

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

September 27, 2007



Pastor's Desk

The world is so confused, mixed up, down right crazy sometimes, I ask myself and my God, "What is going on?" The answer is, SIN. Our society and world is very sick. Sin sick. So what do we do, just behave, act like we have good sense? The truth is found in the Bible. Jesus Christ came upon earth to destroy the reign of sin. He fought sin by His example, prophecies, and miracles; but above all He triumphed over sin by the merits of His Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

The only way you and I can overcome this sinful world is in and through Jesus Christ. To accept him as the Lord of our Life, to believe in Him as Savior, Mighty God, Prince of Peace, and Lord of Lords. He is our All in All. Then there is another thing you need to do. Get into His word and study to show thy self approved, for His reasonable service.

MISSIONARIES

Matthew and Heather Wallace are missionaries and will be in our services on Oct. 7th at 9:00a.m. and 11:00 a.m. They will be arriving Saturday afternoon or evening and if you would like to host them for Saturday night and Sunday morning in your home; Mary Ann and I will provide lunch and a place to rest Sunday afternoon. They will be leaving Sunday afternoon for Camden C.P. Church. If you would like to host them contact Dr. Roger Johnson this Sunday.

Please be in prayer for Jen, Ken, and Kattie Nolan. Jen is in Vanderbilt University Hospital for test and treatment. A tube has been placed in her chest and she will be in the hospital for 3 to 5 days.

Pray for John Arnold's extended family. John's brother was Woodrow Arnold. John died last night at McKenzie Regional Hospital. Visitation will be at Brummitt's Funeral Home, Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m.---- His service will be Friday at 2:00 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church on the Greenfield Hwy.

---Tony

Welcome New Members

We are glad to have Morgan Ross, Beau Baker and Blake Baker become an official part of our church. They came to the altar on Sunday, September 23 professing their faith. They are the children of Patrick and Anita Ross. Their address is: 383 Cardinal Dr., McKenzie and phone number is 352-0551.

WOW

WOW stands for Worship on Wednesday. We start with a light meal prepared by elders teams at 5:30 pm. The team consists of two elders and their shepherd groups. (If you haven't been called upon by your elder and would like to participate, please let us know.) After a quick supper, classes are available for all ages, as well as a nursery for infants and toddlers. Classes start at 6:10 pm.

What Cumberland Presbyterians Believe, an adult class will be taught by Amanda Boaz meets in the Worship and Family Life Center. Sarah Bradberry & Karen Jeffrey will continue leading the study for *The Purpose Driven Life*, who meet in the Reception Room. Another adult study group will be facilitated by Tom & Debby Aljancic. September 5 will begin with the topic "Understanding the Threat of Radical Islam". Sources include Joel Rosenberg's book, "Epicenter", Dr. Michael Youssef, a minister and past Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum. They meet in the Class Friendly Sunday School Room.

The children will be using Bible study material from Group Publishing which continues to emphasize the scripture and story from Sunday School through music, games, crafts, etc.

Many thanks to Team 3 with Elders Garrett and Hames for the chicken spaghetti and to Team 4 with Elders Johnson and Scott for the Chicken Pot Pie meal.

Oct. 3 - Team 5 - Elders Joe McKinnie & Tom Smith with team members: A. Boaz; R. Foster; Hamiltons; K. Hull; Janners; L. Kelly; Lewis's; Lindseys; Lockes; Moss's; J. Motherals; P. Motherals; Perritts; Prossers; Reeds; L. Smith; L. Toombs; Trevathans; A. Walker; Wiggins

Oct. 10 - Team 6 - Elders Brent Bradberry & Tommy Surber with team members: Aljancics; B. Allen; Brushes; Clarks; P. Espey; E. Forester; Hintons; Jeffreys; Lawrences; Matlocks; Medlocks; Owens; Perkins; Renfros; Rosses; Thomas'; V. Walker; J Walkers; Weatherfords;

