

# THE MESSENGER

September 2015



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# *Connection Groups*

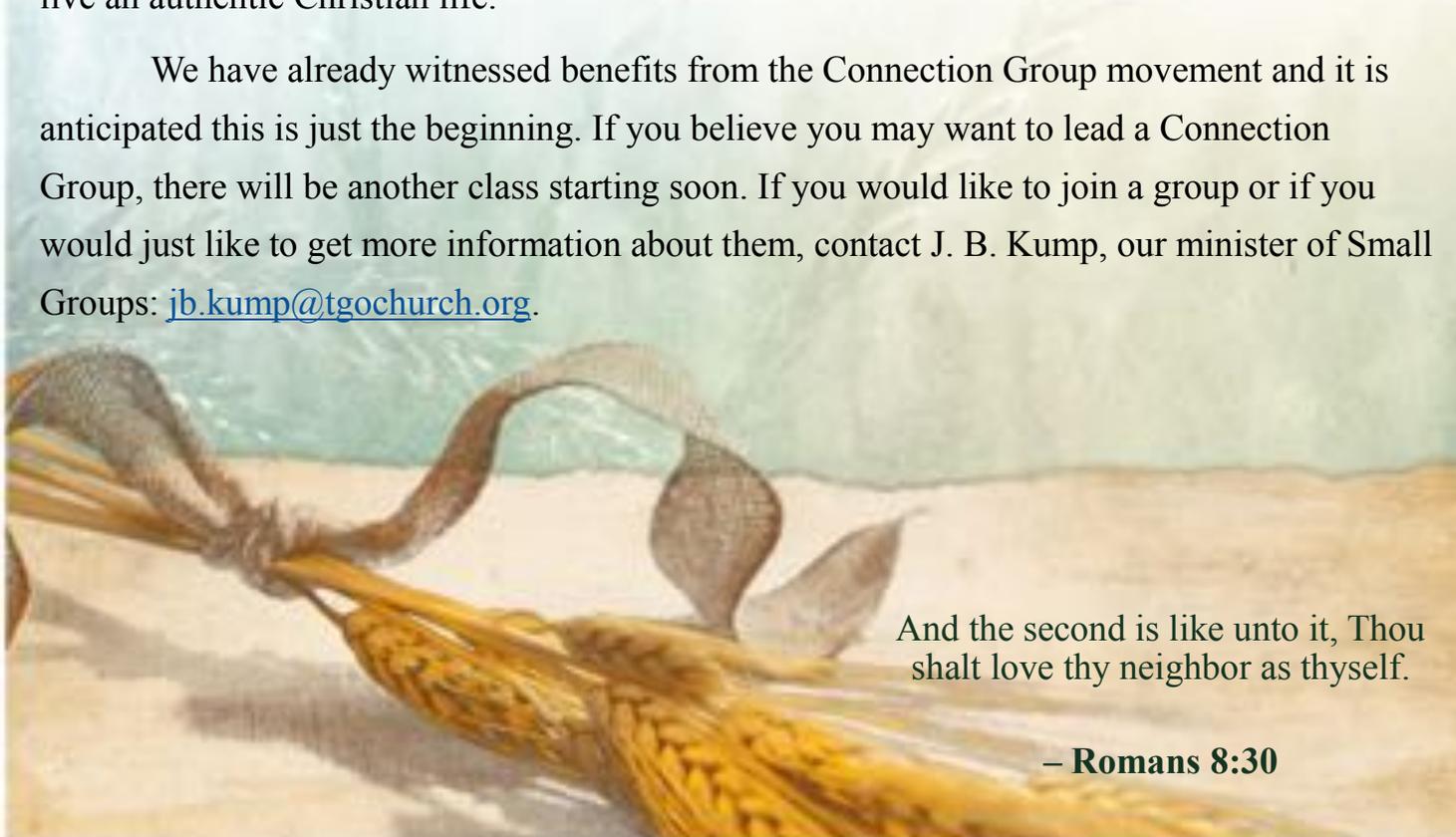
by Pastor David Price

In early August the church concluded its first class for Connection Group leaders and soon many of those graduates will begin organizing Connection Groups in homes in TGO. This is a good thing, for many reasons.

Each of us now have another opportunity, outside of our Sunday experience at Great Outdoors Community Church to fellowship with other Church members; to get to know one another in a deeper more meaningful way. The “watch care” role of the Church, with members caring for the needs of members, will be expanded and enriched. That fulfills one of the two universal roles for Connection groups; spiritual growth.

