

OUR PRAYERS

Dyersburg Regional Jack Baker	Special Prayers for ...kidnapped girls from Nigeria
Poplar Point Rehab Tom Boillot 116A	...earthquake victims in Nepal
At Home Corella Edwards	...flood victims in Texas

Homebound/Assisted Care

Martha Allen	June Burton	Gerri Colosia
Jack Eaton	Mava Dell Fry	Earl Galloway
Helen Griffin	Marie Hughes	Margaret Kenley
Doris Palazzini	Jane Pifer	Betty Ray
Bernice Shelby	Chris Simmons	Emmett Smith
Harold Smith	Betty Smithmier	Martha Wallace
Bill Whitaker		

OUR PRESENCE

May 24

Church School	50
Sunday Worship	66
Visitors	8
Hispanic Service	18

OUR GIFTS

May 24

Offering	\$ 1,350
Month to Date	\$ 8,481

OUR SERVICE

May 31, 2015

Greeters	Anna Deekae Barine Deekae
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Peggy Brightwell
Children's Time	Rev. De la Cruz
Lock-up	Emmett Parrish

OUR WITNESS

June Scripture Readers

7	Lisa Hughes
14	Peggy Brightwell
21	Jane Hight
28	Faith Gbeneneh

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Recognition of Graduates

May 31

Join us at the 11:30 service as we congratulate our 2015 graduates:

Daniel Boice
Lynn Coffman
Gaby Gordillo

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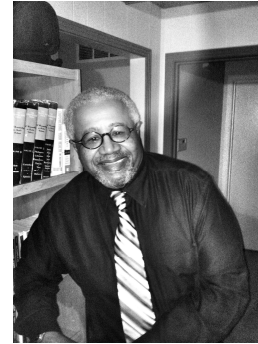
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THE WRITE REVEREND



Last Sunday, Wally Harris, Lay Leader at Asbury UMC, gave an impassioned plea for contributions to the Annual Conference offering to be taken this coming Sunday evening at the opening of Annual Conference. The offering will go to the "Imagine No Malaria" campaign. We will also collect a special offering here at Aldersgate for the Annual Conference Offering. Wally challenged Asbury to dig deep, as we wish to also challenge you. Consider the fact that somewhere in our world, nearly every minute of every hour of every day, a child dies from malaria. Our contributions can really make a difference in providing mosquito netting, which can significantly help to prevent the spread of this disease.

Consider these facts as you prayerfully decide what your gift will be:

1. Half of the world's population - approximately 3.2 billion people - is at risk of contracting malaria.
2. Every year there are close to 200 million cases of malaria, causing close to 600,000 malaria-related deaths.
3. 90% of malaria-related deaths occur in Africa.
4. Malaria is one of the leading causes of death in children. 50 children die every hour from malaria - that's almost one child every minute.
5. Pregnant women and their newborns are particularly vulnerable to malaria. Malaria accounts for approximately 7% of newborn deaths globally; 15% in Africa.
6. Malaria is spread through bites from infected mosquitoes.
7. Human immunity developed over years of exposure can prevent malaria. For this reason, most malaria deaths occur in children and pregnant women who have low immunity.
8. Without access to medication, the impact of the infection can include: coma, brain damage, loss of muscle function and death.
9. Long-lasting insecticide-treated [bed nets](#) are the most effective and inexpensive way to prevent the transmission of malaria.
10. One bed net can protect 2 people for up to 3 years.

