

## 40'SFOURTIES



**George L. Dowd ('47)** and **Maxine Epps Dowd ('51)** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Aug. 23, 2007. They met while students at Union. George is retired from the faculty of the University of Memphis and Maxine is a retired teacher with Memphis City Schools and Brownsville Road Schools. Address: 2877 Haughton Place, Memphis, TN 38128.

## 50'SFIFTIES



**Richard Oldham ('52)** was honored on July 13, 2007, for 50 years of ministry at Glendale Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. One of his earliest ministries was a bus ministry, providing transportation to worship for those in the inner cities and surrounding county areas. Other ministries include a local radio broadcast known as Teentime, a day care and child development center and the Anchored Christian School. Oldham had served churches in Tennessee, Kentucky and Michigan before coming to Glendale in 1957. Address: 1000 Roselawn Way, Bowling Green, KY 42104.

**R.G. "Bob" Elliot ('56 and '93)** served as interim pastor and then as pastor of First Baptist Church of Somerville, Tenn., since Sept. 16, 2001, and concluded there this July. Elliot was ordained in the Blandville Baptist Church, July 6, 1952, in Kentucky. He also served as vice president at Union University for 23 years. Since 1968 he had served as an interim pastor 44 times in 30 different churches in West Tennessee. He and his wife, **Florence Deweese Elliot ('59)** celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on July 27, 2007. Their two daughters and five grandchildren also reside in Jackson. Address: 33 Highland Ridge Cove, Jackson, TN 38305.

## 60'SSIXTIES

**William "Larry" McBryde ('69)** has come out of retirement this summer and accepted the principal position at Lexington High School, Lexington, Tenn. He previously served as assistant principal and athletic director for Cypress Creek High School in Orlando, Fla. Address: 46 Autumn Valley Drive, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: mcbrydew@kl2tn.net  
Larry's son, **Russ McBryde ('96)** is a representative for GlaxoSmithKline Pharmaceuticals. Address: 1333 Ivybrook, Jackson, TN 38305.

## 70'SSEVENTIES

**Loretta Mathews Schmitt ('70)** retired from Fairfax County Public Schools after 26 years of teaching music. While in Fairfax she received her Master of Arts degree and Orff Schulwerk certification. She received the Optimist Club's Excellence in Education award. Schmitt presented workshops for the Middle Atlantic Chapter of the American Orff Schulwerk Association and the surrounding area. She served as a teacher-mentor in the Great Beginnings program and worked with James Madison and Longwood College to mentor interns in music. Schmitt also served the Fairfax General Music Educators Association for 20 years and has held the offices of president, vice president and secretary. She received the first-ever Fairfax General Music Educators Association Distinguished Service Award in May 2007. Her school honored her by establishing the Loretta Schmitt Outstanding Musicianship Award which will be presented each year to two sixth-grade students. She and her husband Jerry reside at 3326 Dairy Lou Drive, Oak Hill, VA 20171.

**Elizabeth Norville Motley ('70)** retired in May 2007, from the Hurst-Euless-Bedford School District after a 38-year career in education. Elizabeth has taught

English at Stegall High School in Humboldt, Tenn., Charleston Junior High in Charleston, Mo., Woodlawn Academy in Millington, Tenn., Briarcrest High School in Memphis, Tenn., and Central Junior High School in Euless, Texas. At Charleston she was involved in International Baccalaureate program. Currently she is serving on call for a local Edward Jones office and enjoying retirement. Address: 704 Queens Way, Bedford, TX 76021. E-mail: Emotleybedford@aol.com

**Joe Q. Powell ('75)** Address: 5210 Garnetfield Lane, Katy, TX 77494. E-mail: joeqpowell@yahoo.com

**Joe Hedges ('76)** professor of communications at Murray State University and a Henry County native, has been selected to teach a course in international communications at Kings College in London in summer of 2008. E-mail: gaineshedges@yahoo.com

## 80'SEIGHTIES

**Scott A. Reid ('85)**, a professor of chemistry at Marquette University, won the 2007 Robert and Mary Gettel Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence. Reid lives in Germantown, Wis., with his wife Amy and their son, Aaron. Address: N108 W16403 Carriage Ave., Germantown, WI 53022. E-mail: Scott.reid@mu.edu

**Reggie Thomas ('85)** became the director of the Southern California Campus of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Brea, Calif., in August 2007. His responsibilities include leading the faculty and staff, recruiting, teaching leadership formation and facilitating academic administration. His wife, Jeannine, is a third-grade teacher in the Chino Valley Unified School District. Reggie and Jeannine have two daughters, Amanda, 14, and Emilee, 12. E-mail: ReggieThomas@ggbts.edu

