

2018
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Adairsville Christian Church

Family News

On my desk is a copy of a church directory from 2012 listing a Mr. Rob Monro as the Youth Minister of the Adairsville First Christian Church. In the pages of that same directory is a picture of a young lady named Addie Stephens. The most recent copy, 2017, of the directory pictures the Munro family- Rob, Addie & Rosalie. Historians from the future will be able to look at these two documents of our church history as they write a new book – “The Life & Times of Rob & Addie.”

A future best seller and possibly a Hallmark movie, this is the story of a young man and woman whose desire was to serve God. The first chapter, “Rob & Addie – The Beginning”, will be about the early years before they met. It will tell of two people who grew up in Christian homes and recognized God’s call for their lives. There will interviews with parents and friends as they recall the early years of each. The book will describe Rob’s pursuit of a degree in youth ministry and his pursuit of Addie.

The chapter we are most familiar with is the chapter “Rob & Addie- The Early Years in Adairsville”. It is the story of a young ministry student who came to First Christian Church and began working with the youth. It will detail how Rob & Addie met and how they fell in love and were married. It will also describe some of the influence these two had on the youth of the congregation. Particular highlights of the chapter will be the stories from those whose lives were changed.

There will be accounts of youth trips and special events that saw many souls brought to Christ. Included will be the story of two who were in the youth group who later were married to go on and do great things for the Lord as well. It will describe the success and growth of both Rob & Addie and their first child, Rosalie. The last paragraphs of this chapter will detail the answering of God’s call to expand the Kingdom as they began working with another congregation in Watkinville.

If the Lord tarries his coming, by the time this book is written, I will have met Jesus in death. So if you will permit, allow me to share my story of how these three have influenced my life.

Rosalie brings joy and laughter to everyone

she meets. As a grandparent of my own grandchildren, I have the right to laugh at those times when she was told “not to” and “did it anyway”. Rob once told me that parents are proof that the theory of evolution is false. If evolution was true, every parent would immediately grow a third arm when a child is born.

Addie grew up here; this is her “home church.” There are many of our congregation who have long and fond memories of her youth. I am familiar with Addie who is the spouse of Rob and mother of Rosalie. A worker in the kingdom helping to teach our children and support our congregation through her participation in worship and many other activities. A woman who committed to God and her husband that she would follow and help support the ministry of their family. A life in ministry does not carry the same guarantees we often take for granted in secular work. Leaving behind what you know and stepping out on faith isn’t for the faint-hearted.

To my fellow minister in Christ, thank you. Just as iron sharpens iron, you have made me a better minister. I appreciate your willingness to do “whatever crazy things I have asked.” Your ability to work with both youth and adults will serve the church of our Lord wherever you are called. I know we have prayed together for God’s timing and God’s call. I believe we see both in this new opportunity and I know His hand goes before you. Think often and fondly of your times here. When times of discouragement come, remember the confidence that God has in you. I have likened ministry to riding a rollercoaster blindfolded; there are ups and downs, twists and turns, so hang on tight and it will be worth it in the end.

Although they will not physically be here in the weeks, months, or perhaps years to come, they leave their footprints on our hearts and their influence on our church family. Only eternity can reveal the true impact of their service here. Fortunately, Watkinville is not that far away. Even though we will miss them, they will be around from time to time. I am comforted by two thoughts: These are but growing pains for an expanding kingdom and those who are in the Lord never see each other for the last time.

BACKPACK BUDDIES/OATMEAL

By the time you receive this, our last delivery of food to AES for the Back Pack Buddies program will have happened. Thank you for your faithfulness in providing so much assistance to many families in our community. The school staff members have been very appreciative.

Soon, we will be publishing a list for school supplies for our annual giveaway. Any help with this ministry is greatly appreciated! Also, please continue to bring in oatmeal for the North Bartow Community Services.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will take place on Saturday, May 12th at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to attend this time of wonderful Fellowship and Devotion. Remember, this will be the final Men's breakfast until September.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BRUNCH

The Mother/Daughter Brunch will take place on Saturday, May 5th at 11:00am. This year's theme is Walking in SONlight. There are sign up sheets in the back for food and for table decorating. Start inviting your loved ones to what promises to always be a wonderful event!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please mark your calendars for VBS during the week of June 18th through the 22nd. This is always such a wonderful week! We do need some volunteers still to help with this. If you are interested, there will be a VBS meeting on Sunday, May 20th at 4pm.

