

The Cumberland

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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

June 20, 2007

FATHER'S DAY AWARDS

Youngest Father Present: James O'Neal

Newest Father: Todd May

Father with the Most

Outdoor Sports Equipment: Jack Walker

Father with the Most Children/

Grandchildren Present: Sam Luttrell

Father Who Got Up the Earliest

on Father's Day: Dan Eblen

Father Who Plays the Organ

at First Church: Sam Ware

Oldest Father Present: Howard Eblen

Father-to-Be: Billy Davis

Father with the Most

Oregon Quarters: James O'Neal

Father Who Can Hit the Golf

Ball the Farthest: Jeff Golliher

Father Who Operates the Sound

System at First Church: Steve Summers

Father Whose Child Came the

Furthest to Be Present on

Father's Day: Lea Acuff

FAMILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We thank God for a wonderful week at Bible School June 10-13 with a total of 73 adults, children, and youth participating. The church expresses appreciation to the Christian Education Committee and VBS staff for a joy-filled experience of fellowship, fun, and learning in the Lord. Wednesday night's closing program, beach bash, and water festival made it complete!

Last Sunday during the worship service we celebrated with a power-point presentation of our Family VBS and an announcement that we raised \$234.40 for the CP Hot Lunch program in Colombia, South America. Special thanks to all who gave so generously!

HONORING NEW MEMBERS

First Church will honor our new members on Sunday, July 8. They will receive special recognition during the 10:45 a.m. morning worship service and will be guests of honor at a potluck luncheon in the gym afterward. We will have a special head table just for those who have joined us since January, 2005!

The church family is encouraged to bring all those great meat, salad, vegetable, and dessert dishes to share on July 8!

YOU CAN JOIN THE FAMILY ANYTIME!

We are encouraging all those who attend First Church to consider church membership!

First Church welcomes new members anytime in one of three ways: (1) by profession of faith and baptism; (2) by letter of transfer from another church; or (3) by reaffirmation of faith (when there is no previous church membership).

If you and your family would like to talk with the pastor about church membership, please contact me. My phone numbers are 588-8581 (church), 357-1946 (home), or 228-0710 (cell).

HELP KIDS BUILD THE RIGHT FOUNDATION!

*Bible Olympics, (Grades 1-4) Tuesday mornings, 10:00 a.m.

"Kids in Christ," (Grades 5-8) Wednesday mornings, 10:00 a.m.

*Sunday School every Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Sign up by calling the church office, 588-8581.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB TO REGAS

Everyone 55 and older is invited to the Friendship Club monthly fellowship luncheon Wednesday, June 27, 11:00 a.m. at Regas restaurant, 318 North Gay Street. Reservations will be necessary so please sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office or call 588-8581. We'd love to see you there!

REMEMBER THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK!

Please remember in your prayers this week the meeting of the Cumberland Presbyterian General Assembly (June 18-22) in Hot Springs, AR as they discuss and vote on vital issues for the future of our denomination. Dr. J. David and Barbara Hester are attending along with national and international commissioners. May they follow the Holy Spirit's leading along right paths!

SUMMER MISSION POSSIBILITIES

Would you take time to pray about the following mission possibilities this summer?

(1) a work trip to Mexico to help build new homes for the poor along with members of sister CP churches in the Knoxville area. Dates are July 20-28. Cost: \$400.00 per person. Deadline to sign up: July 13. Leader: Rev. Alfonso Marquez, pastor of Mercy Hispanic CP Mission, Lenoir City, TN.

(2) A three-day VBS for homeless children at Knoxville Area Rescue Mission the week of July 30-August 3, open to junior high-college-age and available adults. Water Works Water Park theme. Directed by Pastor Kevin Wood. Let me know right away if you can help.

Is God calling you to step out in faith and do something a little different to glorify Him?

CELEBRATING FIFTY YEARS!

