

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

February 24 , 2005



FROM THE PASTOR

The church is moving along well. The Pavilion is just about completed and this summer we will have a joyful time using the new facility. Vacation Bible School will be active with children playing and enjoying this facility. Senior youth and Junior youth will have a place to meet outside this summer. Family and church picnics will be enjoyed by all. We are grateful to Mr. Curtis "Red" Summers, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob and Trent Rutledge, for donating the funds to build this pavilion.

The pavilion is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Raymon (former Academic Dean and Dean of Students, Bethel College) and Elizabeth Burroughs by Mr. Curtis "Red" Summers and to the memory of Mr. Sibyl Rutledge and Mr. R. A. James, by Bob, Cheriadeth and Trent Rutledge.

You may have noticed the pile of mud in the north parking lot of the church. We had a water line break and it was repaired Tuesday. Please try to avoid the mud in the gravel part of the parking lot. After a time of drying and settling, we will smooth it out and you may drive your vehicles through that parking lot again.

We have changed our format for morning worship and I feel it is working very well. Let me thank you for your patience and willingness to change. Please give the children a big "thank you" for their hard work in February serving as ushers—giving out hymnals and bulletins, taking up the offering etc. The children took their task very seriously and that has made an impression upon me. Thanks young men!

Mexico Mission Trip planning is going along very well. Ben Warren is doing a great job in getting people interested in sharing in this mission. This is a church wide mission (not just for youth) and if you feel that God is calling you then make plans to go. Half the money is due in Memphis on the 15th of March. That means \$150.00 per person for the trip. We will also need to raise \$750.00 for the team to build a block house. Milan Cumberland Presbyterian Church will be our partner in this mission and they too will give \$750.00 to make the total cost of the block house \$1,500.00.

Keep the Faith!--Tony

30-Hour Famine

The youth will be participating in a 30-hour Famine on the weekend of February 25-26. Sponsored by World Vision, the money raised will feed hungry children around the world. The youth will begin their "fast" after lunch on Friday, February 25, arrive at the church around 3:30 pm for their lock-in, which will continue through Saturday. Donations for the 30-hour famine will be accepted. Thanks for your help.

Women's Ministry Retreat

The West Tennessee Presbyterial Women's Ministry's Spring Retreat is scheduled for Friday (6:30 pm) and Saturday, **March 11-12**. Special guests include the "McGuire Sisters" and "Miss Martha". Bring snacks to share on Friday evening. Registration forms are available on the table under the bulletin board in the hallway. Cost is \$26 for cabins; \$36 for the lodge; \$10 Saturday only if you register before March 1. (Note: everyone spending the night should bring their own linens—towels, washcloths, sheets, pillow, etc.)

New MTS President

The Board of Memphis Theological Seminary has elected Dr. Daniel J. Earheart-Brown as seventh President of Memphis Theological Seminary. Prior to his election, he was Associate Professor of Theology and has served in a teaching role at MTS since 1997. He graduated magna cum laude from MTS in 1986 with a master of divinity.

One Great Hour of Sharing

On Palm Sunday, **March 20**, you will have the opportunity to give to One Great Hour of Sharing. Cumberland Presbyterians have given generously to this annual offering for more than 50 years. Through OGHS, you take the suffering of the poor seriously and join hands with Christians across our nation to meet need where it is most urgent. The money you give will help people in many parts of the world to live a better life. It will help them to grow food and to learn to read and write. It will help them build places to live and give them the tools they need to earn a living for their families. It will help people who have no clean water drill wells. It will provide food, blankets and shelter to people who have lived through hurricanes and earthquakes.

“And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing?”

Easter Lilies

If you are interested in ordering an Easter Lily to be placed in the Worship and Family Life Center for Easter Sunday, March 27, you may fill the form below and return it along with \$10.00 by March 14 to the church office. You can remember or honor someone special to you. Please include payment with your order.

Easter Lilies - Order form

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

New Hymnals

Thanks for all your donations toward our purchase of new hymnals. We have over \$1,300 thus far which will buy at least 130 hymnals. We would like to order 200 hymnals.