Oct. 17 - PIZZA NIGHT

Memorials & Honorariums

Nehemiah Building Fund

In Memory of A. J. Walker (Kirk's grandson-in-law)

by Joe & Linda Hearn

In Memory of Jill Warren's aunt

by Joe & Linda Hearn

In Memory of Margaret Mebane

by Gene & Cindy Owen

In Memory of Ruth Peters

by Gene & Cindy Owen

In Memory of Joe McKinnie, Sr.

by Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge

Gene & Cindy Owen

In Memory of Connie Bartmess(Charro Keenan's mother)

by Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge

Ben & Lenore Surber

Tommy & Meredith Surber

Joe & Linda Hearn

Gene & Cindy Owen

In Memory of Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother)

by Ben & Lenore Surber

Tommy & Meredith Surber

Gene & Cindy Owen

"Springs" - Children's Fellowship Group

In Memory of John Adams

by John & Ruth Morris

Mildred Colotta

Gene & Cindy Owen

Peter & Jill Coluccio

Sanctuary Fund

In Memory of Kitty Albert (Ed Perkins's sister)

by John & Ruth Morris

In Memory of Joe McKennie Sr.

by John & Ruth Morris

In Memory of Margaret Mebane

by John & Ruth Morris

Attendance and Giving Report

September 16, 2007 Total Attendance-218

General Fund Offering - \$ 2,734.64

Nehemiah Building Fund - 185.00

Sanctuary Fund - 40.00

Springs - 20.00

TOTAL \$ **2,979.64**

September 23, 2007 Total Attendance - 205

General Fund Offering - \$ 4,753.75

Nehemiah Building Fund - 60.00

Sanctuary - 40.00

Springs - 50.00

TOTAL - \$ 4,903.75

(General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$5,182)

Stewardship Meetings

Mark your calendars for **Monday and Tuesday, October 22 and 23 at 7 pm.** The Session is planning for the 2008 budget and will make a presentation each of those nights. We will have more details in our next newsletter.

New Elders

It is that time of year again that we begin the process for electing new elders. Jean Garrett, Tim Nanney, Tom Smith, and Tommy Surber will rotate off the Session in December, 2007. A Nominating Committee has been selected to find members of the church to serve as elders. The Nominating Committee is: Tim Nanney, Joe Hames, Joe McKinnie, Demetra Perkins, and Traci Lunn. If you know someone you believe would serve their church well in this position, please ask that person's permission, then contact anyone on the Nominating Committee.

To serve as elder, the person must have been a member of this church in good standing for at least one year and cannot be employed by the church.

The session consists of twelve elders. Each elder elected serves a three-year term. Five new elders will be elected this year. Four to serve three-year terms—one elder will be elected to serve the 2-year unexpired term for Ms. Betty Scott, who has resigned.

College Bible Study & Fellowship

The new college class meeting on Tuesday nights is off and running! Each week we have grown in attendance and we give God the praise! Thank you to those who have answered the call to provide food for the class. The students have really enjoyed the cookies, veggie trays, cinnamon rolls and pizza! We have volunteers through the first week in October but we need more. The sign up sheet for this food ministry is in the hall on the table. Thank you in advance!

(Please label your food for College Fellowship)

Last week, those students in attendance filled out an index card with their names and a prayer request. If you have volunteered to pray for that student, thank you! If you would like to volunteer to be a prayer partner see Bro. Tony, Amanda, or Sarah.

If you are a night owl and would like to join us on Tuesday nights, we meet in the kitchen at 9 p.m. We would love to have you come and share in this awesome time of study and fellowship!

Loaves and Fishes

We will participate in the Loaves and Fishes Program to help to alleviate world hunger. (This program was formally called the Love Loaf Program.) We will provide Loaves and Fishes banks to the congregation on a Sunday in October and ask everyone to return their banks on Sunday, November 25 as a Thanksgiving offering. 50% of the offering will be used in Darfur by World Vision; 25% of the offering will be used by the denomination's Board of Missions Hunger Fund; 25% will be retained by our congregation for community hunger needs.

