

Adults 60+

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WINTER NEWSLETTER

Truth. Belonging. Purpose.

Share the Love Luncheon

Thu, Feb 20 | 12pm | Fellowship Hall

Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14

This February, as the greeting card and floral companies point us to the 14th, the Adults 60+ will be focusing on the 20th.

Plan on joining us for a delightful luncheon on Thursday, February 20, at noon, in the Fellowship Hall. Aside from delicious food and good music, we will welcome Kris and Robin Kretschman who are Johnson Ferry Sent-Ones to Zambia, Africa.

Chris and Robin serve the Lunda people. Chris' primary focus is Bible teaching. His outreach within the region includes speaking at



Chris and Robin Kretschman
Sent-Ones to Zambia

church conferences in the bush, individual churches, and presenting the gospel at tribal celebrations. His secondary ministry is with carpenter trainees and teaching math.

Robin's focus is teaching women. She has an advanced degree in education. As a registered nurse, licensed in Zambia, she supports clinic teams and spearheads improvements.

Their other passions include establishing fruit tree farms and providing tailoring graduates at Nyangombe with the gift of a manual sewing machine. A love offering will be collected at the luncheon to support their many ministries. In addition, the cost of the luncheon is \$10.

Registration opens Jan 8 at
www.johnsonferry.org/HUB

Mission Outreach To Zambia

Save the Date

- **Jan 8**—Wednesday Evening studies & activities begin
- **Jan 9**—The Life of Christ; 9:30am; Magnolia Room
- **Feb 20**—Share the Love Luncheon; 12pm; Fellowship Hall
- **Feb 26 & 27**—MOVE Conference
- **Mar 20**—Hymn Sing; 6pm; Chapel
- **Apr 18**—Good Friday Services, 12 pm, Modern (AC), Traditional (Sanctuary)
- **Apr 20**—EASTER
- **Apr 21-24**—Singing in the Sun; Adults 60+ Spring Trip; Myrtle Beach, SC
- **Apr 28**—The Unchosen Journey; Widow/Widower Luncheon; Noon; FH

The Life of Christ

Thu Mornings | 9:30am | Magnolia Room
Starting Jan 9 (Group meets weekly)

Four Gospels tell the story of Jesus' life. This study, led by Randy Wood, harmonizes the Gospels and walks through Jesus' life chronologically. Participants will gain a rich understanding of Jesus' life as it developed and culminated in our salvation. If you enjoyed the movie series, "The Chosen," you will love to study the biblical account of Jesus' life. All adults 60+ are invited to join us (but know that we do not check your age!) at 9:30am in the Magnolia Room on Thursday mornings starting on Jan 9. Registration is not required.

MOVE • Feb 26 & 27

MOVE Conference is designed for anyone passionate about sharing the Gospel locally, nationally, and internationally. Pastors, church staff, students, and any leader who desires to learn, grow, and develop in the area of missions will benefit from MOVE. Mark your calendars for the special MOVE conference. There are many ways to serve each day. Tickets for the dinner on Friday evening, Feb 28, will go on sale on Jan 29. Check the Global page for more information on serving and on the details of the dinner.

Registration is required.

www.johnsonferry.org/moveconference/

MONDAY Afternoons

Bridge Ministry | 12pm-4pm
Room 108

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! Registration is not required.

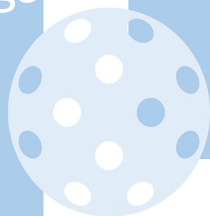
Wanda Newcity, Leader

TUESDAY Mornings

PICKLEBALL

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

Registration not required.



WEDNESDAY Nights

Join us on Wednesdays starting Jan 8.

Here at Johnson Ferry, we provide opportunities for the whole family to connect during the work week. Whether you are looking to eat a delicious meal (\$8), sing with the choir, or study the Bible with a group, we offer a variety of different ways to engage with God and each other. Check the website www.johnsonferry.org/wednesdays

Wednesday Night Co-Ed Connect/Equip Groups 6pm Opportunities

Jesus 101 | Pinnacle (324/346)

Led by David Anderson & Lee Taylor

Disciple Making 101 | TBD

Led by David Anderson

5 Ways of Jesus | Loft A (311)

Led by Adrian Coetzer

Jewish Festivals | Loft B (327)

Led by Brad Jones

Overview of Biblical Eschatology | Ridge (320)

Led by Jeffrey Breshears

90 Day Read Through the Bible | Rm 351

Led by Tom and Susan Goodwin

Midweek | Rm353

An inter-generational Connect Group

Please note there are options for Men or Women in addition to the ones listed here.