“The Celebration Hymnal” songs and hymns for worship, has been selected for our church. The hymnal has many of our traditional and favorite hymns and it also contains some of the praise songs we use in worship. It contains over 800 songs and hymns.

If we can get the order in by March 1, we should be able to receive them to use in our Easter Worship Service. The price of each hymnal is \$11 (includes shipping). We invite you to complete the form below and bring it with you on Sunday. There will be a table set up in the Gathering Room for donations. If you choose to purchase a hymnal in honor or in memory of someone, a label will be put inside the hymnal showing the name of the person being honored and the giver's name.

In memory of or in honor of (circle one) _____,
given by _____

Given by _____

(Fill out this line if you wish to have your name on a label on inside cover of the hymnal(s) you purchase.)

My donation of _____ is given to the hymnal fund, anonymously.

Please fill out a form and return with your donation.

Junior Youth Mission Project

Thank you for all your donations for the military. We have made “Care Packages” for our men and women in the armed forces. We have some sheets on the table below the bulletin board in the hallway for you to sign. We will include them with our packages. If you want to continue to give the items listed, we will make care packages for some of the McKenzie National Guardsmen serving in Iraq who do not have any church affiliation. Please let me know.

We also ask that if you have pictures or any information that you would like to share to put this on our board.

Thanks for you donations!

Alisha Beard

Chap Stick

Hard Candy/Gum

Crossword Puzzle Books, or Word Searches

Socks

Playing Cards

Small games or toys (bubbles, silly putty)

Baby Powder

Small Toiletries

Non-perishable snacks

Foot Lotion

Phone Cards

Magazines or Newspapers

Tissues (small pack)

Hand Sanitizer

Memorials and Honorariums

Nehemiah Building Fund

In Memory of Jack McCalla

(Brother of Robye Lindsey & Frances Jensen)
by Jean Garrett

In Memory of Dr. Jim Potts

by Jean Garrett

In Memory of Wesley Beal, Sr.

by Jean Garrett

In Honor of Virginia Walker

by Frances Ridley

Youth News

Hello,

Thanks everyone for your support of our projects and events—the 30-Hour Famine and the Mexico Mission Trip. Please keep both of these events in your prayers.

Youth: Don't forget to bring blue jeans and white t-shirts with you Friday, which we will wear for serving during the Dinner Theater.

On March 6 we will take the children (parents to accompany children under kindergarten age) to Chuckie Cheese in Jackson.

God Bless, Ben

Junior Youth

February 27 - 5:30 pm - Pizza with Bro. Tony at the church.

Call me if you need more information at 415-7305

Alisha Beard

Easter Candy Donations

The Christian Education Committee is asking for donations of individually wrapped pieces of candy and plastic eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. (No loose jelly beans or hard candy, please.) There will be a basket outside in the gathering area to put the Easter items in. These need to be collected by Sunday, March 13. Thanks for your help.

The Easter Egg hunt will be on Saturday, March 26th with a tentative time of 11:30 am.

We will hunt eggs and have a light lunch.

Traci Lunn

WOW

WOW, Worship on Wednesday begins at 5:30 on Wednesday nights with a light meal. There are Bible classes for everyone. Also a nursery is provided for the babies & toddlers. The adults are continuing a study of the Old Testament with Rev. Janner. The children (ages 4 - 4th grades) are studying "Prime Time with God". Youth classes are also continuing their studies.

Elders teams prepare the light meals before classes begin.

A donation basket is placed beside the door to help with expenses. On March 30, and April 27, the Praise Choir and Children's Choir will present a program of music with devotional. Classes will not meet on those dates.

Many thanks to Teams 3 for the pancakes and sausage on Feb. 16 and Team 4 for the pasta & meatballs on Feb. 23.

The Praise Choir and Children's Choir uplifted our spirits with their wonderful songs on Wednesday night. Thanks!

