

Honoring David Moon Sr. Today

Instead of a formal service, the Moon family will be having a drop in gathering at the home of David and Amy Moon (1231 Red Fox Trail Bishop, GA 30621) to honor the memory of a wonderful husband, father and granddaddy. We welcome friends to drop in **TODAY** from 2:00-5:00 pm. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to St Mary's Hospice House.

FAMILY GROUPS

Our family groups meet weekly throughout the Athens area in members' homes. If you would like to be in a family group, please call the church office at 770-725-2188.

Events and Activities:

- Sundays** *10am Worship Service at ACOC*
- Wednesdays** *10am Women's Bible Study*
Childcare Provided
- July 31** *Family Group Facilitator's Meeting*
- August 2-3** *Parenting Workshop: Grades 6-12*

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Middle School/High School Parent Workshop

"*COURAGEOUS*"

August 2-3, 2013

Today, we live in a world where both parents and teens face challenges to our unity as a family. This weekend is designed to help us better understand what God expects of us as parents as well as teens. On Friday evening, starting 7:00 pm, we will have an "ice cream social/ ice breaker" and enjoy the movie "Courageous" together as we "kick-off" the workshop thinking about our roles in the family.

Saturday morning, there will be a simultaneous workshop going on for both the teens/parents. A variety of speakers will share about their experiences and how we can grow to become the families that will be a light to each other and the world around us. Saturday's program will start at 9 am and conclude with lunch at 1 pm. Childcare and lunch will be provided on Saturday. We hope you will join us and bring your friends along with you as we learn how we can be more "Courageous" in our God given roles as parents and teens.

See *Robert or Nancy Goodwin* for more information.

Hello from Boys & Girls Clubs of Athens

I would like to invite the Athens Church of Christ to get involved with volunteering at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Athens. I do have a special project coming up the week of July 29th that involves some painting. We also will be starting our Fall program in full swing after September 3rd when the school buses will start bringing kids to our locations. So there are opportunities around the corner as well in the near future. Please let me know if you can help with painting so I can make sure supplies are here.

Again, thank you so much for considering being a friend and supporter of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Athens.

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

Betty Bloom's sister, Diane Sanford, is very weak from chemo, but the tumor has gone from the size of a fist to 2cm. Please continue to pray as she still has a long road and it is single cell cancer so will return. Betty is with Diane now in NY. Cards of encouragement can be sent to P.O. Box 65, Barker, NY 14012. Thank you to all that have sent cards and continually pray.

Christa Newsome has asked for prayers for a peaceful outcome to the prime minister elections in Cambodia.

Joe Moon's father, David Moon, had been ill for many years and passed away recently. There will be a drop in gathering today to honor his memory. See announcements on page 2. Joe's mom's address: Brenda Moon, 1231 Red Fox Trail, Bishop GA 30621. Joe and Julie Moon, 165 Terrell Drive, Athens, GA 30606.

Caitlin Wortman's dad, Dale Wortman, is continuing on chemo for pancreatic cancer. Please keep Dale, his wife Beth, and his four children in your prayers.

Connie Harris, a previous member, has a liver disease, a low blood platelet disorder and diabetes. Her health is deteriorating and she has been hospitalized quite a few times recently. Connie's address: 135 Harden Hill, Watkinsville, GA 30677.

Lori Rush's friend, Cindy Poss, had a brain tumor and is recovering from surgery. Please pray that she can be cured and tumor is benign.

Ana Kadhum's mother is in hospice in Miami, FL. Ana left on Friday to be with her in her last days. Ana's address: 1240 Oconee Forest Drive, Watkinsville, GA 30677.

