

# Family Life

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## Kids for Christ and Upper Room Teen Ministry's Zoo Trip

Last week our Youth Ministry (Kids for Christ & Upper Room Teen Ministry) went to the National Zoo for the whole morning. We explored the Farm, the Amazon exhibit, the American Trail, the cheetahs and the reptile house. It was a great time for the older and younger members of our Youth Ministry to be together and get to know each other. It was also a great time for their parents to be together and talk too. Thank you all for coming out and making it such a great day.

GRACE + PEACE  
Josh Bell



# Youth & Family Events

The **Kids for Christ** group will have an **End of Summer Party** at the home of **Joshua and Allison McKay** on Saturday, August 31, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs will be available, but families are requested to provide side dishes and dessert. RSVP to Josh Byrd.

## Order Official "Falls Church Congregational Retreat" T-Shirt by Sept. 1

If you are registered for the **Congregational Retreat** scheduled for Sept. 20-22, then make sure you order your official **Family Matters Retreat t-shirt** by Sept. 1.

The shirt was designed by graphic artist **Hal Swetnam** who also is the point of contact for orders.

The retreat will be held at the **Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center** located in **Toano, VA, near Colonial Williamsburg.**



## Employment Opportunity In Church Office

After over thirteen years as our church secretary, and now with two grand-children to visit, **Mary Ann Kincaid** would like to move to half-time status in our church office. We are going to need an additional person to also work half-time.

The successful candidate will need to be proficient with computers, including the use of the internet, word processing, publishing, and data entry. Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and an ability to learn new programs is essential. The candidate must possess good oral and written communication skills, be organized, and be able to work independently.

If you think you might be interested in this position, please see **Mike Tune** for more details and a complete job description and application.

## Teachers To Be Honored With Appreciation Brunch on September 15

Teachers—whether in our children or adult classes—help lift us up and give us the confidence to be better Christians, putting on Christ every day.

Teachers help share the love of the Lord with our children, with us or with friends and relatives for whom we are praying.

And they make that happen every time they step into the classroom.



*Thanks,*  
**Teachers!**

**John**

**Waterston** and I

invite all of our teachers to "save the date" of Sept. 15 for the annual **Teacher Appreciation Sunday**, when we will honor all of our teachers at a "comfort food" brunch immediately following the morning worship service.

**Please RSVP to [smills@eblg.com](mailto:smills@eblg.com).**

The entire congregation is so grateful for your service to our Lord.

Thank you.

**Scott Mills**, Deacon, Pre-K & Elementary School, Education Ministry



**Food  
Pantry  
Needs**

### The Food Pantry needs the following:

- Peanut Butter
- Spaghetti Sauce (jar or can; NOT pasta)
- Milk (liquid form, not powder, but in a box and does not require refrigeration)

The Congregational Prayer Request from our Elders for the week of August 25 is:

*Prayer of praise that our God is a God of grace, mercy and peace!*

Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly, in room 221 on the main level, to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

## September 1 Is Promotion Sunday & Start of Fall Schedule for Children's Classes

The Fall Schedule for Children's Classes will begin next Sunday, September 1, which also will be Promotion Sunday, according to **Scott Mills**, Deacon for Pre-K & Elementary School, Education Ministry. Children should go directly to the class they will attend this year. The classes are listed below. Class room numbers can be found on the directory in the lobby, or you may inquire of one of our deacons.

### Sunday AM

Cradle Roll (6 mo.-2 years)  
2's & 3's  
4's & 5's  
1st & 2d Grade  
3rd through 5th Grade

Janet Lane, Mary Ann Kincaid  
Candy Thie, Angela Eckstone-Hayes  
Kathy Bowden, Kelly Shumate  
Ben and Billie Bohannon  
Dana and Matt Bensusky

### Sunday PM

2's & 3's  
4's & 5's  
1st & 2nd Grade  
Kids for Christ - 3rd-6th Grade

Lynda Eubank  
Vickie Writt and Erica Walker-Chenevert  
Mary Ann Kincaid  
Jackie Arevelo and Marsha De La Cruz

### Wednesday PM

2&3 and Cradle Roll:  
4 & up: Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes

Lynda Eubank administers a rotating teacher schedule  
Ken and Lesya Yeatman, Brian and Melissa Collins,  
Hal Swetnam and others

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### Children's Worship Resumes September 1

**Children's Worship** will resume next Sunday, Sept. 1, the Labor Day Weekend. This special program affords a worship experience at an appropriate level for young children. There are two age groups, the "Tweenies," for ages 2 & 3, and the "Pre-K" for ages 4 until kindergarten. Children remain in the auditorium until the close of the Communion Service, and then are released to the Children's Worship. Volunteers are always welcome and needed; just contact **Gayla Keller**, the director.

