"Come to me, all who labor and are heavily burdened,



...and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

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Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart,



... as working for the Lord. --- Colossians 3:23-24

# LOVE GOD LOVE NEIGHBOR MAKE DISCIPLES

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



### **Half Truths**

by Adam Hamilton with Rev. Orlando Evans - Tuesdays, 9:00am Wednesdays, 6:30pm



#### Moms at the Well

by Tara Edelschick & Kathy Tuan-MacLean with Lora Parker-Gayler - Tuesdays, 9:30am

### The Thirteen Apostles

by J. Ellsworth Kalas with Rev. Jessica Terrell - Tuesdays, 6:00pm

### The Rock, the Road and the Rabbi

by Kathie Lee Gifford with Rev. Cindy Blocksidge - Wednesdays, 6:30pm

SIGN UP ONLINE OR BY SCANNING THIS QR CODE ALL STUDIES BEGIN WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>



### MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 8:00 AM



We, the United Methodist Men, invite men of all ages to join us for a GREAT breakfast in Oaks Hall on the 2nd Sunday of most months.

Join us and bring your friends too! Enjoy this rewarding time with the men of McEachern.

Fellowship Kickoff Breakfast! No speaker, just food and fun!

### NURSERY MINISTRY



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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 in the children's area on the first floor of the Christian Life Center as we journey through the Bible together! We are excited to kick off the school year with a WORSHIP series, filled with fun lessons, trainings, games, special guests, and crafts!



If you are interested in joining our children's volunteer team, contact Lora!



# WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS RESUME SEPTEMBER 3

We are so excited to offer Wednesday night programming, starting September 3rd with our GET THE SCOOP Family Ice Cream Party from 6-7pm! Bring the whole family and join us for a ice cream party, fellowship, and information meeting! To provide our children with the BEST, we want to expand our volunteer team with faith-filled folks to help us provide some great programs for our children! If you would like to be part of our volunteer team and help with our children's choir from 6-6:30 or children's activities from 6:30-7:30, OR be a story reader once every few weeks for our closing program, contact Lora@mceachernumc.org



Scan here to register your child for the McEachern UMC Children's' Ministry



Interested in joining our volunteer team? Scan here or visit the church website



# **FAITH-OLOGY RETREAT**

Every fall, the North Georgia Conference hosts this retreat for 3rd-5th graders! Our yearly theme is Faith-ology where we explore faith stories from scripture along with science and nature. This year's theme is Stars and Light. This retreat is always an action-packed fun time! We'll have big group worship sessions in the chapel and rotate through 6 workshops throughout the day and have a chance to zipline into the lake! Deadline to register is September 8th.

Register on the Children's Page of the church website! <u>McEachernUMC.org/children</u>





JOIN OUR NEW FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ALL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

Search: McEachern Kids at MMUMC or scan the OR code



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# Grace Sept. 7 9-10 AM

Fundraiser For Student Ministry 2026 Mission Trips and Sharing About Our 2025 Costa Rica Mission Trip

- 3 Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 7 Grace and Eggs, 9-10 AM No RENEW
- 10 Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 14 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM

- 17 Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 21 RENEW: Coffee Shop, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 24 No Wed Night Youth (Fall Break)
- 28 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM

Register for events and full details online at www.mceachernumc.org/student

# **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**



Women of ALL ages are invited to attend our next meeting of the Women's Group,

Sunday, Sept. 7 at 5:00 p.m. in F326!

We will take the church bus to various homes for a Progressive Dinner! Come enjoy this wonderful time of fellowship and fun!

Child care is available by contacting Susan Koopman ~ skoopman@mceachernumc.org AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE!

For more information, contact Rev. Cindy Blocksidge ~ cblocksidge@mceachernumc.org.

# SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY



### McEachern J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth)

You're Invited to our next luncheon! Friday, September 5th at 11:30 AM in Lula Dobbs Bring a covered dish to share and your beverage!

Bring your quarters to play Bingo to help our Food Pantry provide Thanksgiving dinner for families in our community who are in need.

We normally meet on the first Friday of the month, EXCEPT during a holiday week. Then, we meet on the following Friday.

If you are 55+ and considering becoming a part of this exciting group, please contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org for more information and to begin receiving informational emails. You will be warmly welcomed!!!





Watch your email for an announcement of an October trip to a Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maze!!!



