

# First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

## NEWSLETTER

September 29, 2005



### From the Pastor's Desk

I do not know how you feel, but last week was one of the most meaningful weeks in my life. Rev. Dr. Larry Blakeburn did an outstanding job of delivering sermons that spoke to my heart and soul. These revival sermons were thought-provoking and moving, allowing us to investigate the cause and effect of our personal sins. We were given an opportunity to examine our motives, as to why we do what we do and say what we say. Our old nature is one that causes us much trouble. This ghost of our past sometime enters into our present life and causes us harm. I was very blessed by this revival and I hope you were too. The attendance was outstanding every night; however, I wish everyone could have experienced this revival. I want to thank you, Larry for blessing this congregation with your ministry and presence.

I want to welcome to our congregation Mrs. Peggy Espey, she comes to us from the White Hall Baptist Church in Trenton, TN, where she worshiped with her late husband. Mrs. Espey was reared in the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church. She has moved to McKenzie and works for Children Services of Tennessee. We are blessed to have her as a part of the Cumberland Presbyterian family, we extend our friendship to her and family.

Next month you will be receiving in the mail information concerning our *Experiencing God through Stewardship*, annual budget campaign for the coming year. Please take time to read and respond to this information. The Stewardship/Finance Committee and I want to have time with you in a relaxed setting to share our vision for the future of our church and its many ministries. This will also give you an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions as to what you would like to see happen next year. I am excited about the coming months and in *Experiencing God's Presence* in our Church and personal lives. ---Tony

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### Love Loaf Program

On Sunday, October 2 you will have an opportunity to pick up a Love Loaf at church. As faithful followers of Christ, you and your family have hope to share. Through World Vision's Love Loaf, our church will experience the joys of practical giving to those in need in Myanmar. We can act as Jesus' hands and feet to the poor. Let's pray and see how God works miraculously through us in this adventure. Participating in this program can impact the lives of hurting children in Myanmar. Just \$28 dollars can provide a child in need with food and other life-saving necessities for a month.

World Vision reaches out to hurting children with critical help like safe shelter, emotional and spiritual counseling, health care, improved nutrition, access to schooling, HIV/AIDS prevention education, and skills training. Support like this has given children an opportunity for new life.

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### Welcome New Member

We welcome Mrs. Peggy Espey to our church. She lives at 16545 Highland Drive and her mailing address is P. O. Box 1123. Her phone number is 552-0144. Her grandson, Matthew, 2 years old is enjoying the Sunday School and the nursery on Sunday mornings. Natalie and Alex also come to church with her.

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### "Experiencing God through Stewardship"

During the week of October 16, you will be invited to come share in a light supper and learn about stewardship. The theme for this year is "*Experiencing God through Stewardship*" and goes along with our Bible Study. Rev. Janner will speak and the Stewardship and Finance Committee will present the 2006 proposed budget. You will be receiving a letter in the mail soon explaining the details. The Fellowship Committee is providing the meals. There will be meetings on October 16, 17, 18, & 20 beginning at **6:30 pm** each evening.

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### Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity of Carroll County is building House #13 in Clarksburg. Construction will begin Saturday, October 1. Volunteers are needed to help. A schedule of work times is posted on the bulletin board.

## **WOW (Worship on Wednesday)**

There are classes for all ages. A Nursery is provided for children under age 4. We begin at 5:30 pm with a light meal. Classes begin at 6:10 pm. The children's study theme this year is "Fruits of the Spirit". The youth and adults will be doing the Bible study "Experiencing God". Call the church office if you need a workbook for "Experiencing God".

Many thanks to Lynda Lankford and Mark Thompson and Team 4 for the potato soup and ham sandwiches.

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

**October 12 - Team 6** - Elders Linda Hearn and Tommy Surber with members, B. Allen; A. Baker's; Baumgardners; Bradberrys; Clarks; Demings; Easleys; E. Forester; Hintons; Jeffery's; R. Johnsons; Matlocks; Owens; Perkins; Thomas; J. Walkers; V. Walker; Weatherfords

**October 19** - PIZZA

(The congregation is divided into 12 shepherding groups. Two elders & their shepherd groups make up a team. Your elders will be calling upon you to help prepare meals or give money to buy the food.)

### **"Experiencing God"**

"Experiencing God", the Bible study is underway. Group A meets in the Fellowship SS Classroom with Rev. Anne Hames, facilitator; Group B meets in Class Friendly Classroom with Dr. Joe Hames, facilitator; Group C meets in the Conference Room with Rev. Janner and Group D will meet in the Choir Room with facilitator, Amanda Boaz. Mrs. Linda Kemp is facilitator for the Bible study on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am in the Conference Room.

### **Nominating Committee**

The Session has appointed a Nominating Committee to select four new elders to serve a three-year term. Elders Millie Finley, Lynda Lankford, Robye Lindsey and, Jimmy Stambaugh will finish their three-year terms in December 2005 and rotate off the session.

