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"You Are Mine Twice"

A little boy carefully and skillfully carved a boat for himself out of a block of wood. He took a piece of cloth and made a sail for it. Next he painted it with some bright colors. It was beautiful...just the way he imagined it would be. Taking his boat in his hands he proudly walked to a stream where he would test its ability to sail. He watched excitedly as it floated upon the water. But in his excitement he let the boat float too far away from the shore and sadly watched as it headed downstream and eventually out of sight. Dejected, he turned and walked back home...all hope gone of ever seeing his boat again.

Sometime later as the boy was walking down the streets of his town he passed a shop with a window full of various items of interest. Looking through the window he saw a boat that looked very much like his. The longer he looked at it the more convinced he was that it was his boat. It had all the markings of his work...the carvings, the paint, and the sail. Going into the store he asked about the boat and was told how much it would cost.

Rushing from the store the boy found jobs to do to earn the necessary money to buy the boat. Finally he came back to the store, paid the asking price, and picked the boat up in his arms. As he started for the door the storekeeper heard him say, "Little boat, you are mine. You are mine twice. You are mine because I made you. You are mine because after I made you and lost you, I bought you back with my own money. You are mine twice, little boat."

Isn't that what Jesus could say about us? "You are mine. You are mine twice. You are mine because I made you. You are mine because after having made you and lost you, I bought you back with my own blood. You are mine twice and I don't ever want to lose you again."

— Al Behel

Other News/Sick:

Sympathy to Gary Dick whose mother passed in Paducah, Kentucky Friday night. Gary has been in Kentucky for the past several days. Please keep Gary, Priscilla, and the family in prayer.

Rosita Juan, a frequent visitor and mother of Rose Harrington (who also visits with her husband and children) is on dialysis at home and is waiting for a kidney transplant. Prayers would be appreciated. Cards may be mailed to her at: 260 River Valley Circle, Lot 6, Sevierville, TN 37862.

Debbie Little, mother of one of Marti's students, is suffering from a brain aneurysm rupture. Michael is a 4th grader who is very scared for his mom. His dad expressed a desire that we keep Debbie, Michael, and the family in prayer. Debbie has been moved to a nursing/rehab centers.

Members: See Esther Stewart for your church directory.

Tyler Behel, Al's nephew, has been re-deployed to Afghanistan. Prayers are requested for him and his wife and child as he is away.

Paul Huston, son-in-law of Gary and Priscilla Dick, deployed to Egypt for one year. Prayers appreciated.

Mark Your Calendars: Our annual holiday party is scheduled for December 13 at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Elder Contact for Month: Marc Hayes, Phone No. 1-731-608-4148

Sermon Topics: A.M. - "Who Is A Real Christ Follower?" No. 6; P.M. - "At Home In The Psalms- A Message For Bent-out-of-shape People", Psa. 119:165

Interpreter for deaf and hearing impaired available for AM and PM worship

Our Known Sick

-Dez Anderson— continues to battle multiple health issues and her activity level is very limited. Keep praying...God is listening and answering.

-Sheryle Elkins has completed chemotherapy and radiation for Adenocarcinoma (lung cancer). They received good news with the results of the CT scan. Her tumors have reduced 80%. A PET scan in 3 months should show if the treatments were successful. Please keep praying for our sister. Her address is: 1383 Lake Front Drive, Dandridge, TN 37725.

-Bill Green was released from rehab on Saturday. He is continuing to recuperate at home. Keep Bill in prayer.

-Andrea Weddington is in Ft. Sanders Regional, Rm. 809. She began chemotherapy this week. Her address is: 201 Clear Point Lane, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863. Please keep her and her family in prayer.

-Sue Mercer had surgery on Wednesday to remove a malignant kidney. She was released Saturday and is expected to make a full recovery.

-Raelynn Bryant, newborn baby daughter of Steven and Taylor Bryant, is in Vanderbilt Children's. She is off the machine and is stabilized.

-Kathy May -ill in Baxter. You can send her a card at P.O. Box 465, Baxter, TN 38544-0463.

-Angie Daimwood -Room 136 at Wellspring, the new assisted living facility near Wellington Place and LeConte Medical Center.

Friends and Family

-Mrs. Florence Tolliver is in Ft. Sanders Nursing Home, Rm 172. Her daughter, Rita Taylor from Kodak, has been visiting with us.

-Jim Dickson (he and Barbara have worked at Dollywood and worshipped with us several years) has a recurrence of lung cancer and is being treated with chemotherapy. Keep them in prayer.

-Scottie Elkins, Tom and Deb's grandson, is still awaiting tests to determine if he has MS. Prayers are requested for him.

-Christopher Howell-grandson of the Littletons-spinal cord injuries.

-Robin McCollum and Peggy McCollum (Al's nieces-battling cancer).

-Sue Mercer's sister, **Connie Browning**, breast cancer.

-Jerry Ellison, Brenda Scott's brother-in-law, failing lungs with no further treatment available.

-Al's brother, Tom Behel, - improving; his speech is still limited.

-Raja Vijay Kumar Vundurthi (India missionary) reports that his father is improving from GB Syndrome. Keep praying for him.

Sunday Bible Study

Colossians

Rise & Shine: Sundays, 9:15

Ladies Bible Class

Has resumed meeting on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall. Next study Nov. 18.

Times of Services

Sunday A.M.

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday P.M. 6:00 PM

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Building Fund

Loan balance as of 10/04/14 is **\$1,113,205.94**. Extra contributions to reduce the loan debt are needed and appreciated. Envelopes are available in the pew.

Nursery

Located across main foyer. Closed circuit TV allows viewing and participation in worship.

CDs and DVDs of Sermons are available free at sound booth. Also available on the website at: www.greatsmokymountainschurchofchrist.com.