

THE MESSENGER

First United Methodist Church
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July 25, 2010

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHAIR SET-UP

We need your help! Volunteers are needed to help set-up chairs on the 3rd and 4th Sundays of every month at the 9:00 Worship Service. If you would like to *use your gift of helping*, please call the church office 773-6952 to sign-up! Thank you for your service!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

July 28, 2010 • 6:00 p.m. • Room 209

We will be meeting in our regular Wednesday Night Alive classroom to discuss our Bible Study options for the fall. Please come. We need your input!

FALL SCHEDULE HANDBELL AND HERITAGE CHOIR

Wednesday, August 18th: Youth Handbell Choirs Resume

5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m. Notations (Jr. High)

Jr. High ringers can eat early at Wednesday Night Dinners

6:30 p.m.—7:40 p.m. Copper Clappers (Sr. High)

Tuesday, August 31st:

6:00 p.m. Carillon Choir Dinner

Tuesday, September 7th:

10:00 a.m. Heritage Choir Resumes

Followed by lunch at All Steak in Cullman

3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Children's Handbell Choirs resume

6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Carillon Choir resumes regular rehearsals

JULY FOOD DRIVE

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GOSPEL SINGING

July 25, 2010 • 6:00 p.m. • Sanctuary

Featuring: Glory Road Quartet, Chancel Choir and FUMC Quartet.

PERSECUTED CHURCH NEWS

Be sure and stop by the bulletin board next to the elevator on the 2nd floor to keep up to date on the persecution of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Contact Marion Scott at 751-0697 for further information.

GOOD SAMARITAN

Good Samaritan is asking for one or two items a month to help meet the needs of families seeking help. These items are not donated to Good Sam on a regular basis.

Item for *JULY: Peanut Butter and Jelly*

GUESTS

Paul and Brenda Lee, Matt, Suzanne & Fisher Nix, Janice Cole, Hannah, Sarah, Joy, & Marty Hand, Ron & Andy Lamb, Hayden & Nathan Shult, Troy, Walker and Tess McAbee, Mark, Eege, Johanna, & Joseph, McAnnally, Kelly Ellis, Chanler Crowe, Dan & Mary-Kate Culpepper, Paul & Grant Beverly, Yvette & Emily Hodgen, Beth Hutcheson, Marshall, Jessica, Jackson, and Baylor Daigre, Bill & Suzanne Stone, Bailey Conn, Brenda Kuehman, Gene & Patricia Lowery, Jean Miller, Bobby Gann, Vince & Alex Adams, Teresa Godbey, Barrett, Alisha, Skylar, Spencer and Zain Holland, Bill Spain, Mike & Fran Elam

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
ATTENDANCE	
Worship total.....	516
Sunday School.....	320
Children.....	71
Youth.....	11
Adults.....	238
FINANCES	
BUDGET	
Budget for 2010.....	\$823,880.00
Rec'd 07-18.....	\$14,248.45
Total received.....	\$450,165.52
CAPITAL FUND	
Rec'd 07-18.....	\$1,985.00
Total received.....	\$116,681.61
OTHER FUNDS	
Rec'd 07-18.....	\$795.00
Total received.....	\$111,728.26

“...We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God’s will.” Romans 8:26-27

Prayer Concerns for Our Church Family

Lib Newton, Billy Buckelew, Norma Jean Williamson, Ruby Norman

Prayer Concerns for Family and Friends

Chase Lusk //// (Fiance’ of Lizzie Hendrix), Dorothy Pewitt //// (Mother of Shawn Pewitt), Rosalie Shipp /// (Cousin of Ann Sims and Nancy Stoner), George Harmon / (Father of Emily Wilbanks), Laura Meek / (Friend of the Halbrooks Family), Jesse Stephens / (Son of Roberta Stephens), Tommy Lowery / (Debbi Sparkman’s brother-in-law), Kim Jones Vernetta / (Friend of the Hardy’s), Betty Yancy / (Charles Hardy’s cousin), R.D. and Lurline Reyer / (Parents of Brenda Halbrooks)

If you would like to add a name to **“Prayer Concerns for Family and Friends”**, please call the church office — 773-6952. Each name will be listed on a monthly basis.

Continue to Pray for

Alvin Abercrombie, Barbara Turner, Billy Ruwe, Mary Paul Hendry, Flora Weeks, Linda Hodgen, Anne Walker

NURSERY WORKERS GREETERS, USHERS & SOUND

- 9:00 Worship Nursery** Sarahann Edde
- 11:00 Worship Nursery** Nursery Worker
- 8:45 Greeter & Coffee Time:** Conrad Bell
- 9:00 Greeters:** Anita Bennett, Leigh Frances
- 9:00 Set-up:** Chuck Brechtel, Shannon Parker
- 11:00 July Ushers** Charles Ray (Chair), John Bennett (Co-chair), Hal Moore, Daniel Engle
- 11:00 Greeters** Frank and Virginia Ann Stewart
- 11:00 Sound** Alton Armistead

Need Volunteers!

ON THE ROAD AGAIN...

So we just returned from our 2010 Mystery Mission Trip. I'd like first of all to give the disclaimer that I've lived most of the past two weeks of an average of 5 hours of sleep. So if none of what I'm about to say makes any sense, at least it will look nice lining the birdcage.

