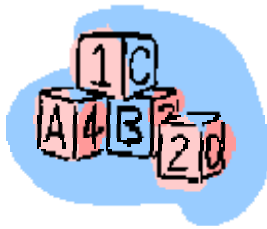


ST. JAMES NURSERY NEWS

Summer 2009

*"The Lord is my strength and
my song; He has become my
salvation."*

—Psalm 118:14



BABY NEWS!

**Congratulations to Scott and Alisa
Howen on the birth of their Baby girl,
Cora Elizabeth on May 24th.**

*Please keep our expectant parents
in your prayers:*

Marc and Andrea Jay—May 19

Will and Carrie Nearhood—June 1

Jason and Tara Bernstein—July 22

Jason and Jill Green—August 16

Ladies' Night Out



Join us on **Wednesday,
May 27th, 7pm at Olive
Garden.** All ladies are
welcome to come out for
great food and fun fellowship!

Summer Events

- **May 17**—Deadline for VBS Registration
- **Sat, May 23 (8am to noon)**—St. James Yard Sale to benefit International Missions
- **Wed, May 27 (7pm)**—Ladies Night Out at Olive Garden
- **June 1st through 4th**—Vacation Bible School
- **Wed, June 3 (6pm)**—Covered Dish followed by 6:45 Family Worship Service
- **Wed, June 17 (6pm)**—Pizza Party to celebrate our week of honoring others at St. James
- **Mon, June 22 (7pm)**—Ladies' Night Out at On The Border
- **Sat, June 27 (5pm)**—Nursery Family Pool Party and Cookout at the home of Chad and Beth Lowery (765 Tallassee Rd.)
- **Wed, July 22 (6pm)**—Family Picnic at Memorial Park
- **Sun, Aug 9**—Promotion Sunday



The Nursery Staff Appreciation Brunch was a great success! Thank you so much to the Nursery Ministry Team who made it happen and to the parents who so generously contributed to help fill the gift baskets. The girls were truly blessed!

Nursery Volunteer Schedule

May 17: Julie Maddox, Linda Phillips, Donna Olson

May 24: Marty Brobst, Anitra Hale, Nathan/Amber Mangle

May 31: Julie Rivers, Jill Green, Luke/Julie Moore

June 7: Janie Williams, Tom/Beth Cunningham, Janice Himmelsbach

June 14: Shannon Boyd, Mary Catherine Jernigan, Chad/Beth Lowery

June 21: Karyn Anglin, Julie Gunby, Christa John

June 28: Pat Bennett, Mary Smith, Donna Olson

Please let Christine know of any trades or substitutions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Turning 1!

Everett Mangle on May 26.

Sarah Maddox on June 21.

Turning 2!

Ashlyn Nearhood on July 25.

Turning 3!

Abigail Provost on May 31.

Turning 4!

Alex Bowie on May 16.

Amelia Beaver on June 22.



If your child's birthday is not listed, please let me know so that I can update my database. Thanks.

Vacation Bible School at St. James is all set for **June 1-4!** This fabulous event incorporates all three parts of our ministry process: Knowing Jesus, Connecting with Others, and Serving Others. Our curriculum this year is Cokebury's "Camp E.D.G.E. (Experience + Discover God Everywhere). We're still looking for "Campers" and "Camp Counselors". There is only space for nursery-aged children whose parents are volunteering, so don't miss out on this FUN opportunity to serve! For more information or to find out how you can get in on the fun, contact Heather at 706-224-2674.

Covered Dish Dinner & Family Worship

Join us on Wednesday, June 3 for a Covered Dish Dinner at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a Family Worship Night at 6:45. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We would love for ALL of our St. James family to attend even if they are not involved with VBS.



Ladies' Night Out

Our June LNO will be on **Monday, June 22, 7pm at On The Border.** Please come

out for this relaxed night of food and fellowship! *All ladies are welcome!*

The Summer Babysitting List is now available in the Nursery Greeting Station

Nursery Family Pool Party and Cookout



When: Saturday, June 27

Time: 5pm

Where: Home of Chad and Beth (Tristan) Lowery
765 Tallassee Rd, Athens



What To Bring: Meat and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Bring towels and bathing suits for the whole family, floaties, sunscreen, chairs or picnic blankets.

All Nursery Children and their families are Invited. This is a great event for Connecting with Others. Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor along!

Directions: Take the Tallassee Rd. exit off of the by-pass. Turn towards Tallassee Rd (not Oglethorpe). Go approximately 1.5 miles. Mailbox and driveway are on the left. If you need help, Call 706-354-0953

Community Service Project

It's important, even at a young age, to teach our children the importance of serving others and sharing God's love with them. This summer, we are planning just such an opportunity for the whole family. *Sunday, June 14 to Wednesday, June 17* will be our **Week Of Honor**. Your family will be invited to *deliver a small gift to honor some members of St. James* (older adults and those in leadership). Gifts can be a small loaf of baked bread, a few homemade cookies, a small potted plant, etc. Although we realize that this ministry opportunity may be new to your family or out of your comfort zone, it will be a huge blessing to the folks we are visiting. I will help by providing guidelines for visiting and make every effort to make this an enjoyable ministry experience for both your family and the recipient. In order to coordinate our efforts, I will need to know if your family is going to be involved by Sunday, June 7 so that we can make sure that everyone we want to honor is visited. Your family will coordinate a convenient time for your visit (they will know in advance that you are calling). We will then **gather together Wednesday, June 17 at 6 p.m.** to celebrate by sharing a pizza dinner and sharing your stories of how your family served.

Congrats Grads!

Congratulations to the following Nursery Staff members who recently earned their Bachelors Degrees from the University of Georgia:

Brantley Murray

Christie Anderson

Katie Osburn



Promotion Sunday will be here before you know it! August 9 is the day that the children move "up" to their new nursery classrooms and our current 3-yr old class will move up to the Children's program. This is also the day that we will welcome new Sunday School teachers into a few of our classes. Please prayerfully consider this amazing opportunity to bless our smallest ones. I would be happy to answer any questions you have about serving as a Sunday School teacher in our nursery. *Have a blessed summer!*

Wonderful Wednesdays

First Presbyterian Weekday School is offering a fun summer activity beginning June 10 and going through July 29. "Why am I reading about First Presbyterian's activities in my St. James Nursery Newsletter??" you might ask. Because. . .these Wonderful Wednesday activities will be taking place right here at St. James while our neighbor church undergoes renovations. Although St. James is not affiliated with the program, the nice folks at First Presbyterian have encouraged us to sign our little ones up for this summer fun. Here's what you need to know:

When: Each Wednesday from June 10 through July 29

Time: 9am to 12:30pm

Who Can Come: Children ages Walking to 5 yrs.

Cost: \$25.00 per Wednesday (Choose to come as many times as you'd like)

What To Bring: Children bring their lunch, including a drink

Each Wednesday has a different theme with fun activities planned. A few of the themes are: Beach Day, Moovelous Ice Cream and Round Up Rodeo.

For more information, pick up an orange flyer in our Sanctuary or call 706-549-8677

Did You Know?

The Borrowing Board is back up and running! If you are in need of a baby or children's item, or if you have something to loan out, then please make use of our Borrowing Board. It is located in the Nursery Hall near the stairs. There are separate forms for "Borrowing" and "Loaning". What a wonderful way to help one another out and make good use of those purchases.

Also. . .

Don't forget to visit our Parent Library located in the Newborn Room. You'll find a variety of books and magazines on everything from infertility to discipline. Feel free to borrow what you'd like and return it when you're done. We hope that this resource will be a blessing to you and your family!

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