The other major and common goal for our Connection Group movement is evangelism; helping non-believers (“seekers”) discover and enter into a life-saving relationship with Jesus Christ. There are many in this category living all around us; in TGO and in the local community. To many seekers, learning about Jesus in someone’s home in a “social” setting is much less intimidating than entering a church for the first time. For some seekers, the Connection Group will be a non-threatening way to what members believe and to see how they live an authentic Christian life.

We have already witnessed benefits from the Connection Group movement and it is anticipated this is just the beginning. If you believe you may want to lead a Connection Group, there will be another class starting soon. If you would like to join a group or if you would just like to get more information about them, contact J. B. Kump, our minister of Small Groups: [jb.kump@tgochurch.org](mailto:jb.kump@tgochurch.org).



And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

– **Romans 8:30**

## **GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND**

It only takes a simple codicil to your will for you to provide a way for you to add an asset to the Great Outdoors Community Church Endowment Fund. This simple method provides you with a “quick fix” should you desire, to add or to change, part of your will without having to write a completely new document. Check with your estate planner to determine if this is an option that may benefit your wishes.

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### **HOME COMMUNION**

If you are physically unable to attend church on the first Sunday of the month, or if you know of someone who is unable (in a “shut-in” status at home, in the hospital or nursing home) but would like to take communion, please let J.B. Kump know (321-383-0303 office, 321-543-1608 cell, or email: [jb.kump@tgochurch.org](mailto:jb.kump@tgochurch.org)) and he will schedule communion at your location.

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### **SENIOR TRANSFER**

Senior Transfer, a division of Aging Matters, is seeking drivers to provide rides for Titusville seniors who can't drive themselves. You would use your own car, and choose where you will drive them and when. Please call Connie Emmons at 321-806-3729 if you can volunteer.



The Back to School Bash was a great success. We gave away school supplies and new shoes to 372 children from preschool to high school. Our church sponsored the free book table and collected books from 5 churches, but still ran out of younger kid books about half an hour before closing. We'll have to work harder next year. Prison Book Ministry provided 2-3 boxes of children's Bibles and Spanish Bibles. It was a festive day with 24 footwashers and shoe runners under a tent, climbing wall, bounce house, sno-cones, hot dogs, popcorn, haircuts, face painting, medical physicals and a Christian karate demo.

Our thanks to everyone for their contributions & supplies for this worthwhile cause.

*Elaine Stewart*

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***As a church family, GOCC extends our sympathies to the families of:***

