



CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE FAMILY OF GOD

At Clear Creek

Connecting People to God and to Each Other

August 10, 2008



A warm welcome is extended to all who have come to worship. Let us express our love to God and our deep appreciation for His bountiful goodness. With prayer and song, with scripture and devout responses, with minds ready to receive the Word of God, and with our spirits dedicated to God's will, let us eagerly approach the throne of grace. If you are our guest today, we are delighted that you have joined us for our celebration of God's love. Our period of worship usually begins with congregational singing and a prayer. Before or after the sermon, we commemorate Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection with a symbolic Last Supper. This is followed by a monetary collection used to support our ministries here at Clear Creek. We have a special time of worship for children ages 3-5 called "Wee Worship." If you would like for your child to attend, one of the ushers can assist you in finding the room. Again, we welcome you to the Clear Creek Church of Christ. We pray that you will be blessed in your time with us and that God will be glorified during our period of worship today.

Family News & Coming Events

We express sympathy to the following families:

Jim & Marjorie Beasley, in the death of his cousin, **Timothy Jacobs**, who passed away in Ft. Lauderdale following a battle with cancer. (Care Group 3)

Nate & Kimara Cox in the death of his mother, **Debra Fountain**, who passed away Thursday morning, July 31st. Services were Saturday, August 2nd. (Care Group 8)

NEWS FROM THE LTT:

August 13 - We will have a **time of prayer with our Long Term team** from **5:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. in room A3**. At 6:30 we will have **combined classes in the worship center** to hear from our China team about their future plans.

August 17 - China Team Sendoff - We will be wearing our **China T-shirts and wristbands** to show our support. Please join us to give them a great send-off. Many of their family members will be here; please be sure to give them a warm welcome. We will celebrate God bringing us together to partner with the China team to bring Hangzhou to Christ.

August 19 - The China team leaves from the **Chattanooga Airport at 6:25 a.m.**. We will meet at **5:30 a.m.** to say goodbye and for prayer. Come show your support as Clear Creek starts a new chapter in our mission to Hangzhou, China.

Check out the China Team Blog at **ClearCreekinChina.com**. The blog currently has team introductions and will contain stories and thoughts about their daily lives.

Anyone who would like more-in depth ongoing information about the China mission please give your e-mail to Bobby Ray or Jake Hendrix jhendrix@clearcreekcoc.org or 877-6232.

August 25: FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CLASS for all who plan to work in our kitchen will be held Monday, August 25th, at 9:30 a.m. in the café. No further classes will be offered at the building. Please RSVP by Monday August 18th if you plan to come.

August 31: A baby shower for Amy Jolly will be held from **2 to 4 p.m. in the Café**. Amy & Jason are registered at Target and Babies-R-Us.

September 12 - 14: 3rd Annual Marriage Retreat at Winshape Retreat in Mt. Berry, GA. Contact Debbie Walling or Haylee Hughes with any questions.

WE NEED GOD IN OUR SCHOOLS... Show kids you care. Please attend a **prayer assembly in front of Hixson Middle School on Tuesday, August 12th at 7:30 a.m.** Let's support our community by lifting them up in prayer. All are welcome.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! We are looking for volunteers who will help us with **Landscape maintenance**: watering plants and lawns, mowing grass, maintaining retention pond area; and **Building maintenance**: window cleaning, polishing trim. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please sign up at the member services desk or call the church office. Thanks!

Olan Mills Church Directory: Please stop by Member Services to sign up for your photo sitting, and take a brochure, which includes information about preparing for your photo shoot.

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL: Teachers, check out the new WBS Center in the conference room just next door to the office entry door. The mail boxes are slightly altered and new features added. Also, the July-August "ACTION" newsletters are in.

Family and individual counseling services with **Pam Johnson** are on Mondays. Her hours are from 3 to 6 p.m. If you have need of this service, call the church office at 877-6232 to make an appointment.

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Children's Ministry



MEN OF COURAGE

August 12: Come help organize! Volunteers needed to help organize storage areas and PreK resource room, beginning at 10 a.m. Thanks!

August 13: The Long Term Team will speak to 3rd - 5th graders only in the auditorium.

August 15: Kids for Jesus Lock-in starting at 7 p.m. - 8 a.m. Upcoming 3rd graders welcome! All boys bring drinks and girls bring snacks to share! Invite friends. Chaperones needed!

Men's Softball: Congratulations to The Clear Creek Softball Team as the 2008 Tournament Champs! Way to go Team!!!

Men's Tennis: Anyone interest in playing tennis, meet Wednesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. at the Chattanooga State courts. Men of all ages and ability levels are welcome! Contact Joel Henderson or Scott Schannuth with questions or just show up and play.

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Fridays at 6:30 a.m. in the Café.

