

THE CHURCH FAMILY

Presenting Everyone Complete in Christ

FROM YOUR PASTOR by Scott Deneen

By God's grace and a moving of His Spirit, we have 18 men nominated for Church Leadership – 9 for Overseer/Elder and 9 for Deacon. This is truly a monumental occasion for which we give God thanks. He is raising up men in this church who have hearts for Christ, love for His people, and a genuine willingness to serve – nothing better than that.

Would you, therefore, join me in giving thanks to God as well as offering prayers for these men as they step out in faith to follow God's leading. It will be challenging, humbling, and stretching. Historically, some men are not able to complete the training due to illness, scheduling conflicts, or other providential matters, yet let us join our hearts in prayer asking God to be with them as they begin. Thank you.

Nominated for Elder:

Chris Baity
Dean Chaney
Ed Faggart
Chris Graham
Rick Herd
Grady Rhyne
Kevin Rhyne
Robert Rhyne
Ron Smith

Nominated for Deacon:

Ryan Abernathy
Mark Beatty
Ken Dake
Andrew Deese
Pete Johnson
George Ross
Charlie Stewart
James Teague
Tracy Withers

Grace and Peace,



**AND NOW BACK TO
OUR REGULARLY
SCHEDULED
PROGRAMMING**

OUR SUNDAY EVENING SCHEDULE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 11!!

Be sure to find your place in our children and youth activities or one of our many Care Groups meeting Sundays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays!

Pastor Steve's Corner

by Steve Jessen

Last Saturday many of us ventured to the “wilderness” to enjoy a great day of fellowship at South Mountains State Park. We had an intergenerational nature scavenger hunt, went wading in a beautiful creek, ate our picnic lunches, sat around, talked, and went for hikes in the woods. One of the beautiful features of the park is High Shoals waterfall.

The hike to the base of the falls is not too bad, there is some climbing involved, but nothing too strenuous. Once you arrive at the falls there are steps leading to the upper part, and then another set of steps that take you all the way to the top of the falls. There are probably several hundred in all, and I am proud of the folks from our group both young and old who decided to venture up the steps!

I noticed something when I was climbing the steps. When you looked ahead it didn't seem like you were making much progress. You would climb one set of steps and there would be another set, and then you would climb that set and there would be another, and another... But when I turned around and looked down I was amazed at how far up we had climbed.

In our walk with Christ we want to take it one step at a time, you do not reach spiritual maturity all at once. When you are saved by God's grace, your journey begins. You step up and start reading your Bible and praying, you start attending church regularly to hear God's Word taught-another step, you join a Sunday School class and a care group- another step, you begin to serve and to use your gifts for the advancement God's kingdom- another step, you begin to share your faith with others-yet another step.

The hope is that when you look back you can see that you have made progress in your spiritual climb. We do not climb to achieve our salvation, (that was already accomplished by Jesus on another hill), we climb to be closer to our Savior and to be faithful to follow His voice up the mountain to see more and more of His beauty and majesty.

The bible says that we are to “*walk (or climb) in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.*” Ephesians 1:10. So take that next step up in your faith and don't forget to enjoy the view along the way.

Steve



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

The CE Committee is sponsoring a **Sunday School Teacher Orientation** for all those teaching youth and adult classes. Please join us this **Sunday, August 28, at 5:00 p.m.** in Founders Hall.



THERE'S STILL TIME TO SIGN-UP FOR
**CAMPING AT
BRIAR BOTTOM CAMPGROUND
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 -
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

We'd love to have you go tent camping with us!

Sign up at the bulletin board in the main hallway or visit our website, fpcstanley.org, and click on the *Camping Trip* tab. If you have questions, contact Lorie Hamrick at 704-898-7265.

**It's
A
Boy!!**

You are invited to a
Baby Shower
Sunday, September 11
2:00 - 3:30 pm
honoring
Ryan Henderson
(and his parents-to-be, Kristen and Lee)



Gift registries are at Babies "R" Us and Target.

Hostesses are: Anne Abernathy, Deanna Beatty, Jonan Bynum, Debbie Harper, and Alyssa Lowery

REMINDERS...

- ❖ This Sunday, 8/28 is Sunday School Promotion Sunday. We will begin with a big breakfast at 8:45 AM and then we will move to the sanctuary for a special program.
- ❖ The Bridal Shower honoring Heather Wallace is this Sunday, 8/28, 2:00 PM at the home of Anne Abernathy.



