JOIN THE FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, Oct. 27, will be a special evening of fun and fellowship for the families of our Church and the Greater Collegedale School System. This is the fall festival which will be held at the home of Franklin and Tamatha Farrow, located at 5767 Tallant Rd, Ooltewah from 5:00-8:30 p.m. In partnership with the Home and School association of AWS and CAMS, the Collegedale Church Children’s Ministries team is planning an evening of worship and fellowship that includes music, food, fellowship and games that all our families may enjoy together.

All families are asked to contribute to the hot dog meal according to the following assignments by last name:

A-F: 2 large bags of chips
G-L: 2 dozen cookies or brownies
M-S: 1 large veggie tray or fruit tray
T-Z: 1 large bag of apples (to enjoy plain or drizzled with warm caramel sauce)

Some of the highlights of the evening will include: music provided by a blue grass band, song service led by our youth, an interactive worship activity, face painting, balloon animals, pumpkin decorating, hayrides, star gazing, and a glow in the dark relay game.

Save this date and spread the word as we hope to have a wonderful time together as the families of our church and school unite in a fun time of fall fellowship.

IS GENEROSITY A PRIME VALUE IN OUR CONGREGATION?

by Wolf Jedamski

We just finished closing out the church finances for the month of September. I’d like to share with you some of the numbers that are of growing concern to us.

The returning of our tithe continues to lag behind last year’s numbers by about 4%. It’s difficult to determine why that is. Are we doing worse economically this year than the last two years when the national economy was at its lowest? Are we backing off of our faithfulness in order to solve our own financial needs when God says those funds are already mine and if you return them, I will bless you?

That 10% already belongs to God and as you know, it doesn’t stay here in our local church to fund our ministries. I believe our giving beyond tithe is an indication of our level of response to God. So how are we doing in our freewill giving?
MEN IN CHRIST ENJOY ITS FIRST FATHER-SON CAMPOUT

by Dennis Negron

A group of thirty fathers and sons braved the stormy weather during the weekend of September 28-30 at Chilhowee campground near the Ocoee River. Rain plagued the group mostly during the overnight hours; therefore, the men and their sons found time to mountain bike, hike, explore Benton Falls, and enjoy fellowship with each other and, especially, their sons.

On Friday night Pastor Ken challenged the men to guard their homes from those pleasures that promise temporary excitement but offer little eternal value. During Sabbath morning Pastor Tim broke the group up into its family units. Those groups then discussed the seven-point covenant of Men in Christ, Collegedale’s men’s ministry. Dennis Negrón closed the Sabbath by addressing one of the covenant’s points—to impact the community through evangelizing our families first.

IN MEMORY

Don Dick, husband of Joyce and father of Linda Gustad, Valerie Hunt, and David Dick, passed away September 16. A memorial service will be held October 20, at 3:30 p.m. at the Church. Visitation will be Friday, Oct. 19, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Sabbath, at 2:30 p.m.

Bruce M. Wickwire, Sr., wife of Adele and father of Barbara Clemons and Linda Breedlove, passed away Thursday, Sept. 27. Services were held October 7. Memorial contributions may be made to Adventist Frontier Missions, the Georgia-Cumberland Conference Publishing Department, or Southern Union Publishing Department.
**CHILDREN'S CHOIR PERFORMS AT TWO VENUES**
*by Cynthia Spears*

The Collegedale Children's Choir had its first official performance of the year at Chattanooga First Church on Sabbath, Sept. 29.

There are thirty-seven children in the choir this year, ages 4-10. They have learned not only songs, but memory verses that go along with each song that they recite before singing. On Sabbath, Oct. 6, they sang at the Knoxville First Church and then spent the afternoon in the Smoky Mountains with their families.

On November 17, the Children's Choir will be singing for the Adoration 1 and 2 services at the Collegedale Church.

God is blessing others through the voices of HIS children! ✞

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**SANDY ERICKSON RACE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Sandy Erickson Race for Christian Education benefiting the Greater Collegedale School System is Sunday, Nov. 4.

The Kids Fun Run (1 mile) starts at 1:30 p.m. for pre K - 2nd grade and at 2:00 p.m. for the 5K race (3.2 miles) for grades 3-12 and adults. Meet at Collegedale Adventist Middle School (CAMS).

The race proceeds benefit the school system's Worthy Student Fund.


To donate, go to www.sandyericksonfunrun.com and click on the donate link, or you may sponsor a runner from one of the GCSS schools.

The race is named after Sandy Erickson, a first grade teacher who taught for over twenty years at A.W. Spalding. She was diagnosed in 2008 with Lou Gehrig's Disease. ✞

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**PATHFINDERS CAMP AT COHUTTA SPRINGS**

One hundred fifty-eight Collegedale Pathfinders camped at Cohutta Springs Camp September 21-23. This was the first full club campout of the year.

