

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Earline Gabriel Bill Whitaker

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OUR PRESENCE

November 22

Church School 60
Worship 86
Visitors 7

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OUR GIFTS

November 22

Tithes & Plate Offering \$ 1978
Church School \$ 24
Total Rec'd \$ 2002

November MTD \$ 16924
YTD Conf. payments \$ 25783

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OUR SERVICE

Assisting November 29

Greeters Jean DeLong
Joyce Kernodle
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Brother Paul
Children's Time Lisa Hughes
Lock-up Margie Williamson

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December Scripture Readers

6 Brother Paul
13 Barry Mathis
20 Earline Gabriel
27 Renee Little

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You may be the only Bible some people read.



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FROM THE PASTOR

I'm about half way through the readings for my next Doctor of Ministry class in January of next year, and many of these books deal with urban ministry and ministry to the marginalized of society.

As we approach Thanksgiving, these readings have given me a renewed appreciation for how blessed I am, and how most, if not all, of us are blessed compared to many in America as well as the rest of the world.

As we gather around our Thanksgiving tables may we remind ourselves of our obligation, as followers of Jesus, to those who are at the margins of our society.

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for Nov.29
Hanging of the Greens
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Sermon Title
"A Faith That Lacks Nothing"

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., Nov. 29 - Sat., Dec. 5

- Sun. 11/29 9:15a Prayer Room
9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
- Mon. 11/30 Noon Newsletter Deadline
- Tue. 12/1 Trip to Branson
6:30p Girl Scouts
- Wed. 12/2 7:00p Angelfood Orders
7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 12/3 10:00a Adult Bible Study
- Fri. 12/4 Return from Branson
Offices Closed
- Sat. 12/5 9:00a AFLS

FELLOWSHIP REMINDER

Fellowship Time is 9:15 Sunday, Dec. 6, hosted by the Current Events and Bible Classes. This is the last Fellowship Time for the year. Thank you to each of the Sunday School classes who have hosted this time of fellowship and refreshment for 2009. Adult & Family Ministries

COMING UP

Breakfast With Santa

Saturday, Dec. 12 - 9 a.m.

No charge. Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, friends and neighbors. Santa welcomes all!

Holiday Book & Bake Sale

Saturday, Dec. 12 - 9 a.m.

Books make great gifts and so do goodies! You won't want to miss this!

Christmas Cantata

Sunday, Dec. 13 - 6 p.m.

"Touched By a Child, Touched By a King"

GOING PLACES

Dec. 7 - The Enchanted Forest



Have you signed up for this trip to the Pink Palace? Leave Church at 9:30 and stop for lunch on the way back. Admission is \$3.50 if we have 20, \$4 otherwise. Sign up on bulletin board or call the church office.



The Finance Committee met last Sunday and approved the budget for 2010. Thank you to all the finance members and committee chairs for their help. Special thanks to Warren for all his work in preparing the budget. If you would like a copy, please let me know.

Mary Robbins
Finance Chair

FAITH INTO ACTION

Please join Habitat for Humanity at their "Faith Into Action" campaign kick-off featuring motivational speaker:

Dr. Tony Campolo

on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009, at 7 p.m. at Germantown Presbyterian Church, 2363 S. Germantown Road. The event is free to the public.

Dr. Campolo is professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern Univ. and was on the faculty of the Univ. of Pennsylvania for ten years. He is the founder and president of the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education and has authored 35 books. Dr. Campolo is also a media commentator on religious, social and political matters.

For more information, you may contact Kimberly Kreider-Crafton, 761-4771, ext. 215 or at Kkreider@memphishabitat.com.

UMW NEWS

We have only a handful of Yearbooks left in the Library. Please check and see if you could deliver some of these.

Looking Ahead:

The December Koinonia/Rebecca meeting has been **moved** from Tuesday, Dec. 8 to the next day, Wednesday, Dec. 9.

Our December Unit Meeting is Sunday, Dec. 13, with Women of Zion in charge of set-up. Our business part of this meeting will be for EACH officer to place some article concerning her office as part of our "What's On The Table?" theme of the year. For instance, the president-a gavel; the treasurer-a pledge card, etc.

Marilyn Hathaway will give a brief program and install our new officers. ALL officers will be installed or returned to office but the following NEW officers MUST be installed before they can take office: SECRETARY-Shirley Hancock; SPIRITUAL GROWTH-Marcelle Farrow; NOMINATING CHAIR-Judy Stanley; NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS-Kathryn Clark, Jane Hight; and PARLIAMENTARIAN-Ginny Lawrence.

A lot is going on this meeting day but we will keep it as short as possible.



HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

Scholarship Fund

In loving memory of Lloyd McDougal

by Bruce & Lisa Hughes

DO UNTO OTHERS...



Oxford Class Christmas Card

You still have time! Its not too late to participate in the traditional Oxford Class Christmas Card. Wish your church family "Merry Christmas" and help the UM Neighborhood Centers Toy Shop. Donors will be listed on our giant Christmas Card. Please see an Oxford Class member or Terry Williamson to donate.

Gifts For Wesley Manor



Many residents have no family or friends to care for them and are so appreciative of your thoughtfulness. The gift list is on the office window and bulletin board. 2 or 3 items to a bag, please. We appreciate your help!

Jean McCarty, Key Woman

POINSETTIAS



Lovely poinsettias will adorn the Sanctuary for the holidays. If you wish to honor or memorialize loved ones in this way, please complete the form below, include payment and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office by Dec. 6. The cost is \$15.00.

Given by _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Quantity _____ Amt. _____