CARED FOR AND CONNECTED
by Ken Norton

So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. (Acts 2:46,47 NKJV) What a picture! Worship. Food and fellowship. Happy hearts. Growing church. What an exciting time it must have been during those early days of the church where people not only worshipped together but also experienced what it was like to be truly cared for and connected.

So are those days over? Is it possible for us today to experience church in the same way as the early believers? Your Collegedale Church leadership believes it is possible and would like to share with you why we are committed to your care, your connection with each other, and your calling to share the love of Christ with those around you.

Committed to your care
There is nothing the Pastoral Staff and Elders of this church desire more than to see each church member growing in their love for God and in their love for each other. Out of that desire has come a plan for each church member to belong to an Elder “parish” over which an Elder personally looks out for the spiritual needs of those in their group. The Elders have dedicated themselves to serving you and your spiritual needs and are excited about the opportunity of becoming involved in your lives. If you are a member of the Collegedale Church and are living in the East Tennessee Valley area, you will be receiving a call or visit soon from an Elder of the church. They will be contacting you because they care, and they have your spiritual interest in mind.

Committed to your connection with each other
Corporate worship was important to the early believers, but so was breaking bread from house to house. Numerous times, the book of Acts mentions the

25 YEARS OF SUPPORT
For 25 years the Samaritan Center has been providing Help for Today and Hope for Tomorrow right here in our community. For 25 years the Collegedale Church has played a key role in making this happen. And it is time to do it again.

The annual Campaign for Community has begun, and the Samaritan Center hopes to raise $200,000 to provide those in our community assistance with food, housing, utilities, school supplies, Christmas gifts, and much more. This year has seen the Center pouring out support for those affected by the tornadoes that ripped across the area this spring. In faith, we have greatly in-continued on page 2, 25 Years
CMDT’S OUTREACH PROJECT TO TRI-COMMUNITY WORKERS

This year’s Children’s Ministries Development Team’s (CMDT) Christmas outreach project is providing childcare to our Tri-Community fire fighters, police officers, and city workers on December 4 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

We need volunteers to:

1. Decorate and set-up
2. Prepare and distribute snack items to the children.
3. Donate funds and/or needed snack or craft items.
4. Help with crafts or games.
5. Hold and care for a baby or toddler.
6. Takedown and cleanup.

Contact Pastor Carole Verrill at cverrill@southern.edu or at (423) 396-2134, ext.12. Remember that it is in giving of ourselves to serve others that we are truly blessed.

“connectedness” of early believers when it describes them as being of “one accord” (Acts 1:14; 2:1; 4:24, 32; 55:12). By worshipping together, praying together, studying together, and eating together they grew together, and turned the world upside down for Jesus Christ. The Collegedale Church leadership believes this very same thing can happen today with the same results. As you are contacted by your parish Elder and invited to participate in opportunities that foster connectedness, we hope you will join in and experience what it means to truly be of one accord.

Committed to your calling

What dreams has God placed on your heart? What do you want to do for Him? What do you hear Him calling you to be and to do for the glory of His name? The Collegedale Church leadership believes in God’s calling for you and looks forward to hearing about your passion for ministry. We want to encourage you in your spiritual journey and explore ways we can help you achieve your spiritual goals. By all of us working together and supporting one another, we believe the Collegedale Church can become a community that not only worships together, but is a place where all are truly cared for and connected.

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IN MEMORY

Gail Clark, father of David Clark and grandfather of Stephanie Goddard, passed away November 7. Services will be announced at a later date.

Brian Hemauer, husband of Laiza, passed away August 26 in North Carolina.

Harold Thomsen, husband of Sue, passed away November 2. Services were held November 4. Memorial contributions may be made to Hearth to Hearth Ministries, PO Box 208, Ann Arbor, MI 49650 or Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 6931 Arlington Road, 2nd floor, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

On November 19, gifts of nonperishable food will help ensure that no one in this community need be hungry for the Holidays. Typical Thanksgiving foods like stuffing, cranberry sauce, evaporated milk, sweetened condensed milk, gravy, broth, flour, sugar, canned sweet potatoes, and mushroom soup will be the most helpful. Other items needed include grits, lentils, dried beans, boxed dinners, and cash for fresh foods.

Every gift will make a difference in this community, so remember to mark your tithe envelope, Campaign for Community! Thank you for your past generosity toward this community, and we encourage you to prayerfully consider how you will give this Holiday season.

creased our Compassion Fund, and we have been providing more for those in need than ever before. The Center looks forward to providing more than 100 people with meals to give thanks for this Holiday season. And you are invited to be a part of all this and more. Your financial gifts to the Campaign for Community will help your neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet.

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CA SENIORS FUNDRAISER SEMINAR FEATURING DR. ARLENE TAYLOR
submitted by Kim Suekert & Yolanda Londis

This coming March Dr. Arlene Taylor will be presenting a series of seminars in Collegedale as a fundraiser by Collegedale Academy’s Senior Class. Professionals attend her seminars because of her reputation and credentials – internationally known speaker, licensed brain-function specialist, licensed counselor, registered nurse, two earned doctorates, recipient of numerous awards and honors.

Individuals remember her seminars for a different reason – Dr. Taylor’s presentation style is unforgettable! Attendees leave the seminar stimulated by cutting edge knowledge, engaged by an exuberant presentation, refreshed by laughter and empowered by practical life-changing applications. They use adjectives such as well-researched, fascinating, spirited and knowledgeable.

On Friday, March 16, Dr. Taylor will present the following topics:

- Emotional Intelligence – Raise Yours Now
- Emotional Intelligence – Manage Your Emotions
- Cellular Memory – Past, Present, and Future
- The Brain Program (afternoon program)

Go to Seminar Descriptions at www.arlenetaylor.org for detailed topic information.

