AIKEN CHURCH OF CHRIST/NOVEMBER 2026

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



By Andrea Phillip

__Fall__ is the most beautiful season of them all. The cool down from the extreme heat of summer as we slowly approach winter lows. __Fall__ is the perfect cozy medium with a little bit of this and a little bit of that. I love the falling leaves covering the driveway and I love opening all the windows allowing the fresh air to blow throughout the house. I love the evenings with my family around the firepit roasting marshmallows and telling stories, testifying how good God is. Also, in the __FALL__, if so desired, it's just warm enough for an afternoon dip in the pool! Yes, I am convinced that __FALL__ is indeed the most beautiful season of them all. Every season brings something beautiful, a new experience, change, something pleasant, and often challenges. But with every season we have the opportunity to __Fall__ in love and embrace the time that is, while it is. Likewise, the seasons of our lives, forever changing and forever an opportunity to embrace the moment. Shakespeare describes women in three seasons, or stages of life: the maiden, the mother and the crone. The season of the maiden is like spring and summer time. The sun is high just as the young girls' hopes and dreams are. It may rain, but it's needful and it's still bright, happy, and free. Great plans are made with excitement and ambition. If only young maidens would __FALL__ in love with their season of time with God before winter comes and they'll say, "I have no pleasure in them" (Eccl. 12:1). Don't __Fall__ into anxiety but __FALL__ toward greatness in Christ, and one day you'll say, "What an awesome time that was!" The season of the mother is childbearing and nurturing.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Jan McWilliams
1 - Elizabeth Timmerman
1 - Libby Waycaster
2 - Luis Martinez
5 - Carley Taylor
8 - Samantha Alexander
9 - Travis Fountain
12 - Anna Cate Cooley
13 - Eli Goldy
16 - Julie Bean
17 - Edie Gough
21 - Caleb Gantt
21 - Jesse Nichols
24 - Kathy Young
26 - Wanta Davenport
28 - John Frazier
29 - Robert Cooley
29 - Twylia Stewart
30 - Steven Spire

Let's __FALL__ in love with our husbands every day, enjoying his smile and strong embrace. As we watch our children grow, change, and blossom right before our eyes, what a great time this is! Someone please press the pause button! What a great time to care for our home. Preparing meals for everyone to enjoy with thanksgiving and praise. Truly, this is a season of love, for the mother is loved. This is my season, and I will not __FALL__ for Satan's trickery of feeling burdensome and forgotten because I know my reward is great! (Prov. 31:28-31) Then there is the season of the crone. Let us all stand and __FALL__ at the feet of the crone for she is worthy and royal, as she wears her crown of gray and silver proudly. This is a season for fur coats and winter boots that have been stored up for such a time as this. All of your experience, travels, learning, and years are all for this season. Bundle up, because it's cold! Surround yourself with family, friends, children, and grandchildren. Do not reject them. Do not be bitter (Rom. 12:18) but be at peace and this peace will keep you warm. No more wasted tears and senseless arguing. Forgive everyone, embrace everyone, let go of all the bad; uplift and do not tear down...and be comforted. Sing songs of praise and thanksgiving to the God of your life. Share what you've stored up and give all you can. No matter the bitter cold, do not

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FALL into regret, despair, or grief, but rather ***FALL*** *desperately in love with Jesus who gives comfort and peace. God is our peace and all of our hope. As they say, "Jesus is the reason" for every season...all of our days. "This is the day the Lord has made let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Ps. 118:24)*

MEMBER PROFILE - CHERI REESE



Cheri grew up in Aiken and lived here until she was 18 years old. She is married to Dean and they celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary in September. They have one son and three grandchildren, which all are adopted. God has blessed them by allowing them to have children in their family. Her favorite thing to do is to spend time with her grandchildren; to laugh, play, and watch them grow up. Her favorite bible verse is Deut. 31:6 "Do not be afraid for the Lord your God goes with you and will never forsake you". Her favorite hymns are "What A Friend We Have In Jesus", "Amazing Grace", and "How Great Thou Art." Her favorite restaurant is Logan's Steak House in Augusta. Cheri was brought up in Aiken Church of Christ. She seldom misses a service thanks to her mom seeing that she was always there. She thanks her for doing that because it gave her a foundation. She finds so much comfort knowing that God loves her no matter how much she falls short of His word and that he will never forsake her. She looks forward to being in heaven where there is peace, love, and tranquility. She is proud to be a part of our church where we have very fine women who set great examples for others and who demonstrate their love for God by obeying His word. They are her family and she finds great comfort knowing and associating with them. We have strong women in our group who encourage others to be the best they can be and she appreciates them.

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

18 - Angela & David Brandner

UPCOMING EVENTS

1 - Daylight Savings Time
7 - Cookie Bake for Aiken County First Responders
8 - Thanksgiving Potluck
21 - Encouragement Day
26 - Thanksgiving

DECEMBER SAVE THE DATES

***5* - Ornament Exchange & Brunch**
12 - Pancakes with Santa
19 - Encouragement Day
25 - Christmas

LOCAL EVENTS

NOVEMBER 14 - "BE ATTENTIVE TO GOD IN A DISTRACTING WORLD" RSVP BY NOVEMBER 1
NOVEMBER 20-22, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT RALLY, BOILING SPRINGS CHURCH, BOILING SPRINGS, SC

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