

# Happy Birthday to You!

If your birthday isn't listed, we don't have it on file. Please contact us with your birthday. Thank you.

Singles 2	05/02	Kathy Alexander
	05/07	Lorraine Bowman
	05/22	Peggy McDaniel
	05/27	Robbie Christenson
Singles 3	05/31	Jay Hatcher
	05/25	Vickie Andrews
	05/29	Hoot Gibson
Singles 4	05/29	Alice Rice
	05/01	Dorothy Lane
	05/02	Ruth Claiborne
	05/03	Pearl Eads
	05/08	Dorothy Nabors
	05/10	Jerry Bryant
	05/14	Louise Owens
05/30	Barbara Walker	

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Singles Sunday School LEADERS...we appreciate you! Thank you for your weekly service. And thanks, also, to any of you who contact guests, host an activity, plan social events, make coffee, bring refreshments...and I could go on and on. The point is...WE NEED ALL OF YOU doing your part to make our ministry successful. Let's keep pitching in, inviting new guests and building up the fellowship here at Central.

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We exist that people may

**KNOW** Jesus Christ as Lord,  
**GROW** as His disciples, and  
**SHARE** His love in word and deed.

## Central Baptist Bearden Singles Newsletter

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# LUNCHEON

## Sunday, May 2

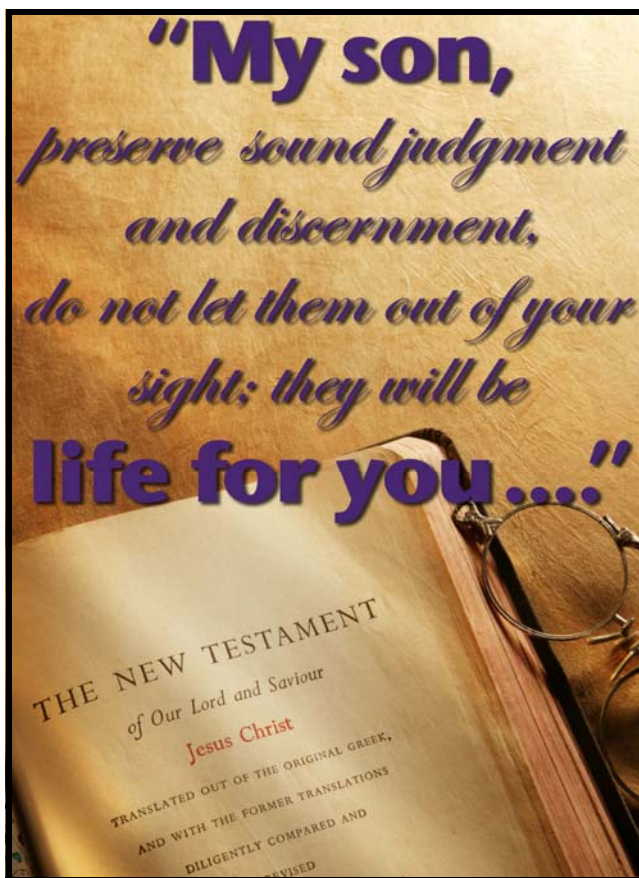
\$5 per person - Kids and First-Time S. S. Prospects Free

**Menu: Chicken Tetrazzini, Green Beans, Slaw,**

A TIME TO SAY, "THANK YOU," AND, "FAREWELL" TO LORI

The revolving staff door continues to turn at Central Baptist Bearden. This time it opens for LORI NESTOR, who has served as administrative assistant to several ministry areas in her three years here. Lori came on board with the "challenge" of working with both Tim Clark and myself. Can you imagine? Along the way, as Tim departed, she has filled in in other places, and more recently had begun assisting Mark Moreland in his new duties. Little did we know her versatility would make her an attractive employee for another organization. Beginning May 3, Lori will be the Special Events person and office manager for the American Diabetes Association of Knoxville. This will be a great opportunity for Lori to flourish and serve an organization close to her heart, and with an office location several miles closer to her residence. We say, "Thank You," to Lori and send her to the ADA with our blessing and prayers. To Ken and their kids, we say thank you as well.

You are probably wondering what we will be doing staff wise. As with other full-time losses recently, we are taking these vacancies as an opportunity to evaluate total staff and structure. But while we do that, we still want this position covered part-time, and are already working toward that end. That having been said, I do ask your patience during another phase of transition. The whole church has been so faithful and responsive the past few months, for which I am very grateful. Thank you for your understanding and support.....Robert



**Proverbs  
3:21-22, NIV**

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## Singles 2

David and Mary Bluford, Directors 986-3181  
10:45 a.m. Room 331

### The Shepherd Never Loses Me

The words he had spoken would be fulfilled! "I have not lost one of those you gave me." John 18:9

I remember playing hide and seek with my older siblings and parents. My siblings would go hide while our parents count with their eyes closed. We hoped to find the perfect hiding place where our parents would not find us. When our parents said, "Ready or not, here we come," they would start looking for us. While they were searching for us, we would cover our mouths to stop our giggles. But they found us anyway. Our parents would smile and bring us into their loving arms.

