



Heartbeat

The Church With The Warm Heart

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MISSION OF THE MONTH - CASA

Care **A**ssurance **S**ystem for the **A**ging and Homebound is a non-profit agency located in Huntsville, Alabama that provides services to individuals age 60 and older and to the homebound (wheelchair and bed bound) of all ages. Our programs are designed to enable the elderly and homebound to maintain their independence, dignity, health and safety by providing services that specifically address their special physical and emotional needs.

Some of Our Volunteer Opportunities

- Delivery Projects: Deliver holiday gifts
- Weatherize: Insulate pipes, cover & caulk windows
- CASA Garden: Weeding, mulching, digging, planting
- Yard Work: Rake leaves, clear debris
- Paint Wheelchair Ramps: Apply non-slip coating to ramps
- Item Drive: Collect & deliver needed supplies
- Repair: Help seniors with minor home repairs
- Office Work: Answering phones, filing, data entry
- Transportation: Drive seniors to & from doctor appointments

Email info@casamadisoncty.org or call 256-533-7775 to schedule your volunteer project today!

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PLEASE GIVE BLOOD.

Aldersgate UMC Blood Drive will be held Sunday October 23

From 8 am until 12 noon

Location: American Red Cross Bus

For an appointment call Al Frazier at 256-658-2575

All blood donors will be automatically entered into a drawing for two Delta Airline tickets

. Parkway Worship Launched!

We had a wonderful launch of our worship service at Aldersgate Parkway on September 25th, with over 160 children and adults present. Our worship support teams could use a few more team members, so that we can get a rotation going that gives folks a break every now and then. If you would like to explore being on the Set-up Team, Take-down Team, Hospitality Team, Usher/Counter Team, or Communion Server Team, please contact Todd Owen at Todd.Owen@Aldersgate.ws for more information.

Thanks for the many hearts and hands that served Aldersgate-Parkway!



Words cannot express my gratitude for the many folks who worked to get the Aldersgate-Parkway campus ready for our worship launch. We had well over 50 people put in hours at the facility.

Thank you to everyone who has helped. Connie Nicholson has gone over and above her duty as Trustee Chairperson in getting the facility ready. Not only did she coordinate a good bit of our effort, but she also put in countless hours priming, painting, cleaning, mopping, and vacuuming. Thank you Connie!



SHOEBOXES!

Not too early to start gathering items for our Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes in November! As you shop for school supplies, please pick up extras and set them aside for a shoebox! Crayons, markers, pencils, erasers, small notebooks, paper, yoyos, combs, toothbrushes, puzzle/coloring books are all excellent ideas, so watch for sales and please, stock up!!! Thank you so much!



What are Life Groups? Life Groups are small groups of people meeting together to build relationships and to grow with one another. Life Groups are about "Doing Life Together."

Who can join a Life Group? Anyone can join a Life Group. You don't have to attend Aldersgate to be a part of our life groups, but coming to our services is a great way to see what we're all about.

Are all Life Groups the same? No, groups may vary according to demographics, day or time.

Why should I join a Life Group? Life Groups are the best way to get connected with other people at Aldersgate Church. In a small group, it is easier to meet people and to find a place where you can fit in and grow.

How do I choose a Life Group? You can read about Life Groups on the church website, www.Aldersgate.ws, contact the Life Group Leader via email or call for more information, 256-883-9062.

When and where do Life Groups meet? Life Groups meet at various times and locations. Most groups meet in members homes. See below for current listing of groups.

Is childcare provided? Not for all, but some Life Groups have arranged for childcare. Contact the Life Group Leader of the group for more information.

Group Leaders/Host Home

Sundays- 6:00-7:30 pm

- **Laurie Clark /John & RuthAnn Stalnakers**- 8022 Lauderdale Rd., Hsv. 35802
lauriemclark625@gmail.com, jfstalnak@knology.net, rastalnak@knology.net
- **Robert & Julie Barnett**- 1201 Chesser Dr., Hsv. 35803 rbarnett1965@yahoo.com,
julie.barnett@yahoo.com

Wednesdays- 6:00-7:30 pm

- **Cliff & Treva Whitmore /April & Cory Waltz**- 515 Bain Dr., Hsv. 35803 cwhitmore@knology.net,
aprilwaltz@knology.net

Wednesdays- 6:30-8:00 pm

- **Pat & Kathy Mahan/Bob & Mary Ellen Davidson**-3037 Box Canyon Rd., Hsv. 35803
pat.mahan@aldersgate.ws, bdavidson@knology.net, detchings@knology.net
- **Todd Henderson/Brian & Kristian Wilson**- 10311 Parliament Dr Hsv 35803
todd.henderson@aldersgate.ws, kristian.l.wilson@gmail.com, jbwilson1023@gmail.com

It is time for our October Good Neighbors Trick or Treat event. This event affords our intellectually disabled friends a place to trick or treat in a safe indoor environment. You can help. We need small groups, Sunday School Classes, and families to agree to decorate a door, provide treats and be "home" to answer the door. This event will held on Tuesday, October 11 at the church. Doors will need to be decorated and someone in the room to hand out treats by 6:30 pm. We ask that treats be sugarless food items/candy or maybe even small toys, pencils, spider rings, bubbles, etc. So many of our Good Neighbors are diabetic that we try to stay away from sweet treats. If you or your group would like to participate in this fun event, please contact Lynn Dowling at 256-881-5058 or lynnddowling@yahoo.com.

