


KEEPING THE NURSERY:

8:00 A.M.
 0-6 months - Ashley Sasser, Peggy Benson, Amy Samsom
 6-9 months - Jenny Estes, Brenda Wheeler, Melanie Ledford
 9-12 months - Kristi McGimsey, Caroline Galbraith, Maureen Proctor
 12-18 months - Jennifer Jones, Debby Gower, Jan Harris
 18-24 months - Bonnie Barker, Emily Clevenger, Rene Batson
10:30 A.M.
 0-12 months - Cindy Quinn, Elizabeth Morris, Dana Forrester
 Toddlers - Cara Keith, Emma Keith, Kathy Hargis
6:00 P.M.
 0-12 month - Melinda McInteer, Pam McKee, Donna Brasher
 Toddlers - Donna Taylor, Ashlee Taylor, Allison Gardner
Please contact your substitute if you cannot serve.

Men's Ministry Calendar

December 15 17 January 03 February 13	Monday Morning Quarterbacks, 6:30 a.m. Men's Class led by Steve Speck Singing, 6:30 p.m., #306 Men's Prayer Breakfast Guest Speaker: Gene Stallings Valentine Banquet	
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Elders		
Jim Arnett	Jesse Clayton	Charles Frasier
Dick Garner	Rick Harris	Junior High
Ronnie Hunter	Jon Lowrance	Frank McCreary
Randy Perry	James Redmon	William Tucker
Tom Whitfield		
Staff		
Walt Leaver	Clarence Dailey	Jonathan Seamon
Robbie Forrester	Mark McInteer	Nancy Parkinson
Barry Estes	Suzanne Martin	Johnsie Henderson
Roberto Santiago	Amy Bowman	Judy Crumbliss
Jane Forrester	Diane Kennedy	Ophelia Sliger
Sarah Wise	Michael Linn	

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

12/13... **Breakfast with Santa**, 9:00 a.m.
 12/14... **Gingerbread Houses** — A *Family Activity*, 4:00 p.m., Family Life Center
 12/16... **Inner City Ministry Classes** will not meet. Recessed until January.
 12/17... **FriendSpeak Classes** have recessed until January.
 ... **Grandview Classes at Iglesia de Cristo** have recessed until January.
 12/21... **Christmas Caroling**
 12/24... **Christmas Eve Devotional**, 5:45 p.m. Classes will not meet.
 12/24-25... **Church office closed**
 12/31... **Wednesday Evening Devotional**, 6:30 p.m. Classes will not meet.
 01/07... **Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal**, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Women's Ministry Calendar

December

14 ... **New Ladies Class** Begins in the **Terrace View lobby**. James MacDonald and "I Really Want to Change, So Help Me God". Questions? Contact Susan Hale at 429-8497.

17 ... Wednesday Evening Ladies Bible study, "Can We Talk?", room 504/507, **Ann Stowe & Janina Tiner** (final class)

... **Sanctuary Class**, 6:30 p.m., reception room. For women of all ages. Topic: "Praise and Pondering"

20... **Women's "Christmas Coffee in the Country"**, at **Bill & Neika Stephens'** home, 9:00-11:00 a.m. Sign up in the foyer.

January, 2009... Wednesday Nights in Sanctuary Class, 6:30 p.m. A four-week series with **Rhonda Lowry** teaching on "Ruth: The Romance of Redemption"

March 27-28... Ladies Retreat at Garner Creek Camp in Dickson

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Family News and Highlights to Merge

Beginning in **January**, we are merging the *Family News* and the *Highlights* into one publication that will be handed out on Sundays. We will no longer mail the *Family News* on **Thursdays**.

We will be combining our publications in an effort to provide more updated news and information, and to cut back on printing and mailing costs. We will continue to update our website daily with news items and updates on our prayer list. We encourage you to become a daily visitor to www.brentwoodhills.org. We will continue to send out the "Daily Sonshine" with updates on our prayer list and events and activities involving our family. You can sign up for this email distribution by going to our web site www.brentwoodhills.org and clicking on the "Daily Sonshine." Our deadline for getting information into the *new* publication will be **12 noon on Thursdays**. We will PDF the publication, and you can view it on-line on **Thursday** evenings and even print a copy if you desire. The publication will replace the *Highlights* that are in the pews each Sunday.

The *new* publication will be a combination of some of the features of the two present publications and will include some new items.

Out of town readers of our Family News will be encouraged to go on-line to read our new publication. We will create a limited mailing list for shut-ins and other members that need to receive our publication at home.

