MEET THE NEW PASTOR
by Dave Smith

We are excited to welcome a new associate pastor, Ken Norton, Jr, to the Collegedale Church, but first some background. When Cherie and I joined the pastoral team last July, there were three full-time pastoral positions unfilled, one of them for senior pastor. You may recall that by the end of June Mike Fulbright and Don MacLafferty had been transitioned to the Conference payroll. After my acceptance of the senior pastor position, Cherie became Pastor of Spiritual Care, Visitation and Prayer, filling one of the open positions. Since that time the Conference administration and our pastoral team have been working to fill the other associate pastor position. Our pastoral staff has been operating short-handed, and with Duane Schoonard’s departure at the end of August creating yet another opening, we are especially eager to become fully staffed and to offer the best service to the church family that we can.

That is why I am so pleased that our quest to fill the associate pastor position open since May has led us to a new pastor. After a very careful search process, the conference administration recently offered an associate pastor position to Ken. Ken, Julie, and their two children, continued on page 2, Pastor

DIVORCECARE COMING

DivorceCare and DivorceCare for Kids (DC4K) groups will meet 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Fridays beginning October 21 at the Church.

DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences. Don’t go through separation or divorce alone. You’ll gain access to valuable DivorceCare resources to help you deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your life.

DivorceCare will be led by Richard D’Avanzo, Ph.D.. He recently moved to the Collegedale area from Florida where continued on page 2, DivorceCare

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

The Family Fall Festival will take place on Sunday, Oct. 16, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Farrow Family Home, 5767 Tallant Road, Ooltewah. The afternoon will start with worship followed by music, hayrides, face painting, pumpkin decorating, family games and more.

Supper will also be served, and families are asked to bring the following:

A-F 2 large bags of chips
G-L 2 dozen cookies/brownies
M-S large raw veggie or fruit tray
T-Z one large bag of apples

Plan to bring your family for food, fun and fellowship. We will see you there!
13-year-old Kenny and 10-year-old Michelle, recently moved to Collegedale so that Julie could run Southern Adventist University's student missions program.

Ken, who has accepted the position of Pastor of Fellowship and Young Adults, brings experience, skills, and passions well matched to our congregational needs. At one of the churches he pastored he worked with church elders to help all members know they are cared for and connected. He will be leading a similar ministry with our church elders.

Ken has served as senior pastor, youth pastor, district leader, and associate pastor. He has led evangelism efforts, coordinated church plants for a conference, and had mission service abroad. A graduate of Southern Adventist University, Ken earned his Master’s of Divinity Degree from Andrews University and is working on a Doctor of Ministry Degree from Andrews. Ken's passion is serving and loving people. That is one reason why we know that you will appreciate his ministry as he works, not only with the elders and their outreach to church members, but also with young adults, small group ministries, and first impressions.

Ken and his family were introduced to the Church family during the worship services on Sabbath, Oct. 1. I hope that we will all reach out to the Norton family and welcome them to our Church community. We need to pray that God will care for the Nortons and that He will continue to lead and bless our church and its ministries.

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**TIME IS RUNNING OUT**

We are over halfway through with photography dates for our pictorial directory. If you have not signed up yet, do so soon. Sign up by either calling the Church at 396-2134 or going to www.collegedalechurch.com and click on “Pictorial Directory Sign-ups” on the bottom right to schedule an appointment.

The last scheduled photography day is October 27. All photography will be done in the Church.

Each family photographed will receive a free 8x10, a directory, as well as a password to access an online directory. If you bring non-perishable food items for the Samaritan Center, you will also receive $5 off if you decide to make a purchase.

We need you to make our directory as complete as possible.

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**DivorceCare**

he was a professor at Florida Christian University. Richard says, “I relate well to those who have gone or are going through a divorce, as well as those who are struggling to make their marriage work, because I’ve been there.”

DivorceCare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Each DivorceCare session has two distinct elements: During the first 30–40 minutes of the meeting, each DivorceCare group watches a video seminar featuring top experts on divorce and recovery subjects. After viewing the video, DivorceCare group participants spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week’s video seminar and what is going on in the lives of group members.

For more information, call Richard at (407) 970-3127.

Friday evenings don’t work? Collegedale Community Church is also offering DivorceCare on Sabbath mornings at 11:30 a.m.

DC4K is a special group to help your children heal from the pain caused by a separation or divorce. DC4K provides your children with a safe and neutral place to recognize and learn to share their feelings.

Each session is filled with motivating and exciting activities. Games, crafts, role playing, discussion times, journaling and activity books help your children process the divorce and move forward in their lives. The music CDs, snacks, read aloud stories, exercises and Bible verses teach your children to relax and rest secure in God’s love. The *Kids Like Me* and *Stories from the Bible* video dramas present stories of children just like your children, who are experiencing divorce-related problems and have found help and encouragement.

DC4K is a powerful ministry for kids 5–12 years of age. For more information about DC4K, call Mary Grant at (423) 424-9953.
GCSS UPDATE
by Murray Cooper

The first few weeks of the 2011-2012 school year are now complete, and I want to share details of the great start to the school year with you.

First and foremost, the three schools that comprise the Greater Collegedale School System have all increased in enrollment, closing last year with 790 students and opening this fall with 840 students – an increase of 50 students! The largest increase has been at A.W. Spalding (AWS) Elementary School in part due to the new Montessori program (three and four year old children) and a huge group of fifth grade students (75 of them).

Proverbs 22:6 talks about training children when they are young so they will remain true when they are older. Thus high emphasis is placed on starting the year right by focusing on the spiritual environment in all three buildings. All three schools have already completed their week of spiritual emphasis activities. At Collegedale Academy (CA), our new chaplain, Chris Massengill, led out in the meetings focusing on being ready for God’s call, and when He does call, being ready to work for Him. Pastor Tim Cross led in the Collegedale Adventist Middle School (CAMS) week of spiritual emphasis. Pastor Don MacLafferty and Eric Johnson led in the AWS 3rd-5th grade meetings, and Pastor Jason Salyers spoke for the AWS K-2nd grade meetings.