**Judy Ware ('85)** has received a 20-Year Service Award from International Paper. Her positions have included customer service, training, management and marketing. She is currently pricing adminis-

trator for the commercial printing and imaging division located at the global headquarters in Memphis. Address: 1875 Poplar Pines, #201, Memphis, TN 38119. E-mail: judyb1021@yahoo.com

**Michele "Combest" Burton ('86)** and her husband Rob Burton celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on June 15, 2007. They recently moved to Loganville, Ga., (near Atlanta) with their three children, Samuel, 12; Jacob, 6, and Sarahbeth, 3. Rob recently took the position of project manager for ESG Inc. based in the Southeast. Michelle is a stay-at-home mom. Address: 924 Park Place, Loganville, GA 30052-3671. E-mail: micheleburton1992@yahoo.com

**John Doster ('87)** Address: 8690 Highway 436, McKenzie, TN 38201. E-mail: jdoster@inventivhealth.com

**Rose Lewis McKelvie ('87)** recently accepted a position as director of women's and children's services at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Panama City, Fla. She and her husband **Michael McKelvie ('85)** and their sons Matthew and Andres make their home in Panama City Beach. Mike is division vice president for Monte Hewett Homes of Florida. Address: 227 Middleburg Drive, Panama City, FL 32413. E-mail: mmckelvie@bellsouth.net

**Karen A. Patterson Pratt ('87)** and her husband Pepper have two sons, 17-year-old Jordan and 14-year-old Alex. Karen completed her psychiatric nurse practitioner degree at Vanderbilt University in 2005 and works for Carey Counseling Center in Trenton and Huntingdon, Tenn. Pepper is a mental health counselor in private practice. Address: 162 Rolling Oaks Drive, Humboldt, TN 38343. E-mail: karenpratt7@yahoo.com

**Geoff Baggett ('88)**, pastor of Crossroads Fellowship in Cadiz, Ky., received a Master of Divinity degree from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Billy Graham School of Missions in Louisville, Ky. Baggett previously earned a Master of Arts in Counseling from Luther Rice Seminary in Lithonia, Ga.

Prior to moving to Cadiz he served for 13 years as a staff minister in four Southern Baptist churches in Tennessee, North Carolina and Kentucky. Address: 1969 Kings Chapel Road, Cadiz, KY 42211. E-mail: pastorgeoff@bellsouth.net

**Mike Oliver ('88)** has been promoted to senior cardiovascular specialist for the Palo Alto, Calif.-based biopharmaceutical company, CV Therapeutics. CV Therapeutics applies molecular cardiology to the discovery, development and commercialization of drugs for treatment of cardiovascular diseases. His wife Kristi is a physical massage therapist at South of New York in Jackson. Mike, Kristi and their 5-year-old son, Jack Porter, live in the Three Way, Tenn., community. E-mail: motleymojo@hotmail.com

**Cynthia Todd Graham ('89)** was recently named director of corporations and foundations for Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center. Cynthia is married to Troy Graham and they have one child, Hayes. Address: 183 Greenbrier Drive, Memphis, TN 38117. E-mail: cynthiatgraham@comcast.net

**Clay Hallmark ('89)** was elected by the Arkansas Baptist Convention as president of the 2007 ABSC Pastors' Conference. Hallmark was awarded the 2007 Distinguished Minister of the Year Award by the trustees of Williams Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, Ark. He was their 2007 graduation commencement speaker in May. Address: 515 Apperson Drive, Marion, AR 72364. E-mail: clayhallmark@sbcglobal.net

## 90'SNINETIES

**Michael L. Crouch ('90)** is minister of pastoral care at Bellevue Baptist Church in Cordova, Tenn. Mike and his wife, **Wendy Weatherwax Crouch ('91)**, have one daughter, Merribrooke Hope. He also teaches as an adjunct instructor in the Launch Program on Union's Germantown campus. Address: 375 Dogwood Springs Drive, Oakland, TN 38060. E-mail: crouchfamily3@bellsouth.net

## 31 years of service

**Phyllis Robinson ('71)** takes part in a ceremony dedicating a new gymnasium in her honor at Stoner Creek Elementary School in Mt. Juliet, Tenn. Robinson (left, with Board of Education chairman Teddy Cook) has been principal at Stoner Creek since 1991 and has taught in the Wilson County public schools for 31 years. "She's very deserving to have this new gym named after her," said Wilson County Director of Schools Mike Davis. "It's a crowning achievement for her years in education." ❖





**Jim Howell ('90)** recently joined Nordstrom Inc. as vice president of finance. He moved to Seattle this summer with his wife Melanie and their three children: Matt, Jake and Sara Jane. Address: 5545 N.W. Konigs Court, Issaquah, WA 98027. E-mail: Jim.Howell@Nordstrom.com

**Christopher M. Jones ('90)** graduated from Dowling College, Long Island, N.Y., on Sept. 18 with a Master of Business Administration in management. Chris is a senior marketing specialist with FedEx Corporation at their world headquarters in Memphis. He is married to Cindy Lauren Ellison Jones. Address: 2211 Lake Hill Court, Cordova, TN 38016.

