

...from Andy Miller

**Tonight** - Devo at Lexi Campbell's house. 6th grade and up will be going to the Campbell's house after our evening services. We are asking the guys to bring drinks and the girls to bring a dessert. We plan to be back at the building by 8pm. Plan on coming and bring a friend.

**February 13**– Valentine's Banquet. Our 6th and up will host our annual Valentine's Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 13th. This is a very special service project honoring our senior members.

**March 4 - 6** - Our annual Spring Retreat will be in the beautiful Smoky Mountains and Gatlinburg. Our theme is "Above All". We will be looking at the priorities we have and how we prioritize our lives. Online registration is now open and more information is available on the website.

### Youth

Jan 31—Devo at Lexi Campbell's  
Feb 13—Valentine's Banquet  
March 4 - 6 - Spring Retreat  
March 13-Kite Day  
March 24-26, 2016-Lads to Leaders  
June 5-10, 2016—WCBC Bible Camp

**February 5**—Our KFC group will have a night of fun at Above All in Cool Springs. The cost of the evening will be \$20 per child. This will cover the activity and food. Please see Cody or Nikki Lovett with any questions.

**Youth Mentoring Program** - This program will be kicking off again soon! If you haven't been involved, we encourage you to do so, it is a great way to get to know our youth and for them to get to know you. Sign up sheets are in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see Beth Lincoln or Michael Meade.

### Lads Practice Schedule:

February 7, February 21, February 28,  
March 13, March 20

### KFC

Feb. 5 - Above All  
March 13-Kite Day  
March 24-26, 2016-Lads to Leaders  
July 10—13—Vacation Bible School

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# THE WORD OF TRUTH

We face both trials and temptations in our lives. How can we face them successfully? By following the word of truth. James wrote, "Of his own will He brought us forth by the word of truth"(Js. 1:18).

What is the word of truth? It is the inspired word of God (2 Tim. 3:16-17). It is "the implanted word" (Js. 1:21) and "the perfect law of liberty"(Js. 1:25). Notice that it is "His own will." This will does not come from man, but from God (Gal. 1:11-12). His will must be obeyed. Jesus said to the Father, "Your will be done" (Mt. 6:10). Jesus prayed three times in Gethsemane that the will of God would be done (Mt. 26:39, 42, 44). Jesus lived "for the will of God" (1Pt. 4:2).

What did God do? "He brought us forth by the word of truth." God's word is truth (Jn. 17:17). It makes us free (Jn. 8:32). It is "the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation" (Eph. 1:13). Or it is "the word of truth, the gospel" (Col. 1:5). It purifies our souls (1 Pt. 1:22). It is "the living and enduring word of God" (1 Pt. 1:23, 25).

God "brought us forth" by his word. It tells us what to do to be saved (Ps. 119:105). (See Jn. 3:1-5; Jn. 14:6; Rom. 6:1-4; Rom 1:16). Why did God bring us forth through his word? "That we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures".

~Dan Cottrell

### ELDERS:

David Broome  
John Bufford  
Dan Cottrell  
John Cottrell  
Ken Hardison  
Jeff Rhodes  
Stoney Warren

### DEACONS:

Dale Alden - Education  
Jimmy Campbell- Youth, Security,  
Day School  
David Cost - Benevolence  
Jimmy Davis-Youth  
Chris Doughtie - Youth  
Matt Ensor— Benevolence, New  
Member  
Chris Graham - Finance, Day  
School, Office Admin.  
Ryan Haedge— New Member,  
Advertising  
Dewayne Johnston-Building, Youth  
Herb Jones - Building, Worship,  
Senior Ministry  
Mike Kinnard— Edu. & Edification  
Phillip McCullough—Education  
Len McNatt - Day School  
Michael Meade - Tech., Youth  
Alex Melton-Worship  
Mike Mizer - Education  
Clint Oppermann—Finance, Office  
Admin.  
Matt Potts- Building  
John Pratt- Missions  
Cullen Rodgers— Advertising, Tech.,  
Website  
Dave Sweeney-Worship, Day School,  
Senior Ministry  
Thomas Waggoner-Missions  
Daniel Winkler— Education

### MINISTER:

Dan Cottrell

### FAMILY LIFE MINISTER:

Andy Miller

### YOUTH MINISTER:

Cody Lovett

### SECRETARIES:

Pam Cost  
Katie Vanderpool

### SUNDAY MORNING SERMON

"The New Man (4)"  
(Colossians 3: 12-15)

### SUNDAY EVENING SERMON:

"YOUTH"

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**SICK/PRAYER LIST**

Keep **Garrett Moore** in your prayers.

**Myra Elkins' sister Gail's** blood clot has dissolved, she will have more physical therapy and hopes to go home soon.

**John Sims** had surgery last Wednesday and came home Thursday afternoon.

**Ken Cooley** was scheduled for surgery last Friday.

**Milton Stephens**, minister at the Linville Church of Christ, will be having open heart surgery this week. Please remember him and his wife Julie in prayer.

