

**ANNOUNCING  
“GIVING TO ENRICH” ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN**



Hello, I am Wendell Fox, the chairperson for the first annual fund campaign for The Craddock Center. We are calling the campaign “GIVING TO ENRICH” as The Craddock Center is all about enriching the lives of others, especially children. All of us who read Milk and Honey are already familiar with the many programs of The Craddock Center like the Children’s Enrichment Program, the Story Express, Snack in a Backpack and RAINBOWS. But, The Craddock Center is not just for children, there are preaching workshops, the Helen Lewis Lectures and the Songs and Story programs. The Living Room is yet another service where families can find good, free, serviceable furniture. These are just a few examples of the many programs and services offered to the people of Southern Appalachia by The Craddock Center.

In a few days we will be sending a “GIVING TO ENRICH” campaign mailing. The packet will shed more light on the work of The Craddock Center. When you receive the “GIVING TO ENRICH” mailing, please take this opportunity to study it carefully and then make a donation in support of The Craddock Center. By making a gift or pledge of financial support, we can all share in these important programs enriching the lives of the people here in Southern Appalachia.

Many of us who read Milk and Honey have already made generous contributions in support of The Craddock Center this year. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank you. I also want to thank in advance everyone who takes this opportunity to help “deliver happy & hope” to the children and communities served by The Craddock Center.

Wendell Fox, Annual Fund Chairperson

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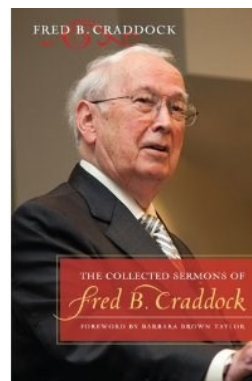


**OCTOBER 3, 2011  
PREACHING WORKSHOP**



Will be led by Dr. Will Willimon, who is a United Methodist Bishop serving in Birmingham, Alabama. For 20 years, he was dean of Duke University Chapel and a professor at Duke Divinity School. Before that, he served churches in Georgia and South Carolina. He has written and lectured extensively on preaching. His latest book is

“Undone by Easter: Keeping Preaching Fresh”. The Craddock Center is pleased to offer one of America’s best know preachers as the presenter of the Fall, 2011 Preaching Workshop. We hope that you will join us October 3 at Cherry Log Christian Church, 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Please reserve a seat by emailing Tammy Blair at craddockcenter@tds.net. —TLS



We are happy to announce the publication of another special book by Dr. Craddock. “The Collected Sermons of Fred B. Craddock” is now available to purchase. Contact The Craddock Center for further information.

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## I AM FOUR, SHE SAID



As she held up three fingers. She won't be four until July, said Beth, her mother. I don't know why Debbie is so anxious to be four. Just the other day I overheard her say that when she was little she had to go to bed early, but now that she is four she can stay up as late as she wants to.

I had a birthday recently. And how old are you, Fred? I said, as I held up three fingers, I'm eighty four. He's only eighty three, explained Nettie. I don't know why he keeps lying about his age. He seems to think that a world of good things come your way when you are eighty four. Maybe he thinks he will harvest a load of compliments, like are you really eighty four; you look awfully young to be eighty four. You don't look a day over eighty three. Or maybe on Father's Day at church during fellowship time they will have a recognition of the oldest man present. You know how it works: will all the men seventy or older please stand? A host of men stand, but I'm not worried. Will all seventy one or older remain standing. A few take their seats, looking defeated. Seventy two? Seventy three? Seventy four? Seventy five? They are dropping like flies. Seventy six? Seventy seven? Only eleven of us remain. Seventy eight? Seventy nine? Down go two more. Eighty? Two more drop. Eighty one? Down go two more. I can smell victory. Eighty two? Three more fall. Eighty three? Another one, poor guy. Eighty Four? I look around; I am the last one standing! An attractive young woman (poor thing; she can't be a day over thirty) pins a red carnation on my lapel as I welcome the crescendo of applause from these young whipper snappers who have no clue what it is to achieve eighty four.

But neither do I; I am only eighty three. I must go and see Debbie and convince her that we simply must stop lying about our ages. Praise, falsely gained, leaves a bitter taste. If she is willing, I am ready to go public: Debbie and I are younger than we claimed to be. — FBC



Happy 84th Birthday

OOPS!

Happy 83rd Birthday to  
Dr. Fred Craddock  
April 30th

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



You may be wondering why we keep asking for knitted hats when cold weather is over. The answer is two-fold: knitters don't stop knitting just because spring has sprung and a whole crop of new children who need hats

will be starting school in three short months. In order to have enough hats for every child who needs one, we are counting on year-round knitters like **Susan Donaldson** to keep the hats coming in. Susan is a member of a knitting group at Cherry Log Christian Church that meets regularly to make prayer shawls as well as hats. We are so grateful to Susan and all the knitters who have provided hats this past year and who are continuing to knit for the 600-700 new students who will begin Head Start in the Fall. If any of you have yarn to share, please send it to The Craddock Center. We really appreciate the boxes of yarn we have received, which has now been knitted into hats. On behalf of the kids we thank you, Susan, and all the knitters. — TLS

## LET ME INTRODUCE



Mark Musick, the new President of The Craddock Center Board of Directors. Mark holds the James H. Quillen Chair of Excellence in Education and Teaching at East Tennessee State University and is President Emeritus of the Southern Regional Education Board. He served sixteen years as president of SREB whose mission is to improve quality in Southern schools and colleges in sixteen

member states. During Mark's 30+ years in education, he has served on many national boards and commissions and is currently the Chair of the Board of ACT, Inc., which administers more than 1.5 million ACT collegiate admissions tests annually in all 50 states. Mark grew up in Southwest Virginia and earned undergraduate and graduate degrees from Virginia Tech. He and his wife, Judy, live in Atlanta and have two grown children. Mark and Judy are both active members of Glenn Memorial Methodist Church on the campus of Emory University in Atlanta. — TLS

The Craddock Center celebrates 10 years of service in May!

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