

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

July 31, 2008



From the Pastor's Desk

I would like to share with everyone an article that I read in Home Life magazine concerning prayer for your children, as they return to school this fall. Here are some ideas for starting your child's school day off on the right note. "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unreachable things you do not know." Jeremiah 33:3

- Take a moment to read a verse of scripture from "These Days" or "Upper Room". They usually have a prayer at the close of the devotion. Also, add to your prayer special items that would bless your child and protect your child.
- Stick to It. Even though mornings are fast moving and quick tempered, don't let the devil Have his way and lose interest in praying. Place bright stickers on your child's lunch or backpack, leave a note in their backpack to pray for Dad, Sister or Brother when there is a need. Make it fun.
- If you walk your child to school, to the bus stop, or drop them off at school o4 5o 5h3 day care, have a spoken prayer with them. It's important for them to hear the blessings and and concerns you have for them. By speaking their names and praying separately for each child, your prayer is personalized and loving.
- Remember your child's prayer is powerful for it comes from their hearts and goes to the the heart of God.
- At the end of the week, take time out to ask, "Were our prayers answered?" You will be surprised at how God has blessed you and yours.
- Have a great and safe school year.

-Tony

(Cindy McCormick Matnusen, article in Home Life, Learning Curve A + Prayers, Oct. 1997)

Welcome New Member

Emma Carol Renfro professed her faith in Jesus and joined the church on Sunday, July 20. She was baptized. She actually made her decision during Vacation Bible School earlier this summer, then attended church camp and spent time with her grandmother in Texas. She is the daughter of Zach & Jill Renfro. We welcome her.

Church League Co-Ed Softball

The church co-ed softball games began on July 24. We had lots of players and everyone had fun, although we lost the game. The games will be played at Mulberry Park in McKenzie. Listed below are the rest of the games. If you need more information, please contact Dean Brush at 415-5513. Schedules are available on the table under the bulletin board in the hallway. All players need to make a contribution of \$10 or more to pay the league fee which pays for umpires, etc.

Aug. 4 - 6 pm - vs 1st Baptist-Huntingdon
7 pm - vs Marlboro Church

Aug. 7 - 7 pm - vs. Twin City Church
8 pm - vs 1st Baptist-McKenzie

Aug. 14 - 6 pm - vs. Missionary Baptist-Huntingdon

Aug. 21 - 8 pm - vs 1st Baptist -Huntingdon

Aug. 25 - 8 pm - vs Marlboro Church

Aug. 28 - 6 pm - vs 1st Baptist-McKenzie

Sept. 4 - 6 pm - vs Twin City Church

Sept. 11 - 8 pm - vs 1st Baptist-Huntingdon

The Seekers Trip

The Seekers (senior adult group) are planning a trip to Halls, TN on August 19. We will leave the church at 9:30 am. First we will go to Charlene's Collectibles to look through gift shops and eat lunch. Then we will visit the Veterans' Museum owned and operated by the Dyersburg Army Air Base Association. This Air Force Base was a former WW II B-17 Training Base which served as the last state-side training for B-17 crews before going overseas. There are pictures and documents from the National Archives, materials from WW I and WW II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm and Iraq including diaries, letters and divisional histories.

We will probably be back in McKenzie around 6 pm. Please sign up for the trip by calling 352-7556 or 352-2440.

Sanctuary Fund

In Memory of Kerry Warman's uncle

by Joe & Linda Hearn

In Memory of Richard & Bonnie Bayless

by anonymous

In Memory of Annie Lee (Martha Bobo's grandmother)

by Ben & Lenore Surber

Joe & Linda Hearn

In Memory of Dr. & Mrs. Raymon Burroughs

by J. B. & Judy Keith

In Honor of J. T. & Robye Lindsey

by J. B. & Judy Keith

Thank You Notes

Thanks for all the prayers, calls, cards, visits and love during the time of my Grandmother's death. You have truly shown your Christian love and concern toward us.

We feel so fortunate to be a part Christ's church here at 1st C. P.