**Matt Ensor** had knee surgery on Thursday.

**Continue to Remember:** Mike Brown, Bruce Doughtie, Elizabeth Haley, Sammy Pratt, Doug and Nellie Smithson, Jimmy Smithson, Geneva Richardson, Dean Billops, Rachel Haffner, Gail Krech, Jody Krech, Marguerite Steele, Stoney Warren, Bobbie Wilhoite

**Our Shut-ins:** Jane Davis, Nancilynn Dunn, Wilma Gower, Jean Henderson, Ruth and Russell Miller, Lawrence & Janet Cash

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ladies Bible Class** will meet on Wednesday at 10am.

The February issue of the Gospel Advocate is in the foyer.

We rejoice with **Jimmy Smithson** who was baptized here at the building on Wednesday! Jimmy is the son of Doug and Nellie Smithson.

There will be an Elders and Deacons meeting TODAY at 4pm. Everyone try to be here.

There will be a Missions Committee meeting in the Library on February 7th at 3:30pm.

If you are interested in going on the Alaska Mission Trip there are information sheets in the foyer. There is a \$150 deposit to hold your spot and it is due by February 15th. Make checks payable to Southern Hills and give them to Thomas Waggoner or Beth Lincoln.

The education committee members would like to express appreciation to Chris and Mindy Doughtie and the young people of Southern Hills for the wonderful teacher appreciation luncheon last Sunday. It was a great time of fellowship and an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of our many teachers who are dedicated to sharing God's Word.

To the brothers and sisters of the Southern Hills Church of Christ, I am so thankful I had the opportunity to worship with you and that I got to meet so many wonderful Christian people. I look forward to being back with you in the coming months and bringing my family to meet you to be a part of this wonderful congregation of God's people. Wishing you God's warmest blessings,

Jordan Graham

**GREETERS For January**  
**The Meade Family**  
**Pick Up Member/Visitors Cards**  
**TODAY:** Slade Pratt & Quent Mizer  
**Feb. 7th:** Justus Doughtie & Carson Haedge

Change boxes for the Tennessee Children's Home are in the foyer. If you would like one for your home, office, or concession stands at your kids sporting events, please feel free to pick one up. Please return boxes to Chris or Mindy Doughtie and see them if you have any questions.

The Faulkner University Chorus, with Cody Davis, will be here to perform on Saturday evening March 12th. We will need people to house for the night at least 2 of the members. They will also need someone with handicap accessibility. For more details please see John Cottrell.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Fellowship Meal**

On Wednesday  
**Feb. 3rd ~ 5:30 - 6:15pm**  
**On The Menu:**  
 Country Fried Steak, Corn,  
 Green Beans, Roll, Banana Pudding, Beverages  
**Pay TODAY - \$10/\$5**  
Please make checks payable to Wesley Fox.

We will be collecting items monthly for the MAGI boxes. This month we will be needing small flashlights with batteries and small toy cars and trucks. There will be a container in the foyer to place your items. If you have any questions, please see Judy Russell.

**Vacation Bible School**

VBS will be here before we know it!

This year VBS has been moved to **July 10-13**. Please put these dates in your calendar and plan to be there. We will need your help to make this activity great! If you have any questions, please see Cody or Nikki Lovett.

**Valentine's Banquet**

Our Annual Valentine's Banquet will be Saturday February 13th. This is a special event our youth group puts on for our senior members. Invitations will be mailed out this week.

**CHILDRENS' BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS FOR**  
**February:**  
**3 years-Pre-K: John Pratt Family**  
**K-2nd Grade: Susan McMillan**

**THOSE TO SERVE**

**TODAY- SUNDAY, Jan. 31, 2016**

**USHERS:** Aidan Broome, Elvis Caldwell, Gary French, Connor Pratt

**Preside at Lord's Table:** Tony Tucker

**Serve the Lord's Supper:** Jimmy Davis, Matt Ensor, Randy Holt, Cullen Rodgers

**Reader:** Andy Miller

**Opening Prayer:** Paul Crawford

**Closing Prayer:** Will Harrub

**TONIGHT'S EVENING SERVICE**

**P.M. Preside/Lord's Supper:** Cody Lovett

**P.M. Reader:** YOUNG MEN

**Opening Prayer:** YOUNG MEN

**Closing Prayer:** YOUNG MEN

**THIS WEDNESDAY, February 3, 2015**

**Opening Prayer:** Chris Graham

**Closing Prayer :** John Dees

**Song Leader:** Will Harrub


**THE RECORD**

Last Sunday (1/24/16)	Morning Worship	204
	Sunday School	200
	PM Worship	177
Wednesday Night (1/27)		187
Contribution Last Sunday:	\$	8,441.00
Contribution YTD		73,665.00
Contribution Goal YTD		74,648.00

**NURSERY TODAY—Jan. 31, 2015**

AM: Carol & Gracie Comer

PM: Becky & Macie Tucker



**NURSERY-NEXT SUNDAY—February 7, 2015**

AM: Natalie Comer & Becca Melton

PM: Laura & Olivia Meade

**COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS— February**  
 Waggoner Family & Oppermann Family

**BUILDING LOCK-UP-February**  
 Mike Mizer & Daniel Winkler

**FOOD GROUP LEADERS—February**  
 Wilma Cooley – 615-791-4710  
 Carol Comer – 615-791-9982

**Monthly Elder Chairman-February**