



# VISIONS

October 2006  
Volume XV, Issue 10

1021 Glendale Lane • Nashville, TN 37204 • 615.269.0926  
www.glendalebaptist.org • gbc@glendalebaptist.org

## Nobel Peace Laureates Challenge and Encourage Youth

The moment finally came. Months of raising funds, building awareness, designing and planting a peace pole on the church grounds, sharing our journeys as peacemakers and meditating on peace during worship and youth gatherings had led us to this. On September 14, we boarded a plane and left for Denver, Colorado to attend the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference of PeaceJam. Our weekend was filled with inspiring sessions led by ten Nobel Peace Laureates.

The Dalai Lama reminded us how connected we all are and how compassion and love must guide us in our relationships. He shared how the failures of humans from the past are why we suffer today. Our hope for the future is to begin now to see each other as a loving mother sees her child and not to seek the destruction of our neighbor which, ultimately, is destruction of ourselves.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu encouraged us. While we are not all VIPs, we are all VSPs (Very Special People). The smallest acts of kindness, generosity and compassion do make a difference. His humor, his dancing, his stories, his warmth- they made us feel part of a very powerful Spirit of Peace. He made us feel as if he was just as excited to be with us as we were there to see him.

Oscar Arias challenged us (especially U.S. Americans) to avoid using the language of war. It shows up so frequently and hardly noticeable in our words but our culture is so accustomed to violence that we don't realize how much it can desensitize us in our daily interaction. We hope that he was pleased when we presented our peace pole project to him.

All of the Laureates had something to share with us. We left the conference on September 17 feeling challenged, encouraged, motivated, touched and empowered. For a weekend, we were part of a community of 3,000 young people from 31 countries, all of whom shared their vision for a world where violence, hatred, exclusion, poverty, hunger, disease and war are no more. Thank you, Glendalers, for your overwhelming support in sending us to PeaceJam. Because of your love, the vision feels more real and we have traveled farther along the journey of peace.

With heartfelt gratitude and love from The "PeaceJammers,"  
*Carson, Anna, Garrett, Rachel, Daniel, Ginger, and Thomas*

## A Word from the Church Council Chair

The beginning of a new church year usually finds Glendalers undertaking and learning new tasks. It is about this time that we begin to realize how much is required to keep up with the various ministries to which we have committed ourselves. Then, as soon as we get our divisions and committees staffed and functioning, fall breaks, Thanksgiving and the Advent season are here. This is always a busy time. As we work together, allow me to share some words with you that I shared at our last business meeting. We are a blessed people and we may never fully know or understand the ways in which

## Worship Focuses on Missions in October

The worship division of the church council has designated **October as Missions Emphasis Month. We will focus on Second Harvest Food Bank, Room in the Inn, and Bread for the World.** Rand Carpenter will introduce our Room in the Inn program. Later in the month, Sharon Hiett will remind us of world hunger and what we can do to help solve the problem in specific ways. Feeding folks and giving them warm places to rest and sleep are fundamental aspects of our responsibility as followers of Jesus.

**Glendalers are asked to bring food--**rice, beans, peanut butter, cereal, canned vegetables, canned fruits, and canned meat--when you come to the church every Sunday in October. Before you go to your Sunday School classes, please place these items on the platform in the front of the sanctuary. Last year we were able to take many boxes and bags of food every week to Second Harvest, and we hope you will respond just as generously this fall.

Visions is a monthly newsletter of  
Glendale Baptist Church  
A Caring Community of Equality and  
Grace

1021 Glendale Lane  
Nashville, TN 37204  
Phone 615.269.0926  
www.glendalebaptist.org  
GBC@glendalebaptist.org

April Baker Pastor  
Amy Mears Pastor

Marjorie Halbert  
Minister of Music

Karen Lee Turner  
Pianist

Alan Green  
Secretary

Elizabeth Zagatta  
Youth and Children Ministry  
Coordinator

Thomas Conner  
Church Council Chair

Liz Allen Fey and Jimmy Davis  
Administration

Beverly Feinstein and Anne-Leslie Owens  
Communications

Linda Ray Miller  
Education

Sue Kinzer and Rosalyn Ramage  
Membership

Laura Kendall  
Ministry

Julie Coulter and Louise Clifton  
Missions

Dave Shepherd  
Stewardship

Beth Walker  
Worship

Anne-Leslie Owens and Julie Coulter  
Visions Editors

For over 50 years, we have worked as a congregation, learning together what this mission of becoming a "caring community of equality and grace" truly means. As a result, we endeavor to celebrate all of God's creation and we welcome all persons to worship with us, regardless of race, gender, or sexual orientation.