In His Love,

Tommy & Martha Bobo

Dear Extended Family:

Thank you so much for the cards, food, telephone calls and most of all prayers. It certainly makes a recovery better and quicker to have your church family sending up prayers. Thanks also to Pastor Tony for being at the hospital and having prayer with me as I was rolled out to go to the operating room. I went into this surgery with such a good feeling knowing my husband, daughter, granddaughter and pastor were there wishing me well. I know that many more family members and church members were with me even if they were not at the hospital.

I love my church family and thanks again for all you do.

Linda Hearn

Dear Church family,

Thank you so much for the Bible. It will help me when I have doubts and guide me when I am unsure of what I should do.

Sincerely, Matthew Bowlin

Many thanks to everyone who donated candy or money to buy candy for the Bethel College Water bottles. The purple and gold bottles with information about our church's service, programs and activities has been delivered to Bethel College and each new and returning student living on campus will receive one. Thanks also to those who helped fill the bottles with candy and put the lids on.

The Fellowship Committee

Attendance and Giving Report

July 20, 2008	Total Attendance -235
General Fund Offering -	\$5,872.15
Sanctuary Fund -	155.00
TOTAL -	\$6,027.15
July 27, 2008	Total Attendance - 198
General Fund Offering -	\$2,753.00
Sanctuary Fund -	265.00
TOTAL -	\$3,018.00
(General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$5,680)	

WOW

The Worship on Wednesday program will begin again on **August 27**. Our kickoff supper will be a Potluck. The church will provide fried chicken. You will need to bring potatoes, vegetables, salads and desserts. Renaissance will sing following the meal. Supper begins at 5:30 pm.

Meals are prepared by a team which consists of two elders and their shepherd groups. Then classes are available for everyone. Nurseries are available for the babies and toddlers. Jill Renfro is looking for teachers for WOW children's classes. We are blessed with lots of children in our church and we need your help in the classrooms. Jill is calling now to fill the teaching positions. Please prayerfully consider how you can help with the programs.

Classes for the adults: The First Place Bible Study group will continue with a new book in the series. Rev. Janner will continue his study of Acts beginning with chapter 18. Tom & Debby Aljancic will facilitate the "Truth Project". Each night's DVD lasts about an hour so anyone who wants to participate in this class will get their food first and eat while they watch in the Conference Room. Discussion will follow.

Sept. 3 - Team 1 with Elders Linda Meek and Tommy Patterson with members: T. & M. Bobo; D. Blount; K. & C. Cummings; M. Finley; Hearn; Howells; F. Jensen; Keenans; K. Kelleys; Kirks; L. Lewis; M. & A. Morris; R. Morris; Olsons; J. Ownby; Peters; J. & C. Stambaugh; Turners; Warmans; Washburns; Lynn Watkins

Sept. 10 - Team 2 Elders Ruth Carroll and Mark Warren and team members: Belongs; R. & D. Brown; Hills; Hinton; Jeffreys; Kemps; Lawrences; P. & S. Long; Medlocks; Nienabers; Perkins'; Ross'; T. & M. Surber; Thomas; C. & J. Toombs J. & R. Walker

Congratulations

Mitchell Lunn, Jack Surber, Chase Kelly, and Hannah Powell attended Junior Church Camp at Camp Clark Williamson last week.

Congratulations to Cindy & Scott Jones who have twins girls, Mary Kathryn and Kaitlyn Rae. Cindy is the daughter of Doris Blount and twin sister of Chris Blount. Their address is: 144 Casey Rd. Pinson, TN 38366.

Please e-mail information about your church family to church@mckenziecpc.org or mail a note to the church office (P.O. box 133). Thanks for your help. June

*The children and grandchildren of
Reverend Doctor & Mrs. Robert D. Rush
invite you to join them
as their parents
celebrate 50 years of marriage
dedicated to their Faith and Family
Saturday, August ninth
Two thousand and eight
from two to four o'clock in the
afternoon
Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church
3427 Appling Road
Bartlett, Tennessee 38133*

Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry will meet jointly on Monday, August 4 at 6 pm in the Family Life Center for a Salad and Dessert Potluck Supper and meeting. Bring your favorite salad or dessert and the RECIPE. All the recipes will be compiled and copied so everyone gets a new cookbook to take home. Sharing Sisters, Jubilee and Glory Bee Circles will all meet together. Rumor has it that non-attending members might be elected to an office. It is time to elect new officers.