Jesus will search for us because we are like sheep who often go astray and get lost. But unlike the game of "hide and seek", we must call out to Him. When we do, He will pick us up into His loving arms and bring us back into the fold.

Submitted by Betty Franklin

## What "Mother" Means

"Mother" is such a simple word,  
But to me there's meaning seldom heard.  
For everything I am today,  
My mother's love showed me the way.  
I'll love my mother all my days,  
For enriching my life in so many ways.  
**She set me straight and then set me free,**  
And that's what the word "mother" means to me.  
Thanks for being a wonderful mother, Mom!

By Karl Fuchs

Happy Mother's Day! David and Mary

## Singles 3

Alice Rice, Director 691-7669  
9:00 a.m. Room 335

For the believer looking for a personal mission statement, John Vincent has made a good start.

### A Morning Resolve

I will this day try to live a simple, sincere, and serene life; repelling promptly every thought of discontent, anxiety, discouragement, impurity, and self-seeking; cultivating cheerfulness, magnanimity, charity, and the habit of holy silence; exercising economy in expenditure, carefulness in conversation, diligence in appointed service, fidelity to every trust, and a childlike trust in God.—*John H. Vincent*

We will observe Memorial Day on May 31 this year and as you remember those active and veteran service men and women in your life, remember that "Only two defining forces have ever offered to die for you, Jesus Christ and the American G.I. One died for your soul, the other for your freedom."

### May 2, Singles Lunch

**May 15, Scottish Games** in Gatlinburg; information to be provided.

**May 22, Pickin' Porch**, 7645 East Lamar Alexander Parkway, Townsend, with Don Pedi on the Mountain Dulcimer. We'll leave the church parking lot at 4 and have dinner before the concert. Bring a folding chair and a friend.

**June 4, First Friday on Market Square.** Take this opportunity to explore downtown Knoxville.

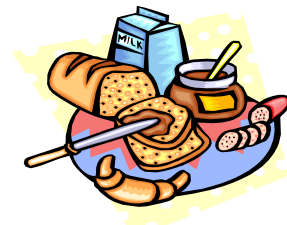
Regards,

Alice

## Singles 3 Breakfast Bunch (9:00 am)

May 1	McDonalds (KP Near Papermill)
8	Earthfare (Bearden)
15	Hardees
22	Perkins
29	Panera (Peters Road)

Sunday Refreshments	
May 2	Carol Bardill
9	Carole Byars
16	Sandra Green
23	Wendy Compton
30	Don Mauldin



## Singles 4

Co-Directors  
**Ruth Claiborne 693-1168**  
**and Dawn Huneycutt 588-9438**  
9:00 a.m. Room 331

I know this is Springtime and we all enjoy and appreciate the sunshine, flowers and singing birds. It truly lifts our spirits. But, I guess because of my own recent back surgery and dealing with pain and inability to function as I always have, it's really put me to thinking how much more we "old folks" in Singles 4 have the need of Jesus. A number of our group recently have had to move in order to be in assisted living and nearer relatives who can assist with health problems. Some are unable to attend Sunday School at all, while others have recurring weaknesses that keep us at home.

Through the years as I've read through God's Holy Word, I underscored and made note of some verses that now have such a special meaning, I Cor. 10:13 reminds us -- "God will allow no suffering, no trial above what you are able to bear."

If there are great trials in your life today, don't acknowledge it as defeat. Instead, continue by faith to claim victory through Him who is able to make you "more than conquerors." (Romans 8:37)

In all my difficult times, I must know that God is giving me the opportunity to exercise my faith in Him that will bring blessed results and glory to His name. Hebrews 4:16 says, "Let us then approach the throne of grace in confidence, so that we may receive mercy and grace to help us in our times of need." Don't we have the Word's promise that the same power that raised Christ from the grave is also available to help us with our daily problems? So, when we feel weak and limited, shouldn't we remember that God can give us strength to carry on? He has told us that the same power that controls creation and raised Christ is also available to us for daily needs.

"Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure." "For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:26 & 30) "Faith is the conviction based on past experience that God's new and fresh surprises will surely be ours." (Hebrews 11:1) "He has given us His very great and precious promises." (2Peter 1:4) "Even to your old age and gray hairs I am He, I am He who will sustain you. I have made you and will carry you; I will sustain you and will rescue you." (Isaiah 46:4)

Submitted by Irene Norman



## Sunday Refreshments

May 2	Ruth Claiborne
9	Joe Beshears
16	Nancy Reineiro
23	Clara Segars
30	Louise Owens