

St. John's Visitor

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Global Outreach Teams to Serve in Honduras

Hola! (*that means hello in Spanish*),

St. Johns has two teams planning to serve in Honduras this summer. The first team includes 8 church members (*Michael Norton, Ed Norton, Lauren Norton, Brian Eberhard, Christa Eberhard, Jeff Ray, Archie Hargett, and Al Snell*). These members are part of a team of 16 short term missionaries going to Quimistan, Honduras. The projects for this team will include home construction and elementary school improvement projects. We intend to build three homes this summer. This will bring our total to 33 homes that the Foundation has built for needy families. The dates for this trip are June 6 through June 16.

The second team includes 3 St. John's church members (*John Osteen, Frances Osteen and Rebecca Osteen*). This team will also work on home construction and several small projects yet to be determined. The dates for this trip are August 1 through August 11. This mission trip still has openings. Please consider joining the Osteens on the August trip.

These mission teams need your help. There are several ways that you can support these GO teams.

Pray – Please pray for these teams before and during their mission trips. Prayer cards are being prepared to serve as a reminder for you to pray for the team's safety and for a fruitful trip.

Donate – Funds are needed to assist with the cost of construction materials. Also, a collection box has been placed in the main hallway near the gym. We are able to take a limited amount of items to donate to the community that we serve. Some of the items that would be useful are:

Children / adult summer clothes – including underwear and shoes

Athletic uniforms and sports balls - School supplies / Children's books in Spanish

Children/adult vitamins and OTC pain medicines - Reading glasses

Toothbrushes / toothpaste / soap / combs and brushes

Serve at Home – We need individuals willing to assist with the transportation to and from the airport.

GO – The August trip still needs missionaries. We have eleven openings on the August trip. Contact Michael Norton for an information packet that provides details on these mission trips.

Please contact me with any questions. Please consider joining in to support your Honduras GO teams.



Michael Norton
Honduras GO Team member
648-9740

See WWW.SCPROJECTAGAPE.COM
for pictures from past trips.

May 13, 2007

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day
"THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW"

Scripture: Proverbs 31: 10 - 31

Rev. Dr. Robert B. Hibbard

Music

It Is Well With My Soul

St. John's All-Church Men's Choir

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Combined Children's Choirs (11 am)

Meetings to Note

Thursday, May 10

9:15 am Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday, May 11

11:00 am Preschool Mother's Day Program

Saturday, May 12

9:00 am Friends of Faith dialogue

Sunday, May 13

8:15 am Coffee House
5:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
5:00 pm Youth Choir
5:15 pm UMYF Parents
6:00 pm Women's Emmaus
6:00 pm UMYF/Confirmation Class
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm UMYF Parents Prayer Group

Monday, May 14

8:15 am First Place
7:00 pm Strategic Planning Committee

Tuesday, May 15

Mentoring - Global Impact Celebration

7:00 pm Evangelism Committee
7:00 pm First Place

Wednesday, May 16

9:30 am Quilting Fellowship
9:30 am Old Testament Bible Study
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Group
5:00 pm Fellowship Supper
6:30 pm Youth Bible Study
7:00 pm Covenant Prayer Group
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Serving This Week

Crucifer - Marshall Mahoney

Acolytes - Victoria Lockridge,
Lizzie Mahoney

Altar Guild - Peggy Boykin, Betty
Grodahl, Abby Poulton

Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.) - Rosalind Crenshaw

Toddlers - Charity Leigh

2-3 Yr Nursery - Denise Musick

3-4 Yr Nursery - Teresa Crain

Children's Worship - Pam Howle,
Sue Payne & daughter

Greeters 8:45 - Lee & René Boylston,
Jerry & Billie Johnson

Sunday School Greeter - Beverly Burch

Greeters 11:00 - James & Lou Davis, Bill &
Sylvia Spell, Bill & Mary Anne Quinn

Sunday AM Host (May 13)

Virgil Sauls

Evening Hosts

Sunday (May 13) - *Mark Mahoney*

Monday - *Gene Usher*

Tuesday - *Jim Fuqua*

Wednesday - *Dan Fabrick*

Thursday - *Eric Randall*

Friday - *George Kelley*

Saturday - *Charlie Neill*

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

BAPTISMS: *Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at 11 am worship on Sunday, April 29, was **Benton Ryan Orr**, son of **Ryan and Michelle Orr**.*

WEDDING: *Congratulations to **Laura Anne Farmer and William Michael Matthews** who were married in the sanctuary on Saturday, May 5. Laura Anne is the daughter of **Bob & Mary Kosky**.*

BIRTHDAY TO NOTE: *A very happy birthday is wished for **Merve Lefler** who celebrates her 90th birthday on Tuesday, May 8.*

CONDOLENCES: *Deepest sympathy is extended to **Tom Wyatt and Ashley Donaldson** in the death of their grandmother, **Estoy Howell Wyatt**, in Aiken on April 30.*

*Sincere sympathy is also extended to **Monty Montgomery** in the death of his sister, **Ruth Redburn**, in West Plains, MO, on May 3.*

HOSPITALIZED: **Aiken** - *Gilda Holland; Trinity* - *Sandra Cantwell; Discharged* - *Dick Irwin, Fred Penix, Betty Thomason*

IN MEMORIAM

DANA ELIZABETH DAVIS

May 3, 2007

***Carole & Gene Sansone**, visitors who share in worship and Wednesday suppers, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 11. Congratulations!*

ST. JOHN'S MEN, YOUNG AND OLD (TALENTED OR NOT!) *The men of the Chancel Choir and the Men's Praise Choir invite you to sing with them in the worship services on Mother's Day, May 13. Come to choir practice this Wednesday, May 9, from 6:45 to 7:15. There will be music ready for you. Come join us for the Sixth Annual All-Men's Choir!*

There are openings on the **FLOWER CALENDAR** for May 20, June 3, June 24 and other months of the year. Please contact the church office if interested in honoring or remembering a loved one with altar flowers. Cost is \$40 per vase.

