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SUMMER CONCERT *Series*

Sunday Nights in August @ 6pm



Aug 18 The Amen Choir



RODRIGO RODRIGUEZ

Aug 25

Invite a Friend....

August Memory Verse

But make sure that in your hearts you honor Christ as Lord. Always be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks you about the hope you have. Be ready to give the reason for it. But do it gently and with respect.

I Peter 3:15 (NIRV)

From My Heart



to Yours....

More on the Church as God's Team...

"In football they have a huddle, the goal of the huddle is to give you thirty seconds to call the play, that is why they give you a huddle. (At a professional game there may be) Sixty thousand watching you huddle, they don't mind you taking thirty seconds to call the play. They understand that you have to get organized, you have to know where you are going to go, the ends need to know where they are going to go, the quarterback needs to know where he is going to go, the backs need to know where they are going to go. A huddle is a necessary part of playing the game. But let me inform you if you do not already know, sixty thousand people do not pay \$20 a ticket to watch you huddle. See, people don't come to football games to watch the huddle. They want to see if their team can overcome the opposition who is daring them to snap the ball and move down the field to score. What they want to know is does your practice work? Now what Christians often do is get high on their huddles. We gather together on Sunday morning and Sunday nights and Wednesday nights and we go nuts over the huddle! We say, "Boy did we have a huddle! My quarterback can call plays better than your quarterback." And boy do we go off on the huddle, but what people don't seem to understand is, that the huddle is so that we can play the game. The effectiveness of your church cannot be measured by how well you do on Sunday morning, ...The test of the church is what it does in the marketplace. What we need today is churches that are representative of Jesus Christ not only when gathered but when disseminated." (Dr. Tony Evans. "The Power of God's People." (Sermon, 1987—Church Growth Conference, Prestonwood Baptist church, Dallas Texas)

College Football's Biggest Loss

It was the most brutally devastating rout in the history of College Football. On a dark and dreary Saturday in 1916...1 look at the 2 teams showed the trouble that was ahead....on one side towered GA Tech's Yellow Jackets...The local papers described them as "semi-human monsters," and "gorilla-like behemoths."

They were coached by John Heisman—the man for whom college football's highest award is named. Heisman was a fanatic. He would not allow his players to use soap or water because he considered them debilitating. He wouldn't let them eat pastries, pork, veal, hot bread, nuts, apples, or drink coffee.

His reason? When asked, growl...."they don't agree with me...so they'd better not agree with you."

On the other side of the field stood the players of lowly Cumberland College. Heisman was intent on building his team's reputation...and lured Cumberland to the game with a \$500 guarantee.

DEACONS

Leading through Serving.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Our 4 new Deacons are

**Ray Anthoine, Bob Adams,
Vic Hedgpeth and Jack Kemp.**

Deacon Meeting

Aug 18 @ 4:30

Church Library

**Deacons rotating off and newly elected
Deacons are to attend.**

DEACON ORDINATION

Of

BOB ADAMS

Sept 8, 2019

9am Service



The Lord's Supper

Sunday, August 18

Tech had 8 All-South players. Cumberland had 8 players who had never even played football before. Even the trip down to Atlanta had been a disaster for Cumberland who arrived with only 16 players. They accidentally left three at a rest stop outside Nashville.

When the game began, Ga Tech scored 63 points in the first quarter, averaging a TD every 1:20. The game was full of tension and drama...but not because there was any doubt who would win....People wondered aloud in the stands....Could the Cumberland players be convinced to finish the game?

The Cumberland coach paced the sidelines, exhorting his team to "hang in there for Cumberland's \$500." They did, and with it collected the dubious honor of the worst loss in college football history: 222-0.

Nobody likes to lose...especially to lose big.

*He cares, I care,
Brother Ed*



Music Notes...

For Unto Us a Child is Born!

For unto us a child is **born**, to **us a son** is given **Isaiah 9:6a**
"He is as truly-born, as certainly a child, as any other man that ever lived upon the face of the earth. He is thus in his humanity a child born. But as Jesus Christ is God's Son, he is not born; but given, begotten of his Father from before all worlds, begotten—not made, being of the same substance with the Father."
Charles Spurgeon

This was not to be just any child, this was to be a child given to God's people, a son, but not any Son. He was to be a Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. The increase of this child's government and of peace there was to be no end. This Child was to sit on the throne of David and over his kingdom; he was to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. This was to be no ordinary child and this was to be no ordinary son that would be given us.

