



**WELCOME TO OUR  
NEW PASTOR!**

**COMING  
IN  
AUGUST**



**My hobbies include reading, writing, playing guitar/piano, singing, writing music, spending time with my family, lawn work and networking, etc.**

**Purpose and nature of your preaching: To equip a congregation to understand their Bible, grow personally and to cast a vision for engaging the world around them. I am open to a variety of worship styles, and to serving any congregation accordingly, though I am a big proponent of the idea that diverse and multigenerational services that keep a congregation together in a vision of Christian unity is healthiest for the church. My own personal style has a reverence for tradition with a personal tone for connection. My theological perspective and personal beliefs are a reflection of what has been passed down in the Confession of faith, with a tone that seeks to emphasize a hierarchy of values according to the life and value of Jesus in the Gospels. (Luke 10:25-37)**

**Education:**

**Memphis Seminary, MDiv currently completing  
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary  
Boyce College, Louisville, KY  
BA Biblical & Theological Studies**

**Experience:**

<b>Memphis Theological Seminary, Memphis, TN</b>	
<b>Assistant to the Director of Alternative Studies,</b>	<b>Nov 2024-present</b>
<b>Commerce Cumberland Presbyterian Church,</b>	
<b>Minister</b>	<b>Feb 2024-June 2025</b>
<b>Grade A Construction, Mount Juliet</b>	<b>April 2023-Sept 2024</b>
<b>Project Manager</b>	
<b>Benton Group, Mount Juliet, TN</b>	<b>Sept 2022-April 2023</b>
<b>Director of Operations</b>	
<b>Immanuel Church, Nashville, TN</b>	<b>Feb 2019-June 2022</b>
<b>Manager of Operations &amp; Pastoral Coordinator</b>	
<b>New Life Academy</b>	<b>Aug 2018-Aug 2022</b>
<b>Teacher &amp; Chapel Leader</b>	
<b>Andrew Jackson's Hermitage, Hermitage, TN</b>	
<b>Historic Interpreter</b>	<b>June 2013-Dec 2018</b>



**We are so looking forward to having the Suey family with us starting in August!**

# Life Update

Cathy Shea's great-nieces - Ashley is expecting to do her practice teaching this fall. Her goal is to be an art teacher. Katie is working for a financial law firm to become a paralegal. Ashley is married to Dustin Konrad and lives in Pearland Tx. Katie lives with her Dad, Step Mom and brother Liam in Pearland Tx and to save money for a condo.

## Out-Of-Town Friends and Family



Lacy Offutt has a summer job in the Catskill Mountains of New York at a Spa/Retreat!



**MQ & Sally Parker's granddaughters, Mia, Emalyn & Katlyn completed their Confirmation at Donelson Presbyterian Church. Praise the Lord!!**



# SO WE CAN KNOW AND SHOW OUR CARE

**IMMEDIATE NEEDS:** John Bruninga, Grace Carter, Warren Chambers & Ray Haner (close relatives of the Seme's), Bob Howard, Bessie Salter, Paula Stone (Marsha Bullock's sister), Jeremy Sylvester, Nick Winn IV & V, H.L. Butler (Susan Parker's friend), and unnamed prayer requests.

**AT HOME:** Jean Blair & Carole James

**TN SENIOR LIVING:** Dot Solomon



I GET TO  
RING  
THE BELL



Praise the Lord that John Bruninga has finished his treatments and doing well!



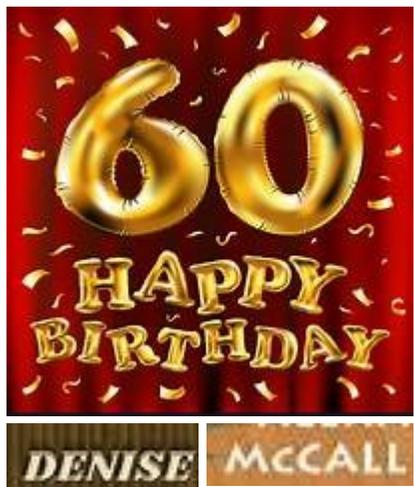
# BEACH TRIP



# Orange Beach



Brenda Gray, her daughter & family, and brother Joe Littrell enjoyed their annual beach trip! Joe was able to give Colby some fishing tips!



Sisters: Lenore, Renee & Denise



**MQ & Sally Parker enjoyed their annual family beach trip with their children and grandchildren!**



**The women's service circle will meet on July 15th at 1:00 p.m. They will be working on Handy night projects. The circle will begin in August rebooting the card ministry. We need cards of all kinds. Looking ahead- Personal hygiene bags for women to be given to various groups . Helping with a back to school breakfast for Pre-K teacher**



**Alonda Crosslin with dad,  
Leonard McClure**

Happy Father's day!

To all the Dads,  
The Granddads,  
The Stepdads.  
The Moms who are Dad.  
The Foster Dads.  
The Pet dads and  
the Dads who are no longer with us.