We invite you to come and experience the Glendale that studies the scriptures and worships God together each Sunday morning-and the Glendale that gathers on Wednesday evenings for dinner, prayer, and genuine caring for one another.

God is working through us. May we continue to trust that when we share our individual gifts as a community of followers in the way of Christ, that our gifts will flourish and our time together will be blessed. The new church year promises to have many new challenges, new threats, new fears, new wounds, new lessons, new needs, new energy, new approaches, new ideas, new members, new ministries, new hopes and new life. Let us continue our journey together, anxious to see how the One who began a good work in us will be faithful to carry it on to completion.

Over the next month and a half, the council will be finalizing Glendale's financial plan for ministry and sharing our proposal with the budget and finance committee. The final draft of the financial plan will be presented for approval at the November 19 quarterly business meeting. Council members welcome your input and ideas about how we can optimize our resources and financial gifts to continue our work and service as a church.

*Peace, Thomas*

### Missions Outlook

The missions division began the new church year with a time to set some goals. These three objectives will guide us as we plan and work through the year ahead.

- To communicate regularly with congregation about purpose of GBC's missions, how our money, time and talents are invested and the impact of our investments.
- To enjoy our missions and make activities fun and plan effectively so activities will run smoothly.
- To choose where we work carefully and make realistic goals.

We are working closely with ministry division (Room in the Inn) and worship division (fall hunger emphasis, AIDS awareness during advent). On November 8 we are excited to have Molly Grisham share about her summer trip to Bolivia. Check out the November *Visions* for more details.

**Missions Division – Louise Clifton, Julie Coulter, Rand Carpenter, Stewart Clifton, Lyndsey Godwin, Bill Junker, and Charles Warford**



*One of the children of Cochabamba, Bolivia, receiving a bath with fresh water.*

### Room in the Inn this Fall

With the help of the ministry division, plans for Room in the Inn are underway. With new ideas for organization and transportation, Rand Carpenter is coordinating this missions endeavor along with help from Kylene Dibble. Deacon groups, children and youth have already committed to the schedule below. Please reserve the Friday night and Saturday morning your deacon group will host our guests.

- |             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| November 3  | Wells/Trotter/Hines      |
| November 17 | Fortenberry/Magee        |
| December 1  | Halbert                  |
| December 15 | Baugh                    |
| December 24 | Churchwide               |
| January 5   | Warford                  |
| January 19  | Children (Julie Coulter) |
| February 2  | Northrup                 |
| February 16 | Junker                   |
| March 2     | Youth (Thomas Conner)    |
| March 16    | Ramage                   |

## Thanks for Using Name Tags!

The membership division would like to thank you, Glendalers, young and old, for accepting our new initiative towards wearing name tags when you are present at Sunday school and/or worship services. It has been helpful to many, already, who are new within our midst. We know you will continue to support the practice in the future. (Incidentally, the nametags may be found in the main hallway near the library. They are more or less in alphabetical order.)

## After-Church Reception for Visitors

There will be a short after-church reception for visitors each Sunday in the pastors' studies for the purpose of getting to know people who visit with us. This is also an opportunity for helping them get to know us. If you have a few minutes after the worship service to stop in to say a word of greeting, you are invited to do so. Please continue the practice of offering a warm welcome and friendly hand to our visitors, whether at the reception or not. This is a responsibility of all of us--not just the membership division.

## Church Pictorial Directory Addendum Coming Soon

The addendum to the Glendale Pictorial Directory, with new photos of some of our newest members, will be available soon. They are in the process of being assembled, copied, and readied for distribution. Watch for the announcement!

## Newest Candidate for Membership

Our newest candidate for membership is Alicia Fawley. Alicia's photograph and pertinent information are featured on the bulletin board in the lower hall of the church.