Acolytes

Jack Surber - 352-3807
John William Ervin - 352-5132
Supervisor - Tommy Surber

Ushers

9 am Service

Tracy Webb - Chairperson
Paul Motheral - Co-Chairperson
Tommy Bobo
Jean Garrett

11 am Service

John Baumgardner - Chairperson
Terry Howell - Co-Chairperson
John Motheral
Donna Ward

Nursery

3- Amy Lawrence-B	648-1872
Sandra Pate- T	352-7631
Janet Baumgardner	352-7263
10- Anita Ross- B	352-0551
Debby Aljancic- T	352-9139
17- Karen Jeffrey- B	352-0792
Missy Blount -T	352-2822
24- Marcia Webb - B	352-3550
Anne Lewis - T	352-8150
31 - Johnna Toombs - B	352-1335
Krista Brush - T	415-5513

Sound System

We need volunteers to help with the sound system on Sunday mornings. Please contact Joe Hames (352-0887) or Mark Warren (352-5374) if you are willing to help. The Worship Committee will make arrangements for training volunteers.

Session Meeting

The regular monthly session meeting is on Wednesday, August 13 at 7 pm in the Conference Room.

August Birthdays

1 - Roxie Walker
Lauren Olson
2 - Donna Ward
Alyssa Corbin
4 - Charro Keenan
Jean Garrett
5 - Rick Wilson
6-John David Thompson
Skylor Stambaugh
8 - John Motheral
Virginia Hames Zasadny
Martha Bobo
9 - Amy Hall
Brian Smith
Caleigh Jeffrey
10- Dawn Ervin
Melvin Belong, Sr.
12 - Marty Morris
13 - Mark Hamilton
Luke Toombs
14 - Linda Meek
15 - Toni Prosser
18 - Alexandria Reed
Alex Smiley
19 - Robby Cole
20 - Ben Thomas Surber
21 - Lauren Walker
Paul Watkins
Haley Smiley
22 - Paul Olson
23 - Charles Kemp
Betty Scott
24 - Andrew Webb
25 - Tom Aljancic
28 - Leonora Claytor
29 - Deven Fields
Todd Walker

Anniversaries

3 - David & Anne Lewis
6 - Tom & Charro Keenan
7 - Doug & Vicki Long
Joe & Jean McKinnie
John & Ruth Morris
Gene & Cindy Owen
14 - Casey & Johnna Toombs
19- Ben & Linda McClure
20 - Bob & Toni Prosser
26 - Ron & Julia Hinton
29- Tommy & Carolyn Patterson
30-Terry & Suzanne Howell
Brent & Sarah Bradberry
31-Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge

Springs

We had an amazing time at Venture River! Total, we had 40 attendees. I want to say a very special and big thank you to all the adults who went as chaperones—Marcus Hayes, Ken Powell, Jessica Reed, Ramona Reed, Kim Moss, Craig Lunn, Jill Renfro, Marcia Webb, Amy Smiley, Lee Smiley, Kevin Hill, Paul Olson, Gretchen Whitlow, Cindy Webb, Lorraine Belew and Tracy Webb! We were blessed with safe trips to and from Venture River, wonderful weather, good fellowship, and very well-behaved students.

There are going to be some changes to our monthly *Springs* meetings. In the past, third thru sixth graders have met every third Sunday of the month at 4pm. Beginning this year, however, third thru sixth graders will meet every third Sunday at **5pm**, directly after children's choir. Our first meeting will be **September 21**. We are asking though, to help break up the meetings, that each week a family volunteers to bring a snack of some kind for the *Springs* meeting, not the entire choir. Marcus and I will provide the drinks for each meeting and the snacks can be as simple as a bag of animal crackers. Please let me know if you are interested in donating a snack.

The choir (who is still looking for a name should you have any suggestions), is for those from third grade thru high school. We will resume practice on **August 24 at 4pm**. We will begin working on our Christmas musical, *A Lamb's Tale*. If you still have your "Made for Praise" packet (the one with the yellow cover), please bring it with you to practice. Lil' Angels will resume meeting on **September 7**. Amanda Boaz will again direct this choir and it is designed for students from two years of age up to those in second grade.

WOW will resume on August 27 at 5:30pm. More details to come!

