

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

July 23, 2009



From the Pastor's Desk

VBS—has come and gone! Lee and Amy Lawrence and staff of the First Methodist and First Cumberland Presbyterian Churches worked well with one another and the children were wonderful. Thanks to all who worked and provided food and their special talents.

Mayberry USA is a Bible DVD and study of the *Mayberry* series. We are planning our own series to take place in the WOW format this fall. We are looking for help in role-playing and everyone can have a wonderful time in experiencing *Mayberry USA*.

Touch the Future is working in the hearts of our people and is moving mightily. Keep up your prayers for the discernment process. Let me tell you this, it is not about building a sanctuary, it's about building up a church. The church is you and your family. We need to continue praying for healing in our own families and in the church family. We need to lift up our brothers and sisters who are ill and are facing some difficult times in their life. Please pray for those friends and family who have lost a loved one through death. We need to lift up our Elders who are being guided by the Holy Spirit to make our mission positive and powerful for all who come our way. We need to not be afraid. We need to become risk takers in extending our hearts and hands out to others in our community. Remember we are the church with open minds and loving hearts. So be it and let's live it! ---Tony

Touch the Future

Touch the Future is for everyone in our congregation to discern God's will for our church. If you have attended any one of these sessions, you've felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. Rev. William Jones has been instrumental in our Bible study and leading us through this journey of discerning the plans God has for us. Please mark your calendar for **Tuesday, July 28 at 7 pm** as this congregation comes together to continue our discernment thru Bible study, prayer and discussion.

Welcome Gifts for Bethel students

We will once again be giving resident Bethel students a gift as they come to campus. Water bottles with **Bethel University** and the wildcat logo have been ordered. These will be filled with candy and information inviting the students to worship with us. A basket will be placed in the gathering area for your donations of individually wrapped hard candy.

Thanks for your help.

Fellowship & Membership Committee

Renaissance Concert

On **Sunday, August 16**, Renaissance, will present a Concert at the church. We will begin with a picnic at the pavilion for the choir and congregation at 5 pm. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring lots of chips and cookies. The choir has grown to over 100 members. The performance will begin at 6:30 pm in the Worship and Family Life Center. We will take a love offering for Renaissance.

Mark your calendars!

Autism Speaks Yard Sale

The Corbin family is planning their second annual yard sale to benefit Autism Speaks. Their team, Nicholas' Nutty Nomads, will walk in the *Tennessee Walk Now for Autism* on October 17 at the Nashville Superspeedway. They are now fund-raising for that event.

Last year's Autism Speaks yard sale was such a success that another is planned for **July 24 -25** this year. If anyone has articles to donate to this worthy cause, they may drop items off in the church kitchen during the week of July 19-25. You may also call Glynda Corbin to have items picked up. The sale will be **Friday, July 24 from 8 am to 5 pm and then Saturday, July 25 from 8 am to noon** in the church pavilion. Come out to support this special event.

Chocolate Extravaganza

Women of the church are invited to a Chocolate Extravaganza on **Monday, August 3 at 6 pm**. All you need to bring is your appetite. Come join us for a night of relaxation and fellowship. And enjoy all the chocolate you can eat (and maybe a light supper, too).

Nursery will be provided.

Memorials & Honorariums

Sanctuary Fund

In Honor of:

Rev. & Mrs. Nolan Scudder's 50th Wedding Anniversary

by Jean Garrett

Lee and Amy Lawrence

by Joe & Linda Hearn

In Memory of:

Raymond Hinton (Ron's father)

by Joe & Linda Hearn	Jean Garrett
Reba Foster	Tom & Debby Aljancic
Donna Ward	Blondell Young
Tony & Mary Ann Janner	

Joe Curtis

by Joe & Linda Hearn	Jean Garrett
Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge	

Dr. Boyd Hames (Joe Hames' father)

by Jean Garrett

Jo Pinson

by Jean Garrett

Beverly St. John's daughter

by Jean Garrett

Ronnie Warman

by Jean Garrett

Lois Mattson (Linda Quinn's mother)

by Donna Ward

Women's Ministry

A gift has been given to Women's Ministry in honor of all the ladies who prepared and those who helped serve a meal after the funeral of Jo Pinson.

by John & Janet Baumgardner

Food Pantry

The Missions Committee has designated the last Sunday of the month as a time to bring non-perishable food and personal hygiene items for donation to United Neighbors. Please bring canned tuna, pastas, stews, peanut butter, crackers, toilet tissue, soap, toothpaste or any non-perishable food items on **July 26**. Thanks for your help.



