OUR PRAYERS

Christian Care Center Betty Smithmier 230

Peggy Вакеі

Special Prayers for kidnapped girls/Nigeria

At Home Marcelle Farrow Jeanne Gillis Gordillo Family Wayne Lawrence Warren Petty Signature at St. Francis
Martha Wallace 225 St. Peter's Villa Peggy Baker 417 Charlene Watkins Terry Williamson

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to ...Altovise Boyd & family in the loss of her mother, our nursery care-giver for many years, Birdie Boyd ...Family & Friends of Kristen A. Melton

Homebound and Assisted Care
en June Burton Cardyn Escue
en Mava Dell Fry Earl Galloway
ein Doris Hight
nes Margaret Kenley
Elmer Ray
elby Chris Simmons Emmett Smith Martha Aller Ray Escue Helen Griffin Virginia Jones Doris Palazzini

OUR PRESENCE - October 9 Sunday School 47 Worship Visitors

OUR GIFTS - October 9
Offering
Month to Date

\$ 2,539 \$ 5,494 \$ 7,111 Apportionments to Date

OUR SERVICE - October 16

Lilian Garcia Greeters Lorelle Woodard Rebeca Ernst Scripture Renee Little Children's Time Ed Stanley



Fri. 10/21

Sat. 10/22

OUR WITNESS

Methodist ALDERSGATE Unite 4459 Willow Road Memphis, TN 38117-6 4459 Willo Memphis, '

OUR PRAYERS (con't)

Kristen Boggs Birdie Boyd Phil Cannon Miriam Davis John Elkins Diane Harrison Jeff Irwin Ursula Lewis Jesse McClerki Joe Moseley Wade Reeves Cindy Stanfil Shannon 141

Tom Boillot Jim Brazile Melissa Cole Doug Dennis Gordillo Family John Hight Mark Jones Martin Family Glenn Moore Moira Ponije Stephanie Robe

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Brenda Brazile
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SONGS OF PRAISE

What loud music! Have you ever been in a service where you felt drowned in sound --- sometimes to the point that it is painful to the ears? Have you ever gotten angry and thought, what is wrong with these people?

Many of us sit quietly through the service and do not return. We might even feel inwardly guilty about our feelings and are not sure how to deal with them. I had this problem myself and turned to our Lord in prayer. I asked for guidance. What does He say in scripture about this? How did the early church worship? The bible tells us that King Solomon dedicated the temple with singing, cymbals and harps, praising the Lord. The glory of the Lord filled the house of God. (2 Chron. 5:12, 13). Some of us might think we can accept what scripture tells us about temple worship back then but raising hands and jumping around in the aisles must certainly be pushing the envelope.

Scripture shows us that raising hands is certainly Biblical. (2 Chron. 5:12, 13). Dancing and moving around is also Biblical. There might be times when dancing in the aisles should be used with discretion if it becomes disruptive to the service or causes uneasiness in the other worshipers. It should never be permitted to distract us from worshipping our Lord. As we sit in our seats and ponder the various issues discussed above, we must remember we are in a house of worship where love, tolerance and forgiveness abound. God loves every one of us, even the ones bouncing around waving their arms. We must be careful not to let our surroundings distract us from our own personal worship of our Lord. Let us rejoice and be grateful to be part of the love and worship going on all around us. Be thankful that we live in a land that allows us freedom of worship and protects us from violence. Let us thank our God for His love for us, the daily forgiveness of our sins and the blessings He so lavishly pours out on us. Not all of us have a warm home to go to in a peaceful neighborhood. Some of us have to choose between healthy meals and our medications. H us have to choose between healthy meals and our medications. How about those dedicated people who ensure that our power and gas lines are kept working. Do not forget those wonderful men and women of our military who risk their lives that we might continue to live safely in the land of the free. As we faithfully attend services at church, let our prayers and attitude reflect our wonder in the presence of the Lord himself as we join our fellow believers in exalting His wonderful name.

Scriptures for the Week:

Jeremiah 31:27-34 II Timothy 3:14-4:5

Psalm 19 Luke 18:1-8

LOOKING AHEAD

Work Day Cancelled Sat. 10/15 Sun 10/16

Children's Sabbath 9:30a UMW Executive Meeting 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship 12:30p Homebound Ministry Team

Mon. 10/17 Noon Newsletter Deadline

Tue 10/18 No Activities

Wed. 10/19 10:00a Bible Study - Asbury 10:00a UMNC Key Women 6:45p Chancel Choir Rehearsal

9:00a Food Pantry-Asbury Thu. 10/20 10:00a Bible Study-Join us! 5:00p Girl Scouts 6:30p UMM @ Asbury

Offices Closed
10a-4p Book Sale @ Wesleyan
Hills UMC
5:45p Girl Scouts

10:00a UMW District Officers Training @ Collierville UMC 10a-2p Girl Scout Fall Festival -

Open to the community 10a-4p Book Sale @ Wesleyan Hills UMC

10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship Sun. 10/23

!!! REMINDER !!!

