

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

16 Amanda Huss Martha Murphy Garrett Tyler	21 Gary Neely	25 Brandi Lanier
17 Grover Rodgers Vickie Smith	22 Brian Abernathy Joel Jessen	27 Chris Graham
19 Debbie Boggess	23 Reid Evans	28 Bailey Davis
20 Art Cozart	24 Ailene Friday Heather Wallace	29 Caleb Hinshaw
	30 Barbara Rhyne	31 Catherine Mosely

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Join us as we  
**CELEBRATE MISSIONS**  
October 12 - 16



**"Taking the Heart of the Gospel  
to the Heart of the World"**

# Celebrating Missions at First Pres

**Wednesday, October 12**

***Pray, Pray, Pray***

*Come join us as we pray for the conference.*

**6:00 p.m. – Meal in Founders Hall for All**

**7:00 p.m. – Pre-Conference Prayer Service in the Sanctuary**  
Rev. Chuck Jessen, prayer leader; Prayer emphasis - Joel McCall

**Thursday, October 13**

**6:00 p.m. – Meal in Founders Hall for Special Guests**

Families hosting missionaries for the conference are invited to come greet their guests and enjoy a meal with them along with the MTW Committee and the church staff.

*Enjoy the pageantry of the opening night of the conference!*  
***Flags and Drama and Music***

**7:00 p.m. – Opening Ceremony in the Sanctuary**

Children, ages 3 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade, are dismissed for the **Children's Conference** led by our Children's Ministry Team.

Missionary Report from **David and Beth Knott**  
Keynote Speaker - **Rev. Kenton Wood**

**8:15 p.m. – Missionary Booth Visitation in Fellowship Hall/Refreshments**  
***Sign up for 2012 mission trips!***

- A nursery will be provided during all services for children up to age 3.
- If you plan to attend the Wednesday night supper, the Friday morning breakfast or board or call the church office.

## WITH OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our condolences to **Darwin, Kathy and Casey Paramore** in the death of Kathy's father, James Creech on September 28. Sympathies are also extended to **Melissa Smith** and family in the death of her mother, Peggy Crisp on October 3.

**Sue Homesley** is at Presbyterian Hospital where she had colon surgery on Tuesday. **Tina Kasper** is now at home after an extended hospital stay.

**Jean Robinson** is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on October 11.

## DID YOU KNOW...?



Our sound operators record the Pastor's sermon each week. If you would like a copy of a particular sermon, please pick up a "Sermon Copy Request" from the literature display in the main hallway and return the completed card to the church office.

## HAVE YOU SEEN...?



We are missing 3 of our long white tablecloths. If you have them or know of their whereabouts, please contact the church office. We need them for an upcoming event.

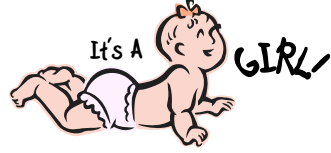
## MERCY MINISTRIES

Thank you to all who have responded generously to our recent requests for our food pantry. To keep the pantry stocked, below are some suggestions based on our current needs:

instant/boxed potatoes	vegetables	rice
canned meat/fish	boxed dinners	soup



Thank you for your continued support!



A baby shower  
will be held for  
**Melissa Ensley Clevenger**  
Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
2:00 - 4:00  
in Founders Hall

The mom-to-be is registered at Babies R Us and Target.

Hostesses are: Nancy Cozart, Judy Dixon, Annette Rodgers, Melissa Smith,  
Lisa Stowe, and Sherry Teague.

Remember to submit your  
**2012 BUDGET REQUESTS**  
to Gary Neely on or before Sunday, October 16.

### COLLEGE BOXES

It's time again to treat our undergrad college students with a box of goodies. We will begin collecting items October 17. Boxes will be sent to each undergrad student who is living away from home. We need snacks, toiletries, and special treats to fill these boxes. Items should be placed in the bins in the main hallway.



### REMINDER TO THE LADIES

Our fall outing to see Steele Magnolias at the Green Room Playhouse in Newton is Friday, November 11. Cost of the trip is \$13.00 for Adults and \$11.00 for Seniors and Students. The deadline to sign up and pay for this trip is Monday, October 23. Please be sure to give your money to your circle chairman or to Sandra in the Church Office.