Sunday School promotion will be on August 31.

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A special thanks to the youth for cleaning up the toilet paper that welcomed Marcus and I back to McKenzie. To those who did the actually rolling, thank you for providing a few months of toilet paper to a poor newlywed couple in college. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

We will resume our regular meetings this Sunday at 6pm. Don't forget your Bibles and your *Posers, Fakers and Wannabees* book. Also, don't forget to be praying for the person who's name your drew.

Stay tuned for more details about a cosmic bowling outing!

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	August 27	WOW Kickoff
	August 31	Sunday School Promotion
	September 7	Lil' Angels Practice
	September 21	<i>Springs</i>

Thank you so much for all of your care and support leading up to our wedding and mission trip. It was pretty dang amazing to see so many from our McKenzie church family sitting at my home church. Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and support for our trip to Belize. I pray God uses our experiences there to touch your hearts and our church.

Remember to keep it holy!

Jennifer

Common Grounds

Common Grounds Coffee Shoppe is now serving lunch. Sandwiches, salads, soups and desserts are available at lunch from 10:00 am until 4 pm Monday thru Friday. Lunette still has your favorite coffees and muffins. The shoppe is located between *Super Drugs* and *New to You Shop* downtown on the square.

Household & Furniture Items Phi Delta Sigma

Phi Delta Sigma, a Bethel College fraternity has purchased the former home of Dr. Lollar for housing for Bethel students. They are in the process of remodeling. If you have any furniture and household items you'd like to donate check with Dewayne Ervin (415-1947). They need everything from forks to beds.

LOOKING AHEAD

Aug. 3-6 - 7 pm - Humboldt C. P. Church Revival -
Rev. Janner will preach revival services
Aug. 4 - 6 pm - Women's Ministry Potluck Supper & Meeting
Aug. 11 - McKenzie Schools begin
Aug. 13 - 7 pm - Session Meeting
Aug. 27 - WOW Kickoff
Aug. 30 - Communion Sunday (at both services)
Sunday School Promotion Day
Sept. 20 - Baby Shower Brunch for Amanda Morris

If you prefer to read our newsletter online go to
<http://www.mckenziecpc.org/newletter> 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

Sympathy to: the family of Rev. Johnny Phelps; the family of Linda Jackson; Leonora Claytor and family at the death of her brother, Rev. Dr. Hubert Morrow
Anne Lewis; David Lankford; Carol Barker; Dot Neisler; Joe Hickman; Horace Fincher (Amy Smiley's dad); Jim Crockett; Larry Cochrane (Robby Cole's grandfather); Jadrea (Allen) Romens; Amelia Ruth (infant child with leukemia); William Espey; Jimmy Lewis (Linda Meek's uncle); Marc Bentley (friend from Jennifer's home church); Jeff Wallace; John Wallace; Vicki (friend of Kimberly Burke); Donald Kipp; Mary Alice Weaver; Linda McGehee (grandmother of Gina, Beverly and Adam Spires)

Prayers Concerns continued

McKenzie Health Care Center: Jessie Killebrew; Christine Pinson; Louise Mebane; Kenneth Mebane; Geraldine Campbell
Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes:
Jo Pinson (Lakeside); Faye Headden (Oak Manor); Mary Margaret Williams (Morningside in Paris); Roy Travillian (Lynda Lankford's father); 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; Susie Motheral; Jen Nolen; Carl Bryant; Julia Sills; Ray Berryman; Jim Roberts (Jan Kirk's brother); Diane Massey; Bill Edwards; Amy Hall; Krista Taylor; Rev. Johnny Phelps; Lynn Morgan; Edyee Pinson; Christina Dillard; Shawna Edwards Brittingham; Neal Giles; Barbara Elinor; Joyce McDaniel; Terry Fauth; Tim Hacker; Rhonda Powell
MILITARY: Sam Zasadny; Justin Townsend; Ronnie Combs (Mark & Sue Thompson's grandson); Brooke Cole; Mark Bowlin; Matthew Bowlin; Keith Stanley Jr; 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; Praise Choir Leaders-Peter Jeffrey, Diann Olson
Jennifer Hayes-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 - Sunday evenings & Wednesday mornings & evenings
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"