

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

May 8, 2013

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We were very pleased Sunday to welcome two members to our church family. Both have been a part of our church "family" for many years. Sunday they made it official. **Justin Rech** (father) and **Joshua Rech** (son) presented themselves before the congregation and Session at the conclusion of our worship service.

Joshua came on Profession of Faith; Justin transferred his membership from the First Baptist Church of Mary Esther Florida. Other family members are **Julie** (mother) who sings in our choir and twin sisters **Josephine & Jennifer**.

We pray God's blessings on this family as they move forward in their spiritual life.

MOTHER'S DAY

Our annual Mother's Day celebration will be this Sunday. We encourage all mothers to make it a point to worship with us!

We will recognize our mothers and pay special tribute to them – or their memory.



GRADUATION DAY

We congratulate **James Paschke** as he receives his Bachelor's degree at UT this week. We will celebrate this event with him this Sunday.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We mourn the loss of Virginia Chesney. We express our sympathy to husband Tom and children Sherry Corden and Kevin Henshaw.

Virginia went home to be with the Lord early Saturday morning. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday evening, with burial Wednesday.

May the blessings of the Great Comforter abide with this family and friends.

FIRE TRAGEDY

Last Wednesday night, May 1, five condos in West Knoxville experienced a horrific fire. One of the condo occupants was our Bill and Kim Halbert. They now are living out of a motel while clean-up and repairs are made.

Their garage was destroyed, including their two cars. Their condo was left intact; it is hoped that clean-up will allow them to return in a few days.

If you would like to assist the Halberts in covering this loss, you may make a contribution through your church. Simply mark your pew envelope "special".

Among Our People

Congratulations to **Chad & Tiffany May** on the birth of **Zane Walker May** on April 24. Weighing in at 9.1 lbs., he joins 5 and 8 year old sisters. Grandparents are **Steve and Kim McCurry** ... Congratulations to **Kristi Summers** upon completing first year pharmacy study in Memphis. She is returning to Knoxville this week to continue that program here ... Congratulations to **Amada Roberts** who received the *Regional Nurse Excellence Award* from Tennova Hospital Regional at banquet Monday ... **Jack Gaston** in hospital following heart attack Sunday night ...

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Happy Birthday

May

Activities for May 12-18, 2013

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Weds.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report May 5 2013

Sunday School.....	34
Worship.....	63
Offering	\$4,947.20
Seminary.....	\$5.00
Music.....	\$5.00
Building Fund.....	\$5.00
Coke Box.....	\$9.00
Building Reimbursement.....	\$872.26

FISH REPORT

For over 30 years this congregation has been involved in the FISH FOOD PANTRY, providing food for the hungry in our county. Betty Hammill has headed this program for many years; Steve McCurry now gives able assistance. April is our month to provide the food and labor for bagging it. I report to you that we bagged 1722 bags, feeding 1382 people. We spent \$4,934 for the food that was used. **THANK YOU!**

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, May 8, 8:00 – Worship Committee meeting
Thursday, May 9, 7:00 – Stewardship & Finance Committee meeting
Wednesday, May 15, 11:00 – Friendship Club, Riverside Grille, Oak Ridge
Sunday, May 19, 6:00 – Session Meeting
Sunday, June 2, 6:00 – Vacation Bible School begins!

A Mother's Day Prayer

I pray you'll know God's love
More abundant in your life
And know how much you're valued
As a Mother and a wife
I want so much for you to know,
I've appreciated you
And pray you'll have a wonderful day
In all that you may do.

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Mildred Acuff, Brakebill

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Taylor Ford; Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret) POW VIETNAM (friend of Cliff Parrott); Lu Simmons (friend Mary Ann Haney); Mary McJunkins, (Mary Wegman's mother); Eric Nelson, (friend of the Witmer clan); Donna Wingard, (Mildred Acuff's daughter); Ann Fleming, (Beth Rader Fleming's mother-in-law); Pat Shetterly, (Sherry's mother); Debbie & David Triese, (Margaret Migas's sister and husband); Steve Goodrich; Saxon Cochran (Bridges' neighbor with cancer); Carl Ware; Allison, Hailey, Connor and Hannah Davis; Janie Beeler, (Greg Beeler's wife); Martha Petree, (friend of Kevin Wood and Greg Beeler); Judy Gammon; Brenda Burk (sister of Lois Witmer), Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Suzan Smith, (Jewell Kerr's daughter); Richard Himes (Jin Gaston's brother-in-law); Braydon Fulton, (son of Classical Conversations—Tuesday leader Tricia Fulton); Debbie Holloway; Mildred Gragg (friend of Mary Cregger); Kim and her family, (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); the Search Committee; Rufus Holbert, (Rhonda Wilson's father); the family of Virginia Chesney.

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Amanda Roberts's was awarded the “Regional Nurse Excellence Award”. This award is given to Registered Nurses in recognition of an individual's outstanding contributions to the nursing profession and their communities.

LAY MAN'S CORNER

It is not through times of blessing, but during hardship that our reliance and relationship with Christ grows exponentially. Don't suffer & fear uncertainty, nothing happens that is a surprise to God. Instead pray for discernment and watch in hope knowing Christ works through all things and nothing is allowed without purpose. It is through faith that you can see God at work in everyday life, but only if your expectantly looking.

~Donna Walker