

# The Cumberland

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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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### LOVE LOAVES AND CANNED YAMS

Beginning this Sunday, October 22 we will distribute "Love Loaves" for our annual mission offering. The primary recipients of this year's offering will be abandoned and abused children who live on the streets of the Republic of Georgia (southern border of Russia).

Pick up your Love Loaf this Sunday in the narthex, put it in a high-traffic area in your home and collect pocket change and bills for the next four weeks. Then return your Loaf on Sunday, November 19 during the morning worship service.

50% of the Love Loaves will go to help the street children of Georgia; 25% to the Cumberland Presbyterian World Hunger Fund and 25% to Love and Company for local needs.

We have also been asked to help Knox Area Rescue Ministries provide 1,500 meals and 1,200 Thanksgiving baskets for the poor and needy in the Knoxville area. Specifically, they want us to provide 100 cans of yams! Let's fulfill our mission for KARM by bringing canned yams the next two Sundays and placing them in the box provided in the narthex. We'll be counting down with a special thermometer. Admission to worship will be one can of yams each Sunday. Will we reach our goal? Let's do it together for the Lord!

### A CHALLENGE TO YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS!

"Youth/Young Adult Sunday is this Sunday, October 22, 10:45 a.m. and while the service is for everyone, the emphasis will be on reaching out to friends who are in junior and senior high school, college, and young adults (up to age 30).

Following the service the entire church family is welcome to enjoy our monthly potluck luncheon in the gym. Please bring plenty of those wonderful meat, salad, vegetable, and dessert dishes!

During the potluck luncheon we will take the opportunity to express appreciation to Eric and Katie Gruen who are leaving us to join South American Mission. This will be their final Sunday with us.

Youth and young adults: Will you take up the challenge of praying for and inviting all your school-mates and co-workers to a service especially designed with you in mind?

How about the rest of us? Do we know youth and young adult families and friends we can invite?

### OUT AT THE BARN!

The Friendship Club will visit the Apple Barn restaurant near Sevierville Tuesday, October 31. Everyone 55 and up are welcome to join us in a "car-a-van" to the restaurant. We will leave from the First Church parking lot by 10:00 a.m. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

### REV. GEORGE ESTES IS COMING

The Session has asked Rev. George Estes, Director of Evangelism and Church Development for the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, to do an evaluation of First Church and explore with us options for continued ministry in our community.

Rev. Estes will be with us the weekend of November 19. To prepare for the evaluation all active members and regular attenders will be asked to complete a survey. The elders, pastor, and several others will be invited to participate in brief interviews. A demographic study of our ministry area (3-5 mile radius around the church) will be done. Four to six weeks after the evaluation, Rev. Estes will send us a report with specific suggestions for action. Continue praying for this important step in the process of planning our future ministry.

### CRAZY GOLFERS FALL OUTING

Sunday, October 29, 1:30 p.m. all crazy golfers and their friends are invited 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. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office.

### THANK YOU!

Nancy and I want to say thank you for your expressions of love and care last Sunday as part of Pastor Appreciation month. Thanks to those who also sent cards of encouragement and well-wishes. God has given us the privilege of worshipping and working alongside you the past 17 months. May we always be careful to thank God for the daily blessings he gives us through Christian friends and family like you!

~Pastor Kevin

### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

Date	Sunday School	Worship
October 22:	Tammy Eblen	Amanda Roberts
October 29:	(open)	(open)
November 5:	James O'Neal	Rachel Searcy
November 12:	Amanda Roberts	Daniel/Stephanie Sauls
November 19:	Jewell Kerr	James O'Neal
November 26:	Tammy Eblen	Amanda Roberts

\*Please call the church office before your Sunday, if you cannot serve or need to make a change.  
Thank You!

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# Bring your friends!

# Happy Birthday

# October

26 Stephanie Bridges  
26 Paul Seylar  
27 Peggy O'Neal  
28 Mary Ann Haney

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

## Activities for Oct. 22-28

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir
Sat.,	10:00 a.m.	Rebecca's Circle

## Stewardship Report for October 15

Sunday School.....	38
Worship.....	68
Offering.....	\$1,495.00

**Year-to-Date (as of October 15)**

Offerings received to date: \$100,997.81  
Expenses paid to date: \$195,418.77

## Upcoming CPWM Events

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

## INVITATIONS FROM OUR SISTER CHURCHES

The Mercy Hispanic Fellowship invites all sister CP churches to a night of praise and worship at Young's Chapel CP Church, Kingston, TN, Sunday October 22, 6:00 p.m. Feel free to bring special groups to participate in the service and some finger foods for all to enjoy afterward.

Directions to this event are available by calling the church office (588-8581).



## Daylight Savings Time!!!!

When do I change the clock back one hour? Have you been asking yourself this? This week? Next week? When? Oh when do I gain a hour?

Well the answer is next week end. October 28th turn your clocks back one hour. This is an early reminder.

**Thank You!!!**

Thank you for all the responses for furniture and furnishings for one in our midst. She is deeply appreciative of all the help, support and love that has been shown her these past few months.

## 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, Edna Fugate, Lucy Hesler, Katherine Tipton, Heidie Holton, Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Alice Montgomery, Howard Eblen, Don Franks, Y. J. Allan, Alberta Rose (Mildred Acuff's cousin), William Barron (Lee's Father), Donna Walker, (Vickie Webb, Shelia Franklin, Henry Andrell (broken hip), Sheila McGill, and Sue) (friends of Dorothy Porter), Dottie (Hayes) Lamb, Mildred Acuff.

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

## Farewell for Eric and Katie:

This will be their last Sunday with us before they prepare for the mission field. Please bring your cards, gifts, money or gift certificates this Sunday and put them in the Gift Bag in the Narthex. These will be presented to them on Sunday. Thank you for your support of Eric and Katie.

## INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION INFORMATION MEETING

Sunday, November 5  
2:00-4:00 p.m.

Children's Hope International  
Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church  
9132 Kingston Pike  
Room B226

*This is a free meeting and children are welcome to attend. Children's Hope International is a licensed, not-for-profit adoption and humanitarian agency.*

## CALLING ALL DING-A-LINGS

The Marcie Clark Memorial Handbell Choir is still looking for a few good or not so good want-a-be Ding-a-Lings to join them in a fun time and ringing for the Lord.

## Another Thank You!

Thank-you to the Frye's for all that Norma and Clarence do for this Church far, far, far from Knoxville. Surprise! Thank you and God Bless, Brenda Baquera.

## Newsletter Articles

**All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to [ThomasWitmer@comcast.net](mailto:ThomasWitmer@comcast.net).**