SUMMER CAMP

There has been a change in Camp Weeks. Pre-teen, grades 4th, 5th and 6th will be going June 10th through the 13th. Brandi and Ron will be chaperones/counselors that week. Junior Week is still from Sunday, July 15th to Wednesday, July 18th. Middle and High School dates will vary and can be checked out at www.woodlandcamp.org.

LACE MEETING

Please keep in mind that since LACE will fall on Mother's Day, we will not be having a meeting this month. The next meeting will be on Sunday, June 10th.

GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Wednesday, May 30th at 6pm will be a dinner in honor of this year's graduates. Please join us that night in celebrating their achievements!

WEDDING BELLS

The congregation is invited to the wedding of Josh Cowart and his soon-to-be wife, Jennifer which will take place on Saturday, May 12th at 2pm at the Church. Please come and show your support for this young couple and the family they're building together.

SAVE THE DATE

Men, please mark your calendars for a Father/Son dinner on Saturday, June 9th. Regardless of whether your father is still alive or you have a son, we hope that all men will attend as we are all Children of God. More details to come.

BIRTHDAYS

2nd—Connor New, Josh Cowart
3rd—Steve Brower
6th—Lois Jarrett
7th—Wanda Pelfrey
8th—Victor Pelfrey, Jake Parker
10th—Susan Boswell
11th—Richard Cowart, Chad Haygood
13th—Jarrett Scott
17th—Mary Abernathy
19th—Ricky Boswell

20th—Jaylen Jarrett
22nd—Jacob Bunch, Ginger Blaylock
24th—Perrin Gravitt
26th—Brian Cowart
28th—Trude Brower

ANNIVERSARIES

14th—Norris & Ambria Gravitt
17th—Brannon & Ashlee Parks
20th—Jason & Karen Ross

**APRIL ATTENDANCE**

April 1st.....115
April 8th.....57
April 15th.....81
April 22nd.....79
April 29th.....81

Christian Service for May

Date	Communion Meditation	Lord's Table	Communion to the Sick	Toddler Nursery "The Stable"	Baby Nursery "The Ark"	Nursery Floater
6	Danny Pelfrey	Ronnie Self, Norris Gravitt, Darrin Edmunds, Ash Miller	Ron Marks	Ambria Gravitt	Brandi New	Julie Stephens
13	John McPherson	Roger Wallace, Nick Cowart, Jaylon Kelly, Richard Cowart	Richard Cowart	Larissa McPherson	Tracy Cowart	Jessica Caldwell
20	Ron Marks	Steve Cowart, Ronnie Self, Norris Gravitt, Darrin Edmunds	John McPherson	Julie Stephens	Ambria Gravitt	Brandi New
27	Steve Brower	Ash Miller, Roger Wallace, Nick Cowart, Jaylon Kelly	Rodger Bailey	Jessica Caldwell	Larissa McPherson	Tracy Cowart

Communion Preparation: Melba Mathias

Junior Church: Lois & John McPherson

Clean the Annex: Vickie Bramblett

Clean the Baptistery: Michael New



F.E.A.S.T.
(Fellowship, Eat, And, Study, Together)

Each Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

Illness & Special Needs

Louise, Keith, Eddie Millwood

Wanda Harris

Colleen Shea

Taylon Waldon

Nick Foster (Navy)

Brenda Bailey

Wayne Abernathy

Lacrecia Bailey

Wayne & Nell Self

Shut-Ins & Nursing Home

Ruth Pelfrey

Shane Pelfrey



May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10am Ladies Bible Study	2 6pm FEAST 7pm Bible Study/ Youth Groups	3	4	5
6	7	8 10am Ladies Bible Study 7pm 2nd Tuesday Club Meeting	9 6pm FEAST 7pm Bible Study/ Youth Groups	10	11	12 9am Men's Breakfast
13 6pm Board Meeting	14	15 10am Ladies Bible Study	16 6pm FEAST 7pm Bible Study/ Youth Groups	17	18	19
20 4pm VBS Meeting	21	22 10am Ladies Bible Study	23 6pm FEAST 7pm Bible Study/ Youth Groups	24	25	26
27	28	29 10am Ladies Bible Study	30 6pm Graduation Celebration			

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