**Kyndall Crosslin with dad,  
Phillip Crosslin**

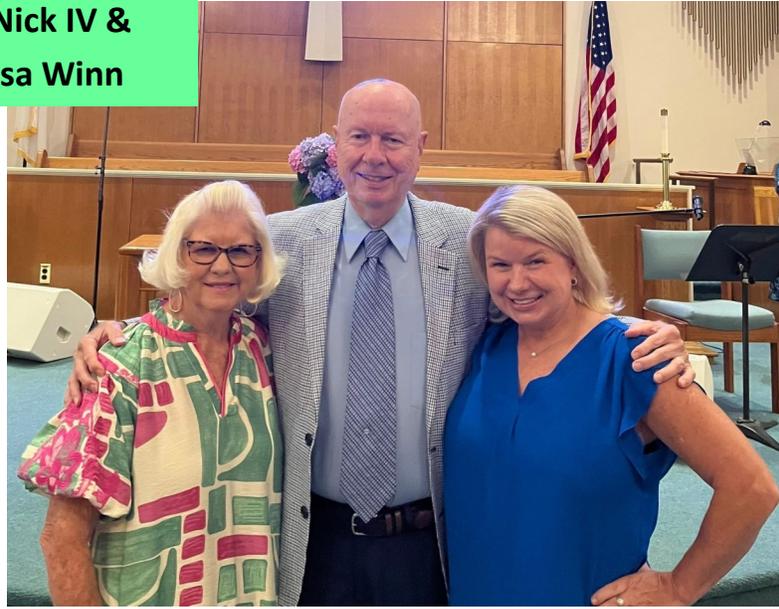


**Audra Hamilton Heinitz  
with her husband Robbie &  
children Weston, Korah &  
Ayla**



**Brad Moody with dad, Rob-  
ert "Bob" Moody!**

**Sue, Nick IV &  
Melissa Winn**





Several people have told me lately that they have all but given up on watching or listening to the news. Whatever your favorite news source, the news grows more and more distressing. Whatever your political leaning, most of us can agree that the news grows more and more disturbing.

The Psalmist didn't, of course, have a twenty-four-hour news stream to keep him informed. Some of us can remember when we didn't either. But news traveled even in ancient times, and it was sometimes as distressing and unsettling as the news we hear today.

Today, the Psalmist writes to assure the faithful that we should not be fearful when the news is unsettling. Our lives are in God's hands, and we can depend on God's promises. Because we know and claim God's love as the foundation for our lives, we learn to think in ultimate terms instead of immediate ones. We may be subject to the powers that control our lives through government or other powers. But ultimately, we belong to God, and we know that God's will will ultimately prevail.

It remains important for us to keep ourselves informed. Putting our heads in the sand and staying uninformed will not change current conditions. It will simply make us less prepared to deal with them. So go ahead. Watch the news. But know that, as powerful as the powers that be think they are, they are not the ultimate authority. A wise teacher once told me to never forget that God is alive and active, saying and doing things in the world. Sometimes that may happen through media outlets. More often it happens through the ways God has always communicated with us: Scripture, worship and study, prayer, and in ways beyond our comprehension.

Let your hearts be firm and secure in the Lord. Trust in God's care. All that is a bit easier for me to believe and say this week than normal. By the time you read this, I'll be in Montreat for the annual Worship and Music Conference where we will worship and sing and pray and be reminded of God's promises in powerful ways. I'll pray for all of us while I bask in those gifts. And I look forward to coming home renewed and refreshed in both faith and practice.

Grace and Peace, Bob

## FELLOWSHIP LUNCH



Photo taken at Sam's Sprt Grill. WPC next luncheon will be:

**THURS, JULY 17 11:30**

**The Woods at River Road**

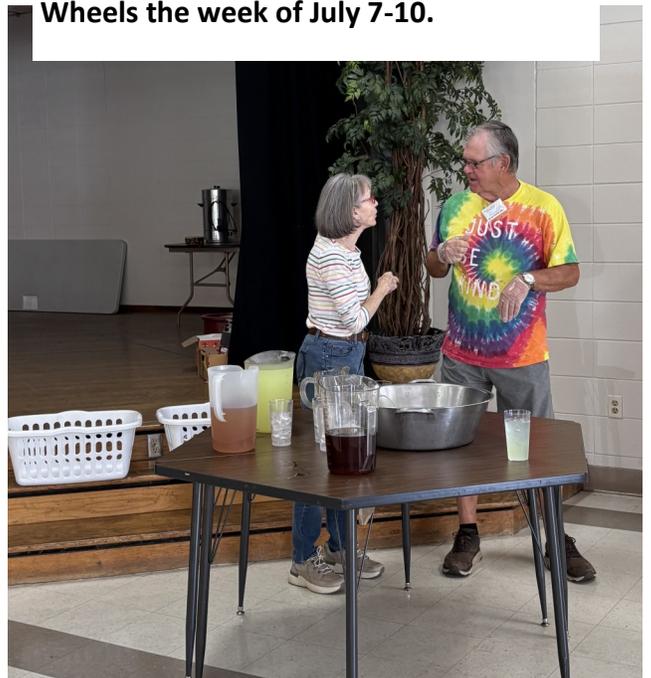
**3895 River Rd.**

**Muscle Shoals**

**Church** **Volunteering**



Thank you to our volunteers: Susan & Paul Parker, Sally Parker, Paula Offutt, Brad Moody, Marsha Bullock, Paula Stone & Sophia, Brookelyn & Lydia Bullock! Our next opportunity to serve at the kitchen will be on Aug 16! We will also need volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels the week of July 7-10.



Tues, July 22 7:00-9:00

WPC, 1520 Rickwood Rd, Florence, AL



Thank you John Offutt for sharing your garden vegetables with your WPC family!



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