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# September 2020



## A Letter from the Pastor

When something finishes, something else usually begins. When you leave one place, you go to another place. In the book of Exodus this same principle is at work. God delivers His people, the Israelites, FROM slavery in Egypt. God delivers His people TO a glorious relationship with Him, as His people through whom God would bless the whole world. They left Egypt to fulfill God's purpose for them. They were delivered FROM and delivered TO. They not only were rescued from all the bad that was in Egypt. They were rescued to be the people of God who enjoyed His presence and His blessing. The same is the case for us as Christians today. We are delivered from slavery to sin and death to be the people of God who enjoy His presence and His blessing. And just like the Israelites, God has a mission for His people. God is a God of deliverance. And it's not just deliverance FROM all that is bad. It is also deliverance TO all that is good and holy and righteous.

Beginning September 27, we will journey through the book of Exodus in our sermon series. I invite you to join me in reading Exodus throughout the next few weeks. Consider reading a chapter or even just a few paragraphs each day. Feel free to email me any comments or questions that you have as you read through Exodus at [pastor@chatfumc.org](mailto:pastor@chatfumc.org).

Blessings,  
Pastor Graham



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### *Sunday*

9 AM In-Person Worship Service  
10 AM Sunday School  
11 AM In-Person Worship Service  
11 AM Facebook Live Worship

### *Wednesday*

7 PM Youth Meeting

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 1 Preschool Open House 5-7 PM
- Sept. 9 UMW Meeting
- Sept. 20 UMM Meeting



# MINISTRIES

## Upcoming Sermons

- **Sept. 6 Galatians 3** **The World Needed a Tutor**
- **Sept. 13 Psalm 23** **Inside the 23rd Psalm (Guest Preacher Rev. Ted Smith)**
- **Sept. 20 Matthew 7:1-6** **Clearing Your Moral Vision**
- **Sept. 27 Exodus 1:1-2:10** **Exodus: The Need for Deliverance**

## Children's Ministry



On Sunday, March 15, we were scheduled to recognize Liam for perfect attendance. Of course, we have been unable to have Sunday School since then. Recently we were able to present Liam a Bible for his commitment to attendance. Congratulations Liam! We are very proud of you.

We are excited about starting in person Sunday School and Table Talk on Sunday, September 6. Classrooms will be sanitized and plans will be made to allow for social distancing in the classes. We look forward to seeing everyone who can attend, and we will be in touch with any unable to come at this time.

## Mission Committee/King's Clothesline

The Missions Committee has not slowed down during the COVID 19 pandemic, if anything, they have been busier! The needs continue for clothing and food in our community and our church has stepped up to help. There is not a week that goes by without one or two families requesting help. Your generosity in gifts of clothing and food items has allowed the church to minister to these needs. All those that have been helped seem genuinely appreciative.

## United Methodist Women

The UMW would like to congratulate **Kim Dailey as our SMR pin recipient for 2020**. UMW will be meeting on **September 9 at 11:00**. After the meeting we will have lunch at pizza king





# MINISTRIES

## United Methodist Men

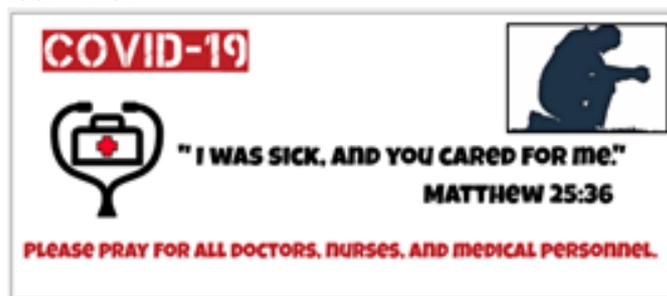
The United Methodist Men would like to thank all the helpers who worked during the recent Pancake Breakfast that was rescheduled from March because of the COVID 19 breakout. Paula Adams, Lou Walls, and Deborah Yarbrough worked very hard and have been made 'official members of the UMM'! Thanks also to those that purchased tickets and made the event a success netting over \$800 that the men will donate to worthy causes. Plans are underway for the Annual BBQ in October. The next meeting will be at 8:00am on September 20, and all men of the church ages 18 to 108 are encouraged to attend.

