

Aug 17, 2014

PERRY HILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST  
800 PERRY HILL ROAD,  
MONTGOMERY, AL 36109  
[WWW.PERRYHILLCHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.PERRYHILLCHURCH.ORG)

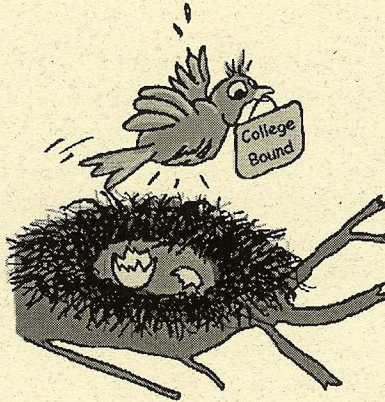
## Perry Hill Road Bulletin



### Empty Nest

"For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh." Genesis 2:14

"I love it!" "It took all of 15 minutes to get over it!" "If we had known how much fun grandchildren were going to be, we would have had them first!" "The happiest moments are when we can see the headlights and then the tail lights of our children's car, coming and going!"



These are just a few of the many comments people make about "life after children." They are meant to be comical and most are, but the "empty nest" syndrome is something all families with children face and often with mixed emotions. We joke about it but we also realize the pain that is associated with it.

I remember well the tears that fell when we left Alex at college for the first time. The tears fell again three years later when Travis left for college. Now that we have taken Cynthia to college and Alex has married, the truth hits home. The cord is broken. For 22 years we've had at least one child in the house. Now, things will never be the same again. Where did the time go? The tears continue to fall!

Continued on page 2