CHRISTMAS SCENES
SIGN UPS WILL
BEGIN SEPTEMBER 11!!



Choose a day, choose a group and **sign up** now (even if you plan to continue in the same group as last year.) The sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board across from the church office.

SUNDAY EVENINGS at 6:00 PM (Beginning September 11)

Facilitators: Ryan Abernathy, Mark Beatty, Ken Dake Hosts: Charles and Lorie Hamrick
Topic: Respectable Sins

Facilitators: Chuck and Alice Jessen Hosts: Tracy and Phyllis Withers
Topic: 1 John

Facilitator: Steve Jessen Hosts: Steve and Julie Jessen (NOTE: Begins September 25)
Topic: Meeting Jesus

Facilitator: Dan King Hosts: Dan and Carol King
Topic: Loving Justice

Facilitators: Jimmie and Martha Sue Mitchell Hosts: Jimmie and Martha Sue Mitchell
Topic: Prayers in the Bible

Facilitator: James Teague Hosts: Art and Nancy Cozart
Topic: 1 Corinthians

TUESDAY at 6:30 PM (Starting September 13)

Facilitator: Tommy Barton Hosts: Tommy and Janice Barton
Topic: Relying on the Holy Spirit

TUESDAY at 7:00 PM (Starting September 20)

Facilitator: Lennie Burrell Hosts: Lynn and Lennie Burrell at First Presbyterian Church
Topic: Life and Ministry of the Messiah

WEDNESDAY at 10:30 AM (Starting September 14)

Facilitator: Renee Abernathy Hosts: Meets at First Presbyterian Church
Topic: Touch of the Master: Studies on Jesus

WEDNESDAY at 6:30 PM (Starting September 14)

Facilitator: Rick Herd Hosts: Brian and Anne Abernathy
Topic: Counter Culture

WIC NEWS

The WIC Circles will meet as follows for the month of September:

Monday, September 12:

6:00 pm - Grace Circle will meet at the home of Wendy Ham

7:00 pm - Elizabeth Circle will meet at the home of Sherry Teague

Readers Circle will meet at the home of Sherry Wagstaff

Ruth Circle will meet at the home of Anne Abernathy

Tuesday, September 13:

7:00 pm - Denver Circle will meet at the home of Vickie Smith



The Ruth Circle Invites You to

THE BEST YEARS FALL PARTY SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 5:00 PM AT THE LINEBERGERS' HOME

Make plans to attend an evening of great food and fellowship accompanied by some toe tapping, foot stomping bluegrass music!

The bus will be available to take folks from the church to the party.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

The following items are now located at the church for use by church members as needed:

2 canes

Folding walker

Bedside toilet

Orthopedic boot (medium size)

folding walkers (one side style)

wheelchair

bath seat with back

Crutches



If you need any of these items for short term use at any time, please contact the church office. Your name will be given to the appropriate person who will contact you for coordination of obtaining the items(s) needed..

September 2016

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 6:30 CE Committee Mtg MTW Committee Mtg. AHG Leaders' Mtg. 7:30 Officers' Prayer | 2 | 3 7:00 Officers' Training 2:00 Men's Basketball ← Church-wide camping trip → |
| 4 <i>AM Communion</i> | 5 LABOR DAY <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: red;">Church Office and CDC closed</div> | 6 Newsletter Deadline | 7 <i>1st day of preschool</i> | 8 | 9 | 10 7:00 Deacons' Meeting Officers' Training 2:00 Men's Basketball |
| <i>No evening activities.</i> ← Church-wide camping trip → | | 6:30 Preschool Orientation | | 6:00 AHG Unit Mtgs. | | |
| 11 2:00 Baby Shower for Kristen Henderson <i>Care Groups and Sunday Evening schedule resume</i> | 12 6:00 Grace Circle Mtg. 7:00 Elizabeth, Readers & Ruth Circle Mtgs | 13 6:30 Barton Care Group 7:00 Burrell Care Group Denver Circle Mtg. | 14 10:30 Wednesday AM CG 6:30 Abernathy Care Grp; Youth; Tech Team; Children's Min Team | 15 6:30 AHG Leaders' Mtg. 7:00 Session Meeting | 16 | 17 7:00 Officers' Training 2:00 Men's Basketball 5:00 Best Years Party at the Linebergers' |
| 18 6:00 Care Groups, Youth, Image Bearers | 19 Newsletter Deadline | 20 6:30 Barton Care Group 7:00 Burrell Care Group | 21 10:30 Wednesday AM CG 6:30 Abernathy Care Grp; Youth | 22 6:00 AHG Unit Mtgs. | 23 | 24 7:00 Officers' Training 2:00 Men's Basketball 6:00 SOAR Alumni Event |
| 25 SOAR Celebration and Lunch | 26 | 27 | 28 10:30 Wednesday AM CG | 29 | 30 | |
| 4:00 WIC Council Mtg 6:00 Care Groups, Youth, Image Bearers | 7:00 SOAR Committee Mtg. | 6:30 Barton Care Group 7:00 Burrell Care Group | 6:30 Abernathy Care Grp; Youth | | | |

