glad you came. You wanna be where you can see your troubles are all the same. You wanna go where everybody knows your name."

For some reason Carpe Diem and Cheers got me thinking about Campus Ministry. What do most college students crave? What do they want and desire?

I have learned over the past year that most of them desire a safe, accepting environment where they are known at least on some level. Since college can be a challenging time of self discovery and decision making, many students seek the comfort of a "home base." Knowing these facts about college students affords the church a great opportunity to meet a need. We can be the home base – the place where everybody knows their name.

How can you get to know our college students? I have several suggestions. Make it your priority to meet young people you notice in our congregation on Sunday mornings. I often have students sitting with me during worship. Introduce yourselves to them. Remember their names. If you meet a student who is not with me, tell them about our Campus Ministry program. There are flyers in the Narthex and in the main hallway that list all our Campus Ministry opportunities. Share with them the opportunities we have for them.

You are also invited to join us for our Fall Kick-off Cook-out on August 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at 7:00 p.m. at our new space (see Molly for directions). This evening would be a great opportunity for you to meet and welcome students to campus and to our ministry.



Lastly, get involved in one of our other programs. Do a meal for Frunch (our free lunch on Mondays). Even if you can't do a meal, you can attend a Frunch. This program affords opportunities to sit and visit with students. It is a great way to meet and get to know people. You could also agree to mentor a student. I am always looking for adults to walk beside, give spiritual direction and accountability to our young adults. There is a critical need for such relationships to develop. Students need the guidance and wisdom your experience and faith can offer. They need older, mature adults to pray for them, counsel them, know and love them.

We have such an opportunity to make Spring Hill Presbyterian a haven for young adults. It is an opportunity to give them the nurture and guidance they seek and need. It is an opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ. If we don't provide it, I have no doubt they will find it elsewhere.

If you are interested in knowing more about any of these opportunities, please do not hesitate to call or email me.

In Him,

*Molly Broders*



## Music Notes

Randy Sheets, Director of Music Ministries and Organist

### *Sing and Play in a New Season!*

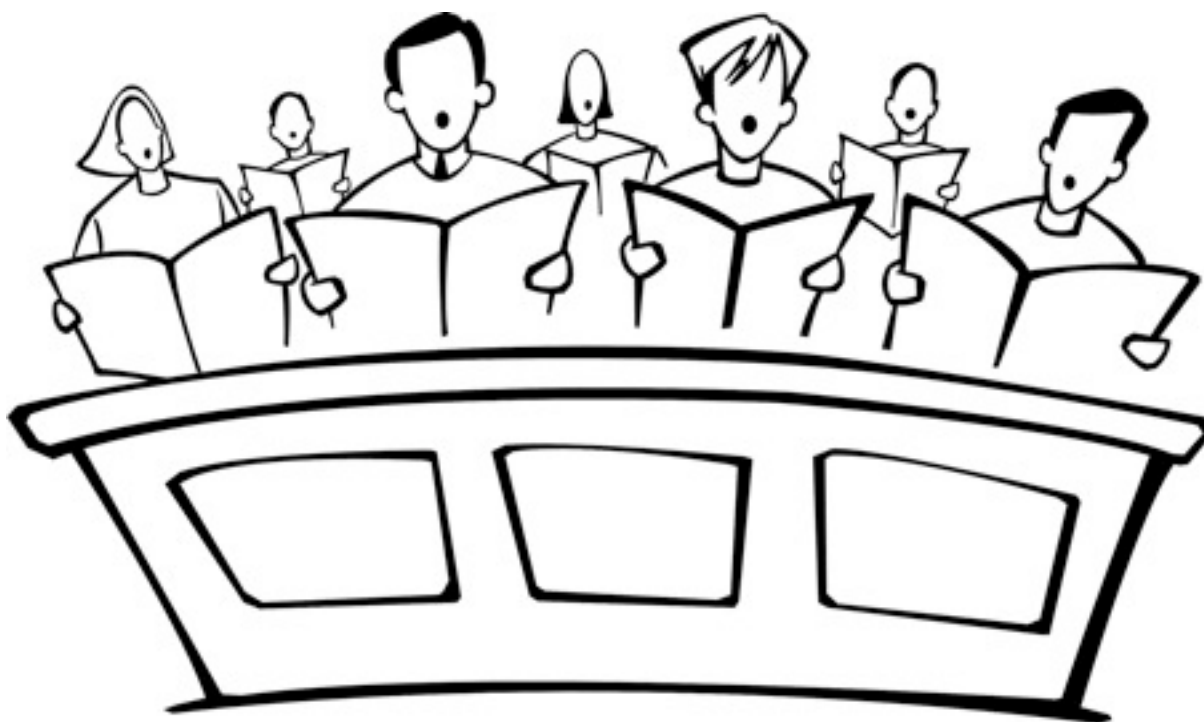
Our new musical season will begin soon and we are eager to invite all persons to explore how they might get involved in music ministries. Participating in music at our church provides unique opportunities that cannot be duplicated elsewhere, simply because they are rooted not only in the Christian faith, but in the traditions and theology of our own church. You are invited to investigate the opportunities at SHPC in music!

