OUR PRAYERS

Sr. Care, Midland, TX Rev. Gladys Dennis Gabe Colosia

Camden Rehab

HealthSouth North

At Home

Rev. Sonny Davis Nancy Blankenship

Kathryn Clark

Hospice Care

L.J. Hall Valerie Porterfield Bill Scott Nathan Nichols Royce Rutherford

OUR PRESENCE October 9

Church School 52 Worship 81 **Visitors** 5

OUR GIFTS

October 9

Total Rec'd \$ 1,538 MTD \$ 9.341 Apportionments TD \$ 24,700

> **OUR SERVICE Assisting October 16**

Greeters

Ginny Lawrence

Wayne Lawrence Bruce Hughes

Liturgist Scripture

Renee Little

Children's Time

Diana Bedwell

Lock-up

Wayne Lawrence

OUR WITNESS

October Scripture Readers 23 Warren Petty 30 Brother Paul

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Participating in the national observance of Children's Sabbath is spiritually powerful. It underscores the magnitude of children's problems and helps us focus our attention on their well-being. It also helps connect us in prayer with other people who recognize the problem and are trying to solve it.

"Children's Sabbath gives us a chance to look at the desperate needs of children and invites advocacy on their behalf", says Julie Taylor, executive secretary of Children, Youth and Family Advocacy in the Women's Division of the United Methodist Church.

The United Methodist Church is the top celebrant of Children's Sabbath and is joined by some 200 other religious organizations across the country. Sponsored by the Childrens' Defense Fund, this interfaith event seeks to inspire congregations to help children through prayer, service and advocacy.

We will celebrate Children's Sabbath on October 16th. Be inspired!

Peace and Grace. **Brother Paul**

Scripture Reading for Oct. 16th Psalm 99 Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon Title "God or Caesar?"

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 10/16	Children's Sabbath 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship 12:15p UMW Executive Cmte.
Mon. 10/17	10:00a Collette Tours Slide Presentation Noon News Deadline 6:30p Spiritual Growth Study
Tue. 10/18	No Activities
Wed. 10/19	6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 10/20	10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 10/21	Offices Closed
Sat. 10/22	9:00a AFLS 10:00a UMW Planning Session @ Aleda's
Sun. 10/23	9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Dr. Steve Parrish, Guest Minister

TAKE NOTE!!! **Church Council Meeting**

...coming up on October 30 at 12:15p. This is an important meeting prior to our Charge Conference on November 7.



GOLF TOURNAMENT COMING UP

Join us on Saturday, November 5, for our Thirtysecond Annual Aldersgate United Methodist Church United Methodist Men's Golf Tournament. This year our TAAUMCUMMGT will be held at Cherokee Golf Club in Olive Branch, MS, with a 12 noon shot-gun start. The registration fee of \$50 includes greens fee, golf cart and prizes. For more information or to sign up, call Dean Tutor, 301-2819.

THANK YOU

We want to thank all of you for making Keith's 90th birthday so special. Thank you for the cards, flowers and donations to the American Heart Association. So far, over \$5,000 has been given in his name.

> With love and appreciation, Keith & Frances



THE BLACKWOOD BROTHERS IN CONCERT

...at Colonial Baptist Church, 1503 Colonial Rd. on Thursday, October 20, at 7 p.m. This 77 year family tradition of great gospel music is still going strong and one of the best groups you'll ever hear. Join us on Oct. 20. Admission is free! A love offering will be taken.

CREATION CARE TIP

Look for Sustainable Packaging - If you have a choice between eggs in styrofoam containers or recyclable cardboard, consider the ecological impact while making your decision.

Many companies really go overboard in their packaging, trying to catch your attention. Make a statement! Buy products that are packaged with minimal impact on the environment.



GOING PLACES

Collette Vacations will give a slide presentation of 2012 vacations in the Fellowship Hall on Monday. Oct. 17 at 10:00 a.m. Also available will be the tentative schedule for our bus tours for next year. Come, and bring a friend.

UMW NEWS Congratulations

...to Aleda Kelly, who is included in the 2012 Who's Who in America. She has been listed in this publication for the past several years. Most of the cited accomplishments are related to united Methodist Women at all levels. Her Memphis Conference UMW history, The Flame Still Burns, an update of Dr. Susan Ruby Lamb's, The Spreading Flame, is in the Memphis public library.

This Sunday will be Children's Sabbath, led by Judy Stanley and there will be a short Executive meeting following Worship to set our 2012 budget and goals. Bring your 2011 Yearbooks. Please give Aleda the 2012 material for your subgroup ASAP.

Program Committee members: remember the program planning session Oct. 22 at Aleda's.











CHILDREN'S SABBATH AT ALDERSGATE

...will be celebrated on Sunday, Oct. 16. This is a time to reflect on how blessed we are by the children God has given us.

Our emphasis will be on the needs and concerns of the children of Memphis/Shelby County. We will lift up Hannah's Hope, the adoption and counseling center of the United Methodist Church; the Child Advocacy Center and United Methodist Neighborhood Centers' Miriam Center Daycare.

Please be in prayer as we begin this mission outreach and join with us as we celebrate one of our richest blessings from God, our children.

In addition to your prayers you are encouraged to donate teddy bears for the Advocacy Center, your pocket change to fill baby bottles for Hannah's Hope, and diapers, training pants, wipes, baby food, crib sheets and laundry detergent for the Miriam Center. God bless our children!

The UMW Social Action Committee

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to

Memorial Fund

In memory of Bea Harris by

Doris Bellott Betty Smithmier Aleda Kelly Jeanette Leslie

Pew Cushions

In memory of Bea Harris by Keith & Frances Coffman

Maintenance Fund

In memory of Bea Harris by Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold

Scholarship Fund

In memory of Bea Harris by Carolyn McDougal



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...is Saturday, October 29, 2011. Come join the fun! Help is needed and you may sign up on the list on the office window or the kitchen bulletin board.

Don't forget your used books for the Book Sale and those delectable goodies for the Bake Sale. Invite your family, friends and neighbors. A good time will be had by all!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Reflect. Renew. Rejoice!



TRICK OR TRUNK TIME!

What a great time the children have at Trick or Trunk! This year its on Sunday, Oct. 30th, from 4 to 5 p.m. Volunteers needed for trunks and simple games. Candy donations appreciated. Call Rebeca with any questions, 484-7384.