

June 2017



Rich and I are excited about starting a new year here at Little River. We have made some wonderful Christian friends and are still learning about your many stories and dreaming big and praying bigger. Maybe some of you wonder about what this means and where the idea came from?

When I was asking God about what we might focus on at Little River, I felt these words summarized God's dreams for us: Never stop dreaming and when you dream, dream big—because God's resources, both people and financial, are limitless. We know God wants us to join Him in accomplishing His dreams. How do we do this? When we will step out in faith and seek God's advice for what to do and how to follow Him, God will be pleased with us and we will make God's dreams a reality here at Little River. Please put away fears, what if's, we've never done that before, or we tried it and it did not work, and pray with us for God's wisdom and insights. Pray that our church will become a place where all people can experience God, find what they've been seeking in their relationship with God and others—a place filled with joy.

We love you all and look forward to working with you to extend God's kingdom and bless our community!



**Pastor Gale's Moment**

**Shepherds**

The SHEPHERDS will be taking a rest during the summer. Prayerfully, we will reorganize in the fall. In the meantime, if you have any special needs, please contact any member of the Monday Morning Prayer Group. Thanks to all the past Shepherds for your attention and loyalty to your sheep. Please be praying for guidance for this program.

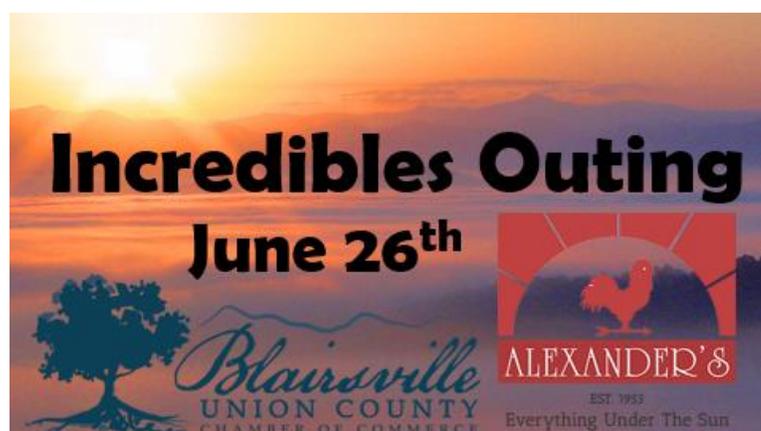
God Bless. Sandra

# MONDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

The MONDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP continues to meet every Monday @ 10:30AM. We are sending an average of cards of 15 each week. Also, Roy and Peggy continue to visit our folks who are sick or just need company. It is always a special time for those who attend. The group appreciates the church family and your support. Please keep the group and this cause in your prayers. Please come and meet with us anytime, or if you



can't come, please pray with us wherever you are. If you have any concerns that we need to pray for, feel free to call Jenny Mitchell @ [770.926.3172](tel:770.926.3172) or Sandra Wehunt @ [770.926.3595](tel:770.926.3595). You may email, if you prefer, [SandraWehunt1@yahoo.com](mailto:SandraWehunt1@yahoo.com).



## INCREDIBLES NEWS

The INCREDIBLES are having a fun summer. On Tuesday, June 13th, 14 met for breakfast at the Woodstock Chick-fil-a Dwarf House. It was a special time with 2 guests, Paulette Goddard and Ginny Green. We missed those who couldn't attend. On June 26th, we will drive to Alexanders in Blairsville for some shopping .If you don't want to shop, you can sit on the benches and enjoy the beauty around you. We will have lunch at the Rib Country Restaurant. We plan to leave around 9am. Rich is planning to take the van and we will have plenty of cars available, if necessary. Please let Roy, Peggy or Sandra know by June 24th. Thank you, Roy and Peggy for planning this fun trip. The cost will be around \$15.00 which includes van fee and



lunch. Please make your plans to join us on the 26th. On July 11th, we will have our regular monthly breakfast @ the Chick-fil-a. Come join this great group. Any questions, please call Jenny @ 770.926.3172 or Sandra @ 770.926.3595 or email [SandraWehunt1@yahoo.com](mailto:SandraWehunt1@yahoo.com).

## Help Spread the Love!

Please make plans to join our UMW immediately after church on Sunday, July 9th to make PB&J sack lunches! Summer time can often be difficult for families in need and many of the children in our county may go unfed. Our UMW has partnered with MUST Ministries for several years to help make sack lunches that will be delivered to children in our local area.



Many hands make light work, so come on down and help 'spread' the love!!

Please join us.