March 2 - Team 5 - Elders Robye Lindsey and Tom Smith and members: A. Boaz; E. & K. Corbin; R. Foster; Hamiltons; Hulls; Janners; L. Kelly; Lockes; M. Wiggins; John Motherals; Paul Motherals; Perritts; Prossers; B. Scott; L. Smith; Trevathans; Warrens

March 9 - Team 6 - Elders Linda Hearn and Tommy Surber with members, B. Allen; A. Baker's; Baumgardners; Bradberrys; Clarks; Demings; Easleys; E. Forester; Hintons; R. Johnsons; Matlocks; Owens; Perkins; Thomas; J. Walkers; V. Walker; Weatherfords

March 16 - Team 1 - Elders Millie Finley and Jimmy Stambaugh with members: D. Blount, Keenans, Kelleys; Kirks; Turners; Warmans; Washburns; Wilsons; Youngs; Howells; F. Jensen; L. Lewis; R. Morris; Olsons; Peters; Reids; L. & M. Watkins;

March 23 - Team 2 - Elders Traci Lunn and Tim Nanney and members Batchelors; C. Cole; C. Crowell; Eubanks; Hames; McKennie's; Meeks; R. Pate; Tunnings; Beards; Browns; Ervins; J. Fortner; Hills; Kempes; P. Longs; Nienabers; J. Pinson; Sims; J. Toombs

(Your elders will be calling upon you to help prepare meals or give money to buy the food.)

Faith in a Nutshell

Enhancing Spiritual Development

The Board of Christian Education is sponsoring a congregation training miniversity on Saturday, March 12 at the Jackson Cumberland Presbyterian Church from 9 am to 12:30 pm. You'll get three hours of focused training in ways to explore your faith and how to help others do so as well; an opportunity to participate with people of other congregations through the sharing of insights and ideas; and qualified leadership from a trained consultant. This event will also help individuals to explore the beliefs of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church approved submitting a proposed catechism which is a series of questions and answers that help people understand the basis of our faith and beliefs. Everyone is invited. Cost is \$15.

March Calendar

Circle Meetings

Circle II will meet at the home of Katrina Holancin for a potluck supper at **6:00 pm** on Tuesday, **March 1**. The ladies will do Bethel parents letters for baskets.

Circle III will meet at the home of Frances Jensen on Monday, **March 14 at 7 pm**. Debby Aljancic will have the program.

Glory Be Circle will meet on **Monday, March 7** at the church Reception Room at 6:30 pm. Linda Meek is the hostess and Kristi Corbin is the program leader.

Women's Ministry Meeting

The quarterly Women's Ministry Meeting which includes all circles will meet on **Monday, March 21 at 6 pm** in the Worship and Family Life Center for an add-a-dish meal and meeting.

Circle III will be hostess and provide the program. Mr. Peter Jeffrey, Renaissance Deputy Conductor and Creative Director will provide musical entertainment. The congregation is invited to join for the entertainment at 7 pm.

Acolytes

Matt Warren - 352-5374
Braden Nanney - 352-0648
Supervisor - Carol Nanney

Ushers

Gordon Coleman - Chairperson
Craig Lunn - Co-Chairperson
Tommy Johnson
Jan Kirk
Doug Long
Kelly Weatherford

Nursery Helpers

6- Johnna Toombs – B	352-1335
Virginia Hames –T	352-0887
Sub: Marjorie Matlock	352-3789
13- Janet Baumgardner – B	352-7263
Missy Blount -T	352-2822
Sub: Linda Kemp	352-2136
20- April Trevathan – B	352-3548
Kate Hames –T	352-0887
Sub: Paula Watkins	352-5213
27- Sarah Bradberry - B	352-0044
Alisha Beard- T	415-7305
Sub: Meredith Surber	352-3807

Sound System Helpers

March 6 & 13 - Terry Howell
March 20 & 27 - Larry Ridley

Greeters

March 6 (A) Rebecca Pate/Sandra Pate	352-2385/7631
(B) Ruth Morris	352-2569
March 13 (A) Clifford & Marjorie Matlock	352-3789
(B) Linda Hearn	352-5688
March 20 (A) Dave & Martha Peters	352-5997
(B) Jean Garrett	352-2963
March 27 (A) John and JoAnn Motheral	352-2011
(B) Sandra Spires	352-3764

Creation Seminar

A seminar given by Dr. Kent Hovind, one of the foremost authorities on science and the Bible, will be held on Friday March 11 at 7 pm and on Saturday, March 12 at 1 pm and 7 pm at the Hampton Inn Convention Center in Paris, Tennessee. Tickets are \$2 in advance each day and can be purchased at Promise Land Christian Bookstore and Ace's Pizza in Paris, Computer Solutions in Camden or New Life Christian Bookstore in Murray, Kentucky. For more information call 731-336-0508 or go to www.drdina.com on the internet.

