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August 2002. Third floor of Baptist Health (formerly Regional Medical Center), Madisonville, Kentucky. Room number 354. Four months before my father passed from this world into the next.

Looking outside the window, a tree, reaching the fifth floor, acted as a high rise for sparrows, nesting at the end of the day. At night the moon crept into the sky and peered through the tree as if he rose to play “peek-a-boo” with the patient who occupied the premises.

Two doors down came the commotion, the sound of weeping and wailing, like the sound you imagined when Jairus’ daughter died (Mk. 5:39). With family in the room, the doctor delivered the news to the forty year-old man, “You have terminal lung cancer. We’ll try aggressive treatments, but . . .” his voice fading away because they’re either not listening or his words weren’t registering. A mother, brothers, sisters, wife, and teenage son surrounded the loved one and, with tears flowing from their faces, offered limited comfort.

Around the corner and in front of the elevators, a young mother held her newborn son; the father was holding his son’s twin sister. Twins: double the fun, but double the stress. Joy and laughter mixed with anxiety and apprehension filled the hallway, as the reality of raising twins was just beginning to set in.

Walking back to room number 354, I expected to view a room filled with emptiness. My father lay in bed with blood-clots in his legs, while my mother patiently sat by his side. They found themselves 2500 miles from his physician, friends, and church-family, in a hospital they had never visited. His temporary attending physician was mine and Cile’s primary care physician who agreed to treat my father as a favor to me. The moment had all the makings of loneliness, for who would come to sit with my mom and pray with my dad?

Community, as a means to alleviate loneliness, was part of God’s creation from the beginning. Eve was created so that Adam would not be alone (Gen. 2:18). Even part of God’s creation of community arose because he himself was part of community; the words “Let us,” often appearing throughout the Genesis narrative (1:26; 3:22; 11:7 et. al.) and reflects the communal nature of God. Whether the Genesis writer was speaking of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, or simply the heavenly host, I don’t know. Ultimately, in skipping a ton of the God-story, God, out of his passion for community, created the church to provide a community for humanity. He knew we couldn’t make it on our own, and he knew we needed the means to help each other during the difficult days. He knew he needed to counter the loneliness with community.

So there my dad lay in a hospital bed, alone and as far away from home as you could imagine without leaving the States. But he was never alone. Twenty-four people from the local church blocked out time from their schedule to visit with my parents (some found time for more than one visit). Phone calls, prayers, cards, and flowers were sent, making my parents feel like they were never strangers but fellow servants. And while I anticipated such generosity, I was still overwhelmed by the actions.

Such was the view from room 354.

Soli Deo Gloria!





Prayers For Sunshine Family

David Bradshaw undergoing physical therapy.

Dee Bradshaw battling stomach bug.

Helen Creech prayers for ongoing strength.

Ronnie Hardin will have surgery, followed by 6 months of recovery and therapy.

Rose Havens successful cataract surgery this past week.

Garnet Lindeman ongoing health concerns.

Norm McGinnis back surgery on April 23.

Shaun Young had successful back surgery at Riverside. May be home by today.

Special Members

Judi Allison Elbrooke room #535.

Gene and Esther Crisp Riverbend 123.

Sarah Gililand moved to Hill View, room #3223.

Ike Hardin Edgewood Manner.

Ruth Morris at Best Care room #76 for rehab and therapy.

Prayer Requests

Sheila Bloomfield Hickman (Friend of Pam Coriell) is at James Cancer Center with stage 4 bone cancer.

Weldonna Evans (Dee's Mother) in the process of moving to Pleasant Hill because of other health issues.

Joe Gumbert (Debbie Raiser's Dad) obstruction has been cleared but his arteries are blocked.

Joe Reed (Penny's friend) continued prayers concerning his leg amputation.

Sharon Shoemaker is home.

Staci Ward (Jeanette O'Dell's sister) recovering from a stroke at SOMC rehab. Still no feeling on her right side, but doing great in therapy.



3/18	Area Wide Singing (At Sunshine)
4/8-4/29	Spring Home Groups
4/2	Sweet Monday
5/5	MHS After Prom 2018
6/18-22	2018 Vacation Bible School

Sunshine Church Service Info

Anonymous Prayer Request Hotline:

Text **94706** & **your request** to the phone # **22333**

Sunday Morning Live Streaming: <http://media.sunshine-church.com> or <http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

Call-Em-All Updates/Corrections

Check out in the foyer the lists of current names and numbers on our Call-Em-All. Please mark corrections and/or add names and numbers to the addition page. The list will be kept out for a couple weeks. Thank you.

