

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

April 30, 2008



Pastor's Desk

This was from a friend of mine and it touches on what we have been talking about in worship services, Bible studies and Sunday school classes.

--Tony

London Times Obituary of the late Mr. Common Sense

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as: Knowing when to come in out of the rain; why the early bird gets the worm; Life isn't always fair; and maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place.

Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an Elastoplast to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband; churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 4 stepbrothers; I Know my Rights, I Want It Now, Someone Else Is To Blame, and I'm A Victim.

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

If you still remember him, pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing.

Proverbs 31:10

“Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.”

Mother's Day is just around the corner, May 11th to be exact. If you cannot decide how to honor your mother, the Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry is offering you an option. Instead of buying a gift, consider giving a donation to the church, which will be used to replenish our kitchen. You may also want to honor a grandmother, teacher and or any lady who has made a difference in your life. This gift could be a memorial to your loved ones who are no longer here.

On Mother's Day a list will be added to our Sunday bulletin for everyone who is being honored. Please have your donations and completed forms in the church office by Thursday, May 8th.

Mother's Day Gift

Honoree Name _____

Honorarium _____ Memorial _____ (Please check one)

Donation Amount _____

Presented by _____

Congratulations to College Graduates!

Congratulations to Carol Belong who will receive her BS degree with a major in Biology, Corey Cummings who will receive a BA degree in Christian Ministry, Kate Hames Cummings who will receive a BA degree in English; Marcus Hayes who will receive a BS degree in Human Services; Bethany Meeks who will receive a BS degree in Pre-PA program; and Tracy Powell who will receive a BS degree in Nursing from Bethel College during Commencement on **Saturday, May 3** at 7 pm.

Congratulations also to John Craig Howell who will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Sewanee - The University of the South on Sunday, May 11 at 10:00 am.

Congratulations to Julie Smith who graduates from Austin Peay State University on May 2 with a BS degree in Nursing. She plans to move to Cleveland, Ohio where she will work in the Cleveland Clinic, Hillcrest Hospital in Cardiac Surgery ICU.

Andrew Cross will graduate from Vanderbilt University on May 9 with a BS degree in Engineering Science.

(Please let us know if you have a college graduate who attend the church or grew up in this church.)

Memorials & Honorariums

Sanctuary

In Memory of Ranny Brogdon

by John & Ruth Morris

In Honor of Tommy, Carolyn & Violet Patterson's birthdays

by Tom & Debby Aljancic

In Memory of Bill & Evora Bryant

by John & Ruth Morris

In Honor of Virginia Walker

by Steve Traywick (son of Frances Ridley)

Welcome New Member

Alex Wafford is the newest member of our church. He came to the altar on Sunday, April 13 to profess his faith and join the church. Alex and his brother, Jay live with their great grandparents, Clifford & Marjorie Matlock, 1185 Harris Rd., McKenzie, TN 38201.

The Seekers

The Seekers (seniors group) will meet at the church on Wednesday, May 7 to go the Replogle Chapel for the mid-week worship service and then to eat together at Henry Station. They will meet at 11 am at the church to travel together.

Attention Elders Session Meeting May 14 - 7 pm

Springs

Remember, if your child misses more than two rehearsals, they will lose their part. Parts must be memorized as well as songs. PLEASE PLEASE encourage your child to listen to their CD. They need the practice. Also, your child should bring their costumes this Sunday afternoon. The remainder of the practices will last from 4-6pm. Due to the overbooking of the Family Life Center, our final dress rehearsal will be on May 14th at 5:30pm (normal WOW time). We will have a hot dog supper. The performance is still on May 18th at 6pm.

Springs had an awesome time at our lock-in this past weekend! Thank you for allowing your child to attend!

...Fewleftstanding...

The youth now have five regular Playstations in the youth room. However, we have no games. If you have any regular Playstation games with the rating of E that you would like to donate, please drop them off in my office.

The youth participated in the Autism Walk two weekends ago. The turnout was a great success. Thank you for everyone who donated cupcake supplies. We had a blast making the cupcakes as well as selling them. All together, the youth raised a little under \$200 and the Autism Institute raised \$4000. Again, thank you for your support.

