

# Adults 60+ *focus*

SPRING 2026

## TNC: The Next Chapter

A Men's Equip Group

Thursdays starting Feb 12 | 7-9pm | Magnolia Room

Series runs Feb 12—Mar 26

A common experience among many men in their late 50s, 60s, and early 70s is a loss of purpose. As our professional careers mature or conclude, our kids leave home, and many of the hopes and dreams of our youth are realized, we wonder what God has next for us. Our world tells us to relax, travel, have fun, and enjoy the stress-free life we've worked so hard to achieve, but we sense there's more to life than a "20-year vacation".

The Next Chapter (TNC) is a 7-week journey where you'll walk alongside other Johnson Ferry men as we seek God's direction and purpose for the mature years of our lives. Each week, you can expect a short topical presentation, a testimony from another Johnson Ferry member, Biblical examples to study, and a healthy amount of table-group discussions. There is no cost, but registration is required.

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## It's Our Turn!

A study of the Book of Acts led by Randy Wood

Thursdays starting Mar 5 | 9:30am | Magnolia Room

First-century Christianity grew mightily in numbers and spirit. From the death of Jesus and His defeated followers, a movement began that changed the course of history. The book of Acts records the phenomenal spread of Christianity from Jerusalem to Rome. Neither peril nor hostility could thwart this Christ-focused movement. Every Believer had a part. In this study, you will learn how to be a genuine part of reaching our community and world.

**It's our turn!** Registration is not required.

## Upcoming!

- **Feb 12**—TNC: The Next Chapter, 7pm, Magnolia Room
- **Feb 27**—MOVE Dinner, 6:30pm, AC or Student Center
- **Mar 5**—Thursday Morning study, *It's Our Turn*, 9:30am, Magnolia Room
- **Mar 14**—Women's Retreat One Day In, 9:30am-2:30pm, High School Room
- **Mar 19**—Hymn Sing, All ages 6pm, Sanctuary
- **Mar 20 & 21**—Men's Retreat @ 955, Fri, 6pm & Sat, 8am, High School Room
- **Mar 23-26**—Adults 60+ Retreat, Ridgecrest Conference Center, Black Mountain, NC
- **Apr 3**—Good Friday Service, Noon, Activities Center
- **Apr 5**—EASTER
- **Apr 20**—The Unchosen Journey

# move

## MISSIONS WEEK

This year we are kicking off **MOVE Missions Week** with Friday Night Dinner! Come celebrate all that the Lord has done, both locally and globally, through Johnson Ferry.

Tickets are available at: [johnsonferry.org/missionsweek](http://johnsonferry.org/missionsweek)  
Then, join us on Sunday,

March 1, for missions-focused worship hours to see and celebrate all the ways that God is moving in our community and around the world. And then, on Monday and Tuesday, join us for the Conference. MOVE Conference is a missions conference that brings

**MOVE Dinner:** Fri, Feb 27, Tickets available online  
**MOVE Sunday:** Mar 1, All services  
**MOVE Conference:** Mon-Tues, Mar 2-3

together pastors, lay leaders, and ministry teams to learn how to engage in God's mission and network with like-minded people and ministries.

This year, we are taking a new and exciting direction: A Missions Conference for the **Whole Church**, and we are starting with the Next Generation. Join us as we begin building a missions culture that spans every generation and corner of the church.

### WHAT IS MOVE MISSIONS WEEK?

Worship. Learn. Connect. Grow. Join us as we discover how God is working among the nations through our church, Sent Ones, supported partners, and you! You'll see tangible evidence of God's heart for all people and catch the vision of every nation, tribe, and tongue worshiping the Lord. See our list of events above to find ways you can get involved in MOVE Missions Week!

**The mission is global, and everyone has a part to play.**

### Petal Pushers | Assisted Living Communities

**Mondays:** Our Petal Pushers arrange & deliver bouquets of cheer to nearly 400 assisted living residents each month. These women divide into teams and provide a flower and a printed devotion to each resident in the nearby communities. They visit briefly, offer a warm smile, speak a kind word, and pray for the concerns of the resident. The group, led by Carolyn Leard, meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the first floor plaza in front of the library.

### Crochet Groups | Local and State

**Wednesdays:** Two crochet groups 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 & spouses.

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

*Evening Crochet: Wednesdays, 6pm, Room 316, Genny Slate, Leader*

### By Design | International Missions

**Fridays:** Feb 13 / Mar 20 / Apr 24 / May 15

Join this mission-minded group of women that comes together one Friday of each month to create washable feminine hygiene pads to provide to women internationally. You don't need to be able to sew to participate—both sewing and non-sewing tasks are available. Please register to let us know that you are coming, [www.johnsonferry.org/women](http://www.johnsonferry.org/women). The group, led by Anna Rose Guthrie, Julie Chandler & Candy Gaston, meets in Room 270/271 from 9:30am-12:30pm.