**Chancel Choir** begins its new season with rehearsal on **Wednesday night, August 18, at 7 pm** in the choir room. Our opening retreat will follow, on Saturday morning and early afternoon, August 21, at the church. Advanced high school singers through adults who can carry a tune and can learn harmony parts are welcome. Persons who have sung in choirs or played in instrumental groups, or who have studied a musical instrument, will be most comfortable in the group. Please contact Randy Sheets.

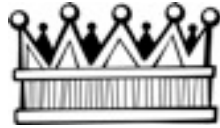
**Auditions for *Mobile's Singing Children*** (consisting of four community choirs, based at SHPC) are being held now for children from grade 2 through high school. Contact Susan Hoitt at the church.

**Choirs for Children and Youth** begin on Sunday afternoon, September 12. These are singing and ringing groups for children who have turned 4 by Sept. 1, through grade 12.

**Spring Hill Ringers.** An auditioned group of advanced youth and adults who practice handbells on Wednesday nights at 6:00 p.m., beginning Sept. 8. Positions are open. Contact Randy Sheets.



## Crown Financial Ministry



Does the Bible provide guidance on managing money? Absolutely! Come learn how to apply biblically-based financial principles with a small group in a Crown Financial Ministry study. Starting the week of August 29<sup>th</sup>, the study will consist of 10 sessions that are approximately two hours each; the specific weekday and time of the study will be determined by those who register. Couples or individuals may participate. The cost for materials is \$50/individual and \$60/couple. Space is limited. Registration is required by August 15<sup>th</sup> so that materials can be ordered and small groups created. Contact the office or Bobby Crow or Christopher Jones for more information.

## LECTIONARY FOR THE LORD'S DAY: AUGUST 2010

- 1** 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Hos. 11:1-11;  
Ps. 107:1-9, 43;  
Col. 3:1-11  
Luke 12:13-21
- 8** 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Isa. 1:1-10; Ps. 50:1-8, 22-23  
Heb. 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
- 20<sup>th</sup>** Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Isa. 5:1-7;  
Ps. 80:1-2, 8-19;  
Heb. 11:29-12:2  
Luke 12:49-56
- 22** 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Jer. 1:4-10; Ps. 71:1-6;  
Heb. 12:18-29  
Luke 13:10-17
- 22<sup>nd</sup>** Sunday in Ordinary time  
Jer. 2:4-13; Ps. 80:1,10-16;  
Heb. 13:1-8, 15-16  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

The total received from the Pentecost Offering which was given to the Presbyterian Children's Home in Talladega was \$1,380.00.



## Stephen Ministry: A Ministry of Listening

When I was considering becoming a Stephen Minister, one of the things I wondered about was what, exactly, do Stephen Ministers do? I learned that one of the most important things a Stephen Minister does is listen.

