



*Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church
Cumming, Georgia
Established 1881*

August, 2011 Pastor Randy Richards
Sunday School 9:45 ~ Worship Service 11:00

A Note From Our Pastor:

Thanks be unto God from whom all blessings flow for the revival he sent our way! I needed a revival and God certainly revived my heart and soul even though I did not deserve it! I believe he revived most others who sought it as well. We all have been in revivals when there were more people saved, but I'm not sure I have been in a revival where the spirit and power of God was any more revealing and evident. For Kyle and Hannah, this will be a week they will never forget! Mt. Pisgah will always be Bethel to them.....the place where they met Jesus! It was an honor for me to baptize Kelton and Carolee. We should continue to lift each of these up in our prayers as all four embark upon their new journey as Christians and Kelton and Carolee as new members of Mt. Pisgah. I am truly thankful for Brother Terry Caylor being willing to allow God to use him in the pulpit in such a powerful way and for preaching the Gospel of Christ in power and might! Thank you, Mt. Pisgah, for praying and supporting the revival. You prayed, you asked, you knocked, and you received! Praise God! May the Revival in our hearts continue as we begin a new church year.

Revival services has ended, July has passed, summer vacations are about over, and school is about to start again for another year. We have those among us who are just starting their primary education, those entering middle school, those who are in high school, those who are finishing their last year of high school, and those who are "leaving the nest" to either begin or continue their College career. We need to keep our youth in our prayers no matter what stage of life they are in or are approaching. We will certainly miss those who will be away at College who cannot come home every weekend for Church services, but please know you are in our prayers as you start a new chapter of your life and continue your education. All of you remember with each new phase in life, you will have a new kind of freedom and with that freedom comes responsibility. You are all great young adults who have been taught well by your parents. So, remember you upbringing and always seek to honor God in everything you do. Have fun and enjoy the best years of your life, but remember God is always watching and he will guide and protect if you will allow. As I reflect back on my school years, I have many good memories of friendships, ballgames, good times, and, yes, learning, but it could have been better. If I could go back, I would do some things differently. We all would, I suppose. I would be more intentional about glorifying God and not be too shy or too afraid to talk about Jesus and my relationship with him to others. I would spend more of my time in prayer rather than worrying about things out of my control. I would want to be a brighter light for Jesus so that others could see him in me. To all of us, young and old, let's just be who God intended for us to be and lift him up in our lives.

Keep all of our students, teachers, bus drivers, and other school employees in our prayers, as well as, the sick, those in nursing homes, and the shut-ins. God is so Great! He hears us when we pray!

In Christ's Love,
Randy