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FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR

Rev. David Hall

Highlight Reel for 2010

The following are tokens of growth in grace that I see as I review the concluding year:

- A Bookstore begun and more fine literature being distributed.
- A great Reformation Worship Conference, with another one planned for this fall.
- Our pulpit filled by the following esteemed guests: Steve Lawson, Joel Beeke, Geoffrey Thomas, Harry Reeder, Terry Johnson, Mark Ross, and Jon Payne.
- Budget adequacy in an extremely difficult three-year cycle. All missions and ministries funded and supported!
- The largest numbers of youth to various conferences.
- More great Sunday School classes .
- New deacons and elders elected and many others stepping up for ministry.
- Summer Sunday School class on hymns and psalms

Please accept the thanks of the entire Hall family for your love, support, and desire to serve the Lord. It's been a wonderful Advent to cap a good year. Who knows what 2011 holds? Actually, we know the answer to that: our all-knowing God. And he does all things well.

Happy New Year!

Sermon Previews

Our morning sermon series on Romans will continue after the first of the year. We've covered Romans 1-3 this fall. From January to Easter (late this year), we'll cover Romans 4-7, a wonderful, practical, and full section of the epistle. Why not invite a friend for a verse-by-verse exposition, resuming Jan. 9, 2011.

Beginning Jan. 2, 2011, our evening series from 1 Samuel will chart the Life of David. Having seen the role of Samuel and the anointing of Saul, Israel's first Monarch, the rest of 1 Samuel focuses on David. One cannot help but benefit from a study of his life.

Several families have begun enjoying evening worship in a new year. It is indeed an excellent time to set your schedules and join the family of God for worship. If worship is good once a week, how could it not be twice a week?

CUTTING FLOOR: Charles Spurgeon greeted his congregation after the completion of a span of ministry. As we look forward to a ninth year of ministry with you, I echo his sentiments:

May God grant that this year may be the best year this Church has ever had. This year concludes eight years of my ministry among you, and Now that we begin this year, may the Lord make it so that all the past shall seem to be as nothing compared with that which is to come. I bless you my brothers and sisters in the name of the Lord, and commencing this year, I beg again for renewed tokens of your affection by a renewal of your prayers; and on my part, I only trust that it may be mine through this year, and long as I live, to be giving my amen to that doxology- "To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."

Announcements



Bridal Shower-Brunch
in honor of
Miss Megan Hall
(fiancée of Mr. Steffan Numm)

Saturday, January 29th
10:00 a.m.
in the fellowship hall

All ladies are cordially invited
to join us for this event.

Megan and Steffan are registered at
Macy's, Target, and
Bed Bath & Beyond

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*Mark your calendars and save*  
*Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011*  
*for the Hall - Numm wedding.*



*Thank You!*

What a wonderful family we have at Midway. I want to thank you for your prayers, cards and visits. They meant so much to Harold and me.  
Donna Mills

## **COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES**

On Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be assembling care packages for our college students. Please submit your college students' names and addresses on the list provided at the WIC table if you would like for them to receive a package. Donations of non-perishable items are needed. Some suggestions are stamps, restaurant gift certificates, candy, microwave popcorn, toiletry items, rolled coins, etc. You may place your donations in the box provided by WIC in the coffee area outside the kitchen. If you have questions, please contact Jen Bowen at 404-909-9446.

## **YOUTH PARENTS LUNCHEON**

Sunday, Jan. 9 after the morning service. Come for lunch (please bring a main dish and a side; OR a main dish and dessert to share) and hear what lessons and events the High School and Middle School youth group has planned for Spring 2011.

## **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you would like to receive preprinted envelopes, please sign up on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you have already signed up, please pick up your envelopes at this same table.

## **THE 2011 SANCTUARY FLOWER**

Sign-up sheet is on the WIC table. Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers for a specific Sunday. Please call Jennifer Siewert at 678-920-1534 with any questions.

