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A Letter From the Pastor

There are many injustices in our world. Some make the headlines, while others get little attention. Why do some events make the headlines, while others do not? Who makes those decisions? And how much do you allow that to influence what gets your attention?

Consider how much you have heard about the persecution of Christians in Nigeria. I suspect that you have heard very few reports on it, if any. Right now, Christians in Nigeria are facing brutal persecution. Boko Haram, a group that seeks to establish an Islamic state governed by Sharia law, is responsible for thousands of deaths, kidnappings, and attacks on churches, schools, and villages. They have burned numerous churches and left families grieving the loss of loved ones who refused to deny Christ. In many regions, simply gathering for worship means risking one's life. Since 2009, reports indicate over 100,000 Nigerian Christians have been killed. Over 18,000 churches have been burned. Those are overwhelming numbers. And yet, these stories rarely appear in major media outlets. They are not "trending." They are not "breaking news." No one is putting out flags that say "Nigerian Lives Matter". No one is posting a symbol for the oppression of Nigerian Christians on their social media.

My point is not to criticize the news media (though there is much to criticize). My point is to encourage you as a Christian to be aware and have concern for what matters to God regardless of whether worldly news media reports on it. Do not let the news media determine for you what injustices deserve your attention and which ones do not.

The news media's focus and attention span cannot be the measure of our compassion. The Holy Spirit, not the news cycle, should shape our hearts and guide our concern. 1 Corinthians 12:26 tells us that when one part of the Body of Christ suffers, we all suffer with it. Even if the world does not notice the extreme persecution occurring in Nigeria, the Church must take notice.

We cannot spend our time and energy focusing on everything the world says is important. But we must care about what God says is important. So, what can you do? You can pray and you can educate yourself. Go to either of these web pages to learn more:

Open Doors-www.opendoors.org/en-US/persecution/countries

Voice of the Martyrs-www.persecution.com/globalprayerguide/nigeria

May our hearts be tuned to God's news feed made up of the cries of the oppressed and the desperate, the suffering of the faithful, the hope of the gospel, and the promise that one day evil will be destroyed, and every tear will be wiped away.

Blessings,

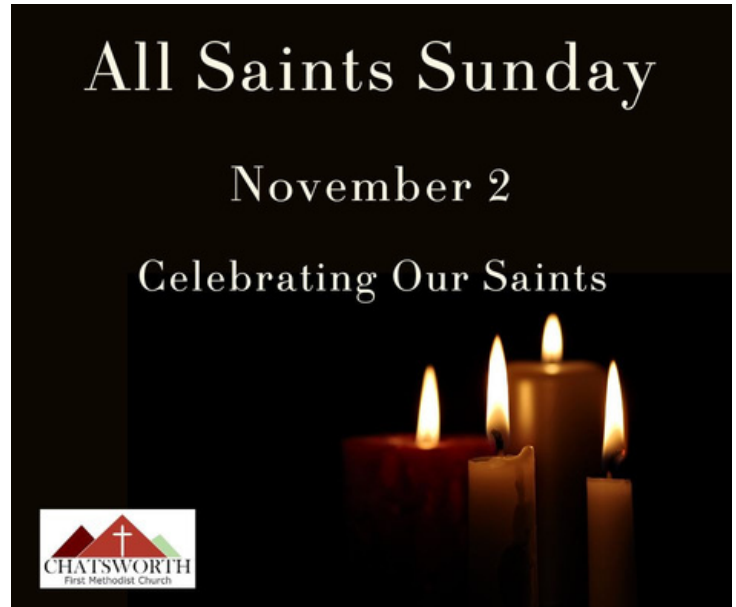
Pastor Graham



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Sermons

Date	Scripture	Sermon
November 2	James 4	Living Faith: Humble Yourselves Before the Lord, and He Will Lift You Up
November 9	James 5	Living Faith: A Warning to the Rich
November 16	Matthew 28:19-20	Journeying Together
November 23	Philippians 4	Through Christ Who Gives Me Strength
November 30	Genesis 3	Roots: God Comes for Us



UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 1 Veterans Parade
- November 2 Daylight Savings
- November 2 All Saints Sunday
- November 2 FCA Ladies Tea
- November 9 Youth Chili Cookoff
- November 9 Honor Veterans
- November 9 Prayer Shawl Dedication
- November 9 Mandy Book Launch & Signing
- November 9 District Charge Conference
- November 16 Petty/Brock Wedding Shower
- Nov. 16-20 Roadrunners Trip
- November 19 Preschool Thanksgiving Play
- November 23 Thanksgiving Worship W/ First Baptist
- November 29 Decorate Church for Christmas
- November 30 Advent Begins
- December 2 Roadrunners Trip to Tate House
- December 14 Church Cantata & Christmas Party





MINISTRIES



• **CFMC Preschool** •
Thanksgiving Play
WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 19
10:30 AM



We will honor
 our Veterans
 during our
 Worship
 Services on
November, 9th.