Vacation Bible School

This year's Vacation Bible School was a wonderful learning experience for all the children who attended. We thank Lee and Amy Lawrence for all of their hard work in planning, organizing and recruiting volunteers. The First United Methodist children along with teachers and helpers joined us for VBS this year. We had 119 registered children with an average attendance of 100 each day and 37 teachers and helpers. We appreciate everyone who registered students, led the music, taught classes, served snacks, played games, were group leaders, built props, put up posters. It takes everyone working together to make Vacation Bible School successful. You did that well! The biggest problems were a couple of scraps knees & toes and a bee sting.

Operation Christmas Child

Again, this year, our church will be a Relay Center for the Operation Christmas Child Project. Last year many shoe boxes, filled with small toys, school supplies and personal hygiene items, were collected and sent to brighten the Christmas of children throughout the world.

We will be collecting different items each month from March through November. During the month of **July** we collected lots of individually wrapped hard candy, toothbrushes and toothpaste during VBS. Please bring flashlights, batteries or calculators. For August we will be collecting small toys—small cars, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small etch-a-sketch, etc. No war related toys are acceptable. Remember they must fit into a shoebox along with other items. In the Gathering Area is a box for your donations. You will still have the opportunity to provide a filled shoe box later in the year if you wish. Thank you for your participation.

Ruth and Jimmy Carroll
Operation Christmas Child Relay Coordinators

Springs and ...fewleftstanding...

Well the summer is slowly coming to an end and we have had a great one! Camps, Vacations, VBS, swimming, and Venture River have been just a few of the activities that have been taking place. Sunday, July 12th the Springs took a trip to the **Paris pool** and had a good turnout and a great time. Monday, July 20th Springs, ...fewleftstanding... and plenty of adult participants took a short road trip to Eddyville, KY to **Venture River** water park. We had a great time of fun, sun, fellowship, and waterslides! Thanks to all who came and helped supervise on this great trip, and special thanks to **Charro Keenan** for being our fearless driver for both of our trips. This Sunday, **July 26th** we will have a **pizza and game night** for ...fewleftstanding... and Springs here at the church at **4:00 pm until around 6:00 pm**. Come out for dinner, games, and fun! (Not to mention it's **free!**) Keep an eye out for a Schedule of events for August and beyond!

In Christ, Mike

Our People

Congratulations to Melic Belong, Nathan Nanney and Eli Surber who were members of the McKenzie T-Ball All-Star Team who won 1st place in the district and 4th place in the state tournament.

The McKenzie 9 & 10 year old All-Star team included Jacob Ervin. Congratulations to Jacob! Janson Davis, Chase Kelley, Mitchell Lunn, and Jack Surber played on the 11 & 12 year old All Star team. Congratulations to everyone! All these teams were a part of the Cal Ripkin Youth Baseball League.

Victoria Mothera, Michael Keenan & Jessie Caperton (Don & Julia's granddaughter) were part of the cast for *Willie Wonka* at the Krider Center in Paris July 17 & 18.

Diamond Jaxx Baseball American Cancer Society

On Saturday, August 8, The Diamond Jaxx will have a home game at Pringles Park in Jackson, TN. They will donate a portion of ticket sales to the American Cancer Society. You will need to pick up a voucher in the church office in order for the Cancer Society to benefit.

Highlights of the Session Meeting

- *Devotional given by Elder James Paul Baxter
- *Financial Report - June Giving - \$18,729.20
June Expenses - \$18,697.57
- *Recorded the infant baptism of John Ethan Bradberry *Set July 28 as next "Touch the Future" discernment meeting
- *Approved American Cancer Society Relay for Life *Celebrity* Waiter Dinner on August 27.
- *Children's & Youth Co-ordinator Mike Murphy announced plans for a Venture River Trip July 20 before school starts
- *Approved DVR option for security cameras - \$4,650
- *Approved painting of the Sunday School Rooms at the southwest end of the building—Conference, Class Friendly, Fellowship, nurseries (excluding murals), two small bathrooms & hallways by Pro-Professionals from Paris-\$3,280.
- *Scheduled Renaissance Choir to perform on Sunday evening, August 16-will have picnic at pavilion at 5 pm; performance at 6:30 pm.
- *Approved recommendation by Fellowship Committee to purchase water bottles for Bethel students
- *Missions Committee still coordinating revival plans

Thank You Notes

Dear Church Family,

Thanks for your many acts of kindness shown to our family during the illness and death of my mother, Jo Pinson. We appreciate the all the phone calls, cards and food which you provided for us. Thank you also for the memorials and especially for all your prayers.

