

The Lord's Service

August 18, 2024

**Standing together is our ordinary practice,
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

God Calls Us

Call to Worship

Only God Himself can call
us into worship. He sets
the terms for worship
because, through His Son,
He makes worship possible.

*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 16.8-11

LEADER: O give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

**PEOPLE: Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!**

LEADER: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those
who seek the Lord rejoice!

**PEOPLE: Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually!**

*Hymn of Adoration

O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord

Text: Psalm 103, found in The Psalter (1912)

Music: TIDINGS, James Walch (1875)

Hymnal No. 6

Invocation

This prayer addresses God
in three persons, asking
Him to be present with
us in worship to help
us worship Him according
to His will.

*Invocation

by Elder Ken Henry

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Isaiah 53.6

LEADER: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have
turned - every one - to his own way;

PEOPLE: And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity
of us all.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

written by Henry Smith, London (16th century)

**O Lord, let not your law be a cursing to our
consciences.**

**Give us grace under this extreme and heavy burden
of sin,**

**to be fully persuaded that you
by your death have taken away all our sins,
and fulfilled the law for us,
and by this means have delivered us
from the curse of the law and paid our ransom.**

**And then, being thus fully persuaded,
may we have quiet and settled hearts,
and a free conscience, and glad desiring wills
to forsake this wicked world.**

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 1.18

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“Come now, let us reason together, says the
Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they
shall be as white as snow; though they are red
like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

Call to Confession

As we see God in His
invitation and our praise,
we cannot help but see
how we have fallen short.
God's Holy Scripture has
the authority to reveal us
to ourselves and transition
our hearts to confession.

Corporate Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word,
and deed every week. This
prayer begins with silent
confession, followed by
corporate confession as
people equally in need of
God's grace.

Assurance of Pardon

Holy Scripture assures
Christians, sinners saved
by grace, that they
are united to Jesus in His
death and resurrection.

***Hymn of Assurance** *Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me*
Text and Music: Michael Farren, Rich Thompson, and Jonny Robinson (2018)
see Page 8

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Listen to this reading (lesson) to prepare for the sermon.

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 27(p. 460)
read by Elder Jason Coffey

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Baptism

In baptism, ordinary water represents God's work in the covenant of grace to forgive sins through spiritual washing and the blood of Jesus. It cannot save. It symbolizes that we belong to Jesus and is commanded of every Christian. A child of Christian parents may be baptized because "household" baptism of the New Testament is similar to circumcision of the Old Testament.

Sacrament of Baptism

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

Micah and Hannah Schreiner present Mabel Joy for baptism.

Tithes and Offerings

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

We set aside a tithe and additional offering of our resources for the purposes of God, for His glory. Both are a display of our joyful dependence upon God rather than ourselves.

Offertory

This is My Father's World

Words: Maltbie D. Babcock

Music: Traditional English melody, arranged by Elaine Hagenberg

Sanctuary Choir

This is my Father's world,
And to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world,
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world,
He shines in all that's fair,
in the rustling grass hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.

This is my Father's world,
The battle is not done,
Jesus who died will be satisfied
And heaven and earth be one.

*Doxology

MORNING HYMN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Eric Mullinax

Doxology

A doxology is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory. The *Gloria Patri* is another example of a doxology.

Prayer of the Church

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands elders to pray with and for God's people, not just publicly, but privately.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Follow along with this text (lesson) that directs the sermon.

Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Word by submitting to it, studying it, and expositing it (holding it forth), bearing witness to Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Confession of Faith

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5.19 (p. 810)

¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Sermon

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

WHERE DO YOU WANT TO BE GREAT?

*Hymn of Response

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

Text: Hal H. Hopson (1972)

Music: GIFT OF LOVE, American folk tune;

arranged by Hal Hopson (1972)

Hymnal No. 597

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.1 (1647)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: The God, the great Creator of all things,
does uphold, direct, dispose, and govern
all creatures, actions, and things,
from the greatest even to the least,
by His most wise and holy providence,
according to His infallible foreknowledge,
and the free and immutable counsel of His
own will,
to the praise of the glory of His wisdom,
power, justice, goodness, and mercy.

*Gloria Patri

CORONAE

Glory be to God the Father!
Glory be to God the Son!
Glory be to God the Spirit!
God Almighty, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Postlude

Benediction

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service, He graciously sends us into our week with a blessing (good word) founded on the redeeming work of Jesus.

SERMON NOTES

Title: Where Do You Want to be Great?

Text: Matthew 5.19

Mission Statement of CPC

Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by making Christ known in all of life.

