



July 2014

# Summer Time

Issue 6

## From the Spirituals Heart...

Our family is currently caring for a five year old girl named Jaden. It is important to note that our family has been separated from the precious/precocious (depends upon the day....or hour.....) fives by about eight years so we are still figuring out as we go what it means to care for her. Why is your face painted orange....why is the carpet painted red....what is the magic word.....are questions we were thankful were behind us...yet here they are again!! Yet as we all know there is great wisdom to be had from a five year old as well as they just see things differently. Both of Jaden's parents made some terrible decisions that will effect them the rest of their lives, yet whenever Jaden is drawing a picture of her and her mom or dad, the picture is

filled with hearts and smiles and really love. And isn't this what we believe as Christians? That because of who Jesus is and what he has done (and continues to do) for each and every single one of us there is

ture. We treat others differently because of "who they are" or "what they have done" and we do it over and over and over again. Yet when God is sitting at His work table with paper and crayons, drawing out pictures of each of us, don't we believe that God says, "let me put a little heart here" or "wouldn't this be a wonderful place for me to put some love" (yes, I was imagining the voice of Bob Ross coming from God....). For sometimes, maybe all the time, we need to try to see people as we believe God sees them through Jesus Christ!



nothing we can do that will make God stop loving us..... And yet how often do we allow our or others past mistakes to become this burden that just gets carried around forever. We allow this burden of mistakes to effect our present and our fu-

### Blessings, Leonard

Some people brought some children to Jesus so that he would place his hands on them and pray. But the disciples scolded them. "Allow the children to come to me," Jesus said. "Don't forbid them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to people like these children."

Matthew 19:13-14

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# Community Chair

## DeColores

We had a wonderful time at our 2nd Annual Father's Day Picnic. I am sorry if you missed it. We had a great Praise Band furnished by our Music Chair. We did have a little rain at the end of the day but were able to go inside and have Communion. Hopefully we can make it bigger and better next year.

We are getting to an exciting time in the year. We are getting closer to our Fall Walks. I know each of you have been praying for our Walks and praying

about SPONSERSHIP. Well now is the time that we put our thoughts and prayers into action. It is time to be a little pushy with those folks you have been talking to or praying about. I have said this several times before but it is worth repeating. We need to have a full allotment of Pilgrims, even a waiting list as we take on adding a Spring Walk. If the person you want to sponsor tells you "no" pray for them and for God to place the burden on them to go on a walk. If the person tells you "maybe", be a little bit of a pest and stay

after them until they say "yes" or "no". If you get a "yes", close the deal. Hand them an Application and get it filled out. We need at least 32 men and 32 women.

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We need volunteers to work, especially in the Kitchen and Dorms. On our last walk we could have used a few more of you in those positions. **tand what a blessing it is to be a Slave, oops Servant, on a walk.**

**July Gathering will be located at  
Jasper UMC, on the 19th.**

**Please come to fellowship with your  
brothers and sisters in Christ.**

**Bring your favorite Pot Luck Dish and a  
huge smile.**

**6 Dinner, 7 Praise & Worship**

**85 West Church St. | Jasper, Ga.30143**

**Take 575 North**

Please, Please be in prayer for Board Elections, for the Fall Election. We need community members to step up and be apart of the Board for the 2015 year. If you are interested at all, please contact a board member, contact info is on the last page.

♥ Please contact Ed Beacham or Gordon Norman with your most recent information, phone numbers, addresses or email addresses, so we are able to contact you to serve or send out any new information quickly and efficiently. Info on the last page.

## Community Chair Continued

If you have never worked, you will not understand what a blessing it is to be a Slave, oops Servant, on a walk. If you have worked you know the blessing you receive as you watch the Pilgrims progress through the weekend. You see total confusion on Friday morning. "Why am I here?" Then to a great glowing relationship with God on Sunday! Someone has or will be calling you in the next few weeks. Please be praying about working and be ready to say yes. If we fail to call you and you want to work,

please call us.

**VOLUNTEER! VOLUNTEER! VOLUNTEER! VOLUNTEER! VOLUNTEER!**

Last but not least, I am excited that my Church is hosting our July Gathering. I know it is a long way to Jasper for many of you. Keep in mind you can get up early in the morning, drive up to the Beautiful North GA Mountains and spend a wonderful day visiting, shopping and antiquing. We also have some great

local restaurants. I hope to see many of you at this gathering. We need to increase our attendance at all our Gatherings. They can be a meaningful and uplifting time. And there is always lots of good food. It is Emmaus isn't it!!

DeColores,  
Gordon Norman

♥ If you are interested in serving on the next walk please contact any of the board members, Men's Lay Director will be Phil Cole & Katie Fowler will serve as the Women's Lay Director.

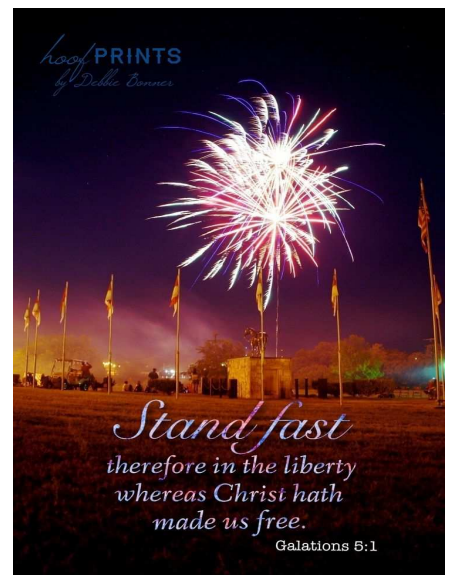
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♥ Fall 2014 Walks

Men Sept 25-28

Women Oct 2-5



Thank You, to each of you who heroically served our country to protect us and fought for our FREEDOM!! You guys sacrificed so much for us. I am thankful God created such amazing people who are loyal and strong. Those who rely on Him for His strength and wisdom. Love to you all!

### Goals for 2014:

- 1-Everyone Prayerfully Consider Sponsoring
- 2-Fill the teams
- 3-Have a wait list
- 4-Remain financially stable
- 5-Update community roster
- 6-Establish community involvement on committees
- 7-2nd Annual Father's Day Picnic



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Walk to Emmaus

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### Gatherings 2014

- January 18 Midway UMC
- February 15 Hiram UMC
- March 15 Hollydale UMC
- April 19 No Gathering
- May 17 TBA
- June 21 Acworth Beach  
"2nd Annual Father's  
Day Picnic"
- July 19-Jasper UMC
- August 16 Mars Hill Pres
- September 20 Smyrna UMC
- October 18 Acworth UMC
- November 15 DUE WEST  
Methodist
- December Merry Christmas!

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