**Buddy Pearson ('90)** has been named managing editor of The Herald-Citizen. He was previously sports editor and had won several top writing awards. He and his wife Misty have two children: Jacob; 13, a student at Avery Trace Middle School, and Savannah, 5, who is a student at Capshaw Elementary. Address: 960 Walton Trail, Cookeville, TN 38501. E-mail: thepearsons@frontiernet.net

**Keith Garner ('93)** and his wife Kristie have three children: Will, Sydney and Sam. They live in a suburb of Tampa, Fla., where Keith works as a financial advisor at Morgan Stanley. Kristie is a recruiter for Ann Taylor. Address: 1628 Amaryllis Court, Trinity, FL 34655. E-mail: Keith.garne-@morganstanley.com



**Hope Hinton Cooper ('93)** was recently named marketing director for Alexander Thompson Arnold CPAs PLLC. ATA is the ninth largest accounting firm in the State of Tennessee with offices throughout West Tennessee and Western Kentucky. Hope comes to ATA from United Way of West Tennessee where she was the communications director for more than eight years. She and her husband **Kimbrough Cooper ('93)** have one son Cole, 8. Address: 98 Carlisle Drive, Jackson, TN 38301. E-mail: hcooper@atapca.net



**David Humphrey ('93)** served for 2 1/2 years in Brazil as a missionary with the International Mission Board along with his wife Danyel. He has joined the staff of AID SUDAN in Houston, Texas, where he serves as the director of the Moses Project. He trains Southern Sudanese missionaries to return to their homeland with the gospel, facilitates ministry with the Southern Sudanese community of Houston and leads frequent short-term trips into the Southern Sudan. Address: 4926 Timber Path Drive, Humble, TX 77346. E-mail: davidanddanyel@pobox.com

**Steven Kyle ('94)** became the senior pastor of Central Baptist Church in North Little Rock, Ark., on October 15, 2006. He is married to Jennifer and they have two girls, Abby, 6, and Emma, 4. Address: 10611 Stoneridge, Sherwood, AR 72120. E-mail: steven@cbcnl.org

**Clark Presson ('95)** and his wife LaTrisa have a new address: 3025 McCarty Road, Louisville, TN 37777. E-mail: cpresson@custard.com

**Cindy Cozart Bryson ('96)** and her husband Vernon adopted four wonderful children in the spring of 2006. Walker, Paul, Kay-Lee, and Zebulon Bryson officially became members of the Bryson family on April 12, 2006. Cindy and Vernon's oldest son, Donald, was married on June 9, 2007, and resides in Raleigh, N.C. Cindy teaches special education at Banks County Middle School in Homer, Ga. Address: P.O. Box 390 Homer, GA 30547. E-mail: baptist1225@altel.net or cbryson@banks.kl2.ga.us

**Lee Sanders ('97)** has been awarded the Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine. Prior to his medical school enrollment, he received a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Tennessee in 2003. Sanders is currently a first-year internal medicine resident for the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics located in Iowa City, Iowa. He

and his wife **April Gilchrist Sanders ('97)** are expecting their first child. Address: 869 Augusta Circle, North Liberty, IA 52317.

**Michael Adams ('98)** was named Teacher of the Year at Humboldt High School. Michael teaches calculus, algebra and computer networking. Address: P.O. Box 12, Gibson, TN 38338. E-mail: donadams@click1.net

**Steven Aldridge ('99)** has been named the TranSouth Athletic Conference Sports Information Director of the Year for 2006-2007. This is the second year in a row that he has received this honor. E-mail: saldrigg@uu.edu

## 2000'S TWOTHOUSANDS



**Marilyn Rhodes Barnes ('00)** has been appointed director of the Tennessee Department of Health's West Tennessee Region. In her new role, which is the highest-ranking state health position in West Tennessee, she will oversee management of 19 county health departments, 21 health department clinics and 12 primary care sites. She is currently pursuing a Master of Public Health at East Tennessee State University. In 2006, she was a recipient of the Alex B. Shipley Award from the Tennessee Public Health Association. Address: 218 Poplar St., Ridgely, TN 38080.