Since the Love Loaf program began in 1983 our denomination has contributed over 2.2 million dollars to various hunger causes. With the Loaves and Fishes Program, we can continue to help make a difference with world hunger.

Springs

Springs will be departing from the church this Saturday, September 29th, at 12:30 p.m. to head to Casey Jones' Village to play putt-putt golf and to eat supper at Gunther Toody's. Students should bring between \$15-\$20. If your child wishes to attend but is not the third-sixth grades, they must have a parent or guardian attend with them.

Children's Choir (third grade and up) will begin meeting this Sunday, September 30th, at 4pm. We will begin working on our Christmas musical.

...Fewleftstanding...

Be sure to bring your Bibles and an open heart. Continue to think about the definition of truth and tolerance.

October 19th we will have a joint lock-in (held at our church) with the youth from the Meridian CP Church in Greenfield. The lock-in will start after the high school football game at 9pm and students must be picked up by 9am on Saturday morning. The lock-in will have a Halloween theme and we will have a bon-fire.

Be memorizing your lines for the *Case of the Mysterious Benefactor*. We will perform the dinner theater on November 10th. More details to come regarding ticket prices, menu, etc.

Be looking for information regarding this January's trip to Gatlinburg.

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September 30	Chhildren's Choir Resumes
October 19	...fewleftstanding... Lock-In
November 10	<i>The Case of the Mysterious Benefactor</i>

Remember to keep it holy!

Jennifer

"Light Up McKenzie"

Bar-b-que Lunch

Beta Sigma Phi is sponsoring a Bar-b-que Lunch to raise money to buy lighted Christmas wreaths for the light poles along Highland Drive on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at First Baptist Church. Tickets are \$6 each for pork loin, slaw, chips, baked beans, brownies & drink. Tickets will be pre-sold and cannot be purchased at the door. Get your ticket from any Beta Sigma Phi member prior to Sept. 28th. Sandra Spires has tickets. Modern Woodman of America is contributing with matching funds.

Sunday School Class

Beginning in October, the Revelation Sunday School class will begin a study of angels. Do you have questions about God's mighty warriors: How do they look? Are there "good" and "bad" angels? What do they really do? We will try to answer your questions using the Word of God.

Join us in the Conference Room at 10:10 on Sunday morning. Your will not need a textbook, bring your Bible.

Stewardship and Finance Committee Meeting

The Stewardship and Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 3 at 7 pm following WOW to finish planning for the 2008 Budget. They would like to have all requests by the other committee chairpersons by that date.

*You are invited to a
Baby Shower
in honor of
Amy Lawrence
on Monday, October 15
at 7 pm
in the Reception Room*

It's a Boy!

She has selections at Wal-Mart, Nanney's Florist & Trista and Company (Gleason)

(Invitations will not be mailed—everyone is invited)

Thank You Notes

Thanks for the prayers, cards, food, flowers, memorials, and support given to us at Daddy Mac's death. Special thanks go to those who helped "GaGa; the Masons who participated in the Service; those who prepared and served us lunch; and to Bro Tony for being at the emergency room with us and for the uplifting graveside service. We are blessed to be a part of a church family who gives us support during the bad times as well as the good times. We appreciate all of you.

Joe & Jean McKinnie
Kim and "Squeaky" Moss
The North Carolina McKinnies

To my church,

Thank you for all the calls, cards, prayers, and meals that you have sent my way. I am truly blessed to call you family. I am expecting a miracle, so keep asking God for one.

Love, Jen Nolen

Thank you so much for the cards. They were heart warming.

God's love, Glynda Hamilton

Missionary Speakers

On Sunday October 7, Matt and Heather Wallace will be speaking to us during our worship services about their commitment to serve as missionaries in Myanmar, also known as Burma. It is bordered on the People's Republic of China on the north, Laos on the east, Thailand on the southeast, Bangladesh on the west and India on the northwest, with the Andaman Sea to the south, and the Bay of Bengal to the southwest.

