



## A "Note" from the KHCC Music Department NEAR TO THE HEART OF GOD

Park University in Parkville, Missouri, with thirty-eight campuses across the United States, boasts of an enrollment of over 17,000 students. It was begun in 1875 with only seventeen students, by John A. McAfee, and by Colonel George Park, the colorful founder of Parkville, who donated the land.

McAfee had five sons and a daughter who all became involved in the college. The fourth son, Cleland, graduated from what was then Park College; after studying at Union Theological Seminary, he returned to park as chaplain and choir director. Cleland's daughter, Katharine, later told how her father came to write the great hymn, "Near to the Heart of God".

"My father's father, John A. McAfee, was one of the founders and the first president of Park College in Missouri. In the last years of the past century, his five sons Lowell, Howard, Lapsley, Cleland, Ernest and his only daughter Helen, were all living in Parkville, serving the college. My father was the college preacher and director of the choir, and it was his custom, when communion services came, to write the words and music of a response which his choir could sing and which would fit into the theme of his sermon.

One terrible week, just before a communion Sunday, the two little daughters of my Uncle Howard and Aunt Lucy McAfee died of diphtheria within twenty-four hours of each other. The college family and town were stricken with grief. My father often told us how he sat long and late thinking of what could be said in word and song on the coming Sunday...

So he wrote "Near to the Heart of God". The choir learned it at the regular Saturday night rehearsal, and afterward they went to the Howard McAfee's home and sang it as they stood under the sky outside the darkened, quarantined house. It was sung again on Sunday morning at the communion service..."

"Near to the Heart of God" was published in October 1903, in "The Choir Leader." In later years, Cleland pastored in the Presbyterian denomination, taught at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, and helped direct the Presbyterian foreign missions program. He is the author of a number of textbooks including the Greatest English Classic: A Study of the King James Version and its Influence and Ministerial Practices: Some Fraternal Suggestions, published in 1928.



Allen Swilley - Medical tests Billy Brewer – Recovering from surgery Paul Frazer – Preparing for surgery *Kim Fricks* – Hospitalized at WKP Leonard Green – Recovering from a fall *Doll Burk* – Recovering following surgery Agnes Stanley - Recovering at home Fred Traylor - Serious Health Concerns, M.D. Anderson, Houston, Tx Pat Daron - Serious health concerns Ava Ackerman - Health concerns (Baby daughter of Rachael Barham Ackerman) Michael Anders - Starting treatments at M.D. Anderson (Father of Angie Anders) Bill Greene – Medical tests (Brother of *Dallas Greene*) Valerie Elliott - Recovering from surgery following auto accident (Niece of Rick & Kathy *Elliott*) Kenny Elliott - Injured in auto accident (Nephew of Rick & Kathy Elliott) Ann Partington – Preparing for surgery on June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Cousin of Maury Hicks) Len Moyer - Serious Health Concerns (Friend of Georgia Monk) Bill Martin – Health concerns (Neighbor of the Renfros) Cathy Culbertson Smith - Serious health concerns (Friend of Mary C. & Joe Mayeux) Paul Rankins - Health concerns (Friend of JoDel Adkins) Norma Corbin - Recovering from surgery (Friend of Helen Carter) Janie Ellis – Radiation Treatments (Sister of Sunny Bell) Bob Petrus – Health Concerns (Friend of Dave Rockett) Alan McAdams - Aneurysm behind right eye, upcoming surgery (Friend of Louise *Chamberlain*) Linda Bruce - Health Concerns (Friend of Louise & CC Chamberlain) Bob Graves – Undergoing radiation treatments (Son of *Reggie Graves*) Gary Cook – Health Concerns (Friend of Bill Robertson) Lee Walker - Health Concerns (Friend of Jack Davis) Angel & Chloe Dixon - NICU WKS (Great-nieces of Todd & Mary France) Beth Ann Ross – Preparing for surgery on June 28th (Sister-in-law of Carolyn Brewer)

US ARMED PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHO ARE DEPLOYED: Angie Grannis (Granddaughter of *Chuck & Marion Hinkle*) deployed to Korea, Joshua Caleb Sisson, *Michael Statos*, Nick Tolisano (Friend of the *Pierce* family),*William Key*, Samuel Lawless, Lance Cpl Lane Miller (Friend of Elli Boyd) deployed to Afghanistan 2nd tour, John Graham (Friend of the *Eakins*) deployed to Afghanistan , *Dan Dorson* 

#### **CELEBRATIONS:**

*Todd France* made the Dean's List at Northwestern – Congratulations!