### My Sister's House | Atlanta

**Mondays:** Feb 9 / Mar 9 / Apr 13 / May 11 / Jun 8

On the second Monday of each month, we have the opportunity to serve behind the scenes at one of Atlanta's shelters for women and children. We take a bus and serve from 10am-3pm. We may help organize the pantry, serve in the meal line, wash dishes, or where needed. For more information contact Philippe Michaud, Leader, at 770-329-3323.

## One Day In | A Retreat for Women

Sat, Mar 14 | 9:30am-2:30pm | High School Room

**What if one day could refill what life has been draining?** *One Day In* will be just that! We'll gather for a "day in" at our church, a "day in" the Word, a "day in-vesting" in what is truly life-giving, a "day in" being reminded we are created to see and go with Jesus. Teaching will be done in "ted-talk" style by our own JF Women. Lunch and coffee/tea bar are included. Plan to dress comfy (wear your slippers if you want!). Soak up a day of scripture and community ...

All at One Day In.

Registration is \$20 and includes a Coffee/Tea Bar, Lunch, and a Scripture Journal.

[johnsonferry.org/onedayin](http://johnsonferry.org/onedayin)

## Hymn Sing

Thu, Mar 19 | 6pm | Sanctuary

**All ages are welcome!** Bring a friend. Grab a hymnal and make a list of your favorites. Come "make a joyful noise unto the Lord!" on Thursday evening at 6pm in the sanctuary. Mitch Verdell, Bobby Smith, and Sarah Blackstone will lead us in this time of joy and praise. Registration is not required.

## Men's Retreat @ 955

Fri, Mar 20 | 6pm | High School Room

Sat, Mar 21 | 8am | High School Room

**No travel. No bunk beds. Just brotherhood.**

- ☞ Short, powerful talks from JF men
- ☞ Dinner Friday + breakfast Saturday

The cost is \$35. Please register by Mar 13.

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## The Unchosen Journey

*A Luncheon with Pastor Clay & Terrica Smith for Widows and Widowers*

Mon, Apr 20 | Noon | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a delicious meal, a time of fellowship and worship, and hear comforting and encouraging words from Pastor Clay. There is no charge but registration, opening in March, will be required.

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# Welcome!

Hello Adults 60+,

I love serving at Johnson Ferry. This place is a wonderful beacon of light in this community and around the world. But Johnson Ferry is more than a place we attend; it's a family in which we belong. God has designed each of us with gifts, passions, and experiences that matter in His work. Ministry isn't just for a few; it's the calling of every believer. Engaging in ministry doesn't always mean standing in front of others, as our group leaders and our Pastor do each week. It often looks like welcoming a guest, praying faithfully, serving behind the scenes, or offering encouragement at the right moment. When we each do our part, the church grows stronger and reflects Christ more clearly. Serving is about responding to God's invitation to join Him in what He's already doing. And as we serve, our own faith is strengthened and our connection to one another increases. Take a look at the opportunities that are outlined in this newsletter to find your place of connection and service.

Take a special look at the Adults 60+ Retreat, March 23-26, at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC. Our own Randy Wood will lead us through Scripture, and Chris Norris from Augusta, GA, will lead us in worship. It promises to be a great time of fellowship, fun, and spiritual renewal. I hope many of you will go with us.

There is a place for you at Johnson Ferry, and your involvement makes a difference. So let's continue to serve as we help people find truth, belonging, and purpose in Jesus.

**Let's do this together!**

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 Adults 60+

# Disciple: Here & Now

Spiritual Retreat | Mar 23-26 | Ridgecrest  
Register at [johnsonferry.org/hub](http://johnsonferry.org/hub)

INFLUENCE. MENTOR. LEAD. PERSIST.

→ No doubt, life circumstances change. The kids grow up and move out—some stay in touch and others are estranged. Perhaps you never married, or you've been divorced. You lost a spouse through death, or your spouse is still present, but doesn't know who you are. There are grandchildren, great-nieces and -nephews; there is laughter, good food, and joy. There is silence. Your career is all-consuming, or your current job does not suit you well. There are tears and illnesses; fears and questions. We have life experiences and have gained wisdom. There are times of financial security and times when the funds are stretched thin. Medical bills, house repairs; And yet, God...

→ All this and so much more weave together to tell your unique story. Come. Spend time in the North Carolina mountains to ponder what it looks like for you to be a **Disciple: Here and Now**. Includes an afternoon at Biltmore. Registration with a \$300 deposit required.

Registration opens on Wed, Feb 4 at noon.

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→ **Cost:** Single—\$725 per person

Double—\$455 each

**What?** A Spiritual Retreat for Adults 60+

**When?** Mon, Mar 23–Thu, Mar 26

**Where?** Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, North Carolina

**Who?** YOU, me, and God, together with Randy Wood and Chris Norris to lead us.

**Why?** To step aside and focus afresh on Jesus, discovering what it means to be a follower of Him **Here & Now**.

Sessions  
Leader



Randy Wood

Chris Norris



Worship  
Leader