



# The Voice of MABC

Week of July 14

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN THE CHURCH

See Inside for details

**Sunday, July 20**  
*Birthday: Mary Lynn Kreuz, Becky Akin, Bill & John Braselton*  
9:30 a.m.—Minister’s Prayer Time  
9:45 a.m.— Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service  
VBS celebration

**Monday, July 21**  
9:00 a.m.—ESL  
6:30 p.m.—Boy Scouts District Mtg.

**Tuesday, July 22**  
*Birthday: Amy Parrish*

**Wednesday, July 23**  
*Birthday: Mary Boswell*  
8:30 a.m.—Staff Meeting  
9:00 a.m.—ESL  
3:30 p.m.—Worship Planning

**Thursday, July 24**  
9:00 a.m.—China Outreach  
12:00 p.m.—Women’s Prayer Group

**Friday, July 25**  
5:00 p.m.—ABHS social  
7:00 p.m.—AA

**Saturday, July 26**  
*Birthday: Julie Graham, Jason Williamson*

**Sunday, July 27**  
*Birthday: Montine Kuhlman, Anna Robinson*

9:30 a.m.—Minister’s Prayer Time  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service

**Monday, July 28**  
9:00 a.m.—ESL

**Tuesday, July 29**  
Terrific Tuesday-Fun Day in Athens  
7:00 p.m.—ABHS

**Wednesday, July 30**  
*Birthday: Rusty Lowery*  
9:00 a.m.—ESL  
8:30 a.m.—Staff Meeting  
3:30 p.m.—Worship Planning

**Thursday, July 31**  
*Birthday: Bill Jones, Sue Chapman*  
9:00 a.m.—China Outreach  
12:00 p.m.—Women’s Prayer Group

**Friday, August 1**  
*Birthday: Scott Craven, Jimmy Godwin*  
7:00 p.m.—AA

**Saturday, August 2**  
Edward Bolen Sabbatical ends  
9:00 a.m.—Preschoolers Trip

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

## CONTRIBUTION REPORT

**Monthly Budget Requirement:**  
\$41,325

**2nd Sunday in July**  
\$13,403

**July Offering To Date:**  
\$26,317

**Other Contributions:**  
VBS—\$45  
Memorials—\$50

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

7/13/08  
**Worship: 153**  
**Sunday School:**

706.354.0090  
706.354.0344 (Fax)  
[www.milledge.org](http://www.milledge.org)  
**Church Calendar:**  
[www.calendarwiz.com/milledge](http://www.calendarwiz.com/milledge)

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### A Passport Countdown, by Amy Shorner-Johnson

This past week, 13 people from MABC went to Wingate, NC to participate in Passport’s Passways Camp of Choice. Half of our youth participated in mission projects, while the others participated in ‘Choice tracks,’ which allows youth to experience God with their personal interests, gifts and callings. Along with the choices, Bible Study, and a whole lot of fun and parties, our camp focused on the eight Millennium Development Goals adopted by the United Nations, and how Jesus has already called us to reach each of these goals in His name.

Our Theme this year was COUNTDOWN. Eight goals designed to help the “least of these” in the world have been identified and only through sustained action on the part of individuals like you can they be accomplished in time. We counted down through five different stories in the Bible to figure out how we could be a part of accomplishing these goals.

**5000 people** we fed with the recognition of Jesus that people are hungry and in need of food. Eradicating extreme poverty and hunger is a worthwhile goal.

**4 friends** would not be denied and brought their companion to Jesus for healing. Combating HIV/Aids, malaria, and other diseases, reducing child mortality and improving maternal health should be a Christian’s calling.

**3 days** in the belly of a whale and Jonah learned to trust God’s calling in his life. Achieving universal primary education would provide the needed foundation for children around the world.

**2 women** were valued by their Savior in different but equally affirming ways. It is time to intentionally promote gender equality and the empowerment of women.

**1 person** can make a difference. And our unified effort will accomplish the goals!

The youth are going to be teaching a Wednesday Night Bible Study and prayer experience this coming August to let you in on their camp experience. Their energy about this past week has been amazing, and I am excited that they will have an opportunity to share it with you in the upcoming weeks! Stay on the lookout for more information coming your way soon!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DROP-IN BREAKFAST FOR THE BOLENS

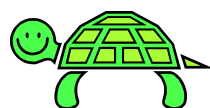
Plan to join us on Sunday, August 3 for a drop-in breakfast from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. as we welcome the Bolens back from their Sabbatical. See the bulletin boards in the Gathering Room for pictures and news of their sabbatical experiences.

### SWING FORE HOPE THE ARK FELLOWSHIP GOLF CHALLENGE

On Saturday, August 9th, The Ark will host its 16th Annual Ark Fellowship Golf Challenge "Swing Fore Hope". The tournament will be held at the UGA golf course. The entry fee is \$100 per player and includes lunch and some terrific prizes. A unique feature that we're adding this year will be the prestigious Congregation Challenge, a friendly congregational competition among our supporting congregations. Register online at [athensark.com](http://athensark.com). For more information contact Patty at The Ark 706-458-8155 or [arkumoc@msn.com](mailto:arkumoc@msn.com). We invite everyone to come out for a great day of golf in support of a great cause.

### FOR OUR SABBATH RETREAT PARTICIPANTS

We will be reconnecting for lunch on Sunday July 27, following the worship service. We will meet in the Gathering Room to decide where to go for lunch. We will follow up on our "Turtle Steps" and check in with how we are responding to God's love for us.