CPC Pastors

Bill Massey (*Interim Senior Pastor*), Travis Hutchinson (*Interim Pastor of Youth & Families*),
Eric Mullinax (*Elder Emeritus-Volunteer for Congregational Care*)

CPC Officers

ELDERS: Woody Brauer, Ernie Brown, Jason Brown, Adam Cathey, Jason Coffey, Todd Gaither,
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John Morrison, Vince Pereski, Caleb Ray, Phil Wade (Clerk of Diaconate), Matt Wright

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me



1. What gift of grace is Je-sus, my re-deem-er. There is no more for hea-ven now to give.
2. The night is dark, but I am not for-sak-en, for by my side the Sav-ior, He will stay.
3. No fate I dread, I know I am for-giv-en, the fu-ture sure, the price, it has been paid.
4. With ev-ery breath I long to fol-low Je-sus, for He has said that He will bring me home.



He is my joy, my right-eous-ness and free-dom, my stead-fast love, my deep and bound-less peace.
I la-bor on in weak-ness and re-joic-ing, for in my need, His pow-er is dis-played.
For Je-sus bled and suf-fered for my par-don, and He was raised to o-ver-throw the grave.
And day by day I know He will re-new me un-til I stand with joy be-fore the throne.



To this I hold: my hope is on-ly Je-sus. For my life is whol-ly bound to His.
To this I hold; my shep-herd will de-fend me. Through the deep-est val-ley He will lead.
To this I hold: my sin has been de-fea-ted. Je-sus now, and ev-er is my plea.
To this I hold: my hope is on-ly Je-sus. All the glo-ry ev-er-more to Him.



Oh how strange and di-vine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall o-ver-come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
Oh the chains are re-leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
When the race is com-plete, still my lips shall re-peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning! If this is your first visit with us, please fill out a Connection Card (located in each pew).

Join us in the Lobby for coffee and fellowship after worship.

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We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Caines preaches from Matthew 5.

Finding your way:

Scan the QR code to view a map of our campus. Printed maps can be found on the bulletin board just off the Lobby and outside the Nursery.



For those with children:

Your children are welcome and wanted in worship! Little ones sometimes have a hard time sitting quietly through a service. Please take advantage of these helpful tools:

- **Special Bulletin** - designed for our Little Theologians (available in Narthex)
- **Family Worship Room** - where children can be a little louder and more active (windowed room in Sanctuary)
- **Family Restroom and Nursing Mother's Room** (in Family Worship Room)
- **Nursery** - available to children born after September 1, 2021 (deacons can direct you)
- **Calm Kit Bags** - borrow fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles during worship (in the Family Worship Room)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 18

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

No Sunday School (Semester break)

HS Brazil Team Report - Room 100 - 11 am

Praise, Prayer, & Fellowship - Room 100 - 6 pm

Tuesday, August 20

Ladies' Psalms Study - Rooms 121-122 - 10 am

Ladies' AM Cultural Book/Discussion Series -
Room 120 - 10 am

Ladies' PM Cultural Book/Discussion Series -
Rooms 121-122 - 7 pm

Wednesday, August 21

Youth & Children's Ministry Volunteer Training -
Room 100 - 5:30 pm

GriefShare - Room 119 - 6:30 pm

Midweek Prayer Group - Room 101 - 7 pm

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Room 150 - 7 pm

Session Mtg - Room 105 - 7 pm

Friday, August 23

Men's Ecclesiastes Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am

Sunday, August 25

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

Sunday School (*Youth & Children's Promotion Sunday*)

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access

Prayer Requests: Email your request or update to prayer@cpcchatt.org

Pastoral Care Line: Call/text your request or need to 423-521-2142

COVENANT LIFE

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAK

Today, all Sunday school classes will take a one week break between the semesters. Fall Sunday School classes will begin next Sunday. See Page 13 for a list of adult classes.

BRAZIL TEAM REPORT

Today • 11 am • Room 100

The High School Brazil team will be sharing highlights from their recent mission trip. This Sunday is the break between the summer and fall Sunday School semesters, so plan to join us and encourage our students as they share their experiences following the worship service.

PRAISE, PRAYER, & FELLOWSHIP

Tonight • 6 pm • Room 100

Join us for a time of music, Scripture reading, and prayer. We will pray for our church during this season of transition. A time of fellowship and light snacks will follow.