Listening is one of the most powerful ministry tools at our disposal. It demonstrates that you care about the other person. A caring listener is someone who focuses on what you are saying, is attentive to your needs and listens to how you feel, instead of telling you how you should feel or what you should do. Stephen Ministers are trained to be caring listeners. Another aspect of listening is confidentiality. You need not worry about talking to a Stephen Minister as they do not reveal what their care receivers tell them. Confidentiality is a cornerstone of Stephen Ministry. It is essential for building safe, healing, caring relationships.

If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please let us know.

Blessings,  
Margaret Miller, 344-3937



## Mlongia, Jungalo, and Tindingali

I love drinking out of the showerhead. After being in Africa for 15 days, I craved the privilege of drinking the water that came out of my showerhead, brushing my teeth with the water that came from the faucet, and having ice in my drink.

At 7:30 on June 13, I boarded a plane that would eventually land me in Tanzania, Africa, some 40 hours later. It was a trip that challenged me physically and spiritually. But, for all the trials I experienced, I have come to know something very incredible.

As we traveled out of our first village of Mlongia to safari, one of men on the trip looked out the window at the mountains we passed. Filled with awe, he spoke words that surprised me. I had expected him to say in response to the beauty of the mountains, "What a beautiful creation of God's!" or "Look at the handiwork of our Savior!" But, without missing a beat, he whispered, "I love you, Jesus. I love you, Jesus. I love you, Jesus."

What struck me the most was that this man made a connection that I fear many of us don't make often enough. Instead of remarking how amazing the landscape was, this man saw the face of his divine Lover and knew in those moments that God had created something beautiful to not only mirror His beauty but to pour out His love on a group of missionaries who would be taking a 12 hour bus ride to safari.

I think that's what amazed me so much in Africa: our God is not a God who just desires to meet with us during our prayer time with Him. He wants our hearts to melt and tears to come whenever we catch a glimpse of how incredibly beautiful He is. He is not a God who wants us only to thank Him when we see something amazing; He also wants us to see that beauty is the face of Christ. He wants us to understand that He would create a beautiful mountain for the sole reason that one we would drive by it and see it.

Our God is not a God who wants us only to see His love in others, He wants us to feel His love for us. For you. For me. Our God is a personal God. I have come home from Africa knowing that God wants me. He wants Ashley Mueller. He loves her. He loves her shortcomings and the glory she brings Him. My God is a God who will craft an entire day so that I might fall in love with Him more and more. He will move mountains, change circumstances, and send people into my life simply to express His love for me.

I do grasp the concept that our God creates things that have many, many purposes. But I have come to grips with the truth that the God of Creation, the Son of the Living God, and the Spirit of Truth will create something just for me. His love is incredibly personal and incredibly earth shattering. I have come back knowing Jesus on a deeper level.

But, I have also come back knowing that it shouldn't take a trip to Africa for me to know these truths. We learn it in Sunday school and hear it from the pulpit. It's written on every bulletin board and on every cross we see. So why do we miss the deep and powerful love that He wants us to know? Why is that true for so many pew-sitters? Why do we talk about the love of Jesus but often miss it?

Honestly, though, I don't want those answers. I just want you to answer these two:

Are you madly in love with Jesus? Does His love transform you?

I can honestly say that I'm no longer satisfied with mediocre faith and seeing the love of Jesus in others. I want Him more and more every day. I want everyone around me to know it, too. Do you love Him more than anyone or anything else? Can you honestly answer that?

*"Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy."* 1 Peter 1:8

In Christ,  
Ashley Mueller

From the Stewardship  
Committee. . .

“Service With a Smile”

It continues to amaze me how God can use so many different ways to keep sending messages to us, as long as we will listen. Many times, that message can be heard through life experiences, or through other people who cross your path. But as you all know, the main way in which God speaks to all of us is through His written Word.