Support Groups: Clear Creek hosts support groups for various addictions. Call Quinton Skyles at 653-7895 for confidential info.

Youth Ministry

August 10: Go to East Brainerd to hear Nathan Mellor. Bus will leave Clear Creek at 5:15 p.m. and return by 8:00 p.m..

August 12: First day of school for most!

August 17: All youth **Back to School Prayer at the Creek.** Break into small groups by grade from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. to pray for school year, teachers and classmates.

August 23: All youth service project at Clear Creek. Meet at 10 a.m.

August 24: All youth and parents meeting 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for 6th grade - 12th grade. Bring finger foods for family.

A BIG THANK YOU! Thank you to the Gaithers and Robert and Juanita Beasley for donating some furnishings for the Creek.



Women's Ministry

Weekly Schedule for Snack Baskets to Erlanger North and Memorial North Park Hospital Emergency Rooms:

Aug. 11: Wendy Henderson

Aug. 18: Elaine Osby

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study: Study will not meet over the summer, but will reconvene in September.

Wednesday Night Bible Study: The **Faith Walk series** will be continuing for 4 more Wednesday nights because of an overwhelming response. We will continue to hear from our women at Clear Creek. The dates will be **August 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 10 and Sept. 17.** Please mark your calendars and join us for these inspirational times together.

Young Adults

Sunday College Class meets in Room A7.

August 23: Ocoee Rafting Trip! Details to come.

LIFE Group Ministry

LIFE Groups facilitate worship and praise of God, encourage close Christian fellowship, serve the church and community, and create a welcoming environment to evangelize the lost. Interested? Give **Bobby Hicks a call at 870-3104** or call **Bill Warren at 226-6301.**

Room In The Inn Meal

August 19: Campbell / Jett

August 26: K Hannah / S. Schannuth

August 10

Opening Prayer: Butch Hannah

Com. Message: Boodie Fox

Nursery & Wee Worship Volunteers

August 10

Nursery: Betty Brasher / Sheila Swink

Toddlers (Rm. C1): Marjorie Beasley
Sharon Sanders

Wee Worship: Stacey Cole / Scott Miller
Quinton & Tara Skyles

August 17

Nursery: Jean Gray / Alicia Henderson

Toddlers (Rm. C1): George & Rachel Oleksik

Wee Worship: Stacey Cole & Scott Miller
Phillip & Mary Evelyn Lynn

Order of Worship

Welcome

We Shall Assemble	718
The Steadfast Love of the Lord	123
Great Is Thy Faithfulness (1-3)	57

Prayer

There Is A Redeemer (1-3)	287
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Communion Message / Offering

Give Thanks

Dismiss Wee Worship

The Joy of the Lord (1-3)	559
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Sermon

Humble Yourselves (1-5)	745
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Closing Remarks/Prayer

Please fill out a Member or Guest card or a Prayer Request card and place it in the contribution basket.

Thank you!

Prayer Requests

To honor the privacy of our church family, the individual or immediate family may post specific prayer requests only. You may notify the church office via e-mail at office@clearcreekcoc.org or call 877-6232. Requests will be removed after seven days unless we are notified otherwise.

Chris Wilmore, son of **Sam Wilmore** who broke his leg Friday and was treated at Erlanger Hospital. (Care Group 6)

Le'Ann Miller, sister of **Scott Miller**, who is having issues with swollen lymph nodes in her neck and underwent a biopsy on Thursday. (Care Group 3)

Ronny Douglas, brother of **Pam Justus**, who is suffering from mesothelioma and undergoing chemotherapy. Doctors are performing tests which may result in removal of his right lung and part of his diaphragm in the near future. Ronny is a long time member of Una COC and a strong believer but discouraged at this point. He is 59 years old and needs our prayers. (Care Group 5)

Horace Maxwell, husband of **Jackie Estes Maxwell** and stepfather of **Jim Edgemon**. Horace has Lou Gehrig's disease and grows weaker and more disabled each week. His address is 3425 Baxter Rd., Baxter, TN 38544.

Joe Mathis, father of **Connie Mathis**, who is recovering at home after surgery last Wednesday, 7/30. (Care Group 1)

Pat Saynes, great aunt of **Jayde Brown** (Stuart Heights), who is having very serious vision problems.

Dallas and Frances Morrow, parents of **Gloria Keel-Edwards**, who are at Standifer Place Nursing Home.

Gary Keel, who was in an accident July 4th. His condition has improved—he is off the respirator and communicating. He is still at Erlanger.

Clarence Rambo, father of **Marjorie Beasley**, who is at Life Care in Red Bank recovering from a stroke. He is improved and going through therapy. (Care Group 3)

Maureen Ragland, friend of **Terri Davis**, who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and had a mastectomy July 10th. She is a mother of three.