Don't forget youth, this Sunday is Youth Sunday! Choir practice with the band will be this Wednesday night. Also, meet early on Sunday morning (8:15ish) so that we can get everything ready and a sound check.

Due to next Sunday being Mother's Day, youth will be canceled. Hang out with your mom and clean up the kitchen after lunch for her!

You may be too old to attend VBS classes, but you are the perfect age to help out...see Traci Lunn and make Jesus smile because you are serving Him and His people!

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April 30	Youth Sunday Choir Practice
May 4	Youth Sunday/bring <i>Simon Says</i> costumes
May 10	Mother's Day--no youth
May 14	<i>Simon Says</i> Dress Rehearsal
May 18	<i>Simon Says</i> performance

Remember to keep it holy!

Jennifer

Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to Kelly & Clara Weatherford who have another baby girl. Charli Dannielle was born April 16 at the Henry Co. Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs. She has two big sisters, Juleyanne and Anna Clare. Congratulations also to grandparents, Jerry & Mary Weatherford, Bob & Susan Bouldin.

Common Grounds

Common Grounds Coffee Shoppe has new hours. They will be open Tuesday thru Saturday from 3 pm to 11 pm and closed on Sundays and Mondays. However, if you are interested in a special event booking such as a birthday party, you may contact Bob or Lunette to schedule it on Sunday or Monday.

Vacation Bible School

We are still in desperate need of VBS workers for the dates of June 8-12.

The kitchen and most of the actual teacher/leading jobs are taken care of, but we need more assistants and helpers to make that week a success. Anyone who can spare their time and talents on these days, please contact Traci Lunn at 693-8321.

There will be a short meeting of all VBS helpers after the WOW cookout on **May 7th at 7:00 P.M.** If you have volunteered to help with VBS on those days, please make every effort to attend this short meeting.

Blood Drive

Thursday, May 29

Noon - 6pm

Worship and Family Life Center

Sponsored by the American Red Cross

Donate Blood & Get a Free Umbrella

WOW COOKOUT

We will conclude this semester of WOW (Worship on Wednesday) with a Cookout at 5:30 pm on May 7 at the pavilion, followed by fun and games for all ages. We will have hamburgers and hot dogs, chips & dessert. Donations will be taken for the meal which goes into the WOW fund.

Thanks to Team 4 with Elders Roger Johnson and Bill Kreuter (and MARLENE) for the bar-b-que meal and to Team 5 with Elders Victor Clark & Joe McKinnie for the fried chicken meal and thanks in advance to Team 6 with Elders Amanda Boaz & Dewayne Ervin for the Baked potatoes and salad, tonight.

Cumberland Presbyterian

Golf Championship

Belvedere Country Club

Hot Springs, Arkansas

May 8th & 9th 2008

(Details on the Bulletin Board)

Habitat for Humanity

Carroll County's House #15

13385 Paris St.

Huntingdon, TN

VOLUNTEERS are NEEDED!

On Saturdays, beginning May 10 and continuing until July 12, volunteer workers are welcome. No carpentry skills are necessary. Complete construction schedule listed on Bulletin Board.

SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULES

Listed below are camp dates scheduled for the summer of 2008 at Camp Clark Williamson. The cost for week-long camps will be \$170 (Church pays half for regular attendees). Registration forms are on the table in the hallway or you can go to www.campclarkwilliamson.com to print your forms. Deadline for registration: postmarked no later than 2 weeks prior to your 1st camp date.

Mini Day Camp June 7 (10:00-3:00pm) Grades K-2 **Deadline: May 24** (Cost is \$15; \$4.50 for adults who choose to stay)

Senior High Camp June 23-28 Grades 9-12 **Deadline: June 9**

Junior Camp #1 June 16-21 Grades 3-5 **Deadline: June 2**

Junior Camp #2 July 21-26 Grades 3-5 **Deadline: July 7**

Junior High Camp #1 July 7-12 Grades 6-8 **Deadline: June 23**

Junior High Camp #2 July 14-19 Grades 6-8 **Deadline: June 30**

West Tennessee Presbytery sponsors the summer camps at Camp Clark Williamson.

CPYC will be held at Camp NaCoMe Conference center in Pleasantville, TN on July 13-18. CPYC is for youth who have completed 9th thru 12th grades. Youth from the denomination across the country attend CPYC. Contact Jennifer Wilkinson for more information about CPYC.