For those of you that are computer users---we encourage you to take advantage of our on-line services. We encourage each of you to take home a printed copy each Sunday.

If you have questions or comments you can contact the church office or email jonathan@brentwoodhill.org.

Holiday Events Continue...

HO! HO! Santa Clause is coming to town! Mr. and Mrs. Clause will be arriving at **Brentwood Hills** this Saturday morning as we host our **19th Annual Breakfast with Santa**. The traditional *Breakfast with Santa* breakfast will be served, *Santa's Workshop* will be open, *stories* will be read, *songs* will be sung and *pictures* will be taken with **Mr. and Mrs. Clause**.

Over **600** of our family members will gather for this event **Saturday morning December 13th at 9:00 am!** A **Brentwood Hills** holiday tradition!

Another holiday favorite is the making of *Gingerbread Houses!* The **Family Life Center** will be turned into the **Construction Zone**. The event begins at 4:00 pm...Bring your candies and other items to decorate your house!

On **Sunday night December 21st** we will have our annual *Christmas Caroling* following our **Sunday** evening service. This is a great family event. Make your plans now to visit with some of our special members and share with them songs of the season.

Wednesday night December 24th we will have a special devotional service at **5:45 pm**. We will not have classes or a service at **6:30 pm** that evening. The following week, we will not have a **5:45 P.O.W.E.R.** service only a devotional at **6:30 pm**.

**Y. E.S Angel Tree is in the Lobby...
 Bring your gifts no later than December 20th!**

<p>USHERS 8:00 a.m. Bradley Roark John Finney Gary Baker (center door) Derek Bell Gary Gatten</p>	<p>GREETERS 8:00 a.m. <i>Front Door</i> Lealand & Margaret Powell Hunter Taylor Jeremy Boyette Bill & Susan Pauley</p> <p><i>Library Door</i> Robert & Netta Scott</p> <p><i>Office Door</i> Ben Saunders Andrew Saunders</p>	<p>GREETERS 9:15 a.m. <i>Front Door</i> Carinda Hicks Rick Tamble Larry & Carolyn Wilson Daniel Batson Jeremy Boyette</p> <p><i>Library Door</i> Ashlee & Donna Taylor</p> <p><i>Office Door</i> Bob & Edith Keith</p>	<p>GREETERS 10:30 a.m. <i>Front Door</i> Carinda Hicks Rick Tamble Larry & Carolyn Wilson</p> <p><i>Library Door</i> Bob & Gretchen Gleaves</p> <p><i>Office Door</i> Ashlee & Donna Taylor</p>	<p><i>For the Record</i> Sunday, December 7, 2008</p> <p>Attendance 8:00 a.m. 736 10:30 a.m. 741 1,477</p> <p>6:00 p.m. NC</p> <p>Contribution \$59,894</p>
<p>Communion Helpers 2nd Sunday in December: Cashes Sunday Night Communion: Nate Saunders</p>				

Remember in Prayer

Hospitalized:

- **Kay Miller** is hospitalized at Baptist for dehydration.
- **Juanita Carrell**, David's mother, is suffering from complications due to her Multiple Sclerosis at Vanderbilt. No visitors, please.
- **Cathleen Kilgore**, grandmother of Heather Gannon, is recovering from a heart attack at St. Thomas.
- **Kyle Smithson**, 34-year-old son of Vicky and Danny Haber, is recovering from a stroke at Baptist Rehab.
- **Reed White**, infant son of Ryan and Keeley, is awaiting a heart transplant at Vanderbilt.
- **Elizabeth Raney** remains in NHC Cool Springs

At Home:

- **Martha Cartwright** **Henry Staggs**
- **Wayne Stephens** received a good report.
- **Carter Mullins** is recovering from surgery for a detached retina.
- **Clay Adams** underwent shoulder surgery Friday at St. Thomas.
- **Jeff Hazelip** had emergency back surgery on Monday and is resting at home.