MISSIONS NEWS



Would you like to see and hear what our short-term teams to Palmer Home, Mexico, Romania, New York and Paraguay did this summer? Come this Sunday, August 28, at 6:30 p.m. for a special presentation in the sanctuary.



“Happy Birthday” in September to our Missionary Family!!

18 – Foard Hunt (2009)

David Jones

Anna Schweitzer (2005)

20 – Kevin Bentley

30 – Nelson Ayllon

Paul Clark

Mary Ladson McLaughen (2011)

2016 Missions Conference "Let the Nations Be Glad!" October 12-16

How many of you have a guest room in your home? Well, we have an exciting opportunity for you! There is a team hard at work to put on a wonderful conference and provide our visiting missionaries with the best, southern hospitality ever! We are in need of 5-6 folks to open up their homes to a missionary family beginning Thursday, October 13 through Sunday, October 16. There is actually very little work on your part as the missionaries have a busy schedule during their stay. They basically need a place to sleep and shower. In the past, we have recruited folks to host our missionaries. So, I made my first call (to my in-laws!) to see if they would be willing to once again host a missionary couple. Their answer surprised me. They said yes, of course, they'd be willing to host a missionary in their home. However, they felt somewhat guilty as if they were "robbing someone else of the blessing" to get to know such amazing folks. It's true! Last year, Steve and I hosted our first missionary and it was an absolute joy! Now, we feel a special "bond" with him. Our missionaries are precious folks and what a blessing it is to serve them in this manner. Therefore, please contact me at beachjessens@aol.com if you would like the opportunity and blessing to host a missionary. Thank you!! *Julie Jessen*

If you are interested in helping out in any other way, please contact Joel Jessen: email, joelcjessen@gmail.com or phone, 704-263-0699 (home).

SEPTEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

NURSERY

- September 4:** 10:15 AM - Liz Johnson
September 11: 10:15 AM - Amanda Huss
September 18: 10:15 AM - Stacey Hall
September 25: 10:15 AM - Heather Roberts



*Train a child in the way he should go, and
when he is old he will not turn from it.
Proverbs 22:6*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

- September 4:** Communion
September 11: Chris Baker
September 18: Tommy Barton
September 25: Scott Deneen

With Loving Thanks

I wish to thank my church family for the many cards I received on my birthday, and I am particularly grateful for your prayers and visits. I (and my family) deeply appreciate your faithful care and love.

I also want you to know that I have moved. My new address is Huntersville Health and Rehab, Room #107, 13835 Boren St., Huntersville, NC 28078.

Juanita Thomas



Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your love and concern during the loss of our loved one, Alfred. Those who visited at the TLC, thank you. For your calls, cards and expressions of kindness, we are grateful. Ladies of the church...a sincere thank you for the delicious meal after the service. The family truly enjoyed the food. Continue to remember us in prayer.

*In Christian Love,
Sue Homesley
Karen Greeson & family*

WITH OUR CHURCH FAMILY

In Memoriam



Alfred Smith Homesley
January 14, 1929 - August 4, 2016

After almost 3 years at the Stanley TLC following health issues from strokes, dementia and Parkinson's, **Alfred Homesley**, went home to be with the Lord on August 4. Our Christian sympathies are extended to his wife, **Sue Homesley**, and daughter and family, **Chet and Karen Greeson, Courtney and Lindsey**.

Monnie Blackman broke her leg in 4 places when she fell last month. She spent 5 days in the hospital for surgical repairs. Due to ongoing health issues, she is still waiting to be able to start physical therapy and is almost completely immobile as she cannot put any weight on her leg.

Betty Shelby was admitted to the Robin Johnson House last week for care needed.

After climbing to the top of South Mountains over the weekend with no incident, **Renee Abemathy** took an unfortunate tumble in her driveway this week and suffered a broken nose.