Budget requests for 2017 must be in by October 15, 2016.

BOOK SALE

Quality Hard-backs Many in Mint Condition

Friday & Saturday October 21 & 22 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Wesleyan Hills UMC 390 S. Yates Rd.

Proceeds benefit UMNC's Miriam Center and other ministries of United Methodist Neighborhood Centers, Inc.

WORK DAY CANCELLED

Due to a scheduling conflict that has come up, Work Day has been cancelled for Saturday, October 15th.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY TEAM TO MEET SUNDAY, OCT. 16, 12:30p
This meeting is open to all, especially those who have an interest in working with the elderly who are restricted to home. Visit or call on a regular basis, deliver the Upper Room every other month, take communion, if appropriate, or any other act of kindness you think appropriate. Come give us your thoughts and ideas on how to make this vital ministry a vibrant and heart-warming affair!

IN THE WORDS OF WESLEY

"He that made us without ourselves, will not save us without ourselves". ~ John Wesley ~



GUATEMELAN CONSULATE MOBILE UNIT
AT ASBURY/EL REDENTOR
OCTOBER 22-23
This event enables Guatemalan citizens living in
our area to get appropriate documentation so they
may obtain driver's licenses and other documents
for work or school, and report births, deaths and
marriages

marriages.
YOU may volunteer to help at the event. Official business will be handled by Consulate personnel, but there are other areas that need assistants. You may contact Asbury UMC, 363-1135, for all the details.

If you cannot be on hand but wish to contribute items needed are: bottled water, pre-packaged snacks, paper towels and toilet tissue, hand sanitizer and copy paper. All may be taken to Asbury UMC at 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd., Mon.-Thurs., between 9a and 4p.

United Methodist Women FAITH - HOPE - LOVE IN ACTION

UMW EXECUTIVE MEETING Oct. 16-9:30a

CHILDREN'S SABBATH **OCTOBER 16, 2016**

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The 2016 National Observance of Children's Sabbath Celebration, "Children of Promise: Closing Opportunity Gaps", takes place this month. We will be joining thousands of places of worship across the nation as, together, people of faith affirm that every child enters the world full of promise and potential. However, gaps in family income, early childhood development, and education widen over time, making it far harder for some children to thrive, succeed, and fulfill their promise. On October 16th we will be raising a voice of concern about these opportunity gaps and learning how we can close them so all children have an equal opportunity to become all God intends them to be. United Methodist Women are pledged to support women, children and youth around the world. We invite you to join us in our efforts to provide education, well-being and a good start for "the least of these", as we celebrate Children's Sabbath.

YOUNG@HEART DATE CHANGED

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For those of you who enjoy the fun and fellowship
of the Young @ Heart Group at Asbury UMC,
please note the date has changed to Oct. 26 at
Noon for a special treat. The Noiseful Joys will be
the entertainment for the day. You won't want to
miss them. All are invited to join us for lunch and
to hear this 'special' group.



GOLF TOURNEY WINNERS FOR 2016

Taking the prizes at our Thirty-seventh Annual Golf Tournament were the team of Neil DeLong, David Weaver, Nathan Hill and his dad, Jeff Hill (son-inlaw and grandson of Jimmy & Jane Hight).
Our only woman player this year, Cindy Pilkinton, took closest to the pin. Congratulations to all!!!

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for Memorial Fund In memory of Dorothy Goolsby by Elnar Hallum

THANK YOU NOTE

We, at Asbury, want to offer special thanks to Lisa Hughes, Lana Solomon, Lynn Coffman, and the singers who come sometimes to our church. Our music sounds so much better. Don't know how Lisa gets them to sing out but it really sounds good! We, in the pews, sound better, too! Thanks again. We appreciate you.

Gayle Fox

WANT MORE DIRECTION IN YOUR LIFE THAT'S SATISFYING AND OF GREAT SERVICE?
You would fit right in teaching children Christian values, how to love their neighbors and how their lives can make a positive difference in our world, by teaching Children's Sunday School. If you would like to give it a try or take it on as your 'ministry' for a while, please contact Rebeca Ernst, by email at heyuena@yahoo.com or by phone at 901-484-7385.



Thursday, October 27 at Willow Oaks Elementary Help us celebrate childhood literacy by reading "The Bear Ate Your Sandwich" with our students. Please reply to Liz Kerr at <u>kerrea@scsk12.org</u>. or call 901-416-2196.

GRANT SOUGHT BY WILLOW OAKS

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The Kitchen Community is offering grants for spring gardens to local schools and Willow Oaks would love to participate, with the 'required' help of a few friends. A Garden Team must be formed, including volunteers from the community to help with the everyday maintenance. Please contact Sharon Lockhart at: sharonlockhart@cloud.com or 901-754-3429, for all the details or if you would like to help our adopted school with this undertaking.