This week, the service message comes to us loud and clear through Paul's letter to the Philippians, which we read in Christopher Jones' Sunday School class. Specifically, in Philippians 2: 3-5, Paul states:

*Do nothing out of selfish ambition  
or vain conceit, but in humility  
consider others better than  
yourselves. Each of you should  
look not only to your own interests,  
but also to the interests of others.  
Your attitude should be the same as  
that of Christ Jesus.*

Think about the opportunities in your own life where this lesson applies. Who do you usually help or serve? The stranger, who you just met and really don't know anything about and who can't really do anything to help you in your own life or career? Or do you only serve the people you've known forever, who you know would return the favor in a heartbeat? Do you truly consider other people as "better than yourself?" And most importantly, how do you view serving others--as a burden, or a blessing?

If you are like me, you are probably guilty at least at times of serving with selfishness in your heart, of letting thoughts of "what is in it for me" permeate your decisions on service. The concept of placing the needs of a stranger above my own can be difficult to grasp, and even more difficult to put into practice. And yet we are commanded to not just place the needs of the "other" in front of our own, but to do it with the same attitude as that of Jesus. Pretty tall order, isn't it?

When you really think about it, it is this concept of selfless service that sets Christians apart from the rest of the world. The earliest Christians called the Christian lifestyle "The Way." They set themselves apart by providing and caring for those within Roman society who were in most need, particularly widows, orphans, lepers, and other groups that were often ignored by Roman society. They did so in a time when identification as a Christian could mean not just discomfort or ridicule, but death. We, as Christians, are supposed to reflect the heart of Christ in the world, and **the only way** we can truly do that is to serve our neighbors and community. Indeed, it is only in serving others with the mind and heart of Christ that our Christian principles can bear fruit.

We continue that 2,000 year old tradition of service of others today, both as a church and as individual Christians. Our agency message below on Healthcare for the Homeless provides an excellent example of one of those groups that we serve as a church community. But there is an individual role for you to play in this service as well. Take time to reflect on the passage above this month, and ask yourself what you are doing to serve others, and on how you are reflecting the attitude of Christ in performing that service. Is it with a smile?

May God Bless you all! Robbie Turnipseed

Current Scriptures  
Class Schedule

8/1/10	James 1:19-20
8/8/10	Matthew 5:16
8/15/10	Matthew 7:12
9/5/10	James 4:4
8/22/10	Mark 10:45
8/29/10	1 Timothy 2:1 9

Facilitated by Christopher Jones,  
Bubba O'Gwynn and Steve Hunt

**AGENCY REPORT:  
HEALTHCARE FOR THE HOMELESS**

The H.E. Savage Center, at 553 Dauphin Street, provides healthcare for the homeless to over 3,000 patients a year. Until this year, Spring Hill Presbyterian Church sent a monthly check to the Center, but because of budget constraints, this donation was initially dropped for this year, although we have now sent some funds to them through our discretionary budget. They are funded, in part, by their founding agency, The Franklin Primary Health Center, and by a grant from the Department of Human Services.

They offer adult medicine, pediatrics, OBGYN care, laboratory testing, HIV counseling, immunizations and transportation. The Center also provides dental, vision, pharmacy, specialty care, and X-ray referrals. Medicines come from the Oznam Pharmacy, WalMart and Catholic Social Services.

The clients come referred by letter from local shelters, and from other agencies. The Center also finds basically homeless people who are doubling up with families, or who have been evicted. The Homeless Outreach Team provides outreach services throughout the Mobile and surrounding areas.

Two years ago, the clinic saw 8-10 patients daily. Now, they treat 18-20 daily. In 2009, there were 3,600 visits and 2,300 of them were new clients. The manager of the Clinic is Sharon Brammer, and the assistant manager is Sheila Collins, who is always at the Clinic.