Audra Friesenhahn had a bazaar incident occur during her dental visit this week. A piece of equipment being used fell into her throat and was swallowed. By the time she reached the hospital it had already passed through her stomach. Please pray for a quick passing of this piece with no complications.



ARE YOU MISSING A DISH OR TWO???

There are a few items remaining in the Founders Hall kitchen "lost and found." Please stop by the "Lost and Found" table in Founders Hall to retrieve any dishes that may belong to you. The dishes will remain until August 31. At that time any dishes not picked up will be donated to the Penny Thrift Store.

JULY FINANCIAL REPORT

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|--|------------|
| Needed monthly for budget | 60,397.79 |
| Received in July for budget | 62,169.73 |
| Needed to date for budget | 422,784.52 |
| Received to date for budget | 432,401.83 |
| Needed monthly for Faith Promise | 16,517.75 |
| Received in July for Faith Promise | 10,648.00 |
| Needed to date for Faith Promise | 115,624.25 |
| Received to date for Faith Promise | 93,898.00 |

Birthdays to Celebrate in September

1 Clay Harper

2 Dicky Franks

3 Emma Harper
Lauren Harper
Hudson Rick

5 Martha Sue Mitchell
Roy Redding
Taylor Ross



7 Chelsea Abernathy
Parke Sweigart

10 Julie Jessen

12 Angel Ross

15 Marianne Magill

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

You are invited to attend the class of your choice.

20 SOMETHINGS (anyone post high school to 29)

Room 11

Teachers: Chris McAllister, Joel Jessen, Andrew Elliott

Theme: The Five Love Languages

Something in our nature cries out to be loved by another. Using Dr. Gary Chapman's bestselling book, "The Five Love Languages" our young adults will explore the secrets to a love that lasts.

BIBLE

Room 119

Teachers: Chuck Jessen

Theme: Amos

A timely study, the book of Amos addresses social injustice in a society of great prosperity alongside great poverty, and a religious formalism that does not produce righteous living.

EQUIPPING MEN FOR SERVICE

Activity Building

Teachers: Chris Baker, Steve Jessen, Kevin Rhyne,
Ronnie Smith

Theme: Stepping Up

A call to courageous manhood, this study challenges men in any season of life to make good decisions. It offers a powerful vision for what it means to be a man who truly conquers and wins.

FELLOWSHIP

Founders Hall

Teacher: Ron Ensley, Rick Herd,
Jimmie and Martha Sue Mitchell

Theme: Proverbs

A proverb is wisdom in a poetic nutshell! As we explore the book of Proverbs, we will seek to hear and respond to God's wisdom in every corner of our lives.

JOURNEY

Room 12

Teacher: Chris Baity

Theme: Character That Counts

Do you desire to be a person of character and integrity, one who makes wise decisions? This study is for you. Come get guidance for growing spiritually.

NEW EVE

Room 15

Teachers: Suzy Deneen, Kim Jessen, Nancy Raleigh, Cathy Rhyne

Theme: The Way of the Righteous in the
Muck of Life

This study is from the book of Psalms. In it you will discover foundational truths for right living and for experiencing great delight as children of God.

OPEN BIBLE

Conference Room

Teachers: Don Hensley, Robert Rhyne

Theme: Daniel

Enjoy a verse by verse unfolding of God's message to you as you explore the life and prophecy of Daniel.

ELECTIVE

Room 13

Teachers: Lauren Henderson, Dan King, Martha Sue Mitchell

Theme: Spiritual Disciplines

Come and learn as we explore the spiritual disciplines that can help us grow in godliness. Find practical ways to cultivate them in your personal Christian life.

NEWCOMERS

Room – Pastor Deneen's Office

Teachers: Scott Deneen and Ministry Leaders

Theme: Introduction to First Presbyterian

This class is designed for those may be considering membership or who would simply like to know more about First Presbyterian and the Presbyterian Church in America.

Sunday School

Fall

September - November 2016

Superintendents

Sandy Lasley and Freida Robinson



Sunday, August 28

Christian Education Sunday

All classes will meet together for a

- Sunday School Breakfast
- Promotion Day
- Special Recognition of Our Teachers

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

Children's Ministry Director: Lauren Henderson

NURSERY (Birth to 18 months)

Room 112

Teachers: Judy Billings, Heather Ormsby,
Heather Roberts, Jamie Stewart

The youngest members of our church family experience God's love as they are cared for each Sunday.

