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GLENDALE BAPTIST CHURCH
A caring community of equality and grace.

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One Pastor's Opinion

Seasons change; evenings are cooler; outside is comfortable even on a hot afternoon, if you're in the shade. The early fallers of the leaf world are starting to turn colors. There's no denying that autumn is approaching us.

In the life of the church, the changes are upon us, too. A new Church Council has been elected and is hard at work. The deacons met last night to barter for their groups: ("I'll trade you a family of four for this couple plus a couple of draft picks in the off-season!") Children's Sabbath is just around the corner, where we'll celebrate together the lovely presence of Glendale's children and our hopes for creating a better world for all God's children. And Advent will be upon us before any of us are prepared!

So what's your role? All churches learn, grow and serve best when everybody has meaningful work to do. If you're ready to plug in, there is a place of service for you at Glendale. Blessings upon us as the seasons turn.

Amy

FROM THE MINISTRY DIVISION (Don Ramage, chair)

The Ministry Division is working to develop **Deacon Groups** for the new church year. Our organizational meeting was on September 20, so church members will be contacted soon with information about the makeup of the groups.

Those people who have agreed to serve as deacons for the year are: Ralph Baugh and Sue Kinzer, Beverly Bernard and Frenchie Fortenberry, Martha Jo Berry, Raye Nell Dyer and Karen Turner, Pat and David Elkins, Elise Elrod, Becky Way, Jennifer and Kreis White.

Wednesday Night Schedule

- October 5:** Division/Committee Meetings. Bible Study Discussion provided for those not involved in meetings.
- October 12:** "Is Glendale a 'Peace Church'? Do we want to be?" A discussion about historic "Peace churches," churches that are concerned about peacemaking, and where we see ourselves. Led by April Baker.
- October 19:** Report from Molly Grisham's mission to the Republic of Georgia. Meeting in the sanctuary.
- October 26:** Fall Fun Fest

Sunday School Class Information Fall 2005

Babies:	Rhonda Pearson, upstairs (nursery)
1-2 year olds:	Rosalyn Ramage, Joan Yarborough, main floor
Preschool:	Jennifer White, Joshua White and Katie Fey, main floor
K-2 nd Grades:	Lane Simpson and Doug Brightwell, upstairs
3 rd -7 th Grades:	Beverly Feinstein, Nora McCook and Claire Beck, upstairs
Youth:	Kreis White, upstairs (youth room)
YS4 (Youth Special Studies):	David Gooch, upstairs
Young Adults:	David and Pat Elkins, upstairs
Bible Study @ Glendale:	Richard Sapp, downstairs
Men's Class:	David Shepherd, downstairs
Reflections:	Annette Sisson, upstairs
Special Studies:	Joy Smith and Charles Warford, main floor (conference room)
Formations Bible Study:	Betty Mears, downstairs (fellowship hall)
Women's Spirituality Class:	Carole Farmer and Suzanne Wilson, upstairs

Glendale and the Katrina Rescue Effort

After waiting for weeks to sponsor a family of Katrina evacuees, **Glendale is now sponsoring two families.**

(1) In an effort led by Jill Webb-Hill, the Reflections Sunday School class helped the Johnson family (3 adults, 1 teenager and 2 small children), from New Orleans, settle into an apartment on Dickerson Pike. They found the furniture, household goods and clothes the family needed at Graceworks, a Christian charity agency in Franklin.

(2) At the request of the Interdenominational Ministerial Fellowship, the Missions Division agreed to partner in sponsoring the Charles Taylor family from LeMare-Dickerson, La. Taylor is the brother-in-law of Rev. Derrick Moore, pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church on Monroe St. The 10 members of the Taylor family are Charles and his wife, four teen-agers (including a son and a daughter in college), a married son and his wife with their 3-yr-old twins (boy and girl).

Our congregation will "fill in the gaps" of things the family needs after they check out Graceworks and other local sources for furniture, appliances, dishes/utensils, cookware, bed linens and towels, as well as clothes and school supplies. We already have a washer, dryer and 27" TV and other furniture from Glendalers, as well as two car seats and a new microwave we found at Graceworks. We are also assisting in the job search for three family members.

Thank you all for your interest, contributions, support and prayers for the family. Soon, they will come to Glendale so that their family can meet ours. **If you have household items to donate, please contact Joan Yarborough (373-3754 or jyarb3@comcast.net) to see what items are needed before bringing anything to church. We want to avoid duplicates.**

SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual **Great Glendale Gathering** is scheduled for **November 18 and 19** at Rau-Wood Retreat Center. More information will be coming your way next month. If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Lyndi at lyndi.hewitt@vanderbilt.edu.

Needle Nuts will meet at the home of Anne-Leslie Owens on October 22. More details to come!

(Mostly) Acoustic Roadshow Returns

After a year-long hiatus, the (Mostly) Acoustic Roadshow is returning to Glendale. These fabulous musicians will gather with all who are able for an evening of entertainment on **Saturday, October 8**. Bring a covered dish; we'll plan to eat at 7p.m. at the Mears/Webb home and enjoy the good music and good company.