There are two main events which are sponsored by the Center each year. In August, during National Homeless Week, they will have a **Breakfast and Health Fair**. In December, there will be a

**Memorial Service** for those in the homeless community who have died during the year.

Homeless people have many needs. We have been contributing toiletries, and this month we will donate many baseball caps and sunscreen, as well as make a monetary donation to the Health Fair. Last fall, students at UMS donated backpacks.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Hilda Gewin

**LISTING OF CHARITIES AND THEIR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES:**

- Presbyterian Children's Home – Sue Martino
- Habitat for Humanity – Chris Pennington
- Food Bank -Linda Fletcher
- L'Arche of Mobile – Nancy Oppenheimer
- Penelope House – Sylvia Weinard
- Salvation Army Women & Children (Haven) – Ellen Jones
- USA Children's & Women's Hospital - David Ayers
- Service Center – Linda Fletcher
- Crittenton Teen Services – Gwin Williams
- Ozanam Pharmacy – Brian Campbell
- Victory Health Clinic – Robbie Turnipseed
- Young Life – Brian Campbell
- Family Promise – Nancy McCrummen
- Wings of Life – Jeff Ivey
- Health Care for Homeless – Hilda Gewin
- Home of Grace for Women – Sally Cobb
- Salvation Army Deliveries – Sally Cobb
- Red Cross Blood Drive – Basil Smith
- Christmas Wish List – Pam Phillips, Weezie Taylor
- Service Committee Discretionary - Committee

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets on Thursdays each week at 5:30 p.m. in Room 7 in the Edington Building. The meeting is an open discussion group.

## From The Stewardship Committee

Mark 12:41-43

*Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny.*

*Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."*

From these passages of scripture we can see that (1) our Lord is watching what we do (2) He knows exactly, to the penny, what we have (3) He sees how much we give, and most

important (4) He knows the heart and attitude from which we give.

In Matthew 6:24 our Lord Jesus said,

*"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."*

Scripture certainly does not prohibit wealth for it references numerous persons who had vast resources, but who also had a larger burning hunger to know and to serve God. Three that quickly come to mind are Abraham, David, and Solomon in his younger years. One can have wealth and worship God, but can one worship wealth and serve God? According to scripture... no.

Why is how we give so important to our spiritual growth and to our relationship with God?



He, the creator and sustainer of all, certainly doesn't need our wealth to accomplish His plans. Why then?

Scripture tells us in Matthew 6:21

*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

Many of us believe that first we care then we give...that giving follows our hearts. But in this verse Jesus tells us something totally opposite, that where our treasure is there our hearts will be also...that our hearts follow our giving. Treasure first. Hearts follow. Wherever we channel our giving, that's what becomes important to us. If we put God first when it comes to our giving, aren't we saying, "God, you're first in my life."

## Presbyterian Women News

Women from the five presbyteries that make up Mississippi and Alabama gathered here at Spring Hill for the Presbyterian Women's Alabama/Mississippi Conference. The Horizon's Bible Study for the 2010-2011 will center on the book of Revelation.

Members are encouraged to read the books of Revelation and Daniel before the circles begin meeting in September.

Presbyterian Women at Spring Hill bids a fond farewell to a Edith Cox who has served in several capacities in the organization, as well as the church. A PW Honorary Life Member, she is a supportive participant of Circle 4. Godspeed, Edith. We will miss you.

The church will hold a reception in her honor Sunday, Aug. 1 following the morning worship service.





## Library News

### How to avoid overdues...or should I just wait it out?

#### If you are an adult:

Communicate with the library staff if an item needs to be renewed. Generally, there is not a problem. Most materials are not so popular that something can't be worked out; so communicate.

If you have lost, misplaced, or loaned the material to someone else, communicate!

Occasionally, church library books are bunched with Public Library materials and all are returned to the same place. Please, please communicate this too!

If you are moving and picking up, it is essential that borrowed items be returned and not lost forever in boxes which may never be opened at the new destination.

#### If you are a parent with children who are readers and use the church library:

Keep church books in a separate area, box, shelf or spot at home.

Make certain the child returns the items to the basket above the check-out table...not to the original shelf where they found the book.

Look around your home and if you have properly returned the book communicate, communicate, communicate. Regardless of the perception, librarians do make mistakes and hopefully will admit it and adjust the records!

Unlike a public library or an institutional library there are not fines or procedures for collecting them. This library received financial support both from the budget and generous individuals, but that should not be a license for ignoring responsibilities. Comments or suggestions are always welcome and purchases are made to support the programs and needs of the congregation.