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## CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY



So do not fear, for | am with you;
do not be dismayed, for | am your God.
| will strengthen you and help you;
| will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
| saiah 41:10



New GriefShare Session Begins...
Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>
6:30-8:00 PM in F147

Are you grieving the loss of a spouse, other family member, or other loss? If so, we invite you to participate in GriefShare. At GriefShare you'll

receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability while gaining solid support each step of the way.

For more information, contact Carol McLeod - 770.313.8790, Robert McLeod - 770.313.8706 or Nancy Burkhardt - nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org - 678.3377.2050.



Do you like to plan events? Do you have a servant's heart?

Our Bereavement Committee needs you!

The Bereavement Committee provides and serves a meal or reception for family and friends after the funeral of a loved one. This is a very important ministry that offers Christian hospitality for grieving family and friends.

Many volunteers are needed. You will only serve as you are able and available.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Nancy Burkhardt, nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org, 678.567.5002.



Alcoholics Anonymous:
Meets in Room G-103 at the
Care & Counseling Center
Mondays & Thursdays at 7 AM
and Tuesdays & Fridays at 8 PM



Narcotics Anonymous:

Meets at 6:30 PM on
Sundays and Mondays
In Oaks Hall

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## MISSIONS MINISTRY

### Opportunities To Donate And Serve In Missions!

Our Missions Ministry offers many opportunities for you to not only see God at work but to also join Him and experience the blessings received from the gift of your time and effort toward a purpose greater than yourself. Discover the thrill of becoming part of something amazing that the Lord will accomplish both in you and through you!

Come, join us in ministry!

Contact Beth Green or Julie Beem at local-outreach@mceachernumc.org.



### Food Pantry - A Labor Of Love

Gloria Peters with the help of another amazing volunteer, Ina Williams, tirelessly volunteer cleaning, organizing and restocking our Food Pantry. Together each week, they pack groceries for multiple families in need. They recently surprised residents at Calvary Children's Home with extra bags of snack meals after our last 2025 drive-thru MUST Summer Meals Program. Thank you both for responding to the Lord's call to express His love and provision to others.

### HELP SUPPORT OUR LOCAL SCHOOL PARTNERS!



Cheerios For Compton: Please consider donating boxes of *PLAIN* Cheerios for Compton Elementary School. These provide a healthy snack for the children at Compton and keep their brains powered to learn. Bring donations to the church office or place them in the Food Pantry collection bins in the *CLC*.



(Plain Cheerios or plain store brands are acceptable - no honey nut or flavored Cheerios as they not only get stuck in the dispensers but may also harm children with nut allergies.)

Tapp Middle School Food Pantry: We invite you to assist with distributing food items at the Tapp Food Pantry on Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00 PM. Please contact either Beth Green or Rick McTyre at local-outreach@mceachernumc.org.



### Looking Ahead To Thanksgiving

We will ask small groups, Sunday school classes, etc. to purchase specific items for our Thanksgiving bags. These bags will be distributed to neighborhood families in need. Lists of requested items will be distributed in October. Coming Soon: Dates for opportunities to serve by purchasing, packing, and/or distributing the Thanksgiving bags will be available soon!

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## CONTACT US

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM

**Church Office is Closed on Fridays** 

Please visit our website for the most current information.

Email: info@mceachernumc.org Website: www.mceachernumc.org

### **Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:**

Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell, Senior Pastor	X 5000
Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Senior Associate Pastor	X 5012
Rev. Orlando Evans, Associate Pastor	X 5005
Conner Garmon, Music Director	X 6041
Moose Mosteller, Student Ministry Director	X 5016
Lora Parker-Gayler, Children's Ministry Director	X 6039
Susan Koopman, Nursery Ministry Director	X 5006
Frank Neal, Financial Director	X 5003
John Spain, Facilities Director	X 6038
Denise Ribeiro, Weekday Preschool Director	770.439.7110

Contact staff members via email using their first initial and last name followed by @mceachernumc.org.

### **Come Worship With Us!**

**Traditional Worship - 11:00 AM - Sanctuary** 

Sunday School / Small Groups - Children Through Adults - 9:30 AM

**Note:** Articles for *The Vine* are subject to approval by the appropriate ministry staff leader. Please send requests directly to the staff leader for approval *a few days before* the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to your desired edition.



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