

## ...From Andy Miller

**TODAY** - Service Sunday-We will have Jim N Nicks for lunch and then head to NHC for the nursing home singing. We will also have a special service project for the residents at NHC. Please send \$5 to cover the cost of supplies for the service project. Lunch is provided.

**Lads to Leaders-April 17-19** -Lads to Leaders is a training program open to all of our youth beginning with Pre-K and up. We offer training in areas such as speech, song leading, debate, art, puppets, making power point and bulletin board presentations, designing web sites, writing essays, skits, and service projects. If you have a talent we want to help you use it for the Lord while helping you discover other talents and develop skills that you might not have had before. The program culminates in a convention held at Opryland Hotel each year. Folders are available for more information. Online registration is available at [www.southernhills.net](http://www.southernhills.net). See the Millers or the Broomes if you have questions. **Please note that there are certain pre-convention events that are due in January such as essays, music and lyrics, mass media events, web design. If you would like to participate in any of these events, we need to get started now!**

**Equip - Jan. 3-4** Our Equip program strives to train our young people to be Christian leaders in unique ways. We will plan to meet at the building at 3pm on Friday and return by 2:30pm on Saturday. Online registration is available. Please see Andy or Jennifer if you have questions.

**Dec. 1** - Lights at Opryland Hotel-Our 9th grade and up group is invited to dinner and to tour the lights at Opryland following the evening service. We should return to the building at 9pm.

**Family Ski Retreat - Jan. 16-18-Sugar Mountain, NC**-If you were unable to attend last week's meeting, please see the Meades or the Millers to get your information packet. This is a fun and exciting activity that brings together families in the most beautiful of environments. We offer skiing, snowboarding, tubing, and ice skating-if there is enough interest. Please plan to be a part of a fun-filled weekend!

**Mark your calendars-** Our KFC Holiday Party will be at the Rodgers home **on the 6th of December** and our Youth Holiday Party will be **at Kelli Messmer's home on the 14th of December.**

### Youth

**Today**-Service Sunday  
Dec. 1-Lights at Opryland-9th & Up Only  
Dec. 14-Youth Holiday Party  
Jan. 3-4-Equip  
Jan. 10-11-Special Service Project-Girls Only  
Jan. 16-18-Family Ski Retreat  
March 1-3 Spring Retreat  
April 17-19-Lads to Leaders

### KFC

Dec. 6-Holiday Party/Rodgers  
Jan. 10-KFC Activity (special date due to Equip)  
Jan 16-18-Family Ski Retreat  
April 17-19-Lads to Leaders

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# THANKSGIVING

Most families always have turkey and dressing for Thanksgiving. The Southern Hills family always has a sermon on thanksgiving on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Today is no exception. What are some of the things for which we are thankful? These include life itself, our families, friends, country and community and the Southern Hills church.

We are also thankful for the love, grace and mercy of God (about which we studied in September and October in our Sunday morning sermons). After that eight sermon series we started a series on our response to God's love, grace and mercy, which we are in now. Our response includes faith and repentance.

Today we continue that series with a two-part sermon. In the first part we will discuss the response of thanksgiving. In the second part we will study that response which is often called primary obedience. That is, of course, a sermon on the need to obey the gospel of Christ. We will see what the gospel is, why gospel obedience is necessary, and what is required to be obedient to the gospel. Primary obedience includes faith, repentance, confession and baptism for the remission of sins.

Our response to God's love, grace and mercy also includes worship, which is our theme for December and January. The acts of worship commanded in the Bible include singing, prayer, giving, the Lord's Supper and preaching. We will cover each of these in separate sermons.

All of us hope all of you have a very happy Thanksgiving.

--Dan Cottrell

#### ELDERS:

John Bufford  
Dan Cottrell  
John Cottrell  
Jerald Hill  
Stoney Warren

#### DEACONS:

Dale Alden-*Education*  
David Broome-*Technology*  
David Cost-*Benevolence*  
Jimmy Davis-*Fellowship, Youth*  
Chris Doughtie-*Education*  
Chris Graham-*Office Admin.*  
Ryan Haedge-*Church Growth, Education, Advertising*  
DeWayne Johnston-*Building & Grounds, Youth*  
Herb Jones-*Building & Grounds*  
Phillip McCullough-*Education*  
Len McKnatt-*Family Assistance*  
Michael Meade-*Youth*  
Alex Melton-*Worship, Edu., VBS*  
Jerry Pritchett-*Edification Groups*  
Jeff Rhodes-*Missions*  
Dave Sweeney-*Worship*  
Thomas Waggoner-*Education*

#### MINISTER:

Dan Cottrell

#### YOUTH MINISTER:

Andy Miller

#### SECRETARY:

Pam Cost

#### SUNDAY MORNING SERMON:

"Thanksgiving"  
(Psalm 100: 1-5)

#### SUNDAY EVENING SERMON:

"Confidence in Christ"  
(Philippians 3: 1-11)

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**SICK/PRAYER LIST**

It has been determined that Laura Meade's stepfather, **David Workman**, does not have leukemia. The family wants to thank everyone for all the prayers and cards.

Desmond Sumerel's grandmother, **Shirley Sumerel**, is staying with them for now. Cards and prayers would be appreciated.

