

# The Cumberland

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A Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

January 31, 2007

### AMONG THE VERY BEST!

It's hard to imagine a more joyful Sunday than we experienced last Sunday at First Church! We were pleased to welcome so many children and parents for the conclusion of "Basketball Basics" as we commemorated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the program. Many warm compliments were received and all the coaches, hosts, and hostesses left lasting impressions. Special thanks to Steve Summers who directed "BB" in 2007!

### CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN BIRTHDAY BASH!

This Sunday, February 4 we will celebrate the 197<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church born February 4, 1810 in Dickson County, Tennessee.

We will remember the anniversary during the morning worship service, 10:45 a.m. which will include Holy Communion. Then at 4:00 p.m. a special East Tennessee Presbytery celebration will be held at the First CP Church in Oak Ridge. Reservations have been made for those who plan to attend.

### YOUTH SUNDAY AND BOY SCOUT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11

The youth of our church and community will be joining us 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 that day. Boy Scouts and parents of Troop 20 will also be here to lead in worship and update us on their activities.

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 also honor 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 with everyone!

### 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. Past trips have treated over 2000 patients. 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. She will be paying for her own housing and food. Individual donations are welcome, and checks may be marked "Peggy" and put in the collection plate. The following items are desperately needed:

*Children's Vitamins    Toothpaste and Toothbrushes    Reading Glasses    Hygiene and First Aid Items*

All of these items are for children, youth, or adults. Used eyeglasses of any type are acceptable. Boxes for the donations are located in the gym kitchen and the narthex. We will be collecting them through Sunday, February 25. Money collected will also go toward the cost of shipping those items that will not fit in their suitcases.

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 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.

### UPWARD BASKETBALL TRAINING IN KNOXVILLE

For those who have expressed an interest in hosting an "Upward Basketball" league at First Church in 2008 the training sessions for the program will be held in Knoxville as promised. The dates are April 20-21, at Grace Baptist Church, 7171 Oak Ridge Highway. Please pray for God's direction in starting this league next year!

Pastor Kevin

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# Happy Birthday

**February 2007**  
9~Stephanie Saults

**Activities for February 4-10, 2007**

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
Tues.,	Building and Grounds Committee	
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sat.,	9:00 a.m.	Session Retreat

**Stewardship Report for January 28, 2007**

Sunday School.....	40
Worship.....	110
Offering.....	\$1,838.00
Special Offering to Defray Cost of Basketball Basics	\$79.25

**Year-to-Date (as of January 28, 2007)**

Offerings received to date:	\$12,246.30
Expenses paid to date:	\$18,113.47

Holy Communion

**February 4, 2007**  
**10:45 A.M.**  
**SERVICE**

**SINCERE APPRECIATION EXPRESSED**

Thanks again to all those who worked in Basketball Basics:

Coordinator and Head Coach: Steve Summers

Assistant Coaches: Steve Goodrich, Chris Goodrich, and James O'Neal

Children's Check In: Pastor Kevin Wood

Children's Refreshments: Mary Ann Haney, Jewell Kerr, and Donna Walker

Parents' Hospitality: Betty Hammill, Dianne Fielder, Nancy Wood, Kim Halbert, and Ann Bachman.

And especially thank you to all the parents who brought their children to participate.

**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

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California  
Ronnie Gann (Peggy O'Neal's brother) in Iraq

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 Cregger, 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)

Mrs. James F. (Irene) Dunford is much improved and home from the hospital and greatly appreciates the prayers of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, as does her friend, Mary Jane Blaylock.

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

**Found after Basketball Basics:** Grey hooded sweat-shirt with PUMA logo on the front, children's size 12.

**Free** tax assistance to senior citizens and low income persons is available at 7 locations in Knoxville and Knox County. Free electronic filing will be available at all locations. Call 865-521-5569 to make appointments, or go any Wednesday to the O'Connor Senior Citizen Center, where no appointment is necessary. Please check the bulletin board outside the church office for specific times and locations.

## Newsletter Deadline

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