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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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ONE MINUTE?

Can you spare a minute for prayer? Some people are urging citizens of the USA to stop for one minute daily – 9:00 p.m. each evening – and pray! Can we do that? Of course we can! Let us pray for the safety of our United States, our troops, our citizens, for peace in the world, the upcoming election, that the Bible will remain the basis for the laws governing our land, and that Christianity will grow in the United States of America.

Can we give one minute for prayer daily? Absolutely. Let us join this movement!

PESBYTERY OF EAST TENNESSEE

The Presbytery of which we are a part met on Saturday for our semi-annual meeting. Here are some high-lights of that meeting: *Opening worship led by Dr. Robert Rush, Moderator of the General Assembly; Communion was also served. *Rev. Nick Coker, pastor at Loudon, was elected Moderator. *Denominational representatives were heard, including Dr. J. Earheart-Brown, President of Memphis Theological Seminary (who was our guest preacher Sunday morning); *Heard and acted on 23 committee/Board reports; * Licensed Candidate Ezra Choi; Ordained Josephina Sanchez, who, with her husband, pastors the Casa de fe y Alabanza Hispanic mission in Boston; * Enjoyed lunch in the newly re-built Fellowship Hall of the Loudon Church. Attending presbytery from our church were Pastor J. David Hester, Elder delegate Dianne Pipkin, Heath Harper and Rev. Kevin Wood.

LOOKING AHEAD

Events before us that we should place on our calendars; *VOCAL AUTHORITY from Bethel University will be in concert this Saturday night, Oct. 13, 6:30 – 8:00 at the Oak Ridge CP Church; *October Session meeting is next Tuesday night, Oct. 16; packets for Elders will be distributed Sunday; * The Friendship Club will have a Fall outing on Wednesday, Oct. 24 as they go to Cosby for lunch at the Apple Orchard Restaurant – and for the viewing of the fall colors; all people over 55 years of age are invited to join us on this venture.

NOMINATING ELDERS

As we move toward our annual election of Elders (Dec. 9), we are still seeking your suggestions. If you have someone(s) you would like to be considered for this important office, please give those name(s) to members of the Nominating Committee (Allison Davis, Jim Curtis, Dianne Fielder) by this Sunday.

LOVE LOAF

Each Autumn we are privileged to join the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in distributing LOVE LOAF boxes to all of our families. These Love Loaf boxes will be available on Sunday. We ask you to place funds in them for the next 6 weeks; we will call for them to be returned on Nov. 18.

Funds we gather from these gifts will be distributed thusly: 50% to Guatemala Clinic Programs; 25% to the Missions Ministry Team Hunger Fund; 25% for local hunger programs.

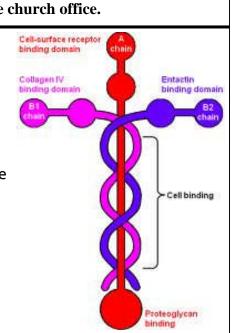
Be sure to get your Love Loaf box on Sunday!

DON'T FORGET THE GIRL SCOUTS!

Remember, our Girl Scouts are collecting your gallon plastic milk jugs and your soda cans for recycle use and for selling for their funds (the cans). A container for these items is in the church office.

What's Holding Us Together?

I saw a video on YouTube this past week, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F0-NPPIeeRk. It was a personal testimony by Louie Giglio entitled, "Laminin". Laminin is a cell-adhesive molecule found in our bodies. It is something that holds the cells of our body together and also I believe it is a marking put on us by our Creator. A signature applied by our Designer. To the right is a diagram of this miraculous protein, and proof positive of what it is that holds us together each day. Praise God!







Happy Birthday



<u>October</u>

17-Devin Sprague 19-Brooklyn Shelley



Activities for October 14-20, 2012

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Tues., 7:00 p.m. Session Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report October 7, 2012

Sunday School	43
Worship	70
Offering	\$4,623.00
Capital Improvements Fund	

ONE MINUTE EACH NIGHT

This is the scariest election we as Christians have ever faced, and from the looks of the polls, the Christians aren't voting Christian values. We all need to be on our knees.

Do you believe we can take God at His word? Call upon His name, then stand back and watch His wonders unfold. This scripture gives us, as Christians, ownership of this land and the ability to call upon God to heal it. I challenge you to do that. We have never been more desperate than now for God to heal our land.

This election is the scariest I remember in my lifetime. 2 Chronicles 7:14. 'If my people, which are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.'

During WWII, there was an advisor to Churchill, who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing every night at a prescribed hour for one minute, to collectively pray for the safety of England, its people and peace. This had an amazing effect, as bombing stopped.

There is now a group of people organizing the same thing here in America.

The United States of America, and our citizens, need prayer more than ever!!! If you would like to participate, each evening at 9:00 P.M. Eastern Time (8 PM Central, 7 PM Mountain, 6 PM Pacific), stop whatever you're doing, and spend one minute praying for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens, for peace in the world, the upcoming election, that the Bible will remain the basis for the laws governing our land, and that Christianity will grow in the U.S.

If you know anyone who would like to participate, please pass this along. Someone said if people really understood the full extent of the power we have available through prayer, we

might be speechless. Our prayers are the most powerful asset we have. Thank you. Please pass this on to anyone who you think will want to join us.



Prayer Concerns In the Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns



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

Work is underway for an updated directory of members and friends of the congregation. If you are unsure if your current information is correct, please contact Tom Witmer or Dianne Fielder. We have printed out all of the information that we have in the computer software for each of you, including any historical data. We will be using this effort to get to a total digital data base within our Church software. Thanks for your assistance in this effort.

Rebecca Circle

Rebecca Circle will resume their monthly outings on Saturday, October 20th at 10am with breakfast at Perkins (near Seven Oakes/Cedar Bluff). This is an open group and anyone who would like to enjoy a morning off, please join us for delicious coffee & muffins and a little downtime to laugh and rejoice in the Lord!

Thank you for your response so far to our request for the Girl Scouts. We will continue collecting aluminum cans for recycling and plastic gallon milk jugs (no need for lids) indefinitely. Dianne Fielder