DEADLINE IS APPROACHING for Inez Crain scholarship applications. Please submit material to the office by May 15.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Menu for May 16

*Roast Beef
Creamed Potatoes & Gravy
Broccoli Casserole
Carrot/Raisin Salad
Pecan Pie*

Financials for week ending May 5, 2007

Budgetary needs for the week \$ 28,907
Budgetary funds rec'd this week \$ 22,676
Budget funds rec'd to date \$ 551,820
Actual expenses to date \$ 462,777
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed \$1,934,908

Would you be interested in receiving the **PRAYER LIST ONLINE?** If so, please email Terry Fleming (address on back page.)

CIRCLE 13 MEMBERS - Your meeting will be **Tuesday, May 22**, at Café Monet at noon. please note change from previous announcement.

If you have a **COLLEGE GRADUATE** in your family, please notify the office - graduate's full name, school and degree being received.



Last Week's Attendance

8:45	189
11:00	542
Total	731
SS	343

St. John's Youth News

Sunday, May 13

5:00 pm Youth Choir
5:15 pm Parents meet with an applicant for Youth Director position
6:00 pm UMYF (including Confirmands)

Sunday, May 20
SENIOR SUNDAY!

St. John's hosts the **SAND RIVER SALKEHATCHIE SUMMER SERVICE** June 9-15. Twenty meals (lunches and dinners) for roughly 70 people are needed during this week. If you or a group to which you belong could host a meal it would be greatly appreciated by the leaders. If interested please contact Neil Flowers (Camp Director), 648-6891 or Phyllis Coker, Meal Coordinator, 270-7121.

BUY ONE - GET ONE FREE this week through Friday, 9 am - 3 pm. Scholastic Book Fair items are on display in the hall outside the kitchen. Come, browse and buy - great potential for your summer reading.



APPLE FEST - 2007 will be held Saturday, November 3. Enthusiastic and somewhat organized women needed to lead this event. Ask God how he wants to you to serve. Call Renee Reid at 642-8951 to volunteer.



SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY for women, *Bible Studies by Demand (Vol 2)* continues at 6 pm on May 20.



FISHIN' FOR UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

May 19, 2007 Floyd's Pond (Graniteville)

Depart - Aiken Department of Public Safety at 8 am
 Return - Aiken Department of Public Safety at 3 pm

Fishin' buddies needed!! Join kids from different Aiken neighborhoods for a day at the pond.

(Under 10 MUST be accompanied

by Parent/Guardian)

Sign-up Sheet in office

Information Contacts

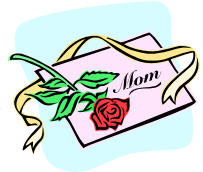
Officer Rick Brown (819-8862)

Officer Herbert Schofield (819-8863)



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Happy Mom's Day to all of our awesome Moms! We are so blessed and grateful for you! Be sure to give your Mom a hug this Sunday on her special day. As of matter of fact, let's give her a hug everyday!



Our family activity for May will be on Sunday, May 20th. We plan to go to an early afternoon movie.



More info will come via email and next week's newsletter when movie times are available. Please email Bauer at bauerv@bellsouth.net if you would like to receive monthly family activity updates.

Please make a note that Children's Church will be on summer break unless otherwise noted beginning May 27th. We will resume on the first Sunday before public schools start back in the fall.

Vacation Bible School will be held at our church from June 11th through June 15th. Our theme this year is "*The Great Bible Reef*". We are so excited about this awesome program! We hope that all of our children will be able to come and bring some friends, too.

"Dear Jesus, thank you for blessing us with moms!"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING

Monday, May 14 7 pm

Ward Hall 1

All willing and/or interested in helping this year

June 11-15 are strongly urged to attend.

Please remember to save 6-8 oz jars (baby food jars or any kind with a lid) and drop them off at the office. Pam Howle, crafts director, will appreciate your help.

NURSERY WORKER NEEDED

Must be 18 or older

Sunday mornings & evenings

Wednesday evenings



O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2007:

1ST GRADE: PALMS & PSALMS

2ND GRADE: HOLYWOOD CINEMAS

3RD GRADE: THOU ART

4TH GRADE: FROM BC TO PC

5TH/6TH GRADE GIRLS: MARY & MARTHA'S BED & BREAKFAST

5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS: THE ARKADE

OARS TRAINING FOR POTENTIAL TEACHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE SUNDAY, MAY, 20, AFTER 11AM WORSHIP. YOU'LL ENJOY BEING PART OF THIS NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY.

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the Good News of Jesus Christ, through
worship, nurture and service.*



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23 HARRY W. SAMPSON
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE
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30 MICHELLE I. PEARSON
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