We celebrate the successful and exciting Vacation Bible School held last week!

We welcome into our church family, *Sandra Parker*, who transferred her membership during our 9:15 worship service. Welcome Sandra!

#### **ON-GOING PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Charles Michael Andrews, Roger Barham, Melba Barmore, Camry Belcher, Chris Bowie, Braider Bellows, Evelyn Braden, John Brice, Jill Bridges, Miles Britt, Randy Burch, Helen Calhoun, James Cameron, Joyce Canizarro, Brock Cassell, Louise Chamberlain, Karen Cowden, Jack Crowley. Flovd Davis, David DeFatta, Bryan Dill, Joe & Claudine Dixon, Holli Duggan, Bill Dunchan, Linda Ellis, Kiera Elliott, Christy Faciane, Ron Fedrick, Darla Ferrell, Jackie Fields, Jonn France, Jeff Frazier, Shianne Fuslier, Betty Chloe Gates, Terri Graves, Alice Greene, Dallas Greene, June & Leonard Green, Bill Greene, Esther Griffith, Grigsby, James Guerra, D.C. Hall, Lizzy Hawthorne, Janis Hayes, Bart Haynie, Lorraine Hazelton, James Henderson, Wilma Henning, Alan Hinson, Jon & Jan Holley, Dump Holcombe, Harper & Holden Hardy, Mildred House, Madeline Holder, Bruce Holmes, Annie Hughes, Gene Jackson, Megan Jimenez, Hubert Joyner, Virginia Joyner, Robert Keating, Toni Lane, Ella Mae Lawrence, Teresa Prine Lemoine, Jane Lindsey, Lisa Mack, Taylor Mainz, Will Manhein, Trevor & Trent Manshack, Joe Markoch, Luther Mars, Emma Martin, Michael McCain, The McCarty Family, Aiden McDowell & Parents, Matthew McDowell, Justin McGoldrick, George McGovern, Rev. Chuck McInturf, Dan McKenzie, Pat Moore, Clyde Myer, Shawn and Kim McDowell, Lois Mile, Doris Nance, Dr. Daniel Nightingale, Sandie Parker, Mary Pendergraft, Winona Perez, Bryan Pierce, Kim Pullen, Sherlyn Riall, Dorothy Rivers, Rodney Roach, Patty Rodgers, Marina Rodriguez, Virginia Sagage, Jack Shelton, Haley Spears, Spiers, Corene Sneed, Josh Springer, Patty Stachovich, Agnes Stanley, Emily Summerville, Shawn Swilley, Marian Taggart, Peggy Taylor, Pat Tharp, Donn & Erabeth Thompson, Billy Triplett, E.B. Trudenak, Mike Tucker, Joan Twohig, Patrilla Vigil, Willard, Williams, Clara Williams, Johnie Wise, Donald & Marguerite Wright, Chester R. Young



Welcome our newest member Sandra Parker who joined during our Traditional Service this past Sunday. Welcome Sandra!

Stewardship

**Stewardship June 17, 2012** 

General Fund	\$ 7,287.00
Capital Campaign	252.50

Attendance, June 17, 2012

Traditional Service	174 43	
Contemporary Service Hispanic Service	34	
Total	251	
Sunday School	154	

Serving Schedule

### Serving Schedule for June 24, 2012

9:15 - Traditional Service
<u>Door</u> - Allen Swilley, Terry Rodenroth
<u>Table</u> - Dave Rockett, Betty Webster
<u>Sound</u> - Robert Asher
<u>Acolyte</u> - Laura Hurd
<u>Greeter</u> - Dana Mattison
<u>Diaconate</u> - Mary Ann Bowie, Irene Butler, Brian
Crawford, Diana Crawford, Andrea Tippett, Paul
Dupont, Randy Mattison, Dennis Murray

