

October 2009



**Business By The Book**  
**Tuesday, October 12**  
**Noon - 1:00 - Lunch \$6**  
The Peter Principle,  
Part 2  
Bill Burch, Speaker  
Reservations Requested



**Saturday, October 3**  
Guest Speaker  
Mr. Chuck Nida  
from Peachtree Planning



**United Methodist Women**

Thursday, October 1,  
Noon - Joy Link Picnic

Monday October 5,  
10:00 a.m.-Lewis Link

Tuesday, October 6,  
10:00 a.m.-Grace Link

Tuesday, October 6,  
7:00 p.m.-Fielden Link

Our monthly luncheon will be Monday, October 12, 11:45 a.m. with speaker Paula Pinholster.

Please join us! Call Betty Pierce 770-382-0656 for information.

# It's Scary To Be Hungry

- Who:** YOU!
- What:** A door-to-door canned food drive by church volunteers in our neighborhoods for area food closets.
- When:** Grocery bags will be distributed in selected neighborhoods the weekend of October 17. Collection of the bags will be Saturday, October 24, at 10:00 a.m. Donations can also be brought by the Family Life Center between 11:00 and 1:00.
- Where:** After the food is collected, teams will sort the canned goods back at the church. Then the food will be delivered on Sunday, October 25, to a local food bank.
- How:** Through hours and hours of volunteer work and prayer.
- Why:** It IS scary to be hungry—and not a single child of God should go hungry in our county.

It's not too late to volunteer—See Claudia Laughridge 678-721-4334 or Laurie Everhart 770-386-5821 for more information.



**Stewardship**

**GENERAL BUDGET**

Stewardship numbers:

2009 Operating Budget	\$ 1,451,238
Needed through August	\$ 967,496
Received through August	\$ 842,335

**CORNERSTONE Renovation Fund**

Cornerstone Pledged	\$2,100,000
Received In August	\$ 16,581
Received through August	\$1,718,303

**2010: Better Than Average Vision**

2010: Better Than Average Vision is our theme for this year's stewardship emphasis. If 20/20 is "normal vision," then what is God's vision for our lives and the church in 2010? Those with eyes to see and ears to hear are called to perceive the Holy Spirit's work in our lives. On Sunday, October 25, we will have the opportunity to respond to God's call with our Estimate of Giving Cards for 2010. More information will soon follow!



**Gifts to the Church**

In Memory of Ted Langford by Dr. & Mrs. Mike Bryans.

In Memory of Sandy Segars by:  
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Slaughter  
Rosie Francis  
Grace Coyle  
Nita Harbin  
Quata and Michael Kennedy  
Kay Eddleman

In honor of The Hickoms for the Prime Timers decorations by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hardin.

In honor of: Walt Lipscomb, Sissy Nix, Hoyt Pye, George Cook, for the Wednesday night vegetables given to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hardin.

In honor of Paula and Dan Pinholster for the flowers given to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hardin and Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Farriba.

**Adult Ministries**

**Adult Sunday School**

Have you found your Sunday school class home yet? Study and Christian education are important parts of our spiritual growth, and Sunday school is a great way to study and grow. There are many Sunday school classes from which to choose as well as the possibility of starting a new class. For more information contact Alison Wright, Minister of Discipleship, [awright@samjonesumc.org](mailto:awright@samjonesumc.org) or 770-382-4772. You can also find a list of current classes on the church website under "Adults."

**New Bible Studies Beginning in October**

**Women's League Study - Me, Myself and Lies: A Thought Change Makeover (Jennifer Rothschild)**

Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 pm (Oct 27 – Dec 15);  
23 Ferguson Drive (Euharlee)  
Books are \$12 each; scholarships available;  
facilitated by Kimmy Davis

**Women's League Study - SOAP Study: The Gospel of Mark**

Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 pm (Oct 27 –Dec 15);  
27 Westchester Drive (Cartersville)  
No cost—bring your Bible; facilitated by  
Connie Smith & Rev. Dee Dee Lawson

**Treading Water in an Empty Pool: Real Life Stuff for Men on Disappointment**

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm (Oct 7 – Dec 9);  
Family Life Center room F-308  
Books are \$10 each; scholarships available;  
Facilitator TBA

**Women's League Study - Discerning the Voice of God: How to Recognize When God Speaks (Priscilla Shirer)**

Wednesdays 6:15-8:00 pm (Oct 28 – Dec 16);  
FLC Room F-307  
Books are \$11 each; scholarships available;  
facilitated by Erin Sinclair & Jill Archer

For more information contact the Minister of Discipleship at 770-382-4772 ext. 111 or [awright@samjonesumc.org](mailto:awright@samjonesumc.org). Class descriptions can also be found on the church website, click on "Bible Study."