Midweek Kids
 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the GYM
 Contact Ms. Rachel: 404.433.0517

Nov. 5th **CANDY OLYMPICS (Joshua 6)**

Nov. 19th **Nerf Night (1 Samuel 17)**

Dec. 3rd **Cooking/Service Night (John 13:1-17)**



Wedding Shower
 Sunday, November 16 @ 1pm
 Chatsworth First Methodist Church

Thomas Petty
 &
Rylee Brock

Registered with theknot.com,
 Amazon, and Target bridal registry



Children's Ministry
Gingerbread House Decorating Party

December 7th @ 3 PM
Fincher Family Life Center @ CFMC
 Decorating materials and gingerbread
 houses will be provided.




Prayer Shawl Dedication
Sunday, November 9
at both worship services





MINISTRIES

COME & JOIN US FOR A
BOOK LAUNCH & SIGNING EVENT
Come Celebrate with Author
Mandy Ledford
WILDLY GRATEFUL
and
GLORY GOALS
40-Day Devotional

NEW RELEASES

Chatsworth First Methodist Church
111 West Cherokee Street
Chatsworth, Georgia 30705

Sunday, November 9
drop in **3:00-5:00pm**

Books will be available for purchase

Chatsworth First Methodist Women
PECAN SALE

16 oz bag of halves or
16 oz bag of pieces **\$12.00**

Contact a member of Chatsworth First Methodist Women or come by the church office.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

CHILI COOK OFF

Sunday, November 9
Following the 11:00 Service

Vote for your favorite!
Proceeds Fund Youth Trips

A Child is Born... All is Well
Christmas Cantata

Arranged and Orchestrated by
Russell Mauldin

Created by
Russell Mauldin and Sue C. Smith

Sun., Dec. 14 at 6pm

LET'S CELEBRATE ANOTHER YEAR AT
UNITED YOUTH FRIENDSGIVING 2025

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30TH AT 6PM
YOUTH ROOM

Please bring a covered dish to share

Advent Devotion Book

The heart and mission of Emmanuel, God with us, is more profoundly understood by exploring the well-watered roots that flowered into Jesus's life as the Word of God made flesh (John 1:14). The roots of Jesus are his family tree and its characters, the land of Israel and its towns and terrain, and the incredible faith-story of God's covenant people, the Jews. This year's Advent Devotional is titled *Roots: Advent and the Family Story of Jesus*. With this daily devotional and our Advent sermon series we will draw from both Jesus' genealogical ancestry and his faith heritage.

Book Cost: \$10



PRAYER REQUESTS

Lacey Burger- will have surgery for breast cancer on October 30.

Matilda Elyse Burger- was born on October 3. Congratulations to Ross and Amy Burger and to grandparents Calvin and Melodie Burger.

Ms. Irene Carter (Dave Robinson) - COPD

Michael Chaffe (Shannon and Hugh Eighmie's brother-in-law) - diagnosed with stage 4 rectal cancer.

Joyce Craft - ongoing health issues.

Brooke Green (Jolynn Green) - Continue to pray for health and healing.

Lynn Hall (Barbara Grider)- has previously had cancer and now the cancer has come back.

John Griffin Johnston- was born on October 6. Congratulations to the Johnstons and to grandparents Rhett and Sandy Griffin.

Filbert Lewis- ongoing health issues.

Pray for Christians who are persecuted, especially Christians in Nigeria where persecution is severe.

Eileen Scarborough (Mary Nathan Kendrick)- suffered a stroke. Please pray for her recovery.

Eileen & Bob Simmons (Melissa Sneads) Eileen is home on Hospice. Please pray for God's peace.

Iva Stafford (Tammie Henderson)- is recovering from a broken arm.

Gage Southerland (Melissa Snead's great-nephew) - please pray as he continues treatment for cancer.

Ms. Virginia Summey (Dave Robinson) - Hip Replacement

Ms. Tanis Watlington (David Robinson) - Bone Marrow Cancer

Christian Sympathy is Extended to the Family of:

Carlton Peeples- Ruth Woods's brother and Melodie Burger's uncle passed away on September 27. Please pray for his wife Betty and their children.

Darlene Clark- Julie Arp's aunt passed away after a long battle with cancer.



Please remember all of our active military members.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship

Operations (As of 10/23/2025)

MTD - \$15,423

YTD - \$264,525.05

Flowers for the Sanctuary

November 2 Linda Smith
 November 9 Nancy Long
 November 16 Open
 November 23 Shawn Davis
 November 30 Open

