

Send Off Party for
 Elaine, Michael and Matthew Childs
 Monday, August 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 at the Grooms' home
 1025 Forest Brook Drive
 945-1089

PRAYER CONCERNS

August 1, 2007

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS

Roger Tisdale, Memphis
 (Faye Wilson's cousin)

Michael Lieb

Perry Ponder, Missouri
 (Morgan Ponder's uncle)

AT HOME

Michael Lieb

Toni Byrd

Linda Scott

(Marcella Dale's daughter)

William Gray

(Mart Gray's father)

ON GOING CONCERNS

Rosalia Marquez - Mexico

Marilyn Mayse

Helen Barron
 (Orbie Medders aunt)

Margaret Burks
 Flowery Branch, GA

Bennie Bowers - St. Martin's
 (David Bowers' mother)

Mary Margaret Dixon Biss -
 New York

Harold Burge, Kentucky
 (Mark Burge's father)

Jack Snell, Atlanta
 CBF Missionary

Don & Esther Gardner
 Tanzania

Mt. Meru University

Shalom Baptist Church, Cuba

Jerry Martin



August

1-Kristin Meyer

4-Richard Williams/Martin

2-Sarah Shelton

5-Baeka Boylan

2-Kathleen Smith

7-Mary Sullivan

4-Paul Richardson



Jerry Burke
 in the death of his father

Hospitality Network

Our next Hospitality Network week is coming up and will be the week of August 12-19. We again need people to spend the night each of those nights (starting at about 7:30 p.m. and staying until they leave early in the mornings), to bring suppers and/or to be here with them from about 5:00 until the "night shift" arrives at about 7:30, and to bring breakfast foods. We will again be partnering with Beloved Community UCC Church. If you would be willing to help in one of these ways, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or talk to Linda Martin, 591-8919 or Ann Wade, 879-8668.

New Sunday School Class Offered This Fall

Interested persons are encouraged to register with the church office for a class to begin in September called "Christianity After Jesus: The First 300 Years". It will survey how the church came about after Pentecost, it's conflict with Judaism and the Roman Empire, how the New Testament came to be, heresies, how the catholic church evolved and became Roman Catholic, monasticism, the horrible persecutions early Christians faced, Constantine's declaration of the Empire's switch to Christianity, etc. Paul Hall will lead the class which is expected to last for about eight months.

25th Annual Church-wide Retreat

Labor Day Weekend - Panama City

Friday, Aug. 31 to Monday, Sept. 3



Philip Gulley, a great fiction and non-fiction Quaker writer and pastor, will be the retreat leader. The cost will be \$92.50 per person for lodging for the three nights and food for Saturday morning through Monday morning. (If you pay by Sunday, August 19, you will get a \$5 per person discount.) Children under 2 will be \$20. For the few of you who wish to stay off campus but eat with us, the cost will be \$37.50 for meals. **The deadline for signing up will be Wednesday, August 22.** All money must be paid by Sunday, August 26. A signup sheet will be in the Fellowship Hall or you may call the church office. If you have questions, call David Henderson at 281-8441.

On Call Schedule This Week July 29-Aug 4

John Duke, 482-6280

Peggy Sanderford Ponder, Lay Minister, 591-8551

Larry FitzGerald, Deacon of the Week, 836-5103

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

SUPPER LOCK UP
David Henderson

CHOIR LOCK UP
John Hollis

SUPPER CLEAN-UP GROUP FOR TONIGHT
Jack Brymer, Mary Hines, Susan Richardson

Received the week of *July 29*

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| Budget | \$4,582.00 |
| Building/Property | 125.00 |
| Gardner Fund | 1,512.00 |
| Gardner Fund (Jadita) | 40.00 |
| Garumtoney Orphans | 100.00 |

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT: \$10,689.13

For many of us, summer brings a welcome variation in schedule—trips to the beach, afternoons by the pool, baseball games, etc. But during the summer, most of the functions of BCOC continue as usual and require the usual level of support. So if you are enjoying a change in routine during the summer months, don't forget that BCOC still relies on your regular financial support. Your faithful giving during the summer months will ensure that the ministries of the church will continue to serve regardless of the season. Thanks!

Griffin Retreat

As a part of the sabbatical plans, a retreat has been planned for at Baptist Church of the Covenant for Saturday, August 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Bill and Emilie Griffin will be leading us that Saturday morning. According to their description of the retreat, they will speak about how Christian disciplines of Word and Story help us grow deeper in the spiritual life. They will use biblical stories and examples from the Christian devotional classics, including some modern stories, to shine a light on our own development in the Christian life. They will also be available individually Saturday, Sunday, and Monday afternoons for 50 minute sessions of spiritual direction. These will involve one of the Griffins serving as listener and guide, and working with participants to talk about things going on in their lives, stresses, joys, or thoughts about the future, and then trying to discern God's action or will within those events. There are 16 sessions available, and there is a fee of \$50 for each session, although scholarships are available upon request. The available times are Saturday at 3:00, 4:00, and 5:00, Sunday at 3:00 and 4:00, and Monday at 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00. You may call the church office to request a session and may request either Bill or Emilie. Whether or not you take advantage of the individual sessions, we hope you will plan on joining us Saturday morning August 18 for the retreat.

August 5-11

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

August 5, 2007, 9:00 a.m.

Texts: Luke 4:31-32
Painful Truth

Rebecca DeBow, preaching

WEDNESDAY NIGHT AUGUST 1 PROGRAM

Bill Brill - Prayer Service

Sarah's Sabbatical Highlights!

Beach Trip

On Call Schedule August 5-11

John Duke, 482-6280

Jack Brymer, Lay Minister, 824-6431

Denise Gardner, Deacon of the Week, 815-3867

Remember our
PASSPORTKenya mission team:

Melissa Evans, Owen Grooms
Kiki Meyer

About the Griffins

Emilie is a professional writer and editor. Her first book, *Turning*, drew on five modern stories of Christian conversion including that of C.S. Lewis. She has now written fifteen books on Christian spirituality. Emilie has worked extensively as a retreat and workshop leader. She is a member of the board of RENO-VARE, an infra-church movement committed to Christian renewal.

William Griffin is a writer, editor, and publishing veteran who is an authority on C.S. Lewis, and recently authored several modern renderings of Latin spiritual classics by Augustine of Hippo and Thomas A Kempis.

Both Griffins were founding members of the Chrysostom Society, a national writers group formed in the 1980s. Since 1998 the Griffins have lived in Alexandria, LA.