

# Family Life

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## Our Next 2nd Sunday Fellowship Luncheon - the First One of 2017 - Is Set for January 8 After the Morning Service; No Evening Assembly

The first church-wide **2nd Sunday Fellowship Event** of 2017 will be a **potluck luncheon** next Sunday January 8 after the morning worship service.

It is our custom to dismiss for the remainder of the day following such events.

**AS SUCH THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE DURING THE EVENING OF JANUARY 8.**

This will be a potluck luncheon, and each family is requested to bring the following:

⌘ a main dish (usually a meat or casserole to feed your family and a few others)

**PLUS** two of the following three items:

- ⌘ a side dish (green beans, corn, potatoes...)
- ⌘ a salad (leafy green, gelatin, pasta, potato); maybe a fruit or veggie tray with/without dip

**OR**

⌘ a dessert (no description necessary)

As usual, ALL ASSISTANCE is gratefully accepted.

Don't be shy to volunteer!



## The Ladies Holiday Brunch Is Scheduled for Next Saturday, January 7, 10 am to noon

The **Ladies Holiday Brunch**, wisely postponed from Dec. 17 due to treacherous road conditions, is now scheduled for this coming Saturday, January 7, from 10 am to noon.

This is a great opportunity to dine on the fine cuisine prepared by the ladies of this congregation.

And it's an even better opportunity to catch up on fellowship while you wind down from the Christmas activities.

It is open to all the ladies of this congregation, and there is no charge. **Janice McDaniel** is the contact person if you should have any questions.



## Central Agape Group Plans Luncheon on January 29

The **Central Agape Group** will host a luncheon on Sunday, January 29, immediately following the morning worship services.

All group members are encouraged to attend, while family and guests are welcomed.

**Please check your email or talk to group leader Janice McDaniel for details.**

If you do not remember or know your Agape group assignment, please check the list which is included in the email version of the bulletin for this week.



## Apartment or Rooms Needed to Rent

One of the couples in our congregation seeks a basement apartment anywhere in the area. Please contact the church office if you have or know of such a unit.

### WINTER QUARTER ADULT CLASSES STARTING TODAY, JANUARY 1

"God's Ministers in a Fallen World"	Eric Slecter & Jim Lane	FH
"Walking with God in the Desert"	John Waterston	121

### WINTER QUARTER ADULT CLASS STARTING NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

"10 Things I Wish Jesus Hadn't Said"	Kathy Koczanski [Women's Class]	123
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### LADIES BIBLE CLASS WILL RESUME TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 10:15 am, R. 121

### WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASS TO START JANUARY 4

"Where it all Began," a study of Genesis	Mike Tune	FH
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## Snow or Inclement Weather Closing Policy

### Please Post This Notice Where You Can Find It When You Need It

Despite this unseasonably warm weather, it's time to review our policy with regard to snow and collateral closings.

**Not only heavy snow, but also icy conditions or a power failure can cause a cancellation. This is particularly true after dark. If the weather is at all doubtful, please check before coming. Remember - storms can cause havoc any time of the year.**

**Should it become necessary to cancel worship assemblies, you will be notified:**

**(1) By phone - only one phone per household. Be sure we have the number you want us to use.**

**(2) By email**

**(3) We will also do our best to post the closing on:**

**our website ([www.fallschurhcoc.org](http://www.fallschurhcoc.org))**

**our facebook account**

**our Twitter account ([www.twitter.com/cocfc](http://www.twitter.com/cocfc))**

**However, sometimes it is impossible to reach everyone, so here are the tips you may use to prevent coming here to a closed building.**

**On Sunday**, if weather conditions seem questionable, call the church at 703-820-4506. When you hear the recording, press **#3 - News** to learn of cancellations.

**NOTE: If you call this number and there is no answer, it means there is no electrical power in the building. That is an indication that there will be no service and you should stay home.**

**During the week**, program closings are linked to the Fairfax County Public Schools, as follows:

**On Tuesday:** If schools are closed or have a two-hour delayed opening on Tuesday, **Ladies Bible Class** will not meet.

**On Wednesday:** There will be **no mid-week service** if schools are closed due to inclement weather; *if* school has been cancelled all day or closes early, or *if* all evening activities are cancel.

If all these fail, call your Agape group leader, one of the Elders, or Mike Tune.

But if travel conditions are icy, or if roads are blocked with snow, please don't risk making the trek here.



# WINTER



## IDENTITY: Who are you?

### Winterfest 2017

February 17 - 19, 2017

One of our most anticipated events of the year will take place in a month and a half! It's the **Upper Room Teen Ministry's (7th - 12th grade) trip to the Winterfest Conference in Gatlinburg, TN.**

The Winterfest

Conference is a mega-youth rally with over 8,000 teens, students and adult volunteers attending. It is filled with Bible studies, praise and worship along with some entertainment. The conference organizers use a variety of methods to help our teens and students learn important lessons from the Bible. There is spoken word poetry, live skits, ongoing video stories as well as lecture style teaching too.