## **UPDATED DIRECTORIES**

We are updating our directory. If you had a change in the past year (new phone number, address, baby etc.) contact, Sherry at [church.office@midwaypca.org](mailto:church.office@midwaypca.org) no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Missions

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## MIDWAY-SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES

Stanley and Donna Armes - MTW, South Africa  
Peter and Diane Bakelaar - MTW, Japan  
David and Stacy Bergmark MTW National Associate – Sweden  
Chris and Jen Bowen – RUF Kennesaw State University  
Roy and Kristy – Restricted, Asia  
Benji and Esther Campbell – WBT Papua New Guinea  
David and Sue Cunningham - MTW, Australia  
Alan and Chinglien Fiol - MTW, Taiwan  
Dan and Rebecca Gregoire – MTW, Slovakia  
Sebastian and Isabel Heck – R2G, Germany  
Tim and Lois Hunter - WBT Orlando/Nigeria  
Gary and Linda Johnson – MTW, Sweden  
Scott and Tracy Ketrow - CCC, Italy  
Dale and Nancy Knudson - MTW, Cambodia  
Albert & Jennifer Kona – MTA, Albania  
Endi and Kati Kovacs - CRM, Hungary  
John and Kathy Lesondak - MTW, Slovakia  
Steve and Ann Lutz – SIM, USA  
Tim and Nicole - Restricted, Europe  
David and Jill Martin - MTW, Ukraine  
Demetrios Marmaras - PEF, Greece  
Mike and Robin McMahan - MTW, Ecuador  
Bob and Patty Meredith - NAV, Kenya  
Harry and Julie Miller - PEF, Atlanta/Bulgaria  
Wayne and Amy Newsome - MTW, Japan  
Young and Soon Park - MTW, South Korea  
Jean Paul – RHI, Haiti  
Andy and Sue Peck - WBT, Orlando  
Chuck and Wyema - Restricted, Europe  
Clay and Darlene Quarterman - MTW, Ukraine  
Nathan and Clare Richardson – HCCF, Panama  
Palmer and Joanna Robertson - ABU, Uganda  
Guillermo and Jeannie Salinas - PEF, Mexico  
Roger and Dianne Smalling - MTW, Latin America  
John and Liz - Restricted, West Africa  
Jan – Restricted, Europe  
Linda Summer - PEF, The Agape Puppets  
Jim and Catalina Tate - MTW, Ecuador  
Johan and Stephanie van der Westhuizen, MTW, Chile  
Bruce and Barbara Wannemacher - MTW, South Africa  
Becky White - MTW, Taiwan  
Linda Wixon - MTW, Japan  
Steve and Kathy Womack – WBT, Waxhaw / Africa  
Pat Wood - PEF, Freedom Ministries

### Mission Organizations supported by Midway

ABU -- African Bible University  
CCC -- Campus Crusade for Christ  
CRM-- Church Resource Ministries  
MTA -- Missions to Albania  
MTW -- Mission to the World  
NAV - The Navigators  
PEF - Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship  
Restricted – due to sensitive ministry  
RHI -- Reformation Hope, Inc.  
R2G - Reformation 2 Germany  
RUF - Reformed University Fellowship  
SIM - Serving in Mission  
WBT -- Wycliffe Bible Translators

The year 2010 was another good year for Missions at Midway. Midway members showed their love for missions by praying, giving and going.

After the Haitian earthquake in January Midway members showed their love and support by giving generously to relief efforts at the Orphanage and Church run by Reformation Hope. With ours and other churches help fresh drinking water was made available at the orphanage.

This summer, because of the congregations support, we were able to send Midway members to Albania to work alongside Bertie and Jenny Kona our missionaries in Durres. Scott, Laura, and Lexi Keesee spent their whole summer in Durres and a larger short term team spent a week in Albania. The church was greatly blessed and the Konas encouraged by Midway's ministry there.

Many of you may not know that each Sunday afternoon at 5:15 a faithful group of prayer warriors meets in the Berean Sunday school classroom to pray for the needs of our missionaries. This has been going on for several years and they would love to have you join them. That would be an excellent commitment to make as we begin a new year.

In 2010 Midway supported 43 missionaries with a Missions budget of almost \$190,000. Take some time to get to know our missionaries by stopping by the missions display area near the beverage center outside of the Fellowship Hall.

We are looking forward to another active year in 2011. We will be hosting a Missions Conference on February 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Joey Pipa President of the Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. We will be sharing additional details about this in the coming weeks. Please plan to attend.

Jim Wolff  
For the Missions Committee

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