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We have moved and want you to know! So many of you have helped us in so many ways. This is a very exciting time in the life of Chamblee First. There will, no doubt be some inconvenience, but the outcome will be soooo good! The infrastructure, heating and air, plumbing, electrical systems, will be restored and will work for us far more efficiently. Please come and see the new offices and see us hard at work for you.

Sunday School and the Early Service will continue. The 8:45 worship service will be held in the sanctuary. We are offering a one room Sunday School for adults in the sanctuary at 10:00 every Sunday. We have teachers lined up and a few surprises! The babies, the toddlers, and the early elementary children are being housed in the mobile units outside. The older elementary students are studying the Creation and will be walking trails and using the amphitheatres. If it is rainy they will use the scout hut. The youth are meeting in the Activities Building. So no reason to miss Sunday School.

It will be better for you to park to the side of the church and NOT in the back parking lot. We have valet parking available. So no reason to miss church.

Restrooms are available to you. We are on our way Chamblee First!

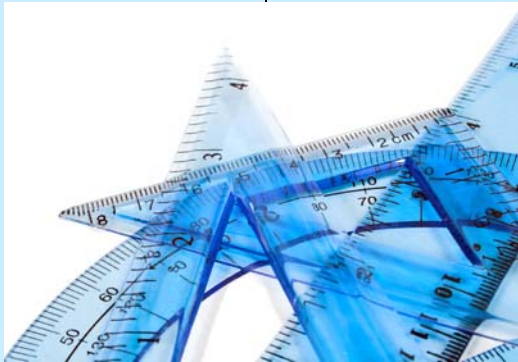
We want to report to you what is happening next. Your pledges stretch over a 3 year commitment. Our general contractor and architects however will have to be paid in draws as they progress and in total at the end of the project this year. An appointed committee is hard at work investigating banks, credit unions, and Conference resources for the best percentage rates and service for loans. We don't know yet what we will have to borrow. That depends on how much money comes in on

the front end AND how the bids come in. Right now we have about \$521,000. available for payouts. By September, according to your pledges we will have \$850,000. The more money we have on hand the less we borrow.

We are committed to keeping our word that we will not borrow more than we know we can pay back. We will keep our word to keep you informed and be totally transparent in all of our reporting. We had a Church Conference in order to gain permission to make the loan. The date of the Church Conference was June 21, 2010.

Another change is the leave taking of Jordan and the coming in of Josh!

Josh Roberts is our new associate pastor. He comes to us from Monroe and the Pleasant Valley UMC. He and his wife, Loren, are living in Huntley Hills. Josh is a Candler graduate and comes to us with high marks from his current D.S. We will be able to meet Josh and Loren on June 27th, their first Sunday at Chamblee First. You will not want to miss!!!



Blessings,

R. Stowe

June has been a great month! We had a very successful Vacation Bible School, move out of the building and set up of the children's trailers. We are ready to roll!

To find which trailer your child will be in we have made signs stating the trailers as A, B, or C. Someone should be available to help you sign in your child and direct you to the correct trailer. Here are some bullet points that could help:

- The Beeper System will continue to be used.
 - All children should be signed in and out as usual.
 - Each trailer will be fully staffed.
 - The children that stay in service until after the Children's Sermon will be escorted out. In case of rain umbrellas will be used.
- Each trailer is specially safety coded and is cleaned before use.

Safety is a priority. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at any time. My cell number is 770-265-6946.



Vacation Bible School Offerings

School supplies were collected during Vacation Bible School as it is every year. This year though the supplies were given to both the Assistance League's "Operation School Bell" in Chamblee and the Methodist Children's Home in Decatur. Many children will benefit from the generous donations.

Each VBS a specific mission is chosen to be collected for. This year it was Haiti. A monetary offering of \$2,148.04 has been sent to the United Methodist Committee on Relief for earthquake relief in Haiti. The generosity of VBS families and staff will be far reaching to those still in need.