Herbert

Scriptures for the week: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

Sun. 5/31 **LOOKING AHEAD**
Special Offering for Imagine
No Malaria
 10:15a Sunday School
 11:15a Coffee in Fellowship Hall
 11:30a Worship & Recognition of Graduates
 Annual Conference begins in Jackson, TN

Mon. 6/1 Annual Conference in Jackson, TN
 Noon Newsletter Deadline

Tue. 6/2 Annual Conference in Jackson, TN
 1:00p Gift Wrap open @ Asbury

Wed. 6/3 2:00p Annual Conference Ends
NO Morning Bible Study - Come to the meeting on the 17th
 5:30p Youth Fellowship
NO Fellowship or Study
 7:15p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 6/4 9-12 Food Pantry @ Asbury

Fri. 6/5 Offices Closed

Sat. 6/6 9:00a AFLS
 6:00p Spanish Worship Service

Sun. 6/7 10:15a Sunday School
11:00a Parish Worship Service
 12:00p Fish Fry & Farewell for Brother Herbert



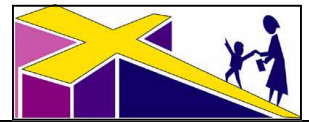
WE CELEBRATE BROTHER HERBERT'S MINISTRY WITH US AND BID HIM FAREWELL

...on Sunday, June 7, at a Fish Fry, right after worship. Aldersgate will host one **parish** worship service at **11:00 a.m.** The Fish Fry will follow at Noon and give you a chance to say your goodbyes to Brother Herbert as he leaves us for his next adventure in ministry in Nashville. Please sign up by June 1st on the sheet on the office window or call the office, 683-8861, to make reservations. We want to be sure to set up enough tables and plan for enough food.



GREETERS NEEDED

You can help! We have greeter vacancies in July, September, October and November which need to be filled. Please sign up on the office window.



TIME CHANGES FOR VBS
"For God so loved the world..." John 3:16
Camp Aldersgate Family VBS - "Feel the Love"
June 13, 10:00a to 2:00p
 (Note Time)

Have you signed up to help at VBS this year? Now is the time! We need leaders and helpers. If you would like to sign up, please call Perri Mathis, 831-2217 or email her at bamathis@att.net.

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Workshop of Wonders @ Asbury
 (Note Time)

Asbury's VBS, "Workshop of Wonders", will be June 15-19, from **6 to 8 p.m.**, for ages 4 years through rising 5th graders. There is still time to sign up as a volunteer or a lender for "building toys". To offer your assistance, please contact Lori Wakefield at loriwakefield@bellsouth.net or by phone at 795-3631. You may also call Laney in the church office, 363-1135.



CAMP ALDERSGATE TO ASSIST UMCOR WITH AID



The devastation from an earthquake or a flood is hard to imagine, even when you see pictures. The cleaning buckets that the United Methodist Committee on Relief provides in these emergencies are essential to clean-up. At our Camp Aldersgate Family VBS, on June 13, we will be filling 'cleaning buckets' to assist UMCOR. All items must be new. All cleaning agents must be in liquid form and in **plastic** containers. DO NOT include items that are larger than requested. Use smaller, if necessary. Please enclose an envelope with \$1.50 for each bucket to help with shipping costs.

Here is a list of needed items for each bucket:

- 5 gal. bucket with re-sealable lid
- Liquid laundry detergent: 1-50oz or 2-25 oz bottles only
- Liquid household cleaner: 12-16 oz that can be mixed with water
NO SPRAY CLEANERS
- Dish soap: 16-28 oz bottle liquid, any brand
- Air Freshener: 1 can aerosol or pump with cover
- Insect Repellent - 1 can aerosol or pump with cover
- 1 Scrub Brush - plastic or wooden handle
- 18 cleaning wipes - Handi Wipes or re-usable wipes. **NO** terrycloth towels
- 7 sponges - **NO** cellulose due to mold issue
- 5 scouring pads - **NO** stainless steel, Brillo or SOS. Nothing with soap built in.
- Clothesline - 1-100 ft or 2-50 ft lines, cotton or plastic
- 1 bx. Heavy-duty Trash Bags - 24 to a roll, 33 to 45 gallon size
- 5 Dust Masks
- 2 Pair Kitchen Gloves - Durable enough for multiple uses
- 1 Pair Work Gloves - Cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 50 clothespins

