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UPDATE ON THE HEN HOUSE LITIGATION

Dear Congregation:

On behalf of the Trustees, I want to give you an update on the status of the Hen House property acquisition.

As you will recall, in the fall of 2025, the Hen House's owner, Ms. Sonya Johnson-Rome, approached the church and offered to sell us the property. The parties signed a *binding* contract, scheduled to close on December 30, 2025, and the church gave her \$500.00 earnest money.

At the eleventh hour, Ms. Johnson-Rome changed her mind and refused to honor the contract, which was set to expire on December 31, 2025. She did this after accepting our \$500.00 earnest money. I received unverified intelligence that, after signing the contract with us, Ms. Johnson-Rome made a side deal with a third party and was attempting to sell the property to them instead, presumably for a higher purchase price, which, if true, was unlawful on her part.

Had our contract expired without us taking further action, we would have lost our earnest money and would likely never have been given the opportunity to purchase the property again. After all attempts to bring Ms. Johnson-Rome to the negotiating table at that time failed, in order to preserve our contract rights, the Trustees authorized me (at my recommendation) to seek legal recourse to temporarily preserve the status quo and prevent our contract from expiring.

After filing the resulting action seeking specific performance of the contract, I reached out to Ms. Johnson-Rome once again in an effort to get her to enter meaningful discussions with the Trustees to reach an amicable resolution to the situation without litigation. She once again refused to even so much as discuss the matter.

Finally, in May 2026, after all attempts to negotiate failed, I filed a motion for summary judgment, asking the Superior Court to declare that, as a matter of law, Ms. Johnson-Rome did not have a valid case and had no justification to refuse to honor the contract. On September 9, 2026, during a hearing on my motion, Judge Paul Rose granted my motion and ruled in the church's favor, commanding Ms. Johnson-Rome to comply with her obligations under the contract and complete the sale of the Hen House property to the church.

Rather than come quietly, Ms. Johnson-Rome then informed Judge Rose that she intends to appeal his order. Assuming she does that within the next thirty days, the case will be going up to the Georgia Court of Appeals for review. I am confident that they will uphold Judge Rose's ruling, but this will further delay things, as appeals can frequently take a year or longer. Until then, it will remain status quo. If she does not appeal, then she will have to complete the closing within sixty days. I will update the congregation as events transpire.

If anyone has questions or would like a more thorough explanation of the situation, please reach out to me directly at [\(912\) 237-2706](tel:9122372706), and I will be happy to discuss in greater detail.

Sincerely,

Dylan Edward Mulligan
Attorney at Law



Listed below is the altar flower schedule for this month.

20th Sheryl S. Manson
27th Lacey Parker



Glennville Methodist Church Greeter Schedule

20th Will & Angelynne Sheffield
27th Jimmy Beasley, John Fletcher
& Casey Yarbrough (11 a.m.)



Hall Monitor Schedule

20th Wendy Durrence
27th Trent Hart



*Choir Practice -

Wednesday Nights @ 7:00 p.m.

*Sunday Mornings -

Meet in the Choir Room 30 minutes before worship (8:30 and / or 10:30 a.m.)

*Bring Your Spaghetti-Os!

Let's please help support our Backpack Buddies Ministry & bring cans of Spaghetti-Os & drop them off in the church vestibule!

*Coming Soon - Christmas Cantata Preparation!

Christmas will be here before we know it! We will soon begin practicing music for our 2026 Christmas Cantata!

I look forward to seeing you!
God Bless,
Mary Anne

Make A Joyful Noise

Psalm 100:1-2 (NIV)

*"Shout for joy to the Lord,
all the earth. Worship the Lord
with gladness; come before him
with joyful songs."*



Harvest Sunday is November 22, 2026!

The GMC Trustees are seeking project proposals from the congregation. If you have a project suggestion, please contact TJ Quarles at 678-591-0004 by Saturday, October 17, 2026.



to teach the
2nd and 4th Sundays
of each month.



Fun, sweet class of kids
Pre-K through 2nd grade
(approximately)

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."
Mark 10:14

Please reach out to **Jennie Huffman**
at 912-980-5252.

Remembering You on Your Special Day!



September 20 – September 26

20	Lynne Sikes	23	Mike Caldwell
	Zach Flournoy	26	Will Durham
21	Pete Blocker		
	Grace Rogers		
	Jason Whitlow		
22	Glenn Durrence		



September 20 – September 26

25 Abe & Lacey Parker

If we do not have your family's birthdays and anniversaries, please call the Church office at 654-2587.