**Jonathan Smart ('00)** Address: 1529 Preston Drive, Columbus, GA 31906.

**Chris ('01) and Laura Crabb Winkleman ('01)** Address: 6947 S. Anderson Road, Meridian, MS 39301. E-mail: xocrabb@yahoo.com

**Paul Richey ('02)** is the pastor at North Johnson City Church in Johnston City, Tenn. Address: 1110 American Way, Jonesborough, TN 37659. E-mail: paul.d.richey@gmail.com

**Christina M. Jones ('03)** Address: 1196 Ward's Ferry Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502. E-mail: Lorienseven@aol.com

**Nick ('04) and Laura Lee Moore Ellis ('04)** are living in Denver, Colo. Nick is working on a Bible research project and Laura Lee accepted a position as a marketing copywriter and public relations strategist for a Christian-based curriculum company. Address: 13754 E. 25th Place, Aurora, CO 80011. E-mail: ellislauree@gmail.com

**Derek Jones ('04)** recently accepted the position of fourth- and fifth-grade pastor and director of creative arts for the children's ministry of The People's Church in Franklin, Tenn. Address: 6009 Johnson Chapel, Brentwood, TN 37027. E-mail: derekpauljones@hotmail.com

**David J. Patterson ('04)** has joined Crosby-Volmer International Communications, a Washington, D.C.-based communications firm, as an account executive. Previously Patterson worked at Utley & Latimer, P.C., a Jackson, Tenn., law firm. He has served as campaign manager for State

Representative Jimmy Eldridge and worked in the White House Office of Political Affairs where he managed high-profile campaign events and coordinated the president's political travel in the central states. Patterson earned a juris doctorate degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law. Address: 912 N. McKinley Road, Arlington, VA 22205.

**Callie Pritchett Nolen ('04)** Address: 8301 Aldridge Way #3, Louisville, KY 40222 E-mail: calliepnolen@gmail.com

**Michael T. Smith ('04) and Stephanie Tocci Smith ('04)** moved to 4800 Jolynn Wolf Way, Fisherville, KY 40023. E-mail: stsmith1018@yahoo.com

**Elizabeth Saxe ('07)** Address: 66 Daughtrey Ave., Apt #715, Waco, TX 76706.

**Viviane Dewerse ('05)** is enjoying life with her two daughters, Alexia, 8, and Jessica, 6. She says, "Greetings to Ginny, my buddy!" Address: Avenue Don Bosco,