Please have all items at the church by 10 a.m. on June 13. You may place them on the floor outside the office, under the Ten Commandments. (Please be sure to keep the walkway clear.) Thank you in advance for your help.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for **Honorarium Fund**
 In honor of Lynn Coffman by Ed & Judy Stanley

OUR HISPANIC MINISTRY

...is looking for greeters, care givers and helpers in the bilingual programs on Saturday evenings, and event coordinators and Sunday School helpers. **You do not need to speak Spanish to help.** Please contact Brother Goyo for all the details. He can be reached by cell phone at 601-496-1297 or by email at goyodelacruz@gmail.com.

Changes PLEASE NOTE! Changes

On Sunday, June 21, we will be joining Asbury and El Redentor UMCs for a welcome breakfast (9 to 10:30a) for our incoming minister, Dr. Virginia Finzel, followed by one 11 a.m. service for all 3 parish churches at Asbury UMC.

SOME CHANGES FOR DAD'S DAY

We will forego our Donuts for Dad on Sunday, June 21, and attend Asbury for the welcome and worship. You do still have the opportunity to honor Dad with a gift to our church in his name. Forms are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary.



HONOR THY FATHER

... or a special man in your life by giving an honorarium or memorial in his name. Please complete this form and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office.

Given by _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Please place gift(s) in Honorarium/Memorial Fund or _____ Fund

INTRODUCTORY MEETING FOR SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

...on June 17, 10 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Come give Dr. Finzel your thoughts and suggestions about our summer course of study. All are welcome.

There will be NO WEDNESDAY MORNING OR EVENING BIBLE STUDY on June 3 & 10.



DON'T FORGET

Asbury's Big Flea Market
 ...Saturday, May 30th (Rain Date June 6), 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd., with a car wash, concessions, rummage sale, surprises and activities for the kids. Join us!

ALDERSGATE United Methodist Church



June 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>June is Golden Cross Month</i> (Wish List is on the reverse.)</p>	<p>1 10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Presbyterian Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk/Asbury Memphis Annual Conference</p>	<p>2 1:00p Gift Wrap @ Asbury</p>	<p>3 NO Bible Study 5:30p Youth Fellowship NO Fellowship & Study 7:15p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>4 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury Art for Life's Sake Day Camp 9a - 3p</p>	<p>5 Offices Closed</p>	<p>NO AFLS 6:00p Spanish Worship Srvc.</p>
<p>7 Bro. Herbert's Last Sunday 11:00a Worship Service for all 3 Parish Churches 12:00p Farewell Fish Fry for Bro. Herbert ?? Worship Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>8 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk/Asbury</p>	<p>9 10a Koinonia 1:00p Gift Wrap @ Asbury NO Love/Hope</p>	<p>10 NO Bible Study 10:30a Meth. Hospital Auxiliary 5:30p Youth Fellowship NO Fellowship & Study 7:15p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>11 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury Art for Life's Sake Day Camp 9a - 3p</p>	<p>12 Offices Closed 10:30a Sr. Adult Game Day @ Asbury</p>	<p>13 10-2 Camp Aldersgate Family VBS "Feel the Love" John 3:16 6:00p Spanish Worship Srvc.</p>
<p>14 Flag Day </p> <p>10:15a Sunday School 11:15a Coffee 11:30a Worship & VBS Kids</p>	<p>15 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk/Asbury</p>	<p>16 Discovery Park Trip 1:00p Gift Wrap @ Asbury</p>	<p>17 10:00a Introductory Mtg. for Bible Study 5:30p Youth Fellowship 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:15p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>18 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 6:00p UM Men @ Asbury Art for Life's Sake Day Camp 9a - 3p</p>	<p>19 Offices Closed</p>	<p>20 6:00p Spanish Worship Srvc.</p>
<p>21 Father's Day 9-10:30 Reception for Dr. Finzel @ Asbury 11:00a Worship Service for all 3 Parish churches at Asbury First Day of Summer</p>	<p>22 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk/Asbury</p>	<p>23 1:00p Gift Wrap @ Asbury</p>	<p>24 ?? Bible Study?? 5:30p Youth Fellowship 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:15p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>25 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury Art for Life's Sake Day Camp 9a - 3p</p>	<p>26 Offices Closed</p>	<p>27 6:00p Spanish Worship Srvc.</p>
<p>28 10:15a Sunday School 11:15a Coffee 11:30a Worship</p>	<p>29 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk/Asbury</p>	<p>30 1:00p Gift Wrap @ Asbury</p>	<p align="center">Aldersgate United Methodist Church Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Herbert L. Lester, Jr. Outreach Ministries: The Rev. Goyo De la Cruz Youth Ministries: The Rev. Milton W. Craft, Jr. Choir Director: Lisa Hughes Organist: Lana Solomon Pianist: Lynn Coffman 4459 Willow Road Phone: (901) 683-8861 Memphis, TN 38117 Fax: (901) 683-1374 Website: www.agumc.org Email: office@agumc.org</p>			