Prayer Concerns

CRISIS

•Betty Sands

Debby Burkhalter
Wayne Easterling
Tim Tarver
David Wright
Ricky McDowell
Edward Driggers
Quinn Flournoy
Tarri Almstead
Kathy McGee
Wyndall Walters
Joe Odom
Kay Dasher
Wendell Durrence
Cameron Simmons
Adam Bland
Marley Dykes
Sharlene Randall
Bogee Lee
Cindy & Lee Sheffield

•Charles Greer

Joe McIlwain
Ann Whiten
Tim Bland
Larry McLeod
Tommy Ray
Janice Sampson
Jeff Weathers
Bennie Tootle
Georgia Kate Anderson
Danny Terrell
Gary Hill
Rusty Bradford
Elizabeth Sheffield
Elder Steve Flowers
Rhonda Walters
Corene Jones
Mickey Trageser
Karen Browne

Elaine Keels
Geraldine Berry
Hub & Pat Daniel
Ricky Wilson
Claire Kennedy
Westley Bland
Cheryl Whelan
Jon Dasher
Kurt Limpert
Gail Stanek
Emmaclaire Howard
Donna Tootle
Harry Sands
Deb Rutkowski
Debbie Waters
Lucinda Wright
Keegan Dooley
Trey Brannen
Sandra Amon

Matthew Todd
Darrie Randall
David Caldwell
Heather Lazar
Frankie Thompson
Louise Dasher
Judy Bland
Willie Bland
Anthony Smith
Haze Conley
The Barnard Family
Patty Kicklighter
Art Durrence
Libby Reeves
Charlie Bec
Bob Rutkowski
Sherry Smith
Jane Anderson
Julie Todd

GENERAL

Kaycee O'Neal	Martael Brannen
Louise Bradley	Pam Jones
Dot Bogardus	Summer Beckner
Michael Groover	Sue Rogers
James & Jenna Roberts (Missionaries)	

Sonny Medlock
Ronnie Durrence
Dean Slusser
Railey Sheffield

College Students
Debbie Lynn
Dennis Barnard

MILITARY

Our troubled Nation & World
Our Country amid recent attacks

Our Government's Leaders
Worldwide Unrest

Service Men & Women
Wars in Israel, Middle East, Ukraine, & Russia



Glennville Methodist Church Worship Attendance

	<u>September 6</u>	<u>September 13</u>
9:00 a.m.:	43	73
Children's Church:	0	28
Sunday School	0	0
11:00 a.m.:	30	45
Online:	45	37
Total in Person Attendance:	75	146
Total Attendance	120	183
Youth Group Total:	0	33
Caswell Kids:	12	0



Help us support our Backpack Buddies Ministry!

Once again we are collecting cans of Spaghettios to help with the Backpack Buddies. Please help us by bringing in your cans of spaghettios and dropping them off in the church vestibule.



SAVE THE DATE!

OCTOBER 4

3:00-5:00

GMC PLAYGROUND

CASWELL KIDS

WEDNESDAYS

5:00-7:00

5:00- Playground Fun

6:00- PRIMETIME SUPPER

6:30- Lesson

Starting September 9

Senior Ministry

The following are Senior members or family of members. Please take time out of your schedule to pray for, send a card to or visit these loved ones. It will be a blessing to their day as well as yours!

At Home Senior Living in Jesup

Jesup, GA

Susan "Corene" Jones

Glennville Nursing Home

Velma Salter

Debbie Waters

The Lodge at Bethany

Statesboro, GA

Dot Bogardus

Magnolia Manor

Richmond Hill, GA

Jane Thompson



This year's Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, October 18th, at the end of the Church Council meeting.

We encourage those that are chairpersons of our ministries to turn in a report so that the church can see what has been accomplished in the past year. If you wish to include a report, please turn it in to the church office by Wednesday, October 7th.



A Family of Prayer

Acts tells us about a man named Cornelius. He was a Roman soldier who worshiped God and prayed with his family. God used Cornelius to help Peter learn an important truth: God welcomes everyone who loves Him and does what is right.

*Solve the math problems using the grid.
Then use the key to find the letter for each
answer. Write each letter on the blank to
discover what Cornelius and his family did.*

GRID

A	B
2	4
C	D
6	5

KEY

a = 7 e = 8
i = 10 o = 9
u = 11 y = 6

"H e nd ll h s f m l
A+C A+D A+D B+C A+D B+C A+B

w r d v t nd
A+C A+C A+C B+D C+D A+D

G d-f r ng; h g v
B+D A+C A+D B+C A+C A+D A+C

g n r sl t th s n
A+C A+C B+D C+D A+B B+D B+D A+C B+C

n d nd pr y d t G d
A+C A+C A+D A+D A+B A+C B+D

r g l rl ." cts 10:2, NIV
A+C C+D A+D A+B A+D

Answers: "He and all his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly." Acts 10:2, NIV

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4 Ways You Can Connect:



1. **Worship.** Join us for worship on Sunday mornings. We have 2 services: 9 and 11AM in the sanctuary with a nursery provided for both services. and 9AM online a; youtube.com/glennvillemc; facebook.com/glennvillemc; and twitter.com/glennvillemc

2. **Call a Member.** Call a church member. Check on them and spend some time chatting. Consider calling someone you don't know as well. If you are a member of the church, we can get you a copy of the most up-to-date contact information for our church membership.

3. **Giving.** Your giving matters to God and the church! If you are able, please continue to give. You can give at any of our in-person worship services. You can also mail your tithes and offerings to the church. If you use online banking, you can also instruct your bank to send a check to the church.

4. **Serving the Community.** Jesus said we are the salt of the earth. Salt isn't meant to stay in the shaker; it's meant to be poured out. If you are able, find a way to serve. Help someone who can't get out; write a note to residents in assisted living; assist someone with technology. Find a way to continue making a difference for Christ in our community!