This young baby was born of a virgin and when she gave birth to her firstborn son she wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. And as she did there were shepherds nearby out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them,

This child was truly born, born as any other child was born, born as any other man that ever lived upon the face of this earth. He is therefore born fully human just as any child would be. This baby, however, is God's Son, he is not just born, but given. This little Child was the Promised Messiah given to mankind by a loving God. This baby was the Son of God. Given because God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. This child who now is the centerpiece of our faith, wrapped in swaddling clothes in Bethlehem's manger has been given to us. He has been given to us who are born again through His birth, death and resurrection. He has been given to us as an unmerited gift of a loving God. **WHAT A GIFT!**

Such a Child is deserving of our praise. Next Wednesday, August 20th, the Adult Choir will begin the preparing of our Gift of Praise to the Christ Child. Our Christmas Cantata is call: One Small Child and will be performed on December 15, 2019 in one service at 11:00 AM. We are invited all interested, in the church and in the community to join us. Rehearsals will be from 7:30 - 8:00pm until December, then the entire rehearsal time will be dedicated to the Cantata. We would be delighted to have you be a part of our "glory to God in the highest" presentation.



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Test Your Bible Knowledge:

1. The twelve apostles included: a. two brothers; b. two sets of two brothers; c. three brothers; d. three sets of two brothers
2. In Matthew 10, Jesus instructed the apostles to go among the: a. Gentiles; b. Samaritans; c. Israelites; d. Egyptians
3. John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, wore a garment of: a. goatskin; b. camel's hair; c. papyrus; d. wool
4. Jesus gave to His twelve disciples the power to: a. cast out unclean spirits; b. calm the winds and seas; c. baptize; d. grant divorces

Answers: 1. b, 2. c, 3. b, 4. a

Tuesdays 6:30pm-8:30pm

Celebrate Recovery

Freedom from Your Hurts, Hang-ups & Habits



Fellowship Hall

Bended Knee Society



Wednesdays 7am-8am
Church Library

THE DANIEL PLAN

Glorifying God in the Way We Eat, Move, and Think!

Come and join us and learn to glorify God in the way we eat, move and think!

Wednesdays @ 8:15am

Exercise Days: Monday & Friday @ 8:15am

Weekly Calendar

Sunday **Aug 18**

9:00 Traditional Service
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Contemporary Service
 5:30 Youth Service
 6:00 Summer Concert Series

Wednesday **Aug 21**

7:00am Bended Knee Society
 8:15am Daniel Plan
 6:00pm Youth/Children Activities
 6:30pm Prayer Meeting
 7:35pm Choir Rehearsal

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Bible Wordsearch

Fathers & Sons

Fit the words in the list into the diagram below reading forward, backward, up, down, diagonally, always in a straight line.

Puzzle #134

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H	A	H	B	I	I	B	S	E	P	J	O	A	S	H
A	N	R	A	E	Z	R	A	L	A	E	O	M	H	E
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D	G	J	J	I	S	G	R	L	A	C	E	J	S	E

ABEL	ISAAC
ABIMELECH	ISAIAH
ABRAHAM	JACOB
ABSALOM	JEREMIAH
ADAM	JOASH
AHAB	JOEL
AHAZIAH	JONAH
AMITTAI	JONATHAN
AMUZ	JOSEPH
BEERI	JOSHUA
BOAZ	MOSES
BUZI	NIMROD
CUSH	NOAH
DAVID	NUN
EHUD	OBED
ELKANAH	OMRI
ENOSH	PETHUEL
EPHRAIM	REHOBOAM
EZEKIEL	REUBEN
EZRA	SAMUEL
GERA	SAUL
GERSHOM	SERAIAH
GIDEON	SETH
HILKIAH	SHEM
HOSEA	SOLOMON

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

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Tuesday, Sep 3

2pm-7pm

Fellowship Hall



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Meeting

Monday Sep 9 @ 10am

Church Library



Monday-Thursday

8:30-4:30

Closed for lunch

12:00-12:45

Friday

8:30-2:30

Church office closed Sept 2 in observance of Labor Day