

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

April 29, 2010



From the Pastor's Desk

We have had an exciting time with our Bible Study during WOW this last thirteen weeks with “*Crazy Love*,” by Francis Chan. We have been pulled, twisted, stepped-on, and released by the Love of God. We have surrendered to the will of God through the Holy Spirit and we have grown as individuals and as a church. We have become closer by recognizing the fact that we need each other as well as Christ. To accomplish the calling we have as a people of God we must always remember we need each other, a church is not an individual, a church is a mosaic of individuals who are called to serve and celebrate the person of Jesus Christ. We know and understand we cannot do our mission by ourselves as effective and efficient as a team working together. What must we *Surrender?* How about our self will!

I want to extend my thanks to our facilitators who directed the conversations each week and I want to thank you, for attending and sharing your heart. We are a closer, more loving church for it. WOW...what a testimony we heard last night of *Crazy Love—Fest*, Cliff Barna really blessed our hearts with his personal testimony of how God has moved him from his love of football and the hopes of an NFL career to loving God and surrendering to a call to ordained ministry in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. This is what God does--he moves us into his will and gives us the peace and desire to serve Him. What are you willing to Surrender to follow Him?

Side Bar: This week I was reading the newsletter of Knoxville Cumberland Presbyterian Church and they had these suggestions as to grow our church. I think these suggestions are the keys to a successful church.

1. Keep Praying. Ask God to send us those who know they need faith and a church family. Nothing happens unless we ask God to change and move people.
2. Invite your un-churched family and friends. Simple invites are best.
3. Consider yourself an ambassador for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20) every day, not just on Sunday. Ask God to give you eyes, ears, and a heart for people who are searching.
4. Speak positively of your church to everyone you meet. Emphasize what we do have not what we do not have! Let people make their own decisions!
5. Friendliness and acceptance is still the most important thing we can show to others.
6. Make sure you meet and greet every visitor you can before and after the worship service, make note of their name.
7. Its God's house and guess who the hosts and hostesses are? YOU!

—Bro. Tony

General Assembly - Celebrating 200th Anniversary

The 180th General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church will meet in Dickson, TN to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church on June 13-18, 2010. Mark your calendars. Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry Convention will be June 16-17 at Montgomery Bell State Park. Check your Missionary Messenger for details and registration forms.

DAY TRIP - June 15 - 200th Birthday of the Church

The All Day Celebration at the Birthplace Shrine will be **Tuesday, June 15**. This day will include a re-enactment of the 1810 birth of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, singing and worship at the Chapel. We will place a sign-up sheet in the hallway. If there are enough people who want to attend on Tuesday, June 15, we will take the church van or rent a larger bus for the day. Deadline to sign-up is May 28, so we can get the lunches ordered and make final plans for the trip.

There is also more information on the bulletin board in the hallway.

The Dickson area hotels will hold the rooms through early May. Reservations for box lunches for Tuesday June 15 need to be made through the Office of the General Assembly by June 1. Checks for \$10 per box must be sent to the OGA also.

Mother's Day

Mother's Day is **May 9**. Women's Ministry is sponsoring our honorarium and memorial Mother's Day opportunities to give to the Sanctuary Building Fund. Simply fill out the form in today's bulletin and return it along with your donation to the Sanctuary Building Fund. Please have all your donations turned into the church office by May 6. We will print the honorariums and memorials in the May 9 Bulletin. Thanks for your gifts in honor and memory of all the special ladies in your lives.

Mother's Day Gift

Honoree Name _____

Honorarium _____ Memorial _____ (Please check one)

Donation Amount _____

Presented by _____

Memorials & Honorariums

Sanctuary Fund

In Memory of:

Iona Clark (Victor's step-mother)

by Jean Garrett
Joe & Linda Hearn

Eunice Clark (Becky Allen's mother)

by Jean Garrett
Joe & Linda Hearn

Morris Pentecost (Lauren Fields' grandfather)

by Jean Garrett

Kelly Curry

by Tommy, Carolyn and Taylor Patterson

Drew Culbreath's grandmother

by Jean Garrett

In Honor of:

Virginia Walker

by Fellowship SS Class

PIANO FUND

In Memory of:

Iona Clark (Victor's step-mother)

by David & Lynda Lankford

Eunice Clark (Becky Allen's mother)

by David & Lynda Lankford

Carlton McCord (Glynda Hamilton's brother)

by David & Lynda Lankford

In Honor of:

