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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

September 27, 2006

LET'S PRAY!

You are invited to join us for a church-wide prayer meeting Sunday, October 15, 6:30 p.m. in the home of Faye O'Neal, 7702 Mills Way.

Please set this evening aside to pray with us for the future of First Church. The Bible says "the earnest prayer of a believer has great power and wonderful results!" (James 5:16, LB)

THIS SUNDAY THE ELDERS WILL LEAD US!

This Sunday, October 1 will be "Elder Sunday" in worship. The elders on session will lead the entire service. Gene McCammon will have special music (one of his own compositions). Steve Summers will deliver the message. James O'Neal will have the children's message. Jewell Kerr will read the scripture, and the rest of the elders and pastor will serve the bread and cup on this Worldwide Communion Sunday. Let us worship God together!

NEW FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Calling all young adults who love the Lord and want to make your commitment to worship and service at First Church. The following new ministries have been planned especially with you in mind:

Sunday, October 1:

9:30 a.m. New Young Adult Sunday School class led by Nancy Wood.

10:45 a.m. Beginning of Children's Church for toddlers through Grade five led in October by Eric and Katie Gruen.

Thursday, October 5:

7:00 p.m. Small group Bible study and fellowship at the Church with Eric Gruen (nursery open).

Infant nurseries will now be available for both Sunday School and Worship every Sunday morning!

CRAZY GOLFERS FALL OUTING

Sunday, October 29, 1:30 p.m. all crazy golfers and their friends are welcome to join us for a fall golf outing at Whittle Springs Golf Course, 3113 Valley View Drive. The cost to ride and play will be \$25.00 per person. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

BUDGET REQUESTS

The Stewardship and Finance Committee requests that committees (Worship, Christian Education, Outreach, and Building and Grounds) assist them with budget requests for the 2007 church budget. Please meet and get your proposals to them by their next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 p.m.

~ Pastor Kevin

Homecoming / Friends Day Follow-Up

It was our pleasure to have a number of visitors for "Homecoming / Friends Day" September 17. They included former members as well as first-time and returning guests. See who you recognize below and don't forget to keep inviting old and new friends every Sunday!

Greg and Janie Beeler, Jere Bradshaw, Kathy Byers, David and Crissy Collins, Joyce Cressman, Frank and Jean Easterday, Judy Fleenor, Ryan Haddox, David and Joyce Hammett, Malia Hayes, Dristen Horner, Aldris Kerr and Family, Teri Kerr, Hana Lewis, Bob McVey, Amanda Roberts, Webb Sanderson, Joe and Jeanne Tuohey, Barbara Wayland, Charlie and Hazel Johnson, Bob Leach, Dave and Mary Neubauer, Tracy Woods, and Eďna Fleenor

Congratulations to an ALL-AMERICAN!!

Larry Fielder was named to the ASA ALL-AMERICAN SLOW PITCH FIRST TEAM at the Short Stop position in the Men's Senior 60 AA Division and Classification. Larry plays for the Sports Lettering team. Way to go Larry!!! We are very happy for you and proud of you.





Happy Birthday

October

Thurs.,

2 Hailey Davis

7:00 p.m.

NOTE: If you want your birthday acknowledged, please contact the office. Our records are not complete.

Activities for Oct. 1-7

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
Tues.,	11:00 a.m.	West Circle
	7:00 p.m.	Building & Grounds
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir

Stewardship Report for September 24

Sunday	Scho	ol	32
Offerin	ģ	\$1,	381.50

Young Adult Bible Study

Year-to-Date (as of September 24)

Offerings received to date: \$94,263.81 Expenses paid to date: \$173,334.92

Upcoming CPWM Events

Oct. 14-CPWM Presbytery at Oak Ridge CPC

Oct. 22—Baby shower for Katie & Eric Gruen. Preferred gifts: money or gift certificates.

Nov. 19 & 26-Bake/Pecan/Craft Sale

INVITATIONS FROM OUR SISTER CHURCHES

Dover CP Church, Morristown, TN, invites you to join them for a dedication and open house of their new fellowship hall and Sunday School classrooms Sunday, October 1, 3:00 p.m. Rev. Donald Hubbard, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, will be keynote speaker.

Beaver Creek CP Church, Powell, TN, will host the fall meeting of East Tennessee Presbytery Saturday, October 7, 9:00 a.m. Jewell Kerr will be elder-delegate from First Church. The pastor will also attend.

Directions to these events are available by calling the church office (588-8581).

Do You Have????

Do you have or know of anyone who has a stove or a refrigerator that is in working condition, but is not needed? Well if you do please call the Church office or Betty Hammill. We know where they can go and have a home and be needed. Thanks.

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 Concerns

Ileana Grace Hayes, Bill Hammill, Reba Smith, Bill & Flora Mae Keene, Marlene Ritchey, Mildred Stone, Tom Raines, Edna Fleenor, Pollye Pharaoh, Maxine McGuire, Vera Stewart, Mrs. Don Franks, Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother), Margaret Lindsay, Ewell J. Reagin, Mary Cregger, Jennie Lee Middlemas, Mary Jane Blaylock, Katherine & Lucy Tipton (Dorothy Porter's friend), Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Alice Montgomery, Howard Eblen, Don Franks, Y. J. Allan, Pat Booher, Alberta Rose (Mildred Acuff's cousin)

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

<u>Call for Office Volunteers!</u>

We are in need of persons to help in the Church office. If you can help please call Tom Witmer 690-6916 (home) or 742-9377 (cell).

We will have a set schedule each week. If you can work a half day, several half days or whole days, call Tom and reserve a time.

Helpers will answer phones, help process *The Cumberlander*, handle party-line calls, order flowers, prepare Session and Committee packets and other miscellaneous office duties.

Thanks

To Lois Witmer, who shared her testimony with the congregation at the Worship Service on the power of prayer in her life with her recovering sight in her right eye.

Young Adult Small Group

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (starting Oct 5th) at the Church in the Keene Room. Come and enjoy the fellowship & Bible Study with us!

Come join the Handbell Choir!!!

The Handbell Choir has begun practice. They practice each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. Interested? No experience needed. Come and be a 'Ding-a-Ling! See Sam or Karen.

Newsletter Articles

All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 2:00 p.m. on Mondays to ThomasWitmer@comcast.net or call the church office 588-8581