Special Requests:

- Continue to remember **Emily Yingling** who came forward Sunday morning requesting prayers for the pain she is suffering from a herniated disc.
- **Lloyd Brummett**, Scott's father, is recovering from surgery for prostate cancer.
- **Angela Brown** requests prayers for her father, **Raymond Brown**, and her sisters as they care for him.
- **Rachael Fisher** continues to need our prayers.
- **Juanita Pickens**, Ritchie's mother, would appreciate cards: Green Hills Health and Rehab,
- Continue to lift up: **Kevin Sparkman, Charlie Hale, Charlie Neal, Mary Stewart, Mary Lou Owens, Marilyn Ussery, Debbie James, and Carol Silisavage, Pam Borland, Richard Lowe, Tom Owen, Cordell Holloway**

Extended Prayer List:

Pam Bishop, Zane Burns, Doris Dudney, Evelyn Gottfried, Hyde and Chris Harper, Johnnie Hedge, Margaret Hobgood, Kathy Johnson, Raye Overton, Sara Redmon, Vicki Rhodes

With Sympathy

- Funeral services were held December 8 in Huntsville, Texas for **Dothal Callahan**, grandmother of **Leah Bradshaw**.
- Sympathy is also extended to **Amber Kennedy** in the recent loss of her great-grandmother.
- Funeral services were conducted December 9 for Len Adcock's grandmother, **Tommie Brown Roberts** in Hendersonville, Tennessee.
- **Florence Barnes**, grandmother of **Bill Barnes** (for whom he and Paige were the primary caregivers), passed away December 7. Funeral services are planned for December 13 in Georgia.
- We also extend sympathy to **Steve and Patsi Flatt** in the passing of Steve's mother, **Vivian "Pinky" Flatt**, on December 6. Funeral services were held December 9 at Madison Church of Christ.

Family Matters

New Arrival!

Ally Grace was born to **Holly and Chad Bechard** on December 2, weighing 5lbs. 15 oz. Proud maternal grandparents are **Bill and Brenda Wheeler**.

Congratulations!

Tracy Taylor and Aaron Gallagher recently announced their engagement and plans for a small wedding on May 22, 2009.

Sarah Wise and Kyle Dudak have announced their engagement to be married June 20, 2009. Sarah is the daughter of **Danny and Janiece Wise**.

Seasons Greetings to the Bawcoms

If you would like to drop a card in the mail to Dean and Lana Bawcom while they are in Kuwait, their address is: CSA, Ltd-CSD/MWR, Camp Buehring, APO AE 09327 **James Van Dusen** is in the process of moving from Iraq. His address will be published in our next **Family News**.

JOHNSIE'S JOURNAL

Attention, Adopt a Student Volunteers

If you volunteered to "adopt" a university student, please remember to pray for your student during their semester exams and as they travel during the holidays. Please send them a note or e-mail (and if possible an inexpensive gift card from a restaurant or coffee shop) to encourage them during exams. Thank you so much for volunteering to support and encourage our university students.

Study Break Activities for University Students

Take a break from studying for exams and join us for these two "study break" activities:
Wednesday, December 10th - Meal and devo at BHCC begins at 5:00p.m. and bowling at Tusculum Lanes from 7:00-9:00p.m.

Sunday, December 14th - Meal and devo at BHCC (room 501-505) 4:45-6:00p.m.

Holiday Plans for Young Professionals

Friday, December 12th - Meet at BHCC at 6:00p.m. to go out to eat at Opry Mills and then go to Opryland to see the Christmas lights.

Saturday, December 20th - Christmas Party at Steve & Karen Moore's home begins at 6:00p.m. Bring \$5.00 for the catered meal and bring a \$5.00 gift card from a local restaurant, store, coffee shop, movie theater, etc. to exchange in a Santa game.

Sunday, December 21st - After the 6:00p.m. service we will go Christmas caroling, and then we will go to the Henderson's home for finger foods, games and a Christmas movie. Please bring a finger food to share



Thanks to the **Kingdom Seekers** for hosting our guests this past Saturday night. **The Believers class** will serve as hosts this week.

SPECIAL NEED

A family is in immediate need of newborn clothes and baby items for a boy. He is due this week or next. Please quickly look through your house and donate the following items: Car seat, swing, stroller, baby bed with mattress, sheets, bumper pads, sleepers, blankets, socks, clothes 3-6 months, tee shirts, shoes size 1,2, wipes, pacifier, diapers. There will be a box in the foyer with NEWBORN on it for your convenience. If you would prefer to donate money to help out, please call **Betty Wiley** with details or questions (776-5257).



Dynamic Marriage Course

We will offer a Dynamic Marriage Course this spring on Sunday afternoons beginning mid January 2009. Specific dates will be announced soon. **Jon and Carol Lowrance** will be the facilitators for the class. This is a great interactive course for enriching your marriage. Please contact **William** or **Harriet Belle Tucker** at 298-5927 or e-mail hbtucker@comcast.net for further information. Cost for the class is \$130 and is limited to 12 couples. Childcare will be provided.

