

# First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

## NEWSLETTER



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### FROM THE CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE

As the Holidays draws near, the Christmas Committee is very busy preparing for a wonderful Advent Season. We hope that each family will be blessed through your participation in all of the scheduled events. Please prayerfully consider how you and your family can contribute to the blessings for all by giving of yourself, your talents, and your time. Upcoming events for which we will need volunteers include:

December 1, 2003—6 pm - Hanging of the Greens - Decoration of the church and grounds. Please bring finger food for snacking while decorating. (Nursery Provided)

December 17, 2003—Christmas Caroling

December 21, 2003—Children's Christmas Program- Please bring finger foods for a light potluck supper after the program

January 2, 2004—Taking down the decorations

Check the December calendar for all the events. We look forward to sharing this wonderful season with you.

Doug & Vicki Long, Chairpersons

### Welcome New Member - Kristi Corbin

We welcome our newest member, Kristi Corbin. She is the wife of Eric Corbin and has attended our church since she and Eric were engaged. They were married in our Stonewall Street Church. Their address is: 1443 Stonewall St. in McKenzie and phone number is 352-9478. Welcome Kristi!

### Chrismon Worship Service

Our annual Chrismon worship service will be Sunday, November 30, the first Sunday in Advent. Our youth will be participating in the service by describing the symbolism of the "Chrismon" ornaments. The congregation will participate by placing the ornaments on the Chrismon tree. Join us on Sunday to share in singing the familiar Christmas carols, lighting the first Advent Candle, hearing the Christmas story from the scriptures in Luke, and learning the meanings of the Christian symbols of our faith.

### Angel Tree

You will have an opportunity to make a difference in the life of a child this year at Christmas time. Janet Baumgardner, a member of Beta Sigma Phi, will have angel tree gift requests on Sunday, November 30. The paper angel you receive will have a gift request on the back—the age, boy or girl, then the item you should get, either clothing with sizes, school supplies, or toys. Please return the gift WITH THE ANGEL ATTACHED in a shopping bag or gift bag. You do not need to wrap the gift. We need all the gifts returned by Sunday, December 14. Thanks for your help.

### Christmas Poinsettias

The Christmas Committee invites you to place a poinsettia in the Worship and Family Life Center to remember or honor a family member or friend this year. The poinsettias will be used in the Worship and Family Life Center during the Advent season. The poinsettias will be \$9.00 each. Please return the form below and your payment to the church office before December 5. You may also choose to give to the Nehemiah Building Fund in lieu of placing poinsettias in the church. A list of those who are honored and remembered and by whom will be in Sunday, December 14 church bulletin.

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### Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

POINSETTIAS or a gift to the NEHEMIAH BUILDING FUND (Circle one) given in

MEMORY and/or in HONOR (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_

by \_\_\_\_\_

## **“The Christmas Light”**

The chancel choir will be performing “The Christmas Light” by Benjamin Harlan for their cantata. The musical will incorporate readings by choir members and visual vignettes by the youth of the church. Their performance will be Sunday, **December 7** during the morning worship hour.

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## **Porcelain Doll**

Just in time for Christmas the Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry is proud to introduce to you another beautiful porcelain doll lovingly made and given by Sue Thompson. This is a beautifully made Christmas doll. This would make any doll lover very excited on Christmas morning. For a contribution of \$5.00 to the building fund of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church your name will be added to the other friends who would love to take this doll home with them. For a \$10.00 donation to the building fund your name will be added three times. We will be having the drawing for her on Sunday, December 21 after the children's program. Don't miss seeing the doll in the gathering area next Sunday. Please tell Sue how much we appreciate her giving of her talents through this beautiful doll. See the women of the church for tickets.

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## **Youth Activities**

The youth will be participating in the Chrismon Worship Service on Sunday November 30 and also in the cantata on Sunday, December 7. There is a trip planned for Saturday, December 13 to Opry Mills Mall and the Opryland Hotel. On December 14, the youth will have their Christmas party at 5:30 pm.

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## **WOW!!!**

Worship on Wednesday (WOW) begins at **5:30 pm** each Wednesday. A light supper will be prepared by elders and their shepherd groups to begin the evening, followed by informal worship and praise music at **5:55 pm**. Then at **6:15 pm**, there will be classes for all ages. A nursery will be provided during the class times and worship time. Rev. Janner leads an adult Bible study based on the book, “The Interpretation of the Book of Romans”. WOW concludes at 7:00 pm.

