

Music City Christian Fellowship

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. - Matthew 11:28 (NIV)

Jan-Feb-Mar 2011 Newsletter

NEWS

Corey Brooks and Damascus Road embarks on their 'Faith Speaks Louder' tour in churches for 2011.

Sandra Lee Burdick's song, "He Will Show You the Way" reached # 4 on the Feb 2011 CGC Top 100 Chart. Congratulations!

Tim and Kym Couch have released a new CD called "By Request". Songs of oldies, but goodies, and favorite originals.

Former MCCF board member Rev. Larry Dunlap, has written a book, "Pour House Café", published by WestBow Press. Brother Larry is now speaking at churches, community groups, etc. about this book of stories of life and calamity in a small southern town.

Peggy Inks has been nominated in several categories of the CGM Fan Fest Awards: Soloist, Female Vocalist, Song (*Jesus Is My Best Friend*), Album (*Tribute To My Mother*), Video (*What Kind Of Games Do Children Play In Heaven*), and the Naomi Sego Living Legend.

Congratulations to Hillary Scott - MCCF member and Lady Antebellum member. Lady Antebellum emerged as the top winner at the 53RD ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS, winning a total of five awards. Trophies included Record of the Year, Song of the Year, Country Performance by a Duo or Group, Country Song of the Year for their smash hit "Need You Now", and Country Album of the Year.

2010 CGC Choice Awards include:

Radio Program - *Don's Variety Show* - Donald Burdick
Encourager Ministry Award - Daniel Johnson
Hall Of Fame - Cowboy Joe & The Babcocks
Band Of The Year - GunnPoint Band (Randy & Heidi Gunn)

The recently televised 7th Annual USAGEM Awards Show was held at the Texas Troubadour Theatre in Nashville, TN. Several members and friends of MCCF were gratified. Below is a partial list of award winners:

Diamond Award: Fairfield Four member, Larrice Byrd
Ruby Award: Edie Jones
Sapphire Award: Amanda Fessant
Group Of The Year: The Fox Brothers
Soloist Of The Year: Joanne Cash Yates
Female Vocalist Of The Year: Amanda Fessant
Song Of The Year: "I've Had Enough" - Performed by The Gardners
Songwriter Of The Year: Joel Hemphill
Musician Of The Year: Shelton Bissell
Comedian Of The Year: Roy Fox
Southern Gospel Crown Jewel: The Hemphills
Christian Country Crown Jewel: Rene Jones
Bluegrass/Acoustic Crown Jewel: Glenn Tubb

MCCF FUNDRAISING CONCERTS

Saturday Evenin' Country
Saturday April 2, 2011 - 6:00pm
First Baptist Church of Joelton
7140 Whites Creek Pike
Joelton, TN 37080

Featuring Linda Davis, Holly Watson, Cowboy Joe & The Babcocks, Rene'and Edie Jones, Judy Gilbert, First Baptist Joelton Praise Band with Rick and Priscilla Hammer, hosted by Lynn Fox.

For more information call Judy Gilbert (615) 876-4832

Friday Evenin' Country
Friday April 8, 2011 - 7:00pm
Family Worship Center
1503 Sulphur Springs Road
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Featuring Cowboy Joe & The Babcocks, Rene'and Edie Jones, Sunday Edition, hosted by Bev McCann.

For more information call Bev McCann (615) 299-6659

The purpose of these concerts is to raise funds for Sunday Mornin' Country©. If you are interested in hosting or having a benefit concert at your church, please contact Judy Gilbert (615) 876-4832 to plan and schedule a concert at your church.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUN 12 - **Sunday Mornin' Country©** 2011 32nd Anniversary Celebration - 2:30 pm at the Grand Ole Opry House. This year's show will be a tribute to some of the greatest Country Music Hall of Fame "Legends" and will be co-hosted by Linda Davis and George Hamilton IV.

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PRAYING FOR YOU

Joe Blackburn - one of our members in KY and a great witness, had surgery at Vanderbilt. The pathology report came back, just as we prayed, that the cancer was solely contained in the prostate and had not spread.

Joel Hemphill had his 6th and final chemo treatment and all is well.

Gene Triesch fell from a roof, landed on his head and required surgery. He is now back home in Blanco, Texas and is doing remarkably well.

Amanda Fessant, and her family, needs your continued prayers, for healing and strength, as she continues her battle with breast cancer.

James and Ruby Payne - Please keep **Ruby Payne**, and the entire Payne family, in your prayers as she faces a battle with her health.

Debbie Bennett recently had surgery to remove cancer. She is extremely grateful for your prayers and support through this.

Vickie Gardner's daughter, **Amber Abendroth** and family ask for continued prayer for Vickie for her strength and wisdom in decisions to be made.

Michael Gardner - Pray for **Michael Gardner** of **The Gardners** as he serves as the new **USAGEM** President.

CONDOLENCES

Family of **Charlie Louvin** who passed away at 83 on January 26. A member of the Country Music Hall of Fame, he was revered as a true icon of country music for decades.

Family of **Eddie Carter**, former Chuck Wagon Gang tenor, and the last living son of Dad and Mom Carter, passed away.

Family of **Susan Unthank**, founder and Editor-In-Chief of **AbsolutelyGospel.com** (formerly **SoGospelNews.com**) and wife of **Charles Deon Unthank**.

Family of **Mark Thomas**, member of MCCF, whose mother passed away in January.

Country Chorale® News

If you would like to sing in the Chorale, please contact **Joe Babcock** as soon as possible by phone **615-794-4095** or email **cowboyjoebabcock@comcast.net**. Rehearsals are at the **Musician's Union**, 7:30pm on Thursday, June 9 and Friday, June 10; and 12 noon Saturday, June 11. Looking forward to seeing all of you again!

For the next newsletter, please send your news, prayer requests, praises and any newsworthy information to **Mona Faith** at **Mona@monafaith.com** or **rfant@bellsouth.net**, before the first day of the month. We consider it very important to receive information from you to include in the newsletter.

Music City Christian Fellowship 2011 Election Results

The Annual MCCF Election was held in January at BMI in Nashville and the following board members were elected to three year terms:

Lynn Fox (second term)
Helen Luke (second term)
Dianne Sherrill (first term)
Edie Jones (first term)

Due to circumstances beyond her control, **Melanie Walker** has resigned her position as board member. As per our bylaws - Our first alternate, **Bev McCann** has been contacted. She has agreed to complete the remaining one year of Melanie's term.

In February, the newly elected MCCF Board Of Directors held their election for officers. Our 2011 **MCCF Officers** are:

Lynn Fox - President
Linda Davis - Vice President
Dianne Sherrill - Secretary
Lorrie Babcock Hendrickson - Treasurer

Attention All MCCF Members!

We are now transitioning the MCCF **Newsletter** to **email only**. We need your help to make sure you don't miss a single issue. Please send an email ASAP to **Don and Peggy Inks** at **dinksjr@yahoo.com**; letting them know what email address to send the newsletter to. Your email address will not be published or shared with anyone else. We are hoping to compile an email list of all members. **You will benefit by receiving your news and information sooner and you will be helping MCCF save time and postal expenses.** Thank you for your help.