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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

July 20, 2011



SEASON OF PRAYER

Pray that the Lord will build His Church at 6900 Nubbin Ridge Drive

Pray that God's People will be open to the Spirit
Pray that barriers to church growth will fall
Pray for those facing trials and trouble, addictions and disease
Pray for the persecuted Church of Jesus Christ around the world
Pray for the Youth and Children's Ministries of First Church

As of Wednesday, July 20 we are 25 days into the 90-day season of prayer for the future of First Church, for each other, and for the people, circumstances, and causes God lays on our hearts.

Have you been persistent in your praying? Do you know God blesses those who continue to ask, seek, and knock, when most others have quit? Following Jesus' teaching on "how" we should pray (Luke 11:1-4;5-10), He gives us a parable about "persistence," in which he tells us God, our Father, is honored and moved by those who "pray without ceasing!"

Of course, in 21st century America we're on the instant gratification kick, even in our praying! We want what we want from God right now! We don't take our prayer life very seriously and our prayers often reflect it!

But Jesus confirms if we keep on asking, we will receive; if we keep on looking, we will find; if we keep on knocking, the door will be opened! Does our Father know how to give good gifts? Are they worth praying and waiting for?

Then never stop praying!

Still available: Prayer booklets! Join a Prayer Group! Add names and needs to "Prayer Central" in the Chapel. Call us: 588-8581/228-0710.

Hey Kids, Come Join Us for

The Next Big Wave Discovery!

Ages 3-K and Grades 1-6

More Big Answers to Big Questions About Jesus!!!

Tuesday, July 26, 10:00 A.M.

at the Pipkin's Pool, 1725 Covey Rise Trail

The carpool will leave from the church by 9:30 a.m. Call 588-8581 A Summer Ministry of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

GETTING INVOLVED IN MINISTRY!

It's so easy to "spectate" when it comes to Christianity! Most church rolls are full of those who sit idly on the sidelines but Jesus was most impressed with those who heard the word and tried to live it!

Your church needs you to live up to your promises and honor God with your worship and service. We are looking for those who will answer the call as Sunday School teachers, committee members, elders, ushers, choir members Pioneer Club leaders, new ministry co-ordinators and dozens of other volunteer positions to keep our ministry going.

When was the last time you stepped out of the pew and said "Here am I, send me?" Will you answer the call or stand idly by? Pray about it and call us (588-8581/228-0710).



FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN AUGUST

The Friendship Club invites everyone at least 55 years-old to join us for our next monthly fellowship luncheon Wednesday, August 10, 11:00 a.m. at Puleo's Grille, 242 Morrell Road (531-6338). Newcomers and their guests are always welcome to join us! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church offices or call 588-8581.

"WORSHIP IN THE CITY" COMING SOON!

A spectacular weekend is being planned to include participation by churches all over the city of Knoxville Friday and Saturday, August 26 and 27. "Worship in the City" will feature the "Festival of Choirs," (local churches), a Children's Pavilion, Art Walk, Laser Light Show, 15 Popular Mainstream Christian artists including Third Day, Mercy Me, Jars of Clay and more! "Feed the Need" will be part of the event to give everyone an opportunity to help raise funds for ministries such as Second Harvest and Kids Against Hunger. For tickets or more information, go to www.worshipinthecity.com.

~Pastor Kevin



Join Us For Worship this Sunday! And bring a friend!



Happy Birthday



July

25-Amy Pipkin 28-Tom Walker 30-Margaret Migas



Activities for July 24-30, 2011

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Tues., 10:00 a.m. Big Wave Discovery

Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for July 17, 2011

Sunday School	37
Worship	
Offering	
Capital Improvements Fund	\$100.00

eBay Charity Items

We are selling collectables, heirloom items, etc. on eBay for the FAITH for the FUTURE Campaign. If you have such items, please bring them to the office and we will place item on eBay. We have begun this part of the sale and will continue until we run out of items.

Pitch in and help. Giving items is the easiest part.

<u>Can We Count on YOU??????</u>

Moving to the Digital World

We are now in the slow process of moving our decades of Worship Services that are recorded on cassette tape to CD. We will have these CDs in the library for those who may want to check them out and listen to them. If you have old format memories and want to move them to digital call the office. Fees will be contribution to HVAC renovation.



A HUGE Thank You to all who helped in the slightest way with the Charity Sale and for those who donated items. It was hard work and all of you are immensely appreciated.

Our total money collected and given to the FAITH for the FUTURE Campaign is \$2,366.86.

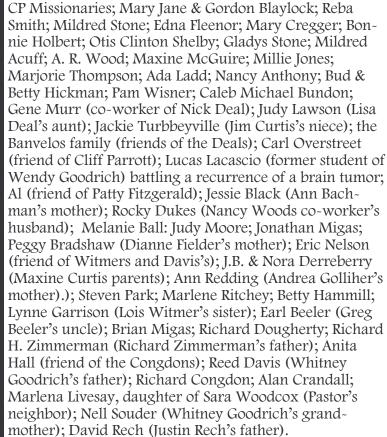
Praise the Lord for His many Blessing to us.



<u>Prayer Concerns</u>

In the Hospital





Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list. Call 588-8581 or email firstcpc@earthlink.net.

Dance Classes for Faith for the Future Campaign

Dance classes will begin September 8 this fall at 7:00

p.m. Jin and Jack Gaston will be leading the classes with the help of Jim and Maxine Curtis. If you are interested in attending these classes please contact the Gastons at 573-3754; the Curtis at 357-0441 or the office



The cost of the classes is \$25 a person for 10 weeks. All funds collected will be given to the Faith for the Future Campaign.

FAMILY CAR



Local family of four needs a dependable used car. If you know where one is or have one to donate please call the church office (588-8581/228-0710).

Any volunteers who want to learn how to drive our tractor and mow the large yard every other week, call Tom.

