

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

September 19, 2007

**The Church Gathering You've Always
Wanted to Attend, Featuring---**

Hallerin Hilton Hill and our **K.A.R.M. Family Reunion**

***This Sunday, September 23
10:45 a.m.***

**Please Bring Plenty of Meats, Salads,
Vegetables, and Desserts
for Our Church Family Potluck
After the Service in the Gym**

Please Dress Casually!

DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIBLE?

Can you name the first three great "building blocks" in God's family plan?

Is the following a tabloid headline or a true story in the Bible:

"Ninety Year-Old Woman Pregnant...by One Hundred Year-Old Man!"

Whose dysfunctional family had a permissive father, a controlling mother, an errant older twin, and a deceptive younger twin?

If you would like to know more, join us in the Basic Bible 101 class this Sunday, September 23, 9:30 a.m.

You'll get the big picture and also learn how to apply God's word to your life. See you in the chapel.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO OVERCOME!

Join Dr. J. David Hester and friends for life-lessons on "Overcoming," continuing this week in the conference room, 9:30 a.m.

DRAW THE SHEEP CONTEST

During the sharing time last Sunday I invited all the children of the church to participate in a "Draw the Sheep Contest." Children ages 1-10 are welcome to submit one original drawing. Adults are allowed to offer assistance but most of the work must be done by the children. Decorate the drawing in any manner you choose. The drawing must include the following: "The Lord is My Shepherd" with your first name underneath. Prizes will be awarded next Sunday. All drawings must be placed on the glass windows in the narthex and must be received by no later than 9:30 a.m. next Sunday. Good luck!

NEW YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUP

Our friends Roy and Hannah Nicaud invite all young adults to join them for the beginning of a new small group on Tuesday evenings at the church beginning Tuesday, October 2, 7:30 p.m. Come and hang out. Fellowship, prayer, Bible study, recreation, eating out, movies, special events, are all part of the mix.

For more information give Roy and Hannah a call (414-4162).

NEW YOUTH GROUP

John and Lindsay Duncan are making contact with parents and youth and are planning to start a new junior high/senior high youth group soon. Please pray for this ministry that God will open doors and send kids who need the Lord and His Church.

God bless you John and Lindsay for stepping out in faith and doing the Lord's work!

If you know a youth who needs a great group call them (357-1289) or contact the church office (588-8581).

"UNHINDERED"—A WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Jana Spicka will be among our guests next Sunday, September 23 to give a personal invitation to the "Unhindered" Women's Conference coming Friday and Saturday, October 12 and 13. A registration table will be set up in the narthex for those who are ready to take advantage of this life-changing event coming to First Church. Be one of the early registrants and save \$10 before October 7!

For a brochure containing information, registration, and conference costs, please call the church office (588-8581). A few scholarships are available. Sign up right away and get your worship CD and conference materials. Registrations may be returned to 4815 Kingston Pike, Suite 145, Knoxville, TN 37919.

~Pastor Kevin



Happy Birthday



September

- 15-Hannah Emory
- 18-Leah Witmer
- 23-Billy Davis
- 24-Leah Acuff
- 24-Sheila Boggs
- 25-Hazel Johnson
- 25-Riley Wann
- 25-Brack Emory



Activities for September 22 – 29, 2007

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School (Librarian on duty)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:15 p.m.	Fellowship Luncheon
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thurs.,	8:00 a.m.	Thursday Connection Classes

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for September 16, 2007

Sunday School.....	46
Worship.....	91
Offering.....	\$2,375.90

Year-to-Date (as of September 16, 2007)

Offerings received to date:	\$109,726.45
Expenses paid to date:	\$186,957.91

Update on Building Repairs and Maintenance

Have you noticed the hallway beside the Library was painted. Thanks to Billy Davis. Phase #2 of the roof project should be completed this week and we will be ready to solicit bids for a new roof. Phase #2 of the HVAC project is well under way. A meeting was held on Monday morning to discuss the possible solutions and then these ideas will be put on paper and a proposal for HVAC solution will be presented to the Building & grounds committee for review. We are attempting to have the roof under construction and completed before winter. Then the Keene room will be repaired and returned to service. No more blow up swimming pool to catch invading the rain water. Of course all repairs and projects are subject to funding. As has been published in this newsletter, we have estimated the roof and HVAC projects to require about \$500,000 to complete. Your support and prayers are needed.

We need Cumberlander reporters. Job will be to provide articles of interest, stories of witness and faith, stories of encouragement and love, stories of praise and thanksgiving, all for publishing in the Cumberlander. All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays to Tom Witmer at firstcpc@earthlink.net or thomaswitmer @Comcast.net or call the church office at 588-8581.



Prayer Concerns



In the Military

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California

In the Hospital

David Summers, Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville
Beddingfield twins, premature birth, Children's Hospital
Betty Sparks (neighbor of Faye O'Neal) Vanderbilt Hospital
Elena Zimmerman, NHC Farragut
Pollye Pharaoh, Ft. Sanders Regional

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Ted Ford; Taylor Ford; Marlene Ritchey; Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Denominational Center Task Force; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; Mildred Stone; Tom Raines; Edna Fleenor; Pollye Pharaoh; Maxine McGuire; Mrs. Don Franks; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Jennie Lee Middlemas; Irene Brooks; JoAnn Ford; William Barron; Nellie Ramold; Millie McNeil; Charollette and Frank Disney; Nancy Bandermoden; John Ramsey; Doug Bailey; Joyce Creasman; Brenda Burk; Jonathan Migas; Jessie Black; Barbara Hester; Levi Bailey; Lillian Stephens; Neal Denton; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Reba Hauser; Franklin Graham Crusade coming to Knoxville in April, 2008; Lucy and Glen Hesler; Curtis McNabb (Tammy Eblen's father); Lois Witmer; Sabrina Hilton, Eddie Connaster; Marion Biggs.

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

Cub Scouts Pack Update

Our Cub Scout Pack has begun meeting again after taking the summer off. They meet every Tuesday evening in the basement at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. John Neece is the new Pack Master. If you are interested in the Pack, helping or joining contact John, please email him at neecej@bellsouth.net or call him, 558-9347.

If you want to see a full church, come to visit the office on Thursday. The halls are full of joyful noise from over 300 children. What a joy it is to see our hallways crowded.

Repeat Article

No I have not run out of things to write. This is just very important. We need you to come and sing.



The Chancel Choir has begun holding practices again after taking the month of August off to relax and rest. Now is the time for any person who would like to come and join the most serious, straight laced group of singers in Knoxville. I don't know where that group meets but if you want to come and share fellowship and a deep love of God with a group of people who attempt to sing their best in praise to our Lord, then come on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and join us as we worship God with our voices.