# The Cumberlander

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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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### YOUTH SUNDAY AND BOY SCOUT SUNDAY THIS SUNDAY

The youth of our church and community will be joining us this Sunday, February 11, 10:45 a.m. for "Youth and Boy Scout Sunday!"

Jeff Hall, a placekicker on the 1998 UT Championship Football Team, will be guest speaker. Boy Scouts and parents of Troop 20 will be here to lead in worship and update us on their activities. We also hope to welcome kids and parents from the Thursday Connection home-school co-op.

Kids in junior high or senior high school are encouraged to participate in an attendance contest between schools to see who can bring the most friends. A special prize will be given to all the winners!

We will honor Jeff Hall and all our guests at the monthly potluck luncheon in the gym which follows the morning service. Please bring those wonderful meat, salad, vegetable, and dessert dishes to share!

### ARE YOU UP TO THE CHALLENGE?

"The Essential 100 Challenge" is a new and exciting way for everyone at First Church to read through the Bible together. The Challenge is based on a carefully selected list of short Bible passages—50 from the Old Testament and 50 from the New Testament. It's the through-the-Bible program you can easily complete...and enjoy.

Whether you're a new or experienced Bible reader, "The Essential 100 Challenge" will be the fastest, most rewarding journey through God's Word you've ever taken.

We will begin The Challenge with the New Testament 50 February 21 ("Ash Wednesday") and reading daily, we will complete it by April 11 (three days after Easter Sunday). This Fall we will take The Old Testament 50 (October 1-November 19).

Sign up this Sunday in the bulletin or outside the church office. A study book, <u>The Essential Bible Guide</u>, is available to help you in your daily readings at a cost of \$8.80. Please let us know if you want us to order one for you!

### PEGGY O'NEAL IS OUR MEDICAL MISSIONARY

For those who haven't heard, our own Peggy O'Neal will be part of a medical mission team to Panama March 2-9. While there, the team of doctors and nurses will provide medical, dental, vision, and pharmacy care. They will also share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the people.

The Session of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church wants you to have the opportunity to help sponsor Peggy and help her raise funds for the trip. Individual donations are welcome. The following items are desperately needed:

Children's Vitamins Tool

Toothpaste and Toothbrushes

Reading Glasses

All of these items are for children, youth, or adults. Used glasses are acceptable. Boxes for the donations are located in the gym kitchen and the narthex. We will be collecting them through Sunday, February 25.

There will be a brief commissioning service for Peggy on Sunday, February 25 during morning worship. When she returns she will share her experiences with us.

Please keep the medical team in your prayers. Thank you for your compassion and caring!

### **SESSION RETREAT**

The Session will meet for a planning retreat this Saturday, February 10, 9:00 a.m. Session members, please note: the presbyterial Board of Missions will meet with us at 10:00 a.m. after we have had time for some preliminary business. A sandwich lunch will be provided for all participants. The retreat will conclude by 2:00 p.m.

### MODERATOR WITH US

Sunday, February 25 we will have Rev. Don Hubbard, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, deliver the morning message. Don lives in Knoxville and was pastor of the Marietta CP Church for many years. It will be an honor to have the moderator with us!

### 'LIVING LORD'S SUPPER' PARTICIPANTS

"Holy Week" is the first week of April this year and we will be looking for men who want to participate in our second annual "Living Lord's Supper" Communion Service. A planning meeting will be held Sunday, March 4 following the morning service.

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB FEBRUARY 21

Wednesday, February 21, 11:00 a.m. the Friendship Club invites anyone 55 and older to join them for outrageous food, fellowship, and fun at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant just off Merchants Road in north Knoxville. You can sign on the bulletin board outside the church office or just show up at the appointed time and place. See you there!

**Pastor Kevin** 





## Happy Birthday

### February 2007

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### Activities for February 11–17, 2007

Sun., Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m. Youth and Scout Worship Service

Special Guest Speaker Jeff Hall

4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice

Wed.. 6:30 p.m. **Choir Practice** 

7:00 p.m. Stewardship & Finance Committee

### **Stewardship Report for February 4, 2007**

Sunday School......32 Worship......59 Offering.....\$3,760.26

Special Offerings: Basketball Basics \$25.00 Peggy O'Neal Missionary Fund \$365.00 Mitten Fund \$25.00 Benevolence Fund \$25.00

### Year-to-Date (as of February 4, 2007)

Offerings received to date: \$15,806.56 Expenses paid to date: \$22,765.25

### **Special Apologies to David Wann**

In thanking all those who worked in Basketball Basics, we overlooked David Wann, who also worked as an Assistant Coach.

### **FACES IN THE NEWS**

Did you see Lisa Deal in the January 31 Knoxville News Sentinel, where her employer 21st Mortgage Corp was highlighted? If not, check out our bulletin board outside the church office. Beautiful smile, Lisa!



ATTENTION! "THE ESSENTIAL 100 CHALLENGE" is coming to First

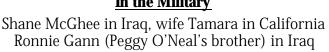
Church! Will you be ready???

**New Testament:** February 21-April 11, 2007

**Old Testament: October 1-**November 19, 2007



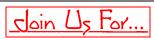
### **Prayer Concerns** In the Military



**On-going Health and Prayer Concerns** 

Brack Emory, Mary Jane Blaylock, Denominational Center Task Force, Donna Wann (mother of David Wann), Pollye Pharaoh, Ileana Grace Hayes, Bill Hammill, Reba Smith, Bill & Flora Mae Keene, Marlene Ritchey, Mildred Stone, Tom Raines, Edna Fleenor, Maxine McGuire, Vera Stewart, Mrs. Don Franks, Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother), Margaret Lindsay, Mary Čregger, Jennie Lee Middlemas, Lucy Hesler, Heidie Holton, Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Howard Eblen, William Barron (Lee's Father), May Webb, Shelia Franklin, Diane Barker, Rose Gauthler, Vickie Webb, Mary Matthew, Jim Deardorf, John Donovan, Jenny McGill, Lee Oberlieesen, and Adrian Murphy (friends of Dorothy Porter), Dewaine Moncier, Jr. and May Lynn Tolar and infant Thomas Moffat (request by Dianne Fielder).

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



...great reading! We have quite a few new books in our church library. Come on in and check us out! Your Library Staff

#### **OUR CENTURION**

Vester Summitt will be one hundred years old on February 23. Yes, 100!!! Let's help him and his family celebrate with style by sending him lots of birthday cards from our church family. His address is 5505 Crestwood Road, Knoxville, TN 37918



Newsletter Deadline

All Newsletter articles. events, or announcements should be sent by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to Dianne Fielder at firstcpc@earthlink.net or call the church office at 588-8581.

Upcoming Events

Ready to go FISHwith Betty?!?!?!?!?