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**Everyone welcome!
The more the merrier!**

MCCSN CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thursday, December 1, 6:30 p.m.

MCCSN office
110 E. Lauderdale, Tullahoma

Turkey, ham, drinks provided

Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert

Entertainment planned

See you there!

Special project decided for Christmas

The MCCSN board of officers and directors decided on non-perishable and canned food as the Christmas project this year. All items received will be given to Good Samaritan. That organization is uniquely equipped to distribute the food to those individuals and families most in need of assistance during the holiday season.

Everyone is asked to bring items to the Christmas party. If unable to attend the party but still want to participate, items may be dropped off at the MCCSN office during regular office hours.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

“I will praise the name of God
with a song; I will magnify him with
thanksgiving.” –Psalm 69:30, NRSV

Information for Newsletter Folders

Newsletter folders will have the month of December 'off.' This newsletter is for both December and January. The next folding date will be January 24, 2012.

All your work during this past year is appreciated!

For any new volunteers, folding is at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday at the MCCSN office. The exact date is noted in the newsletter each month. All help is welcomed.

MCCSN wishes you and yours:

*Merry Christmas
and
a Happy New Year*

Next support meeting scheduled

Thursday, March 1, is the date for the next scheduled support meeting.

The support meetings are now held on a quarterly, rather than monthly, basis.

Officers and Directors to be elected

There will be a brief business meeting either before or after the Christmas party entertainment for the election of officers and directors.

MCCSN Prayer List — Please pray for each person listed, their families and friends. Each month, the name(s) of the person(s) being added is shown in bold italics. Your help in keeping MCCSN informed about the status of each one is appreciated.