Virginia Walker

by David & Lynda Lankford

Operation Christmas Child - 2010

Our church participates in Operation Christmas Child, which is collecting a shoebox of personal care items, toys, school supplies, etc. for children in need around the world. The shoeboxes will be mailed in November, but we are collecting items each month for this cause. Donation items for **MAY are: socks, t-shirts, caps, hair accessories.**

The Operation Christmas Child Box Donation Box is in the Gathering Area for your donations. Donations items for January were crayons, coloring books, activity books; February was soap, washcloths, combs and brushes, March was toothbrushes and toothpaste. April was small toys. You are welcome to bring any of these items also. Again thanks for your help!

Thank You Note

I am deeply grateful to each of you for your concern for me during my hospital stay and since I returned home. For each card, dish of food, telephone call and visit, I really did appreciate everything. If a church is known by their love for each other we are there. Thanks again for your concern for me and my family.

Love and Appreciation
Millie Finley

Thanks for all your prayers and support.

Bob & Lunette Hines
Rob, Anne & Josiah
Kim, Ryan & Luna

Piano Fund

The Electronic Grand Piano used during worship has been a wonderful asset to our worship services over the years. We have repaired it numerous times and we continue to have problems with it. Since it is a discontinued model, parts are not available. Eventually we will need to replace it, therefore at the recommendation of the Worship Committee, the session has decided to establish a PIANO FUND. You may simply want to give a donation or if you choose, you may designate any memorials or honorariums to be placed in the Piano Fund.

High Seas Expedition - Vacation Bible School

June 28 - July 1, 2010

Amy Lawrence and Mike Murphy will direct our Vacation Bible School this year. The theme is *High Seas Expedition*. Set sail for VBS **June 28** through **July 1**, 9 am until noon, each day. VBS classes are for age 3 thru 5th graders. A planning meeting for VBS helpers will be **Wednesday, May 5 from 6 pm to 6:30 pm**. Registration for VBS begins May 16. Registration forms will be included in the Sunday bulletins. Mark your calendars!

Camp Clark Williamson

On Sunday, **May 2** we will celebrate Camp Clark Williamson Day. A special offering will be taken to help get the camp ready for the summer camping season.

May 1 is the annual Fishing Rodeo and Work Day. Camp Clark Williamson will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary on **June, 5, 2010**. Mark your calendars so you will be able to attend. The theme is "*Celebrating the Past, experiencing the present, and looking to the future.*"

2010 Summer Camping Schedule

at Camp Clark Williamson

Day Camp: Saturday, June 5 (Micah Bell)

Junior Camp 1: June 7-12 (Jason Alexander, Charro Keenan)

Junior Camp 2: July 19-24 (Gloria and Cecil Covert)

Junior High Camp 1: July 5-10 (Jim Hamblin, Jamie Adams)

Junior High Camp 2: July 12-17 (Connie Ricketts, Mitch Boulton)

Senior High Camp: June 21-16 (Aaron Ferry, Jamie Barkley)

Day Camp is for children who have completed Kindergarten thru 1st grade. Day Camp Fee is \$15. Junior Camp is for those who have completed 2nd thru 5th grades. Junior High Camp is for those who have completed 6th thru 8th grades. Senior High Camp is for those who have completed 9th thru 12th grades.

The fee for this year's camp is \$190. The church pays for half of each summer camper's fee. This year we have lots of children who are looking forward to going to summer camp. If you wish to contribute to a scholarship fund for camp, it will be an investment in the life of a young person. Please designate your contributions for summer camping fund.

Camp registration forms are available in Mike's office. They must be mailed two weeks prior to the camp you plan to attend.

RELAY FOR LIFE EVENTS

The Annual Relay for Life Event will be Friday, June 4 beginning at 6 pm at the McKenzie Football Stadium located beside McKenzie Middle School.

BOWS, TORCHES & LUMINARIES

Purple & White Bows are \$10. See Heather Garrett to purchase. Memorial torches are available—they are tiki torches with an engraved plate and will be on display at Relay (JUNE 4) for \$100 each. Donors will receive the torch after Relay. Luminaries are \$5 and can be given as honorariums or memorials. You can decorate your luminary bag or just donate the money and have the bag decorated.

Thanks to everyone for your support.

Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations to McKenzie High School Graduate, Stephen O'Neill. Stephen and McKenzie High School Class of 2010 will graduate May 16.

Congratulations to Courtney Barnett, Julie Harris and the 2010 Bethel University Graduates. Bethel University Commencement is May 8.

Holland Hames will graduate from Asbury University on May 8, 2010. He is the son of Joe and Anne Hames. Rev. Anne Hames will graduate from Memphis Theological Seminary with her doctorate degree on May 15. Congratulations to the Hames family!

Mark Smith graduates from Southern College of Optometry in Memphis on April 30. Congratulations to Mark, his wife, Amy and his parents, Tom & Rhonda Smith.

Congratulations to Eric Corbin, who will graduate on May 15th at 10 am from Memphis Theological Seminary. Eric is the pastor of Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church, son of Glynda Corbin, grandson of Millie Finley.

News about our People

Congratulations to Justin & Liz Stambaugh at the birth of Avery Elizabeth on April 13 at 2 am. She weighed 5 lbs. 10 ozs. Avery and Liz both spent time in ICU, but are doing better. Congratulations also to grandparents Jimmy & Cathey Stambaugh, Aunt Stacie, Uncle Kerry and Cousin Ava.

High Achievers from McKenzie Elementary School include: Caleigh Jeffrey, Evan Jarrett, Lollie Brown, Kattie Nolen, Emma Renfro and Jacey Davis. Congratulations!

Congratulations also to: Top BUG Club (Bringing Up Grades) winners from McKenzie Elementary who are Nathan Brown and Chrestavon Horton.

Annual Fourth Grade Play - May 6 School House Rock Live

McKenzie Elementary School's Annual Fourth Grade Play will be Thursday, May 6 at the Bethel University Dickey Fine Arts Building. They will present "School House Rock Live" at 7 pm. Performers include Brandon Hill as Joe, Zack Jarrett as Tom, Emily Lunn as Deana, Kattie Nolen as Shulie. Joseph Keenan has a solo part. Singers include Sydney Baker, Melic Belong, Bridget Bradberry, Nathan Brown, Jacey Davis, Jacob Ervin, Hannah Powell, Devyn Smiley, Natalie Whitlow and Tariq Wyatt

Celebration

In Honor of Jean Garrett and Mark Hollomon's engagement and upcoming marriage, the church is having a Potluck Dinner on **May 19 at 6 pm.** Everyone is invited to share in their joy. Please bring casseroles, salads, vegetables and desserts.

Springs!

PARENTS! Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 2nd. We will have a meeting for the parents of all of our Springs participants. We will reschedule our Bowling Trip, discuss summer plans and I will be open to your suggestions of what you would like to see this group do. This is a very special group and I treasure every moment with them. With that, I also treasure you as the parent and I am thankful for you, so this meeting is to get us on the same page with what this group is doing!

...*fewleftstanding*...

Youth Sunday is **Sunday, May 16th !!!** and it will be here before you know it. We will start planning this immediately, so please, make sure you come to fewleftstanding on Sunday nights because I want all of you to be a part of this exciting Sunday!

PARENTS! Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 2nd. We will have a parents meeting on this date. We will be discussing summer plans as well as getting on the same page as far as camp, fund-raising, and activities. Thank you so much for your support as parents and I look forward to this meeting to see where God is taking this Youth group. I have camp forms rolling in the office so if you need one, just let me know and I will get one to you!

In Christ, Mike

Highlights of the March Session Meeting

- * Devotional by Elder Dewayne Ervin
- * Finance Report: March Giving to Budget - \$ 20,909.45
March Expenses - \$ 22,422.68;
Year-to-Date Giving - \$ 69,428.79
Year-to-Date Expenses - \$ 67,739.64
- * Received new member, Josi Carlton
- * Approved calendar of events
- * Had prayer for our list of concerns
- * Looked at options for re-lettering the sign in front of the church
- * Christian Education Committee is getting a questionnaire ready for SS Teachers; working on a mission statement; planning worship services for Wednesdays during fall WOW; planning Senior Dinner for high school graduates and youth group;
- * Amy Lawrence and Mike Murphy will direct VBS June 28 - July 2
- * Will plan some summer events on Wednesday evenings
- * Mission Committee reported that Rev. Perrin Rice has agreed to hold our Fall Revival - dates tba
- * Back-pack Ministry is going well - thanks to Larry Watkins, Cindy Owen, Sheila Willis and other volunteers
- * SS Teacher Training Event will be held in August - led by Jodi Rush
- * Worship Committee recommended & Session approved a "Piano Fund" to be established.

