

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

May 7, 2008

A TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayer is critical in the life of our church and in our daily life as Christians. The first priority is prayer, no matter how good the motive or vision. If we really want to grow we should pray to the Lord of the harvest! If we really want healing we should pray to the Great Physician! If we can't see a way, we should pray to the God who parts the waters!

Sunday, May 18, 6:00 p.m. you are invited to join your church family for an evening of prayer and fellowship in the home of Steve and Wendy Goodrich (1409 Bayhill Ridge Lane, 691-4069). There will be food and fun. Wear your casual clothes. We'll be out in the back yard. Please come with your hopes and dreams for the church and the prayer needs of your heart. Together, we'll pray!

OUR GRADUATES

They stood in front of us last Sunday. We thanked God for them and prayed for their continued blessing as they move from one milestone to the other. Congratulations again graduates! Go with God and go with our love and prayers!

Lindsay Bridges (high school)

Hailey Davis (kindergarten)

Sara Pipkin (high school)

Emma O'Neal (kindergarten)

Stephanie Bridges (middle school)

Hannah Emory (kindergarten)

Kari Summers (middle school)

SUNDAY IS MOTHER'S DAY!

This Sunday, May 11, 10:45 a.m. we will honor all girls, ladies, and mothers on Mother's Day. Take this opportunity to bring your mother or even a "guest mother" to worship with us.

Special awards will be given including the following: mother whose been a mother the longest, youngest mother, oldest mother, mother with the most children/grandchildren present, mothers-to-be, mother who has served the longest in the FISH organization, mother who can recite the longest poem, mother who drives her children to the most activities each week, and finally a special mystery award. Good luck, moms!

HOT TOPICS!

This summer will be a hot one and so will the sermon topics on Sunday mornings. For the next several weeks you can use the bulletin insert to list a message/messages you've always wanted to hear. Then I will develop and deliver sermons beginning Sunday, June 1 addressing the topic from a biblical perspective. If you really want to know what the Bible says about ???? then write it down and include it in the offering plate. It could be the hottest summer yet!

Your hot topics so far include:

"What is Heaven Like?"

"Dealing with Negative, Nasty People"

Keep them coming!

"Revelation and Judgment Day"

"Why Men Hate Going to Church"

ELDERS ON CALL FOR MAY

May 11 Steve Goodrich

May 18 Steve McCurry

May 25 Dianne Pipkin

COMING IN MAY

Sunday, May 11 "Mother's Day" with special recognition for all girls, ladies, and mothers.

Sunday, May 18 "Children's Sunday" led by our children with a church family picnic on the grounds following the service.

Don't miss the joy of being together in the Lord. Bring your friends and family and let's set a new record for attendance in May!!!

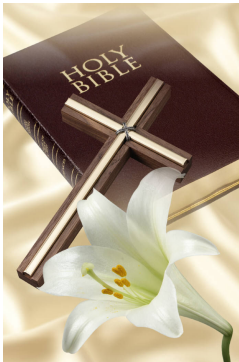
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is coming to First Church June 22-25, 6:00-8:30 p.m. nightly for all the families of our church and community. We will be inviting adults, youth, and children to join us. Who do you know on your street, at your school, or in your workplace whom you could bring for a wonderful time of growing and sharing in the Lord's house?

Please show your love for the Lord by volunteering as a VBS helper in the area of your choice. Call Bill Halbert (693-5849) or Wendy Goodrich (691-4069).

~Pastor Kevin

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Mother's
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Happy Birthday



None



Activities for May 10-17, 2008

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
(Librarian on duty)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Stewardship & Finance

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for May 4, 2008

Sunday School.....51
Worship.....78
Offering.....\$5,317.50
Capital Improvements Fund\$90.00*
Memorial/Building Fund.....10.00
Expenses paid last week\$1,733.04

Year-to-Date (as of May 4, 2008)

Offerings received to date:.....\$63,660.04
Expenses paid to date:.....\$93,462.19

Building / Cap. Improve. Fund.....\$76,724.55*
*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.

Rebate Challenge

There has been a lot in the press about how taxpayers will spend their rebates. My idea is to share the money with our church! If everyone tithed their rebates, the church would receive thousands of extra dollars in May and June. We could have a month where we do not have to borrow from our investment fund to pay the bills. So I am challenging you to give one tenth of your rebate check as an ADDITIONAL offering above your usual pledge or offering.
Dianne Fielder

Directory Changes

Shetterly, Sherrie-----755-8719
1005 Morrell Road, 37919
E-mail: shetterly@knology.net

Injured Jazzercise Women

The office has the home addresses for the three women from the Jazzercise class who were injured last Friday when a large tree branch fell on them in the parking lot, if you want to send them a card or get well wishes.

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
Mary Ellen (Molly) Deuschle, UT Hospital,
(Jazzercise—tree injury)

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; Lois Witmer; Francis Bogart; Noreen Bogart; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Judy and Toby Rogers; Lea Acuff; Mildred 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; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Bill M. (friend of the Congdons); Jerrie Moffet; Pat Booher; Dan Miller; Traci Van De Vate; Lisa Hayes; Kevin Wood: Mister Childs; the family of Mrs. Don G. Etelka Franks; Curtis McNabb (Tammy Eblen's father); Judy Gwilliams; Jane & Martin Terrin; the family of Jean Bullard; Diane Seffernick (friend of Maxine McGuire); Jane Matthews (friend of Tom Witmer); Molly Deuschle; Ruthanne Henry; Diane Desvaux; Sheila Parker; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones (the Acuff's great-granddaughter); Juanita Justice (Melissa Luttrell's grandmother).

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

GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS FOR FISH

Well, our 2008 Campaign is over. I want to thank the entire congregation for the love, support, and assistance you poured on this year. I could not have done it with out you-this is another successful team effort for First Cumberland. Here is a summary of FISH for 2008.

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$3,473.76
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,216.52
AMOUNT FOR NEXT YEAR	\$257.24
TOTAL BAGS PACKED	690
TOTAL BAGS USED	637
TOTAL PEOPLE HELPED	1,472

Sincere thanks,
Betty Hammill

Vacation Bible School—Rainforest Adventure
A Tree Top Bible Blast!

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is scheduled for June 22, 23, 24, and 25. They will need teachers, helpers, kitchen help, set up help, clean up help, prayers and other items not known yet. Please contact CE Chairman, Bill Halbert or any other member of the CE Committee for information.