



Two ministerial students from Samford University were doing summer evangelistic work in a rural area near Montgomery. One hot day they stopped their car in front of a farmhouse and proceeded up the path through a gauntlet of screaming children and barking dogs. When they knocked on the screen door, the woman of the house stopped her scrubbing over a tub and washboard, brushed back her hair, wiped perspiration from her brow, and asked them what they wanted.

“We would like to tell you how to obtain eternal life,” one student answered. The tired homemaker hesitated for a moment and then replied, “Thank you, but I don’t believe I could stand it.” - I hope your job is not that bad!

As we move into the month of September, one of the first things we do is celebrate Labor Day. In these days with our national unemployment numbers hovering around 9% and our local numbers at around 10%, I hope we will truly thank God for our jobs and ministries. We are blessed if we have employment. Let’s also be mindful and pray for those who do not have jobs and pray for our nation as the leadership tries to find a solution to the job crisis in our land.

We have had a lot of “kickoffs” recently as we began our fall slate of ministries. We will have another kick off this month. On **Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will have the first **Ed Haynie Men’s Breakfast beginning at 8:00 AM**. This event will be held at the church. Men, please make every effort to be there for inaugural breakfast. The breakfast will serve as the kickoff for our new men’s Bible study which begins **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 AM**. The men’s Bible study will be called **Men’s Fraternity**. Joe Metz will be leading the study. Men, I want to encourage you to participate and invite your friends and co-workers. This new ministry has the opportunity to be huge. Don’t miss out men!

*Bro. Craig*

**IN DON'S T E S**

**BACK TO SCHOOL BACK TO CHURCH** was a great success. Our Sunday School has had our largest attendance and worship continues to grow.

**Our TNT is great!** Thanks to all who have delivered our New Prospect Packets, Bud Vases to shut-ins and hospital; those who have written to our guests and absentees. Thank you for your part in the Touch Ministries.



**YOUNG@HEART COVERED DISH LUNCH & Planning Time** - Tuesday, September 20th, 10 AM, Myrick Room. All Seniors 60 and over are invited.

*Bro. Don*



**UPCOMING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER:**

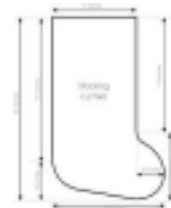
Kay Arthur's **BEING A DISCIPLE: COUNTING THE REAL COST** - Tuesday evenings Beginning Tuesday night, September 13th, 6:30 pm for 6 weeks. This is a no homework study

Kay Arthur's **THE BOOK OF TITUS** - Wednesday mornings Beginning Wednesday morning, September 14th, 10:00 am for 3 weeks. There is homework involved in this one.

As Soon As Possible - Please let Nancy Albert or Miriam Hankins know if you would like a book. The 1st night will be only introductory. Email: Nancy - jerry and nancy64@yahoo.com - or - Miriam - Hankinsmiriam@yahoo.com.

**SEWING HELPERS NEEDED . . .**  
OR YOU MAY HELP TO PURCHASE MATERIALS AND THREAD, ETC.

We have pre-cut Christmas Stockings (very simple pattern) for **Morocco CHRISTMAS Missions**. Stockings for this mission project must be completed by September 30th. Please contact Angie White if you can help . . 256-413-3685 or 256-312-6604.



**REMEMBER IN PRAYER . . .**

The family and friends of Mrs. Ruby Williams at her homegoing on August 5th  
Jane and Jerry Newman and family in the homegoing of her step-mother, Anne Griffith, August 18th  
Jane and Jim Hicks and family in the homegoing of her aunt, Mary Avery Ford, August 18th  
The family and friends of Ricky Smith at his homegoing on August 12th