# byterian in Our Annual Conference

**Friday, October 14**  
**8:30 a.m.** – Best Years Prayer Breakfast with the Missionaries  
 Missionary Reports from **Tim and Helen Anderson** and **Joel and Sarah McCall**  
**5:30 p.m.** – Barton BBQ in Founders Hall for All  
 Hear reports from **Guercy Meme** and **Ian Jones**  
**7:00 p.m.** – Evening Service with **Rev. Kenton Wood**,  
 Missionary Reports from **Harold and Brenda Bracken** and **Jim Fredere**  
**Children's Conference**  
**8:15 p.m.** – Missionary Booth Visitation/Refreshments  
*Sign up for 2012 mission trips!*

**Saturday, October 15**  
**9:30 a.m.** – Fun Celebration for Children and Adults

**Sunday, October 16**  
**8:30 a.m.** – Morning Worship  
 Missionary Report from **Bill Day**; Keynote Speaker - **Rev. Kenton Wood**  
 Presentation of Faith Promise and Prayer Commitment Cards  
**9:30 a.m.** – Coffee and Pastries in Fellowship Hall  
**10:00 a.m.** – Sunday School with Missionary Guests in the classes  
**11:00** –Morning Worship  
 Missionary Report from **Liviu Lepadatu**; Keynote Speaker - **Rev. Kenton Wood**  
 Presentation of Faith Promise and Prayer Commitment Cards

**the Friday evening BBQ, please sign the sheets in the hallway at the Conference bulletin**

# MORE MISSIONS CONFERENCE NEWS

## FAITH PROMISE AND PRAYER GOALS FOR 2012

### Missionary Prayer Goal: 385

Please turn in a new prayer commitment card even if you are already praying regularly for a missionary.

### Faith Promise Goals:

\$135,000 - Maintain current level

\$140,000 - Enhance current level

\$145,000 - Expand current level

Ask God, “What do you want ME to do? What should I trust YOU to enable me to do?”

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## PUNCH YOUR CARD!

Attend Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, punch your card and become eligible to win a Grand Prize. We will also award five \$100 vouchers to be used toward a 2012 mission trip. These are transferable.

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## MISSIONS CONFERENCE FOR CHILDREN



### *Heart to Heart for Preschoolers Ages 3 - 5*

Your preschooler is invited to attend our Missions Conference. They will be studying Bible stories of people who went into the world to spread the message of God’s love!

### *A Heart for Haiti for K - 5th Grade*

Your child is invited to learn about MTW Missions in Haiti! Each child will receive their own passport and travel (in their imaginations) to Haiti with a missionary where they will meet Charleston Fedna, an orphan sponsored by our women. We will learn how we can share the love of Jesus with people in Haiti.

# A NOTE FROM AMBER RHYNE IN BELIZE

Hi everyone! We have been quite busy between the clinic, hosting visitors, and church activities. It is good to see the Lord working in all of these areas!

### A few prayer requests for you!

- Continue to lift up the clinic, specifically our patients and staff. We are still hoping to have a doctor and her family come next summer. Pray for the application process and that they would be able to raise support in God's timing.
- Pray for the Chambers and me as we make some decisions for 2012. Pray that we will have the Lord's wisdom.
- We have had 2 pharmacy students from Campbell University at the clinic during September. Pray that they would take all they have learned here and apply it to their lives on a daily basis. We have 2 more pharmacy students joining us on October 3. Please pray for safe travel and that the Lord would use this experience to shape their lives.
- Pray for Garry and Anita as they help Tim and Caryann move to Georgia this week.
- Pray for the O'Neill family (the doctor, his wife and 5 children) who have been here for 1 month and will be staying until the end of October. Pray that they would continue to adjust well.
- Pray for my upcoming trip to the States at the end of October. I will be in the States (mostly NC) for about 2 1/2 weeks (Oct 29-Nov 16), part of which will be spent in Kentucky at a conference. Pray that I will have safe travel and sweet fellowship with family and friends.
- Praise! We are thankful for the organization of a Youth Committee that organizes events for the youth in the Presbyterian churches around Belize. We have had 2 successful events so far and would like to do more. I am grateful to be allowed the opportunity to be a part of this as well. Pray for the group, that we would seek the Lord for guidance as we plan events and work with the youth.

I want to thank each of you for your prayers and for the support that you have given me!! It would be so hard to be here without all of you lifting me up to the Lord!