29, Brussels - Belgium AA B-1150. E-mail: vdewerse@yahoo.com

**Elisabeth Berry ('07)** Address: 290 Riverbend Drive, #3A, Charlottesville, VA 22911. E-mail: elisabeth.berry@wcb.org

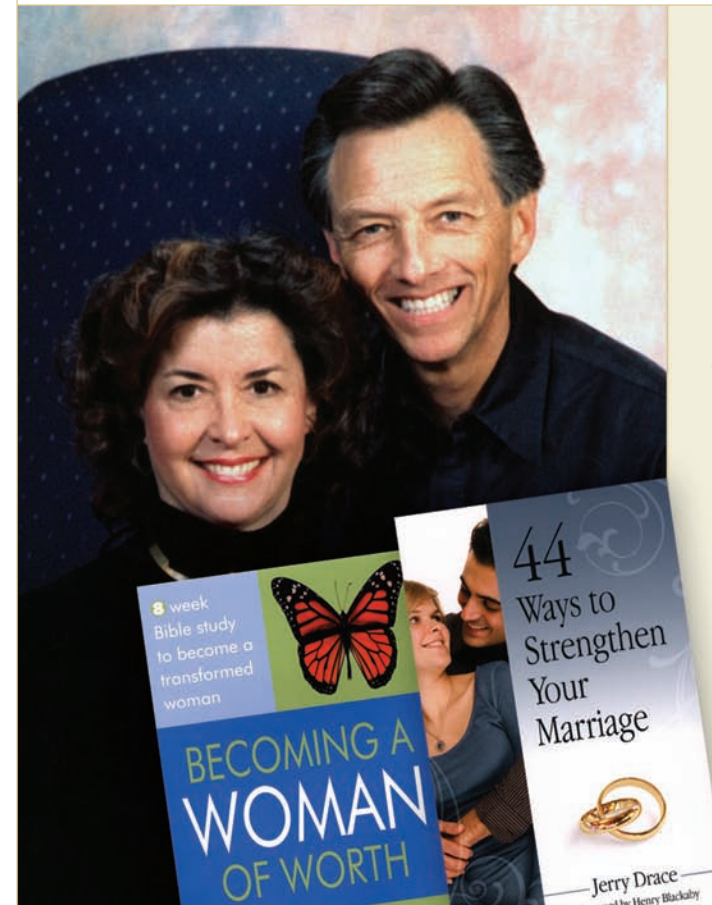


**Marty Allen Roberts ('07)** and his wife Mary have two children, Lee Taylor, 11, and Emma Grace, 7. Marty is currently the pastor at Wheeler Baptist Church and is training to be a strategy coordinator for the International Mission Board in Central and Eastern Europe. Address: P.O. Box 69, Wheeler, MS 38880. E-mail: msleroberts@vista-express.com

## MARRIAGES

**Laurie Isbell Fawcett ('84)** married Thomas McClung Fawcett on Aug. 19, 2005. Together they have four children: Thomas II, Laramie, Lisa

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## Union alums release two new books

**Jerry Drace ('68)** and his wife **Becky ('73)** announce the release of two new books. Jerry is author of "44 Ways to Strengthen Your Marriage" and Becky has written "Becoming a Woman of Worth". The books developed out of the ongoing needs and challenges to the family in today's society.

"I asked pastors to name their greatest challenge in ministry," says Jerry, "and the overwhelming response was a ministry to families."

In response, the Draces introduced Hope for the Home, a conference which takes families through a weekend series of messages to strengthen marriages, communications and parenting.

The Draces are encouraged by the positive response to Hope for the Home. They continually hear from families who have committed to reading the Bible together and the difference it is making in their lives. "Becoming a Woman of Worth" came as a request from Draces' daughter, Becka.

"When Becka went to Union, she asked me to do a Bible study with her," says Becky. "I presented her with the published book as a 20th birthday gift."

Currently Becky is studying for her social work degree at Union. The Draces' two children, **Drew ('03)** and **Becka ('04)**, are Union alums.

For more information on Hope for the Home, visit [www.hopeforthehome.org](http://www.hopeforthehome.org).



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and Maxwell. Address: P.O. Box 69, Hickory Valley, TN 38042. E-mail: lauriefawcett@yahoo.com

**Patrick Noss ('87)** married Sherry Swafford of Barbourville, Ky., on May 5, 2007, at First Baptist Church in Paducah. Patrick works for Mesaba Airlines in Paducah. Address: 2919 Ricky Blvd., West Paducah, KY 42086. E-mail: p\_noss@hotmail.com

**Adney Cross ('99)** married Melissa Ferguson on June 16, 2007. Address: 1442 Mara Vista Court, Crofton, MD 21114.

**Julie Rozendaal Andress ('00)** married Jason Andress in May 2005. They recently moved to Colorado where Julie began her studies at the University of Denver Law School in August 2007. E-mail: julierozendaal@hotmail.com

**Stefanie Morris Edwards ('01)** married former Union student Dan Edwards on June 15, 2001. Stefanie operates her own freelance graphic and web design business in Birmingham and teaches at a local college. Address: 407 Sandra Lane, Birmingham, AL 35217. E-mail: berkleyhannah@yahoo.com.



**Josh Trent ('01)** and Lindsey Drouin married on July 14, 2007. They met each other while working at the White House. Josh received a full scholarship from Rotary International–Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship to get his Master in International Politics. The Trents are living in England while he studies at the University of Bath. E-mail: JoshuaTrent@hotmail.com

**Troy Moling ('02)** married Christin Gilchrist on Aug. 4, 2007. Troy works as a video editor for the local CBS affiliate in Memphis. He is currently taking classes through Mississippi State University to become a broadcast meteorologist. Christin is a relocation consultant for Primacy. Troy and Christin live in Memphis with their three dogs: Brynn, Hailey and Kramer. E-mail: tmoling27@comcast.net

**Stephen Mount ('02)** and **Erin Hetzel Mount ('04)** exchanged wedding vows in a ceremony officiated by Stephen's dad, **Paul Mount ('72)** on June 2, 2007, at Carahills Estate in Eads, Tenn. Address: 2 Rachel Drive, #7, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: erinhmount@gmail.com

**Jenny Heineken Johnson ('04)** and Isaac Johnson were married on July 7, 2007, in Columbia, Mo. Jenny earned her master's degree in social work from the University of Missouri and now works for Refugee and Immigration Services in Columbia. Her husband Isaac works for the Missouri State Methodist Conference. Address: 3601 W. Broadway, Apt 4-301, Columbia, MO 65203. E-mail: jhjohnson@diojeffcity.org



