

**A Warm Welcome Awaits You  
At These Assemblies**

Sunday Bible Study 9:00AM  
Sunday Morning Assembly 10:00 AM

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

**Bible Classes for All Ages  
Attended Nursery**

**Opportunities to Serve: November 20, 2011**

|                                 |                                   |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Worship Leader</b>           | Rick Castleman                    |
| <b>Lord's Supper:</b>           | Lance Daniel                      |
| <b>Servers</b>                  | Nathan Lowe      Jeff Larsen      |
| Dennis Carter                   | Connor Watkins      Jimmy Kirby   |
| Zach Ross                       | Brandon Ulmer      Terry Kneece   |
| <b>Sound:</b>                   | Chester Warren                    |
| <b>Greeters For November:</b>   | Ernie & Karen Oliver              |
| <b>Nursery (Infants- 2yrs):</b> | Mary Anderson      Jeanie Kirby   |
| <b>Nursery(2-3 yrs):</b>        | Karen Oliver      Melissa Canales |

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**Weekly Statistics for November 13, 2011**

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| AM Bible Class                  | 128               |
| AM Bible Class Avg.             | 106               |
| AM Assembly                     | 164               |
| AM Assembly Avg.                | 207               |
| Contribution                    | \$6,663.37        |
| YTD Average Weekly Contribution | \$8,684.57        |
| <b>Weekly Budget</b>            | <b>\$9,815.38</b> |



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**Elders**

I found this Sunday to be a very encouraging day. I think we all find it very reassuring when the elders get up and talk. It gives us all a sense of confidence to hear them talk about how things are going and what they believe God wants from us. If you missed what they said it will be online at our website in the next day or two. I was also encouraged that Rom was already having a meeting to start making plans for our renewed men's ministry.

What now? We have identified some mistakes in the past and we have made note of the differences amongst us but what do we do now? We are dreaming about what God wants and we are always seeking clarity in his vision so where does this lead? The elders are asking us to meet about several ministries that they believe need immediate attention. The first meeting is the one this Sunday at 2:30. These meetings will go on regularly until we feel better about our ministry plans in all areas of our congregation. We need to get together and decide what we are going to do about the budget shortfall. I would think that this would be a meeting for which many people would want to provide input. We also need to quickly get together and decide what to do about the leadership vacuum that will happen when Mike and Kris Bridges move to India. Their leadership in our Hispanic Ministry has been tremendous but we will need new leaders to arise so that we can continue to reach out to Hispanics. We will want people to have a chance to hear about and provide input to both our men's ministry and our women's ministry. We also want our leaders to spend time together going through scripture and praying. There will be some meetings where we do this exclusively instead of dealing with business. We also want to meet about our overall education plan. Many people have been working on it and there are even now new things being done to make it better. These meetings are

meant for our ministry leaders, staff, and elders and they are open to anyone that would like to join us. Before each meeting the elders will let everyone know what the agenda is for each meeting.

I hope everyone feels like they have an important place at this Church. We value the role every one of our members plays in the body of Christ. It is our desire to help you be as connected to God as possible so that you can be used by Him to bring about his will on this earth. I pray often for a heavy dose of love and unity here as we strive to be everything God wants.

Have a great week!  
Allen L. Close

### **Southeastern Children's Home Party**

We still need a couple of people to sign up to buy gifts for the children's Christmas Party on December 10th. Gifts suggestions and sign up sheet are in the foyer.

## **Lexington Coming Events**

Nov. 18 Ladies Night Out  
Dec. 8 Ladies Christmas Party  
Dec. 11 Adult Christmas Party

### **Ladies Night Out**

Friday November 18th. We will begin with dinner at 5:30 pm at El Paso restaurant and after dinner head to Karen Close's home for a movie.

### **AIM**

We are very excited that Kris Smith, the director of AIM (Adventures in Missions) will be here this Sunday, November 20th. As Mike mentioned last Sunday, AIM is a two year program for college aged students interested in serving the Lord through mission work. Immediately after services on Sunday, Kris Smith will meet with middle school, high schoolers, their parents and college age adults who are interested in hearing more about this amazing opportunity. We will be providing lunch for those that attend, so if you are planning on staying, please email Kris Bridges at [demo22@gmail.com](mailto:demo22@gmail.com). To learn more about the program before Sunday, go to [www.aimsunset.org](http://www.aimsunset.org).

The lunch on Sunday raised \$1,405.00  
For Melissa Fabry's mission trip to Italy.

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT EVENTS**

**Nov. 22** Community Thanksgiving Service  
(Tues) Lexington Presbyterian Church 7pm

**Nov. 30** Load Boxes for Columbia  
Independence House at the  
building 7pm.

## **Youth News**

November is just flying by and the holidays are right around the corner! I can't believe Thanksgiving is just a week away! It is past time for the teen leadership team to meet and get started on plans for our annual Christmas service project and youth party. I would like for all the team members to meet with me at 4pm this Sunday in the youth room to discuss these special events. It is also time for everyone to be thinking about and making plans for Winterfest. I have been working on this for a few months now, but it is going to come up very quickly once we get through the holidays. The dates for this event are February 17-19, so go ahead and mark your calendars. Be thinking about any friends that you want to bring with you. I have put a signup sheet out on the orange table in the youth room in the hopes of getting a good idea of how many tickets I will need to purchase on the December 1<sup>st</sup> early bird deadline. Due to the rising cost of this event, I don't want to buy too many more tickets than we need, so please start making your plans early and get your names on the list as soon as possible.

I also want to remind all the guys who are available this Saturday that there is another opportunity to participate in a wheel chair ramp building project in Columbia. Jeff Guill will be at the home of Ms. Chandler by 8am, so the guys can arrive any time after that. Davie has offered to meet at the church that morning to pick up anybody that needs a ride, or would like to follow him to the house. Please contact them if you are interested.

Finally, don't forget to stay after church this Sunday to listen to Kris Smith, the director of AIM, share about the opportunities that exist for young people to get involved in this wonderful missions program. Just let us know if you plan to come, so that we can plan accordingly for lunch. Thank you so much! Have a great week!

### **Upcoming Events:**

11/17 Teen Breakfast  
11/19 Ramp Building Project  
11/20 HS Guys Group 5pm  
11/21 Iron Gym 6:30pm  
11/22 No HS Girls Group/Community Thanksgiving Service

**BIRTHDAY:** November 22 Jack Close  
November 24 Jimmy Kirby  
November 24 Billy Hardin III



## **Prayer Requests**

**Norm & Lynn Gaines Andrew Brown John Chandler Makonde Team**  
**Sandy Barnett** is recovering from back surgery.  
**Danny Hammond** had a biopsy for prostate cancer. Pray for good results.  
**Lucy Ortiz** asked for prayers for her parents and 2 sisters, that they would accept Christ as their savior.  
**Carolyn Whitacre** is having a hard time recovering from colitis. Please keep her in your prayers.  
**Leo and Minerva** asked for prayers for their marriage.  
**Jean Cottrell** is scheduled to see the surgeon on Tuesday the 22nd.  
**Marjorie O'Neal**, Phyllis Bruff's mother. Please remember the family in your prayers.  
**Kristi Kerby** asked for our prayers.  
Alma Ulmer's boss's dad **Mike Murphee** has cancer in his lymph nodes.  
**Joann Ingram** a friend of the Wells has liver cancer.  
**Trey Jex** is home from Afghanistan, pray for him and his family as he makes that adjustment.  
**We extend our sympathy to the Family of Julia Furr, who passed away on Saturday.**