Registration is required for these groups.

www.johnsonferry.org/Wednesdays

Sunday 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. No registration is required. We encourage you to grab a Group Schedule booklet from either reception desk during the week or the Pergola on Sunday morning. If you would like a staff member to suggest groups that might be a good fit, contact the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2975. For group information: johnsonferry.org/groups/

Hymn Sing

Mar 20 | 6pm | Chapel

Come, let's sing for joy to the Lord, let's shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

Psalm 95:1

Bobby Smith and Mitch Verdell will be leading us as we sing our favorite songs of the faith. We will be taking requests so come with your favorites in mind and bring a friend!

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 333, Genny Slate, Leader

Assisted Living Worship and Study. The Adults 60+ ministry is in need of midweek Bible study leaders for our nearby residences. The Magnolia Ball in October was outstanding, but our seventeen homes that attended are desiring us to be in their homes each week offering Bible study for these precious ones. Contact the Adults 60+ office, 770-794-2975 for details.

Petal Pusher Ministry. Our Petal Pushers arrange and deliver bouquets of cheer to over 380 assisted living residents each month. We deliver to each resident individually and visit briefly, offer a warm smile, a kind word, and a prayer.

Petal Pushers: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 9:00am
Magnolia Rm, Carolyn Leard, 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
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Hello Adults 60+!

Don't you just love new things? The smell of a new car, the freshly tilled soil of a garden, and the sweet sound of a newborn baby; these are all things that are fresh and full of hope.

Do you make New Year's resolutions? Most years, I make a resolution. I am confident, this year, that I will make it until January 1 at 9am, which would be a personal record. Oscar Wilde said, "Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account." It looks like Oscar has a negative view of resolutions. The beauty of a new year is that it gives us a fresh start and a blank slate. There is something about starting over and trying again. We all have those things in our lives where we would like a fresh start. In golf, we call it a mulligan (a do-over). But many times, my second swing is just as bad as the first. Many of you may think that you are too far down the road to have a fresh start. C.S. Lewis said, "You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."

I want to encourage you to look at your life and see what fresh start you would like to have and ask the Lord to give you strength to do it this year. Perhaps it's to volunteer more, lead a 4:19 group, read the Bible through in a year, have a gospel conversation with your neighbor or simply pray more intentionally. Whatever it is, God can help you.

Since I've already quoted a couple of famous people, here's another: Jesus said in John 15:5, "I am the vine, you are the branches; the one who abides in me and I in him bears much fruit for apart from Me you can do nothing." What would happen if we all started afresh and anew with abiding in Christ in 2025? I want to challenge you to make your relationship with Jesus a priority this year. Abide in Him! Now, that's a resolution worth going after.

Let's do this together!

Mitch

Adults 60+ Spring Trip | Myrtle Beach | Apr 21-24

Singing in the Sun

—Myrtle Beach Convention Center—



Join Adults 60+ as we head to one of the largest Christian music events in the world and enjoy nationally known speakers. We will enjoy music from Phillips, Craig & Dean, the Hoppers, the Whisnants, the Mark Trammell Quartet, The Sound, Karen Peck & New River, Greater Vision, Jeff Tolbert & Primitive Road, Brian Free & Assurance and Lauren Talley, and more! Our speakers include Dr. Anthony George, Dr. David Jeremiah, and Dr. Herb Reavis. We will stay at the Convention center right in the middle of all the music. We will also enjoy a couple of side excursions and some free time along the boardwalk and at the beach. Travel, lodging at the Convention Center, concerts, lunch cruise, and two meals per day are provided. Cost: \$850/person for a single room and \$650/person if staying in a double. www.johnsonferry.org/HUB

Registration opens on Feb 1 and requires a \$300 deposit. Final payment is due no later than March 31.

Life's struggles were not meant to be endured alone.

There are many times throughout our lives that we will encounter brokenness, loss, grief, and many more painful emotions. These emotions can stem from death, divorce, or even a prodigal child. We believe that God designed you for community and there is no better time to experience community than during your greatest times of need. Our Support Groups are meant to provide a safe place to walk through life's difficult times with people who are in similar situations.

johnsonferry.org/supportgroups

Night of Hope: a time of personal prayer and worship every second Thursday of the month. This is a time of prayer and worship that is free and open to the community and is uniquely designed to encourage those who are hurting. Drop into **Room 274** from **6:30-8pm** and find people who will listen, love, and pray for you. johnsonferry.org/prayer

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