Janet Baumgardner & family

Dear church friends,

Thank you for your phone calls, cards and food you sent after my surgery. I appreciate all that you've done. And thanks also for the prayers. It is wonderful to have a church family who cares. Please continue to pray as I begin treatments.

Zia McKennie

Thanks so much for your overwhelming support and caring during the loss of our dad.

It helps so much to soften the sadness.

Love, the family of Raymond Hinton

WOW (Worship on Wednesday)

WOW is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, September 2 with a picnic at the pavilion and a time for fun and games. On September 9, Team 1 will be responsible for the meal and afterwards we will begin the *Mayberry Bible Study* series. We will view the videos together, than go to smaller discussion groups. The children will participate also and then go to their own groups.

Camp Clark Williamson

Camp Clark Williamson is owned and operated by West Tennessee Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It is located near Medina and Jackson, TN the Three-Way community. The address is 390 Mason Rd., Humboldt, TN 38343. The camp was started in 1960. Next year will be the 50th Anniversary and a celebration is being planned for **June 5, 2010** at the camp. Mark your calendars.

The Bell

Our historical bell dates back to the 1890's. Elder Mark Thompson after realizing we needed to have the bell refurbished contacted John Euchus, a bell restoration specialist from Gatlinburg, TN. Mr. Euchus made a presentation to the session and others interested about our bell on July 8. From his information: "The bell was cast by Henry Stuckstede Bell Foundry Co., 1312-1314 South Second Street, St. Louis, Mo. This foundry operated from 1855-1952. At the height of casting in 1880's, this foundry cast 600 bells. (After 1908, this foundry was known as Stuckstede & Bros. Foundry, and St Louis Bell Foundry 1952-1955). These foundries are well documented by the Missouri Historical Society.

Stuckstede Bell Foundry Co. was known for casting mainly bronze bells, but occasionally cast steel bells, mostly as fill-in foundry work. Your Church dates the bell around 1892, which would have been at the height of casting production for this foundry, at which time they were probably looking to compete with CS Bell Co., Hillsboro, Ohio who marketed only cast iron bells through Sears Roebuck & Co. catalog. The Stuckstede Bell Foundry Co. engineered a distinctive slim yoke to mount the bell for swing ringing, and rotating the bell. The cast iron mountings supporting the yoke were also distinctive. The Church bell is 36" in diameter, weighs 605 pounds bare, 950 pounds with mounting hardware & striker. This bell with complete hardware is very rare. Your bell appears to be in good condition for age & use. The interior striker (clapper) shows much wear, indicating that the bell was frequently used by your Church."

Mark Thompson, Tony Janner and Dave Peters took the bell to Gatlinburg on July 14 for restoration. It will take approximately 6 weeks.

Movies

Parents and grandparents sometimes have trouble distinguishing which movies are best for their children to watch. Some of the PG-13 movies have substitutions for cuss words which are almost as bad as the profanity. If you are wondering about a movie or media content, you can check at focusonthefamily.com's link "plugged in" under the entertainment section.

Missionaries

Matt and Heather have been in the their ministry for a year now. The cyclone, which was tragic, also became a way for God to show His love. Focusing on three of the hardest hit villages, they joined with a local church to provide food, clothing, shelter, medications, seeds but mostly they shared the love of Christ.

They have taught English to 200 students, and are continuing to learn the language of the country. And they are expecting a baby boy in October.

Their newsletter is posted on the bulletin board. Their website is www.acoupleofpeople.com. If you are interested in supporting them you may send a donation to Board of Missions, 8207 Traditional Place, Cordova, TN 38016 or donate online at www.nmsi.org/donate designating their name.

AUGUST CALENDAR

Women's Ministry quarterly meeting is Monday, **August 3 at 6 pm.** A Chocolate Extravaganza is planned for the evening. Nursery provided.

Acolytes

Deven Fields
Jacob Ervin
Supervisor - Rachel Carroll

Nursery Helpers

2-	Carolyn Patterson	352-7308
	Rachel Carroll	415-4428
9-	Amy Lawrence	648-1872
	Sandra Pate	352-7631
	Lenore Surber-A	352-3150
16-	Anita Ross	352-0551
	Debby Aljancic	352-9139
	Amy Smiley-A	352-0685
23-	Karen Jeffrey	352-0792
	Marcia Webb	352-3550
	Linda Kemp-A	352-2136
30-	Star Martino	586-4371
	Lunette Hines	393-0126
	Johnna Toombs-A	352-7938

Ushers

9 am Worship Service

Tracy Webb - Chairperson
Tommy Bobo - Co-Chairperson
Paul Motheral
Terry Howell

11 am Worship Service

Cindy Owen - Chairperson
Joe Hames - Co-Chairperson
Bill Kreuter
John Motheral

Session Meeting

Session Meeting will be August 12 at 7 pm in the Conference Room. Elder of the month is Mark Warren.