## Great Glendale Gathering

Plans are underway for the wonderful annual gathering of all ages for a fun-filled night and day of practicing Glendale togetherness! The event is set for Friday night, November 10, beginning at 5:00 pm with supper provided. It continues on Saturday, November 11, with breakfast, planned activities, free time, more togetherness, and lunch. The main event ends around 2:00 pm on Saturday, with the exception of the youth, who will be staying overnight Saturday night.

More details will be provided as we get closer to the time of the gathering. Please mark your calendars for this time together.

## Deacon Groups Are Ready

You should be hearing from your deacon soon, if you haven't already. Eight new deacon groups are ready to convene, for the purpose of fellowship and taking care of one another. Many of you chose your deacon, and others of you have been chosen by your deacon. We have attempted to place every member in one of the groups. If for some reason you don't hear from your deacon in the next week, please let me know. Contact Laura Kendall at [laurakendall@bellsouth.net](mailto:laurakendall@bellsouth.net) or 831-3793.

Deacons for 2006-07:

- Ralph Baugh
- Frenchie Fortenberry/Nell Magee
- John and Margie Halbert
- Bill and Patsy Junker
- Bill Northrup
- Doug and Abby Trotter/Amy Wells/Jon and Scott Hines
- Don and Rosalyn Ramage
- Charles and Carolyn Warford

## Needle Nuts

**Needle Nuts** will meet at the home of Laura Kendall on **Saturday, October 21, 10:00 am.** Novice and experienced knitters and the like are invited to join this fun group for fellowship and lunch.

## Caring for Our Space

As new administration divisions chairs, we want to follow in the caring foot steps of Kreis White and all the folks who improved our building and grounds over the past two year.

Help us continue to care for our building and grounds. If you see something that needs to be repaired or replaced, please let Jimmy Davis or Liz Allen Fey know. Drop a note in the administration division mailbox or shoot us an email at [davisj@belmont.mail.edu](mailto:davisj@belmont.mail.edu) or [liz@msgnashville.com](mailto:liz@msgnashville.com).

## Update on Manna

For newcomers to Glendale (or Nashville), Manna is a 25 year old mission, which works to eradicate hunger in Davidson County. Glendale has long been an active supporter. A main fundraiser is their annual banquet to be held on November 9 at Belmont United Methodist Church. Circle your calendar. Let's have a few tables full from Glendale for this worthy event.

## Caring for Glendalers

**Fran Stuart**, a part of the Glendale family, just finished her last round of chemotherapy. The Wednesday night crowd signed a card to let her know we are thinking of her. More cards and notes are welcomed and appreciated.

CH (CPT) Fran E. Stuart  
Walter Reed Army Med. Ctr.  
Malogne House (Rm 208)  
6900 Georgia Ave. NW  
Washington DC 20307

## Happy Birthday to You October Babies...*(CHA, CHA, CHA)*

Julie O'Neal – 1  
David Gooch – 1  
Susanne Shepherd Frisch – 5  
Randa – 5  
Daniel – 6  
Rhonda Pearson – 6  
Katie – 8  
Connie Gowen – 10  
Liz Allen Fey – 10  
Lyndi – 13  
David Shepherd – 15  
Carolyn Bailes – 15  
Asha – 15  
Raye Nell Dyer – 20  
David Berry – 20  
Jeff Clifton – 21  
Cindy Rusek – 23  
Suzannah Crowell – 24  
Connie Brookshire – 27  
Staci O'Neal – 28  
Carole Farmer – 28  
Jim Berry – 29



## Sunday School Classes and Teachers

Here's the Sunday School line-up for the new church year. If you have a hankering to help Katie with the 3-4 year olds, coordinate the young adult class or lead a K-2 choir two Wednesdays a month, contact the education division chair, Linda Ray Miller, [lrmler@yahoo.com](mailto:lrmler@yahoo.com).