Many thanks to the elders and their teams who have provided wonderful meals on Wednesday nights.

**December 3** - Team 6 with Elders Cindy Arnold and Joe Walker and team members: Bakers; Hintons; R. Johnson; Medlocks; Perkins; Thomas; Castlemans; Ervins; J. Fortner; C. Flynn; Nienabers; Hills; Jarretts; Kemps; J. Pinson; Tom Smiths.

**December 10** - The Fellowship Committee will be making Chili for everyone and Bethel Basketball Team will be our guests. They will be asking others to help with desserts, etc.

## ***Congratulations!***

T. J. Meek and his team have won the Senior 4-H plant and seed identification at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. They physically identified 65 weeds and 60 seeds, which are of economic importance to Tennessee farmers. This is their second year to be state champions. Congratulations T. J.!

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Congratulations to McKenzie High School Rebel Football Team and John Craig Howell who had a winning season and competed in two state playoff games. John Craig was also nominated as McKenzie High School's Wendy's High School Heisman Representative.

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Congratulations to Ashley McDaniel and the Bethel College Soccer Team who went to California and competed in the national NAIA soccer tournament.

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Erica Taylor will receive her masters degree on Sunday, December 7 at 2 pm from Bethel College Commencement. Congratulations, Erica!

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Trent Rutledge will graduate from Middle Tennessee State University School of Business on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Computer Information Systems. We are proud of you, Trent!

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## **Memorials and Honorariums**

### **Nehemiah Building Fund**

#### **In Memory of:**

Jammie Foster

by Fellowship SS Class

Tim & Carol Nanney

#### **In Memory of:**

Colin Locke

by Joe & Linda Hearn

J C and Lil True

Tim & Carol Nanney

Tony & Mary Ann Janner

#### **In Honor of:**

Bob, Cheriadeth & Trent Rutledge and the church family

by Reba, Lute and Andrew Foster

### **Sanctuary Fund**

#### **In Memory of:**

Colin Locke

by C. H. “Red” Summers

Rev. Lee Scott

by C. H. “Red” Summers

Patty Edwards

by C. H. “Red” and Alice Summers

**December  
Women's Ministry &  
Circle Meetings**

**Women's Ministry** will meet on Monday, December 15 at 6 pm for an add-a-dish meal in the Worship and Family Life Center. Circle III will be hostess and provide the program.

**Circle I** will meet at 11:30 am on Monday, December 1 at Hig's Restaurant for lunch together.

**Circle II** will meet on Tuesday, December 2 at the home of Marlene Kreuter at 6 pm for a potluck supper. Katrina Holancin will have the program.

**Circle III** will meet on Monday, December 8 at 6 pm in the home of Robye Lindsey for an add-a-dish meal.

**Glory Be Circle** will meet on Sunday, December 7 at 7 pm at the home of Erica Taylor (902 Stonewall St.) for coffee and snacks.

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**Acolytes**

Michael Keenan - 352-0658  
Braden Nanney - 352-0648  
Supervisor - Carol Nanney

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**Greeters**

Dec. 7 (A) John & JoAnn Motheral  
(B) Ed & Demetra Perkins  
(C) Sandra Spires/Doris Blount  
Dec. 14 (A) Dewayne & Dawn Ervin  
(B) Ron & Sandi Deming  
(C) Mark & Tami Stambaugh  
Dec. 21(A) Frank Claytor/Larry Ridley  
(B) Doug & Vicki Long  
(C) Mark & Jill Warren  
Dec. 28 (A) Amy Howell  
(B) Larry & Paula Watkins  
(C) Craig & Traci Lunn

**Nursery  
Helpers**

7 - Martha Peters - B  
Pat Ridley - T  
Sub: Becky Allen  
14 - Linda Kemp - B  
Jill Renfro - T  
Sub: Sarah Bradberry  
21 - Leslie McNeil - B  
Lauren Perritt - T  
Sub: Johnna Baumgardner  
28 - Glynda Hamilton - B  
Reba Foster - T  
Sub: Julia Hinton

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**Ushers**

Terry Howell, Chairman  
352-7413  
J. T. Lindsey, Co-Chairman  
Gordon Coleman  
Lynda Lankford  
Stephen Perritt  
Mark Stambaugh