Judy Pritchett's sister, **Jane Bloodworth**, has been diagnosed with Lymphoma. Upcoming tests will determine more. Prayers and cards will be appreciated:  
**921 Old Dickerson Rd., Goodlettsville, TN 37072.**

The Pritchetts daughter, **Joy Marie White**, will have outpatient surgery on Tuesday to remove a fibroid tumor. Prayers and cards will be appreciated:  
**3689 Stone Creek Dr., Spring Hill, TN 37174.**

**Continue to Remember:** Gail Krech, Jody Krech, David Workman, Shirley Sumerel, William Dill, Marguerite Steele, Walter Eaves, Jane Woodroof, Bobbie Wilhoite, Bob Bufford, Stoney Warren, Sierra Turner, Lawrence & Janet Cash, Neil Headden.

**Our shut-ins:** Evelyn Billings, Mary Allen, Jane Davis, Janella Gaston, Richard Marlin, Ruth Miller, & Odessa Barnhill.

**GREETERS for December:**

David & Pam Cost

**Pick up Member/Visitor Cards:**

**TODAY :** Caleb Sumerel & Ben Meade  
**Dec. 1:** Slade Pratt & Justus Doughtie

**Charlotte Justice, who was our speaker at Ladies Day this year, has made a donation to the Chinese Womens Mission in honor of the ladies of our congregation!**

**2014 Sign-Up Sheets**

It's time once again to volunteer for the work of the church in 2014. There are sign up sheets on the table in the foyer and also on the back bulletin board. If you have any questions, please talk to Pam or call the church office. Your help is appreciated!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The **Ladies Bible Class and Men's Prayer Group** will **NOT meet** on Wednesday.

On Wednesday, November 27th, we will have an all-singing night with no classes. We always do this the Wednesday before Thanksgiving!

The church office will be closed on Nov. 28th and 29th. If you need something in the bulletin for the next Sunday, please give it to Pam as soon as possible.

On Sunday, December 8th Brad Harrub will be our speaker. He will speak at all services, 9am, 10am & 5pm. All adult classes will meet in the auditorium.

**A reminder to the deacons of the congregation that you need to get your 2014 budget in to Stoney Warren as soon as possible. The elders really need your input so they can complete**

**Ladies' Ornament Swap**

The ornament swap is scheduled for Monday evening, December 2nd. It will be at the home of Carol Terry and will begin at 6pm. Bring an ornament priced under \$10 and your favorite finger foods!

**Thank you ...**

Our Southern Hills Family: You have all been so kind and caring in this time of loss and sorrow. We thank you for the prayers, food, flowers, cards, calls, visits and the singing at the funeral. The prayers are definitely so supportive at this time. In Christian Love,

Anne Harris & Family

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Thank you for your support of the 2013 Warm Coats from Warm Hearts program. With your help we were able to distribute nearly 4,000 coats this year. We appreciate your prayers and your support. Sincerely, the elders and members of  
 Granny White Pike Church of Christ

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Adult Holiday Party**

There will be an adult Christmas party on Saturday, December 7th in the fellowship hall. It will begin at 6:30pm. Please bring one gag gift per home, under \$10, and your favorite finger foods. Young, young at heart, single, married, dating-if you are over the age of 18 you are invited! Wear your most festive holiday attire and join us for a fun-filled evening. Babysitting will be provided upstairs. If you would like to help with this, please see Teri Moore or contact her at:  
 tmoore27@charter.net.

**~ One Day Retreat ~**

Ken Cooley is planning a one day Spring Retreat for the **SHARE group** scheduled for **March 15** (originally scheduled for March 1) at **Butterfly Meadows Bed and Breakfast (6775 Bethesda-Arno Rd., Franklin)**. In order to plan for this meeting Ken needs to know how many would like to attend. If you plan to attend please sign the sheet in the lobby as soon as possible. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer. See Ken if you have any questions.

**Edification Ministry**

If you have not filled out a participation for to be on an Edification Ministry team for the coming year, please do so as soon as possible. Forms are available in the foyer. Teams will be organized in early December and the team captains need sufficient time to prepare and distribute information to their team members before meetings begin in January.

**CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS FOR December:**

**3-5 Years:** Hardison Family  
**K-7 Years:** Susan McMillan

**THOSE TO SERVE**

**TODAY ~ SUNDAY, November 24, 2013**

**Ushers:** Jim Campbell, Randy Hunt, Garrett Moore  
**Preside at Lord's Table:** Cody Lovett  
 Dale Alden, Calvin Davis, Cody Davis and Aidan Broome  
**Reader:** Will Harrub  
**Opening Prayer:** Desmond Sumerel  
**Closing Prayer:** Jeff Rhodes

**TONIGHT'S SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE:**

**P.M. Preside/Lord's Supper:** Randy Holt  
**P.M. Reader:** Will Harrub  
**Opening Prayer:** Brad Harrub  
**Closing Prayer:** Clint Oppermann

**THIS WEDNESDAY, November 27, 2013**

**Opening Prayer:** Stoney Warren  
**Closing Prayer:** Jimmy Davis  
**Song Leader:** John Rhodes

**THE RECORD**

Last Sunday (11/17)	Morning Worship	267
	Sun. School	223
	PM Worship	157
Wed. Night (11/20)	Bible Study	169
Contribution Last Sunday		\$ 9,594.00
Contribution YTD		448,528.00
Contribution Goal YTD		439,598.00

**NURSERY - TODAY: Nov. 24, 2013**

**AM:** Mary Anne Hall & Sonia Rhodes  
**PM:** Gaye Pike & Kelli Messmer



**COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - December**  
 Meade Family & Doughtie Family

**BUILDING LOCK-UP - December**  
 D. Sweeney, D. Johnston, H. Jones

**FOOD GROUP LEADERS - December**  
 Linda Cottrell - 615/377-6160  
 Vi Waldrep - 615/472-1333

**QUARTERLY ELDER CHAIRMAN (Oct.-Dec.)**  
 John Cottrell