

# The Macland Messenger



September 11, 2016

SCRIPTURE FOR ADULT CLASS.....NUMBERS 11:16-25  
 O THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING.....500  
 WELCOME.....; RICK SHUMPERT  
 CONGREGATIONAL SONG LEADER.....JEFF HOPE  
 I WILL ENTER HIS GATES .....949  
 I WILL CALL UPON THE LORD.....866  
 PRAYER.....JOSH CONLEY  
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 SERMON.....CALEB COLLEY

AM: INCREASING OUR LOVE FOR GOD  
 PM: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

JESUS, LET US COME TO KNOW YOU .....947  
 I STAND IN AWE .....937  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....JIM INGERSON

#### SERVING THE LORD'S TABLE

GENE BARROW	BRIAN CURRY	EDDIE CURRY
KEN DAHLSTROM	LORAN HOGG	JAMESON HOPE
TY RAY	LEMUEL RILEY	MATT ROBERTS
MICHAEL ROLEN		

#### Sunday Evening

SEPT. 11 OPENING.....MARVIN PICKELSIMER  
 SCRIPTURE .....TY RAY  
 .....I PETER 3:15  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....MICHAEL ROLEN

SEPT. 18 OPENING PRAYER.....JODY HARWELL  
 SCRIPTURE.....HUDSON HARWELL  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....RUSSELL PIGG.

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING

Sept 14 SONG LEADER.....ZAKK BURTON  
 OPENING PRAYER.....PAUL ATTAWAY  
 INVITATION.....JEFF HOPE  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....ARTEMAS HOLLOWAY

#### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

SEPT 11 A.M.....JOYCE PIGG – ASHLEY SEQUENS  
 P.M.....REBEKAH CONLEY

SEPT. 18 A.M .....ASHLEIGH HAMILTON – TRINA PIERRE  
 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.**

We find in Daniel chapter 3 one of the Bible's most vivid examples of godly courage. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego preferred being thrown in the fiery furnace to compromising their commitment to worship the God of Israel exclusively. Just after these three men were cast "into the midst of the furnace of blazing fire still tied up" (Dan. 3:23), we read the following:

Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astounded and stood up in haste; he said to his high officials, "Was it not three men we cast bound into the midst of the fire?" They replied to the king, "Certainly, O king." He said, "Look! I see four men loosed and walking about in the midst of the fire without harm, and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods!" (3:24-25)

God saved the three Hebrew men miraculously. The question arises as to who that fourth person was. The text does not answer. However, as with many of our questions about the Bible, the pursuit of a scripturally plausible answer is a faith-building exercise.



Commentators have suggested that the fourth person was Daniel, or an angel—perhaps Gabriel himself. In the early centuries after Jesus, many believed that the pre-incarnate Christ appeared in the fiery furnace. This belief was emphasized by the King James Version, which had Nebuchadnezzar saying "like the Son of God" rather than the more accurate "like a son of the gods."

While we cannot be sure whether the Christ was in the furnace, it may be so. Recall that Christ was

involved heavily in the events of the Old Testament. The Israelites “drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ” (1 Corinthians 10:4). Jesus identified Himself as the “I Am,” Who spoke to Moses from the burning bush (John 8:53-58; cf. Exodus 3:13-15). In the Old Testament, Christ often is referred to as “the Angel of the Lord,” or “the Messenger of Jehovah” (see Genesis 16:7-13; 22:15-16; 32:28-30; cf. Hosea 12:3-5; Joshua 5:13-6:2).