## Youth Ministries

### Sundays

Sunday School, 9:45 and 11:00 a.m., Family Life Center, room F-102

Youth Fellowship, 5:00 -7:00 p.m., Family Life Center. Bring \$3 for snack supper.

### Mondays

Sr. High Breakfast at Chick-Fil-A  
7:00 a.m.

### Tuesdays

Jr. High Breakfast at Riverwalk Bakery  
7:00 a.m.

### Wednesdays

Bible Studies, 6:00 -7:00 p.m., Youth House opens at 5:30.

**Winter Retreat**, Winterplace, W.V., Feb. 12-15, 2010. Sign up now, RSVP. youth@samjonesumc.org.

Please check out the current events at the youth section at [www.samjonesumc.org](http://www.samjonesumc.org).



"Fresh" Christmas Wreaths will be on sale by Sam Jones Youth during October 14 - November 11, 2009 for \$20.00. Wreaths will be ready for pickup on Saturday, December 6, 2009 9:30-1:00 p.m.. Proceeds will go to the Sam Jones Youth program to assist in missions, retreats and general programming.

### 6th Grade PUMP



Sunday school  
9:45 a.m. Family Life Center room F-300

PUMP Confirmation

Sunday nights, 5-7 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Bring \$3 for snack supper.

### Confirmation Class AND Youth Yard Sale



Beginning Sunday, October 4 you may drop off toys, books, clothing, and household items (e.g. kitchen wares, linens, decorative items, and furniture) in room F-100 of the Family Life Center. Items will be

sold at a yard sale on Saturday, November 7 to benefit the sixth grade Confirmation class retreat and the Youth ministry. All items must be in good or like-new condition. Please bring only the items listed above. For more information, please contact the church office.

## Children's Ministries

### 4th and 5th Grade Prayer Retreat

Our 4th and 5th grade Prayer Retreat is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 2-3 at Camp Cherokee. This overnight event will be filled with fun and exciting activities to give our Sam Jones children a foundation of prayer that will help make communication with God a part of their everyday spiritual journey. For more details, please see Jodi Shaw.

### Children's Church Leaders Needed

We are in need of two children's church leaders: one for the 8:30 service and another for the 11:00 service. Leaders serve only one Sunday per month, and lessons are easy to prepare and kid-friendly! Children's church is for children ages 3-5. Please see Jodi if you are interested in serving or for more info.

### Did You Know??

'Tween Time is offered on Sunday mornings at 10:45 am **for children ages 3-5** whose parents go to 11am Sunday School. It is designed as a place for these children to stay until Children's Church begins at 11:15. Parents that attend traditional worship at 11am are encouraged to take their children with them to the sanctuary until children's time at the altar, and after that, children age 3-5 can leave for children's church. 'Tween Time and Children's Church meet in room F-203.

Children's Sunday School Classes are held in the Family Life Center.

#### 9:45 a.m. Session:

3 & 4 year olds, Room F-203

K – 1st grade, Room F-303

2nd grade, Room F-201

3rd grade, Room F-304

4th-5th grade, Room F-302

#### 11:00 a.m. Session

3-5 year olds, Room F-203

K-2nd grade, Room F-303

3rd-5th grade, Room F-302

The Infant and Toddler Nurseries, for children birth through age two, are located in the Family Life Center in Rooms F-200 and F-202 and are open from 8:15 am to 12:00 pm.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

*Wednesday Night Menus*

**October 7**

Lasagna~Salad  
 Rolls~Hot Dogs~Chips  
 Dessert

**October 14**

Oven Roasted Chicken  
 Mashed Potatoes~Green Beans  
 Salad Bar~Hot Dogs~Chips  
 Dessert

**October 21**

Beef Tips and Rice  
 Vegetable Normandy  
 Salad Bar~Hot Dogs~Chips  
 Dessert

**October 28**

Chili  
 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off



**3rd Annual Chili Cook-off**

Put your best chili-foot forward with our second annual Chili Cook-Off on October 28 during Wednesday night dinner.