**Paula Goddard - UMW President 2017**

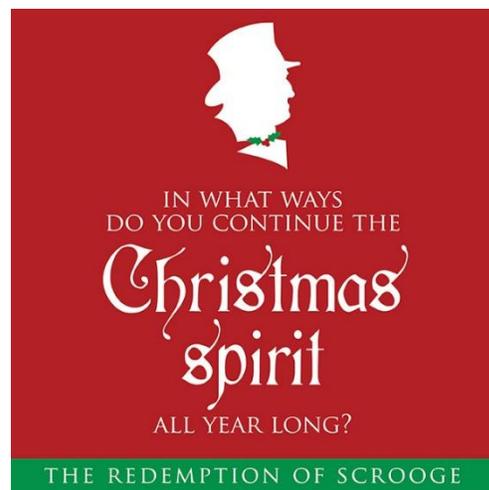
**678-234-6909** [Goddard.Paula@yahoo.com](mailto:Goddard.Paula@yahoo.com)

## Summer Bible Study: Christmas in July!

Christmas decorations, sing a carol or three, have some Christmas fun in July!

This year's Summer Bible Study will be a study of Advent and Christmas "The Redemption of Scrooge" by Max Rawle.

This study is based on Charles Dickens's classic story "A Christmas Carol".



### Movie Viewing:

Wedn. June 28th @ 6:15PM

"A Christmas Carol" starring George C. Scott  
Covered Dish Dinner

Location: Fellowship Hall

### Study:

Wednesdays @ 7PM

July, 5, 12, 19, & 26

Dessert and Bible Study - Fellowship Hall

Study books available beginning June 18.  
See Levada Eller for more information.



A huge thanks to the UMM of Little River for lending a huge helping hand to tear down and make repairs to our playground. The fence dividing the two playgrounds was torn down and the set closest to the church was removed due to disrepair.

At the recent meeting of the UMM, Tony Bush began with prayer at 4pm. The time was spent in conversation surrounding potential activities in the community. Should

any of the church family have a particular need which we might fill, you must let us know. Also, if you know of organizations that could use a hand come to our next meeting and share it with us.

Bob Hirsch

# Vacation Bible School

## Was a huge SUCCESS!

June 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Little River was overcome by 47 children & nearly 25 adult & youth volunteers. We had a great week learning how to be God's Heroes in every day life. We learned God's Heroes have Heart, Courage, Wisdom, Hope, & Strength. Our theme was "Do Good, Seek Peace, & Go After It!" – Psalms A huge thank you to all of the youth and adults that gave part of their week to serve the children in our community. Only 3 of these children were church members! WOW!! We had a great time serving & praising God! During the week, the children collected 4 huge boxes of school supplies for needy children within Cherokee



County.  
Great Job  
Kids! VBS  
Concluded  
on Sunday  
with Family

Fun Day, where we had 30 kids and parents join us for a great time of fun and lunch!

Thanks to Gail O. and the kitchen crew for dinner all week and lunch on Family Fun Day!! – Jessica Porter



## Upcoming Wedding Anniversaries:

Tom & Dawn Thorpe	6-7-1985	(32 years)
Whit & Elizabeth Armstrong	6-14-1991	(26 years)
Jason & Beth Watkins	6-14-2008	(9 years)
Richard Cluff & Stephanie Bullard	6-23-2012	(5 years)
Scott & Kim Christian	6-27-2002	(15 years)
Scott & Pam King	6-28-1986	(31 years)
Brad & Donna Long	6-29-1996	(21 years)
Steve & Sallie Freeman	6-30-1973	(44 years)
Ben & Judy Beavers	7-1-2003	(14 years)
Jace & Ashley Walden	7-10-2010	(7 years)

Upcoming Birthdays:	June		July
Sybil Sims	1	Taylor Free	1
Margaret Eaton	1	Jessica Porter	2
Maurice Smith	2	Renee Bush	3
Toni Long	2	Betty Smith	5
Fritz Kupsky	4	Rosalee Little	6
Linda Gifford	6	Charles Long	7
Marquis Christian	14	Tom Walbeck	9
Rich Seibert	14	Doris Smith	11
Shawna Blount	15	Lucas Vanderberg	12
Pam King	16	Caron Connor	13
Deborah Long	16	Caroline Connor	13
Bill Goddard	17	Oscar Bowles	14
Ellen Brandt	17	Natalie Hartley	15
Cooper Jones	17	Levada Eller	16
Barbara Neese	18	Tyler Vanderberg	18
Jimmy Long	22	Frank Lowry	19
Camille Connor	22	Pat Andre	19
JoAnn Powers	27	Julie Free	20
Gladys Barcynski	27	Melissa Pope	21
Austin Free	27	Jane Bailey	21
Scott King	28	Ruth Pope	28
Michael Horning	29	Jean Lovmo	30
Ruby Lowry	30		
Chris Free	30		

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