**PRESIDENT ROBERT PROSSER
AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
BETHEL UNIVERSITY**

**REQUEST THE HONOUR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE
DEDICATION OF THE**

RAY AND LINDA MORRIS SCIENCE COMPLEX

**SATURDAY, THE EIGHTH OF MAY
TWO-THOUSAND AND TEN
1:30 - 2:15 PM**

**BETHEL UNIVERSITY
MCKENZIE, TENNESSEE**

WITH OPEN HOUSE TO FOLLOW

**THE FAVOUR OF A REPLY IS REQUESTED BY THE FIRST OF MAY TO
LINDA HEARN AT 731-352-4003 OR HEARNL@BETHELU.EDU
YOU ARE INVITED TO ENJOY LUNCH ON THE GROUNDS
BEGINNING AT 12:00 PM**

MAY CALENDAR

Acolytes

Emily Lunn

Jacey Davis

Supervisor - Jon Davis

Nursery Helpers

- 2- Carol Hill
Suzanne Howell
- 9- Marcia Webb
Jill Warren
Lenore Surber-A
- 16- June Perritt
Melanie Burke
Sandra Spires-A
- 23- Martha Peters
Sarah Bradberry
Linda Smith-A
- 30- Heather Garrett
Vicky Clark
Debby Aljancic-A

Ushers

9:00 am Service

Hunter Garrett - Chairperson
Larry Ridley - Co-Chairperson

Dean Brush

Taylor Patterson

11 am Service

Mark Thompson - Chairperson
Tommy Johnson - Co-Chairperson

Ed Sadler

Linda Meek

Session Meeting

Session Meeting will be **May 12** at 7 pm in the Conference Room. Elder of the month is Tommy Bobo.

Men's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship will meet on Saturday, **May 8 at 8 am** at the church. There will be a Devotional and light breakfast. All the men of the church are invited to attend!

FOOD PANTRY

The missions committee has asked for us to help furnish non-perishable food for donation to United Neighbors. Please bring food items such as peanut butter, crackers, tuna, soups, stews, & other canned foods or personal care items, such as toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper. Collection Sunday is **May 30**.

May Birthdays

- 2 - Bob Rutledge
3 - Stacey Holancin
4 - Anita Ross
Mary Jane Martin
Vicki Long
7 - Julie Smith
8 - Star Martino
9 - Lowell Young
Walter Waddle
Sibyl Brush
10 - Michael Keenan
11 - Kerri Basford
Bubba Waddle
13 - Larry Watkins
15 - Demetra Perkins
Melic Belong
16 - Ethan Bradberry
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
Harrison Fesmire
25 - Carol Perritt
26 - Duane Perritt
28 - Nicholas Corbin
30 - Rhonda Smith

May Anniversaries

- 4 - Paul & Suzie Long
5 - Tommy & Martha Bobo
13 - Patrick & Anita Ross
17 - Bill & Jan Kirk
23 - Tom & Rhonda Smith
29 - J. T. & Robye Lindsey
31 - James & Glynda Hamilton
Peter & Karen Jeffrey
Dan & Linda Quinn

(Please call the church office at 352-2440 or e-mail to: church@mckenziecpc.org with corrections & additions to the birthday and anniversary list. Thank you.)

Ladies Night Out!

Everyone is invited to meet at Common Grounds for dinner and a Scrap-booking program. Michelle Jarrett will present the program on scrap-booking. If you have a scrapbook you'd like to share, please bring it. Dinner will be Loaded potato soup, Garden salad, dessert, tea and coffee for \$6. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway or call the church office at 352-2440.

Attendance and Giving Report

April 4, 2010	Attendance 321
General Fund Offering -	\$12,300.50
Sanctuary -	255.00
One Great Hour of Sharing -	33.00
TOTAL	\$12,588.50
April 11, 2010	Attendance 243
General Fund Offering -	\$3,712.14
Sanctuary -	165.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,877.14
April 18, 2010	Attendance 227
General Fund Offering -	\$5,660.01
Sanctuary -	25.00
Piano Fund -	150.00
One Great Hour of Sharing -	100.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,935.01
April 25, 2010	Attendance 214
General Fund Offering -	\$5,497.96
Sanctuary -	220.00
Piano Fund -	80.00
TOTAL	\$5,797.96

Campbell's Soup Labels & Boxtops for Education

Please save your Campbell's Soup labels and boxtops for Education. There is a box on the table under the bulletin board in the hallway for them. They will be sent to Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home in Denton, Texas. Check the bulletin board for other participating companies.