GRIEFSHARE

beginning Wed, Aug 21 • 6:30 pm • Room 119

GriefShare is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. Each session is “self-contained.” While attending each meeting is best, you do not have to attend each class in sequence to find encouragement. For more information about the program, visit griefshare.org/about.

FALL VOLUNTEER NEEDS

CPC ministry leaders are busily planning the new Fall Semester. Below are areas where you could volunteer to serve:

- **Nursery Volunteers** for Sundays and especially Wednesday Midweek activities (beginning August 28); contact Bekah Gernhard (Nursery@cpccchatt.org)
- **Children’s and Youth Ministry teachers and helpers** for Sunday school and Midweek classes (Volunteer Training Meeting is on August 21); for Children’s Ministry, contact Sara Southard (SSouthard@cpccchatt.org); for Youth, contact Heather Morrison (HMorrison@cpccchatt.org)

COVENANT LIFE

FALL MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

beginning Wed, Aug 28 • 5:30 pm

Be sure to join us for the start of Midweek suppers, classes, and activities.

See Page 14-15 for the list of Midweek opportunities for all ages.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sat, Sept 7 • 8:30 am • Room 100

Plan to join us for our Men's Breakfast. The speaker will be Pastor Greg Baney who serves as the Senior Pastor of Woodlands Gathering. He will share about the Lord's calling on his life to reach "First Nation" residents in the northern part of Hamilton County with the gospel. Woodlands Gathering is a part of the TN Valley Presbytery's church planting movement.

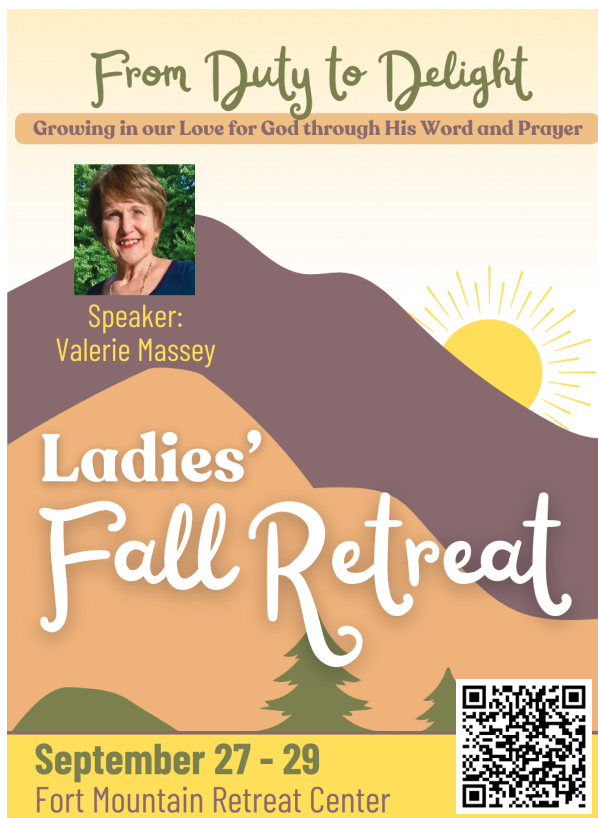
We look forward to you joining us for this encouraging time of fellowship. Young men in High School are also invited to join us. Cost: \$5.

THANK YOU

Dear CPC Family, you cannot fully know how grateful I am for all of the prayers, calls, texts, cards, and meals that were sent our way during my surgery and recovery from knee surgery.

Thank you so much!

~ Barbara Vandergriff



The poster for the Ladies' Fall Retreat features a warm, autumnal color palette of oranges, yellows, and browns. At the top, the title 'From Duty to Delight' is written in a green, cursive font. Below it, a tagline reads 'Growing in our Love for God through His Word and Prayer' in white text on an orange background. A small portrait of Valerie Massey, the speaker, is shown next to her name. The background of the poster depicts a stylized mountain range with a bright yellow sun setting or rising behind the peaks. The main title 'Ladies' Fall Retreat' is prominently displayed in a large, white, cursive font. At the bottom, the dates 'September 27 - 29' and the location 'Fort Mountain Retreat Center' are listed in white text on a yellow background. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

From Duty to Delight
Growing in our Love for God through His Word and Prayer

Speaker:
Valerie Massey

Ladies' Fall Retreat

September 27 - 29
Fort Mountain Retreat Center

Cost: \$95 (due by September 8)

Scan the QR Code to register or call the church office for assistance.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

AUG 18 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Bekah Gernhard

Worship - 9:15 am

Debby Gardner & Teva Wooten (Little Lambs)

