

fall 2023



Adults 60+

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Hello Adults 60+,

What an amazing time to be a part of Johnson Ferry Baptist Church! There is a sense of excitement in the air as we approach the kickoff of the new church year. Here are just a few of the things we have coming up this Fall.

- Pastor Clay began a new series on Sunday mornings entitled, "I'm Fine, Not Really." It deals with masks that we wear as we interact with one another.
- We begin a new season in Thursday Morning Bible Study on August 17. I will be leading the first three weeks in a series that we're calling, "Unite." We will be looking at ways for us to unite through truth, belonging, and purpose. John Farish will then be teaching the "Top Ten Psalms" to finish out the Fall. There may be a surprise somewhere along the way as well. Come at 9:30am for scones and coffee, then stay for the Bible study at 10am.
- Adults 60+ Fall Trip. We have filled up one bus and are looking to fill up a second one on our trip to Kentucky. On October 30 through November 2, we will be going to the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter. Please check out the website or call the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2968, for more information.
- We want to challenge you to take advantage of the discipleship opportunities on Wednesday nights. Wednesday night meals have returned and there will be opportunities to learn how to be a disciple-maker through Discipleship 101 and disaster relief training as well.

Important Dates

- Aug 17—Thursday Weekday Bible Study Begins; UNITE, Mitch Verdell
- Sep 7—Top Ten Psalms weekday study begins; John Farish
- Sep 10—Grandparent's Day
- Sep 20—Day Trip to Atlanta Braves Game/ Evening JF 40th Birthday Celebration
- Oct 1—Magnolia Ball
- Oct 30-Nov 2—Ark Encounter Trip
- Nov 16—Dinner and evening concert @ KSU, Handel's Messiah, Christmas selection
- Dec 14—Adults 60+ Christmas Party, Fellowship Hall, 6pm

- Johnson Ferry will be celebrating its 40th birthday on Wednesday, September 20. Be looking for more details to come. Also on September 20 is another Braves game. This one will be a noon game and tickets are on sale now.

There's a lot of stuff going on! Debbie and I are grateful for the love and support that you have shown us since our arrival. We are excited to be a part of the Johnson Ferry family and look forward to many fruitful days of ministry ahead. I'll see you soon.

Let's do this together!

Mitch



Men's Base Camp | Sept 14 | Student Center South | 6:30pm

Men and Movies. All men are invited to join us on Thursday, September 14 from 6:30pm - 9:00pm in Student Center South. We will have appetizers and games in the west-end of the parking lot and dinner will begin at 7pm. David Anderson will be leading our discussion. Dinner will be \$10. Registration is required.



You are invited!

Wednesday, September 20
5-7pm

South Parking Lot

Free food and birthday cake

History Tent highlighting
Johnson Ferry's 40 years of ministry

Atlanta Braves

Batter Up! The Adults 60+ are heading to the ball park for a Braves game on Wednesday, September 20. The buses will depart at 10:30am from the North Parking Lot for the 12:20pm game. Tickets are \$18 and available on a "first come-first serve" basis.

Lunch is self-hosted and can be picked up at the Battery or inside the stadium. Note that our seats are covered and are located on the third baseline.

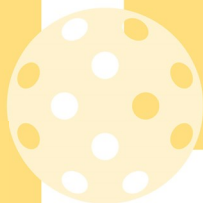
Adults 60 + Day Trip • Truist Park
Wed, Sept 20 • Philadelphia Phillies at Atlanta

You must complete the registration and pay online with a credit card or call our office, 770-794-2968. Because of the popularity of this event, we are unable to hold reservations without payment.

www.johnsonferry.org/hub/
Registration is open.

TUESDAY PICKLEBALL

Come on out on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am and join the fun. Who knows? Mitch just might be your partner.



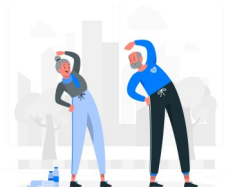
SENIOR FITNESS FUN

Mondays, Thursdays | 11:15am-12:15pm

Friday | 11am -12pm

www.johnsonferry.org/hub/
Offered thru Sports & Fitness

Registration is open and senior discounts apply.



Weekday Bible Studies

- **Tuesdays** | 1:30pm | Room 276

OUR FAITH LEGACY. *I'm Glad You Asked* by Ken Boa and Larry Moody is the current book that prompts our study. How do we talk with those who may or may not believe? How do we strengthen our own faith so that it is biblically-based and sound for sharing with our children, grandchildren and neighbors? This discussion-based study is led by John Durham and meets year round.

- **Wednesdays** | 6-8pm | Room 108

DISCIPLE-MAKING 101. This active learning, relational training will address the challenges of following Jesus and equip you to help others follow Him as well. A healthy follower of Jesus is a disciple maker! The group will be led by Adrian Coetzer and David Anderson. Mitch will be joining in. Let's do this together!

- **Thursdays** | 9:30am | Magnolia Room

UNITE. Starting on **August 17**, Thursday morning Bible study begins. Mitch Verdell will lead our 3-week mini-series UNITE where we will be looking at ways for us to unite through truth, belonging, and purpose. Gathering and coffee begins at 9:30am in the Magnolia, with a meaningful time of Bible study starting at 10am. No registration is required.

TOP TEN PSALMS. Cursing. Lament. Repentance. Praise. Join John Farish as he guides us on the countdown of his Top 10 favorite Psalms in the Adults 60+ Thursday morning Bible study starting on **September 7** at 9:30am. No registration is required.