**Bekah Traynor Conklin ('04)** married Charles Conklin on July 1, 2006, at First Baptist Smyrna. Bekah teaches third grade in La Vergne, Tenn. Charles will graduate in December from MTSU and is pursuing a career as a professional musician. Address: 225 John R. Rice Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37129. E-mail: bekahconklin@yahoo.com

**Audra Funderburk Bailey ('05)** married Brian Bailey on Dec. 9, 2005, at Brownsville Baptist Church in Brownsville, Tenn. Address: 567 B Whispering Hills Drive, Nashville, TN 37211. E-mail: audrabailey@gmail.com

## Twin sisters working together as nurses

**Michelle ('05)** and **Melissa Richardson ('05)** work at Swedish American Hospital in Rockford, Ill., on the medical surgical floor. The twin sisters both are working on master's degrees to become Family Nurse Practitioners and are on schedule to graduate in 2010. Despite the busy work and class schedules, both report they are taking jazz dance classes. The Richardsons would love to hear from Union schoolmates. Write them at 3016 Carriage Lane, Rockford, IL 61101. ♦



**Kiera Aimee Knappman Kurak ('05)** and Keith Thomas Kurak married on July 14, 2007, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Cleveland, Ohio. E-mail: kak48@case.edu

**Brad Spencer ('06)** and **Karie Thomas ('07)** married on June 9, 2007, in Knoxville, Tenn. Brad works as an enrollment counselor at Union University and Karie is a staff accountant at Alexander Thompson Arnold PLLC. Address: 102 Murray Guard Drive, Apt. C-22, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: bspencer@uu.edu

## BIRTHS

**Robert W. Pruiett ('89)** and his wife Cheryl adopted their first child Caleb Jordan in Tallahassee, Fla., on Aug. 15, 2007. Robert is minister of music and worship at Northside Baptist Church in Panama City – <http://Pruietts.blogspot.com>. Cheryl is a stay-at-home mom. Address: 106 Ridgecrest Court Panama City, FL 32405. E-mail: pruietts@comcast.net

**Jeff Blankenship ('92)** and his wife Lora had a baby boy, Carter Matthew, on Aug. 16, 2007. They have one other child, Garrett, age 4. Address: 129 Flagstone Drive, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: jblankenship@jaxnet.net

**Troy Johnson ('93)** was blessed with a new baby on June 28, 2007. Lauren Brooke was born in Nashville and she weighed 7 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. She was welcomed home by her sisters Kayla, 4, Hannah, 2, and Meghan, 1. Address: 3755 Thomasville Road, Chapmansboro, TN 37035. E-mail: johnson703755@bellsouth.net

**Emily Cowles Holland ('94)** and her husband Ed had a son, Cade Weston, on April 12, 2007. They also have 4-year-old Seth and 2-year-old Wyatt. Emily is a teacher in the Shelby County School System. Ed is a civil engineer at Ollar Surveying Company in Hickory Withe, Tenn. Address: 6190 Ewing Blvd., Arlington, TN 38002. E-mail: eh6190@bellsouth.net



**Amy Moeller Scott ('94)** and her husband Terry welcomed Jesse Michael on July 3, 2007. They also have a daughter, Erin Elisabeth, born on April 4, 2005. Terry is employed by Boeing Corp. and Amy is a stay-at-home mom. Address: 11985 Tyra Court, Maryland Heights, MO 63043. E-mail: scotties04@sbcglobal.net

**Coral Suzette Potts ('95)** and her husband David celebrated the first birthday of their son, David Chance, along with his older sister Taylor. Coral was promoted to field supervisor at the Lawrence County Department of Human Services in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. Address: 20 Saviors Path, Ethridge, TN 38456. E-mail: cspotts@lorettotel.net

**Wade Stranak ('95)** and his wife Heather are happy to announce the birth of Dylan James born July 20, 2007. Dylan has an excited big brother Logan. Address: 42 Amberwood Cove, Jackson, TN 38305. E-mail: whlstranak@aeneas.net



**Brandy Taylor Blank ('95)** has four children: Addie, 5, Ty, 4, Ella, 2, and Carter James, born on Jan. 30, 2006. Carter weighed 7 pounds and was 19 1/2 inches long. Brandy just moved back from San Diego, Calif. Address: 2526 Park Creek Cove N., Germantown, TN 38139. E-mail: blankb@bellsouth.net