Robbie's Ramblings

BHYG On The Web (Application downloads and other cool stuff!)
<http://www.brentwoodhills.org/default.asp?FP=43&SGID=11>

Club 56 Walk Thru Bethlehem—This Sunday!!

All 5th & 6th graders are invited to join us for a "Walk Thru Bethlehem" this Sunday, Dec. 14th. It's an awesome program complete with live animals and a marketplace! Bring a change of clothes, \$\$\$ for lunch and meet us in Sacred Ground after 2nd service. We should be back for pick-up @ BHCC by 3:00 p.m. This is a great reminder that "Jesus is the Reason for the Season"!



Jr. & Sr. High Christmas Parties—This Sunday Night!!

Don't forget that our annual Christmas parties will be this Sunday night, Dec. 14th! Meet in Sacred Ground after p.m. services if you need a ride. Pick-up for both parties we be back @ BHCC by 9:00 p.m.

Jr. High party is at Victoria Cover's
Sr. High party is at Macy Conger's

7th-12th Graders Host Woodbine Christmas Party—Wed. Dec. 17th

We'd like to invite our 7th-12th graders and their parents to help us host the annual Woodbine Christmas party (515 McIver Street) on Wed. Dec. 17th. We will meet @ BHCC @ 4:30 p.m. and ride over together. We will be back @ church by 7:30 p.m. (dinner provided). This is a great way to serve our fellow brothers and sisters!

Don't Forget About the YES Angel Tree!!!

Grab an Angel card off the tree in the foyer, get gift suggestions for a YES child, and return the gifts by this **Sunday, Dec. 14 or Wed. Dec. 17th!!!**

Y.E.S. Holiday Store
Saturday, December 20th

Meet @ BHCC @ 10:45 a.m. for lunch @ 5 Guys in Bwood
 Or
 Meet @ BHCC @ 11:45 a.m. to go downtown to volunteer.

We need help from as many 7th-12th graders & parents to help distribute toys, clothes and food to YES families. What a great way to share the Christmas spirit with others!!

WINTERFEST 2009
FEB. 20-22
FOR 7TH-12TH GRADE
COST: \$100.00
APPLICATIONS IN SACRED GROUND OR ON THE WEB.



DEADLINE: DECEMBER 28

"Foot" Notes from "Miss" Suzanne

Holiday Calendar Updates for Classes

Sunday, December 21 - no Acts Class
Wed. December 24 - no classes/ 5:45 p.m. devo
Sunday, December 28 - no CWT
Sunday, December 28 - no Bible Hour
Sunday, December 28 - no singing class
Sunday, December 28 - no Acts Class
Wed. December 31 - no classes/6:30 p.m. devo



Gingerbread Houses - December 14th - 4 p.m.



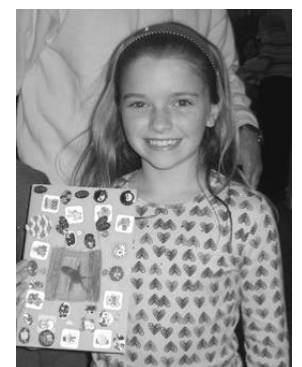
Children of all ages are invited to join the fun creating gingerbread houses in the Family Life Center! We will provide the graham crackers and the milk cartons. **Please bring your own can of white icing, along with candy, cookies, and special edible decorations to share with everyone.** Start planning your masterpiece.... See you there!

Third Grade Service Project



Both of our third grade classes helped lead worship at Southerland Place last Sunday. Normally, Southerland Place has 25 who attend worship services. This past Sunday there were 75, including our children and their families! Our third graders touched the hearts of many with their prayers, scripture reading, and singing. After services the children shared

cards that they made for the residents, and we all enjoyed singing Christmas carols together. Many thanks to the Sunday morning and Wednesday night teachers who planned this activity and the families who participated. What a wonderful Christmas gift sharing time, talents and the love of God with others! ©



December Hungry Tummies

Cross - jelly or jam
Animals - jelly or jam
Smiley Face - spaghetti sauce (Prego or Ragù)
Lady Bugs - spaghetti sauce (Prego or Ragù)
First Grade - (2) 1# boxes of spaghetti
Second Grade - (2) 1# boxes of spaghetti
Third Grade - Cereal
Fourth Grade - Cereal

We are so richly blessed. Please remember to share with others who are not as fortunate! **Feed the Hungry Lion!** ©