## CHURCH CALENDAR-AUGUST

- 1 Communion  
Reception for Edith Cox follow  
10:00 service
  - 3 Committees
  - 5 Officer Training – 7:00 p.m.
  - 10 Diaconate – 7:00 p.m.
  - 12 Officer Training – 7:00 p.m.
  - 16 Newsletter Deadline – 9:00 a.m.
  - 17 Session – 7:00 a.m.
  - 19 Officer Training – 7:00 p.m.
  - 20-21 Presbytery meeting  
at Swift Presbyterian
  - 26 Officer Training – 7:00 p.m.
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### Deacons and Elders Elected

The following elders and deacons were recently elected by the congregation to the Class of 1013:

Elders: John Bell, Kendall Dexter, Philip Jung, Norman "Mack" McInnis, Marty O'Gwynn, Kelly Sessoms, Robbie Turnipseed, Meagher Whigham; Bobby Crow was elected to fill a vacancy in the Class of 2012.

Deacons: Cindy Campbell, Jeanne Croom, Brad Hoffman, Renee Kirby, Edwin Lamberth, Ann Magee Sarah May, Betty Minto, Bubba O'Gwynn, Diana Oatsvall, Willie Walton



*Memorials have been  
received for the following:*

Torch Hollingsworth  
Lucille Carpenter  
Walne Donald  
Bill Culp  
Elizabeth Pitman  
Lucy Chambers  
Mercon Weeks

*From the following:*

John and Susan Leach  
Roger and Angela Payne  
Dr. L. Franklin Brown  
Maxine Congleton  
Reneau and Win Hallett  
Mike and Missy Dunnam  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. McDonough, Jr.  
John and Laura Bates  
Helen and Tom Kelly  
Gretchen Donald Boyd  
Mart Wood  
Bob and Janet Omainsky  
Hal and Lynne Daugherty  
Molly and Alex Lankford  
Juday and Sam Strada  
Rick and Julie True  
Drs. Norris and Suzanne Hoffman  
Tom and Mary Lou Bass  
Charles and Linda Langston  
Cort and Susan Schlichting  
Bob and Jimmie Hatcher  
Charline Sharp  
Wythe L. Whiting III  
Palmer G. Whiting  
Blake, White and Farnell, P.C.  
Mrs. Aileen Cantrell  
Kathryn McDermott  
N-Hall Friends at North Mecklenburg High School  
Buck and Joelyne Trehern

*An honorarium for Mark Coats has been  
received from*

Sam and Judy Strada

*We Rejoice*

We rejoice with Sam and Judy Strada in the birth of a granddaughter, Elizabeth Belle Bullock on July 16 in Houston (Parents are Rochelle and Seth Bullock).

*We share in Sorrow*

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with James Kaufman in the death of his grandfather, Jim Gates, on May 16; with Marcy Harris in the death of her husband, Bill, on July 16 and with Joe Croom in the death of their wife and mother, Vilma Croom, on July 18.

Dear Friends,

What a blessing to have been a member of Spring Hill Presbyterian Church for almost 46 years! When I joined, there was only one building on the campus. I taught Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall. Three classes were held in the room –divided by partitions. Yes, at times, the noise level was disturbing!!

Then came the fun of having a large room in the Edington Building where we could have interest centers; then to the Bullard building that provided still more wonderful classrooms – and now the Chapel!!

From helping couples with their wedding plans to serving on Committees and working with Presbyterian Women, I have been given gifts that I will cherish and memories to treasure.

May I encourage you to become involved. You will discover the excitement of making new friends, the joy of serving, and discovering a depth to your faith.

Thank all you wonderful people in the church for sharing your time, your faith, and your support. Although I may be a few miles away (California) you will not be forgotten.

Edith Cox (Edie)



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The Lord's Supper will be served on August 1.

### The summer schedule

Continues through Sunday, September 5.

We will return to our regular schedule on Sunday, September 12 with  
worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Christian Education classes begin at 9:30 a.m.