TODDLERS (18 months-3 years)

Room 114

Teacher: Sherry Teague

Theme: God's Family

Our toddlers and three's will learn what it means to be a part of God's family. Bring your child to learn the basics of how God created His people and continues to be involved in their lives TODAY!

4's- 6's (4's – currently in kindergarten)

Room 106

Teachers: Ellen Deese, Julie Jessen

Theme: God Leads His People

The children will discover that God calls His people to Himself, and He wants them to trust and follow Him. Through exciting Bible stories about Moses and the Israelites, preschoolers will begin to grasp that God is loving and powerful. He makes and keeps promises, He punishes sin. He redeems His people and saves them.



PRIMARY BOYS/GIRLS (Grades 1, 2)

Room 10

Teacher: Stacey Hall

Theme: Obeying God

Our children will be studying prophets and kings from the Old Testament. They will be exploring their lives and learning what it means to obey God. Taking a peek into King Saul's willfulness, King David's heartfelt repentance for his sin, and the courageous obedience of prophets like Elijah and Daniel will help our children learn to obey and have the proper responses to the Lord's leading.

GRADE SCHOOL BOYS/ GIRLS (Grades 3, 4, 5)

Rooms 18/19

Teacher: Lauren Henderson (Substitute: Lisa Grice)

Theme: God's Grace in the Law

The Ten Commandments are for everyone but they have a special use for believers.

The law serves three purposes:

- 1) The commandments have a general use for everyone. They reveal God's character, God's will and God's judgment. In this manner, they are binding on everyone everywhere at all times.
- 2) The commandments have an evangelistic use. They show sinners their sin and helplessness. They point to Christ – the one who kept this law perfectly and suffered the penalty so that we might be forgiven.
- 3) They have special use for Christians as they guide us in how we, God's redeemed people, are to show our gratitude to God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR YOUTH

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS (Grades 6, 7, 8)

Room 17

Teachers: Dana Baker, Lorie Hamrick

Theme: God's Grace in You

The teenagers will be exploring God's covenant promises. As they explore Genesis through Exodus, they will be reminded that Jesus Christ is the One who fulfills all the requirements of the covenant for them. Our girls will become more confident in understanding scripture, better equipped to obey God with gratitude, and challenged to claim God's promises for themselves.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS (Grades 6, 7, 8)

Room 16

Teachers: Ken and Heather Dake

Theme: God's Grace in You

See description for Middle School Girls.

HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)

Room 14

Teachers: Chris Graham, Charles Hamrick

Theme: Ruth Rocks!

If you look up 'Loyalty' in the dictionary, chances are good you'll see a picture of Ruth! She is the definition of loyalty---to Naomi, to tradition, and to God. And that Boaz fellow is pretty good in the loyalty department as well. Basically---Ruth rocks--She has a great message for all of us!



ARMORBEARER

Prayer Calendar – September 2016

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Scripture tells us that Jesus spoke a parable to the end that “**men ought always to pray and not lose heart**” (Lk. 18). Welcome to the revised format of the Armorbearer prayer calendar. Special thanks to long time participants in this prayer ministry, and special blessings on you that have recently decided to be a part of this vital work. In addition to prayers for Deacons and Elders we have added a new and important feature titled “**Aware Prayer**” for our ministry leaders and staff; we ask you to pray for them regularly, thinking about their lives and area of service. Be aware of ways you might pray for them (examples: pray for Chris if there are sports/youth events or Lauren who may be leading a special children’s program or trip, or the Mitchells on a Global Missions Trip...You get the idea.) Each weekday list different leader/staff persons for prayer. Be aware as the Holy Spirit guides and helps you to pray for those who lead us. They will be blessed, our congregation will be blessed, and you will have made a huge contribution to the overall ministry of First Presbyterian Church and the Kingdom of God.

Chuck and Alice Jessen

The Armorbearer Intercession

Armorbearers were personal attendants of a warrior chieftain who accompanied him in dangerous missions; they held huge shields sometimes surrounding their leader to protect him. **Intercessory prayers** by church members’ can **protect** their leaders from “the flaming arrows of the evil one” and uphold them “that words may be given to me [Paul] in opening my mouth boldly to **proclaim** the mystery of the gospel” (Eph 6:16, 19).

