

HIGHLIGHTS

College Park Baptist Church

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From Your Pastor...

Sunday was a wonderful day of worship! For all of you who participated in our combined service this past Sunday, I am very grateful for your kind words of encouragement! We had over 225 people (we couldn't get a really accurate count, but we were estimating the number of empty chairs) on a day that some said we probably wouldn't have very good attendance. I know the format of the service was a stretch for many of you, just as the combined Christmas Day service was a stretch for many of our people who normally attend the 9:00 service. As I said Sunday, I am very grateful to serve in a church that has the patience to make multiple services/styles work **for** us... instead of **against** us!

2012 is going to be a challenging year for us, but it seems like we hear that every year, huh? There is a lot going on nationally and globally that could make us lose hope, but I serve a God who is still in control and is never surprised. One of my

favorite quotes is from a professor I had in seminary: "Has it ever occurred to you that nothing 'occurs' to God?" Again, the idea is that God knows everything that has/will happen in the course of human history, so He is not surprised by anything...and still He allows us free will! My prayer is that we, individually and as a body, will seek to glorify God with the choices we make this coming new year. I challenge each of us to read God's Word more earnestly than ever and apply His Word daily. I challenge each of us to actively disciple younger believers and strive to model what a maturing believer looks/acts like for all to witness. And I challenge each of us to love unconditionally as our God loves us! If we will do these things, then 2012 can be the best year we have ever experienced...no matter what is happening around us! Amen? Amen!

Blessings and Peace,
Ramon

Our Mission...

*"A people gathered in Christ;
nurtured in His Spirit;
and sent in His name."*



THE WORSHIP OF GOD



January 8, 2011

11:00 a.m.

Deacon Ordination

N'Earl Godwin & Doug Somers
will be ordained

Celebrate the Coming of the Lord!
Sanctuary Choir

January 15, 2011

11:00 a.m.

My Eternal King
Sanctuary Choir

Sending a Boy to Do a Man's Work?
I Samuel 3:1-10
Ramon Smith

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A NOTE FROM MARY



This Sunday is the first Sunday of Epiphany which commemorates Christ's coming to the Gentiles as evidenced by His revelation to the Magi. In light of that fact, I thought I would share an Epiphany hymn:

Wise Men, They Came to Look for Wisdom

Wise men, came to look for wisdom, finding One wiser than they knew;
Rich men, they met with One yet richer-King of the kings they knelt to You:
Jesus our wisdom from above, wealth and redemption, life and love.

Pilgrims they were, from unknown countries, searching for One who knows the world
Lost are the names and strange their journeys, famed is their zeal to find the Child.
Jesus in You the lost are claimed, aliens are found and known and named.

Magi, they stooped to see your splendor, led by a star and light supreme;
Promised Messiah, Lord eternal, glory and peace are in your name:
Joy of each day, our song by night, shine on our path your holy light.

Guests of their God, they opened treasures, incense and gold and solemn myrrh;
Welcoming One too young to question how came these gifts, and what they were:
Gift beyond price of gold or gem, make among us your Bethlehem.
-Christopher Idle

IN TOUCH...with Jeff

Are you following us on Twitter?

If you are big into social media or if you are not even sure what social media is exactly, we have many ways for you to stay up-to-date with everything happening at College Park. We have long used our web site, newsletters, emails, and various publications. Recently we have added Twitter as another source of information. Make sure to "Follow" the accounts below to get the latest news.



- @ReCreationCPBC ~ Re:Creation Worship Service Twitter account
- @creationkids ~ Children's Ministry Twitter account
- @youthatthepark ~ Youth Ministry Twitter account

Attention Parents of Teenagers and Children...

We are inviting you to something new we are having just for you during a few Wednesday nights in January. It is a seminar we are creating called...

Tech Support for Parents

An Introduction to Your Child's Connected World
January 11 and 25 ~ 6:45-7:30 PM ~ Coffee House



Do you know the difference between a status update and a tweet? Do you know what "xoxo" means on a text? We will cover these topics and more as we cover the basics of Facebook, Twitter, Text Messaging, and other forms of social media. Our goal is to help you be informed on how to help your child use these forms of communication effectively and safely. So come with your questions and we will see you on January 11!

Offering for International Missions

Goal: \$25,000

Received to Date:

Lottie Moon	\$15,549.85
CBF Global	<u>3,797.12</u>
	\$19,346.97

The Girls in Action group has something very special in store for the Spring Fling this year, and we need your help! The girls will be hosting a silent auction to raise money for the Youth Summer Mission Trip. We need themed baskets to auction off. You may choose to donate items for a basket, complete a whole basket yourself, or join with others to complete a basket. Let's see all the variety and creativity we can come up with to support our children and youth! All items need to be to the GA's by the end of March.

Thank You College Park! Your generosity made it possible for our Girls in Action to donate \$324.25 to Lottie Moon/Global Missions. We appreciate your support of our Christmas Craft Sale!