October Calendar

Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry will meet jointly on Monday, October 1 at 6 pm in the Worship and Family Life Center. All the ladies of the church are invited to come to the add-a-dish meal and short business meeting. This meeting is for all three circles. Sharing Sisters will be hostess for the evening.

Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship will meet on Saturday, October 6 at 8 am at the church for a devotional and light breakfast. All the men of the church are invited.

Acolytes

Devyn Smiley

Lauren Olson

Supervisor - Amy Smiley

Nursery Helpers

7 - Ruth Carroll- B	352-2811
Jill Renfro- T	642-3224
Becky Allen	693-0333
14- Jean Garrett - B	352-2963
Karen Jeffrey- T	352-0792
Sandra Spires	352-3764
21- Sandra Pate- B	352-7631
Lynda Lankford -T	352-5110
Jill Warren	352-5374
28- Amy Smiley-B	986-4288
Carol Hill-T	352-0891
Missy Blount	352-2822

Ushers

9 am Service

Tommy Putman - Chairperson

Victor Clark - Co-Chairperson

Marge Matlock

Andrew Webb

11 am Service

Bill Kreuter - Chairperson

Dean Brush - Co-Chairperson

Gordon Coleman

Linda Meek

New Pictorial Directory

If you do not have a portrait appointment yet, please call Robye Lindsey at 352-7556 or the church office. We need everyone in the church in our new directory. Our goal is 100% participation. The actual photography dates are **October 5 and 6**. You will have the opportunity to view your portraits and make a purchase on the same date you have photographs taken. Each family photographed will receive one free 8 x 10 portrait and a church directory.

We will be making snapshots of Sunday School classes, session, Springs, fewleftstanding, Seekers, special events, etc. in the next few weeks to finalize our directory activity pages.

October Birthdays

2 - Joe Hearn

3 - Stephen Brown

6 - Kristi Corbin

8 - Kathy Hull

Victor Clark

15 - Millie Finley

Reba Foster

Linda Lewis

16 - Braden Nanney

18 - Bill Bryant

20 - Bill Kirk

22 - Katrina Holancin

James Hickerson

Anne Lewis

23 - Daniel Thomas

24 - Pauline Hisiro

26 - Zakary Geyer

27 - Glynda Corbin

29 - Milburn Reed

30 - Wanda Hudson

Mary Margaret Williams

Jessica Reed

October Anniversaries

1 - Bob & Lunette Hines

2 - Randy & Derrinda Thomas

14 - Justin & Liz Stambaugh

16 - Dean & Krista Brush

21 - Dusty & Jessica Locke

22 - Paul & Diann Olson

27- Lynn & Molly Watkins

What Might Happen If

We Treated Our Bibles

Like We Treat Our Cell Phones?

What if we carried it around in our pockets or purses?

What if we turned around and went back to get it when we forgot it?

What if we flipped through it several times a day?

What if we used it to receive messages?

What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?

What if we gave it to our children as gifts?

What if we used it as we traveled?

What if we used it in case of emergency?

What if we upgraded to get the latest version?