Women's Conference

Huntingdon First Baptist Church

April 8th & 9th

featuring Billie & Kellye Cash

Registration forms are in the office if you are interested.

Camp Clark Williamson

Schedule

Junior High Youth Spring Retreat
March 18-20

Summer Youth Camps

Junior Youth Camp #1 - June 13-18, 2005
Senior High Youth Camp - June 20-25, 2005
Junior High Youth Camp #1 - July 4-9, 2005
Junior High Youth Camp #2 - July 11-16, 2005
Junior Youth Camp #2 - July 25-30, 2005

The Board of Christian Education is requesting a list from the church of people who have been in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church for fifty years or longer. Our records show members of the McKenzie Church, however many in our congregation have been Cumberland Presbyterians all their lives with membership in other C. P. Churches. If you are a "50-year Cumberland Presbyterian" please let us know in the church office (352-2440) so we can forward this information to the Board.

March

Birthdays

- 1 - Justin Stambaugh
Virginia Walker
- 2 - Trent Rutledge
- 3 - Lynda Lankford
Erica Pugh
Tommy Patterson
- 4 - Linda Kelly
Amanda Boaz
- 8 - Bob Hull
- 9 - Nicholas Baker
- 11 - Jean McKinnie
Brice Webb
- 12 - Suzanne Howell
Brandon Hill
- 14 - Alli Basford
- 16 - Dave Peters
- 18 - Amy Howell
- 19 - Stacie Warman
- 20 - Matt Warren

(Birthdays Continued)

- 21 - Eric Corbin
Terry Howell
- 22 - Doris Blount
Joe Hames
- 23 - Debbie Medlock
Dennis Holcomb
- 28 - Frank Claytor
- 30 - Mark Thompson
- 31 - Nathen Tunning

March

Anniversaries

- 10 - Charles & Linda Kemp
- 14 - Bob & Kathy Hull
- 16 - Eddie & Kim Moss

Remember in your Prayers

Donna Ward and family at the death of Louise Ward; Ranny Brogdon (Suzanne Howell's mother); J. C. & Lil True; Dr. Laddie Lollar; Demetra Perkins; Rev. Cordell Smith; Brian Taylor; Thomas Clark; Lindsey Damesworth; Todd Walker, Karl Tunning, Stephen Brown; Peggy Hall; Van Lynch; Peggy Perritt; Wanda Anderson; Evelyn Buck; Jerry Hearn (Joe's brother); Wayne David Bryant (James Hamilton's brother-in-law); Rosa Owen (Gene Owen's mom); Robert Lankford (friend of Christopher Hinton); Charlie Maeburn (Tom Keenan's uncle); June Nanney (Tim's grandmother); Pam Bush; Ethel Sands; Mary Margaret Williams; Jane Pate; Maxie Neely; Wayne Tubbs; Edwin Basford; Gail Higdon; William and Evora Bryant; Shelba McCasklin; Faye Headden; Betty Smith; Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother); Upward Basketball Program for Youth; West Tennessee presbytery's ministerial candidates; our military, our church; the Session, our nation's leaders, missionaries and denominational institutions; Tomorrow's Hope Pregnancy Center

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Walter Waddle-Choir Director; Zia McKennie-Organist; Ben Warren, Youth/Assistant to the pastor; June Perritt, Sec.
Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm
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 8:15am-11:15 am; 11:45am -2:45 pm
WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:30 pm—Classes for all ages; Praise Choir
"A Family of Faith with Open Minds and Loving Hearts"