Giving Opportunities

Saturday Sacks
 Murray County Next Step
 Gideons

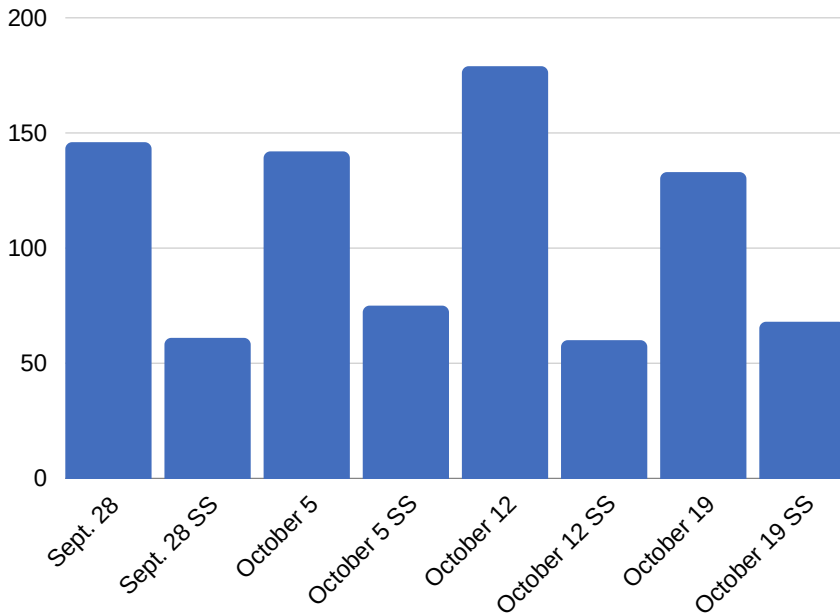
Nursery Schedule

Date	9AM	10AM	11AM
Nov. 2	Shawn Davis	Lisa Loughridge	Sara Lyles
Nov. 9	Help Needed	Christie Rainey	Rhonda Kilgore
Nov. 16	Paula Catoe	Sandy Griffin	Mary Ann Black
Nov. 23	Laura Sparks	Lesley Herndon	Deborah Yarbrough
Nov. 30	Help Needed	Kathy Ballew	Anna Holcomb

BIRTHDAYS

November 2 Mary Nathan Kendrick
 November 3 Ronald Payne
 November 4 Kyle Holcomb
 November 10 Charlee Payne
 November 10 Susan Walls
 November 11 James Adams
 November 15 Jacob Payne
 November 17 Caren Fortner
 November 17 Deborah Yarbrough
 November 17 Cassidy Powell
 November 20 Steve Loughridge
 November 21 Anne Childers
 November 29 Lisa Hughes
 November 30 Connor Lyles

Attendance





MEMORIALS

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>In Memory</u>
Ted & Deborah Yarbrough	Saturday Sacks	Betty Brooks
Julius & Cindy Weyman	Sound System	Billy Townsend
Linda Smith	Youth	Billy Townsend
Rhett & Sandy Griffin	Academy	Billy Townsend
Ted & Deborah Yarbrough	Saturday Sacks	Bones Walston
Ronnie & Tammie Henderson	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Rhett & Sandy Griffin	Academy	Carlton Peeples
Wayne McDaniel	Saturday Sacks	Carlton Peeples
Julius & Cindy Weyman	Sound System	Carlton Peeples
Ralph Ausmus	Saturday Sacks	Carlton Peeples
Dan & Nancy Long	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Tommy & Mary Nathan Kendrick	Youth	Carlton Peeples
Mickey & Donna Jones	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Barbara Grider	Youth	Carlton Peeples
Frances Hansford	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
James & Donna Chastain	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Alan & Donna Ridley	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Milford Bennett	Chancel Choir	Carlton Peeples
Todd & Celete Reeves	Good Samaritan	Carlton Peeples
Bill & Mary Ann Black	Academy	Carlton Peeples
Charles & Sarah Maret	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Frank Ward	Academy	Carlton Peeples
Janet Westbrook, Janna W. Bates, Phillip Westbrook & families	Honor/Memorial	Carlton Peeples
Bill & Mary Ann Black	Academy	Darlene Clark
Julius & Cindy Weyman	Sound System	Elaine Bridges
Julius & Cindy Weyman	Sound System	Faye Brindle
Tammie Henderson	Honor/Memorial	Jeanette Weems
Rhett & Sandy Griffin	Academy	Jere Weyman
Ronnie & Tammie Henderson	Honor/Memorial	Jere Weyman
Brenda Chapman	Saturday Sacks	Jere Weyman
Wayne McDaniel	Saturday Sacks	Jere Weyman
Dan & Nancy Long	Honor/Memorial	Jere Weyman



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Tommy & Mary Nathan Kendrick	Youth	Jere Weyman
Barbara Grider	Youth	Jere Weyman
Wayne McDaniel	Christmas offering: Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes	Novis Davis
Reba Daniel	Honor/Memorial	Peggy Bailey
Dan & Nancy Long	Honor/Memorial	Ragan Elrod
Rhett & Sandy Griffin	Academy	Scott (Rainey) Kuester
Ronnie & Tammie Henderson	Good Samaritan (MCNS)	Scott (Rainey) Kuester
Ted & Deborah Yarbrough	Saturday Sacks	Scott (Rainey) Kuester
Dan & Nancy Long	Honor/Memorial	Scott (Rainey) Kuester
Frank Ward	Academy	Scotty Rainey