<p>Altamont: Darlene D. Brown Joanne Childers Patricia Myers</p> <p>Beechgrove: James C. Sherrill</p> <p>Beersheba: Brenda Perry</p> <p>Belvidere: Levi Howard Annie Dean King Ralph McGee Lynn Moss Gloria Simmons Marynell Stephens</p> <p>Chapel Hill Clara Bleirer</p> <p>Coalmont: Amanda Bean</p> <p>Dayton: Verenda Skiles</p> <p>Dechard: James Champion Ida Hill Nancy Hopkins Bill Kelley Boston Mantooth Leslie Kinslow Nard Charles Neely Darlene Taylor</p> <p>Estill Springs: Joyce Archey Mary Cathey Gladys Dutz Henry Dutz Paul Fulmer Mark A. Hill Sandra Hill Ann Hokirk Juanita Little Brian McDowell Elizabeth Peters Isabelle Rankin Billy Seals Marsha Ann Smith Tammy Taylor Elaine Weaver</p>	<p>Fayetteville: Becky Bankston Jim Chambers Bonnita Coulter Mary Doehring Edward Feaster Jeanette Keith Rachel Logan Jason Sisk Frances Street</p> <p>Gruetli-Laager: Geraldine Davis</p> <p>Hillsboro: Karen Barnes Billy L. Jones Kathy Webster Leland Whirrell Jasey Willis</p> <p>Huntland: Linda Baggett David Garner Lindsey Knoer Marie Moore</p> <p>Jasper: Tim Bowlin Cathie Brown Allen Cash Delores Cash Brenda Johnson Cody Raulston</p> <p>Kelso: Janice May</p> <p>Lynchburg: Virginia Amacher Molly Johnston George Stovall</p> <p>Manchester: Jeannie Bowling Martha Buckley David Fiske Bonnie Gallaway Judy Garner Barbara Hall Gary Hall Mary Ellen Hawthorne Gene & Lois Holmes Jess Lewis, Jr. Ruth Mankin Debra Moreau Tony Morris Nancy Orange</p>	<p>Manchester (cont'd) Connie Sargent Gerald Adair Sinkfield Jean Waits Frederica Williams</p> <p>McMinnville: Carolyn Ashburn Hunter Bernhardt Connie Holt</p> <p>Monteagle: Doris Guyear Lewis Layne Jan G. Taylor</p> <p>Murfreesboro: Terry Jolley</p> <p>Normandy: Edna Brazier Robbie Sheffield</p> <p>Sewanee: Janet Jacobs George Sargent, Jr. Dolores Snowden Clifford Tomes Linda Faye Weaver</p> <p>Shelbyville: Ralph Bailiff Penny Barnes De De Bird-Reed Danielle Crosslin Ed Cunningham Alice Davis Debbie Fanning Cara Lee Francis Mike Head Marilyn Heron David Knight Clarice Mallard Frank Mantanona Louise McAlister D. Richard McCabe Wanda Gail McPeak Lori Mitchell Lisa Pigg Lisa Renegar Debbie Rogers Eva Sherrill Karen Smotherman Loretta Trust Betty Turner Lydia White</p>	<p>Smithville: Katasha Leggett Barbara Morris</p> <p>South Pittsburg: Lois Jean Norman</p> <p>Tracy City: Cynthia Botts Ralph Jones</p> <p>Tullahoma: Stanley Anderson Tabitha Baskin Wendy Batson Jerry Bryant Frank Cantrell Billy Glenn Clark Phil Copeland Carol Davis Nancy Davis Woody Dorrell, Jr. Juanita Dunlap Gail Eggleston Mary Hice Carol Hogan Edna Jackson Eric Johnson Dawn Kane George Knoer Dan Langford Viva Mansfield Carolyn Michael Ray Morgan Jayron Morris Cheryl Parker Bettie Patton Alan Pegram Sandy Sebren Becky Snell Joyce Stafford Peggy Underwood Elisabeth Zidan</p> <p>Wartrace: Casey Colvin Mary Floyd Debbie Hargrove</p> <p>Whitwell: Chris Caldwell Jacob Caldwell</p>	<p>Winchester: Josh Anderson Rebecca Baker Pam Burton Emily Carson Brandon Lee Clark Dot Cutrell Teresa Darwin Treica Davis Robert Everett Jackie Finney Donald Gipson Jo Ann Golder Dickie Hollis Janet Hudson Mike Hunt Patty Johnson Tim Lewis Brenda Lines Richard Lockmiller Sunnye Mantooth Mary Ellen Miller Martha Moran Barbara B. Morris Eli Dexter Neyman II Kim Ray Delbert Reed Kyle Reed Donna Sanders Dwight Schultz Stan Seig Helga Shockley Roy Tankersley Joe Tate Billy Wallace</p> <p>Out of State</p> <p>Georgia: Mark Partington Larry Shelnut</p> <hr/> <p>"I know that if there is an answer how to live in any situation, only He can show it to me." —Jane Caleb</p> <p>"Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting sun be to you as its close. Then let every one of these short lives leave its sure record of some kindly thing done for others, some goodly strength gained for yourself." —John Ruskin</p> <p>"Love is a verb." — Jeff Short (The Quiet Hour)</p>
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Memorials received

In Memory of Doris Vineyard
by Joe, John & Susan and
Grandkids and Great Grandkids

In Memory of Dale Smith
by Betty Ann Chitwood

In Memory of Bill Tipps
by Emily B. Weddington

In Memory of Lemoyne Tipps
by Mary Bennett

In Memory of Martha Louise Bell
by Sandra Jo Vandergriff,
Janett Vandergriff,
and Patricia Deville

In Memory of Tommy Allen
by Billy & Stephanie C. Rogers
James H. & Lisa Henry
Barbara L. Snyder
Heather Rennigar, Hops, Pauline,
Laura, Susie, Kathy, Reetta, and
Mrs. Hopwood
Duane & Leslie Brasfield
Coffee County Board of Education
Judy Spears
The staff at East Middle School

In Memory of Georgia Short
by First Vision Bank
Steve & Donna Gilbert
Elizabeth Bowling
Nina M. Holden
Jack & Barbara Moore
Deborah & Wendel Hartman
Richard & Lisa Cole
James Austell, David Austell,
and Craig & Kim Meyer & Sons