Dr. Taylor’s knowledge of current brain research brings a brand-new perspective to the topic. Do you wish to know who you are innately? Are the bulk of your life’s activities matched to what your brain does easily? To learn more, plan now to attend. Better yet, bring a colleague, friend or family member with you; both laypersons and professionals will thank you for the invitation.

Dr. Taylor’s principal assessment system is the BTSA (Benziger Thinking Styles Assessment). This is quite possibly the best tool for understanding, measuring and making decisions about how a person thinks. It involves an in depth questionnaire (completed before and outside of the seminar), which is then scored by Dr. Taylor. As one of only 10 licensees in the US qualified to provide this service, Dr. Taylor will then send you an in-depth, thorough and individualized analysis of your BTSA. As an encouragement and bonus to the attendees of this seminar, Dr. Taylor is providing the BTSA and its scoring, the full day seminar and 9 contact hours for CEU’s at a significantly discounted rate.

Friday, March 16, 2012 Pricing:

- Plan A: BTSA test / full day seminar (9 C.E.U.’s / contact hours) $150.00
- Plan B: BTSA test / afternoon session (6 C.E.U.’s) $120.00
- Plan C: Full day seminar (6 C.E.U.’s) $100.00
- Plan D: Afternoon session (3 C.E.U.’s) $60.00
- Plan E: Full day seminar with NO C.E.U.’s $85.00
- Plan F: Afternoon session with NO C.E.U.’s $50.00
- Plan G: College Student with I.D.: Full day Seminar $50.00
- Plan H: College Student with I.D.: Afternoon session $30.00

Make checks payable to Collegedale Academy and write Dr. Arlene Taylor Seminar in the memo line. Mail checks to Collegedale Academy, PO Box 628, Collegedale, TN 37315, Attn: J. C. Urban.

For more information, contact Kim at noahagenda@charter.net or 790-7339; or Yolanda at jumpingjl@msn.com or 987-0036.

INDIAN RIVER FRUIT

Support Collegedale Academy’s mission trips while enjoying Indian River citrus fruit! Orders may be placed through December 5. Pickup is one day only: Sunday, Dec. 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Academy gym parking lot.

All fruit is from Indian River, Florida.

- Navel Oranges: $30/box, $17/half-box
- Ruby Red Grapefruit: $26/box, $15/half-box
- Tangerines: $24/half-box

To place your order, leave a message with your name, address, email, phone number and your order at 396-2124 ext. 555, or go to www.collegedaleacademy.com/citrus.
OUR COLLEGE DALE CHURCH FAMILY is invited to participate in this year’s Christmas Eve service on December 24 at 6:00 p.m. Vocal and instrumental musical selections, readings, or other creative works are welcome. If you would like to participate, contact Rhonda Burnham at rvburnham@awspalding.net before November 28.

THANK YOU to our church family for the prayers, visits, calls, food and cards of sympathy during the illness and recent death of Harold Thomsen. The generosity from the visitation and bereavement ministries during this sad time is greatly appreciated. We especially appreciate Elders Don Gettys, Paul Smith and Dwight Hero for the service honoring Harold, Daddy, and Pa. Sue Thomsen, Howard and Linda Brown, Elizabeth, Katherine

A CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT featuring small groups from within the Collegedale Academy Chamber Orchestra will be held Thursday, Nov. 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Collegedale Academy Auditorium. All are invited to come and enjoy an evening of wonderful music.

THE 55+ CLUB will meet November 20 at noon for a potluck. Featured will be InSpirit. Bring food as follows: A brown gravy (16 oz); B-D entrees; E-H mashed or sweet potatoes; I-M vegetables; N-R pumpkin or apple pie; S rolls; T cranberry jelly or salad; and U-Z tossed salad.

JAIME JORGE IN CONCERT at Collegedale Community Church on Thanksgiving Weekend, Sabbath, Nov. 26, at 6:00 p.m. Come enjoy an evening of music and testimony that will thrill your soul and warm your heart. A love offering will be taken.

AWS NEEDS: You can help AW Spalding teachers by donating the following items at the school office: wipes, spoons, forks, paper plates, tissues, hand sanitizers, lotion, pencils, red ballpoint pens, black fine point Sharpies, and post-it notes.

PLAN NOW to join your voice in singing with the Handel’s Messiah Community Sing-Along on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 3:00 p.m. at the Chattanooga First Church. Open rehearsals for this special event will be on Tuesdays, Nov. 29, Dec. 6 and 13, and Saturday, Dec. 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chattanooga First Church sanctuary. Scores available on loan. Everyone welcome.

BABYSITTER NEEDED for two children, ages 3 and 1, four hours a day from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. Contact Veronica at veronica.witt@gmail.com or (540) 818-8234.

YOU CAN GIVE your tithe and offerings online. Visit www.collegedalechurch.com to learn more.

DIVORCECARE: The topic for the November 18 DivorceCare is Facing My Loneliness and for DivorceCare for Kids is I Am Not Alone. They meet from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Church.

SABBATH, NOVEMBER 19

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: Campaign for Community

5:34 p.m. Sunset

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Offices Close at Noon

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Offices Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Offices Closed

SABBATH, NOVEMBER 26

8:45 a.m. Adoration 1: Ken Norton
          Adult Sabbath Schools
10:15 a.m. Adoration 2: Ken Norton
          Sabbath Schools
11:30 a.m. Connect: Jackie James
11:45 a.m. Renewal: Ken Norton

Offering: Church Family Budget

5:31 p.m. Sunset

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Meeting