Magnolia Ball

Oct 1 | 4pm | Fellowship Hall
Volunteers needed! See the back page for opportunities to serve.

Adults 60+ Night Out

Nov 16 | 6pm | Dinner & Concert

Let's meet for dinner and then enjoy Kennesaw State University's Bailey School of Music choirs and Symphony Orchestra for a performance of the Christmas portion of Handel's monumental oratorio, Messiah. Tickets and details coming to the HUB on Oct. 1.

Adults 60+ Christmas Party

Dec 14 | 6pm | Fellowship Hall

Let's celebrate the beauty of the Christmas season together! Don your holiday attire, bring a small wrapped gift (\$10 or less) for a fun game, and a favorite holiday side dish. The church will provide our meat and drinks. Check the HUB for an opportunity to sign up and to let us know what dish you will be bringing. Sign-up available Oct. 1 on the HUB.

Adults 60+ Fall Trip

Oct 30—Nov 2

Motor coach provided by
Christian Tours

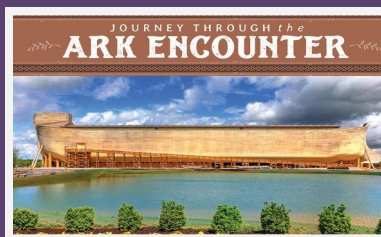


day 1

Museum of Appalachia
& arrive in Cincinnati, OH

day 2

Creation Museum
& Jungle Jim's International Market

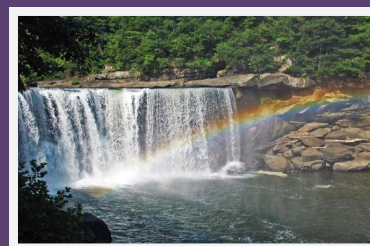


day 3

Ark Encounter
& arrive in Lexington, KY

day 4

Cumberland Falls
& return to Marietta, GA



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for detailed brochure and
pricing information or
call 770-794-2968

Connection with Purpose

Connect Groups. We believe that we were created to connect with God and each other. Many options are provided at 8:30am, 10am and 11:30am on Sunday mornings. Other groups meet during the week. No registration is required. If you would like a staff member to suggest groups that might be a good fit, contact the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2968. For group information: johnsonferry.org/groups/

Crochet Ministry. Two crochet groups, a morning and an evening group, use their talents to reach out into our local community and to the state of Georgia. They provide lap blankets, afghans, and gifts to our veterans, residents in assisted living, and to retired ministers and their spouses.

*Morning Crochet: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 10am,
Room 108, Mary Lu Duke, Leader*

*Evening Crochet: Wednesdays, 6pm,
Room 335, Genny Slate, Leader*

Bus Drivers. The Adults 60+ ministry is in need of JF church bus drivers whether to support monthly missions or seasonal day trips. A commercial driver's license is not needed, but there are JF Safe Harbor and Driver Application requirements. For insurance purposes, drivers must be younger than 70. Contact the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2968 for details.

Assisted Living Worship and Study. The Adults 60+ ministry is in need of worship leaders and midweek Bible study leaders for our nearby residences. Contact the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2968 for details.

Petal Pusher Ministry. Our Petal Pushers arrange and deliver bouquets of cheer to over 300 assisted living residents each month. We deliver to each resident individually and visit briefly offering a warm smile, a kind word and a prayer.

*Petal Pushers: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 9:30am
Magnolia Rm, Carolyn Leard, Leader*

Bridge Ministry. Mondays provide more than an opportunity to keep minds active and encourage community. These bridge partners have a passion for supporting local missions and Operation Christmas Child. They welcome all who would like to play or learn!

*Bridge Ministry: Mondays, 12pm,
Room 108, Wanda Newcity, Leader*

My Sister's House. Each month members of our Seasons' Connect Group are behind the scenes helping at one of Atlanta's shelters for women and children. JF bus drivers are needed and volunteers are always welcome.

*My Sister's House: 2nd Monday each month
Philippe Michaud, Leader*

Magnolia Ball Volunteers Needed.

We will be hosting the magnificent Magnolia Ball on Sunday, Oct. 1. This event is complete with a live JF Jazz Orchestra, an evening of dancing and most of all, fun! This event serves our assisted living residents in nearby homes. Volunteer opportunities include parking lot attendants, servers, table hosts, and dance partners. Contact the Adults 60+ office to let us know how you can best serve, 770-794-2968.

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT | SEPTEMBER 12

TACOS • LIVE MUSIC • TRIVIA • GAMES • PRIZES

Calling all East Cobb women! When is the last time you enjoyed an unforgettable girls' night out? Come experience a fun outdoor festival on September 12 at 7pm in the Johnson Ferry North Parking Lot.

We can't wait to unwind, laugh and create cherished memories with YOU at Girl's Night! This event is exclusively designed for women from 9th grade up to 99 years old in the East Cobb area. Registration not required.

NIGHT OF HOPE | SEPT 14, OCT 12, NOV 9

Are you or someone you know struggling with the challenges of life? Then Night of Hope is for you. This is a time of worship and prayer. We believe that God wants to significantly touch and encourage all who need their burdens lifted, their bodies healed and their hearts restored

Night of Hope takes place on the second Thursday of each month in the 2nd floor Landing (Rm 272) 6:30-8pm.

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