Scholarships for Summer Church Camp

The church pays half the camping fee (\$85) for each camper, but we want every child who would like to attend church camp to have that opportunity. Therefore, if you would like to give a donation to this program, please designate your gift to the church for the "summer camp scholarship program" Your gifts will enable all our camping-age children a chance to get to know other youth in our presbytery, have Bible studies, recreation, nature hikes and worship in the beautiful setting at Camp Clark Williamson.

Thank You Notes

Thank you so much for all your thoughts and prayers through such a difficult time. We are so blessed to have such a loving church family. We appreciate all you do for our family.

With all our love and thanks,
Kerry, Stacie, & Ava Warman

Thank you so much for the lovely Bridal Tea you ladies of the church did for me. Marcus and I will enjoy using all the wonderful gifts you gave us. I appreciate your kindness and your generosity.

And thanks also for the surprise birthday cake on Wednesday! It was great.

Jennifer Wilkinson

Dear CP Youth Group,

The Autism Institute at Bethel College would like to personally thank you for volunteering your time to help with Lakewood Autism Walk! We truly appreciate everything you did to help make the walk a success! The money raised will go to help families pay for therapy for their children with autism. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

Susan Motheral, Cynthia Nienaber & Brooke K. Cooper

Women's Ministry

All the ladies of the church are invited to join in the "night out with the girls." Women's Ministry will meet at Lepanto Restaurant on Monday, May 5 at **6:30 pm** for a dutch-treat meal. A devotional will be given by the Glory Be Circle. We will have a brief business meeting.

(This includes all the circle groups--Glory Bees, Sharing Sisters and Jubilee.)

MAY SERVANTS

Acolytes

Emma Renfro -352- 4908
Bridget Bradberry - 352-0044
Supervisor - Sarah Bradberry

Ushers

9 am Service

Larry Ridley - Chairperson
Hunter Garrett - Co-Chairperson
Ken Powell
Taylor Patterson

11 am Service

Ron Hinton - Chairperson
Frank Claytor - Co-Chairperson
Duane Perritt
Dean Brush

Nursery Helpers

4 - Martha Peters - B	352-5997
Daphne Brown- T	352-9118
June Perritt	415-0629
11 - Marjorie Matlock- B	352-3789
Tonya Brown - T	415-5915
Clara Weatherford	352-0515
18 - Laura Warren- B	352-5374
Suzanne Howell-T	352-7413
Dawn Ervin	352-5132
25- Donna Ward- T	352-2391
Tracy Powell - B	415-9181

Attendance and Giving Report

April 13, 2008	Total Attendance -218
General Fund Offering -	\$ 5,508.61
Sanctuary Fund -	90.00
TOTAL -	\$5,598.61

April 20, 2008	Total Attendance -219
General Fund Offering -	\$4,412.25
Sanctuary Fund -	155.00
Camp Clark Williamson -	943.60
Youth -	162.00
TOTAL -	\$ 5,672.85

April 27, 2008	Total Attendance - 181
General Fund Offering -	8,020.52
Sanctuary Fund -	240.00
Camp Clark Williamson -	20.00
TOTAL -	\$8,280.52

(General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$5,680)

May Birthdays

1 - Emma Renfro
2 - Bob Rutledge
3 - Stacey Holancin Tunks
4 - Anita Ross
Mary Jane Martin
Vicki Long
7 - Julie Smith
9 - Lowell Young
Walter Waddle
Sibyl Brush
10 - Michael Keenan
11 - Kerri Basford
Bubba Waddle
13 - Larry Watkins
15 - Demetra Perkins
Melic Belong
17 - Hunter Garrett
Tony Janner
Caitlin Lewis
18 - Eli Locke
Nate Hart
19 - Doug Long
20 - Linda Kemp
Steve Burke
22 - Hayden Garrett
23 - Gordon Coleman
Eli Surber
24 - Suzie Long
Joyce Sims
25 - Carol Perritt
26 - Duane Perritt
28 - Nicholas Corbin
30 - Rhonda Smith

May Anniversaries

4 - Paul & Suzie Long
5 - Tommy & Martha Bobo
12 - K. B. & Stacey Tunks
13 -Patrick & Anita Ross
17 - Bill & Jan Kirk
23 - Tom & Rhonda Smith
29 - J. T. & Robye Lindsey
30 - James & Glynda Hamilton

Prayer Group

The Wednesday morning Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 9 am to pray for the many people who are in need of prayer. Since the majority of the congregation cannot attend the prayer time, they would like invite everyone to pause at 9 am on Wednesday, wherever you are-- at work at school, at home and pray. There is a list of people in need of prayer in the church bulletin and also in the newsletter. And everyone is invited to participate with the prayer group.