Shout Out!

Congratulations to Matthew Gampp for graduating from Officer Training Command.

Elders Meeting Together

March 2018

Meeting:

Sunday, Mar. 11 and 25 at 5:00PM

Praying:

Thursday, Mar. 29 at 7:30PM

Sweet Monday

Mark your calendars for Sweet Monday, April 2.



Honduras Mission Trips Information

The dates have been set for the Honduras mission trips this year:

May 23-30 College/Innermission Trip

July 26-30 Family Trip

There will be a meeting for the College/Innermission trip following Sunday morning services on March 11. Meeting for Family trip will be in a couple of weeks.

Sunshine Slideshow Pictures

For those who brought pictures in for the Sunshine building slideshow, pictures can be picked up in the office on the counter. Thank you!

2018 Vacation Bible School

The dates have been set for this year's VBS! Please join us June 18-22 here at the building from 6:30-8:00 pm every evening. This year's theme is *Follow The Leader*. We will be studying the stories of Gideon, Moses, Joshua, and Jesus. Please mark your calendars to join us. It takes a lot of people to help with VBS and we want to get the dates out their early!

March Birthdays Celebration

March birthdays will be celebrated following Wednesday's evening service, March 21st. Everyone welcome!



Real Love T-shirts

There are still Real Love t-shirts and a few green shirts as well that are for sale. All shirts are \$12 unless they are 2 or 3 X, then \$14. All proceeds for the green shirt go to Jamie Forbes and the Real Love grey shirts go to Terese Jones or Shaun McCray. Any questions please see Terese Jones.

Area Wide Singing Today

We will be hosting an Area Wide Singing today from 2:00pm-4:00pm. We will be light refreshments and fellowship after the singing.

Sign-Up Lists For Home Groups

Please be sure to check out the sign-up lists in the foyer today. There is a sign-up list for anyone who is willing to be a Home Group Host for our spring Home Groups (April 8, 15, 22, and 29).

Dishes From Recent Dinners

There are still some dishes left from recent celebration and feeding the Great Lakes Chorus Choir. Be sure to check the kitchen for any dishes that may be yours. Thank you!



Logo for 2018 VBS

Family Bible Time

Week 12 Text:

March 18—Lesson 127 Genesis 19

March 21—Lesson 128 Genesis 20 and 21

Week 13 Text:

Genesis 22 and 23 & 24



Those Who Serve

Sun. Morning	3/18/2018	3/25/2018	4/1/2018
Welcome	Shaun McCray	Rich Book	Don Coriell
Reading	Mike Gampp	Terry Grashel	Dusty Henry
Midservice Prayer	Jared McCray	Caleb Miller	Derek Miller
Communion	Shawn Gragg	Dale Kuhn	Aaron Kallner
Closing Prayer	Eric Meredith	Jeff Vanatta	Johnny Beekman
Sun. Evening	3/18/2018	3/25/2018	4/1/2018
Song Leader	Matthew Hoskins	Aaron McCray	Rich Book
Reading	Derrick Mooneyham	Shane Mougey	Don Ramey
Communion	Jason Coriell	Ryan Coriell	David Deacon
Assist	Eli Cordle	Matthew Partlow	Garris Coriell
Prayer	David Deacon	Jason Foster	Troy Gahm
Wed. Evening	3/21/2018	3/28/2018	4/4/2018
Song Leader	Jamie Riley	Greg Shepherd	Matthew Partlow
Prayer	Jordan Book	David Bradshaw	Roger Cooper

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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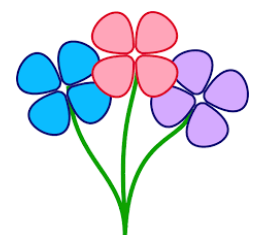
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Spring Words:

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Softball
Tennis
Grow
Puddles
Kites
Flowers
Rain
Baseball
Outside
Breezy
Sunshine
Thunderstorms
Sunny
Umbrella
Track
Bloom
Easter
Rainbows



Have a wonderful day! :)