Bring a crock-pot's worth of chili to put before the panel of judges. You'll also get to vie for the "People's Choice Award!" Contact Gloria by Thursday, October 15 to sign-up (gmoody@samjonesumc.org).

**Outreach**

**October Basket Ministry**



We are collecting non-perishable food items for local food pantries as part of our "It's Scary to be Hungry" campaign. Place your contributions in the baskets in the lobbies of the Family Life Center and Sanctuary. Thank you for giving!

**Emergency!**

If you have a pastoral emergency and need to get in touch with a minister or other staff member, please call the church office immediately, even after office hours. When the machine answers, enter 191 to get the emergency extension. Leave a message. The phone system will contact the staff member "on call" with your message. Someone is available 24/7, so please do not hesitate to call if you need your pastor!

**Church Staff**

Ministry Directors		Support Staff	
<u>Dr. Bill Burch</u> Senior Pastor ext. 102 - bburch@samjonesumc.org	<u>Matt Flournoy</u> Youth Coordinator 404.606.5279 youth@samjonesumc.org	<u>Merry Bearden</u> Church Administrator ext. 101 - mbearden@samjonesumc.org	<u>Mona Lewis</u> Business Manager ext. 103 - mlewis@samjonesumc.org
<u>Reverend Dee Dee Lawson</u> Associate Pastor ext. 110 - dlawson@samjonesumc.org	<u>Judy Smith</u> Children's Learning Center and Financial Secretary ext. 112 - jsmith@samjonesumc.org	<u>Jo Clark</u> Communications Director ext. 129 - jclark@samjonesumc.org	<u>Gloria Moody</u> Hostess ext. 113 - gmoody@samjonesumc.org
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		<u>Matthew Mallory</u> Custodian	

## Membership News

### New Members....



**Becky and Bill Lowry**  
108 Walnut Drive  
Cartersville, GA 30120  
770.607.0033

**Connie and Cecil Mann**  
110 Walnut Drive  
Cartersville, GA 30120  
770.607.7570



**Erin and David Sinclair**  
431 Waterford Dr.  
Cartersville, GA 30120  
770.382.9113

**Rochelle Smith**  
39 Arrowhead Dr.  
Cartersville, GA 30120  
770.546.8786



**Kim and Dennis Templin**  
6543 Yacht Club Drive  
Acworth, GA 30102  
770.975.3112

Sam Jones is a community of faith dedicated to making disciples of Jesus Christ through worship, service, education and fellowship. Each member is also a minister; the church staff is here to assist us in answering Christ's call.

When you are ready to join our church family, you are invited to come forward on the final song. You may join by:

- \* Profession of Faith - if you desire to accept Jesus Christ as your Savior.
- \* Reaffirmation of Faith - if you have accepted Christ as Savior but have not been active in a church for some time.
- \* Transfer of Membership - if you have been active in a Christian Church.

For more information, please speak with one of the ministers on staff.

### In Our Prayers

#### In the Hospital or at Home

Rachel Arents	Ethel Monroe
Bernice Bosser	A.W. Scroggins
Donna Catalina	J. C. Thacker
Helen Dienst	Beth Wesley
Louise Dysart	<b>Serving Overseas:</b>
Mary Nell Fortenberry	Josh Freeman
Mary Fowler	Jim Green
Ann Jay	Alan Lanning
Marjorie Jolley	Gene Meredith
Jimmye Lipscomb	Andrew Smith

### Congratulations to....

Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Perry who were married on August 20. Mrs. Perry is the former Jamie Amason, daughter of Debbie and Richard Amason.

Leah and Ivan Phillips on the birth of Isaac Nolan on August 29, 2009.

Rebecca and Herb Upton on the birth of Wright Middleton on September 7.

Kara and Justin Willbanks on the birth of Avery Gracee on September 8. Avery's grandparents are Laura and J. R. Willbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rahm who were married on September 19 in Florida. Mrs. Rahm is the former Jessica Edmondson, daughter of Dianna Shackelford and granddaughter of Delores and Lewis Hickom.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smith who were married on September 26 at Sam Jones. Mrs. Smith is the former Jessica Huffstetler of John's Creek, and Mr. Smith is the son of Judy and Jim Smith.

### Sympathy to....

Emma Gilmer, family and friends on the death of her sister, Aylmer Ruff, on August 29.

Jeff Segars, family and friends on the death of his wife, Sandy Segars, on September 4.