**Jennie Smith Taylor ('96)** and her husband Craig announce the arrival of Joshua Clark. He was born on March 28, 2007. He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long. His big sister Hannah Lane was thrilled to welcome him home. Jennie is a teacher with Desoto County Schools. Address: 7777 Southfield Road, Southaven, MS 38671. E-mail: jentay72@hotmail.com



**Patrick ('97)** and **Suzanne Wallis Powell ('97)** announce the arrival of their daughter from China. Emma Li, born on July 5, 2005, was welcomed home on Feb. 15, 2007. Her two proud brothers are Ben, 9, and Zane, 6. Patrick serves as a pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and also coaches a local high school soccer team. Suzanne is a home-maker and a part-time registered nurse. Address: 3601 Blackberry Lane, Northport, AL 35473. E-mail: bpatrickpowell@comcast.net

**Tina Burgher Kading ('98)** and husband Ryan were blessed with a baby girl, Oceana Marie, on June 15, 2007. Oceana weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. They are both elementary school teachers for Osceola County. Address: 2362 Valley Ave., Kissimmee, FL 34744. E-mail: tiburgher@earthlink.net



**Brad ('99)** and **Sallie Gambrell Hambrick ('98)** had a son, Marshall Bradley, on March 14, 2007. Marshall weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 21 inches long. He joins his brother Lawson, 3. Brad is the executive director of Crossroads Counseling – [www.crossroadssaugusta.org](http://www.crossroadssaugusta.org) – a ministry devoted to serving local churches in the Augusta area. It also serves churches nationally through seminars. Sallie is a full-time mom. Address: 443 Shallowford Circle, Augusta, GA 30907. E-mail: bhambrick@crossroadssaugusta.org



**Amy Jacobs Rhymer ('98)** and her husband Erich welcomed the birth of their first child, Ava Grace, on Nov. 1, 2006. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces. Address: 9836 White Poplar Drive, Olive Branch, MS 38654. E-mail: amyzelij1975@yahoo.com

**Jason Logan ('98)** and his wife Liz welcomed Lydia Grace, born Sept. 17, 2007. She has an excited big brother

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Jacob who is 1 1/2. Jason is currently on faculty with In His Image Family Medicine Residency

and they look forward to career service in Asia in the summer of 2008. Address: 6414S 30th W. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74132. E-mail: drjlogan@gmail.com



**Jane Rice Tosh ('98)** and her husband Matt joyfully announce the birth of their son Franklin Gray, born Jan. 29, 2007. Gray weighed 7 pounds, 13 1/2

ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. The Tosh family resides in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Matt will complete his general surgery residency in 2008. Jane has a home-based internet business – www.invitationsbyjane.com. E-mail: janetosh@neo.rr.com

**Michelle Diann Smith Hanson ('98)** welcomed her second child, Jake Matthew. Jake was born on April 26, 2007, and he weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. Jake's big sister Kharis is 27 months old. Michelle is a stay-at-home mom. Matt is a mechanical engineer for L-3 Communications. Address: 512 Townsend Ridge, Lexington, KY 40514. E-mail: ladyvolncali@hotmail.com



**Jonathan ('99)** and **Joye Johnson Hickey ('97)** were married Aug. 18, 2001. They have

two daughters: Noel Claire, born March 26, 2004, and Eva Grace, born July 24, 2006. Jonathan is a performer and writer for The Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Fla. Joye is a part-time performer there. Address: 5034 Log Wagon Road, Ocoee, FL 34761 E-mail: hickeyz@earthlink.net



**Greg Parsons ('99)** announces the birth of his second son Luke Daniel born on April 27, 2007. His first son Marcus is 2

1/2. Greg graduated with his Master of Business Administration from Kennesaw State University in July 2007 and is currently vice president for First Georgia Banking Company in Dalton, Ga. His wife Cassie is a wonderful stay-at-home mom. Address: 1112 Glen Cove Drive, Dalton, GA 30720. E-mail: greg453@optilink.us



**Erica Reinhart Thomas ('99 and '07)** and her husband Jeff are pleased to introduce their three children. Landon Colby

Levi, born on March 15, 2003, joined the Thomas family in April 2004 and was adopted on Jan. 19, 2007. Natalee Annette Nichole was born on Aug. 21, 2004. Toby Asher Tate was born on March 25, 2006. Jeff is an on-air personality for American Family Radio. Erica works in the social work department at Union University as a trainer for the child welfare project. Address: 59 Valleyfield Cove, Jackson, TN 38305 E-mail: ethomas@uu.edu