## Tornado Relief

Earlier this year a tornado came through Murray County destroying many homes and affecting many more lives. The relief efforts of our community, including our church, were amazing. Many of you volunteered your time and resources to help. In addition to the generosity of our church, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) contributed \$10,000 toward relief efforts. Recently, we were contacted by the Salvation Army about a home that still had roof damage that had not been repaired. With the remaining money from the UMCOR grant and the money that had been given to our church for the purpose of helping with relief and recovery efforts, we joined with the Salvation Army in paying for the roof repairs. Thank you for your generosity and for being a means of God's grace to our community.

## Evangelism Committee

Over the past few months our Evangelism Committee, led by Bill Silvers, has led efforts to bless doctors, nurses, and all medical personnel while they fight on the front lines against Covid-19. With the goals of blessing and encouraging, a bumper sticker was designed and thousands have already been given away to hospitals and other places. These bumper stickers seek to recognize their important work and to encourage others to pray for them. Please pray that God uses these as a blessing to many as our world continues to combat Covid-19. Also, we have some available in the church office if you would like one for yourself or to give away to someone who works in the medical field.



## Youth

We are excited to launch youth group for the new school year! Youth group will meet Wednesday nights at 7:00, beginning September 9th. Our youth ministry strives to create an environment of Christian fellowship, where our young people can build a robust foundation of faith, by grasping the deep truths of scripture through learning and discussing God's word. Through prayer, Bible study, and Christian fellowship, our goal is to make our youth wise for salvation (2 Timothy 3:15), leading them to live life to the fullest (John 10:10) in Christ.

I encourage everyone in our church to pray for our youth ministry, especially in these strange times. My prayer is for God's will to be done in this church, as we ask Him to pour out His grace and blessings on our community, our church, and our youth.

Thank you,  
Clay Thornbury



## HOMEBOUND/MISS YOU ADDRESSES

See attached list of homebound members or those in nursing homes. Feel free to send cards or gifts to those who are unable to attend worship services.

Reginald (Joyce) Craft	520 G.I. Maddox Pkwy	Chatsworth, GA 30705
Ragan Elrod	527 E Austin Drive	Chatsworth, GA 30705
Floyd Franklin	Pleasant Valley Assisted Living 510 Reed Rd.	Dalton, GA 30720
June Griffin	P.O. Box 94	Chatsworth, GA 30705
Marie Leonard	Tranquility of Dalton 986 Orchard Way	Dalton, GA 30721
Ethel Rutledge	229 Gryder Road	Chatsworth, GA 30705

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Family of Carolyn Jones**- She passed away on Friday, August 28. She was a longtime member of our church and sister of James Adams and Dian Green.

**Joy Dill** (Sandy Hickman) She broke both bones in her ankle. Please pray for her recovery.

**Bobby Etheridge** (Pam Etheridge) is having issues with swallowing - he is on a liquid diet because he can't get anything else down. He is weak and tires very easily. However, his back is slowly healing. Thank you all and God bless.

**Bryan McConkey** (Melissa Sneads) is under a ton of pressure and his patience has just about hit its limit. Please pray that everything calms down soon so that he can get back to normal.

**Tom Williams** (Kathy Ballew) tested positive for COVID19, is at Erlanger Hospital.

**Phyllis Parrott Bagley** (Wayne McDaniel) currently hospitalized in California - hoping to be moved to a rehab facility soon. Phyllis is originally from Chatsworth but now resides in California.

**Shea Green Hopf** (Gary & Dian Green's daughter) she has a lot of pain in her back from previous cancer and can no longer walk. She is in the hospital and they are unable to treat her current cancer until her back pain is resolved. Please pray that the back pain is resolved and that she can receive her cancer treatment.

**Tom Williams** (Kathy Ballew) in ICU at Erlanger Hospital with Covid. They have been keeping him sedated. His kidneys are shutting down so they put in a port for dialysis; however, they put it in the wrong artery and he is now in surgery to repair that artery and put it in the correct one. As you know the family can not be with him.

**John Waters** (Sheree McEntire/Nancy Long) still hospitalized and on a ventilator with COVID. He is constantly going through ups and downs. Please pray that he starts to recover in Godspeed.

**Gail Waters**, John's mom (Sheree McEntire) recovering from COVID at home.

**Elinor Amsler** (Lou Walls' mother) has been suffering with a bedsore for several weeks and is not doing well. She has stopped eating and drinking and now they're just trying to keep her comfortable and pain free. Also, pray for Lou, her sister, and the rest of their family.

**Pam Parker** (Filbert Lewis, She works at Dr. Patterson's office) has endured several surgeries and needs healing from cancer.