Cheryl and Joel Guyton, family and friends on the death of his father, Hubert Guyton, on September 5.

Melinda and Bobby Grimes on the death of his mother, Velma Grimes, on September 8.

## Worship

Oct. 4, 2009

Sermon: *The Sacraments: Holy Communion*

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Oct. 11, 2009

Sermon by Rev. Dee Dee Lawson

Oct. 18, 2009

Sermon *20/20 Vision: Clear Vision*


Scripture: Joel 2: 28-29

Oct. 25, 2009

Sermon *20/10 Vision: Better Than Average Vision*

Scripture: Joel 28-29

# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Sunday Schedule Worship - 8:30am, 9:45am, 11:00am Sunday School - 9:45 and 11:00 am Youth Fellowship - 5:00pm (snack supper \$3.00)</p>	<p>Wednesday Schedule 5:15 - 6:15pm - Dinner 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:30pm</p> <p>Children's Programs, Youth Program, Adult Bible Studies - Handbell Rehearsal - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>Church Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. - noon 770-382-4772</p>	<p>12pm Joy Link Picnic 9am Precept</p>	<p>4th &amp; 5th Grade Prayer Retreat</p>	<p>8am Men's Breakfast Girl Scout District Meeting</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 "The Sacraments: Holy Communion" World Communion Sunday</p> <p>12pm Staff-Parish Relations Mtg 12pm Young Adult Covered Dish 5pm Seeking Him Study 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>5 7am Sr. High at Chick-Fit-A 10am Lewis Bible Link 6pm Disciple IV 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>6 7am Jr. High at Riverwalk 9am Jesus in the Gospels 10am Grace Bible Link 6pm Girl Scout Troop 24701 6:30 pm Friend to Friend Study 7pm Fielden Bible Link 7pm When God Speaks</p>	<p>7 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 6pm Short-Term Disciple 6pm Treading Water 6:15pm Beth Moore Study Wednesday Dinner &amp; Programs Lasagne</p>	<p>8 9am Precept</p>	<p>9 Learning Center Fall Break</p>	<p>10 9am Scrabbooking 7pm Etowah Chorale Concert at The Grand</p>
<p>11 5pm Seeking Him Study 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>12 Learning Center Fall Break 11:45am UMW General Meeting 6pm Disciple IV 7pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>13 Learning Center Fall Break Meals on Wheels 9am Jesus in the Gospels 12pm Business by the Book 6:30 pm Friend to Friend Study 6pm Girl Scout Troop 24701 7pm When God Speaks</p>	<p>14 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 1pm Church Shop Meeting 6pm Short-Term Disciple 6pm Treading Water 6:15pm Beth Moore Study Wednesday Dinner &amp; Programs Oven Roasted Chicken</p>	<p>15 9am Precept 3pm Bingo at Maple Ridge</p>	<p>16 Learning Center Fall Break</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 "20/20 Vision: Clear Vision"</p> <p>Noon - Leadership Luncheon 5pm Seeking Him Study 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>19 7am Sr. High at Chick-Fit-A 6pm Disciple IV</p>	<p>20 7am Jr. High at Riverwalk 7:30am Finance Committee 9am Jesus in the Gospels 12:30pm Prime Timers Luncheon 6pm Girl Scout Troop 24701 6:30 pm Friend to Friend Study 7pm When God Speaks</p>	<p>21 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 6pm Short-Term Disciple 6pm Treading Water 6:15pm Beth Moore Study Wednesday Dinner &amp; Programs Beef Tips and Rice</p>	<p>22 9am Precept</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 It's Scary to be Hungry Food Drive 6pm Jr. Cotillion</p>
<p>25 "20/10 Vision: Better Than Average Vision" Stewardship Sunday</p> <p>3pm Girl Scout Troop 25700 5pm Seeking Him Study 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>26 7am Sr. High at Chick-Fit-A 6pm Disciple IV 6pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>27 7am Jr. High at Riverwalk 9am Jesus in the Gospels 6pm Girl Scout Troop 24701 6:30pm Me, Myself &amp; Lies 7pm SOAP Study</p>	<p>28 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 6pm Short-Term Disciple 6pm Treading Water 6:15pm Discerning God's Voice Wednesday Dinner &amp; Programs Chilli Cook-Off</p>	<p>29 9am Precept</p>	<p>30 9:30am Learning Center Halloween Program</p>	<p>31</p>