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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

January 10, 2007

DON'T MISS THIS SUNDAY!!!



What can churches do to help <u>homeless people</u>? Learn the answer with our special guest

GINNY WEATHERSTONE

Director of Volunteer Ministry Center

This Sunday, January 14, 10:45 A. M.

A POTLUCK LUNCHEON WILL FOLLOW IN THE GYM

(please bring extra meats, salads, vegetables, or desserts)

Our special honored guests during the luncheon will be "JAZZERCISE"

(so we can say "thank you" for their support of the church's ministries)

AND DON'T FORGET TO BRING

non-alcoholic, over-the-counter cold medications of all kinds for use by the VMC Medical Clinic

KEEP PRAYING FOR YOUR CHURCH!

First Church always needs your prayers and as a new year begins we ask you to help us seek God's direction.

Sometime in January we are anticipating a report from Rev. George Estes recommending possible courses of action. The elders will also be meeting with the East Tennessee Presbyterial Board of Missions to ask for their guidance.

Once we receive their counsel the elders and I will retreat and prayerfully consider all the options. Then we will meet with you to share the information and add your ideas and suggestions. The most important thing each of us can do in all of this is to pray that God will show us a clearer vision, then give us faith to believe and power to act. Remember, we are His church and He wants us to fulfill His plan!

BASKETBALL BASICS WAS A BLAST!

Last Saturday we hosted 29 children and their parents on opening day of the 20th annual "Basketball Basics." God bless all of our coaches, hosts and hostesses for their efforts. "BB" will continue each Saturday through January 27, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon. You are encouraged to join us and welcome the community!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

The Christian Education Committee is looking for individuals and/or families who will lead Children's Church one month at a time, March through December, 2007. If you can help, please call Wendy Goodrich (691-4069).

VOLLEYBALL ANYONE?

The pastor is desperately in need of exercise and wonders if anybody would be interested in playing volleyball on Thursday nights, 7:30-8:30 p.m. beginning January 18. High-school age youth and up are welcome to sign up and bring friend

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the board outside the church offices for the next two weeks to gauge interest.

Pastor Kevin









January 2007

14~Leigh Ann Summers

16~Betty Hammill

17~Alice Montgomery

18~Diane Clark

20~Ryan Hoy

Activities for January 13-20, 2007

Sat., 10:30 a.m. 20th Annual Basketball Basics

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

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. Session

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Stewardship Report for January 7, 2007

 Sunday School
 39

 Worship
 65

 Offering
 \$3,019.75

Year-to-Date (as of January 7, 2007)

Offerings received to date: \$3,019.75 Expenses paid to date: \$8,572.97

THANKS FROM CAM

The ladies at the Coalition of Appalachian Ministries expressed thanks to all that participated and made the mitten tree such a wonderful success. They will see that the mittens, gloves, and hats reach the special children that need them this winter. CPWM appreciates Faye O'Neal seeing that the items were delivered to the office in Wear's Valley.

FURNITURE WANTED

A chest of drawers is needed. Please call Betty Hammill at 690-8739 if you have one to donate.



Deadline

Newsletter Articles
All Newsletter articles, events,
or announcements should be
sent by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to
Dianne

at firstcpc@earthlink.net or call the church office 588-8581.



Prayer ConcernsIn the Military



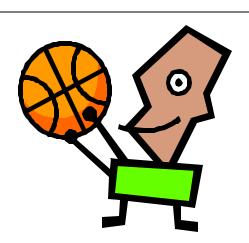
Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California Ronnie Gann (Peggy O'Neal's brother) in Iraq

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns Brack Emory, Donna Wann (mother of David Wann), Mary Jane Blaylock, Pollye Pharaoh, Ileana Grace Hayes, Bill Hammill, Reba Smith, Bill & Flora Mae Keene, Marlene Ritchey, Mildred Stone, Tom Raines, Edna Fleenor, Maxine McGuire, Vera Stewart, Mrs. Don Franks, Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother), Margaret Lindsay, Mary Cregger, Jennie Lee Middlemas, Lucy Hesler, Heidie Holton, Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Howard Eblen, William Barron (Lee's Father), May Webb, Shelia Franklin, Diane Barker, Rose Gauthler, Vickie Webb, Mary Matthew, Jim Deardorf, John Donovan, Jenny McGill, and Lee Oberliesen, (friends of Dorothy Porter), Mrs. James F. (Irene) Dunford (friend of Mary Jane Blaylock).

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

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR PRAYERS

The Denominational Center Task Force is currently experiencing severe setbacks in the plans to relocate the center as negotiations for selling the old property have stalled. Please remember them in your prayers as they proceed with challenging business decisions. The chairman of the committee is J. David Hester, former pastor of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Knoxville.



COMING THIS SATURDAY: The second session of the **20th Annual Basketball Basics** begins Saturday January 13, 2007 at 10:30 a.m.