

September 2021

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Beginning Wednesday, September 1

We will begin our Wednesday night activities at a different time:

Fellowship Supper 5:00-6:00pm Children on Missions, Mission Friends, CBSM, & Bible Study/Prayer Meeting will begin at 6:00 Choir Practice at 7:00



Pickleball Tournament at Camellia

Friday, September 10, and Saturday, September 11 Register online www.cbcprattville.org by Wednesday, September 1 The funds raised from this tournament will help support our Summer Mission Trip to Panama City, Panama, and any other mission trips throughout 2022. Sunday Schedule 8:45am Sunday School 10:00am Morning Worship Preschool & Children's Church Nursery Provided 5:00pm AWANA 6:00pm Disciple Life beg. 9/12 Mondays & Thursdays 6:00pm Pickleball in CLC gym

Wednesdays NOTE: beginning Wed., Sept. 1: <u>5:00pm</u>: Supper <u>6:00</u>: Children on Missions & Mission Friends, CBSM, & Bible Study/Prayer Meeting <u>7:00</u>: Choir Practice



- 1st Registration opens for Candy Cane Market
- **3rd** 7:00am Prattville Football Team Breakfast
- 5th No evening activities
- 6th Labor Day WEM & Church Office closed
- 7th 6:30pm Y@H Game Night
- 8th 5:30pm Women's Ministry Planning Meeting
- 10th & 11th Pickleball Tournament in the CLC—sign up by 9/1
- 10th & 11th Women's Ministry Events, B'ham-sign up by 9/5
- 12th Panama Mission Trip Mtg. after Morning Worship
- 12th CBSM out to Lunch 6:00pm CBSM "Connect"
- 12th-19th Week of Prayer for Myers/Mallory State Missions Offering
- 18th 5:30pm Y@H Social-CSFH
- **19th 3:00pm Operation Christmas** Child Prep & Craft Day
- 24th 6:30pm Children's Pop Corn & Movie Night-CLC Gym
- 26th 7:30am Brotherhood Breakfast-CLC
- 26th 3:30pm Deacons Meeting
- 29th 11:30am Brotherhood Lunch meet at Capt. D's

Women's Ministry

Candy Cane Market

Sat., Dec., 11 9:00am – 3:00pm, CLC Market Registration opens online Sept. 1st at the church website: www.cbcprattville.org. Forms are available in the Church Office & in the CLC.

Women's Ministry Planning Meeting

Wed., Sept. 8, 5:30pm in the CLC Rm#B103 All ladies of Camellia are invited to attend this meeting as we continue planning activities and events.

Women's Ministry Events

Going Beyond Live with Priscilla Shirer and worship leader Anthony Evans on Sat., Sept. 11, 8:00am-4:00pm in B'ham. There will also be a You Lead Leadership Training Event on Fri., Sept. 10, 8am-3pm. This event is open to everyone. Cost:

Conference 1-4 people \$85 5 or more \$65 Bundle for Conference and You Lead \$135 Hotel @ The Westin \$168.68/night 2 queens

Please let Diane Ash know as soon as possible, if you are interested in going, (478-335-2816 call or text) <u>Dash4845@protonmail.com</u> Transportation is on your own, but we will try to help with carpooling. <u>Sign up and payment deadline</u> <u>is Sunday, Sept. 5th</u> New Members by Profession of Faith Taylor Stack

> by Letter: Ashlyn Melton Sarah Waters John Stack Jennifer Stack Benjamin Spivey Sara Spivey Roger Anderson

by Statement: Rachel Autrey

Deacon Nomination

during the month of September. Forms will be available beginning Sunday, September 5.

Young at Heart

60 & above (Spouses always welcome) "Back to School Days" Sat., Sept. 18, 5:30pm **Clayton Shaw Fellowship Hall** For part of our social we would like to be able to use a school picture (of everyone at any age). Pictures will be returned. Bring the pictures to church by Sunday, September 5. If you have any questions, call Becky, 365-4860, or text Andy 324-4883. NOTE: We will have Y@H Game Night Tues., Sept. 7

81010 Message: @201cbc

Remember to sign up for our Prayer Chain Text! To sign up for urgent prayer requests for church members and immediate family, send a text to 81010 with the message @201cbc. If you need help signing up, call the Church Office, (365-0231, press "0").

<u>Livestream</u>

Go to cbcprattville.org & click on "Watch Live" or go to youtube.com/camelliabaptistchurchprattville to watch our Sunday Morning Worship Service and/or Wednesday Night Bible Study

Message from our **Associate Pastor of Music & Ministries**

Greetings Church Family,

Our Sunday School class has recently been studying the book of Revelation. This letter is filled with many literary elements including poetry, narrative, discourse and (of course) apocalyptic. We sometimes get distracted by all the symbols and signs of Revelation that we miss the big picture of this letter. The Apostle John is writing to churches who were currently undergoing intense persecution or who soon would face persecution. Revelation was a reminder to them and is a reminder to us that in the end, Jesus is victorious.