In Memory of Alice Saine
by Willie Duckworth
Mark & Sabra Perry
Joe & Betty Simmons
R.N & V.F. Gier
Richard & Lisa Cole
David, Jr. and Linda Stocky
William and Marjorie Richardson
Billy and Patricia Freeze

Donations Received

Betty Sue Sanders
Merchants at Cokers
Breast Cancer Awareness,
Winchester Power System
Curves, Silent Auction
Lisa C. Swift, Nancy Corder,
Jane Wilcox and Jerry M. Gatlin

In Honor of
Janet Torstenson
by Pat Blair & Dona Perkins

A Year End Thank You

The MCCSN officers and directors realize they could not fulfill the goal of this organization without the assistance of all supporters. The caring and generosity never cease to amaze. Mere words cannot fully express what the continuing support means.

MCCSN is a non-profit organization and thus entirely dependent on all the individuals, businesses, clubs, churches, volunteers, sponsors of special events, supporters of the annual Walk-A-Thon, other organizations, and on and on - - all of whom give so generously to provide needed assistance to the many who experience cancer.

Probably there is not one person whose life has not been touched by this devastating disease - either directly or indirectly. Possibly, no one sees and feels the need throughout the eight counties served more than MCCSN Office Manager Carla Glosson, who is the 'face' of this organization for all seeking help. When the burdens become too much to bear, we're thankful Multi-County Cancer Support Network is here to turn to - because of you.

On behalf of each and every person benefiting from your support

Thank You

Deepest Sympathy

to the families who have lost
loved ones
including the families of

Georgia Faye Short
Richard Warren Thompson
Alice Saine
Martha Louise Bell
Vickie Defoe
Rosemary Campbell



*"God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help - - -"*
-Psalm 46:1a, NRSV

Special Entertainment for Christmas party - don't miss it!

What better way to get into the 'right' Christmas spirit than with beautiful music?

At the Christmas party this year, St. Paul Sounds of Celebration Chime Choir will be the entertainment and honored guests. The group is from St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Tullahoma.

You will not want to miss hearing the choir - no doubt with uplifting presentations of praise and celebration.

Need little extras for **unexpected Christmas gifts** or as **stocking stuffers**? Please, remember the cookbooks that are still available at the MCCSN office for a donation. The proceeds are used entirely for the needs of MCCSN clients.

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MAIL TO:

Am I Too Busy for Jesus? by Fran Gray, Chaplain

It's not even Thanksgiving, and we are already inundated with Christmas—Christmas lights, music, commercials, movies, catalogs, travel plans, decorations, recipes, rehearsals...the list goes on and on. Whew! It can make one weary just thinking about what's ahead in the next six weeks! How are we to make all the parties, bake the cookies and candies, do the shopping, write the cards, attend the special programs, wrap and mail the packages, get the tree and house decorated, and then find the cash and hours to support all these things?

And where is Baby Jesus in the midst of this? Where is the "Reason for the Season?" Is he packed away in the attic with all the other decorations? Is he scheduled to appear in a local "tour of Bethlehem?" Is he stuck somewhere in a Christmas carol over a loudspeaker? Is he on the lawn in a plastic manger along with snowmen and reindeer? How in the world am I going to have time to find him? Am I just too busy?

I pause and take some deep breaths. Listening to the silence I wait. What was that? Did you hear it? There it is again. It's a baby, it's a baby crying! Now there's a gentle humming and the crying has stopped. What is happening?

The most beautiful voice is speaking—so quietly, yet intensely. "I love you. I want to come into the center of your life, your heart. I want to walk beside you every day, no matter where the road leads. May I?"

I realize that I have heard this voice before. It has been trying to break through the busyness of my life, my distraction and prejudice, my selfishness and pride. Finally, in that quiet, still moment the voice has come through and yes! I want that baby Jesus of the manger, the young boy of the temple, the man on the cross, and the savior from the empty tomb.

I reply, "Yes, Jesus, you may! I ask you with all my heart. I am not too busy for you!"