Grace Doran & Wesley Durgin (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Amy Creamer & Ryan Hostetler (Little Lambs)

Mollie & Aubrie McClelland (Busy Bees)

AUG 25 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Sherry Baierl

Worship - 9:15 am

Sarah & Sylvia Wade (Little Lambs)

Esther McEachern & Connie Sanders
(Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Sandy Coffey & Selah Cross (Little Lambs)

Tammy Bacon & David Gernhard (Busy Bees)

FALL SEMESTER DATES

Mark your calendar for these upcoming dates:

- Sunday School Promotion Sunday/
Toddler Welcome into Worship:
August 25
- Midweek Classes and Activities begin:
August 28

CLASS REGISTRATION

Registration is required for Sunday Morning and Midweek programs for all children through 12th grade. We know that parents and schools use varying criteria to determine what grade a child is placed in. CPC's age/grade chart is on the online form. Any exception must be approved by the Children/Youth Director.

Scan the QR Code(s) below to register.

YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

Fri, Sept 6 • 6 pm • Room 100

We have two movie options and will provide pizza and popcorn! Hope to see you there!



Children's
Ministry



Youth
Ministry

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL

New Member's Class: Led by Interim Senior Pastor Bill Massey | Room 120

This is an ongoing class designed for visitors who wish to learn more about Covenant. It addresses our distinctive life, doctrine, and worship as a conservative, Presbyterian, and Reformed church. The New Member's Class is a temporary class before finding your long-term Sunday school class.

College-Age/Career Class: Led by Tim & Bonnie Schoap | Room 208

Study: “*Confronting Christianity*” This study, written by Rebecca McLaughlin, explores 12 issues that are often seen as obstacles to faith, including the reality of suffering, the complexity of modern sexuality and gender, and the reliability of Scripture.

Book of Job: Led by Jon Harris | Rooms 121-122

This class is studying the book of Job using a book by Christopher Ash (*Trusting God in the Darkness: A Guide to Understanding the Book of Job*) as a guide and a resource for those in the class who want to read along. This is a mixed adult class that is open to everyone.

The Reformation: led by Dan Steere, Bill Higgins, and Dee Hobbs | Room 150 (Choir Room)

Have you ever wondered why American Christians are so prone to look to the government for help in doing the work of the Kingdom? The English Reformation is of particular importance to us because much of how we "do church" is inherited from England. This is a mixed adult class that is open to everyone.

Zephaniah Led by Judy Foster, Christine Morrison, and Lois Crenshaw | Room 119

Zephaniah forces us to hold two aspects of God's character at once—His justice and His love—to see that together they contain the future hope for our world. This is a ladies-only class.

The Life of Moses: Led by Ken Henry | Room 100

This class will study the life of Moses as well as selected passages throughout the Pentateuch. Additionally, this class will look at the culture of ancient Egypt and the impact of Moses on our understanding of Christ and the New Testament. This mixed adult class of all ages is open to everyone.

Romans: Led by Dr. Lamar Allen | Room 105

The epistle to the Romans has profoundly affected those who read it. Many have been converted by its message including Augustine, Martin Luther, and John Wesley. Martin Luther wrote that “...*Romans is the true masterpiece of the New Testament and the very purest Gospel, and is worthy not only that every Christian should know it word for word, by heart, but occupy himself with it every day, as the daily bread of the soul.*” This is a mixed adult class that is open to everyone.

MIDWEEK

UPCOMING MIDWEEK MENU



August 28: Taco Salad and Mexican Flan Cups

- Adult: \$6 / Child (5-11): \$4
- Family Max: \$20
- Cash or Check (Put in Cash Box)
- Pay Online (cpcchatt.org/give or scan QR code)



The cost per meal is suggested only. If you don't have the full amount, don't worry. Pay what you can. Visitors enjoy a free meal.

FOOD ALLERGY INFO

If you want to know Midweek meal ingredients beforehand, please email our Hospitality Coordinator, Nicky Lewin, at NLewin@cpcchatt.org.

CPC BLOOD DRIVE

Wed, Sept 4 • 4:30 pm • Parking Lot

CPC is partnering again with Blood Assurance to host the Bloodmobile in our parking lot. Scan the QR Code to sign-up online for the time you prefer.



CHILDREN'S MIDWEEK

6:30-8 pm: **Nursery** | Room 110 (Birth -2 Yrs.)