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**Sound System  
Helpers**

December 7 - Mark Warren  
December 14 & 21 - Eric Corbin  
December 28 - Tommy Surber

*December  
Birthdays*

1 - Paul Carroll  
2 - Joseph Keenan  
3 - Blake H. Baker  
6 - Dan Kreuter  
Jimmy Stambaugh  
8 - June Perritt  
9 - Jimmy Carroll  
Harold Kelly  
10 - Susie Motheral  
11 - Carol Nanney  
Carla Flynn  
Howard Spires  
12 - Cathey Stambaugh  
Zia McKennie  
13 - Marlene Kreuter  
14 - Jill Renfro  
18 - Lydia Warren  
19 - Paige Holcomb  
Steve Matlock  
21 - Rachel Carroll  
23 - Evan Wilson  
24 - Jessie "Gaga" Killibrew  
Mary Ann Janner  
25 - Mary Wyatt  
28 - Teresa Washburn  
29 - Meredith Surber  
Olivia Olson

*Anniversaries*

11 - Brian & Anita Baker  
13 - Jimmy & Ruth Carroll  
14 - John & Janet Baumgardner  
17 - Jack & Judy Hall  
18 - Joe & Anne Hames  
22 - George & Linda Howton  
Ed & Demetra Perkins  
23 - Gary & Linda Meek  
24 - Rick & Charlotte Wilson  
30 - Dave & Martha Sue Peters

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**Love Loaf Program**

If you forgot to bring you Love Loaf or were out of town last Sunday, please bring it this Sunday. We collected \$392.04 to help orphans throughout the world and also to help feed the hungry in our own community.

Please see Ben Surber to make donations to the Christmas Fund for pastor and staff. He will be going to Sunday School classes during December for collections.

Thank you,  
Christmas Committee

## Thank You Notes

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for hosting our football team for the church service and the meal afterwards. McKenzie High School appreciates the commitment that you make to the young people of this community. You certainly make our football team, coaches and administrators feel at home. Again, than you for your gracious hospitality.

Sincerely, Terry Howell

We would like to thank you for the cards, your prayers, and thoughts during this tough time.

God Bless You, The Ramos Family

The C.P. Women's Ministry would like to thank everyone who participated in the Fall Casserole Sale and Bake Sale. Because of your love and support, a total of \$1573.00 was collected and given to the Nehemiah Building Fund.

### **Dr. Charles McCaskey** **Sunday, January 4, 2004**

Dr. Charles McCaskey, Moderator of the General Assembly, will be our guest speaker on Sunday, January 4, 2004 while our pastor is on vacation. Rev. McCaskey is also pastor of the Cookeville Cumberland Presbyterian Church. His wife, Wanda is originally from McKenzie. His daughter, Mary is a student at Bethel College.

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## Remember in your Prayers

Dr. Laddie Lollar; Boyd & Anne Hames (Joe Hames parents); Dusty, Jessica and Mitchell Locke and family; the family of Jammie Foster; the family of Rev. Lee Scott; Elizabeth Barlow; J. T. Lindsey; Elaine Bulter; Janice Chandler; Jack and Janice Barthomew; Ray Gurley; Donald Jackson; the family of Carnell Shankle; Shelba McCasklin; the family of Patty Edwards; Doris Smoron; Louise Hastings; Berneal McKennie (Gary's mother); Kim White; Mark and Kathy Holloman; Ressie White (Bubba Waddle's sister-in-law); Toni (sister of Linda McClure); Chad Jensen (Frances' grandson); Judi Smartt Keen; Jane Pate; Tommy Ellis; William Bryant; Mary K Pollard; Renee Nespeca; Peggy Hall; Betty Smith; Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother); our military, our church; the Session, our nation's leaders, missionaries and denominational institutions

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Dewayne Ervin-Youth Director; Walter Waddle-Choir Director; Zia McKennie-Organist; June Perritt, Secretary  
Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8am-3pm  
Sunday School - 9:45 am; Sunday Worship - 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening - Children's Choir and Youth Fellowship  
Prayer and Bible Study Groups - Sundays and Wednesdays  
School of Discovery-Tuesday/Thursday 8:00am-11:00 am  
WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:30 pm-Classes for all ages; Praise Choir  
*"A Family of Faith with Open Minds and Loving Hearts"*