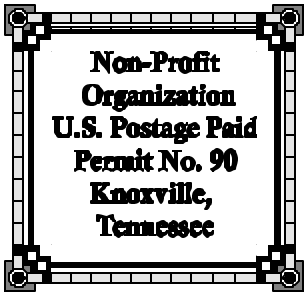
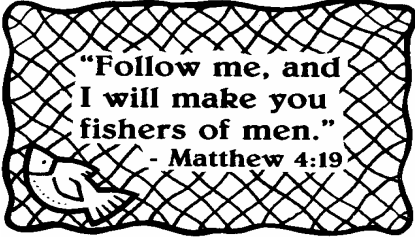
Let's all help Bill and Betty Hammill celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next Sunday, June 24 in the gym from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Way to go, Bill and Betty! There are so many wonderful hallmarks to celebrate together in the family of God!

CARDS FOR BRENDA!

Brenda Burk, Lois Witmer's sister, remains in stable but critical condition in CCU and is in for an extended hospital stay. If you would like to offer her your prayers and encouragement, please send cards to Hanover Hospital CCU, Brenda Burk, 300 Highland Avenue, Hanover, PA 17331. God has worked some miracles so far. Let's keep on praying!



~Pastor Kevin



Happy Birthday



June

23~Pat Booher
25~Amy Pipkin
26~Keenen Clark
28~Justin Little
28~Tom Walker
30~Beth Hudson



Activities for June 24-30, 2007

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School (Librarian Esther Congdon on duty)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Tues.,	10:00 a.m.	Bible Olympics
Wed.,	10:00 a.m.	KIC (Kids In Christ)
	11:00 a.m.	Friendship Club (Regas)
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice

Stewardship Report for June 17, 2007

Sunday School.....39
Worship.....81
Offering.....\$2,707.25

Year-to-Date (as of June 17 2007)

Offerings received to date: \$71,669.88
Expenses paid to date: \$112,897.01

Updates to Y our Membership Directory

Melissa Luttrell, Emily and Julia Pierce who joined June 10, 2007, live at 7617 Kingsbury Drive, 37919 home phone 323-3220.

John and Lindsay Duncan, 8136 Faircrest Lane, 37919, home phone 357-1289. This is their first house.

I nvitation to a Special Upcoming Event

June 24 Bill and Betty Hammill will be honored with a reception celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The reception will be held in the gym from 2—4 p.m. Please come and congratulate them on this very special occasion for these two **very special** people and their family. If you have any questions, please call Lindsay Duncan at 357-1289.



Newsletter Deadline

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. If you would like to receive The Cumberlander via email in PDF format let Tom know.

Prayer Concerns



In the Military

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California

In the Hospital

Jessie Black, Methodist Hospital, Ann Bachman's mother
Ruth McNabb, Park West Hospital, Tammy Eblen's mother

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Ted Ford (broken foot), Marlene Ritchey, Allison Watson, Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia, Brack Emory, Mary Jane Blaylock, Denominational Center Task Force, Donna Wann (mother of David Wann), 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 (Kim Halbert's mother), Margaret Lindsay, Mary Cregger, Jennie Lee Middlemas, Lucy Hesler, Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Howard Eblen, William Barron (Lee's Father), Bill Leatherwood, Rich Carline, Coy Sharp, Rose Gauthler, Carol King, Emma Ruth Cates, Michael Blazer, and Lee Oberlieesen (friends of Dorothy Porter), Doug Bailey, Barry Emerton, and Jane Matthews (3 requests by the Witmers), Joyce Creasman and Laura Grodian (friends of Wendy Goodrich), Lois Witmer's sister, Brenda Burk and their family, Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas).

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



Thank You!

Dear Friends,
Thank you all for your prayers and caring during these past weeks, before, during, and after my surgery. You have helped me in so many ways.....with food, flowers, calls and especially your prayers.

Thank you Pastor Kevin for being there too.
Yours in Christ,
Marlene Ritchey



Choir practice

Wednesday nights

6:30 p.m.