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## Thank You Notes

## Alumni News:

To Our Falls Church Family,

We give you the biggest thanks for the wedding reception you blessed us with, and for all the generous gifts you gave. It was so special to celebrate our new marriage with all of you.

We cannot thank you enough for all the love and support you give us. We love you very much, and look forward to seeing you again. Please continue to pray for us and our work in Chile.

Love,  
*Kevin and Deanna Amores*

### VBS Follow-Up Thank You

Last week I neglected to include some of the VBS workers - such as Hal & Lisa Swetnam (Hal was also the "Scottish voice" of the very popular dog puppet Cooper), and also Tahirah & Travis Elliott, daughter & son-in-law of Joseph & Calanthia Tucker. Alas, Tahirah & Travis have now left us for Knoxville, TN.

## Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua

*Pedro & Mireya Batres* have served in the mission fields since 1969. He is a native of El Salvador and a graduate of the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, TX. His wife Mireya, a native of Nicaragua, holds a degree in social service. They worked in Nicaragua until moving to Guatemala in 1985, returning to Nicaragua in 2000. He is an evangelist in Managua, the capital city, and the surrounding areas, plus he is a popular guest speaker at special programs such as seminars, retreats and workshops. Mireya is a popular guest lecturer at women's events, especially pertaining to marriage and the family.



Greetings from Managua to you and to the brotherhood in Falls Church.

On June 15 we had a wedding in the local church in "Nueva Libia" at 4:30 p.m. and I was invited to preach in this important activity. Our brother Ismael Rivera and his bride Jessica Perez were married for the civil laws and after it we had a special worship. As you can see in one of these photos [the three photos at right] the auditorium became elegant. Mireya was with me now that she is better after her illness.



In addition to the wedding, on that day there also was the monthly meeting of the Nicaraguan preachers who discuss several subjects related with the Lord's work in this country. We always have this kind of meeting on the third Saturday of each month, and the attendance is always over 40 servants of Christ who travel from different parts of the country. I always attend in order to have fellowship with them. In July, that meeting will be in the local building of the church in "Nueva Libia."



Dear brother Jose, this is just a brief report from your co-worker in Central America. I will write you again with more news. God bless you and also to my brethren and sisters in Falls Church.

With Christian love,  
*Pedro Salvador Batres*

The three photos above illustrate the June 15 wedding of Ismael River and Jessica Perez at Nueva Libia. Pedro was asked to officiate. He is shown directly above with his wife Mireya.



At left is a photo from the new congregatiouon "Jonathan Gonzalez."

At right is a worship assembly at the congregation "Nueva Libia."



