

FAMILY NEWS



Upcoming Events

1.21.17 2:30p.m., Amanda Wood Baby Shower. She is registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target

1.27.17 10:30a.m., Krysten Miller's Bridal Shower. Krysten and Brian are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Belk

2.16-18.17 Winterfest: Gatlinburg, TN. It is opened to all 6th-12th graders and friends. Balance is due 1.30.18.

Prayer R21equests

- Missions: Mike, Kris and Kaylee Bridges
- AIM: Hannah Baker & Donnie Guill (Mission UpReach)
- Grayson Carter-- Ft. Riley, Kansas; Deployed to Germany
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley, Hawaii-- Wheeler Army Airfield
- Steve Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Robin Smith
- Nelson Bright- Karen Oliver's Uncle
- Heath Hartwell-Brian Devereaux's Friend
- Kimberly Craig and Mollie Carr, Kathy Upton's daughter and niece
- Gene Lowe-Vern Lowe's Father
- Danny Altman-Lauren's Brother
- Kelli Harding & Lanhams'
- Brian Devereaux
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart's Father
- David Dowdy
- Dave Watkins
- Tom Dominick
- Sara Hanle
- Chester Warren
- Sonja, Harriett Betterson's daughter and Family

"HOW MANY LIES"

How many lies do you believe? What is the effect these lies have on you? The chief thing Satan's lies do for us is disguise God, His work among us and His love for us. After wrecking our sight and affection for God, Satan's lies play havoc with our earthly experience. His lies disturb our joy, rob us of faith and hope, and keep us from loving strong. In essence we end up living in the kingdom of darkness. God calls us to the kingdom of light where His truth illuminates the darkness by shedding light on the lies we have believed. These lies really are everywhere and they are so nuanced and insidious one can barely spot them, until they have been exposed.

The proverb "you can't teach an old dog new tricks" has been batted around for centuries. It is an accepted medium of thought. People assume it is true and as such receive it as advice. Do not expect to learn when you are old and don't expect old people to learn. This proverb suggests that learning has an end and we all accept it as true. This proverb seems innocent, but it is disastrously evil, a true lie.

Paul used the phrase "keeping in line with the gospel" Galatians 2:14 to mean that thoughts and deeds that aren't in harmony with "the Gospel" should be removed from our lives. That is how we should think. Maybe a dog can't learn new tricks, but you and I are not dogs. This is a chief distinction, but it is framed and designed to lead us to take a lesson from a dog or possibly suggest you are the same as a dog. This is a Big lie. Also, Be aware of the person and the idea that begins with "You Can't" The Holy Spirit say you "can do all things through Christ who strengthens us." It is far more God honoring and life giving to marinate on How we **can do all things** than to be injected with you can't. Just saying; one takes you through the narrow gate that leads to life, and the other leads to death Matthew 5:13.

These are bad but the real evil in this old proverb is an idea that humans can't continuously learn. The gospel teaches **we are transformed with ever-increasing glory into His image** 2 Corinthians 3:18. Scripture teaches that "we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away **inwardly we are being renewed day by day**" 2 Corinthians 4:16. Our body wastes away even as our inner man grows and grows. Best of all this is truth, and not trick. The news is so good it is by nature healing, transforming, and life-giving. When our souls are marinated in the truth about God and the Gospel He brings we become available to every good thing. We are rich in love, faith, hope, joy, peace, patience, yes all of the good things!

What lies have you swallowed that are robbing your joy and leading you to destruction? What is clouding your perfect view of God, the glories of His Gospel and the transcendent life that follows?

What a God! What a love story! What hope! Believe the truth and live like never before.

Blessings, Your Shepherds

Assembly Times

Sunday Worship 9:30AM
Sunday Class 11 AM
AWANA, Sunday 10 AM
Wednesday, 7 PM Bible Study

Weekly Stats

AM Bible Class 120
AM Bible Class Average 98

AM Assembly 149
AM Assembly Avg. 132

Contribution \$3,244.50
YTD Average Weekly \$4,132.25
Weekly Budget \$8,143.77

Shepherds

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GENERAL INFORMATION

New Members:

Ryan and Christie Gaskins
 214 Coronado Rd.,
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New Address:

Wayne & Debbie Kellis
 1084 Shull Island Rd.
 Gilbert, SC 29054

Anniversaries:

1.16 Dennis & Sharon Carter

Birthdays:

1.18 Sammy Binnicker
1.19 Bonita Stewart
1.22 Nathan Baxley
1.22 Deborah Black
1.26 Emilee Ann Izard
1.26 Robin Akers
1.27 Tracy Jex
1.28 Avery Brannan

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**Opportunities to Serve
January 21, 2018**

Worship: Connor Watkins

Sound Room:

Cliff Brown
Chester Warren

Lord's Supper:

Ernie Oliver

Servers in January:

Dennis Carter
Jimmy Kirby
Brandon Ulmer
Terry Kneece
Travis Jex

Door Greeters in Jan.:

Ernie & Karen Oliver

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AIM Mason Bridges, Hannah Baker, Donnie Guill & Mission UpReach in Honduras: Mike, Kris, Kaylee Bridges

YOUTH NEWS

MEN'S NEWS

It was so good to be back with church family last Wednesday night for a little mid-week recharge. I was working with the preschool/elementary age group and taught the story of the paralyzed man and some great friends. We talked about what it looks like to be a great friend, what it sounds like, what it feels like to have great friends, etc before the story. I read from the Beginner's Bible so that they would have pictures to help them follow along in the story and then we acted out the story using a blanket and everyone got a turn to be the paralyzed man that got to walk for the very first time! Every child was invested in the lesson and helped wrap up the lesson about being a great friend that "takes" people to Jesus. It does my heart good to be with these kiddos! Starting this week, preschool/elementary kids will be going through a series called Snowed Inn (how fitting?). The kids will learn about the promises God made through stories in the Bible such as Abraham, Ruth, Mary and more. They will see that God is not just a promise maker, but a promise keeper! "God makes a promise, and then He keeps it." Numbers 23:19

Blessings,
Lauren Brannan

Mark your calendars for Hobo Pie Night!

When: 25 January - 6pm (if you can't make it til a little later that's fine...we'll keep some hot coals for you)

Where: Church Building

What: Sit around a campfire and listen to your individually aluminum foil wrapped meal sizzle before you indulge.

Why: Why not?!?

But if you actually need a real reason, studies have shown that there is a direct relationship between time a man spends sitting by a campfire and his effectiveness as a leader, husband, father.

I look forward to spending some quality time with you guys and hobo pies and campfires are just icing on the cake.

Bring a camp chair and winning attitude!

Love,
-Justin