Whoever was in the fiery furnace, he was there by God’s decree and by His power. And God’s salvation of the three Hebrew men reassures us that God will see us through the fiery trials of our lives (James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 4:12).  
**Caleb**

### *Those to Remember in Our Prayers*

#### PRAYER REQUEST

**Cheryl Wokomaty** is experiencing severe health problems and your prayers are requested.

**Elaine Smith** is recuperating at home following successful shoulder surgery.

**Billy Pigg’s uncle, Claude Wheeler**, has been diagnosed with mouth cancer. For cards his address is 2207 Weslan Dr., Austell, GA. 30106

**LeRon Villani, Ed and Juanita’s son**, is experiencing stomach issues and prayers are requested.

#### **TRAVELERS:**

**Billy & Joyce Pigg and Charles & Bettie Little** are enjoying a cruise. They will be back on Sept. 23.

**Sophia Agyepong** left on Thursday for Ghana to be with family.

**MEMBERS:** Larry Grimes, Sr.; Beth Sa’idd; Kak Grayson; Red Holt, Ed Villani.

**LOVED ONES:** Lindsay Maxwell, Bob and Martha Maxwell’s granddaughter; Pascha Burge, Consuela Trammell’s sister; Brystol Haynes 3 year old relative of Catie Shultz; Larry Grimes II, Larry and Elizabeth Grimes son; Paul Maner’s sister, Brenda Maner; Nikki Fennel, Scott Drumm’s sister; Michael Werchowski, Dot Evans great-grandson; and family and friends in the military.

#### **RESPONSES:**

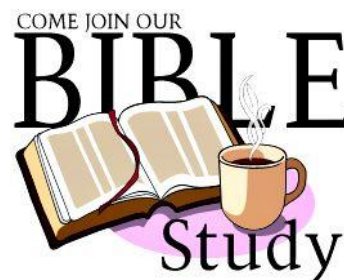
### **SYMPATHY**

Our sincerest sympathy is sent to Sophia Agyepong and family. Sophia’s mother-in-law passed away in April and, as is the custom in Ghana, there has not been a funeral as yet. Since then, her father-in-law has passed away. Sophia will leave for Ghana on Thursday and be gone about 2 weeks. Please remember her and the family during this sad time and also as she travels. Cards for any of the family may be sent to Sophia’s home.



### **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

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



A monthly ladies’ Bible Study group will begin meeting in September. The group will come together the last Thursday of every month at 7 p.m., when all participants will have more opportunity for organized personal study, personal service projects, connection with ladies all around the world, and deeper connections within the Macland Family. The goal is ultimately to strive together for a deeper understanding and application of the Word of God. Women of all ages are encouraged to get involved, as this will encourage unity for the entire church. Any young women, high school or younger, who get involved can have the option of leadership opportunity.

Please see Rebekah Colley for more details, and you will be given a packet detailing the personal monthly study. An estimate of how many ladies plan to be involved would be appreciated soon. Ladies are encouraged to engage in September’s personal study by September 29<sup>th</sup>, when the group will first meet.

### **SEPTEMBER**



**AREA WIDE YOUTH  
DEVO AT MACLAND  
ROAD**

The Youth Devo for September will be held here tonight. If you signed up to bring desserts or drinks, please have them here this afternoon.



## ELLIJAY YOUTH RALLY

One of the most anticipated Fall events for our youth is the Ellijay Youth Rally. This is a weekend event that will be held September 16 -18. The Youth and chaperones will leave Friday afternoon and return Sunday afternoon. See the bulletin board for more details and a signup sheet. You must sign up if you plan to attend so that proper arrangements can be made for lodging.



## GATLINBURG/PIGEON FORGE RETREAT FEBRUARY, 2017

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights February 17, 18, 19, 2017 (leaving on Monday, Feb. 20) the Walden Lodge and Cabins have once again been reserved for the retreat to Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge Tennessee. The cost per room is \$180. The food must be paid for all who are 10 years old and older. For those under 10 there is no charge. The cost is \$35.00 per person. You may still pay in 2 installments if you wish. The first money will be due from September 25 – October 9, 2016. The second payment will be due on Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016. Food cost will be due January 15, 2017.

We would like to try something new this year. Would you like to plan an evening meal? Perhaps you and a small committee could plan, purchase the food (you will be reimbursed or given money ahead), fix ahead as much as you can and transport to Gatlinburg. Some items you may prefer to purchase in Pigeon Forge. Breakfast and lunch will remain the same. This is a fun time for the whole family so please come join us for a great weekend of games, nature, shopping, and fellowship. If you have any questions please see Joyce or Elaine.

