

# The Macland Messenger



January 10, 2016

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RICK SHOCKEY		

## Sunday Evening

JAN. 10	OPENING PRAYER	BILL RUDD
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JAN 17	OPENING PRAYER	JEFF ROBERTSON
	SCRIPTURE READING	HUDSON HARWELL
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## WEDNESDAY EVENING

JAN.13	SONG LEADER	EDDIE CURRY
	OPENING PRAYER	MICHAEL ROLEN
	INVITATION	CLAY SHULTZ
	CLOSING PRAYER	ARTEMAS HOLLOWAY

## NURSERY ATTENDANTS

JAN.10	A.M.	MARCIA RILEY & LINDSAY RILEY
	P.M.	MEL WILLIAM S – TRINA PIERRE
JAN 17	A. M.	CHERYL WOKOMATY – RACHEL HEIB
	P.M.	REBEKAH CONLEY

**Gentlemen: If you are unable to serve, call Mike Satterfield at (404) 457-5078 or Josh Conley at 678-776-2325 or the office (770) 427-3626.**

**Nursery call Rebekah Conley at 678-237-2107 or the office**

## THE BIBLE AND POPULATION GROWTH

For years there have been heated discussions about the Earth's population. Some, like Paul Ehrlich in the late 1960s and 70s, warned that the Earth could not support the growing human population. He repeatedly went on Johnny Carson's *The Tonight Show*, and subsequently his "Zero Population Growth" movement took off. Recently, Ehrlich said in an interview, "I believe it is immoral and should be illegal for people to have very large numbers of children because they are then co-opting for themselves and their children resources that should be spread elsewhere in the world."

Whenever people suggest that families should be restricted in the number of children they have, we must remember God's two original, basic commands to mankind concerning the population on the Earth: (1) Be fruitful on the Earth. (2) Spread out on the Earth. To Adam and Eve God said, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth" (Genesis 1:28). To Noah and his family, God repeated, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. . . . And you, be fruitful and multiply, increase greatly on the earth and multiply in it" (Genesis 9:2, 7).



And then, throughout the Bible, children are consistently considered a blessing, a gift from God (see Matthew 2:18, 18:5; Luke 1:17, 11:11). Consider a few passages:

- Deuteronomy 28:4. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. (over)

- Genesis 33:5. And when Esau lifted up his eyes and saw the women and children, he said, “Who are these with you?” Jacob said, “The children whom God has graciously given your servant.”
- Psalms 127:3-5. Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one’s youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them.

Many in the 20th century advocated for fewer kids in order to curb population growth. Ironically, as the 21st century unfolds, there is growing concern that humans are reproducing too *slowly* and that by mid-century the population will begin shrinking in a frightening way. Falling birthrates now threaten the ability of aging populations to take care of themselves in the future, and so countries such as Russia and China are taking measures to *increase* population.

There is a profound lesson for us in these historical circumstances: An unbiblical attitude that assesses children as a burden rather than a blessing has disastrous consequences. **Caleb**

## Those to Remember in Our Prayers

### PRAYER REQUEST:

**Consuela Trammell’s sister, Pascha Burge** has lymphoma cancer.

### TRAVELERS:

**MEMBERS:** Beth Sa’idd; Faith Watts; Kak Grayson; Bob Holt, Martha Maxwell, Ed Villani.

**LOVED ONES:** Brystol Haynes 3 year old relative of Jon Shultz’ fiancé, Catie Williams; Jim Comer, Laddis Comer’s brother; Larry Grimes II, Larry and Elizabeth Grimes son; Paul Maner’s mother, Noni Maner and his sister, Brenda Maner; Nikki Fennel, Scott Drumm’s sister; Michael Werchowski, Dot Evans great-grandson; and family and friends in the military.

### RESPONSES:

**Consuela Trammell** requested prayer for her family and her sisters. She also requested prayer for her unfaithfulness and wishes to be restored. She and the family are having a hard time dealing with her mother’s death last year and with her sister’s illness.

### **SYMPATHY**

Macland Road lost a good friend on Monday evening. Julie Urbaniak lost her valiant battle against the health issues she was facing. Our sincerest sympathy is sent to the Rolen family, the Scarborough family and the Smelcer family. Julie was a faithful Christian serving and worshipping at Olive Street Church and then in 1992 began worshipping at Macland. While at Olive Street, she and her husband, Roger, served as their head of education. Julie was a Bible teacher for 38 years. Her funeral was held at Macland Road Church of Christ on Thursday.

### **THANK YOU**

Macland Road Youth Group: I want to thank each and everyone for the gift that was given to me for Christmas. That was very thoughtful and nice. I love each and everyone. Happy New Year, Buddy Pigg

To The Youth Group: Thank you for the cute socks. I put them on when I got home from church. They are so warm and cozy. They warmed my feet as well as my heart.

We have a wonderful group of young people at Macland Rd. Also, a wonderful group of adults who work diligently to guide you through so many good works. In Christian Love, Mary Bowman

Dear Youth Group: What a thoughtful thing to do! Thank you so very much for the “sock cupcake”! I appreciate all your efforts to do good things for others. I’m very sure the neat socks will keep my toes toasty warm! Thanks again,

In Christian love ~ Beverly Barnett

Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers you sent for Jeff’s fathers’ funeral. Thank you also for the cards, calls and to the Cofers who traveled to be with us on the day of the funeral, and to Shannon Rolen who came to be with us at the Fort Payne Hospital. All you mean so much to us!

