

Community Announcements

1. **Please support ADRA's Venezuela, Colombia Earthquake Response: Following the devastating earthquake in Venezuela, ADRA is providing emergency assistance to families in need. Please prayerfully consider supporting this response by making a gift at [adra.org/Support Venezuela](https://adra.org/SupportVenezuela) or [🌐 Donate - ADRA Colombia](#) and help bring hope and relief to those affected.** Serving Together in Christ.
2. Hey guys! **AYP Chattanooga has partnered with Regional Young Adult Ministries** for an exciting campout at Chattahoochee National Forest on September 4–6! Come join us for an unforgettable weekend filled with adventure, fellowship, nature, and spiritual retreat. Bring your friends, your camping gear, and an open heart! We'd love to see you there! September 4–6 | Chattahoochee National Forest.
<https://forms.gle/85MQMD8SeDaXzXNw9>
3. Learn how to thrive in the “optimal stress zone,” at a potluck lunch meeting of the **55+ Club** at 11:30 Sunday, Sept 13, in the Fellowship Hall of the Collegedale University Church. Licensed counselor, minister and former hospital administrator Dr. Dick Tibbits will speak about **“The Stress Recovery Effect.”** Copies of a book on this topic, co-authored by Dr. Tibbits, will be available at a discounted price of \$15 (cash or check). The club will also be taking reservations at that meeting for its annual Thanksgiving banquet coming up Sunday, Nov. 1 (\$20 for members and \$25 for nonmembers). More details to follow later on that event.
4. You are invited to our upcoming **cooking school** at the Ooltewah SDA Church. September 14 at 6 pm. Please come and enjoy a fresh meal with us.
5. **Has healthcare become routine instead of a calling?** What if your stethoscope, scalpel, and prescription pad could become ministry? Join healthcare professionals for the AMEN Conference, *WholeHearted*, October 29–November 1, 2026, in Rancho Mirage, CA. Through worship, training, and fellowship, discover how God can transform your practice into a ministry. Medical & dental student subsidies available. Register now at amensda.org/conference.
6. **Georgia-Cumberland Academy** is hosting two exciting student festivals this fall! The Magnify Worship Festival (Oct. 22–24) is open to grades 6–11 and is perfect for young musicians and vocalists. Acrofest (Oct. 24–25) is open to grades 5–8 and offers a fun, skill-building gymnastics experience for all levels. Early-bird pricing of \$40 is available through July 31. To learn more and register, visit gcasda.org/visit-us.
7. **Shoe Drive:** Time to clean out your closets! The Collegedale Pathfinder Club is collecting gently worn used and new shoes through the end of November. Collected shoes are given a second life with those in need. They should be in good condition with the soles intact, dry, clean, no holes, and still have life left in them. There are collection boxes at the four main entrances to the Collegedale Church. Shoes accepted include, but not limited to:

tennis shoes, boots, dress shoes, sandals, crocs, cleats, and slippers.