Chuck Clevenger, son of **Charles and Judy**, who had an attack of pancreatitis, but no rejection. Please pray for his continued recovery and good health. (Care Group 1)

Jim Cannon, who is at Life Care in East Ridge. (Care Group 4)

Debbie Davis, mother of five, who has pancreatic cancer. Please remember the family in prayer as well.

Kim Rucker— Please remember her in prayer and send a card of encouragement. K.S. Rucker (41226-074), FCI Tallahassee, 501 Capital Circle NE, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

Please remember our men and women in the armed services.

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WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday

Bible Class...9:30 a.m.
Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening:

Life Groups: Meet as scheduled

Wednesday Evening:

Fellowship Meal 5 p.m.
Bible Study...6:30 pm

ATTENDANCE:

August 3, 2008

Worship Attendance: 569

Bible Class Total: 470

Adults: 287
Youth: 61
Children: 122

CONTRIBUTION:

2008 Weekly Budget Need: \$19,654.00

08/03/08 Giving: \$26,688.54

08/03/08 Building Fund: \$1,909.71

Budget to Date: \$603,923.04

Giving to Date: \$572,304.65

HIXSON SHEPHERDS:

Gary Carson
Roger Coffman
Bobby Golden
Larry Grant
Loyd Hodges
Phillip Lynn
Bob McGrath
Roy Ramsey
Dick Salisbury

MINISTRY STAFF:

Jim Beasley...Involvement Minister
Phil & Jana Cannon...Youth Ministers
Roger Coffman...Pastoral Care Minister
Laura Harbin...Children's Minister
Jake & Shelly Hendrix...Missions

August Birthdays

11 - Sanders, Sharon	19 - Pam Dietsch, Marjorie Seiler, Shannon Tidwell
12 - Matt Ellis	20 - Stu Vogel, Cody Grandfield
13 - Brad Hestand, Brent Hestand, Hallie Layne, Lillian Hicks	22 - Raymond Stakelyl, Ben Elliott
14 - Larry Grant, Melissa Davis	23 - Mike Grant, Bill Warren
15 - Tracy Glenn	24 - Shawn Kotarski, Ashley Lancaster, Jaelyn Prater
16 - Becky Oakley	25 - Dallas Morrow, Maya Elizabeth Window
17 - Lori Hansel	26 - Lindsey Lowe
18 - Dennis Henderson, Randy Stanley, Terri Hixson, Traci Nelson, Gayle Hicks, Brooke Steele	27 - Elaine Dagnan, Taylor Wolfe, Austin Goins

Different Drummer

As some of you may know, I love movies. I like the big screen, the smell of popcorn, the previews, and especially the opportunity to see someone's imagination and creativity used in remarkable ways.

At the end of the movie appear the "credits." Lists of those to whom recognition and appreciation are due. Without these people, the movie would not have been possible.

In that spirit, as my time as "co-interim preacher" (I suppose that would have been my title, had I been given one) ends, I write my own credits. Some of these people attend church with us, others don't. But these folks made life sing for me with unknowing gifts.

--Thanks to the huge man in the large blue tractor trailer rig for not honking at me while I sat daydreaming through a green light. No matter the source, grace is amazing.

--Thanks to the young man who, after the last service at the Cloverdale building, waited around until everyone was gone so that he could hug me without feeling embarrassed. I'll never forget it . . . or you.

--Thanks to the young man who ate two racks of ribs in one sitting at Sticky Fingers. You may not even attend a church, but you amazed your friends, shocked the waitress, and gave me a new illustration for hungering after righteousness.

--Thanks to the two little girls (you know who you are!) for making sure I got a hug and a smile after every sermon. The love of a child is precious.

--Thanks to the young couple who asked me to perform their wedding, even though I was a less than obvious choice. May your life be filled with the things of which dreams are made.

--Thanks to the deaf people in the Green Life store who I knew were "telling jokes" (don't know how, but I knew). Thanks for including me in laughter without words, for laughter helps us all navigate the intersections of life.

--Thanks to Jim for calling me on Wednesdays and singing to me over the phone. Singing stirs the soul like nothing else can.

--Thanks to the service station attendant in Manchester, Tennessee for washing my windshield even though I was at a self-service pump, and for singing the old Patsy Cline song *Crazy*. It reminded me that it's important to see where you're going and kept me singing the rest of the day.

--Thanks to Roger for being the best "preaching partner" a guy could ever have. This past year could have been much, much tougher for our church than it was. Few people know how you sacrificed yourself so that it wouldn't be. Thanks for treating me like a pupil on occasion, a son when needed, and a friend always. You have taught me that mentoring is the responsibility of every Christian.

There is more. God's gifts of joy and grace were abundant this year. In these moments, God reminded me that there is more news in the world than could ever be reported in the newspapers. The news is good and the gifts are free.

(Joey Davis)