Babies:	Rhonda Pearson
1-2 Year Olds:	Connie Crowell and Alecia Fawley
3-4 Year Olds:	Katie Fey and ? (David Webb is filling in temporarily.)
Kindergarten:	Jennifer and Josh White
Grades 1-2:	Lane Simpson and Doug Brightwell
Grades 3-4:	Beverly Feinstein
Grades 5-6:	Linda Ray Miller
Youth:	Thomas Conner and David Gooch
Special Studies:	Joy Smith
Reflections:	Annette Sisson (Peggy Way teaching until Advent)
Men's Class:	David Shepherd
Young Adults:	?
Bible Study:	Richard Sapp

## Kid's Corner

At a **Sunday School teacher's meeting** on August 20, Sunday School lists were finalized, issues of space were discussed, a request for recycling receptacles on the second floor was made and packets for Sunday School teachers were suggested. This was all in preparation for **Promotion Sunday** on September 10.

On **Wednesday evenings** this quarter, children have the opportunity to learn about the Romany people of Hungary, the Palaung hill people of Thailand, and caring for caregivers of people affected by HIV/AIDS. A **new missions curriculum** developed by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, *Spark*, is guiding us through the quarter.

Week 1: Meet the Missionary (Klem-Mari Cajigas and David Mears)
Playing the Games (Molly Boyd and David Webb)
Week 2: K-2 Choir (April Baker and Amy Mears)
3-6 Choir (Joni Elrod)
Week 3: Experiencing the Culture (Lyndsey Godwin and David Mears)
Tasting the Food/Enjoying the Arts (Selena McCoy Carpenter)
Week 4: K-2 Choir (April Baker and Amy Mears)
3-6 Choir (Joni Elrod)

## Youth Happenings: September in Review

Visit the youth calendar at [http://my.calendars.net/glendale\\_youth](http://my.calendars.net/glendale_youth)

Early Saturday morning, September 2, Daniel, Ginger, Carson, Thomas and Rachel arrived at the church to **tackle the weeds on the church grounds**. Much thanks to Jimmy Davis, Anne-Leslie Owens, David Gooch and Kreis White who provided guidance and supervision. **Thank you, Sue Kinzer**, for making a contribution to the Peace Project in exchange for the hard work of this crew. Following the weeding expedition, Carson and Daniel joined Thomas for some football and a showing of **Seven Years in Tibet** for PeaceJam inspiration.

**Youth parents** met after the worship service on September 3 to review and discuss youth events, Sunday School, upcoming activities and the logistics of the PeaceJam trip.

The youth had a **“Chill Out” Night/Getting to Know You Night** the first Wednesday in September. They officially welcomed Margie and Alexis to the group and look forward to their presence and participation in youth activities.

On Saturday evening, September 9, the Glendale community came together for the **PeaceJam Celebration Dinner**. Frenchie Fortenberry, Louise Clifton and Beverly Bernard instituted the return of the Mexican Stack-Up meal, while Jon Neergard, Kreis White, David Mears and Jimmy Davis entertained the crowd with their musical talent. The support of the community for PeaceJam has been appreciated by all!

The week before the PeaceJam delegation left for Denver, they offered a peace litany on the Twelve Global calls to Action on Sunday and shared a video the following Wednesday. **PeaceJammers were in Denver September 14-17**. Upon their return, they shared their experience with everyone on Wednesday, September 20.

A **Youth Council Meeting** was held on Sunday, September 24, to discuss upcoming events and opportunities in October, as well as the youth’s vision for a winter trip/retreat. A showing of *Hotel Rwanda* followed the meeting.

**What is Passport, Inc.?**

Mark McClintock, Coordinator of Passport Kids! Camp, will be at Glendale on **Sunday, October 29**. After the worship service Mark will share with us about **Passport Kids! and Passport, Inc.** We'll have munchies, childcare and good snacks for the kids. Please plan to join us for this time of conversation.

While members of Glendale have some close ties with Passport staff members, most of us aren't too familiar with this ecumenical organization, its goals, the programs it offers and the camp curriculum. Our children (and adult chaperones) had a fabulous time the past two summers. Glendale already has a presence at the Crossville camp and we hope to increase our numbers in years to come.

Mark will be in Nashville for a summer staff recruiting venture at Vanderbilt on Monday, October 30. Mark and his family live in Birmingham where Passport is headquartered. Prior to joining Passport, Mark was Minister of Congregational Life at Seventh & James Baptist Church in Waco, TX.