Attendance and Giving Report

July 5, 2009	Attendance 150
General Fund Offering -	\$ 4,457.57
Sanctuary Fund -	123.50
TOTAL	\$ 4,581.07
July 12, 2009	Attendance 215
General Fund Offering -	\$ 4,657.76
Sanctuary Fund -	225.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,882.76
July 19, 2009	Attendance 220
General Fund Offering -	\$ 5,211.87
Sanctuary Fund -	95.00
TOTAL	\$5,306.87

(General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$5,481)

August Birthdays

- 1 - Roxie Walker
Lauren Olson
- 2 - Donna Ward
Alyssa Corbin
- 3 - Lee Smiley
- 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

LOOKING AHEAD

- July 24 - 8 am - 5 pm - *Autism Speaks* Yard Sale
July 25 - 8 am - noon - *Autism Speaks* Yard Sale
July 26 - 4 pm - Fun, Games, Food for Springs & ...fewleftstanding... @ the church
July 28 - Touch the Future
Aug. 2 - Communion Sunday
Aug. 7 - Carroll Co. Schools begin
Aug. 8 - Diamond Jaxx Baseball Game
(Jaxx will donate \$3 of regular ticket cost to American Cancer Society - need voucher from the church office)
Aug. 9 - 4 pm - Springs Service Project
Aug. 16 - Renaissance Concert Picnic @ 5 pm
Performance at 6:30 pm
Aug. 17 - Bethel College Classes begin
Aug. 30 - 10 am - Sunday School Promotion
Followed by Brunch in honor of SS teachers in the Gathering Area.
Sept. 2 - WOW Picnic at the Pavilion
Sept. 9 - WOW Classes begin - Mayberry Bible Study Series

Remember in Your Prayers

Susie Motheral; Hannah Jeffrey; Zia McKennie; Lee Smiley; John & Carol Rose (Anne Lewis' parents); Randall Hearn (Joe's brother); Allen Owen; Cindy Bobo; Gail Robb; Keith Stanley, Jr. (Linda McClure's nephew); Chris Edge (Vicki Long's nephew)

Sympathy to: Ron Hinton & family at the death of his father, Raymond Hinton; Bob Bouldin & family at the death of his son-in-law, Joe Curtis; the family of Windle Prince

PRAYER CONCERNS CONTINUED

McKenzie Health Care Center: Bubba Waddle; Jessie Killebrew; Christine Pinson; Louise Mebane; Kenneth Mebane; Bette Edwards; Lola Alexander; Jane Adams (Sandra Spire's aunt)
Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes: Faye Headden; Mary Margaret Williams (Morningside in Paris); Roy Travillian (Lynda Lankford's father); Geraldine (Campbell) & Jim Bryant; Louise Martin (Paula Watkins' aunt); Jimmy Lewis (Linda Meek's uncle); Jewell Warren; Blanche McCord (Glynda Hamilton's mother); Marie Bobo; Kathryn Gazley; Joyce Lovelace; Pauline Toney (Jill Renfro's grandmother); DeVere Ramsay
Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, therapy: Brady Blount; Betsy Barcroft; Leonora Claytor; Mary Norden; Bill Featherston (Virginia Walker's brother); Vickie Foster; Iona Clark (Victor's mother); Morris Beasley; Mary Frances David; Jerry Drewry; Obra Sims; Carla Waddle; Jen Nolen; Lori Pearson; Craig Willis; Kimmi Bridges; Josiah Bridges; Mary Sue Neisler; Rhonda Powell; Gail Jones; Joe Sasser; Mary Anderson (Melissa Hennis' mother); Dorothy Higdon (Corinne Arnold's mother); Carol Barker; Dot Neisler; William Espey; Janice Hendricks
MILITARY: Jerry Hudson; Kellet Hochrieter; Tommy Baker; Buddy McClain; Sam Zasadny; Ronnie Combs (Mark & Sue Thompson's grandson); John Black (Mary Jane Martin's grandson); Brooke Cole; Mark Bowlin (going to Aghanistan); Matthew Bowlin; Keith Stanley Jr; Joey Smiley; 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- Diann Olson; Keith Hennis
Mike Murphy - Children's & Youth Co-ordinator; 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 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"