**Margie Lott** (formerly of TGO & GOCC)

**Howard Johnson** (husband of Ruth Johnson, 536 Oak Cove)

**Michelle Omundson** (wife of Bob Omundson, 323 Club Cove) Memorial service will be Tues., Nov. 2, at 2:00 PM

# *Easter Cantata*

Wednesday, April 1, 2015





## Easter Services at GOCC

April 5, 2015



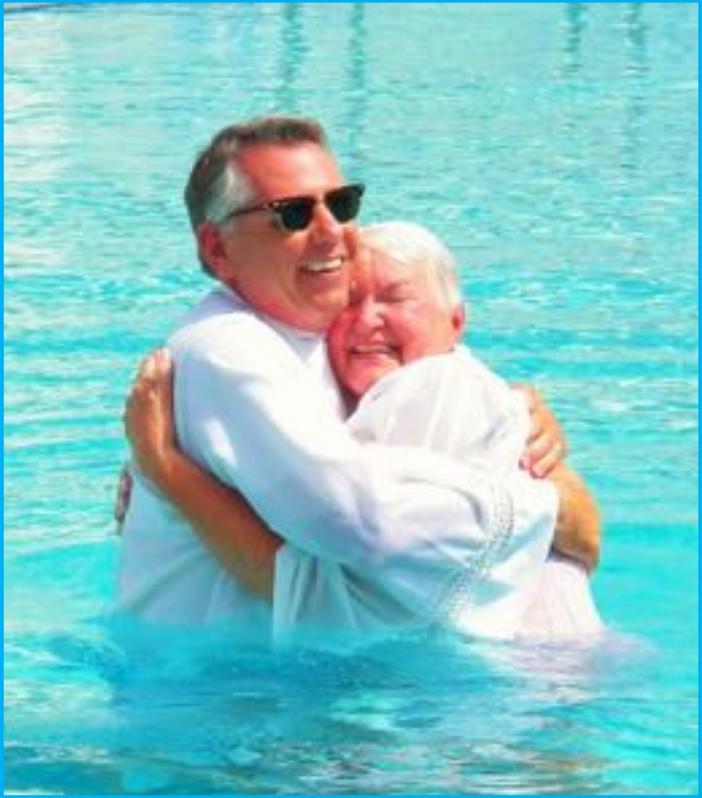
# *Easter Dinner*

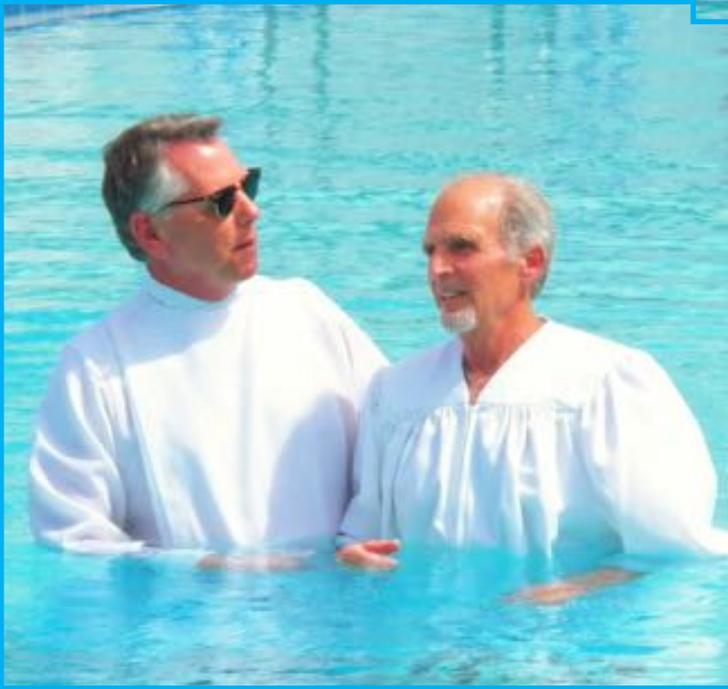


Celebrating our Risen Savior!



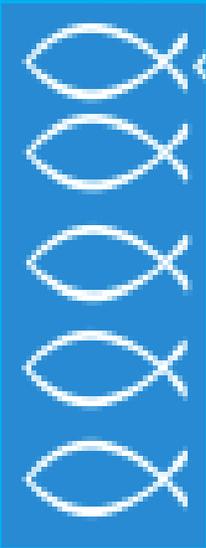
# Eleven Believer's Baptisms took place on April 17, 2015







Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:38 (KJV)





***Celebration  
Luncheon after  
the Baptisms***





Join us Saturday Sept. 26th  
For a Ladies Tea  
*Portrait of a Bride  
An Evolving Silhouette*  
A rare chance to see the evolution of the wedding  
dress. 30 vintage dresses and their unique stories  
From 2pm-4pm at TGO Plantation Manor  
All proceeds go to the city wide projects fundraiser

**40** DAYS of  
GENEROSITY

Cost is only \$25.  
You can get tickets online  
[www.parkavenue.org/poab](http://www.parkavenue.org/poab)  
or call Debbie 321.268.2037

**Great Outdoors Community Church** is pleased to be partnering with Park Avenue Baptist Church in the sponsorship of a unique fundraiser for the 40-Days of Generosity program, also known by “Loving North Brevard.” You can help support this effort by signing up for the “Portrait of a Bride An Evolving Silhouette” event (see the ad, above) and by sharing this information with your neighbors and friends. If you have questions about this or other “40-Day” information, please contact J.B. Kump in the church office and at [jb.kump@tgochurch.org](mailto:jb.kump@tgochurch.org).

# We Support Five Missionary Families



## **The Calderon Family:** *Ambiorix, Kim, Daniela & David*

The Calderon's two-year commitment with CTCI at the Inn will be ending in June, and they will be heading back to the Dominican Republic. However, in order to meet the requirements for citizenship Ambiorix needs to spend an additional nine months to a year in the

## **The Nystrom Family:** *John & Bonnie*

The Nystroms are key to Bible translation being done for 11 different languages with the potential of expanding to more people groups in Papua New Guinea. This is an example of how current technology is enabling more



## **The Dan Evans Family:** *Dan Erin, Caleb, & Audrey*

The Evans are moving to Utah in June. They will be ministering to U.S. Military men and women stationed at Hill AFB. They will provide a place to practice Christ-like fellowship and Bible study for these young people serving our country.