It was an AWESOME trip. If you haven't heard yet, we went to Fort Worth, Texas. We took 29 students, 15 of whom were graduated seniors. All of our students worked extremely hard, so much so that the folks we were working for were shocked and amazed. We finished several projects ahead of schedule, and I constantly got comments about how hard our teams worked and the great attitude of joy and love that they displayed. We are having our annual Shareholders' dessert on **August 29, 2010 at 6:00 PM**, and all of you should make every effort to come. I want you to appreciate just what these young men and women of God are capable of. As an added bonus you'll get to see what our Jr. High accomplished on their trip, which was just as rewarding and fruitful. We'll show pictures, see video, and you'll hear first hand how these trips impacted our students and the lives they touched. So I don't want to ruin what they have to tell you. However I'd like to share with you just a few of the things that **I** learned on this year's trip:

- Never, ever leave your bag of snacks unattended!
- Someone's bathroom emergency might be God's gentle way of keeping you from running out of gas.
- Wonderbread is a powerful and holy mystery.
- If someone is asleep, don't believe them when they say they don't have the keys.
- A hot shower makes all "situations" just a little bit easier to cope with.
- A GPS makes crossing the street an adventure.
- Churches should be the most hospitable places on the face of the earth—this week I encountered some of the most generous and helpful folks. They wanted us to be successful in our ministry, and whatever mountains they had to move to make that possible, they were more than willing to make it happen.
- Students can do great things if we just give them the tools and show them the way. (Ok I already knew this one, but this week was just one more case example to prove my point).

I want to take this final note to thank Greg Douthit, Tommy Raley, Emily Wilbanks, Emily McFee, Justin Barnes, Jessica Barnes, Courtney Corder, Anita Bennett, & Jennifer Sittason for making this journey with us. Our trip truly wouldn't have been possible without their dedication and sacrifice.

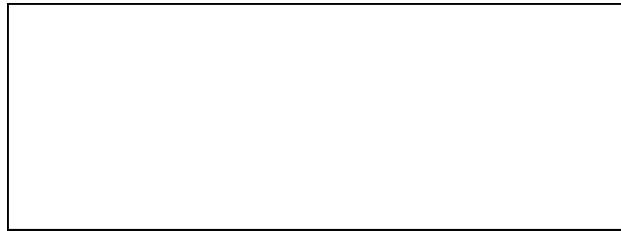
I hope you will come to our shareholders' dessert in August. We want to share with you all that Christ did for us and through us during the week. I hope you will feel blessed to hear what your generosity empowered us to do, I know we felt blessed to do it!

Toby Chastain

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



SYMPATHY

The minister, staff and membership of FUMC wish to extend sincere Christian sympathy to Barbara Turner in the death of her mother, Lola Simpson, July 15, 2010.

UH OH!

Did you forget to make an appointment for the **Pictorial Directory**?

While it's too late to sign up online or at church, you may still call Olan Mills directly and make an appointment at **1-800-866-2263**.

Call today! We want your and your family to be included our Directory.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

July 25, 2010 • 12:00 p.m. • Sanctuary

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

8:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
12:00
4:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

MONDAY:

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
7:55 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY:

6:30 a.m.
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
7:55 a.m.
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
9:45 a.m.
2:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY:

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY:

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
7:55 a.m.
2:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY:

7:30 a.m.—8:30 a.m.
9:30 p.m.—5:10 p.m.

July 25

Recreational Ministry Center Closed
Early Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Contemporary Worship Service (Gym)
Sunday School
Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Administrative Council (Sanctuary)
Youth Tri-Church Competition (Gym/Pool)
Gospel Singing (Sanctuary)

July 26

Walking Track Hours
Firm Up Exercise (208)
Staff Meeting (Library)
Quartet Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

July 27

Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast (113)
Walking Track Hours
Prayer Shawl Ministry (Library)
Directory Pictures (2nd floor)
Youth travel to The Basement

July 28

Walking Track Hours
Firm Up Exercise (208)
Wacky Wednesdays (Gym)
Falkville Healthcare Sing-A-Long
Directory Pictures (2nd floor)
Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study
Planning Session (209)
Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

July 29

Walking Track Hours
Directory Pictures (2nd floor)

July 30

Walking Track Hours
Firm Up Exercise
Directory Pictures (2nd floor)

July 31

Men's Emmaus Reunion Group (Faith House)
Directory Pictures (2nd floor)

MEMORIALS

GOOD SAMARITAN

In memory of Bill Camp by Art & Anne Glasgow.
In memory of Les Marquart, Linnell Orr and Howard Robinson
by Fred & Joan Langston.
In memory of Frank Bell by Robert & Gail Peck.
In memory of Frank Bell and Ralph Summerford
by Charles & Ora Ray.
In memory of Frank Bell by Robert & Robbie Stephenson.
In memory of Barbara Turner's mother, Lola Simpson,
by the Wesleyan SS Class.

PRAISE BAND

In memory of Steve Turney by Anonymous.

BUDGET

In memory of Frank Bell by Bill & Bonnie Lindsey.