

# Obituary Heart Matters

William Edwin Smith  
August 8, 1944 -  
July 10, 2011

William Edwin Smith, age 66, of Jasper, FL, passed away Sunday, July 10, 2011 at Haven Hospice in Lake City, FL, following a lengthy illness. Mr. Smith was born in Valdosta, Georgia on August 8, 1944 to the late Bill and Sadie Smith. Mr. Smith served in the National Guard. He retired from PCS and was a member of Bright Pond Baptist Church. Smith was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Frances Maudine Smith.

Survivors include one son, Mark Smith (Jocelyn) of Jasper, FL.; one daughter, Lori Genovese (Jason), Baton Rouge, LA.; two brothers, Gerald Smith (Dorothy), and Merrill Smith (Julia), all of Jasper, FL.; several step children, all of whom he was very fond of; several grandchildren and great grandchildren. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Memorial services were held at 3:00 P.M. Thursday, July 14, 2011 at Bright Pond Baptist Church in Jasper. Per his wishes Mr. Smith will be cremated. Interment will follow at a later date in Evergreen Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Ordination Service July 31

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The ordination service for Minister Tyron White will be held on Sunday, July 31, 2011 at 4:00 PM at Deep Creek Baptist Church in Lake City, Florida. The public is invited to join Minister White and his family at this service.

## “Sharing The Journey” to be presented September 10th

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“Sharing The Journey”, hosted by Alpha & Omega Restoration Outreach Ministries, will be presented on Saturday, September 10, 2011, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Lake City, FL.

A psychological journey to a spiritual healing, it's for women only; women who have been hurt, wounded, rejected, abandoned, abused, and can't seem to get past the

By Angie Land

For the past few weeks, I have been in what our family calls a “funk.” Does that make sense to anyone? As I have shared before, the past year has been a whirlwind of big events: my oldest getting married, the younger son moving away to college, our daughter turning 16 and the adoption of our new daughter. Now, as the dust settles, I find myself in a very unsettling place. Not that I don't recognize some of the scenery here...I've traveled in parts of this wilderness before. In fact, new territory is such a predictable part of the journey in our lives that I can't help but wonder why it catches us by surprise.

The dictionary defines “wilderness” as a wild region, a pathless area or a remote space. The terrain in a wilderness area will vary, because the environment in one part of the country will often be vastly different from another. (Our wilderness doesn't necessarily look like anyone else's.) The common factor in new territory is there is no marked path...and this is what leaves us unsettled. New places are often scary, and fear leaves us unsure about where to step next. (I've never been a mother-in-law, the parent of an out-of-town college student, or an adopted mom before...yikes!!)

With over three hundred references in the Old and New Testaments, the scriptures have much to say about these “wilderness experiences.” Surely this alone is an indication that we need to pay attention! A few examples of this phenomenon are: Elijah suffering dejection after an amazing victory at Mt. Carmel; Noah struggling with despair after landing the ark on dry ground; even Jesus experienced the wilderness immediately following his baptism.

With the prevalence of the wilderness theme, it is not surprising that the vivid detail of Israel's journey through the wilderness takes up a large portion of the Torah (the first five books of the Bible.) This record is a great source of wisdom to those of us seeking to find our way, so I would like to take a trip (a virtual tour of sorts) through the wilderness with this particular group and learn from their experiences. If you would join me for the next several weeks, Heart Matters will set this as our destination point, with the goal of learning not just how to survive in the wilderness, but also to thrive!

Before we begin, one necessity you and I will need for this trip is a few bits of understanding about the wilderness: Times and places in the wilderness are appointed by God...we are not here by accident.

Time spent in the wilderness is not wasted...it is a necessary time of instruction.

How we respond to the wilderness determines whether we get to the Promised Land or we spend the rest of our lives wandering...if we survive or learn to thrive!

With that said, I look forward to learning to navigate this new territory together...because every heart matters!

Blessings,  
Angie

Heart Matters is a weekly column written by Angie Land, Director of the Family Life Ministries of the Lafayette Baptist Association, where she teaches Bible studies, leads marriage and family conferences and offers Biblical counseling to individuals, couples and families. Contact Angie with questions or comments at [angieland3@windstream.net](mailto:angieland3@windstream.net)

## The Great Suwannee River Cleanup 2011

In 2010, Current Problems formed a partnership with the Suwannee River Wilderness Trail Working Group and the Suwannee River Water Management District to coordinate a cleanup of the Suwannee River from the Georgia state line to the Gulf of Mexico. The cleanup was a huge success! More than 500 volunteers removed almost 30,000 pounds of trash! We hope you will join us for the 2nd Great Suwannee River Cleanup and build on the success of last year's event.

The 2011 cleanup will occur during a three-month window from September through November. Businesses, civic clubs, fishing and boating groups, churches, government agencies, non-profits, chambers of commerce, and groups of friends are all encouraged to participate. Go to the event map at [tinyurl.com/3wadbd4](http://tinyurl.com/3wadbd4) to determine your section based on mileposts and

GPS coordinates. Then register your group, the date of your cleanup, and your river section online at [tinyurl.com/44d3obr](http://tinyurl.com/44d3obr). Shortly after registration, your cleanup will appear on the event map.

A kickoff celebration will be held at Ivy Memorial Park in Branford, Florida, on September 10th from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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Pastor Phillip M. Jackson and Mother Ledia S. Jackson

On July 25th, 2011, Pastor Phillip M. Jackson and Mother Ledia S. Jackson will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. Pastor Jackson and Mother Jackson have exemplified every excellent quality that we could ask for of not only a married couple, but leaders as well. During times where divorce rates are accelerating it's good to see two people still loving one another, two people that continue to put God first, and two people, despite trials and tribulations, are determined to do God's work.

We, the saints of Empowering Tabernacle House of Prayer Outreach Ministry, consider it a privilege to be in a ministry that is being led by two awesome people of God.

With much love and adoration we say HAPPY ANNIVERSARY and WE LOVE YOU!!

### OUR LOVED ONE'S HEART

Our loved one's heart was so tender  
And her face had a gentle glow  
She was or friend and inspiration,  
She was the sweetest to know.  
She gave herself so freely  
To those who shared her life,  
Se clearly loved her husband,  
children and family  
With the love that comes from Christ.  
Her eyes were full of compassion  
Her voice was soft and mild  
She lived for helping others smile  
Leaving “heartprints” all the while.  
Her love was special  
And grew sweeter with every year  
God blessed us with an Angel;  
Our beloved “Smutt” was our  
precious one so dear.



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<p><b>BAPTIST (Southern)</b></p> <p><b>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> SR 6 West, 6592 NW 48th St., Jennings, FL 32053 938-5011 Pastor: Jeff Cordero</p> <p>Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship, Youth Happening, RA's, GA's.....6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Supper.....6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Discipleship class for adults, Youth activities, Children's Choirs.....6:30 p.m. Van pick-up upon request 644209-F</p>	<p><b>CATHOLIC CHURCH</b></p> <p><b>ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Three miles north of Jasper U.S. 41 P.O. Box 890, Jasper, FL 32052 Rectory U.S. 90 E., Live Oak, FL (386) 364-1108 Saturday MASS 4:00 p.m. 644211-F</p>	<p><b>NON-DENOMINATIONAL</b></p> <p><b>BURNHAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b> 4520 NW CR 146, Jennings, FL 32053 938-1265 Pastor: Johnny Brown</p> <p>Sunday Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Kids' Program.....6:15 p.m. 644236-F</p>	<p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b></p> <p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> N.W. 3rd St., Jasper Bldg.: 792-2277</p> <p>Sunday Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m. Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m. 644212-F</p>

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