# September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Jeremiah 47-50  <i>Fall Schedule of Children's Classes starts</i>  <i>Children's Worship Resumes</i>	<b>2</b> Jeremiah 51-52  <i>Labor Day Holiday, Office Closed</i>	<b>3</b> Lamentations 1-3	<b>4</b> Lamentations 4-5 Obadiah	<b>5</b> Habakkuk 1 Chronicles 1-3	<b>6</b> 1 Chron. 4-6	<b>7</b> 1 Chron. 7-10  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>8</b> 1 Chron. 11-14  <i>2nd Sunday Potluck Luncheon, NO PM Service</i>  <i>Missions Cmte. Meets</i>	<b>9</b> 1 Chron. 15-17	<b>10</b> 1 Chron. 18-20	<b>11</b> 1 Chron. 21-23	<b>12</b> 1 Chron. 24-26	<b>13</b> 1 Chron. 27-29	<b>14</b> 2 Chron. 1-4  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>15</b> 2 Chron. 5-8  <i>Teacher Appreciation Luncheon after Morning Service</i>	<b>16</b> 2 Chron. 9-11  <i>BibleWords Workshop, 8:30-11 am &amp; 1-4 pm</i>	<b>17</b> 2 Chron. 12-14	<b>18</b> 2 Chron. 15-17	<b>19</b> 2 Chron. 18-20	<b>20</b> 2 Chron. 21-23  <i>Congregational</i>	<b>21</b> 2 Chron. 24-27  <i>Retreat @</i> <hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>22</b> 2 Chron. 28-31  <i>Williamsburg</i>  <i>Agape Group 2 Neighbor Lunch after am service</i>	<b>23</b> 2 Chron. 32-34	<b>24</b> 2 Chron. 35-36 Ezra 1	<b>25</b> Ezra 2-4	<b>26</b> Ezra 5 Haggai 1-2	<b>27</b> Zechariah 1-3	<b>28</b> Zechariah 4-7  <i>Spanish Worship &amp; Dinner, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>29</b> Zechariah 8-11  <i>Agape Group 3 Neighbor Lunch after am service</i>  <i>Baby Shower for Heather Roelke, 4 pm, FH</i>	<b>30</b> Zechariah 12-14					

## Continuing Concerns:

## General Information

### For Children:

- ❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room - located adjacent to the Assembly Center - are available during our assembly.
- ❖ For ages 2 through Pre-Kindergarten, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

### Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

### Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

## Nursery Attendants

August 25, 2013

### Morning

Becky Bates  
K. T.

### Evening

Levenie Hughes

September 1, 2013

### Morning

Amy Saxton  
Lisa Swetnam

### Evening

Levenie Hughes

## Children's Worship

August 25, 2013

2/3 NO CHILDRENS WORSHIP  
P-K THROUGH AUGUST

September 1, 2013

2/3 Gayla Keller, TBA  
P-K Wendy Ward, Meaza Zemech

## Worship Today, August 25, 2013

Hymn #92	<i>Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken</i>
Hymn #767	<i>In the Hour of Trial</i>
Prayer	Scott Mills
Hymn #366	<i>By Christ Redeemed</i>
Communion/Collection	Jim Lane
Hymn #844	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>
<i>(Children's Worship is on summer break through August.)</i>	
Bible Reading ( <i>Exodus 20:18-23</i> )	Andrew McDaniel
Bible Lesson	Josh Byrd
Hymn #950	<i>Come, Ye Disconsolate</i>
Announcements	Bill Kincaid
Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer	Joe Bohannon
Song Leader	Bill Kincaid
Ushers	Jose Arevalo, Matt Benskys



Mike Tune will speak this evening; Jon Hessling will lead singing; Hal Swetnam & Jerry Williams will lead the prayers. August servers are: Mark Dawson, Bill Furr, Calvin Lockhart, Jeff Malcolm, Jay Truitt, Daniel Williams

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes	9:30 am
Morning Assembly	10:30 am
Evening Assembly	6 pm

### Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class	10:15 am
<i>(October through April)</i>	

### Wednesday

7:15 pm

### Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

## Contact Information

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## Elders

Steve Dasher	Wayne Doran
Bill Kincaid	Jim Lane
Oliver McDaniel	Joseph Tucker

## Deacons

Roberto Alvarez	Jose Arevalo
Matt Benskys	Ben Bohannon
Brian Collins	Brandon Durant
Ignacio Espinoza	Perry May
Joshua McKay	Scott Mills
John Reagan	Saul Reyes
Wilfredo Reyes	Hal Swetnam
Jonah Shumate	Kevin Thie
John Waterston	Ken Yeatman
Habtu Zemech	

## Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI  
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua  
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua  
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala  
Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile  
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuemavaca, MX  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT

## Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*  
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*  
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

## Statistics

### Sunday, August 18, 2013

Bible Study	193
Morning Assembly	322
Evening Assembly	No Count
Contribution	\$19,333
YTD Average	\$12,347
Budget Goal	\$12,587

### Wednesday, August 21, 2013

Classes & Online	97
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## Wednesday, August 28, 2013

Prayer - Brandon Durant  
Song Leader - Marty Sims