### CONTACT GROUP

**Contact Group 4 (Coordinator, Billy Pigg)** will meet for a few minutes in the **Media Room** immediately following the afternoon service. Please come and be a part of this important outreach.

**ATTENTION:** Please bring any completed contact cards you have to the meeting.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS JOY

We will participate in Operation Christmas Joy again this year and we invite everyone to participate. It is a Panama Mission project that impacts thousands of needy children every December. We will provide plastic gallon-size bags filled with small toys, personal care items, school supplies and candy for needy children in Panama. This is our fifth year to participate. We started out with 25 boxes, then 35 boxes. We sent over 50 bags when we participated in 2014. Each gift is accompanied by a teaching tract which has a list of local congregations.

We'll concentrate on boys and girls aged 5 to 6 years this year. Please see the flyer for a suggested shopping list. If you are unable to shop, you can donate money in order to cover the cost of shipping, taxes, and distributing the gifts. This project is coordinated through the University Church of Christ in Montgomery, Alabama. The L.A.M.B.S. box is in the foyer for your donations. Please help us make this a success again this year!

We are again sending blankets for moms who are staying in the hospital with their sick child. The hospitals are kept very cool and they do not have warm clothes.

Our ladies do a wonderful job of making dresses for little girls. We try to add a pair of underwear and a bow with each dress. If you can sew or are interested in donating fabric, please see Beth Harwell. She will have a pattern you can use for a simple dress or pair of shorts for little boys.

**We will bag the gifts on Sunday, September 25.** We will also show appreciation for our deacons this month and will make them a small token of our thanks for all the work they do for us here at Macland Road! See you at 1:00! Don't forget to bring something to contribute! Youth – plan on coming for the fun and helping organize and guide the littles in putting together the Panama bags. Sign up!

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Education)

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**ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS & REMINDERS**

AREA OF SERVICE.....	DATE.....	NAMES
VIDEO.....	SEPT.11.....	PAUL ATTAWAY
	SEPT.18.....	SERENA MILLER
SOUND BOOTH.....	SEPT. 11.....	JIM INGERSON
	SEPT.18.....	STEPHEN LIPSCOMB
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....	SEPT.18.....	SCOTT DRUMM
SONG LEADER.....	SEPT. 18.....	JIM INGERSON
WED. INVITATION.....	SEPT.14.....	JOSH CONLEY

AREA OF SERVICE FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

COMMUNION.....	BARBARA KELLEY
BAPTISMAL GARMENTS.....	HAZEL ROBERTS
BUILDING SECURITY .....	TBA
GREETERS.....	KEN & EDITH DAHLSTROM; JAMESON, JADYN, & KENYON HOPE
VAN DRIVER.....	CLAY SHULTZ

STATISTICS FOR SEPT. 4, 2016

BIBLE STUDY.....	124
A.M. WORSHIP.....	187
P.M. WORSHIP.....	109
WEDNESDAY Sept. 7, 2016.....	71.
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$7,794.84

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- SEPT. 11.....AREA WIDE YOUTH DEVO @ MACLAND
- SEPT. 16 - 18....ELLIJAY YOUTH RALLY
- SEPT. 25.....L.A.M.B.S. OPERATION CHRISTMAS JOY

**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

1. Tuna 5 oz. cans please
2. Salmon
3. Beef Ravioli, Lasagne, Spaghetti O's  
15 oz. cans, please
4. Vegetable Soup 10 Oz. cans please
5. Tomato Soup 10 oz. cans please
6. Canned Pinto Beans 15 oz. cans please
7. Canned Fruit Cocktail No sugar free &  
15 oz. cans please
8. Mayo (out)
9. Mac & Cheese 25 oz. boxes, please
10. Instant Mashed Potatoes, Prefer in  
boxes
11. Instant Rice Boil-In-Bag
12. Sugar
13. Cooking Oil
14. Canned Peaches 15 oz. cans please

**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 (Will resume on  
Wednesday, Sept. 7)
- 7:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study for all ages

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



