


- Sun. 2/14

LOOKING AHEAD

First Sunday in Lent

10:15a Sunday School

11:30a Worship

12:30p Valentine Luncheon
- Mon. 2/15

Noon Newsletter Deadline

6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury

6:30p Finance Committee
- Tue. 2/16

No Activities
- Wed. 2/17

10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury

6:45p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 2/18

9:00a Food Pantry @ Asbury

10:00a Lenten Bible Study

6:00p UM Men @ Asbury
- Fri. 2/19

Offices Closed
- Sat. 2/20

9:00a AFLS

10:00a Sewing Group

1:00p One Harvest Distribution @ Asbury

6:00p Spanish Worship Srvcs @ El Redentor
- Sun. 2/21

10:15a Sunday School

11:30a Worship

12:30p Sip & See Alan Hernandez



MADE YOUR RESERVATIONS YET?

Our Valentine's Lunch is Sunday, Feb. 14, at 12:30. You won't want to miss Jimmie's special Spaghetti & Meatballs! Reservations are now being taken. You may call or email the church office, 683-8861 or [office@agumc.org](mailto:office@agumc.org), or call Bruce, 262-1508, or Barry, 299-2746, or sign up on the office window. We ask that some please volunteer to bring a dessert to share. Thank you!

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**  
Share God's grace with someone who needs special encouragement.



CONGRATULATIONS, FAITH

Our very own Faith Gbeneneh, a 3rd grader at Balmoral Ridgeway Elementary School, recently scored so high above the Tennessee reading average that she was given a special reward by her school principal. As her reward for being such an outstanding reader, Ms. Beard allowed Faith a day out of uniform at school. We're proud of you, Faith. Keep it up!

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PLEASE NOTE

The Finance Committee will meet on Monday, February 15, at 6:30 p.m. If you are a member of this group, please plan to attend this important meeting.



COME MEET ALAN

Sunday, February 21, right after church, come help us welcome Alan Yobani Hernandez into our fold. Alan was born January 7 to Mireya Ramos and Yobani Hernandez, and also welcomed by siblings Alex, Millie & Sofia. A light lunch will be served as we embrace this family.



FOOD PANTRY FOR FEBRUARY  
Pastas and Red Spaghetti Sauce

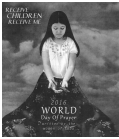
Cash is always appreciated.  
(Make checks out to Aldersgate and write 'food pantry' in the memo line.)  
Thank you.



UMW NEWS

Day Apart/Mission Study February 27

Our study is "Created for Happiness: Understanding Your Life in God". "Happiness, the Joy in Christian Living" is the topic. The leader for the day will be Rebeca Ernst, who recently returned to Memphis. We are so glad to have her back, and are putting her to work right away. Join us at St. Luke's UMC, 480 S. Highland, at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 27. Lunch will be provided at no cost. Registration forms are available in the church office. Registration is free. If child care is needed, please contact Meredith Bingham at [mbingha@bellsouth.net](mailto:mbingha@bellsouth.net) or by phone: 901-747-4423, no later than Feb. 19th.



World Day of Prayer 2016

...is Friday, March 4. Since 1920 Christian women in the U.S. and Canada have practiced a "Day of Prayer" and now, 170 countries around the world will participate. Our motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" signifies that prayer and action are inseparable. Everyone is invited to affirm their belief and faith in Christ; pray for and with others about the burdens of others; understand and appreciate that God loves all people everywhere. The host country for WDP 2016 is Cuba. The women of Cuba call all of us to explore the depths of God's love.

