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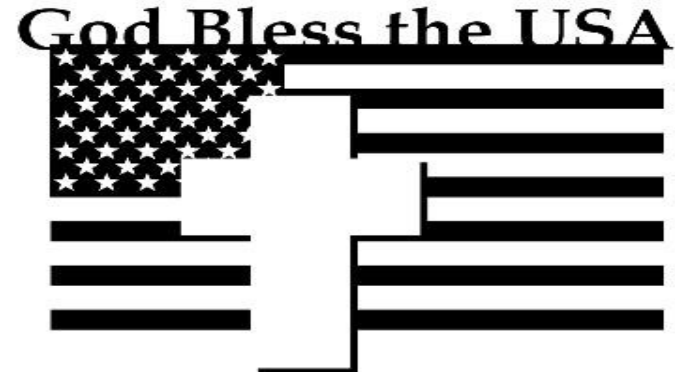
Providence Profiles

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*...if my people are called by my name
humble themselves, and pray and seek my
face and turn from their wicked ways, then
I will hear from heaven and will forgive
their sins and heal their land.*

2 Chronicles 7:14 ESV



Welcome
 Riley Jonathan!
 born October 19, 2008
 6 lbs 14 oz, 19 1/4"



November 2008

3 Linda Currence	13 Gary England
12 Ruth Rowell	28 Lin Reavis
12 David Ward	29 Gustavo Lopez

Proud parents are Todd & Marnita Causby
 Proud grandparents are Jerry & Evelyn Leigh
 Proud Aunt & Uncle are Lynn & Gustavo Lopez

The Women of the church will be hosting a baby shower for Marnita on November 2nd, 3 pm at the church.

Challengers Youth Upcoming Events

November 2 – Bowling at 3 pm
 November 9 – NO YOUTH
 November 14 – 16th – Middle School Retreat
 November 23 – Thanksgiving Meal and putting together
 Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes
 November 29 – Volunteer at Operation Christmas Child
 December 7 – Regular activities
 December 12 – Youth Lock-In and Christmas Party
 December 21 – Regular activities
 December 31 – Game Night – New Year’s Party



Stewardship Report

SEPTEMBER 2008

	<u>Sept. 08</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
INCOME:			
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 9,216	\$107,586	\$104,700
EXPENSES:			
Benevolent Gifts	\$ 1,554	\$ 10,268	\$ 10,500
Ministry & Worship	6,528	59,294	61,537
Christian Education	225	2,285	2,437
Office & Administration	998	6,371	7,050
Building & Grounds	3,363	22,448	22,950
Fellowship	0	490	900
TOTAL	\$12,668	\$100,666	\$105,374

Opportunities for Service November 2008

Ushers

2 Gary England	David Ward
9 Gary England	Bob Bassett
16 Gary England	Wes Marquand
23 Gary England	Lyle Branagan
30 Gary England	Rick Hoover

Children's Church

2 Patsy Ward
9 Robin Rowell
16 Ron France
23 Ruth Rowell
30 Karen Branagan

Nursery Volunteer (if needed)

2 Michelle Marquand
9 Julia Davignon
16 Erin France
23 Melissa Weigel
30 Lynn Lopez

Acolytes

2 Aaron Conley
9 Sean Demers
16 Sydney Marquand
23 Bryson Bassett
30 Aaron Conley



November 9th
Trummer Baker & Julie Davignon

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH!

1ST & 2ND PRESBYTERY
MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT
NOVEMBER 14-16, 2008
SPEAKER: JOE SLACK
MUSIC: THOMAS HENDERSON



- November 16** Diaconate considers/approves budget
(monthly Diaconate meeting)
- November 17** Session considers/approves budget
(monthly Session meeting)

Officer Election/Installation

- November 2** Sample Ballot for Election of two Deacons
and a Treasurer
- November 9** Election of two Deacons and a Treasurer
- November 30** Annual Congregational Meeting and 2009
Budget Approval
- December 14** Ordination/Installation of Elected Officers

There are no Elders rotating off this year, so there will be no election held for Elders. Please be in prayer for our election process.

**Thanksgiving Offering 2008
Supporting the Work and Ministry of the
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church**

**American Bible Society † Christmas Benevolent Fund †
Erskine Seminary † Outreach North America**
A Special Offering envelope will be in the bulletin on November 23rd.

**The Power of a Simple Gift
Operation Christmas Child**

“Operation Christmas Child is a great way to bring joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need of hope.” Franklin Graham

November 29th there will be a group from Providence going to volunteer in Charlotte preparing the shoe boxes. We have reserved spots for 12 volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, you need to sign up now! Only sign up if you know you will **definitely** be going and do so prior to November 23rd. You MUST be 13 YEARS of age to participate.

Donations for empty shoe boxes and items are needed! The youth will be putting together boxes on November 23rd. Pamphlets with instructions on providing a shoe box, items to include or not include, how to pack and label, are next to the bulletin board along with the sign up sheet to volunteer.

You may also make a donation towards shipping by going to www.samaritanspurse.org and clicking on EZ Give. Any questions, see Jim Davignon.

**2008 GAP Habitat Home Dedication
November 16, 2008, 3 PM**

Dedication/Communion Service will be lead by Charles Davenport of West Avenue Presbyterian and Shawn Griffith of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. A Habitat home will be dedicated to Maurice and Alice Brooks at 2519 McArver Street, Gastonia. Please come out and share their joy of owning their own home! Take pleasure in knowing that your financial gifts and sweat equity made this possible!

Thank you to all who made donations and your time to prepare breakfast and lunch for the workday at the home on November 1st.

Rick Hoover, Outreach Chairman

Dear WOC Friends,

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the delicious meal at Chantilly's. That was a lovely way to celebrate my 80th birthday! Also I know that I will enjoy the commemorative tree planted at the church as well. You ladies have meant so much to me through your love and prayers and all the many ways you express it. I don't know a better way to spend a Saturday than with you. Keep on praying for me and remember I love each of you.

With Love,

Dot Long

Dear friends and family at Providence,

I want to thank you so much for the gift basket you bought for me for college. That was such an amazing blessing. I really appreciate the time and though you put into doing that for me. I have enjoyed getting to know you all over the years. It was fun spending time with you this summer – I love you all! I hope to see you all again soon. Thank you so much for your prayers and support over the years. You have all blessed me and my family in many ways, we are so grateful for you. Thanks again! God Bless!

Lots of Love,

Alyssa Hause



PROVIDENCE YARD SALE
NOVEMBER 15, 2008
7 AM - 1 PM
WE NEED WORKERS!

Time to get some of that “stuff” out of your house! The Deaconate are planning a yard sale at the church on November 15th. Items can be brought to the church anytime after our fellowship lunch on November 9th. Bigger items, please bring Friday night. If you do not have a church key, contact one of the deacons or Tammy about dropping off your items. Preferably, we would like to have your items priced when dropped off. All proceeds will go into our New Sign Fund.