Syntcha Darby's mother had a stroke and was diagnosed with cancer. Kevin and Syntcha will be moving to Florida soon to be with her. Syntcha's address: 1030 Brookshire Drive, Bogart, GA 30622.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THANK YOU: Thanks to all who helped with the storage unit sale on June 29th! Your sister in Christ, Patsy Alford

SINGLES GAME NIGHT: We wanted to invite all singles to a Game Night at our house on Fri. July 26th at 7P.M. Bring your favorite game and a snack to 165 Arrowhead Rd Bogart. ~Terry and Cricket

Women's Bible Study on Wednesday's at 10 am - Come join us this Wednesday morning! Childcare will be provided. Starting on July 24th we will do a month long study on the book "What Happens After We Die" by Douglas Jacoby.

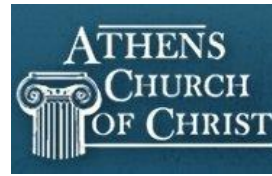
To place an ad or announcement, please email acocservant@gmail.com. Deadline is Thursday at 3pm.

CHRISTIAN CLASSIFIEDS:

HOUSE FOR RENT: House in Oconee County - three bedrooms, two baths, bonus room and 2 car garage, next door to North Oconee High School and Rocky Branch Academy preschool (walking distance to both!) Available the end of July. For more information call Kevin Darby at 706-621-3853.

HOME FOR CATS: Our three cats need a home for at least a year. Two are brother and sister, indoor, and need to stay together, Baxter and Millie. One is mostly outdoor, Georgia or JoJo, and is a sweetheart. Call Kevin Darby at 706-621-3853.

FOR RENT: Basement room for rent. Great neighborhood behind the mall. Available immediately. Call Brianne or Mike Baine for details. 706-372-1146 or 706-612-8668.



Sunday Bulletin

July 21, 2013

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Dreams Really Do Come True!

Just a few years ago the leaders & elders of our church asked the congregation to consider what their talents are and how they can use them to serve God. This question baffled me somewhat because there are many things I can adequately do but nothing that I really shine in. All I knew is that there has to be a reason why God chose to place us in America and guided us to follow the teaching profession. When Keith & Lisa followed their dreams to Cambodia the window to put my faith to action opened. When the idea to serve anywhere in Cambodia evolved into a group of teachers setting up a partnership with the Goldstone School of Hope Worldwide, my heart leapt! From there I watched God work to bring together a group of women with equally strong desires to serve underprivileged children who really didn't know each other very well. Only God could form a team of teachers with very specific specialties in exactly the age groups we needed to help a first through twelfth grade school!

Upon arrival we were overwhelmed with the suffering of so many people living in tin shacks on sidewalks outside the homes of the very wealthy. Despite their suffering, there are a great number of people who hope for a brighter future. This hope was evident in the hearts of the disciples in the Phnom Penh Church of Christ and especially in the hearts of the students at Goldstone School. Hopes of bright futures abound at the school where love forms a formidable wall around the children as they happily play and practice their English on the "borrongs."

Their teachers work tirelessly at multiple schools with no planning periods and only one day off on Sundays. Yet on Sunday morning the teachers gathered together for to us show them research-based best practices in teaching with grateful hearts and eager minds. Amy & Brianne took the primary teachers and Janet and I worked with the middle & high school teachers. The teachers wanted to see these practices used with students. So, six hours before we needed to check in at the airport we helped Janet teach the tenth graders a lesson on volume while teachers observed.

We left overwhelmed by the honor God gave us to use our talents for him and with big dreams to continue our partnership with this amazing school. In the car ride to the airport, Chhirrat, a senior at Goldstone and a disciple said to me, "When my class went to Singapore, I noticed how clean and organized their city was. Then I came home (sigh) I just want to help my country so much!" How can any teacher resist that?

Like the barefooted, filthy children in the streets who beg for money and food, we beg you to support us as we form an organization that can be reinforced by grants and corporate sponsors. Our vision (goal, desire?) is to make future trips to Goldstone and bring some of their future leaders here for inspiration and training. What would we have done were it not for your giving hearts? Whether you gave through generosity Sunday, fundraising ideas, donating books for Goldstone library, or prayers and encouragement, you championed our quest and we cannot thank you enough!

~Christa Newsome, Janet Tomlinson, Amy Tinnell, Brianne Baine