

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter "Loving God, Loving People" April 23, 2008

OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS...

...are with the family of Mrs. Etelka Franks who went home to heaven last week. We grieve with Sam and Karen Ware and Charles and Louise Franks and family, but joy comes in the morning! May God bless you and keep you as we await Resurrection Day!
...are with Becky Rader in the recent death of her aunt.

"FUNFEST WAS GREAT FUN!!!

What a blast we all had at "Funfest Family Fun Zone!" Many children and families passed through the facility last Saturday. They laughed and ate and bounced. Faces were painted, balloon hats created, and delicious cakes walked away. People were welcomed in the name of Jesus Christ and His Church—a great day!
Our gratitude to all those who helped us in any way, especially Thursday Connection whose contributions and enthusiasm made the day memorable and blessed.
See you next year for "Funfest!"

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

It was a pleasure and an honor to welcome Mrs. Virginia Chesney as our newest member Sunday, April 13. She came by transfer of letter from Erin Presbyterian Church. May we all grow in our love for God and for each other. Welcome, Virginia!

OUR NEW MISSIONARIES TO GUATEMALA

Last Sunday we heard the fantastic story of how God called the Mike Parker family (Mike, Carla, Katie, and Zach) to Guatemala to serve as youth directors for "Casa Alleluia" (House of Praise), an orphanage of over 450 children. The Parkers will leave in June.
Our monetary gift to the Parkers opens a door for us to continue being a mission-minded church. Not only can we pray for them and support them financially through the years but we can also send mission teams from the church to join them in doing "block parties" and sharing the Gospel. Would you like to join them for a life-changing week of mission work in Guatemala?
If you would like to follow their progress or offer them support and encouragement, please go to their website at www.clubhouseguatemala.com.

FRANKLIN GRAHAM FESTIVAL

"Bring Your Friends to Meet Jesus!"
April 25-27 at Thompson-Boling Arena

Saturday, April 26, 9:00 a.m. First Church kids, parents, and friends will take a bus to **"XTreme Kids Live"** (for ages 3-12) with special guests "Chaos on Wheels" and "God Rocks." Pizza afterward! **PLEASE CALL NOW TO GET YOUR SEAT ON THE BUS (588-8581)!!**
Saturday, April 26, 6:00 p.m. **Youth Night** (junior high-college age) at the Festival with special guests "Group 1 Crew" and "Toby Mac." Youth and friends will carpool from the church for the 7:00 p.m. service. **PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH NOW TO GET YOUR NAME IN THE CARPOOL.**
Sunday, April 27, 3:00 p.m. **Closing Service** with Michael W. Smith, Ricky Skaggs, Phil Stacy, Cliff Barrows and George Beverly Shea. Adults are encouraged to meet and carpool from the church and enjoy a meal together at Calhoun's on the river afterwards. **PLEASE CALL NOW FOR RESERVATIONS (588-8581)!!**

ELDERS ON CALL FOR APRIL AND MAY

April 27 Tom Witmer May 4 Lee Barron May 11 Steve Goodrich
May 18 Steve McCurry May 25 Dianne Pipkin

GRADUATION SUNDAY

Sunday, May 4 we will honor all graduates in the First Church family including kindergarten, middle school, high school, college—in other words anyone who has graduated from anything!!! This is just one way of "loving God, and loving people!" Please call the church office to confirm anyone who is "graduating" (588-8581).

THE CRAZY GOLFERS ARE AT IT AGAIN!

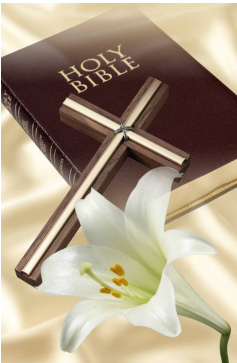
The crazy golfers at First Church are pulling their clubs out of the closet and beginning the Spring season Sunday, May 4, 2:30 p.m. at the "Wee Course at Williams Creek." The address is 2351 Dandridge Avenue; phone 546-5828. Men, women, and children of every age are welcome to join us. The cost will be \$23.00 per person including green fee and cart. Please sign up on the bulletin board this Sunday if you would like to join us!

~Pastor Kevin

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PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN'S
MINISTRY

Just a note to remind all the women of the church that we try to provide service and fellowship opportunities for ALL of you! The following are CPWM officers serving through this summer. Please call any of us for more information about our plans or let us know how we can help with your ideas for ministry: President-Nancy Wood; President-elect-Donna Walker; Secretary-Faye O'Neal; Treasurer-Dianne Fielder.
JULY 13-19 Women's Worktrip to Mt. Vernon, KY.
JULY 24-26 Women's Ministry Conference at Brenthaven CP Church in Nashville.
AUGUST We will collect cakes for birthdays of Lakeshore residents during July and August and deliver them.