The session consists of twelve elders. Each elder elected serves a three-year term. Four new elders will be elected this year. Any member of the church in good standing, who has been a member at least one year and is not employed by the church may be nominated.

Anyone in the congregation can recommend a member to serve as elder. Please ask the person you want to recommend before contacting the Nominating Committee. Your nominee must agree to serve before begin nominated.

Chairperson for the Nominating Committee is Jimmy Stambaugh (Elder, Class of 2005). Also serving on the committee is Linda Hearn (Elder, Class of 2006), Tim Nanney (Elder, Class of 2007), John Baumgardner and Linda Kelly (Members of the Congregation at large).

## **Memorials and Honoriums**

**Nehemiah Building Fund**

**In Memory of Rev. Buddy Stott**

by Betty Scott

**In Memory of Ruth McReynolds**

by Betty Scott

**In Memory of Leona Culver**

by Joe and Linda Hearn

**In Memory of Jean Seay**

by Joe and Linda Hearn

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### **Youth News**

Hope everyone is doing your daily devo for "Experiencing God". This Sunday night we will be meeting here at the church from 5 to 7 pm. We will eat and go over the Dave Ramsay study. It is going to be awesome! Hope to see you all!

God bless, Ben

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### **Congratulations**

Rev. Dudley Condron was honored with a reception on Wednesday, September 28 at Memphis Theological Seminary as an artist. Some of his work hangs in the halls of MTS.

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### **Library - Historical Room**

The Library - Historical Room is completed. Come by and see it, if you have not already done so. It is rich in history and beauty and contains quite a few books. The committee formed to make this room into a place to read, browse, and learn is to be commended. The Decorating Committee and the Historical Committee combined to finish the room (in which a wall dividing the original library and a classroom was removed to enlarge the room). Committee members include: John & Janet Baumgardner, Glynda Corbin, Audra Henderson, Carol Hill, Terry Howell, Marlene Kreuter, Lynda Lankford, Robye Lindsey. It looks wonderful! Thanks for all the hard work.

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### **Nursery Helpers**

We need your help. For many years we have provided a nursery for the "little ones" of our church. In the last few months the some scheduled helpers have not come--Sunday School teachers have stayed when they were needed. We have tried in every effort to make schedules and accommodate each volunteer. Some scheduled volunteers have not shown up or didn't call their substitute. If you have been asked to work the nursery this current year and do not want that responsibility, PLEASE call the church office and ask that your name be removed from the list. In the event that you are willing to work the nursery and are not able to work your scheduled time, PLEASE call your substitute. We are always looking for new volunteers. If you wish to volunteer, please call the church office. We appreciate your understanding and continued support of the nursery program.

## October Calendar

**Circle II** will meet on Tuesday, October 4 at 6 pm in the home of Jean Garrett (711 Stonewall) for a potluck meal and to prepare the Bethel parent letters for their Final Exam Basket project.

**Circle III** will meet on Monday, October 10, at 7 pm at the church Reception Room. Toni Prosser is the program leader and Leonora Claytor is the hostess.

**Glory Be Circle** will meet on Monday, October 3 at 6:30 pm at the church Reception Room. Letha Basford is the program leader and Missy Blount is the hostess.

### Acolytes

Olivia Olson - 644-2045  
Sarah Warren - 352-5374  
Supervisor - Mark Warren

### Nursery Helpers

2- Julia Hinton – B	352-3252
Lauren Perritt- T	352-6136
Sub: Lenore Surber	352-3150
9- Ruth Carroll- B	352-2811
Glynda Hamilton- T	642-3224
Sub: Becky Allen	352-3066
16- Audra Henderson- B	352-8004
Roxie Walker- T	352-2982
Sub: Sandra Spires	352-3726
23- Sandra Pate- B	352-7631
Lynda Lankford –T	352-5110
Sub: Jill Warren	352-5374
30- Sue Thompson-B	642-6999
Carol Hill-T	352-0891
Sub: Missy Blount	352-2882

### Ushers

Ben Surber - Chairperson  
John Baumgardner - Co-Chairperson  
Audra Henderson  
Charles Kemp  
Donna Ward  
Kerry Warman

### Sound System

October 2 - Mark Warren  
October 9 & 16 - Tim Nanney  
October 23 & 30 - Chris Blount

### Upward Basketball Cheerleading Meeting

Attention, anyone who is interested in coaching, helping to coach or refereeing, helping with cheerleading, assisting with the Upward Basketball Program in any way, there will be a meeting on Sunday, **October 2 at 5 pm** at First Baptist Church. For more information, call Clayton Owen at 352-5391.