- 1 - Tammy McDuffie Crawford
- 2 - Bryant Conner, Janice Cornutt
- 3 - Patty Burns, Kathy Morris
- 4 - Ernestine Flanagan, David King, Clyde Morris, Joy Ballenger, Scott Shrader
- 5 - Bryant Buff, Ira Capps
- 6 - Ricky Bearden, Micah Hatley, Ashley McRath, Jeff Summerlin
- 7 - Elise Hamiter, Jane Hudson
- 8 - Rhonda Jones, Cheryl Mooror
- 9 - Carolyn Cole, Lelias Kemp, Matt Lambert, Angel Malone, Amber Nesbitt, Carolyn Zikpi
- 10 - David Shehi
- 11 - Rachel Lawder, Lynn Robinson
- 12 - Sonny Taylor, Alayna Thompson, Dot Woodward
- 13 - Larry Beddingfield, Linda Glass, Jackie Guttry, Judy Hatley
- 14 - Brady Buff

- 15 - Joyce Hooton, Michael Mumma
- 16 - Bud Chastain, Dr. Richard Trader
- 17 - Todd Mayo, Marjorie McNair
- 18 - Alex Bowden, Pam Martin, Ryan Summerlin, Yvonne Winborn
- 19 - Frances Harris, Lisa Williams
- 20 - Jerry Gladden, Phillip Scott, Philip Selman, Carolyn Swindall
- 21 - Michael Browning
- 22 - Cecil Faulkner, Marty McCullars, Nancy Sparks
- 23 - MeiKayla Jones, Dana Maxwell
- 24 - David Dasher
- 25 - Greg Ford
- 26 - Cameron Callis, Bradley Roberts
- 27 - Tim Funderburk, Chloe Phillips
- 28 - Stuart Douglass, Sara Kimberley, Regina McEntyre
- 29 - Charles Roe



**We are off to a great start!** I'm so excited about Fall! I hope everyone is settled into your new school schedules and off to a great start academically. Here's what's going on in **September:**

-**Wednesday nights** I am preaching a series called "**All Out War**". This is an intense series investigating spiritual warfare. Worship begins at 6:30 pm. "Hang Out" time is at 6. **Sunday mornings** we will be studying about servant evangelism during Sunday School. Group assembly starts at 9:50 am and classes start at 10 am. Come early to fellowship and eat a light breakfast.

-**Sunday Night Impact** happens on Sunday evenings. Youth praise band practice begins at 5 pm. At 5:45 we will be teaching a series on the fruits of the spirit from Galatians 5. At 6:20 we will have SNAC (Sunday Night After Church) in which we will do different activities together such as go out to eat, etc. Each SNAC activity will be announced ahead of time.

-**September 28<sup>th</sup> is See You At The Pole Day.**

-Many of you are involved in school activities this fall. Please get me a schedule of your games/performances as soon as possible so I can come watch you!

-I will be on many school campuses leading Bible studies in the mornings. I look forward to seeing you there!

-As always, invite your friends to join us for all activities!

Don't forget to check the youth website [www.generationnextstudents.com](http://www.generationnextstudents.com) regularly!

**Zac Clay**  
**Student Minister**



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:**



**ON PROFESSION OF FAITH & BAPTISM:**

*Macy Sauls* 11 MARSTON AVENUE, GADSDEN, AL 35904

**BY STATEMENT:**

*Jonathan Naylor* 910 LASSETER ROAD, SOUTHSIDE 35907

**BY LETTER:**

*Alicia Calloway* 685 RAINBOW HAVEN, RAINBOW CITY 35906

**BY LETTER:**

*Malcolm and Kayla Prater* 719 HOOD COVE, SOUTH, SOUTHSIDE, AL 35907



**FINANCE COMMITTEE 9/14 7:00 PM DEACONS MEETING 9/18 3:00 PM ORDINATION COUNCIL 9/18 4:00 PM**



**Hopkins Chapel Mission**

**Greeting from your mission church, Hopkins Chapel!** Did you realize **Happiness** is a habit. It really is. Your happiness is a by-product of right-thinking and right-living. Here are twelve concepts which can help you maintain happiness: 1) Keep close to God. 2) Live a simple life 3) Spend less than you earn 4) Think constructively 5) Cultivate a yielding disposition 6) Be grateful 7) Rule your moods 8) Give generously 9) Work with the right motives 10) Be interested in others 11) Live in a daylight compartment. That is, live one day at a time 12) Have a hobby

They sound so simple don't they. Give them a try, you might be surprised. God bless you all from Hopkins. Pray for us and come see us some time.

**Bro. Wallace & Staff**