**Shauna Somermeyer Green ('00)** and her husband were blessed by the birth of Hadassah Amelia on Oct. 3, 2006. Their little girl was welcomed by her siblings Faith, Abigail and Adonijah. Shauna has been teaching English for five years at San Luis High School in San Luis, Ariz. Address: P.O. Box 1461, Somerton, AZ 85350. E-mail: sgreen2@yumaed.org

**Matt S. Waites ('00)** and **Antoinette Kenée Waites ('00)** celebrated the birth of Emma Rose on June 17, 2007. Emma Rose has two sisters Kaitlyn, 5, and Paige, 3. Matt teaches reading at South Fulton Elementary School and Antoinette teaches Pre-K at Lake Road School. Antoinette was recently awarded Teacher of the Year for the Obion County School System. E-mail: waitesm@k12tn.net

**Amy Williams Cooper ('00)** married Clint Cooper on March 15, 2003. She graduated from University of Tennessee

Knoxville College of Veterinary Medicine in May 2004. Amy and Clint have a daughter named Kaelyn Isabella born Feb. 26, 2007. Address: 2510 Hall Road, Somerville, TN 38068. E-mail: Amyshmame@hotmail.com



**Jennifer Rivers Baird ('01 and '06)** is a kindergarten teacher at Clarkton Elementary. Jennifer married on May 21, 2005, and their first child Lauren Michelle

was born on May 24, 2007. Address: 29686 State Highway 25, Clarkton, MO 63837. E-mail: jen\_baird\_21@yahoo.com

**Caleb Trent ('01)** and his wife Anna welcome Bryson Rivers, born on Sept. 4, 2007. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Caleb is a fourth-year medical student at the University of Tennessee planning to move on to a residency in emergency medicine. E-mail: ctrent3@utmem.edu

**Jessica Barber Brown ('02)** and her husband Christopher welcomed Isaac Zachariah into the world on July 9, 2007. Jessica is currently employed by LifeWay Christian Stores. Chris is associate pastor for worship and education at Broadway Baptist Church in Lexington. Address: 606 Seattle Drive, Lexington, KY 40503. E-mail: uugradkygirl@hotmail.com



**Daniel ('02)** and **Christy Littleton Davis ('02)** would like to announce the adoption of Hannah

Rochelle, born Feb. 16, 2006, and Benjamin Jaylin, born Feb. 14, 2007. They reside in the Nashville area where Daniel works at LifeWay and as student minister at Edgefield Baptist Church. Christy is a stay at home mom. Address: 505 Cumberland Ave., Madison, TN 37115. E-mail: dcsbts307@yahoo.com



**Travis ('02)** and **Rebekah Coleman Wales ('01)** are the proud parents of Virginia Elayne, born Nov. 6, 2006. Address: 309 Church St., White Bluff,

TN 37187. E-mail: bekwaes@gmail.com

**Rachel Watson Loxley ('03)** and Nathan Loxley celebrated the birth of their son Noah Bennett, born on Jan. 23, 2007. Noah weighed 9 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. Address: 1134 Chapel Hill Circle, Joelton, TN 37080. E-mail: rloxley@tnbaptist.org

**Andrew Terhune ('04)** and **Cassandra Hionis Terhune ('04)** had their first child, Eleni Rose, on Oct. 31, 2005. Andrew began work on his Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing-Poetry at Columbia College Chicago this August. He received the Follett Fellowship for this academic year. Address: 1045 S. Madison Ave.,

Countryside, IL 60525. E-mail: andrewterhune@gmail.com



**Matthew R. Crawford ('05)** works as a research assistant to the president of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and as a writer for the Kairos

Foundation. He and his wife Brandy had their first child on Aug. 22, 2006. Her name is Violet Clare. Address: 107 Fenley Ave., Apt. G3, Louisville, KY 40207. E-mail: mattcraw@gmail.com

**Melinda Harper ('05)** and husband Broderick have a new addition: Broderick Alfonzo Harper II was born Aug. 11, 2006. He was 6 pounds, 14

ounces and 21 inches long. Melinda is now pursuing her Doctor of Education at Union and expects to graduate in 2009. Address: 95 Huffman Road, Brighton, TN 38011. E-mail: MHarper2and1@aol.com



**Heather Hornsby Harris ('05)** had her second child on June 10, 2006. His name is Connor Bryant and he was welcomed home by big sister Katie Elizabeth. Heather works in the Hardeman County School System teaching third grade at Middleton Elementary School. Address: 7675 Pea Vine Road, Middleton, TN 38052. E-mail: heatherharris418@yahoo.com

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June 27, 2007 Bethel Springs, Tenn.

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