Lost and Found

Please check our "Lost and Found" in the church office if you are missing any items. We have several pairs of eye-glasses and several Bibles, some jewelry, etc.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Junior/Senior Retreat to Gatlinburg January 14-16 (date change)

Attention all high school Juniors and Seniors! You are invited to this year's Junior/Senior Leadership Retreat which is being held in Gatlinburg on January 14-16. We will leave after all the basketball games are over on Saturday, and we will return just before dinner on Monday. The cost for the retreat is \$110. All the other details will be available soon on the web site and our Facebook page. The sign-up deadline is Sunday, January 8. Make sure you turn in your balance by January 8 to secure your spot. Don't miss it!

Hoops4Him Basketball

Upcoming Game Schedule

Saturday, January 7

9:00 AM Intermediate Boys (at St. John's Lutheran)
 10:00 AM Junior Boys (at Calvary Baptist)
 12:00 PM Girls (at Old Town Baptist)
 2:00 PM High School Boys (at Calvary Baptist)

Saturday, January 14

9:00 AM Intermediate Boys (at St. John's Lutheran)
 10:00 AM Junior Boys (at Calvary Baptist)
 12:45 PM High School Boys (at Calvary Baptist)
 2:00 PM Girls (at Old Town Baptist)

An Update from the Facility Update Committee...

Many of us agree that 2011 was a year of great blessings throughout our church. One of these blessings has been the completion of the education building renovation project. God's guiding hand was evident throughout that process. Our committee is thankful for the many people who made this phase of our current construction project so successful. We give glory to God for His faithfulness and providence.



As we celebrate what God has done in the completed renovation of the education building, the church is also looking to begin the construction of the approved gymnasium and Smith Hall renovations. We are actively working on this process. In addition to this work, our committee has become aware of additional construction/renovation needs throughout the church. This includes the long-discussed connector between the sanctuary and chapel as well as additional renovations deemed necessary due to the recent space swap between the Adult 4 and Youth Departments.

It is our intention to bring both the approved projects and these new projects into one proposal during a called church conference in late February (please note this change from last month's article). The regularly scheduled business conference on January 18 will serve as the first of several information sessions when church members can ask questions. Several more sessions will be held in the weeks leading up to the called conference. A schedule of all the important dates will be mailed to each home and publicized widely over the coming weeks. During the called conference, the church will vote on how to move forward given all the information secured by the appropriate committees including a recommendation on funding.

Our committee looks forward to 2012 with great anticipation in regards to these construction projects and ministry opportunities. We ask for your prayers as we play our part in building God's kingdom here at College Park!

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY Gift for January Toilet Tissue

Received last month as CPBC:
 15 bottles of cooking oil
 5 bottles of laundry detergent
 5 boxes of pasta
 7 cans of vegetables
 4 baking items
 1 bag of sugar
 1 box of cereal

*"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me."
 Matthew 25:40*

IN THE HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last two weeks:

Chuck Barbee
Pete Bodenheimer
Willie Bond
Robert Huff
Melba Jones
Roger Jones

A gracious note of appreciation has been received and posted on the bulletin board from Bob and Jan Doty.

Notice to Donors

Please do not file your 2011 tax return before receiving your contribution statement from the church. IRS guidelines state that contributions may be disallowed if your return is filed before receiving your statement. Statements will go out early in January.

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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

<u>Jan. 8</u>	<u>Jan. 15</u>
Jeff Cayton	Carolyn Matthews
Stephanie Cayton	Linda Palmer
Melissa May	Lori Cogdill
Lora Clayton	Elizabeth Hinson
Sybil McBride	Ann Heller
June Crabbe	Stefanie Morris

Greeters

<u>Jan. 8</u>	<u>Jan. 15</u>
Sarah Hauser	John Vogler
Tony Perkins	Jim Pernell

Properties Committee

<u>Jan. 8</u>	<u>Jan. 15</u>
Mike Beeson	Mitch Edmonds

Information Center for January

Jeff Rawls	Pete Bodenheimer
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Deacon of the Week

<u>Jan. 8 - Jan. 14</u>	<u>Jan. 15 - Jan. 21</u>
Russell Talley	Joseph Alexander

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

	<u>Dec. 25</u>	<u>Jan. 1</u>
Re:Creation Worship	N/A	237
Sunday School	N/A	144
11:00 Worship	171	N/A
Brookridge	25	42

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Month of November, 2011

Budget Beginning Balance	\$36,480.04
Budget Receipts	\$52,723.10
Budget Expenditures	\$64,132.88
Budget Ending Balance	\$25,070.26

Year to Date 2011

Budget Beginning Balance	\$6,687.98
Budget Receipts	\$709,491.30
Budget Expenditures	\$691,109.02
Budget Ending Balance	\$25,070.26
Building Fund Balance	\$209,793.35

Wednesday Supper

January Menu

Soup
Sandwiches
Desserts
Drinks

If you would be interested in serving as a Sunday Greeter, please call Vicky Palmer (760-0674). We would like to add several more people to this group to help us welcome guests and members on Sunday morning.