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Happy Birthday



April
29-Jin Gaston
29-Barbara McCammon



May
2-Ann Bachman
2-Amanda Emory Roberts
3-Charlotte Byrd

Activities for April 26-May 3, 2008

Sat., 10:00 a.m. Rebeccas—Perkins Restaurant
Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
(Librarian on duty)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for April 20, 2008

Sunday School.....53
Worship.....81
Offering.....\$3,500.52
Capital Improvements Fund\$150.00*
Memorial/Building Fund..... 15.00
Expenses paid last week\$4,537.59

Year-to-Date (as of April 20, 2008)

Offerings received to date:.....\$56,137.08
Expenses paid to date:.....\$88,023.75

Building / Cap. Improve. Fund.....\$76,524.55*
*Includes giving toward pledges

The Sunday school class being taught by Bill Ivey will begin a new study May 4. The theme is: Israelites, Jews, Jesus and the early church - beliefs, relationships and practices. Everyone who does not now participate in a Sunday school class is invited, 9:30 A.M., room 24.

Directory Update

Alice Montgomery: 633-6051
4006 Moonlight Way, 37917

Children’s Hospital—Toy Drive

The Thursday Connection Student Government is collecting toys and other items to donate to Children’s Hospital during the month of April. Please bring any of the following items. All items will be donated to Children’s Hospital at the end of the April!

New Baby!

Abigail Kathryn Stutts came into this world Sunday evening to Donnie and Melissa Ware Stutts. Sam and Karen Ware are the proud Grandparents. Karen is heading to Raleigh to see them Tuesday afternoon. What a blessing of joy in this time of grief for them. God sends us Blessings and comfort in many ways.



Prayer Concerns



In the Military

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California
Bill Hickman in Iraq, Lee Barron’s cousin

In the Hospital

Wally Holt, Ft. Campbell Military Hospital, Iraq War Veteran
Taylor Adkins (friend of Marikate Walker), St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; Marlene Ritchey; Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Denominational Center Task Force; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Irene Brooks; William Barron; Doug Bailey; Joyce Creasman; Brenda Burk; Jonathan Migas; Bernie Migas; Levi Bailey; Lillian Stephens; Neal Denton; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Franklin Graham Crusade coming to Knoxville in April, 2008; Lois Witmer; Francis Bogart; Noreen Bogart; Barbara Leith; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Ann McGraw; Judy and Toby Rogers; Ruth Gates; Lea Acuff; Judy Lawson (Lisa Deal’s Aunt); Dewaine Moncier, Jr. (Dianne Fielder’s cousin); A. R. Wood (Kevin Wood’s brother); Hannah Davis; Lisa Deal; Diana Hess; Donna Walker; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Clara Zelinski; Bill M. (friend of the Congdons); Jerrie Moffet; Pat Booher; Dan Miller; Sue Hounshell; Arrienne Murphy; Traci VanDeVate; Lisa Hayes; Kevin Wood; the family of Mrs. Don G. Etelka Franks (Charles Franks and Kare Ware’s mother).

Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes, additions or deletions to our Prayer Concerns list.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS FOR FISH

Our total amount contributed to FISH this year is \$3473.76. Thank you for your generous support. Our fourth and final bagging session filled 181 bags. We had lots of hard workers. They were Faye O’Neal, Tom, Donna, Jessie, MariKate Walker, James, Sydney, Emma, and Eli O’Neal, Jimmy, Dawn, and Chrissy Curtis (who took the cardboard to recycle) Steve and Wendy Goodrich, Jane Carroll, Lisa and Gracie Hayes and Betty Hammill. There is a three way tie for the designation of the "Bagger of the Week". This week the hard work of Emma O’Neal, Dawn and Chrissy Curtis earned them this selection. Congratulations girls, you show us how to work. Steve McCurry helped me pick up 38 more cases of food from Food City which we used in the fourth bagging session. Also, we were able to get 131 loaves of bread from the Bread Store in Seymour. We will need to go there again this week for more. Our campaign is almost over- From the bottom of my heart I want to thank everyone who supported us make this year’s campaign another successful endeavor completed by our church. I will make a final report in May during the service.

Betty Hammill

MASSING OF THE COLORS

The Knoxville Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars is sponsoring the Fifteenth Annual Massing of the Colors Ceremony on Saturday, April 26, 2008, at Second Presbyterian Church, 2829 Kingston Pike. The ceremony begins at 10:30a.m. Contact Mike Bachman for more information at 694-0097.