

The Brighton Light

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"Our Special Emphasis"

College football season is finally here! Teams are ready to play, and fans are ready to watch. There will be much excitement, some heartbreak (but hopefully only for the other team), and a lot of fun watching the games. I am, of course, wearing red and black to support the Georgia Bulldogs (but I do like to pull for my alma mater, Georgia Southern, too).

Does it sound like I'm excited? Do you think this is something I am emphasizing? September through December is about the only time I really follow sports anymore, and college football is my favorite sport. Therefore, I want to give it special emphasis.

There are lots of other things that are far more important than college football. Outreach North America, the home missions agency of the ARP Church, has a special emphasis for the month of September: Evangelism.

The word "evangelism" can bring different things to mind for different people, but at its heart it simply means to tell others about the gospel of Jesus Christ. The word gospel means "good news." It originally referred to such events as when someone who delivered a good report after an important battle had been won. You can easily see how this became an important Christian word. How much more wonderful is the good news of the victory over sin and death which has been won by our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ! Paul exclaims in Romans 10:15 (quoting from Isaiah 52:7), "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news of good things!"

Such good news should be beautiful to us, it should excite us, and we should want as many as possible to hear it. Many of us make posts on Facebook or Twitter about things that are important to us (like celebrating a 50th birthday). But the gospel should get a special emphasis, because it is the best news of all.

During the month of September, Synod and ONA are emphasizing the topic of evangelism. The ONA website is offering thirty days of devotions on evangelism (you can sign up for these to be emailed to you, or you read them online, by going to outreachnorthamerica.org/september). In addition, our topic for the Wednesday night adult Bible study class this fall will be on the topic of evangelism (using Richard Phillips' book *Jesus the Evangelist* and John 3 and 4 as our guide).

Make plans to emphasize this subject by joining us on Wednesday nights, or by going to the ONA website. May the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ always be our special emphasis.

Prayer List:

Bennett, Mary F – Shut in
 Billings, Richard – (Denise’s Dad) Cancer
 Boswell, Charles - Cancer
 Boswell, Mike – Health issues
 Bryant, Ty – Infant, Heart
 Heath, Kristin - Cancer
 Goulder, Helen – Heart Issues - Hospital
 Goulder, Martha Jean – Shut In
 Hopper, Claude – Shut in
 McCain, Pat – Health Issues

McCain, Ken – Health Issues
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 Bridges, Lucille – Hospital Health Issues
 Pugh, Kaleb – (Laura Kiphart’s grandson)
 Trotter, June – Shut in
 Williams, Sandy – (Huffman family) Cancer
 Wilson, Glenda – Bone Cancer
 Winford, Sherry – Health issues
 Yarbrow, Ina – Health issues

Rivercity Reformed Presbyterain Church – Church plant in Little Rock Arkansas

Military

Donahoo, Tim	Starnes, Austin	Hill, Debra	Billings, Tyler
Dooley, Rod	Heathman, Matthew	Young III, Robert “Trip”	

Missionaries

Coad, Jim & Gala Rebekah Carson

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Joey Sides	14	Cooper Curtis
5	Joe Sides	15	Kaitlyn Moore
	Kevin Heath	17	Austin Starnes
	Kristian Ray Donahoo	19	Amber Scott
6	Nev Trotter	22	Amanda Heath
7	Alec-Thomas Ruffin		Ina Yarbrow
	Hillary Hill-Balen	28	Richard Moore
9	Ashley Curtis		Sarah Smith
11	Kinley Donahoo	30	Larry Crum
12	Chris Gravley		
	Dustin Goulder		

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

March 15 Mr. and Mrs. Brad Templeton
March 28 Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Yarbrow

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Sept 3	Leslie Alsbrook
Sept 10	Molly Huffman
Sept 17	Denise Moore
Sept 24	Lydia Maxwell

September Menu

Sept 6	Hamb/Hotdogs
Sept 13	Chicken
	Nuggets
Sept 20	Potato Bar
Sept 27	Family Night

Cost: \$3.00 person
 \$10.00 Family

CHILDRENS SERMON

Sept 3	John Scott
Sept 10	Slade Templeton
Sept 17	Julia Moore
Sept 24	Leslie Alsbrook

Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any ideas or suggestions for the church website, please contact Chris Gravley, webmaster, at 901-674-3851 or e-mail at chris_gravley@bellsouth.net.

THE DEACON OF THE MONTH is Nick Goulder. If you have any requests for the deacons, please contact Nick at 901-837-3532.

PLEASE NOTE If anyone is sick, in need of prayer or a visit, please contact Milton Murphy 901-476-2808.

PLEASE REMEMBER: The Sunday Night Bible Study at 6 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Photo's of the different church events are needed for the Website. If you have photo's that you don't mind sharing please send to Nick Goulder at nick.goulder1@gmail.com
Subject: Church Photos

PLEASE NOTE: Wednesday Night Youth/Adult Bible Study and Supper @ Six starts back on Wednesday Sept. 6th with a Kickoff Party.

PLEASE NOTE: Men's Ministry Casserole Extravaganza will be Saturday Sept. 9th at 5 p.m. Please come out and enjoy some good food and fellowship. Various local talents will be performing.

PLEASE NOTE: Orpheum Outings:

THE KING AND I - Saturday Sept 23 @ 2:00 p.m. Tickets are here.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA – Saturday Dec 2, @ 2:00 p.m. **Cost \$71.50**

Finding Neverland – January 23 – 28

Wicked – March 7 – 25

If you would like to attend please let Denise know.

Personal Mention

PLEASE NOTE: The session is asking that our church support both BJ and Lydia Maxwell with monetary and prayer support on their upcoming mission trip to Indonesia. Please see either one for any information about this exciting trip they are preparing for.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the Cothran family at the death of Mr. Bill Cothran, Rhonda Goulder's father, who died Tuesday, August 29th. Please continue to keep this family in your prayers in the weeks to come.