6844 Collinswood Drive (615-673-2476)

West on Hwy 100 to Bellevue

Right on Collins Rd, at the light past Kroger

Right on Collinswood Drive

PICNIC FOR PRIMETIMERS

The first Tuesday in October (**October 4**) sounds like a good time for as many Primetimers as possible to join forces and car pool down Natchez Trace to a picnic area where the early signs of fall should be pleasantly inviting. The only agenda will be food, fellowship, and the appreciation of nature. More details will be forthcoming.

Rosalyn Ramage, coordinator

VISITOR POTLUCK WAS A SUCCESS!

The potluck lunch for our visitors on Sunday, September 18, was a great success. Folks really seemed to enjoy themselves, and I believe several of them are very interested in joining our church family. I'd like to extend a huge thank you to our pastors, the church council, the membership division, and their families for working to make the event run smoothly. Many thanks in particular to Anne-Leslie Owens, Amy Wells, John Laney, Joan Yarborough, MAT Trotter, Stewart Clifton, and Rosalyn Ramage. And finally, thanks to all of you for continuing to make our visitors feel welcome.

“Other Sheep” Ministry

“Other Sheep” Ministry provides compassionate care for God’s special people through prayer therapy and referrals. Included are those who suffer from AIDS/HIV, sexual minorities, the homeless, prisoners, the poor, and the frail elderly – “the least of these” who are often labeled as misfits, rejects, social outcasts and unwanted.

Joe O’Cain started this ministry after his son, Jay, died of AIDS in 1993. As we celebrate our divinity and diversity through our church, we can support Joe and others in this unique ministry. If you would like know more about “Other Sheep” contact Joe at 292-7217.

Habitat for Humanity Unity Build Saturday, October 15

Come help paint, install doors, clean, install baseboards, etc. We will also have a good time and help a family get a new start in a new house. The build starts at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday the 15th and will last until 3:00-4:00 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. No tools or special skills are needed. Just wear your old clothes and come on out. The build site is located near I-24 and Harding Place.

A sign up sheet is in the stairwell to the fellowship hall. Please sign up there or contact Lynn Reed (662-8699, lynn.reed@mindspring.com).

Tales of Youth Adventure!



- Our **youth council** is hard at work planning activities and engaging in discussion about youth ministry at Glendale. This council is doing a great job. Pass along your ideas to anyone on the council (Carson, Thomas, David, Jonas, Anne-Leslie, and Rachel).
- Whenever you want to know what the youth are doing, visit their **calendar** at http://my.calendars.net/glendale_youth.
- **September Sundays** have been loads of fun. In addition to going out for lunch, the youth have gone to **Peter’s wrestling show** in his backyard, cheered **Daniel on at a soccer game** and become fans of **Vandy’s women soccer** at a game against LSU. **October 2** will feature lunch and **horseback riding**. Check out the youth web calendar for the rest of the month’s activities.
- **Wednesday nights** are full of variety! During September the youth began practicing handbells for their Advent debut, had a great chat with Amy Mears, and enjoyed a game night. October plans are underway.
- On October 19, the youth will visit **Congregation Micah**.
- A fall youth **caving retreat** will be held **October 28-30** at the Berry Cabin in Sewanee. The youth will leave Friday evening and return by 11:30 a.m. on Sunday. See David Berry for details.

Kid's Corner



- On **September 18**, Anne-Leslie Owens helped lead us in **Faithful Friends**. We talked about worship in "Big Church" and Faithful Friends. The church mice in Ruth Boling's book, *Come Worship with Me*, helped us learn about various aspects of worship.
- **Children's Sabbath** is a national observance that honors every child as a child of God and deserving of justice and compassion. We will celebrate this special day during worship on **October 16**.
- **Faithful Friends** will move to the fourth Sunday for the month of October. We will continue our theme of worship and work on the Faithful Friends banner on **October 23**.
- **Celebrate!** is coming in the fall. Watch for dates and details!
- **Passport Kids! Camp 2006** registration is due by November 1. Camp will be July 5-8, 2006, with a theme of *Under the Big Tree*. Current 3rd-6th graders are eligible. See Julie Coulter for details.

Children's Sabbath

"Every child is a child of God and deserving of justice and compassion. That's the message proclaimed each third weekend of October during the National Observance of Children's Sabbaths /services." (from the Children's Defense Fund web page)

On **October 16**, Glendale will participate with over 200 religious organizations and several thousand churches, mosques, synagogues, and other religious/spiritual meetings in the observance of Children's Sabbath. Our worship service will be led by children and adults who will help us envision God's Reign where all children are cared for, nurtured, loved and protected. We will celebrate the children who are part of this church and present Bibles to our first graders who are learning to read. Some of the children at Glendale have come to us recently. We will have a special time of blessing for them and their parents and affirming our joy that they are part of our church family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: OCTOBER

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