#### 11:11 - Contemporary Service

<u>Door</u> - Pete Bratlie, Elli Boyd <u>Acolyte</u> - Zoë Bratlie <u>Servers</u> - Katie Bradford, JoDel Adkins, Tammy Bradford, Becky Flippo



#### **Traditional Service**

Guy & Debbie Gauthreaux The Smith Family Mike Daron John & Deborah Jarratt Sandy Ricabaugh

Contemporary Service Talicia Tarver Dora Banks Claire Clark



June 10	Agnes Stanley Sherrie Simpson Kay Taggart John Booras Millicent Adkins
June 11	Christina Kilpatrick
June 13	Jacob Bridges
	Jeyne Magee
	Erica Murrell
June 14	Robbie Kemper
	Brandi Strickland
June 15	Kamdyn Gearlds
June 17	Mary Jane Weatherman
June 19	Mike Thompson
	Jordan Fricks
June 20	Donnie West
June 22	Orvis Sigler
	Diego Chavez
June 24	June Green
	Pat Haynie
	Barbara Fanta
June 25	Bailey Monk
June 26	Jack Davis
	Phil Stewart
	Nathan Renfro
June 29	Dallas Greene

## COME TO JOY FELLOWSHIP THIS SUMMER

*GOOD FOOD GOOD BINGO GOOD FRIENDS* 

JUNE 25TH JULY 23RD AUGUST 27TH

### 9:30 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL





Disciples Women Ministry (DWM) is having an auction (silent) on September 9th in the Family Life Center during our Combined Worship

lunch. Please contact JoDel at 868-1241 or cell 751-6292 if you have something to donate.



CASA ESPERANZA GARAGE SALE June 23, 2012 7:00 AM

### HIGHLAND BLESSING DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Outreach Committee is in need of some volunteers to help serve at the Highland Blessing Dinner on June 28, 2012. We will need a total of 16 persons to help host and serve the meal.

If you can give a couple of hours on that Thursday evening, you will receive a blessing as well as the working poor that we help feed. Please call the church office, or contact me at 560-3901.

Allen Swilley, Chairman Outreach Committee

# KHCC Casa Esperanza

### **Guests at Casa Esperanza**

This is Abdiel and his mom Elizabeth from Panama. You may remember them from our most recent combined service on May 20<sup>th</sup>. They have been at Casa Esperanza since the end of February while Abdiel recovers from surgery. Abdiel had major surgery on his right leg to enlarge the bone. Currently he is working hard in therapy so he may return home soon.

Abdiel is a very happy and friendly 9 years old boy. He entertains himself very well. He loves playing PlayStation games on the giant TV at Casa Esperanza and playing soccer and baseball in Casa Esperanza's back yard. And even though it's so hot outside, Abdiel doesn't complain. He says, "It reminds me of the weather in my hometown."

Elizabeth said that being at Casa Esperanza has been a blessing for them. But most remarkably for Abdiel, he feels at home in the house. "We sometimes forget we are in the United States", she said smiling.

We are very blessed to have these wonderful people in our House of Hope. Thank you!

Ellie Bulnes

# KHCC Children & Youth

#### Preschool & Children Ministries Sunday Mornings Sunday School

- 3-5yrs old class Teacher Kim Lemoine, Diana Leach
- 3-5yrs old Bible Story "Learn From the Bible: Philip's Friend Learns"
- 5yr-5th grade class Teacher Georgia Monk
- 5yr-5th grade class Bible Story "Learn From the Bible"

### **Children's Church Traditional & Contemporary Worship**

- Sunday's Story "Fall of Jericho"
- Teaching Traditional Service Kim Lemoine, Diana Leach
- Teaching Contemporary Service Mary Jane Weatherman

### Youth Ministry

### **Attention Senior Graduates**

2012 High School Seniors that want to apply for the KHCC CMF Scholarship please submit your letter to the church office in care of CMF no later than JULY 1, 2012. The letter should detail why you deserve the scholarship. Please list any and all church and school activities you have participated in also.