So when we're tempted to be distraught over the state of affairs in our world (wars, COVID, etc.), remember Christ's words in John 16:33, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Maranatha, Peyton In Christ's Love,

BE A FISHER OF MEN AND HELP PREPARE ITEMS TO PACK IN OUR SHOEBOXES

OCC Prep and Craft Days Sun., Sept. 19th & Sun., Oct. 3rd 3:00pm – 5:pm in the CLC Fellowship Hall Necklaces, Hair Kits, Fishing Kits, School Supply Kits, & Hygiene Kits





Brotherhood Breakfast Sun., Sept. 26, 7:30am, CLC

Brotherhood Lunch Wed., Sept. 29, 11:30am Meet at Capt. D's

All men are invited.



camellia baptist student ministry

Camellia Baptist Student Ministry/College & Career bturner@cbcprattville.org CBSM on Wednesday Nights at 6:30

Upcoming Events:

September 12th - 3rd Quarter Lunch At Tokyo in Prattville. Meet at restaurant after morning service & bring money for lunch.

September 12th - CBSM "Connect" resumes at 6pm in the Student Center. Invite a friend and join us!

Call or text Blake for more information, 730-3968 Blake Turner, Student Director **College & Career Ministries Director**



Children's Ministry Sunday School Change

We will begin using the Gospel Project on Sept. 5th. Bed Babies thru 6th grade.

Children's Missions Opportunities on Wednesday Night:

Mission Friends

Ages 3yrs - Kindergarten in RmBl00 Teacher is Hilary Taylor

Children On Missions

Grades 1st – 3rd Grade in Rm#B217 Teachers are Chris and Leslie Morgan

Grades 4th – 6th Grades in Rm#B218 Teachers are Jon & Jeanne Easterling

PRESCHOOL AND NURSERY NEEDS

As we continue to grow here at Camellia, our needs within our Children's Ministry are growing as well.

We have a few different needs:

- 1. More nursery help (bed babies and/or 1-2 year-olds) during Sunday School
- 2. Preschool Church (during the sermon part of the worship service) One volunteer to work every 3rd Sunday needed.

Please see Bill Plummer about helping during Sunday school or Janet Eikenberry about either position.



Children's Popcorn & Movie Night

When: Friday, September 24th

Time: 6:00 - 8:30pm

Where: CLC Gym

Hotdogs will be served for dinner and children can wear their pajamas! Everyone is encouraged to bring a pillow and blanket.



September AWANA Calendar

Sept 5th Sept12th Sept 19th Sept 26th

NO AWANA or Evening Activities-Labor Day Inside Out Night with Regular Schedule Regular Night Missions Night - Pray & Go focus on Missionaries

in Nepal. Remember to pray about and bring your missions offering



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Return Service Requested

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Student Ministries Director Blake Turner 334-730-3968

Director of W.E.M. Jessica Senn 334-365-5693

Support Staff

Church Secretary: Charlotte McGuire

Financial Secretary: B.J. Lazenby

Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering

State Missions Offering <u>Week of Prayer September 12-19</u> You may give during the month of September. Special envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.



Address Label

Memory Verse for September:

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

<u>A word from our Pastor</u>

Camellia Family,

As I have been studying for my new Wednesday Night series preaching through the book of Genesis, the Lord has reminded me of something very important. The Bible is God's revelation of Himself to us, and in light of that, we must not miss how God begins this revelation. In Genesis 1:1 we are told, "In the beginning God..." Have you ever considered the implications of that? God's revelation of himself begins by drawing our focus upon Himself.

God is the focal point of life. All of life emanates from Him. He creates life, sustains life, and even decides when to end life. There is not a single aspect of our existence in which God should not be the focal point. So let me ask you this: When you are going through trials in life, regardless of what those may be, how much are you focusing on God? God is our central focus. "In the beginning God…" That's the first truth we are taught. God is there. He is here. He is ever-present. He is there in your trials and should be your focus. So what consumes your focus? Self? Circumstances? Fear of the future? Or God?

As we continue to navigate the difficulties of Covid, even as we endure the regular difficulties and trials of life, may we never forget or lose sight that "In the beginning God." As we move forward here at Camellia, we move forward with God as our central focus. All of this is for Him, through Him, and to Him. Ecclesiastes 7:14 says, "In the day of prosperity, be joyful. And in the day of adversity, remember that God has made the one as well as the other."

Genesis 1 and 2 is a wonderful story with God as the focus. But in Genesis 3 humans began to focus on themselves, and the rest is history. But, 2 Corinthians 5:15 says that Jesus came and died so that we would no longer focus on ourselves but on God who raises the dead. Let us as a church commit together to remembering the truth, "In the beginning God..." He was there in the beginning, and He is here now. God wants us to know that and wants us to live with the reality of that truth. I love you guys and am thankful for you!

May God bless you, Bro. James