

Voices OF CHERRY LOG

On this page, listen to four more Voices that will tighten the “ties that bind our hearts in Christian love.” To know them is to love them.



Bob Clarke

Born, raised and educated in DC area; Drafted; Navy Musician 3rd Class; served in South Pacific; ship hit by kamikaze aircraft!

Education and career: Westminster Choir College, BA in Music; Master’s Christian Education, Emory; ordained Minister of Music, Decatur Christian Church 34 years. As retiree, strong underpinning of CLCC music program (men’s chorale, bell choir, participant Chancel Choir.

He and Ida-Anne share 3 girls and 4 grandchildren. Spent much of “courtship” helping Ida-Anne balance her check book!

CLCC: Recruited by Dr. Craddock to help develop a music program, the Wyndham’s loft was often their weekend hotel, “the church has given me the opportunity to continue my music adventures.”



Nancy Blackadar

Born and raised on dairy farm near Plant City, FL. BS Nursing at USF: “Nursing was/is a calling from God.”

Career: Juggles 3: Community Nursing and loves it! Helped friend with catering—loved it—earned Culinary Arts degree at NGTC. She and Tommy developed and market Aloe Plant Supplement for Pets.

Typical Friday: 200+ miles visiting patients; home to prepare a “tasting” for wedding dinner, then planning meals for a weekend retreat for 42 staff (exciting people!) of Camp Twin Lakes for Medically Challenged Youth.

CLCC: “It’s a family. The Newcomers Class confirmed DOC was my church.

PS: Two daughters, 4 grandchildren

Jerry Johnson

Beginnings: Born in Rockmart, raised in Dallas (GA): BA, Mercer (met Lauree there); MDiv. Southern Seminary, KY.

Career: Pastor: Columbus, GA (7 yrs); Cliftondale, (15 yrs); Smyrna (7yrs.), Joined Georgia Baptist Hospice 2003; Lake Arrowhead Church (7 yrs.); Retired pastorate 2011 and continues Hospice work part-time.

Hobbies: On the phone, “Lauree, what are my hobbies?” Built a couple of houses; reading, mostly non-fiction—trying to read some fiction. Family: two daughters and 4 grands.

CLCC: Made a church search. Knew Dr. Craddock and some members on Hospice Board. “The openness and welcoming people made it seem like the right place.”



Ashley Weaver

Beginnings: Born in Thomasville, raised in Decatur; Graduate Decatur High; Occupational Educational Center.

She and husband Dale reside at Brooks Hill apartments with home care and parental (Charlie and Sandy McCann) assistance. As a spina bifida, needs constant medical attention. Would love so much to travel and be physically active, but cannot. “A positive attitude is critical for me. Without it just spreads negativity to those around me.”

Favorites things: Waylon Jennings; biographies, interacts with social media (chats with parents of disabled children); any activity that makes her feel useful.

CLCC: “It’s an honor to be on the permanent prayer list.”