## **Shropshire Family:** *TJ, Lily, Ava & Penny*

The Shropshires are new missionaries who will be serving in Senegal, West Africa. Their goal is to teach literacy and the Bible to the many unreached people in their area, to disciple them and to establish strong groups of believers there.



## **The Missionary Family:** *Jake & Maggie*

Jake and Maggie are new missionaries who will be serving in South East Asia. Due to religious conflicts where they will be serving, we will not post their last names and location. Their goal is to train disciples who will make disciples. They are a dedicated couple and we will

May We Suggest Financial Support to Your Favorite Family. Please make your check Payable to GOCC, Write on Memo Line Your Designated Support.



## **Church Retreat 2015**

By J. B. Kump

First timers or veteran retreaters; all who participated in the March 23 – 25 retreat at Lake Yale this year came away with great memories, deepened friendships and a refreshed spirit. The theme of the event was a study on the vision statement of the Church: “Connecting People with God and with one another.”

There were 40 GOCC members who signed up for the retreat this year to hear Pastor Peter Lord, author, long-time leader of Park Avenue Baptist Church in Titusville and world-renowned Christian speaker. Peter spoke on Monday evening and Tuesday morning on “Connecting with God.”

On Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning J. B. Kump spoke on “Connecting People with one another.” During those two sessions, and including a breakout session on Wednesday, the study turned to the Church’s vision for “Connection Groups.”

Of course, study was not the only activity that took place during the retreat. For the first time in a number of years, GOCC Retreat participants were able to enjoy a night time campfire together Tuesday evening at a site near the lake.

Wonderful meals, exciting games and contests, quiet times and recreation of all sorts were all part of the retreat.

Next year’s retreat dates have already been reserved for Lake Yale on March 7 – 9, 2016. More information and sign up for the retreat will start in the fall.



Some people had more fun than others, as shown by Martha & Wes Hyde

These three teammates (left to right); Nicky Lemon, David Price and Maxine Slager listen intently for the question during a quiz show at the retreat.



Two of the GOCC staff; J. B. Kump & Dave Murton posed for the camera during a break in the studies at Lake Yale.





Everyone found good food and fellowship in the dining hall.

Hal (at the podium) and Kim (at piano) Hessler led several teams of 3 through a unique "Name That Hymn" quiz show that educated as well as tested.



Everyone got a chance to be part of the GOCC Retreat Choir at Lake Yale this year.

Rain did not deter us this year from building and enjoying a campfire together .....after some trouble getting it started.



One popular hangout during the retreat was the hammock farm at Lake Yale. Here, left to right are Christie & Ray Biedinger, Bev & Jack Baker, and (in the back) Maxine Slager.

Not all game rules were familiar, as J. B. Kump explains to those about to take part in a very different version of volleyball at the retreat.



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## Concert Schedule 2015 - 2016

Sunday	November 15, 2015	6:00 PM	Tribute Quartet
Monday	December 7, 2015	7:00 PM	Cantata
Wednesday	December 9, 2015	7:00 PM	Cantata
Sunday	January 17, 2016	6:00 PM	Mark Trammell Quartet
Wednesday	January 27, 2016	7:00 PM	*The Hyssongs
Sunday	February 14, 2016	6:00 PM	The Whisnants
Sunday	February 21, 2016	6:00 PM	The Taylors
Wednesday	February 24, 2016	7:00 PM	*Tim Lovelace
Wednesday	March 9, 2016	7:00 PM	*Triumphant Quartet
Sunday	March 13, 2016	6:00 PM	Jim Brady Trio
Monday	March 21, 2016	7:00 PM	Cantata
Wednesday	March 23, 2016	7:00 PM	Cantata

\* **Church Supper** precedes concert at 6:00 PM with reservations required.

**LOVE OFFERING** received during each concert and cantata

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For more concert information call: 321-385-9731 or 321-383-9437

# September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 8:00 am Prayer, Sanctuary 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	4	5
6 <b>Communion</b> 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	7 Labor Day Office Closed	8	9	10 8:00 am Prayer, Sanctuary 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	11	12
13 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	14	15  1:00 pm Care- giver's , Choir Rm	16	17 8:00 am Prayer, Sanctuary 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	18	19
20 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	21 <b>40 Days of Generosity</b> begins (ends Oct. 31)	22	23	24 8:00 am Prayer, Sanctuary 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	25	26  2-4 pm Ladies Tea at TGO Plantation Manor. <i>"Portrait of a Bride, An Evolving Silhouette"</i> (see ad on page 13)
27 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	28	29	30			