Chris Tench, Director of Children's Programs

Kid's Corner

CHAMBLEE FIRST UMC
4TH OF JULY COOKOUT & CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, JULY 4 AT 5:00 PM
PORK TENDERLOIN WILL BE PROVIDED!

Fun for Everyone!

Bring a blanket or lawn chairs

Games & Contests

Bring a side dish to share

*For Safety's Sake, No Fireworks Please

The poster features a background of a waving American flag. The text is centered and bold. There are four diagonal banners with text: 'Fun for Everyone!' (top left), 'Bring a blanket or lawn chairs' (middle left), 'Games & Contests' (middle right), and 'Bring a side dish to share' (bottom left). A note at the bottom right says '*For Safety's Sake, No Fireworks Please'.

Kindergarten News

The Kindergarten has space in the pre-K program for the '10-'11 school year for any child who will be 4 years old by September 1. For more information, contact the director, Allison Spangler, at kindergarten@chambleeumc.org or 770-457-2527.



Notes on Music & Drama



Many thanks to the numerous people who helped pack and move the music ministry in recent weeks. It took many hands serving together. Also, thanks to Bobbi Matthews for cheerful and able assistance with Vacation Bible School Music

Sing to the Lord a new song! Chancel Choir always welcomes new members, but especially during the summer when regular members are sometimes traveling. Rehearsals are Wednesdays in the sanctuary at 7:30. During restoration, the Sunday morning routine is a little different with less rehearsal time before worship, but the choir warms up in the sanctuary at 10:40, right after Sunday School dismisses.

Summer Rehearsals for Chancel Choir:

All Wednesdays in June and July, except no rehearsals on June 30 and July 21. The August plan will be announced as we get closer to that time, and everyone can look forward to Camp Meeting hymns and anthems for the August Sundays.

Mary Lynn Weatherly,
Minister of Music & Drama
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Dear Congregation,

Duett and I would like to thank you for the prayer and financial support extended to us during this difficult time. Though the loss of our home to fire was a tragedy, God has blessed us in many ways. He used our loss to show us His love and goodness is still present. He used you to show us this message. Your gifts will be very helpful as we begin to furnish the new home we're planning to build. Your prayers will continue to bless us during the next months as we deal with our loss and move on. (A special note of thanks goes to the unsigned gift card donors we aren't able to send personal notes to.)

Love, Amy and Duett Parrish (Daughter & Son-in-law of Ray & Crystal Dunahoo)

Activities

Whiffleball Tournament





Saturday, June 26th from 10:00am-4:00pm we are sponsoring a one pitch whiffleball tournament for the entire family. The tournament will be held in the activities building therefore weather will not be a factor. This will be a round robin event and is open to all.



Games are three innings in length; teams will be limited to 5 players. Even if you don't play come on by and watch the fun. If you don't have a team we will find one for you. Please wear soft soled shoes to protect the gym floor.



Regular Activities for the Months of June & July

<u>Sundays</u>		
Worship Service		8:45 am
Sunday School		10:00 am
Worship Service		11:00 am
UMYF (various times & locations)		
<u>Mondays</u>		
Boy Scouts		7:00 pm
<u>Tuesday</u>		
Cub Scouts		7:00 pm
<u>Wednesdays</u>		
Chancel Choir		7:30 pm
<u>Thursdays</u>		
AA Meeting		8:00 pm
<u>Fridays</u>		
		
<u>Saturdays</u>		
AA Meeting		8:00 pm



Upcoming Committee Meetings

- 6/21/10—Church Conference & Admin. Board
- 6/28/10—SPR Committee
- 7/5/10—Board of Trustees
- 7/6/10—Missions Committee
- 7/12/10—Finance Committee
- 7/12/10—Recreation Committee
- 7/19/10—Children's Council
- 7/26/10—Family Life Committee

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Kathy Brannon	Financial Manager	X228
Steve Anderson	Activities Director	X229
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James Goolsby	Minister of Maintenance	