6:30-7 pm: **Covenant Choristers Choir** |

Room 220 (K-5th Grade) - *They will learn how to sing and read music. The Children's Choir will occasionally be incorporated into Sunday worship.*

7-8 pm: **Children's Classes**

3-4 Yr. Olds Class | Room 110 - *They will play with toys and games and participate in a short Bible lesson. They may enjoy music, prayer time, Scripture memory, crafts, games, and activities related to Bible lessons.*

Children's Classes | Room 221-225 - *They will learn about how God intends us to live as full human beings, in our thoughts, emotions, and actions. Kindergarten – 2nd grade students will study stories from Scripture that point us to the gospel, and students in 3rd - 5th grade will look at examples of God's faithfulness in men and women throughout Scripture and history. All children will work toward catechism and Scripture memorization goals.*

MIDWEEK

YOUTH MIDWEEK

6:30-6:45 pm: **Youth Worship** | Room 200 -
*The Youth start each Midweek with worship.
6th - 12th grade students gather for a time of
singing and prayer.*

6:45-7:30 pm: **Youth Small Groups** |
Rooms 200-206 - *Small groups are designed
so that students can ask questions and engage in
meaningful conversations about how Scripture
applies to their lives. It's a safe environment
where students can be known and loved, and
where they can pray for and encourage one
another toward maturity in Christ. We have
separate guys and girls small groups divided by
grade level. All groups will be studying
"Honesty" from the SeeJesus study series.*

7:30-8 pm: **Youth Activities** | Room 200 - *After
small group, the youth will gather for various
sports, games, and fellowship time. Friends and
visitors are welcome to join us each week!*

ADULT MIDWEEK

Beginning Wed, Jan 24 • 5:30 pm

5:30-6:30 pm: **Dinner** | Room 100

6:30-7 pm: **Bell Choir** | Room 126 -
No experience required.

7-8 pm: **Adult Classes**

GriefShare (begins at 6:30 pm) | Room 119 -
led by Eric & Boo Mullinax - *This group is for
people grieving the death of a loved one. Each
session is "self-contained."*

1 & 2 Peter | Room 105 - led by Lamar
Allen - *Peter's purpose in writing was to teach
endangered Christians how to live victoriously
amid hostility, to live through persecution
without losing hope or becoming bitter. They
were to trust in the Lord while anticipating His
coming again. Pertinent texts from Acts will be
included.*

C.S. Lewis Discussion Group | Room 120 -
led by Edyne Vatt and Ken Henry - *Are you
a C.S. Lewis fan? Join us for an engaging
discussion of Lewis' book God in the Dock and
other Lewis works as time allows.*

Iron Men Study | Room 208 - facilitated by
Scott Barber - *Men are invited to join us for a
time of prayer (6:45 pm) and study. We will be
studying "Disciplines of a Godly Man" by
R. Kent Hughes. A limited number of books are
available to be purchased, if desired.*

Prayer Group | Room 101 - led by Doug
McEachern

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | Room 150 - led
by John Wykoff - *No audition or experience is
required.*

OUTREACH

AFRICAN BIBLE UNIVERSITY OF UGANDA



In 1975, the first of the African Bible Colleges (ABC) began in Liberia. The chief aim of ABC is to train Christians in Africa for pastoral ministry, Christian service, and leadership relevant to the continent. The university in Uganda is the third and is strategically located. From this vantage point, it offers quality education from a Christian perspective to the surrounding countries of Sudan, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Kenya and Ethiopia.

From their recent Facebook posts, the university has welcomed their incoming first year students just this past week. Also, they posted about partnering with Equipping Farmers International in late July to conduct a farmers training program at their campus.

For more information about this ministry, visit www.africanbiblecolleges.com/uganda.

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For the leadership of ABU Uganda
- For Christian men and women who will transform Africa using their education
- That God would supply the student body, faculty, facilities, and finances

CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP (CEF)



CEF of Tennessee, Greater Chattanooga Chapter has established over 50 Good News Clubs in elementary and middle schools, preschool facilities, community centers, and some churches. They serve in eleven local counties. CEF is committed to leading children to be in God's

Word every day. This summer they held 5-Day Clubs to share the good news of the gospel. In a recent update, they shared: *"We conducted 50 clubs in June, reaching 1,738 children with the gospel, and 64 children made professions of faith! We are giving God the praise for what He has done!"*

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For Christ-honoring leadership of the local director (Patti Harris) and staff
- For faithful Good News Club leaders and helpers to share the gospel and God's Word with local students this school year
- For students' hearts to be receptive and to encounter discipleship in a local church
- For a way to acquire a 15-passenger van to transport students
- For volunteer liaisons for each of their outlying counties