*Please come and Join us
in the Celebration of
Maxie Lee Cook Bersey's
95th Birthday
on Saturday, May 8, 2010
at the First Baptist Church, FLC
from 11 am to 2 pm*

*Come and go or sit and stay as long as you like.
Refreshments and cake will be served. No gifts
please
Hosted by: Kathy Sacks, Dawn Sacks Duke,
Taylor Duke, and Marylynn Bersey.*

LOOKING AHEAD

May 2 - Camp Clark Williamson Sunday
May 9 - Mother's Day
8 pm - McKenzie High School Baccalaureate
May 16 - Youth Sunday
Children's Home Sunday
McKenzie High School Graduation
May 19 - 6 pm - Garrett/Hollomon Potluck Dinner
May 22 - 10 am - Bridal Tea Brunch for Mike Murphy
& Samantha Lindley
May 26 - Bloodmobile - American Red Cross
June 4 - Relay for Life Event
June 5 - Camp Clark Williamson 50th Anniversary Celebration
Day Camp at CCW
June 14 - 18 - General Assembly of CP Church in Dickson, TN
June 15 - Day Trip to 200th Anniversary Celebration of Cumberland
Presbyterian Church at Montgomery Bell Park
June 27 - Bridal Tea in honor of Carol Perritt and Drew Landerman
June 28 - July 2 - Vacation Bible School

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bonnie Baxter; Matthew Boaz; Suzanne Howell; Amy Lawrence; Millie Finley; Jay Rogers (Zach's father); Eva Sue Dorris; Bud Pollard (Suzanne Howell's father); Gary Mitchell; Beth (Hartz) Potter; Debra Ashby; Shane McClelland; Dale Norman
Sympathy to: Chris Fesmire at the death of his cousin, Serena Ricket, who leaves an 11 day-old baby; Brenda Berryman and family at the death of her husband, Ray; the family and friends of Darra Adkins
McKenzie Health Care Center: Bubba Waddle; Jessie Killebrew; Christine Pinson; Bette Edwards; Lola Alexander; Jane Adams (Sandra Spires' aunt); Ross Martin; Faye Townsend; Tip Stafford

Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes:
Obra Sims; Faye Headden; Mary Margaret Williams (Morningside in Paris); Roy Travillian (Lynda Lankford's father); Louise Mebane; Kenneth Mebane; Geraldine (Campbell) & Jim Bryant; Louise Martin (Paula Watkins' aunt); Jewell Warren; Marie Bobo; Kathryn Gazley; De Vere Ramsay

Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, therapy: Zia Locke; Lois Tilley at Cane Creek; Leslie Janner; Anna Weatherford; Jen Nolen; Gary McKennie; Johnnie B. Baumgardner (John's father); Garritt Baker; Mary Norden (Linda Lewis' mother); Jay Rogers; Ansley McLauren; Bill & Maudell Beasley (Janice Wiggins' parents); Peggy Miller; Dewayne & Peggy Bateman (Lisa Kapellar's parents); Vickie Foster; Trent Johnson; Mike Vermillion; Dewayne Montgomery; Sam Featherstone; Barbara Alexander (Dewayne Ervin's aunt); Bob Putman; Jonathan Stanfill; Toni West (Linda McClure's sister); Matthew Penick; Bill Featherston; Carla Waddle; Craig Willis; Kimmi Bridges; Josiah Bridges; Gail Jones; Joe Sasser; Dorothy Higdon; Dot Neisler; Janice Hendricks

MILITARY: Keith Newsom; Cody Baker (Corinne Arnold's grandson) Todd Walker; David Duncan; McKenzie Guard Unit; Gabe Nichols (Charro Keenan's brother); Blake Speer; Jonathan Scott; Sam Zasadny; Ronnie Combs (Mark & Sue Thompson's grandson); Brooke Cole; Mark Bowlin; Matthew Bowlin; Keith Stanley Jr; Joey Smiley; Mark Boaz; and all military
OTHERS: Earthquake victims; 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 Herris
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"