### **Camp Dates**

CYF Conference 6/17-6/23

Discovery Camp 6/23-6/24

> JYF Camp 6/24-6/27

Chi Rho Camp 6/27-7/1





## **KHCC Vacation Bible School 2012**

Kings Highway Christian Church concluded four wonderful nights of Vacation Bible School last Thursday. Both children and adults enjoyed both the opportunity to come together in Christian fellowship and to learn about God's love. Our theme, "Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity," taught about the fact that God is with us always just as He was with Daniel.

Every night each "tribe" went to the following in some order: Daniel's room, Palace Playground (Games), and the Marketplace (2 activities). Through various activities and stories, the children heard and experienced key elements to Babylonian life and finding God's presence past and present. Most children came every evening, looking forward to what was new to learn!

Our community service project was for Woody's Home for Veterans here in Shreveport. It was an amazing success with a carload of donated household items and supplies, plus \$87.12 (mostly coins!) donated through our coin-by-weight competition. Dr. Ron Key extends much thanks for the thoughtfulness of our children and their families.

Many loving hearts and hands went into the preparation and experience of VBS. We would like to recognize and thank these generous individuals:

**Publicity** Christy Rushing

#### **VBS** Dinners

Mary Jane Weatherman , Kitchen Chief Reggie Graves Rob Latimer Pat Oglesby Linda Rocks Leah Thelen Betty Webster

Adult Bible Study Deanna Beaubouef Carol Pabst

**Opening and Closing Celebrations** Bonnie Martin A/V John Areno and Linda Rocks

#### **Tribe leaders**

Melanie Cockerell Renee Eaken Barbara Fanta Mary France Trish Krippner Susie Lawless Sara and Kenny Loftin Erica Murrell Carol Shively

**Tribe Assistants** 

Zoe Bratlie Elizabeth Brice Elizabeth Burgess Christian Eakin Toby Fontenot Katrina Harrell Carlie Hurley Emma Lunn Madison Rushing Rachael Weatherman

Check out next weeks newsletter for more pictures of our 2012 VBS!

#### Market Place Angie Anders

Tanya Culligan Katie Martin Dana Mattison Carol Pabst Jennifer Puyear Ken Shively Camilla Wallace

#### Games

Don and Patty Kimmell Todd France, Jr Nathan Renfro Russell Elliott

**Pre-VBS Children's Activities** Amy Avery Diana Crawford Becky Flippo

**Storytellers: Daniel and Ashpenaz** Michael Puryear Cameron Martin

#### **Photographer** Robert Asher

#### VBS Set-up and Clean-up

JoDel Adkins Robert Asher and Harry Asher David, Elizabeth and William Brice Renee Eaken Barbara Fanta Becky and Joey Flippo Trish Krippner Rob, Cora and Cale Latimer Bethany Loader Emma Lunn Bonnie, Katie and Cameron Martin James, Bailey and Archer Monk Carol Pabst Carol and Ken Shively Camilla, Hannah and Ian Wallace

With much appreciation, Lesley Brice and Jill Latimer, VBS Co-Chairs Georgia Monk, Director of Christian Education







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### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT KHCC

#### Wednesday, June 20

12:30 pm - AA, Fellowship Hall

#### Thursday, June 21

9:00 am - Bridge, Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm - Spanish Home Bible Study 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting 8:00 pm - AA, Fellowship Hall

#### Friday, June 22

12:30 & 8:00 - AA, Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm - Discovery Class Dinner, Country Tavern

#### Saturday, June 23

7:00 am - Casa Esperanza Garage Sale 11:00 am - Louisiana Christian Writers, Keystone Classroom

#### Sunday, June 24

#### 8:45 am - Meet N' Greet

9:15 am - Traditional Worship Service 10:15 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Hispanic Sunday School 11:11 am - Contemporary Worship Service 11:30 am - Hispanic Worship Service No Evening Activities

#### Monday, June 25

6:45 am - Elder's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall **9:30 am - JOY Fellowship, Fellowship Hall** 12:30 pm & 8:00 pm - AA, Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday, June 26

5:30 pm - Bell Practice, Choir Room 6:30 pm - Praise Band Rehearsal 7:00 pm - Doctors AA, Keystone 7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

#### Wednesday, June 27

12:30 pm - AA, Fellowship Hall

Discovery Class Dinner Friday, June 22nd @ 6:30 pm At Country Tavern