LOOKING AHEAD

May 3 - 9 am - 1 pm - Fishing Rodeo at CCW
May 3 - 7 pm - Bethel College Commencement
May 4 - YOUTH Sunday at both services
2-3:30 pm - Bridal Tea for Amy Howell
May 5 - **6:30 pm** - Women's Ministry Dinner & Meeting
at Lepanto Restaurant
May 7 - 11 am - Seeker Trip to Replogle Chapel
May 7 - 5:30 pm - WOW COOKOUT at Pavilion
May 17 - Noon Wedding Mark Bowlin & Bethany Penick
2 pm - Wedding Virginia Hames & Sam Zasadny
May 18 - 3 pm - McKenzie High Graduation
6 pm - *Simon Says* Youth Musical
June 1 - 4 pm - West TN Presbytery Meeting
June 2 - Wedding Linda Kelly & Dan Quinn
June 5-13 - General Assembly - Tokyo, Japan
June 7 - Wedding Roger Johnson & Pat Langdon
June 7 - Day Camp @ CCW for K-Grade 2
June 8-12 - Vacation Bible School
June 8 - 5 pm - Congregation Picnic at Pavilion
June 9 -13 - Pastor Janner @ Cumberland Presbyterian of
America General Assembly (Huntsville, AL)
June 16-21 - Junior High Camp #1 @ CCW (Grades 3-5)
June 23-28 - Senior High Camp @ CCW (Grades 9-12)
June 28 - Wedding Amy Howell & Geep Wade
July 7-12 - Junior High Camp #1 @ CCW (Grades 6-8)
July 12 - Wedding Jennifer Wilkinson & Marcus Hayes
July 14-19 - Junior High Camp #2 @ CCW (Grades 6-8)
July 21 -26 - Junior Camp # 2 @ CCW (Grades 3-5)

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<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).

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Remember in Your Prayers

Susie Motheral; Mary Margaret Williams (Regional Hospital in Jackson); Susan Bouldin & Clara Weatherford & family at the death of Bonnie Bayless (Susan's mother, Clara's grandmother); Jerry Hearn; Plaze Crow (Traci Lunn's grandfather); Kerry Warman & family at the death of his grandmother, Dorothy Owen; Doris Hamilton (James' sister-in-law); James McKee
McKenzie Health Care Center: Christine Pinson; Jessie Killebrew; Louise Mebane; Kenneth Mebane
Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes: Jo Pinson (Lakeside); Faye Headden (Oak Manor); Roy Travillian (Lynda Lankford's father); Geraldine Campbell (Lakeside); Marie Bobo; Berneal McKennie; Blanche McCord (Glynda Hamilton's mother)-Paris Health Care; Kathryn Gazley; Christine Fitzgerald (Tom Smith's aunt); Evelyn Buck; Joyce Lovelace; Pauline Toney (Jill Renfro's grandmother)
Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, therapy: Carla Waddle; Jen Nolen; Carl Bryant; Julia Sills; Diane Massey; Bill Edwards; Amy Hall; Krista Taylor; Rev. Johnny Phelps; Lynn Morgan; Edyee Pinson; Christina Dillard; Shawna Edwards Brittingham; Neal Giles; Sandra Mattox; Debbie Sanders; Barbara Elinor; Joyce McDaniel; Terry Fauth; Tim Hacker; Rhonda Powell
MILITARY: Sam Zasadny; Justin Townsend; Ronnie Combs (Mark & Sue Thompson's grandson); Brooke Cole; Jon Erik Gam (Julia Hinton's nephew); Joey Smiley; Howard Spires; Mark Boaz; 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-Noon & 1-4pm
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
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