AWARE PRAYER For Ministry Leaders and Staff

Pray daily as the Holy Spirit guides you in thinking about, and praying for, our ministry leaders and staff: Areas of prayer may include special ministries you may know about that they may be doing in a particular week, or special concerns about their health/strength, families/relationships, etc. You may pray for the fruits of the Spirit in their lives and for fruit from their labors. You may be led to pray for vision, wisdom, grace and protection from enemy attacks that would discourage or hinder their service of the Lord. Pray for them as God may bring things to mind and lay them on your heart. The Holy Spirit is our helper as we pray for those who serve him.

Monday: Pastor Scott Deneen, Senior Pastor
Pastor Steve Jessen, Assistant Pastor

Tuesday: Lauren Henderson: Children’s Ministry
Chris Baity: Youth/Sports

Wednesday: Jimmie and Martha Sue Mitchell
Global Outreach, Adult Ed/Care Groups

Thursday: Debbie Smith: Child Development Center
Pastor Dan King: Ministry to Seniors

Friday: Eric Beam, Music Director
Sandra Taylor, Administrative Assistant

Saturday: Pray for those who preach, teach, and lead at FPC on Sunday.

Daily Prayer Requests for Elders/Deacons

- 1 **Dan Ormsby:** Please pray for healing for my dad who has blood on the brain causing weakness, dizziness and upset stomach.
- 2 **Matt Ormsby:** Pray that the gym roof construction goes smoothly and in a timely way.
- 3 **Jerry Ratchford:** Pray for Janet and me as we care for aging mothers with many health issues.
- 4 **Percy Raleigh:** Pray that the LORD JESUS will continue to guide and strengthen my faith.
- 5 **Grady Rhyne:** Pray for teachers and children to grow in knowledge and faith as they begin new school terms.
- 6 **Robert Rhyne:** Pray for young adults going off to college, as they confront temptation, that they will hold tight to prayer and their witness for Christ.
- 7 **Johnny Smith:** Pray for Kelsey as she enters a new step in her new life at college.
- 8 **Chris Baity:** Please for wisdom for my wife and I as we have some big decisions coming up.
- 9 **Chris Baker:** Pray for all our children and school teachers. May God keep all of them safe and may they see the fruits of their class work.
- 10 **Tommy Barton:** Pray that as officers we will seek the things of God's Kingdom first.
- 11 **Clyde Haley:** Pray for our nation that God would lead us back to Him.
- 12 **Charles Hamrick:** Pray for all of our college students and their families.
- 13 **Mark Harper:** Please continue to pray for my daughter Emma as the doctors look for potential causes of her migraine headaches.
- 14 **Joel Jessen:** Pray that the peace of Christ would rule over our household as we face the challenges of daily life.
- 15 **Mark Johnson:** Pray for our daughter in her final year of High School.
- 16 **Leon Lineberger:** Pray for continued improvement in Kathy's mobility.
- 17 **Garry Lucas:** Pray for those of us who are grandparents to be good examples for the kids.
- 18 **Jimmie Mitchell:** Pray that God would help me and all FPC members to grow in our knowledge and service to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 19 **Dan Ormsby:** Please continue to pray for my dad and his medical challenges.
- 20 **Matt Ormsby:** Pray that the outreach committee will be able to find team leaders for the new format of the Christmas Scenes.
- 21 **Jerry Ratchford:** Pray the Lord to raise up young men who are able and willing to serve as officers of FPC.
- 22 **Percy Raleigh:** Pray that my brother Doug will follow and grow in Christ!
- 23 **Grady Rhyne:** Pray for spiritual and moral revival in our churches and in our country.
- 24 **Robert Rhyne:** Prayer for leadership to always bathe kingdom work in prayer.
- 25 **Johnny Smith:** Please pray for my dad for God to bring healing to his back.
- 26 **Chris Baity:** Pray that God will guide and direct our ministry with the youth and for all who help with that important work.
- 27 **Chris Baker:** Please pray for the leaders and staff of our church. May their hearts be open to God's will for them and our church.
- 28 **Tommy Barton:** Pray for our nation to look to God to deliver us from evil and moral collapse.
- 29 **Clyde Haley:** Pray for our church to continue to walk in the pathways of our Lord, and for His blessing on us as we serve.
- 30 **Charles Hamrick:** Pray for our Sunday School teachers as they share God's word.

Praise and Thanksgivings

- Praise for recent engagement of my stepson Mark and his fiancé Kaylee.
Jerry Ratchford
- Thanks be to God who has provided us with faithful pastors who preach the word of God and love his people.
Dan Ormsby