

# The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

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The Christian Education Committee has set aside this Sunday, August 22 as “Rally Day” to recognize and express appreciation for all children, youth and adults who are involved in one of the spiritual growth ministries of First Church. If you are not presently attending a Sunday School class, “Rally Day” is a great time to begin. Sunday School is a great place to grow!

### TWENTY NEW MEMBERS STILL OUR GOAL!

As we walk through the last half of the year I want to remind you that we still have a goal for 20 new members at First Church in 2010! We’re half-way there but we should not rest with so many people who have no spiritual home and no meaningful relationship with a church family!

Most people will not publicize the fact they’re not attending church but as a caring friend whom they encounter on a day-to-day basis, you have the greatest chance to give them a simple, direct, heartfelt, no-pressure invitation. Do your best; God will do the rest!

### ON BEHALF OF K.A.R.M. FAMILIES: THANK YOU!!!

Last Sunday was a great day of worship and fellowship with the beautiful children and families of Knox Area Rescue Ministries. Many of them commented on the wonderful welcome and the warm hospitality of First Church! Special thanks to everyone who stayed to host the potluck meal and to those who brought extra-large portions of a wide variety of tasty dishes! Your kindness is a testimony to God’s grace for all people, regardless of their circumstances!

### CHILDREN’S BIBLE QUIZ RECOGNITION

Thank you to all parents, grandparents and friends who helped kids search the Scriptures during the recent Children’s Bible Quiz. All entries have been received and Bibles will be awarded this Sunday, August 22 during the Children’s Sharing Time in morning worship.

### PIONEER CLUBS

A twelve-week session of Pioneer Clubs will begin with a special opening event Sunday, September 26. Plans are still being made. Details next week!

### DISHES, DISHES, AND MORE DISHES

A large assortment of empty food containers have been left in the gym kitchen waiting to be re-claimed. Please check the kitchen to see if they belong to you, otherwise they will be donated to charity before the next potluck. Thank you for your assistance!

### MORE KITTENS!

...Nancy and I still have three beautiful kittens available for immediate adoption to loving homes. Their names are Colette, George, and Cheri. They have already been fixed and are ready to go home with you! Give us a call (228-0710)!

...Four kittens, six months-old, all females, are also available for adoption by calling 673-4943.

### STEPHEN MINISTRY CLASSES AT FORT SANDERS

Like to be personally involved in a ministry of compassionate counseling to people in crisis? The Pastoral Care Department of Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center is offering members of local congregations the opportunity to receive training and serve as a Stephen Minister. The 50-hour program begins with a retreat September 10 and 11; then classes each Thursday, 6:30-9:00 p.m. through December 9. The deadline for application is August 25. Anyone interested in this ministry opportunity is invited to contact Chaplain Cecil Cook (541-1235).

### WELCOME BACK, THURSDAY CONNECTION!

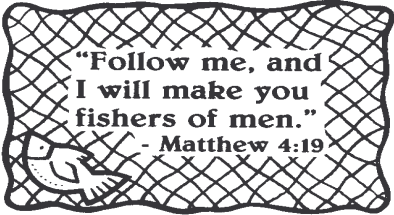
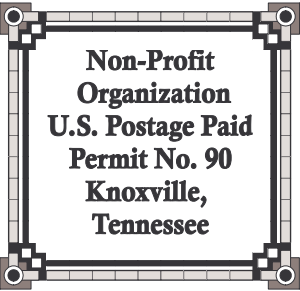
First Church is pleased to announce the return of our friends from Thursday Connection Home School Co-operative this week. Orientation for all new families was held on Tuesday with classes of the new year beginning on Thursday.


What a joy and privilege for us to provide space for teachers, administrators, children, and youth who fill “every nook and cranny” of our facility. They feel just like “family” to us!

~ Pastor Kevin



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





# Happy Birthday

August

23-Judy GWilliams


23-Tom Witmer

25-Randy Clark

25-Danny Eblen

25-Miriam Seylar

28-Jessica Walker



## Activities for August 22-28, 2010

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

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for August 15, 2010	
Sunday School.....	33
Worship.....	121
Offering.....	\$2,491.00
Capital Improvements Fund .....	\$533.00
Expenses paid last week .....	\$6,290.13

### AIR CONDITIONING UPDATE

We received \$503 this past week for the HVAC. The amount received to date is \$15,008. God Bless you that have given.

### 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.

### A HUGE THANK YOU!!!!

Tom and I would like to thank everyone that donated items to the Rummage Sale, worked to prepare for the sale, worked during the sale, and working afterward to clean everything up.


We also want to thank everyone that worked in the Consignment Sale. It was a wonderful experience. Where I met many old friends of the Church and some new friends. We want all of these friends to know that are always welcome to attend service with us.

God bless you.

Maxine Curtis

### Consignment / Rummage Sale Update

Wow what a wild two weekends! There are so many people to thank there is not enough room in the Cumberlander. We do want to report that sales totaled over \$4200, consignors where paid almost \$1000 and we netted over \$3000 towards the new carpet for the classrooms. We will soon begin deciding which rooms we will re-carpet. Again, thanks to all the facility users who helped and contributed to the success of the sales.



## Prayer Concerns


In the Hospital

Mildred Acuff—Park West Hospital, rm. #536

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); Jim Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler); Claudia Pharaoh; David Vanaman (friend of Fred Johnson); 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); Scott Martin (surgery), Greg Beeler (eye surgery); Matthew Crawford (12 year old friend of Phil Bridges’ niece Melissa Roach); Melanie Ball; Judy Moore; the family of David Vanaman (friend of Fred Johnson); Jin Gaston; Jonathan Migas; Jean Burk (Phil Bridges’ aunt).

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



## Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We would like to express how thankful we are for your support this past Sunday August 15th. In many ways, the Lord opens his doors for various opportunities. This Sunday it was another victory for Operation Mercy Ministries. O.M.M is proud to say that it is supported by great people of God, willing to serve and give away so that others may have. It is one of the most generous things a person can do, give. What we are doing through this ministry is blessing others and simultaneously, blessing our lives. We cannot express how much you have helped in the function of this ministry by taking your time and clothing into your continuous and careful thought. If it weren't for your help that you all have given to this ministry, this wouldn't function, for this we thank you ABUNDANTLY.

We keep you in our prayers and salute you for your marvelous support.

Thank you,  
In His Service  
Alfonso

"Gloria a Dios en las alturas, y en la tierra Paz, buena voluntad para con los hombres!"