

# The Cumberland

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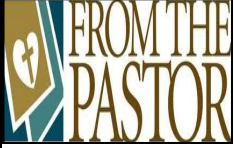
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Our Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

August 5, 2015



God is generous and, this past Sunday, so were you! Thank you for helping ease the financial pinch in which we found ourselves; please continue to be generous so that we can soon return the recent cash withdrawal to our emergency reserves. In spite of the much dreaded "Summer Slump" of which we are nearing the end, I remain extremely optimistic about the future God has in store for us as a congregation. Take a moment to look up and read **Jeremiah 29:11** and join me in my optimism.

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

*Pastor Mike*

### Church-wide Work Day

Calling all hands: We will have **church-wide** (men, women, teenagers, boys, and girls) **Work Day** this coming Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and lasting until no one is left working. The intent of this **Work Day** is to thoroughly clean our Sanctuary and spruce up our grounds/lawn in preparation for **Homecoming 2015**; therefore, it is important to have as many people as possible participate in the **Work Day**.

### Homecoming 2015

On Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate **Homecoming 2015**. If you have not already done so, mark your calendar now and make your plans to be here and invite all the former members you know, as well as all your family and friends. We will have "dinner on the ground" (a.k.a., "a pot luck dinner" in the Gym), special music, historical displays, and a whole lot more. The day will begin at 9:30 a.m., with a time of fellowship and remembrance over coffee, juice, and pastries. This time can also be used to look at the historical displays. There will be no Sunday School on this day. Our Worship Service will begin at 10:30 a.m. (note the time change). Look for additional details in *The Cumberlander* over the next few weeks and share the information with everyone you know. The Church Office will be sending out invitations to **Homecoming 2015**, if you have someone you would like us to send an invitation to, please let the Church Office know as soon as possible. Also, we are collecting pictures and memorabilia to be used that day; please get these items to the Church office as soon as possible.

### Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry

The next meeting of our **Ladies' Bible Study** will be Saturday morning, August 15<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m., in the Conference Room. Please read Chapter 7 (Spiritual Guidance) in "*Soul Feast*". The final two meetings will be Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. All ladies of the church are invited to attend.

### Kroger Community Rewards Program

During the month of August, Kroger will be e-mailing each of our church's **Community Rewards** participants a link to re-enroll. If you do not have access to a computer, you can re-enroll by calling 1-800-576-4377. Kroger does this annually. Please re-enroll and encourage your friends and family to enroll; have them select our church as the organization of choice. If you need any help during this re-enrollment process, please contact **Kim Halbert** @ 660-5821. Let's make the next rewards check even bigger!

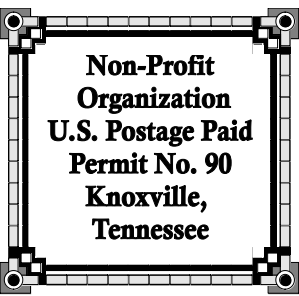
### Youth News


- \* Congratulations to **Gracie Hayes** and **Patrick Curtis** on entering the sixth grade and becoming a part of our **Youth Group**!
- \* Beginning August 22<sup>nd</sup>, we are restructuring our **Youth Group**; we will have high school outings and middle school outings. We will also have some mixers where everyone will come together as well.
- \* August 22<sup>nd</sup>—**High School Hike**; meet at church at 9:00 a.m. Please bring a bag-lunch and water. Be sure to wear appropriate hiking clothes and shoes. Estimated time back at church is 3:30 p.m.
- \* August 30<sup>th</sup>—**Middle School Smokies' Game**; meet at church at 4:00 p.m. Bring \$7.50 for tickets and additional money for food. Estimated time back at church is 9:00 p.m.
- \* September 11<sup>th</sup>—**High School Group** will go to **Market Square Movie Night**; more details to come.
- \* September 13<sup>th</sup>—**Middle School Group** will go to **Laser Quest**; more details to come.
- \* October 24<sup>th</sup>—The **Whole Youth Group** will help set up for our **Fall Festival** from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
- \* October 25<sup>th</sup>—The **Whole Youth Group** will help with our **Fall Festival**, starting after our Worship Service.

### Love Worth Fighting for Marriage Event

Grace Baptist Church (7171 Oak Ridge Highway) is hosting a **Love Worth Fighting for Marriage Event** featuring **Kirk Cameron** and **Warren Barfield** on Sunday evening, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. If we have ten people/five couples attend, the cost is \$22.50 per person; less than ten people and the price is \$25.00 per person. Please contact **Amanda Roberts** if you are interested in attending.

