

Announcements January 18, 2020

BOYCE WHITE

Boyce White, the husband of Martha White (Asheville) – and many of you know him, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. There is a large mass in the lower left lobe and 5 cancerous nodules in the chest cavity outside the lung.

The mass is blocking area into the lobe and it has collapsed. This is causing a bad cough that they are trying to treat.

This coming Monday he will have an MRI of the brain to see if anything has spread there.

On Tuesday he has his first oncologist appointment

They will develop a plan of action that may also include Immunotherapy which has some promising results.

Martha asked that you please pray for healing and that they make wise decisions regarding his treatment.

Boyce and Martha White
125 Hazelwood Dr
Forest City, NC 28043

STEVEN MILLER, JR PRAYER REQUEST UPDATE

His condition has taken a turn for the worse. The yeast infection, bacterial infection, rash and various other issues has possibly spread into his blood stream. The Doctor visited Friday to evaluate Steven and stated he has a 50% chance of improving. His medications will be changed and he will be placed on an oral Antibiotic. Palliative Care will be coming into home. The Miller family ask that God's will be done for Steven Jr. and that he would relieve his pain and suffering.

NICHOLAS BOLINGER SNACK FUND

As most of you know, we have a small account set up to collect donations to provide our inmate member, Nick Bolinger, with a few snack food items 4 times a year. If you would like to give a small donation to this, please send it to Lee Dolby 1200 Birch Hill Drive; Kernersville, NC 27284. Lee has requested you send small cash donations only – no checks.

Thank you very much for any donation you could send. Nick really appreciates this. He said to send his thanks and that he hopes he is not asking too much of you.

HICKORY - VACATE PREMISES BY 2PM JAN 25

Next Sabbath, January 25th, we must vacate the premises no later than 2pm. Marketplace church will be setting up for a Wedding reception and have ask us to be out by this time.

RALEIGH SOCIAL/FUNDRAISER PLANNED

Our Bring & Buy/Auction fundraiser is just one week away. Please remember Sabbath Services will begin at 2:30 pm next week. They will be followed by a potluck meal. Tables will be set up after the Sabbath for the items we will be selling. The categories will be 50 cents, \$1, \$2 and \$5. In order to speed up set up, please sort your donations ahead of time.

If you have some more expensive items for the auction, please send a brief description, with minimum bid, to Margaret Villaescusa at pearlgrace@hotmail.com.

For those who would prefer to contribute cash, we will also have a loose change jar. Cash payment for Bring & Buy or Auction items would be preferable. Please bring smaller bills if possible, so we don't have to make a lot of change. Checks should be made payable to COGWA and marked FOI fundraiser.

Please remember to take home all unsold items.

We hope this will be a fun evening for everyone. A few special activities are being planned for the children.

RALEIGH PHOTO ALBUM

There are still a number of individuals and families who have not had their photograph taken for the family album. Please see Wesley Wood as soon as possible, so he can wrap up this project.

Margaret Villaescusa

MEN'S CLUB

The date for the next Men's Club has been set for Feb. 29th in Raleigh and March 7th in Hickory and Greensboro. Please see your local club President to volunteer and for further details.

HICKORY FOOD DRIVE IS BACK

Although we haven't mentioned it for a while, we are re-establishing our local Food Drive in Hickory. Our next food drive in Hickory will be January 25th. This will continue to occur on the 4th Sabbath of the month.

Please bring non-perishable food items and display them on table provided. All members are welcome to take any item(s) they may need. All remaining items will be given to a local charitable group.

TEEN REGIONAL PROM

The Nashville congregation invites all teens and their families to a weekend of fun March 13-15, 2020 in Columbia, TN! We'll begin the weekend with a casual Friday evening welcome reception at the Comfort Suites Hotel, located at 1551 Bear Creek Pike, Columbia, TN. The hotel is a brand-new all-suites property with free breakfast. On Saturday, we will have afternoon Sabbath services followed that evening with a "Roaring 2020's Prom!" The evening will consist of dinner, dancing and honoring our graduating seniors. Then on Sunday morning we will wrap-up the weekend with a service project and pizza lunch.

Take some time and view all the details on our [registration page](#), which may be accessed via the COGWA members [website](#) in the calendar section, COGWA app, or on Facebook @SERegionalProm. The registration deadline is February 28th. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Babcock at sharontb@gmail.com or (763) 486-7877.

REGISTER NOW FOR SUPER SOCIAL!

Next Friday, January 24th is the LAST DAY to register for the Super Social meals. We are still significantly short of the number we guaranteed to the Holiday Inn and will have to pay for these meals regardless. This shortage will be paid for from our Tier 2 funds, and could take away from our ability to pay for any future social activities.

Please consider joining us for these meals if at all possible. Remember the Friday night banquet is a buffet and the serving line is open as late as 8:00pm. You do not have to arrive at 6:00pm to enjoy the dinner. We also have a dessert reception after dinner that is part of the buffet cost.

If you would like to attend, but cannot pay until after the deadline, please advise Sylvia Young. If you need her contact information, please ask Mr. Kelley.

We have several fun activities planned for Saturday night at Super Social. There will be something for everyone! This includes Family Feud and Karaoke.

Remember, our guest speaker is Mark Winner. He will be presenting a seminar on Sabbath morning at 10:30am as well as the sermon on Sabbath. Services will be at 2:30pm. He will also conduct another seminar on Sunday morning at 10:00am.

We will close out our Super Social again with a group luncheon at the J & S Cafeteria in High Point.

If you have any questions about Super Social, please contact Mr. Kelley. You may also contact him about any possible assistance available for those who would like to come, but need some help.

CAMP DICKENSON NEW ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS.

We have been notified by officials at Camp Dickenson that there is now a 50% minimum occupancy requirement for each of the housing units at Camp Dickenson. This translates into needing at least 54 people to stay in one of the housing units, and does not include those who use a campsite. This means that unless we have more people who indicate they would like to attend Camp Dickenson and stay in one of the housing units, we will not be able to have Camp Dickenson after all. We are up against a deadline of February 7th to make a decision. Therefore, I need to ask one more time about our level of interest in attending Camp Dickenson next August 7-9, 2020. If you would please email or text me THIS WEEK if you are planning to attend Camp and stay in one of the facilities. If we have 54 or more, then camp will be on. If not, regretfully, we will have to cancel Camp Dickenson again this year.