**Time for a Shower!**

A shower is being planned for **Monica Cantrell and Brooke Coley on Sunday, October 1**, in honor of their upcoming union ceremony. The shower will be held in Fellowship Hall following the worship service.

The couple is registered at Linens-N-Things and at Target. The Ramage deacon group and the Glendale new members will be hosting the shower. Please see Kylene Dibble or Don or Rosalyn Ramage for



*PeaceJammers with Oscar Arias, Nobel Peace Laureate from Costa Rica.*

**Glendale Calendar**

Perhaps you have noticed that there is a lot going on at Glendale! To make sure that events do not overlap in terms of space and audience, Alan Green, our church secretary is keeping a master calendar. Contact him at [gbc@glendalebaptist.org](mailto:gbc@glendalebaptist.org) or 269-0926 to register your event. He will see that it gets added to the wall calendar on the door to the copy room and to the calendar page on the Glendale website, [www.glendalebaptist.org](http://www.glendalebaptist.org).

**Sunday Potluck and Cuba Discussion**

Wondering about the \$34,000 fine incurred by the Alliance of Baptists by the U.S. Treasury department for alleged non-religious activities of Glendale and four other churches? Join us on **Sunday, October 22**, for a potluck and discussion about this issue.

*Because you have shared in our lives,  
by your friendship and love,  
you are invited to join us.*

*Amanda Brooke Coley*

*and*

*Monica Leigh Cantrell*

*as we celebrate our lives together and  
vow a future of love and commitment*

*Saturday, the twenty-first of October  
two-thousand and six  
at four o'clock in the afternoon  
Glendale Baptist Church  
Nashville, Tennessee*

*Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Much*

*Please join us at the reception immediately  
following the ceremony*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	WED MENU	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>October 1</b> <b>9:15 First Sunday Breakfast</b> ( <i>Young Adult Class coordinating</i> ) 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service <b>Cantrell-Coley Shower</b>	<b>10/2</b> Ecumenical Partnership Lunch 12noon	<b>10/3</b>	<b>10/4</b> 5:15 Adult Choir 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Children's Choir <b>6:45 Division/Committee Meetings</b>	<b>Menu</b> Grilled Pork Loin, Baked Potato, Salad, Veggie (all)	<b>10/5</b> Yoga Class 6-7:30PM	<b>10/6</b>	<b>10/7</b>
<b>October 8</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	<b>10/9</b>	<b>10/10</b> <b>6:00 Church Council Meeting</b>  <b>Luke 14:12</b>	<b>10/11</b> 5:15 Adult Choir 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Children's Choir <b>6:45 Peggy Way</b>	<b>Menu</b> Chicken Parmesan, Rice, Salad, Veggie (adults)  Chicken Nuggets & Fries (kids)	<b>10/12</b> Yoga Class 6-7:30PM	<b>10/13</b>	<b>10/14</b>
<b>October 15</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service <b>Faithful Friends</b>	<b>10/16</b> <b>Deadline to submit Visions info.</b>	<b>10/17</b>	<b>10/18</b> 5:15 Adult Choir 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Children's Choir <b>6:45 Financial Plan Presentation</b>	<b>Menu</b> Soup, Chicken Strip Salad, Baked Potato, Crackers (adults)  Corn Dogs & Tater Tots (kids)	<b>10/19</b> Yoga Class 6-7:30PM	<b>10/20</b>	<b>10/21</b> <b>Needle Nuts at home of Laura Kendall, 10AM</b> <b>Coley-Cantrell Union Ceremony, 4PM</b>
<b>October 22</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service <b>Cuba Discussion Potluck</b>	<b>10/23</b>	<b>10/24</b>	<b>10/25</b> 5:15 Adult Choir 5:45 Dinner 6:30 Children's Choir <b>6:45 Peggy Way</b>	<b>Menu</b> Pasta w/Meat Marinara, Salad, Broccoli, Garlic Bread (all)	<b>10/26</b> Yoga Class 6-7:30PM	<b>10/27</b>	<b>10/28</b>
<b>October 29</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	<b>10/30</b>	<b>10/31</b>					

**Glendale Baptist Church**  
**1021 Glendale Lane**  
**Nashville, Tennessee 37204**

[www.glendalebaptist.org](http://www.glendalebaptist.org)