Love, Jeff, Quayla & family

See the Thank You notes from Raintree Village children on the insert.

**MAC FACT**

Daniel Sequens is an A & P student and dreams of working at Delta when he graduates. This week, he was 1 of 6 students nationwide to receive a Pratt and Whitney scholarship. He will receive an award at a conference in March, and will receive training this fall on a Pratt and Whitney engine of his choice. What an honor! Congratulations, Daniel

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Caleb will do Questions and Answers next Sunday evening, January 17. Submit your Bible-related questions to [calebcolley@gmail.com](mailto:calebcolley@gmail.com) or in the box in the foyer.

**CARE GROUP AND CONTACT GROUP UPDATES**

Ø Please make the following correction to your “**CARE GROUP**” insert from last week’s Bulletin:

CARE GROUP ZONE 4: Coordinator: Tony Keyton

Ø Please make the following correction to your “**CONTACT GROUP**” insert from last week’s Bulletin:

CONTACT GROUP 2: Coordinator: Daniel Sequens

Larry Jordan has requested a break from the Coordinator responsibilities and Daniel Sequens has agreed to serve as the Coordinator for Group 2 starting on January 24.

**GOLDEN AGERS’ FIRST EVENT FOR 2016**

It may be cold outside, but it’s always a warm time when the Golden Agers’ get together. If you are over the age of 50 and have never attended one of these events, what better time than the New Year to begin. Join the group on Tuesday, January 12th in the Fellowship Hall. We ask everyone to bring soup/chili or sandwiches, bread or crackers, dessert and a drink. There is a signup sheet on the Golden Agers bulletin board. Sign up now.

**YOU’RE INVITED**

*Dr. Caleb and Rebekah Meinsen Colley  
were married on December 18th, 2015*

*It’s time to celebrate at  
Macland Road Church of Christ  
A reception will be held in the  
Fellowship Hall*

*on Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>  
from 7 ~9 P.M.*

*They are registered at  
Bed, Bath, and Beyond  
Target*

Joyce Pigg has special cards for recipes for Rebekah. If you haven’t received one, see Joyce.

**GATLINBURG RETREAT 2016**

The money for food for the retreat is due today, January 10. Food cost is \$35.00 per person over 10 years old (this is for the entire weekend). See Joyce or Elaine.



The first Area Wide Youth Devo for 2016 will be held at Woodstock Church **TODAY**.

**VISITATION PROGRAM CONTACT GROUP**

**Contact Group 4 (Coordinator: Billy Pigg)** will meet for a few minutes in the **MEDIA ROOM** immediately following the afternoon services. Please come and be a part of this important outreach.

**ATTENTION: Please bring any completed CONTACT Cards that you have and give them to Billy.**

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**ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS & REMINDERS**

AREA OF SERVICE.....DATE.....NAMES  
 VIDEO..... JAN 10..... PAUL ATTAWAY  
 .....JAN 17.....ED VILLANI  
 SOUND BOOTH.....JAN 10.....TONY KEYTON  
 .....JAN.17..... JIM INGERSON  
 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....JAN.17.....JEFF HOPE  
 SONG LEADER.....JAN.17.....RUSSELL PIGG  
 WED. INVITATION.....JAN 13.....CLAY SHULTZ

**AREA OF SERVICE FOR MONTH OF JANUARY**

COMMUNION.....BARBARA KELLEY  
 BAPTISMAL GARMENTS.....JANICE WILSON  
 BUILDING SECURITY.....JEFF & QUAYLA HOPE  
 GREETERS.....LARRY & ANN JORDAN; MARVIN & REGINA PICKELSIMER  
 VAN DRIVER.....RUSSELL PIGG

**STATISTICS FOR JAN. 3, 2016**

BIBLE STUDY.....137  
 A.M. WORSHIP.....N/A  
 P.M.WORSHIP.....124  
 WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6.....97  
 CONTRIBUTION.....\$7,187.59

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

JAN. 10 AREA WIDE YOUTH DEVO @ WOODSTOCK  
 JAN. 12 GOLDEN AGERS – SOUP/CHILI SUPPER  
 JAN. 17 Q & A AT EVENING SERVICE  
 JAN. 22 RECEPTION FOR CALEB AND REBEKAH  
 JAN. 24 P.M. SINGING SERVICE

**PANTRY LIST CHECK THE DATES**

**OUTDATED ITEMS CANNOT BE USED**  
**NO SUGAR FREE, LITE OR DECAF ITEMS**  
 The pantry is out or very low on these items

**Schedule of Service & Activities****Sunday**

9:30 a.m. – Bible Classes for all ages  
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service  
 5:00 p.m. – Kidsing  
 5:10 p.m. - Evening Worship Service

**Tuesday**

10:00 a.m. – Ladies Workshop

**Wednesday**

10:00 a.m. Morning Bible Class  
 7:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study for all ages

**Attended Nursery for children up to 24 mos.  
 old at all services**

1. Beef Stew
2. Beane Weanee's
3. Vegetable Soup 10.5 oz. can, please
4. Canned fruit cocktail
5. Canned peaches no lite or sugar-free, please
6. Sugar
7. Kool aid 19 oz. plastic containers, please