—copied

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept. 29 - 12:30 am - Springs Trip to Jackson
Sept. 30 - 9 am - Fifth Sunday Worship - Communion
10:10 am - Brunch - Add-a-dish
ONE SERVICE ONLY!
Oct. 1 - 6 pm - Women's Ministry Joint Meeting
Add-A-Dish and short business meeting
Oct. 3 - 5:30 pm - WOW Team 5 (McKinie/Smith)
Oct. 5 -6 - Olan Mills Photography Session
Oct. 6 - West Tennessee Presbytery- Milan C. P. Church
Oct. 7 - Missionary Speakers Matt & Heather Wallace
Oct. 10 - 5:30 pm - WOW Team 6 (Bradberry/Surber)
Oct. 17 - 5:30 pm - WOW PIZZA
Oct. 19-20 - 9 pm - 9 am - fewleftstanding Lock-In
Oct. 24 - 5:30 pm - WOW Team 1 (Meek Patterson)
Oct. 31 - 5:30 pm - WOW Team 3 (Garrett/Hames)
Halloween Party (Team 2 & 3 have swapped)
Nov. 2-4 - Junior High Retreat @ CCW
Nov. 4-Bridal Tea-Amy Jackson(Mark Smith's finance)
Nov. 7 - 5:30 pm - WOW -Team 2 (Nanney/Warren)
Nov. 10 - Youth Dinner Theatre
Nov. 14 - 5:30 pm - Team 4 (Johnson)
Nov. 16-18 - Senior High Retreat @ CCW
Nov. 18 -2-3:30 pm - Bridal Tea for Kate Hames
Nov. 18 - 6 pm - Community Thanksgiving Service
Nov, 21 - NO WOW - Thanksgiving B reak

E-Mail Addresses

If you prefer to read our newsletter online go to <http://www.mckenziecpc.org/newsletter/>. If you give us your e-mail address, we will send a notice each time our newsletter is published (twice monthly).

Remember in Your Prayers

Jen Nolen-Vanderbilt; June Nanney; Amy Hall -Vanderbilt; Mike Smith; J. T. Arnold; Cynthia Cooper; Laila McDade (Lori & Eric's premature baby)

Sympathy to Bill & Jan Kirk & family at the death of their grandson-in-law, A. J. Walker (died in Iraq); Jill Warren & family at the death of her aunt; Janet Baumgardner & family at the death of her uncle, Quinn Pinson; Cindy Arnold Owen and family at the death of her brother-in-law John Arnold

McKenzie Health Care Center: Jo Pinson; Christine Pinson; Jessie Killebrew; Ranny Brogdon; Louise Mebane; Frances Ridley; Bonnie Bayless (Clara Weatherford's grandmother, Susan Bouldin's mother); Kenneth Mebane

Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes:

J C True; Faye Headden (Oak Manor); Roy Travillian (Lynda Lankford's father); Katherine Thompson; Marie Bobo; Berneal McKennie; Mary Margaret Williams; William & Evora Bryant; Kathryn Gazley; Christine Fitzgerald (Tom Smith's aunt); Evelyn Buck; Joyce Lovelace

Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, therapy:

Kathy Hollomon - MD Anderson; Blondell Young; Betty Wheat; Carla Waddle; Crystal Plentovich; Elaine Butler; Belinda Popplewell; Neal Giles; Trinity Bright; Sandra Mattox; Debbie Sanders; Bradley Wheat; Barbara Elinor; Tom Swindle; Joyce McDaniel; Terry Fauth; Ryan Kirk; Tim Hacker; David Stamp; Shelba McCaslin; Rhonda Powell; Lois Sheick; Paul Fauth

MILITARY: Jon Erik Gam (Julia Hinton's nephew); Joey Smiley; Howard Spires; Ken Powell; Justin Townsend; Keith Stanley Jr. (Linda McClure's nephew); Mark Boaz; Brian & Lindsey (Damesworth) Brickles; William Hardy; Andrew Wilson; Rosendo Pena; and all military

OTHERS: Colombia, South America churches; our church; the Session and committees, our nation's leaders, missionaries

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Zia McKennie-Organist; Dr. Alan Cross-Choir Director; Music-Peter Jeffrey, Diann Olson
Jennifer Wilkinson-Youth/Children's Coordinator; June Perritt-Sec.

Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm

Contemporary Worship Service - 9 am; Sunday School - 10:10 am; Traditional Worship - 11 am

Sunday Evening - Children's Choir and Youth Fellowship

Prayer and Bible Study Groups - Sundays and Wednesdays

School of Discovery-Tuesday/Thursday 8:30am-1:30 pm

WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:30 pm-Classes for all ages

"A Family of Faith with Open Minds and Loving Hearts"