WELCOME THE MOONS TO COLLEGEDALE

by Dave Smith

We are excited that Jim Moon, a pastor from Colorado, will be coming to the Collegedale Church to assume a new pastoral role for our church: Pastor for Worship. Sam Chetty’s departure, coupled with Ken Norton’s picking up Sam’s former role as Pastor for Local Evangelism, created the opportunity for the Collegedale Church to hire a pastor to help plan and lead our worship experience.

This is an exciting opportunity for our church. Jim has a passion that worshiping God, lifting Him up, and drawing into His presence, should be at the heart of every part of our worship services, and he will be working with all of us and worship planning teams to make this possible.

CHILDREN’S SABBATH SCHOOL SECURITY SYSTEM GUIDELINES IN PLACE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 5, 2015

by Joanna King, Children’s Ministries Development Team

Our precious children are our present as well as the future of our church. As we work together to help them create a lasting friendship with Jesus, we want to meet their needs and keep them safe from harm. Because the Collegedale Church family loves your amazing children, we want to keep them safe while they are here learning in Sabbath School. It is important for all parents/guardians of children who attend Sabbath School from Kindergarten I through Primary II to walk their children to Sabbath School and to sign them in at the security desk for each room. After Sabbath School, parents/guardians should pick their children up and sign them out of Sabbath School at the security desk.

Children in Kindergarten I, Kindergarten II, Primary I, and Primary II will have a new check-in process beginning September 5. Parents/Guardians/Siblings 12 and older will bring children to Sabbath School and check them in at the security desk.
Starting on August 25 the Collegedale Church will be offering Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University (FPU) class.

**What is FPU?** FPU is the most important step to changing your financial future. It is your Total Money Makeover Program. It takes the knowledge from God and turns it into real action in our lives through a step-by-step process taught by Dave Ramsey.

FPU is a 9-week life-changing program that empowers and teaches you how to make the right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and God’s plan for your life. The course includes practical lessons on eliminating debt, building wealth, giving like never before, and much more!

**Who is FPU for?** It’s for EVERYONE – from the financially secure to the financially distressed. Over 1 million families and individuals have attended Financial Peace University.

Applying God’s Word radically changes your life. On average, FPU graduates have paid off over $5,300 in debt and saved $2,700 during the 91-day program!

**What Will I Learn?** In this life-changing program you will learn:

1. Step-by-Step Cash Flow Planning
2. Debt Snowball Plan Technique to Eliminating Debt
3. How to Invest Wisely

The cost of the 9-week class is $93 per person or couple. Come check out the first class for free. To learn more about it or to register, go to www.daveramsey.com, click on “classes,” “find a class” then type in “37315” to find our class in Collegedale. If you’re in need of child care, let me know.

For information, contact Jenny Hobbs at jennyrhobbs@yahoo.com or (423) 316-0132.

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**IN MEMORY**

Jason Foote, husband of Amy, father of Hayden and Alison, son of Darlene Foote and Harold Foote, brother of JoElle Pierce, and nephew of Jim Foote, passed away August 11. Services were held August 15.

Dennis Unterseher, husband of Jeanne, passed away July 29. Services were in North Dakota on August 9.

Angela Ensley, mother of Constance Ensley, sister of Amber Caldwell, and granddaughter of Charles and Jewel Whidden, passed away July 31. Services were held August 5.

Alma Jewell Hanson, wife of James D. Hanson, mother of Janel McKee, Jon Hanson, Craig Hanson, and Julie Dobias, and grandmother of Jordan Otis, Nathan McKee, Hunter and Jessica McKee, passed away on July 21. Services were held August 5 in Michigan. Memorial contributions in Alma’s name may be made to the Andrews University Music Department.

Eugene Wilson Sr., father of Lee Wilson, passed away Monday, Aug. 3. Services were held August 7.

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The security table located in each Sabbath School location. Parents will be asked to leave a phone number they can be reached at and will receive a laminated number card that is color coded to the Sabbath School.

Kindergarten I – Yellow
Kindergarten II – Red
Primary I – Blue
Primary II – Green

Parents are always welcome to accompany their child to Sabbath School. We would love to have you join us and be a part of your child’s Sabbath School experience! For those parents who do not attend Sabbath School with their child, parents should return at the end of Sabbath School with their color-coded number card to sign their child out at the security desk.

Volunteers are needed to assure our children are safe. You can be a part and help at one of the security desks once a month or once every other month – whatever works out with your schedule. There is no prior preparation involved in this volunteer role. It only takes an hour and a half of your time on Sabbath morning and involves sitting in a chair and greeting children and their parents with a smile! Contact Pastor Carole at cverrill@southern.edu or (423) 994-2396 to volunteer or for more information.

Thank you for your help as we take care of the growing children in our Church family.
ADOPT-A-STUDENT MINISTRY
by Pastor Carole Verrill

Adopt-a-Student is an opportunity for our Church family to connect with university students and help them to feel comfortable and welcome in our Church. On Sabbaths, Aug. 29 and Sept. 5, university students who are interested in participating in this program will be invited to visit a welcome booth in the Atrium and fill out information cards.

On September 12 and 19 church members will be encouraged to visit the Adopt-a-Student booth in the Atrium to pick up one or more of those student information cards with the intention of adopting the students for this school year.