Planning Ahead

Making plans to attend the United Methodist Women's Southeastern Jurisdictional Meeting coming up June 3-5, in Charleston, South Carolina? A bus has been chartered for the trip. If you are interested in travelling by bus, please contact our Conference President, Delores Smith, at [smithumw@gmail.com](mailto:smithumw@gmail.com) or 731-487-0084. She will give you all the details.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for  
**Memorial Fund**  
In memory of Betty Clegg by  
Joy Mitchell



LENTEN HUNGER OFFERING  
"Love Your Neighbor as Yourself"

Lenten Hunger Calendars are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Offering a scripture reading for each day in Lent, they also suggest a prayer focus for the day and ways to give, such as, "Count your blessings today and give a penny for each one". You may bring your Hunger Offering to church on Easter Sunday or turn it in however it is convenient for you. If paying by check, please note "Lent" or "Hunger Offering" in the memo line.



GOLDEN CROSS NEEDS

The Golden Cross Key Women's Meeting will be on March 10th. Audrey would love to have a great collection of things to take with her. Items for Move-in Kits and Bountiful Blessing Bags are needed. Here are some additional suggestions:  
Dishes (set of 4) Silverware (set of 4)  
Sheet set (full size) Trash can  
Tooth Paste Tooth Brush  
Shampoo Body Soap  
Tin Foil Ziploc Bags  
Please place items in the basket near the Sunday School office. Thank you.

**Baptist Rehab**  
Marie Hughes 219

**At Home**  
Tom Boillot  
Linda Burrow

**Paterson, NJ**  
Irvin Scheirer

**Corinth, MS**  
Virginia Kemp Jones

**Hospice Care**  
Sylvia Edwards

**Special Prayers** for  
...kidnapped girls/Nigeria  
...disaster victims  
...unspoken request  
...unspoken request

**Homebound and Assisted Care**  
Martha Allen June Burton Jack Eaton  
Mava Dell Fry Earl Galloway Helen Griffin  
Margaret Kenley Doris Palazzini Betty Ray  
Bernice Shelby Chris Simmons Emmett Smith  
Harold Smith Betty Smithmier Martha Wallace  
Bill Whitaker

**OUR SYMPATHY**, love and prayers go out to  
...family and friends of Jack Eaton

**OUR PRESENCE - February 7**  
Sunday School 40  
Worship 73  
Visitors 6

**OUR GIFTS - February 7**  
Offering \$ 3,100  
Month to Date \$ 3,100

**OUR SERVICE - February 14**  
**Greeter** Anna Deekae  
Nubari Deekae  
**Liturgist** Bruce Hughes  
**Scripture** Barry Mathis  
**Children's Time** Perri Mathis  
**Lock-up** Henry Blanks



**OUR WITNESS**  
**February Scripture Readers**  
21 Rose Oyoo  
28 Judy Stanley

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## Facts About The Bible by David Padfield

The Bible is composed of 66 books. There are 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. Some 39 or 40 men had a part in the writing of the Bible, from Moses to the apostle John. It took over 1500 years to produce the Bible.

Out of all the men who wrote the books of the Bible, Luke "the beloved physician" ([Col. 4:14](#)) was the only Gentile. He penned the gospel of Luke and the book of Acts.

The first section of the Old Testament is called the [Pentateuch](#). It contains the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy). These books, written by Moses, cover the period of time from Creation to the death of Moses, just prior to the entrance of God's people into the promised land.

The Old Testament contains twelve books of history, from Joshua through Esther. There are five [books of poetry](#): Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon. There are five books of the major prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel. There are 12 minor prophets, from Hosea through Malachi.

The New Testament contains [four gospels](#) (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John), each telling the story of the life of Christ from different viewpoints. The New Testament has one book of history, the book of Acts, which tells of the establishment of the church and the growth of Christianity in the first century. It also has 21 epistles, the majority of which were written by the apostle Paul (Romans through Jude) and one book of prophecy (the Revelation), penned by John while on the isle of [Patmos](#).

The Old Testament was written in Hebrew (with the exception of [Daniel 2:4b-7:28](#) and [Ezra 4:8-6:18](#)). The New Testament was written in Greek.

**Scriptures for the week:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2,9-16  
Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13