**Tracey and Eric Steelman** (Sandy Hickman) both have Covid19

Please remember all of our shut-ins as they are not only unable to get out in public; many of them can't and/or don't have any visitors due to COVID.



# PRAISE/WELCOME/SYMPATHY

## Praise

**Carter Allen Townsend** (Lori Townsend) arrived 8/4/2020. Carter is the son of **Chad and Stephanie Townsend**. Carter is the grandson of **Chris & Lori Townsend**.



## Christian Sympathy is Extended to

**Dr. Yara Fattouh** - Yara's mother died suddenly and unexpectedly. Please pray for Dr. Fattouh and her family.  
**Brad Ridley & Family** - as they mourn the loss of his mother, Martha Ridley, who died suddenly a few days ago. Please pray for Brad and his family as they are also still mourning the loss of his brother, Ken, who died just a few weeks ago.



## Remember our Family/Friends in Service

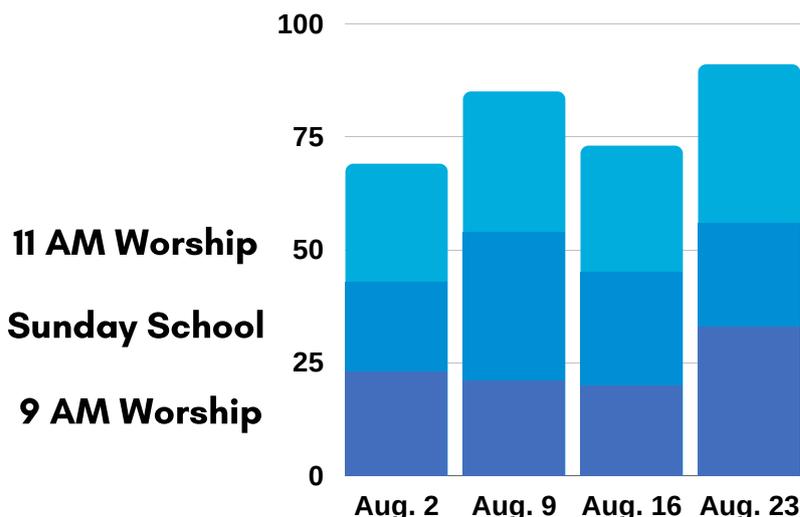


# MEMORIAL GIFTS/DONATIONS

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| Bill & Mary Ann Black   | Playground Fund | In Memory of Virginia Adams |
| Ruth Ann Holcomb        | Roof Repair     | In Memory of Virginia Adams |
| Ted & Deborah Yarbrough | Operations      | In Memory of Virginia Adams |
| Bill & Ruth Woods       | Operations      | In Memory of Virginia Adams |
| Bill & Ruth Woods       | Operations      | In Memory of Doug Griffin   |
| Bill & Ruth Woods       | Operations      | In Memory of Billy Ledford  |



## Attendance



## Tithes/Offerings

Operations  
MTD  
\$16,840.00

YTD  
\$188,032.00  
(as of August 12th)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Shower Committee would like to announce the birth of  
**Carter Allen Townsend,**  
infant son of  
**Chad & Stephanie Townsend,**  
and grandson of  
**Chris & Lori Townsend.**

Due to the rising numbers of COVID cases,  
Chad, Stephanie, and Carter will be sheltering in place;  
therefore we are planning to shower this family  
at home by mailing them gift cards.  
If you would like to Congratulate this couple and celebrate  
the birth of their firstborn son,  
you can mail a gift card to their home (at the address below).  
\*Registered at Walmart  
and Amazon.

**Chad & Stephanie Townsend**  
**1860 Spring Place Resaca Rd**  
**Resaca, GA 30735**

## Food Drive



- Donations may be placed in the collection box in the Narthex or brought to the church office.
- Non-perishable food items (cans of veggies and soup, boxes of cereal, mac-n-cheese, etc.)
- We will distribute these as families make appointments to visit the King's Clothesline.

## BIRTHDAYS

September 1	Mrs. June Griffin
September 4	Ms. Missy Sneads
September 7	Ms. Joy Dill
September 14	Mrs. Lou Walls
September 16	Mr. Tommy Kendrick
September 18	Mrs. Sandy Griffin
September 22	Ms. Lois Tilson
September 22	Mr. Aaron Adams
September 25	Mrs. Barbara Benford
September 28	Mrs. Barbara Grider
September 29	Mr. Blaine Thornbury
September 30	Mr. Bill Green