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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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"If you give, you will receive! Your gift will return to you in full measure, pressed down, shaken together...and running over!" Luke 6:38

THE MOTIVE FOR GIVING!

As we continue in Stewardship Month it is vital to affirm the motive for giving and serving. The answer? One word: LOVE!

There is no more transformational moment in human life than the moment you finally understand the God of heaven and earth truly does love you and has spared nothing, not even His own Son, to prove it to you! That's the moment of true salvation, when you accept His love deep in your heart and soul! What does this have to do with stewardship? You can't really give until you understand how much God has given you! You can't really love others until you realize how much God loves you!

God's love is the motivation for every act of giving and serving---whether it be sharing faith, or giving time, talents, and the tithe! Do you know how much you are loved? Commitment Sunday is October 24!

ELDER NOMINATIONS

We are in the season of electing three new elders to serve three-year terms on the church Session. Church members are encouraged to take the opportunity to inform the Nominating Committee of those they think would make the best candidates for the office at this time. The Nominating Committee includes Steve Goodrich, Steve McCurry, and Dianne Pipkin. The deadline for submitting names is this coming Sunday, October 17.

UPWARD BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS START SATURDAY!

We're beginning another year of Upward Basketball for Kindergarten through sixth graders! Evaluations will be held this Saturday, October 16, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Tuesday, October 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Every player must attend one evaluation! For details or to sign up, call the church office (588-8581), Steve Summers, Director (548-9698) or Kevin Wood (228-0710).

PIONEER CLUBS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

Pioneer Clubs really needs your help! Please donate your time for children's ministry at First Church by providing <u>one meal only</u> any Sunday from October 17 through December 5! You can sign up on the bulletin board outside the library or call Maxine Curtis (357-0441). The church furnishes meat and drinks plus plates, cups, and utensils. Light meals are preferred! Thank you for your support!



Excitement is building as we get ready for "The Great Tomb Raid," Sunday, October 31, 4:00-6:00 p.m. It will be Hallow-een Night and all children of the church and community, their friends, neighbors, and classmates will be invited to come experience the mystery of the tomb. Games and candy galore will be part of the adventure! Families of the church are encouraged to bring wrapped candy to share. A donation box will be available in the narthex! Hey kids: don't you dare miss "The Great Tomb Raid!"



"SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS!"

The number one calling of every church is to faithfully and consistently share the Good News that Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord! The Presbytery of East Tennessee invites members and friends of all churches in our region to join us for a special seminar on reaching people for Christ, Saturday, October 30, 9:30-12:30 a.m. at Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Honored guests for the morning service will be Evangelist, Rev. Perryn Rice, and the Bethel University Renaissance Worship and Drama Teams. Our own Dr. J. David Hester will lead a brief workshop to share basic tools any church or individual can use in doing outreach! If you really want to see your church grow and reach people for Christ, make your plans now to attend!

BETHEL RENNAISSANCE COMING!

First Church will host two new Bethel Renaissance groups, the Praise Band and Drama Team, when they come our way the weekend of October 29-31! We need host homes with extra bedrooms for 30 college students. They will need a bed and light breakfast both Friday and Saturday nights. Sunday, October 31 the groups will lead our morning service, so get ready for a different kind of worship experience! A sign-up sheet for host homes is on the bulletin board outside the church offices. Please join me in welcoming the members of Bethel Renaissance into our homes and our church!



Join Us For Worship this Sunday! And bring a friend!





Happy Birthday



October
17-Devin Sprague



Activities for October 17-23, 2010

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

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Pioneer Clubs

Tues., 7:00 p.m. Session

7:00 p.m. Upward Basketball Signups

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for October 10, 2010

Sunday School	32
Worship	
Offering	\$2,674.05
Capital Improvements Fund	
Expenses paid last week	\$6,510.89

AN INVITATION

To all persons volunteered their time and efforts to our August Consignment and Rummage Sale and their families. Maxine Curtis and Tom Witmer are inviting you all to a Thank You Dinner on October 29 at 5:30p.m. in the church gym. Please RSVP to the church office by Oct 22.

UPWARD BASKETBALL IS SET!

We're gearing up for another year of Upward Basketball for Kindergarten through sixth graders! Soon we will be doing player evaluations and looking for prayer partners, coaches, referees, concession, and set-up crews. Please pray about your participation this year. We need help recruiting new players and volunteers. Registration and evaluations will be Saturday, October 16th 11a.m. to 1 p.m. and then again on Tuesday, October 19th 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Every player must attend one evaluation! For details or to sign up, call the church office (588-8581), Steve Summers, Director (548-9698) or Kevin Wood (228-0710).

Hope to see you all there, boys and girls!!!!!!

THANK YOU

For all of your prayers, your calls, your visits and your concerns. They have been such a blessing. Better than my medicine.

Mildred

THANK YOU???

Thanks to the unknown person who donated two chairs for the courtyard.

To Marlene Ritchey for the cushion.



Prayer Concerns





On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Millie Jones; Marlene Ritchey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Pam Wisner; Caleb Michael Bundon; Gene Murr (co-worker of Nick Deal); Judy Lawson (Lisa Deal's aunt); Bill Keene; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); the Banvelos family (friends of the Deals); Jackie (Patty Fitzgerald's sister); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jeanne Goodrich (cousin of Steve and Wendy Goodrich); Lucas Lacascio (former student of Wendy Goodrich) battling a recurrence of a brain tumor; JoAnn Ford; Al (friend of Patty Fitzgerald); Ileana Grace Hayes (Gracie); Ronnie Joiner (friend of the McCurrys, the Gollihers); the Ken Teknus family (numerous health problems); Jessie Black (Ann Bachman's mother); Rocky Dukes (Nancy Woods co-worker's husband); Lynne Garrison (Lois Witmer's sister); Matthew Crawford (12 year old friend of Phil Bridges' niece Melissa Roach); Melanie Ball: Judy Moore; Jin Gaston; Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Daniel and Kay Jang, missionaries in the Philippines suffering with the dengue disease; Eric Nelson (friend of Witmers and Davis's); Kayla Rose (Carol Seeman's granddaughter); Mike Grebe (friend of Karen Ware); Terry Stinson (friend of Maxine McGuire); Rhonda Wilson's father (friend of the Witmers, McCurrys, Golliher and Carol Seeman); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher's mother); Ernie Hoen (father of Zarah Yerger, a friend of Kim McCurry, Andrea Golliher and Carol Seeman).

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

DEAR CHURCH FRIENDS:

Thank you so much for your prayers, all the beautiful cards and your love and friendship. It means so much just knowing you care. My thanks and appreciation.

Yours in Christ Jin Gaston

ROCKY FLATTS

Is coming to First Church October 22 to perform for us at our final fund raising concert of the year. There will be no charge for the concert, other then a love offering opportunity will be given to those who come.

These concerts have been planned to provide you with great music for the purpose of raising funds so we can recarpet all the classrooms and pay off the remaining HVAC repair bills. YOU NEED to SUPPORT this!

NEEDED FOR THE CHURCH

We need patio furniture for the courtyard. We have worked hard to make the courtyard a more beautiful place and need patio furniture to turn it into a place to sit and relax and enjoy God's work. Microwave and coffee makers.