### FROM THE BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

A number of older sports trophies won by the church's many sports teams throughout the years has been found. If you want any or all of these, please contact Jim Cunningham, 706-543-9840, or Lonnie Varnedoe, 706-549-2206.



### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Please Welcome Will Abney to MABC. Will joined Sunday July 13. His address is: 1907 S. Milledge Ave. Apt. F1 Athens, GA 30605 Email: [abney78@uga.edu](mailto:abney78@uga.edu)

### COMMUNION

Please join us for communion on Sunday August 3. Edward Bolen will be preaching.

### Sunday Servants July 20, 2008

*Deacon of the Week:*  
**Ray Neal**  
*Deacon Minister-on-Call:*  
**Chester Sosebee**  
*Acolyte:*  
**Will Weisenbach**  
*Worship Preparation:*  
**Bea Grant**  
*Audio:*  
**Bill Boswell**  
*Greeters:*  
**Anne Cook, Hester Fechtel**  
*Door Opener/Closer:*  
**Lonnie Varnedoe**  
*Ushers:*  
**Keith Odom, Chester Sosebee, Michael Malone, Bill Givan, Kathleen Foster**  
*Nursery Coordinator*  
**Sarah Stark**  
*Nursery during Sunday School:*  
*0-1 yr olds*  
**Dana Patterson, Dona McEwan**  
*2-3 yr olds*  
**Kathie Robinson, Remi Ojo**  
*Nursery during Worship:*  
*0-1 yr olds*  
**Dana Patterson, Mary Sumner**  
*2-3 yr olds*  
**Rebecca Williamson, Stephanie McLeskey, Lynn Mathis**  
*Children's Church*  
**Kim Romines, Heather Jarboe**  
*Gathering Room Prep:*  
**Bill & Patti Ripley**  
*Youth Meal Provider:*  
**Jarboe Family**

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, August 4 at 5:30 p.m. in the church library. All committee chairpersons should plan to attend. Please feel free to bring your own sandwich supper.

### Our Prayer Concerns

*If you know of any changes that need to be made to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.*

**Chandler Griffin**  
**Pierce Ereddia** (Nephew of Hank & Janet Faglie)  
**Ruth Stowe** (Mother of Anne Jones)  
**Maude Manuel** (Grandmother of Ken McLeskey)  
**Norris Mullis**  
**David Heard** (Nephew of Roland Heard)  
**Marilyn Weisenbach** (Mother of David Weisenbach)  
**Sam Haygood** (son of Cindy & Daniel Haygood)  
**Ui Sun Chong** (Mother of Erin Hudson)  
**Elkins Family**  
**Judy Seitz** (Aunt of David Dismuke)  
**Jim Fortson**  
**Dylan Tuck** (nephew of Amy Shorner)  
**Deleon Terrell** (friend of Gail Williamson)  
**Dustin Craig** (Lucille Sartain's grandson)  
**Jennie Banks**  
**John & Wilma Bolen** (parents of Edward Bolen)  
**Donna Wright** (co-worker of Rebecca Weisenbach & Rebecca Williamson)  
**Ila Crenshaw**  
**Diane Collier** (daughter of Hester Fechtel)  
**Jennifer Gonyea**  
**Sarah Manning** (Bob White's grandmother)  
**Rawdon Akins** (Lynn Mathis' father)  
**George Boatwright** (brother of Gene Langdale)

*Dogwood Forest:*  
**Estelle Farmer**

*Grand View Center*  
**Elizabeth Eckles**

*Silverleaf*  
**Camilla Barge**

### Bulletin Bloopers

"Weight Watchers will meet at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use the large double door at the side entrance."



## CHILDREN'S NEWS

### POWER LAB VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL...

...has gotten off to a great start! We had 65 children and 32 volunteers on our first day. This week the children are learning about how Jesus gives us POWER! See the Voice next week for more VBS news.

### TERRIFIC TUESDAY FUN DAY IN ATHENS...

...will be on July 29 for children who have just completed grades K-6. The cost is \$15 and includes lunch and activities. Sign up with Jennifer by July 22.

### PRESCHOOLERS AND FAMILIES

Join us for a trip to Interactive neighborhood for Kids in Gainesville on Saturday, August 2. We will meet at MABC at 9:00 a.m. and return around 2:00 p.m. Each family will take their own car so that children can ride in their own car seats. Bring a lunch and \$5 per person (children under age 2 are free). Contact Jennifer to sign up your family.

### BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Join us on Sunday, August 3 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. for supper and games to celebrate a great summer! The cost is \$3 per person. Email or call Jennifer to sign up your family.

## YOUTH NEWS

### YOUTH WHITE WATER RAFTING

Monday, August 4. The cost is \$20 plus 2 meals on the road. We will leave the church at 8:00 a.m. and return around 8:30 p.m. Chaperones are Mike Daniel and Amy Shorner-Johnson. Please RSVP to Amy by July 27 and fill out the permission form in the flyer being sent to you.

### MIDWEEK @ MILLEDGE LEADERSHIP CLASS FOR YOUTH

Youth who are interested in leading a Wednesday night class on Millennium Development Goals should come to a meeting on Sunday, August 3 at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. We will practice and assign jobs for the following Wednesday nights.

### WATER WARS PARTY...

...to meet and greet our new rising 7th graders. We are having a Water Wars Party on Sunday, July 20 from 5:00 to 7:00. Come with a towel, water gun, clothes to get wet in and be ready for a whole lot of fun! See you there.