Work Day Scheduled for Saturday, October 8, from 8:00 am-1:00 pm., at the Bailey Cove campus. We will be raking leaves, trimming shrubbery and trees, and cutting weeds. Please bring your hedgers, rakes, extension cords, gloves, ladders, and large trash bags, and join us as we clean up our church yard. Light refreshments (coffee, water, doughnuts & pastries) will be provided. For questions or more information, please contact Joey Hough, Facilities Manager.



Men's Event

On 8 Oct from 8 - 12 in the church parking lot there will be a free car check up for members of the church. We will check the car out for the upcoming winter months to include checking the oil, tires, anti freeze, other fluids and just do a look over. This is a free service but donations would be accepted to cover the cost of supplies. Anything collected over this amount will go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Backpack Meals for Morris Elementary

Cammie Hurley

Morris Elementary School has many students from lower income families. Many of these students receive free or reduced breakfast and lunch at school during the week but may not have any food for the weekend. Aldersgate has committed to help feed these children. Every week, 50 bags of food are sent home with some of these children. These bags include: Chef Boy-R-Dee (large cans with pop top), beanie weenies, individual boxes of cereal, juice box size shelf stable milk, shelf stable pudding, peanut butter crackers, granola bars, fruit cup, apple sauce, and some snacks like rice crispy treats, teddy grahams, pretzels, fruit snacks, and cheez-its. Next time you are shopping, please pick up some food for a child in need! Boxes for the food are located in the narthex and the back entrance hallway. Thank you for supporting this mission. If you have any questions, please contact Cammie Hurley at camspann@yahoo.com.

"Bass" Player needed. If you know of anyone who plays bass guitar that might be interested in joining our music ministry in the Bread Services please let Dennis Cornelison know or have them contact Dennis at 256-426-0108 or fndcornelison@comcast.net

We are looking for someone who has previous band experience and a feel for playing with other musicians but I welcome and would love the opportunity to talk with anyone who has the desire to serve.

Prayerfully,
Dennis Cornelison

Shoes for HEALS!

There is a new HEALS Clinic located next to Madison Cross Roads School and in the building that houses the HAP (Huntsville Assistance Program) North facility in Toney. There was a grand opening celebration on September 15th for everyone to see the beautiful facility and meet the staff who will be working with the children. They would like to be able to give each child who comes into the clinic a pair of new tennis shoes. HAP is asking its member churches to participate in the collection of shoes for this new HEALS Clinic. All sizes are needed - from pre-school children to fifth grade boys who might wear large sizes. These do not need to be expensive tennis shoes, but they must be new. If you would like to donate a pair of shoes, put them in the blue HAP basket in the back hallway. Call Connie Carter with any questions.



October Birthdays

1 Kyrstin Weinland
Regan Kennamer
2 Katie Fleming
3 Sandy Carter
Jack Isom
4 Mary Parkes
Jerry Scheiman
Morgan Searcy
5 Ruth Lavine
Bill Spann
Lynn Deibler
Marsha Owen
Christopher Butler
6 Ashley Martin
7 Sue Ward
Kaye Inman
8 Doug Rickman
9 Billy Spencer
Ashlie Hardin
11 Helene Kalal
Phyllis Holcombe
Johnny Thorington
Kristy Markell
Jared Cole
Bonnie Henrickson
12 Leon Dussault
Paul Kindred
Emily Johnson
Cody Nowakowski

14 Andrew Saik
Robert Pendley
15 Helen Deibler
John West
Kent McIngvale
17 Wiffi Anderson
Michelle Pentecost
Mario Fabre
Jackie Fisher
18 Lois Wendt
Kelly Looney
Margaret Haack
Bill Dickerhoff
Madison Rousseau
19 Rich Saik
Gwyn Knight
Scott Moore
Jason Cowan
Anna Mahan
20 Linda Hall
Robert Makowski
Julie McBride
21 Mike Askew
Christy Staton
22 Valerie Spencer
James Weathers

23 Andy Rutland
Jean Hardin
Nick Sparkman
24 Kathy Young
Dan Moss
25 Jim Looney
David Nowakowski
Joanna Zimmerman
26 Calvin Blevins
Heather McIngvale
Meghan Sparkman
27 Sherry Hokanson
Jon Hubbert
Cara Estes
Savanna Ciaccio
Adam Sparks
28 Rusty Cowan
Adam Chynoweth
Audrey Oberle
29 David Hall
30 David Keller
Samuel Light
Andrew Wiggs
31 Martha Tucker
Kathy Hodo
Ryan Gaylord

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Pastor - Todd Henderson
Pastor - Todd Owen
Pastor - Pat Mahan
Pianist/Organist - Rebecca Bundy
Director of Music/Organist - Michael Gimenez
Contemporary Worship Leader - Dennis Cornelson
Director of Youth - Chris Jones
Director of Discipleship & Family - Lydia Locke
Asst. Discipleship & Family Minister - Rachel Sparkman
Office Manager - Marcia Moss
Financial Manager - Wendy Sampson
Facilities Manager - Joey Hough

Traditional Worship 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Contemporary Worship 8:45 AM and 11:05 AM
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Office Hours:
Mon - Thurs 8:30 to 3:30

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