

DEAR CM TEAM AND FAMILY,

Welcome to another new ministry year in CM!! It feels like we say it every newsletter, but we really do want to thank you for your amazing team-work and patience, especially over the last two years through this transitional season. God has been so good to hold our Body and our "CM appendage" of the Body together so well. Thank you for being such willing instruments and all the give-and-take that is involved.

As our numbers of children are a bit lower (at least for now), please note the few places we've tightened our classes offered. If classes become too full on a consistent basis we'll talk with those classroom teachers about when/how to adjust.

Melanie, Jenn & Jill

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20- elementary students attend service with family SUNDAY, AUGUST 27- first day of new classes SEPTEMBER 10- Patrick Lafferty Installation service 5:00 pm SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17- Kickoff Picnic 12:00 pm @ pavilion SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12- Shoebox packing party 12:00 pm cafe/gallery

END OF AN ERA—CAROLINE & AMY

Caroline Graham and Amy Donaldson have taught 1/2nd grade girls together for 12+ years. What started as two new families at Grace ended up in a beautiful friendship and teaching so many young girls to hide God's Word in their hearts through dance, song, cheer, crazy fun! The Graham family will be joining the Brevard plant in their home town, so Alithea Whisenant will be Amy's new side-kick!



PLAYGROUND...

Huge thanks to Brad Greene (and family) for heading the crew that installed the new playground piece. It was 20+ hours of sweat and rock hard drilling just to get the poles in. The remainder of the summer was spent, little by little, bringing the wooden structure up to snuff.





THE SCOOP ON MICKEY AND MARY DEAN BELAND

Mickey and Mary Dean Beland have served in CM for about 25 years! Here's the "back story"...

Met- Mary Dean was home from college and Mickey attended the church where her dad was pastor. They started dating shortly after meeting and were married a year later!

Family- Lori (daughter) and McRae Hilliard & grand-daughters Preston and Fairly. Scott (son) and Sarah & grand-sons Morgan and Owen.

Coming to Grace- started attending Grace in 1994 after being invited by Colin a few times. The Gospel was presented in a way that they hadn't heard before. They knew they'd found a church Home.

Serving at Grace- Mickey has served on the missions team and has been a deacon for many years. Mary Dean was on staff leading Single Parents and Women's Ministries. In CM they have taught 3-4-5 year-olds (for the most part). Mary Dean also serves on the CM Advisory team.

Memories in CM- Mary Dean loves bringing each Bible lesson alive with little ones. She remembers the lesson about Isaac getting a wife. They decorated the classroom for a wedding, dressed the kids in costumes and even had a wedding cake. One little boy pulled on her dress and said, "I have never been to a wedding before and I'm excited!"

Mickey remembers sitting on the playground bench week after week with the same little girl (now grown). They would chat about what the other children were doing and about what was on her mind. When Mickey asked, "Do you want to run and play with the children?" She answered, "No, I just like to watch them." It was a sweet time, just the two of them.

'17 DRAMA & ART CAMPS—UH-MAY-ZING!!

Dusty Campbell and Becky Morgan taught the two classes of drama campers with Courtney Meyer and Kallie Owen assisting. All week, they developed skills by playing drama games, reading and casting parts, and rehearsing plays that were performed for family and friends on Friday. A highlight for campers was wishing Dusty a happy birthday and giving her a big group hug (see photo on page one)!

Molly Angel, Cheri Thompson (Melanie's friend from OH), Caroline Whiting and Annalyse Wilkins each taught a different medium during art camp. Assistants were Diane

Bolt, Jo'el Longacre, Gail Pearce, Ethan Whisenant and Rayne White. Campers really tuned in to hear about the Great Creator and how we are made in his image, each a unique masterpiece! As always, the students hung and presented an art show reception for family and friends on Friday.



CAFE COUPON

Thanks for serving your Children's Ministry family! Please enjoy a hot drink and a snack in the Grace Cafe.





CLASS	1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK	5TH WEEK
WELCOME TABLE					
FLOATER					
BABIES/ SQUIRRELS	Philip Burleson Lia Burleson		Lee Hunt Amanda Hunt	Diane White Warner White (Y) Katherine Grady (Y)	
BEARS	Debbi Rayl Michael Rayl	Debbi Rayl Michael Rayl	Debbi Rayl Michael Rayl	Debbi Rayl Michael Rayl	Debbi Rayl Michael Rayl
BLUEBIRDS/ LIONS	Micki Jensen Natalie Rockley	Amanda Boyd Georgia Boyd(Y) Kerry Boyd(Y)	Bud Christman Sally Christman		Debbie Bound
K BOYS/GIRLS	Gail Rachow Sue Jaecques	Gail Rachow Melissa MacGregor (N)	Gail Rachow Jennifer Young	Gail Rachow Mary Jane Grigsby	Gail Rachow
1ST/2ND GRADE GIRLS	Amy Donaldson Alithea Whisenant	Amy Donaldson Alithea Whisenant	Amy Donaldson Alithea Whisenant	Amy Donaldson Alithea Whisenant	Amy Donaldson Alithea Whisenant
1ST/2ND GRADE BOYS	Jim Noel Mark Rockley	Jim Noel Marlene Roden	Jim Noel Ben Young	Jim Noel Hunter Boyd (Y)	Jim Noel
3RD/4TH GRADE GIRLS					
3RD/4TH GRADE BOYS					
5TH GRADE BOYS/GIRLS					



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WELCOME TABLE 10:15-11:00	Brenda Purvis	Lisa Smith	Pat Johnson	Jan Thompson	
FLOATER					
BABIES/ SQUIRRELS	Wendy Hermann-Tross Zoe Aridas (Y)	Mary Jo VanDalen Toni Owen Kallie Owen (Y)	Wendy Hermann-Tross Zoe Aridas (Y)		
BEARS	Lindsey Downer Abby Bowles (Y)	Lindsey Downer Ella Lewison	Lindsey Downer	Lindsey Downer Gracie Todd (Y)	Lindsey Downer
BLUEBIRDS/ LIONS	MaryDean Beland Mickey Beland	Rhonda Brand Monica Outman	Glen Higgins Debbie Higgins		
K/1ST GRADE	Sara Crist Emily Bowles (Y)	Genell Allmond Deidra Fink	Kelly Stepp Natalie Stepp (Y)	David Todd Ethan Whisenant (Y)	
2ND - 5TH GRADE	Fran Li	Brad Owen Larry Lewison	Fran Li Jill Schwarzkopf	Traci English Caroline Owen	