*For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to **worship** Christ, **evangelize** the lost, **love** one another and our neighbor, and **learn** more about our God.*






## Happy Birthday

August 5th-11th

6th – James Paschke  
9th – Maxine Curtis  
11th – Bill Halbert

Conner Davis’ name was inadvertently left off last week’s Happy Birthday list; sorry Benjamin.



Stewardship Report August 2, 2015	
Sunday School.....	40
Worship.....	64
Offering.....	\$9,292.45
Music Fund.....	\$75.00
Youth Fund (BBQ).....	\$305.95
Keene Room Sale.....	\$417.82

Activities for August 5–11, 2015		
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	Work Day
Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
(See web site for complete calendar listings)		

*Among Our People*

Mary Cregger spent several hours in the Emergency Room last Friday . . . **Becky Rader** had surgery on her foot last Thursday . . . **Marlene Ritchey** remains under hospice care . . . **Larry Taylor** (husband of Joy Taylor) remains in the University of Tennessee Medical Center; he is now off the ventilator and in a regular room . . . **Kevin Wood** continues to improve . . . **Nancy Wood** recently had an aneurism surgically repaired . . .


**Friendship Club**

The next Dutch-treat lunch for the **Friendship Club** is Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m., at **The Chop House** (7417 Chapman Highway). Everyone reading this announcement is welcome to attend this and all **Friendship Club** outings; you are even encouraged to invite friends from outside the church. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

- Sunday School News**
- \* Beginning Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, we need a Sunday School teacher for our **Juniors Class** (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades); if you would like to volunteer to teach this class, please contact **Pastor Mike** or **Amanda Roberts**.
  - \* **Rally Sunday** will be on August 30<sup>th</sup>. We will have a Continental Breakfast in our Gym, at 9:00 a.m.

**Coalition for Appalachian Ministries**

We are collecting school supplies, socks and underwear for kids, plus yarn and craft things for the **Coalition for Appalachian Ministries**. There is a box in the Narthex and the hallway outside the Conference Room to deposit what you bring. Thank you for helping in this very important ministry.




## Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Larry Taylor @ U.T. Medical Center

Health and Prayer Concerns (alphabetized)



Mildred Acuff; Sarah Armes (mother of a coworker of Kathy Byers); Chris Atkins (son of Susan Edwards); Janie Beeler (wife of Greg Beeler); Preston Beeler (cousin of Greg Beeler); Charlotte Byrd; Gordon Blaylock; Dick Booher; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder); Greg Brown (friend of Mary Cregger); Carol Craven (sister of Lois Witmer); Mary Cregger; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Mary Helen Daniel; Mae Denton (friend of Tammy Eblen); Nora Derreberry (mother of Maxine Curtis); Jim and Cooky Dyer; Edna Fleenor; Grace Flory (mother of Lois Witmer); Sandy Gang (cousin of Greg Beeler); Lynne Garrison (sister of Lois Witmer); Mark Hester; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Bobbie Himes (sister of Jin Gaston); Kim Holloway (friend of Lisa Hayes); Bettye Hudson (friend of Pastor Mike’s mother) Becky Ingle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kim Jones (friend of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor); Ada Ladd; Bob Lawson (friend of Pastor Mike); Gene McCammon; Maxine McGuire; Catherine McKinney; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Bob Metts; Brian Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Georgia Moore (sister of Jewell Kerr); Mary Anne Moncier (aunt of Dianne Fielder); Dewaine Moncier, Jr. (cousin of Dianne Fielder); Bob Neal (son-in-law of Mildred Acuff); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Tom Parrott (son of Cliff Parrott); persecuted Christians around the world; David Poore (coworker of Phil Bridges); Anna Faye Presley (niece of Catherine McKinney); **J.D. and SARAH PRICE** (friends of Alice Montgomery); Nicolae Racile (father of a friend of Joy Taylor); Becky Rader; David and Rebecca Rech (parents of Justin Rech); Marlene Ritchey; Bryan Rogers (Bonnie Bridges’ son); Tara Shelley and baby; Gladys Stone; John Snoderly (brother of Betty Hammil); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); Larry Taylor (husband of Joy Taylor); Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); Joni Warner (friend of Jewell Kerr’s sons); Kevin Wood; **NANCY WOOD**

*Please keep the Church Office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list.*

**Chapel Carpet Fund**

Classical Conversations has started a **Chapel Carpet Fund** to replace the carpet in our Chapel. We hope to have this completed by **Homecoming 2015**. To date, \$2,227.01 (need approximately \$7,500.00) has been given. Classical Conversations continues to raise funds; anyone who would like to help can donate to it, make your check out to the church and mark it **Chapel Carpet Fund**.

**Garage Sale**

The final numbers are in and our **Garage Sale** raised **\$3,898.15**.