In addition to the great learning experience, this is an excellent time for our teens and students to get to know each other better. Nothing brings people closer than an 8 hour bus trip! Some of my best and most influential friends were friends I met at church as a teen. These friends helped me as a teen and have been with me as an adult as well. It is important for us to have friends who share our faith so that we can strengthen each other.

If you have a student in the 7th - 12th grade and haven't received registration forms, please let me know and I will make sure you get them. Also if you need a scholarship in order to attend please let me know. We want everyone to attend who wants to come!

**The deadline for registration is Sunday - January 15.** I will be at the front of the auditorium that day in order for you to turn in your registration forms and fee.



GRACE+PEACE  
*Shelby*

## Today Is Your Chance to Help Our Young People Prepare for Lads to Leaders

Young people of today are the future leaders of the church, but the skills they will need should begin now. One of the ways to help young people develop their natural talents and learn leadership skills is a national program called “Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes.”

Through a wide variety of activities, young people learn how to speak in public, how to use their talents in art or puppetry, how to learn and share the message of God.

And that’s where YOU - the members of this congregation - come in. This is a wonderful way to help young people acquire skills and to encourage them as they grow in the Lord.



**Ken & Lesya Yeatman and Ignacio & Sandra Espinoza** direct the program here at Falls Church.

Adults are needed to monitor activities like the Centurion of Scripture - memoring 100 scriptures - or coaching students for the Bible Bowl. Both of these events must be completed BEFORE the L2L convention at Opryland Hotel in Nashville, TN, April 14-16, 2017.

So, if you can help a student OR even attend the L2L convention - where they always need extra need - please talk to Ken, Lesya, Ignacio or Sandra, preferably by today, when the final preparations “kick in” to

high gear.

## 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.



Dear Brethren in Falls Church,

I send my fraternal regards to the beloved family of God in Falls Church,

I include these photos to give you an idea about the weekly attendance for Sunday morning in the congregation known as “Nueva Libia,” in Managua. The numbers include the children’s classes.

During the last few months of 2016, our attendance was as follows: July 17 ( 267); July 24 (188); July 31 (152); August 14 (155); August 28, (180); September 18 (151); September 25, (176); October 2, (189); October 23, (165); October 30, (182); November 6, (176); November 13, (163); November 19, (182); November 20, (182).

Attendance on Sunday afternoon and evening is lower, between 60 and 80.

Thank you so much for your prayers for your brothers here in Nicaragua.

With fraternal love,  
***Pedro Salvador Batres***

## 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.

### 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.

**January 1, 2017**

**January 8, 2017**

### Nursery Attendants

Morning	Evening	Morning	Evening
Jackie Arevalo	Janice McDaniel	Ruth Amores	Janice McDaniel
John Arevalo		Joanne Carter	

### Children's Worship (Ages 2 through Pre-K, R. 222)

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP WILL NOT MEET DURING JANUARY

## Worship Today, January 1, 2017

*Hymn #469 Faith Is the Victory*

*Hymn #763 O Masterr, Let Me Walk with Thee*

Prayer Mark Dawson

*Hymn #664 Take My Life, and Let It Be*

*Hymn #176 Lamb of God*

Communion/Collection Hal Swetnam

*Hymn #705 A Common Love*

*(Children's Worship will not meet today.)*

Scripture Reading (Luke 5:33-39) Jun Amores

Bible Lesson Mike Tune

*Hymn #948 I Am Resolved*

Announcements Bill Kincaid

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer Jonah Shumate

Song Leader Joseph Tucker

Ushers for January Jose Arevalo, Habtu Zemech



Bill Kincaid will lead singing this evening.

Steve Dasher & Wayne Doran will lead the prayers.

January 1 Servers: London Brown, Austin Byrd,

Josh Byrd, Tangent Lin, Eric Slecter, Mark Ward

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes	9:30 am
Morning Assembly	10:30 am
Evening Assembly	6:00 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

P. O. Box 1036  
Falls Church, VA 22041  
Office phone: 703-820-1346  
Fax: 703-820-1348  
Sick/Shut in call in: 703-820-2064  
administrator@fallschurchcoc.org  
Website: www.fallschurchcoc.org

## Elders

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

## Deacons

Roberto Alvarez	Jose Arevalo
Ben Bohannon	Ignacio Espinoza
John Reagan	Saul Reyes
Wilfredo Reyes	Jonah Shumate
Hal Swetnam	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  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Lewistown, PA  
Jesus & Abigail Sosa, Mexico City, MX  
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International  
Deonté Watkins, Blacksburg, Va Tech  
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine  
Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

## Staff

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

## Statistics

### Sunday, December 25, 2016

Bible Study	No Bible School
Morning Assembly	229
Evening Assembly	No Service
Contribution	\$11,047
YTD Average	\$12,178
Budget Goal	\$12,710

### Wednesday, December 28, 2016

Classes & Online 74

**Wednesday, January 4**  
**Prayer - Mike Tune**  
**Song Leader - Clark Richardson**