



If our society would follow Paul's principle in this passage, there would no longer be a substantial portion of the population that sat on the sidelines while the rest labored.

Eberstadt goes on to explain how over 100 million Americans are working harder than ever, but at the same time the number of those refusing to work is on the rise. The obvious result is that those who refuse to work are being supported by those who do work. But notice that the Bible teaches not that society should provide for those who refuse work, but the opposite. Again, from the apostle Paul to the Thessalonians:

But we urge you ... to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one (1 Thessalonians 4:10-12).

God has dignified work. It is natural for people to get satisfaction from the various jobs they do. Work provides not only personal satisfaction, but also the means for society to function. We are grateful to God for the ability and opportunity to work, to His glory (Colossians 3:23)

**Caleb**

## *Those to Remember in Our Prayers*

### **PRAYER REQUEST**

**Rachel Baggott** has been diagnosed with a brain tumor, and is waiting on biopsy reports. However, Drs. are reporting that surgery is impossible. For cards, her address is 4904 Aquatic Rd Nashville TN 37211-5304

### **TRAVELERS:**

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

**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 Grace Baah. Her sister passed away on Sept. 4. Grace changed her plans to return home so that she might be with the family during this sad time.

## **FYI**

Caleb is speaking this weekend at the Bear Valley Bible Institute in Denver, Colorado, and then he and Bekah are taking vacation through Wednesday. Please pray for their safe travels.

## **SUMMER CLASSES**

As we begin our fall quarter, we would like to recognize the following men and women who served as teachers and assistants in the children's Bible classes during the summer quarter.

Mary Beth Carr, Caleb Colley, Josh & Rebekah Conley, Scott & Carla Drumm, Jody Harwell, Quayla Hope, Jim & Kathleen Ingerson, Cyndi Pigg, Cheryl Richards, and Shannon Rolen.

Thank you so much for sharing your time and talents with our children.



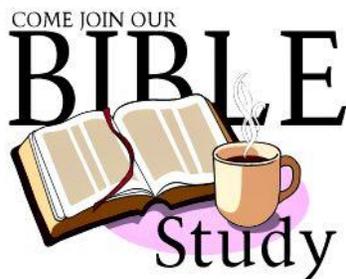
## **ELLIJAY YOUTH RALLY**

14 Macland Youth and 4 chaperones have spent this weekend in Ellijay attending the Youth Rally. They will return this afternoon.

## **CONTACT GROUP**

**Contact Group 1 (Coordinator, Russell 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.



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.



### **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.

### **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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**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**

**ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS & REMINDERS**

AREA OF SERVICE.....	DATE.....	NAMES
VIDEO.....	SEPT.18.....	SERENA MILLER
.....	SEPT.25.....	ED VILLANI
SOUND BOOTH.....	SEPT. 18.....	STEPHEN LIPSCOMB
.....	SEPT.25.....	JIM INGERSON
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....	SEPT.25.....	JEFF HOPE
SONG LEADER.....	SEPT.25.....	JOSEPH TERRELL
WED. INVITATION.....	SEPT.21.....	JIM INGERSON

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. 11, 2016

BIBLE STUDY.....	131
A.M. WORSHIP.....	204
P.M.WORSHIP.....	183
WEDNESDAY Sept. 14, 2016.....	89
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$7,461.47

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

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