What are the expectations? A minimum of two student-member connections per semester – a total of at least 4 per year. Examples of connections include a meal in your home, thinking-of-you card, care package to the dorm, etc.

Jim and his family will be introduced to our congregation August 22 during all three church services. Jim will be working with Carole Verrill and our worship planning teams until he fully assumes his duties September 19.

We are praying that with Jim’s help, our worship experiences will become even more God-centered, transforming, engaging and creative. Please welcome Jim, Ingrid, and their family to our church and offer them support as they commence their lives and ministries here.

CHILDREN’S CHOIR

The Collegedale Children’s Choir for ages 4 through 4th grade will tune-up on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Room. Our first get-together will be a parent information meeting.

All children in our community are welcome regardless of church affiliation. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. They perform about once a month at area churches.

Call Cynthia Spears at (423) 544-1310 for information.

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their hard work has enriched our worship experience. Our worship services have truly honored God and inspired us. But Carole already has a full-time job working with the children. We need someone who can devote their full attention to our worship planning needs. We are excited that Jim has agreed to join us to do that.

As the Pastor of Worship Jim will lead worship planning and worship for Adoration and Renewal worship services in the sanctuary and lead the congregation in an authentic worship experience that honors and glorifies God. He will be part of the pastoral team and participate in all pastor team meetings and activities. He will be the Church liaison with university music department, GCSS music personnel, and member, community and guest musicians. His job will also be to oversee the worship service audio/visual operators.

Jim comes with strong pastoral experience. He also has been and will continue to be significantly involved in North American Division prayer ministries. Most importantly, Jim brings us a heart for God and a passion for worship to lift us to God. Jim has been leading worships for various church organizations for many years.

“My call to ministry began in the seventh grade during a week of prayer,” says Jim. “During that week God renewed passion for Jesus and by my ninth grade year I was thinking of becoming a pastor. Two weeks before entering seminary I received full assurance of God’s call to ministry.”

“It was during my time as student association pastor that my philosophy of leadership began to form,” says Jim. “Our student association sponsor encouraged me, ‘Jim, make people feel important, give them ownership.’ Effective leaders have servants’ hearts. They are not afraid to get their hands dirty and they move among God’s people with compassion and empathy, seeking to discover their stories and helping them enter into God’s story. At the core of Christ-centered leadership is a deep love for God and man that awakens the hearts to embrace Christ and His mission.”

Jim joins us with his wife Ingrid and three children: 14 year-old Jay Jay, 13 year-old Maggie, and 9 year-old Sam. Jim and his family will be introduced to our congregation August 22 during all three church services. Jim will be working with Carole Verrill and our worship planning teams until he fully assumes his duties September 19.

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I WOULD LIKE TO THANK Bonnie Christiansen for stepping in and doing the bulletin and Churchbeat for me during the month of July and the beginning of August while I was out of the office. Bonnie is a Mass Communications major at Southern. —Sherrie Williams

COLLEGEDALE COLLEGIATES—Enjoying friendships, applying Scripture! A new Collegiate Sabbath School meets weekly at 10:15 a.m. in the Training Chapel next to the Sanctuary. Contact Pastor Tim at timcross@southern.edu.

THANK YOU for the assistance we received when our apartment caught on fire. We saw Christ coming to our aid through the involvement of Church members. —Mark O’Dala

MESSAGE OF MERCY AND PROCLAIM invite you to a concert benefitting Alzheimer’s Association of SE TN at Clingan Ridge Baptist Church in Cleveland on Sunday, Aug. 23 at 6:00 p.m. For information call Kim at (423) 488-4800.

MEN’S RETREAT: Journey to Healthy Leadership will be held September 18-20 at Cohutta Springs. Cabins and motel space is available. Visit www.gccsda.com for information.

AN AARP SMART DRIVER CLASS is Tuesday, Sept. 1, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Garden Plaza of Greenbriar Cove, 4586 Forsythia Way, Collegedale. Cost for AARP members is $15; non-members is $20. Call (423) 396-5100.

A COMMUNITY SENIOR HEALTH FAIR will be held Saturday, Aug. 22, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Ooltewah United Methodist Church, 6131 Relocation Way. More than 25 organizations will be participating. Screenings will be done for hearing, bone density, blood pressure, stroke assessment, sleep assessment, vision, and balance.

VOLUNTEERS are needed for a new media ministry: to record and produce free CDs and DVDs of the church services and make them available immediately after the services for those who want a copy. Contact the Church at (423) 396-2134 and ask for Wolf Jedamski.

ADVENTURERS REGISTRATION is Wednesday, Aug. 19, from 5:00-8:00 p.m., at the pavilion behind A. W. Spalding. If it is raining, it will be in Spalding’s gym. Adventurers is open to families with children ages four through 4th grade.

THE VIDEO SERIES “Optimize Your Brain” is full of ways to start improving your intellectual and emotional intelligence Come to the Community Room at the Samaritan Center on Wednedays 6:30-8:30 p.m., Sept. 9-Oct. 14. RSVP and to purchase workbook: timcross@southern.edu or (423) 309-1860.

EVER WONDER how your child’s spiritual needs are changing as they get older? Have you ever noticed a new behavior and wondered “whoa, where did THAT come from?” On August 22 Shelly Turkenkopf will be presenting a seminar that may answer some of these questions. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 3:30 p.m. Contact Tim Cross at timcross@southern.edu or (423) 396-2134.