At CA, we’re additionally blessed by an Agape Feast on the Friday night conclusion of the week of spiritual emphasis when 80-90 CA students attended. CA also introduced a new program this year with a senior dedication night where 88 of the 94 seniors with their families, were in attendance along for this special service where each senior received a CA lapel pin as well as a special prayer to be used of God this year.

We have a number of new staff who have joined our program this year: Lacey Sucket (AWS 1st grade), Chris Bispham (AWS 5th grade), Kris Harter (CAMS 6th grade), Leanne Barto (CAMS 7th grade), Matt Kohls (CAMS 8th grade), Holly Greer (AWS/CAMS choirs), Gregory Lindquist (AWS/CAMS/CA bands), and Tom Lighthall (CA Woods). Rhonda Burnham has added the CA Chamber Orchestra to her teaching responsibilities. Brooke Durst is filling in for David Sherwood who is on leave for the first semester and Susan Andersen and Brandon Lasley are both teaching part time at CA. Please remember these new staff members as well as the rest of the faculty and staff in prayer. We ask that God will use each one in a special way to impact kids for the kingdom this year.

PROPHECIES DECODED

We will be hosting the Net 2011 series by Dr Ron Clouzet through October 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Thursday, Oct. 6: Revelation’s Three Angels’ Messages

Friday, Oct. 7: The Lamb Slain and the Seven Seals

Sabbath, Oct. 8: A New Revelation of Jesus Christ

Monday, Oct. 10: The Anti-Christ and the Cults that Follow Him

Tuesday, Oct. 11: In Search of the Ark of the Covenant

Wednesday, Oct. 12: The Greatest Issue in the Book of Revelation, Part 1

Friday, Oct. 14: The Greatest Issue in the Book of Revelation, Part 2

Sabbath, Oct. 15: Taking a Stand at the Time of the End

Monday, Oct. 17: The Longest Time Prophecy in the Bible

For more information, contact Pastor Sam at 396-2134.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

A Holiday Specials & Family Fixin’s Vegetarian Cooking Class will be held Thursdays, Nov. 3 and 10 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Hulsey Wellness Center.

Classes consist of: Heart-Rite/Taste-Rite; Lifestyle Enhancing; Food Prep Demos; Taste’n See Samplings; Mini Health Talks; Recipe Packets; and Door Prizes.

Cost is $7.50 a session or $10 for both. Class size is limited. Register by October 30 at 396-2134, ext. 13, 396-3399, or info@beinhealthchatt.com.
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**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1**, Adoration 1 will start at 8:45 a.m. All other service times will remain the same.

**HELP SEND THE CA ORCHESTRA** to Carnegie Hall, NY: CA Orchestra Tennis Tournament and Fundraiser on Sunday, Oct. 16, at 11:00 a.m. Sign-ups at CA Office. Call 396-2124. Doubles only (any combination), single elimination after 1st round. Player Fee: $10/student (9th grader to college, with ID), $25/adult. Last sign-up day: October 7.

**A TRIBUTE TO BILL MONROE**, with the Travelin’ McCourys, Tony Rice and Peter Rowan, will be held 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at Iles PE Center. Tickets at the door. For more information, call 236-2814.

**BLOOD ASSURANCE**: Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. On September 10, 102 units of blood were given! We’ve never even come close to that level before! Now we have a huge challenge to keep donations around that level.

**DON AND APRIL MACLAFFERTY** and family wish to thank the Church for their love, support, prayers, cards, and donations making it possible for our family to vacation in Austria after a KID training. Thank you also for your love and prayers in this time of loss of April’s step-father. We love you Church family!

**THE INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGY** will be presenting the first of three lectures Thursday, Oct. 7, at 7:00 p.m. in Lynn WoodHall. The lecture, “Khirbet Qeiyafa 2010: Excavating in the Shadow of Alexander the Great,” will be given by Dr. Michael Hasel. Call 236-2027.

**7TH GRADE CAYA BIBLE STUDY** will be held on Friday, Oct. 14, from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Mill Run Neighborhood Clubhouse. We’ll be outside for a campfire, so bring a camp chair. For more information, contact Shelley Stern at 238-9407.

**JOIN THE FESTIVAL OF PRAISE** with the Voice of Prophecy at 3:00 p.m., October 22, at McDonald Road Church. The program will be hosted by Fred Kinsey and Connie Vandeman Jeffery.

**OFFERING**: Cambodia Mission
7:17 p.m. Sunset

**SABBATH, OCTOBER 8**
8:45 a.m. Adoration 1: Dave Smith
Adult Sabbath Schools
10:15 a.m. Adoration 2: Dave Smith
Sabbath Schools
11:30 a.m. Connect: Jackie James
11:45 a.m. Renewal: Dave Smith

**Monday, October 10**
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Meeting

**Wednesday, October 12**
10:00 a.m. 55+ Activities
6:30 p.m. Pathfinders
7:00 p.m. Prayer Group

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13**
10:00 a.m. 55+ Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Mom’s Group

**Friday, October 14**
8:00 p.m. University Vespers

**SABBATH, OCTOBER 15**
8:45 a.m. Adoration 1: Dave Smith
Adult Sabbath Schools
10:15 a.m. Adoration 2: Dave Smith
Sabbath Schools
11:30 a.m. Connect: Andy Nash
11:45 a.m. Renewal: Dave Smith

**Offering**: Church Family Budget
7:08 p.m. Sunset

**Monday, October 17**
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Meeting

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