Club director Bill Tracy said it was one of the only Pathfinder campouts he remembers going on without rain. “We had beautiful weather,” he said.

Watch for more exciting Pathfinder happenings. ✞
MATT AND TAMARA NAFIE
AND REED AND DANA KRAUSE
announce the marriage of their
children, Marianne Nafie and
Raymond Krause, on July 29.

SOUTHERN’S ALUMNI WEEKEND
will be October 25-28. Gary
Thurber will be the speaker
at Friday vespers and Bob
Folkenberg, Jr. for all three wor-
ship services. For more informa-
tion, go to www.southern.edu/
alumni or call (423) 236-2830.

COLLEGEDEAL’S GOT TALENT!
will be held Tuesday, Oct. 23, at
7:00 p.m. at Life Care Center of
Collegedale. Categories include vocal, instrumental, and fine arts.
Prizes will be given. Registration
deadline is October 20. Pick up a
registration form at Life Care, 9210
Apison Pike, Collegedale, or call
(423) 396-2182 for more informa-
tion. There is no entry fee.

THE VFW/SAU SEMI-ANNUAL
FLEA MARKET is Sunday, Oct. 21,
in front of Southern’s Mabel Wood
Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Reservation forms are available at
the Village Market Courtesy Desk.

A CONFERENCE SPONSORED
HEALTH SEMINAR will be held
October 27 at the Chattanooga
First Church. Two Segments:
11:00 a.m. Lessons on Loss.
2:00-4:00 p.m. Hope & Health
in a Postmodern World:
Health Evangelism in an Era of
Meaninglessness. Both segments
are free and pre-registration is not
required. Bring food if you want to
participate in the fellowship meal.
Call 1-800-567-1844, ext. 348.

YOU ARE INVITED to Chattanooga
First Church Homecoming on
November 10. The day includes:
Sabbath School (9:30 a.m.),
Church (10:55 a.m.), Fellowship
lunch (1:00 p.m.), and Vespers
(5:00 p.m.). Many previous
Chattanooga First pastors will be
attending. The church service
will be led by Pastor Obed Graham.
All are invited to participate in the
combined church choir.

SHAREHIM HOMELAND LAY
EVANGELISM TRAINING:
Conference-wide, conference-
sponsored training November 2
and 3 at the Georgia-Cumberland
Conference office in Calhoun,
GA. Learn to be an effective
lay evangelistic speaker on
Friday from 6:30-9:00 p.m. and
Sabbath from 9:00 a.m.-9:00
p.m. Presenter is Ralph Ringer,
Southern Union Director of Church
Growth & Evangelism Training.
Pre-registration is required.
Registration deadline is October
22. Cost is $20 per person (for
catered lunch and supper on
Sabbath). To register or for more
information, call 1-800-567-1844,
ext. 348.

FOOT PRINTS FOR KIDS pro-
grams will be starting soon in
our community. These programs
are designed to help parents
and grandparents disciple their
children and grandchildren to
a meaningful relationship with
Jesus and to become His disciples.
To attend a group, or for more
information, call In Discipleship at
396-2120, or email Gary Weber at
gary@indiscipleship.org.

Wednesday, October 17
10:00 a.m. 55+ Activities
7:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursday, October 18
10:00 a.m. 55+ Bible Study

Friday, October 19
7:00 p.m. DivorceCare

Sabbath, October 20
8:45 a.m. Adoration 1: Victor Czerkasij
Adult Sabbath Schools
10:15 a.m. Adoration 2: Sam Chetty
Sabbath Schools
11:30 a.m. Connect: LeClare Litchfield
11:45 a.m. Renewal: Victor Czerkasij
Offering: Church Family Budget
7:00 p.m. Sunset

Tuesday, October 23
10:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Studies
6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Studies

Wednesday, October 24
10:00 a.m. 55+ Activities
6:30 p.m. Pathfinders
7:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group

Thursday, October 25
10:00 a.m. 55+ Bible Study

Friday, October 26
8:00 p.m. University Vespers

Sabbath, October 27
8:45 a.m. Adoration 1: Bob Folkenberg, Jr.
Adult Sabbath Schools
10:15 a.m. Adoration 2: Bob Folkenberg, Jr.
Sabbath Schools
11:30 a.m. Connect: Andy Nash
11:45 a.m. Renewal: Bob Folkenberg, Jr.
Offering: Church Family Budget/Alumni
6:52 p.m. Sunset

Tuesday, October 28
10:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Studies
6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Studies