## Greeters

Oct. 2 (A) Tracy & Marcia Webb	352-3550
(B) Kevin & Carol Hill	352-0891
Oct. 9 (A) Chris & Missy Blount	352-2822
(B) Paul and Susie Motheral	352-8010
Oct. 16 (A) Joe & Roxie Walker/Virginia	352-2982/9241
(B) Victor & Vicky Clark	352-7185
Oct. 23 (A) Eddie & Letha Basford	352-5670
(B) Tommy & Carolyn Patterson	352-4514
Oct. 30 (A) Joe & Jean McKinnie	352-7559
(B) Dave & Martha Peters	352-5997

## Women's Ministry Meeting

The McKenzie Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry met Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> in the L. H. Cozart Family Center for their fall quarter meeting. The Executive Committee hostesses decorated the supper tables with pamphlets and items pertaining to "This ...Teaching Out to Serve." This will be further carried out and emphasized in the Regional Meeting we will host Saturday, September 24. Glynda Corbin shared plans for the meeting which will include presentations from various local endeavors such as Habitat for Humanity, the teen pregnancy center in Paris, McKenzie United Neighbors and others during the luncheon hour. Guest Speaker will be our former church member, Pat Smith. We hope that many of our women will attend and be blessed and motivated to get involved in area needs. The nominating committee offered Marlene Kreuter as the delegate for Regional Meeting with June Perritt as alternate.

Marlene conducted installation of officers for this year: Charro Keenan, President; Jean Garrett, First Vice-President; Linda Meek, Treasurer, Linda Kelly, Secretary. Charro reviewed the recommendations as stated in the new yearbook. Our special project funds will be used for the Youth Evangelism Conference and Howell G. & Martha Jo Mims CPYC Endowment.

The minutes were read and approved and the treasury report accepted. Roll call showed present: Circle II - 10; Circle III -5 and Glory Be - 5.

October 9<sup>th</sup> will be Women's Ministry Sunday with Janey Edwards as guest speaker. The congregation. The congregation will be invited to help financially support the work of our Women's Ministry as led by the spirit to do so.

Linda Kelly, Secretary

## Women's Ministry Sunday

Sunday, October 9 will be Women's Ministry Sunday. The ladies of the church will be leading in the worship service. Janey Edwards will be the guest speaker. She is a retired teacher from Savannah, TN. She has been active in Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry for many years. She is a former President of the West Tennessee Presbyterian CPW and is currently serving as President of the Seekers of Joy Regional Women's Ministry.

Sunday, October 9 is also Pastor Appreciation Sunday. So in honor of our pastor, Rev. Tony Janner he gets the Sunday off!

## Metairie-Faith C. P. Church

It is with thanks to God and great joy that I tell you that Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Metairie, Louisiana weathered Hurricane Katrina and came through relatively unscathed! A short and unprofessional search by the stated supply pastor and one of the elders found that little damage was done. A few shingles here and there, the equipment storage building torn apart, one limb down in the back yard and one Palm tree down in the front yard are the bulk of the damage. God is good. Our members, and those of the U.C.C. congregation who meet with us, are scattered from here to there, and Pastor Paul Pic, the U. C. C. Minister is in Michigan, but we are going to try to have a service Sunday, September 25 if Hurricane Rita doesn't decide to provide us with another hurricane close-up view. To all those who wondered and worried and most of all prayed, our deepest thanks go out to you.

The Rev. Charles (Chuck) Smith, Stated Supply Pastor  
Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church  
--taken from "This Week"

## Remember in your Prayers

Leonora Claytor & family at the death of her sister, Jean Seay; Bob Rutledge & family at the death of his aunt, Leona Culver; Rev. LaRoyce Brown; Jean McKinnie; Carla Waddle; Obra Sims; Bob Prosser; Carolyn Montgomery (Victor Clark's sister);

## Remember in your prayers ....

Jan Quinn (friend of Debby Aljancic); Stephanie Walker & family at the death of her brother; Bobbi Newbill; Mamie Strickland; Jerry Weismantel; Dallas & Doug Baker; Paul Spicuzza; Tucker Wells; Terry Fauth; Amanda Schuker  
McKenzie Health Care Center: Dot Howell-Room 400, Edwin Basford-Room 109; Ranny Brogdon-Room 409A; Margaret Mebane -Room 416

Those with long-term illnesses, confined to nursing homes, etc.: Dr. Laddie Lollar; Twila Walker; J. C. & Lil True; Jane Pate; Mary Margaret Williams; William & Evora Bryant; Faye Headden; Wanda Anderson; Katherine Thompson (Carolyn Patterson's mother); Joe McKinnie, Sr.; Wayne David Bryant (James Hamilton's brother-in-law); Lois Mattson (Linda Kelly's mother); Charlie Maeburn (Tom Keenan's uncle); Joe Frank Brush; Evan Lounsberry (nephew of "Squeaky" & Kim Moss); Linda Lewis' mother; Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother) Rosa Ryan (Gene Owen's mother); Sam Tilley (Brent Bradberry's uncle); Bobby Flippin

MILITARY: Howard Spires; Thomas Clark; Lindsey Damesworth; Todd Walker, Karl Tunning, Stephen Brown; Jonathan Scott (Amy Peters' friend) and all military in Iraq  
OTHERS: hurricane victims; ministerial candidates; our military, our church; the Session and committees, 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"*