Happy Birthday

June	1	John Bellott A.J. Martin
	5	Konrad Hughes
	6	Audrey Weaver
	7	Neal Carter
	8	Melissa Lee
	9	Jane Hight
	12	Elise Bond Ben Parrish
	15	Bernice Shelby
	16	Nubari Deekae
	17	Lynn Coffman Donna Metler
	18	Sandra Shipley
	22	Betty Jones
	23	Kirsten Burton Richard Hall
	24	Mary Mann
	25	Birdie Boyd Rosie Oyoo
	30	Tyler Pilkinton



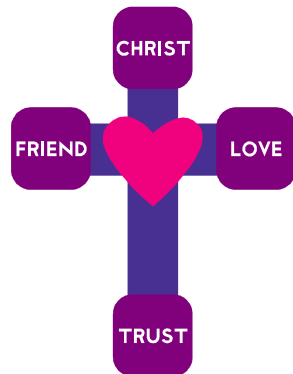
Happy Anniversary

June	17	Fortune & Happy Gbeneneh
	18	Rick & Robin Bellott
	25	Neil & Jean DeLong
	28	Matt & Morgan Rhea

ASSISTING IN JUNE

Greeters	Ginny Lawrence Wayne Lawrence
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Lisa Hughes Peggy Brightwell Jane Hight Faith Gbeneneh
Children's Time	Bruce Hughes Bruce Hughes
Lock-up	Barry Mathis

Please help us keep our records current. If there are any omissions or errors, please call the church office, 683-8861, or email office@agumc.org



Camp Aldersgate 2015

"Feel the Love"

An Aldersgate Family Experience

Ages 0 - 100

Saturday, June 13 - 10a to 2p

Sunday, June 14 - 11:30 a.m. Service

June is Golden Cross Month

Below is the Wish List for Golden Cross. If you are willing to help supply any of these items, please place them in the basket outside the Sunday School office. We will be collecting items until June 28th. Thank you in advance for your help!

Wish List

Personal Items:

Tooth Brushes	Toothpaste	Hand Soap	Hand Sanitizer
Shaving Cream	Hats, Gloves	Lotion	Deodorant
Bath Powder	Denture Care Items	Bath Soap	Combs & Brushes
Scarves	New Towel Sets	Socks	New Bed Sheets (Full & Queen)

Cleaning Supplies/Paper Goods/Household Items:

Paper Towels	Toilet Paper	Detergent	Paper Napkins
Kleenex	Dish Towels	Dish Cloths	Household Cleansers
Reynolds Wrap	Kitchen Utensils	Potholders	Small Kitchen Items
Kitchen Baggies (sandwich, quart, gallon)			

Other Items:

Pain Medications (over the counter, i.e. Tylenol, aspirin)			
Postage Stamps	Sewing Supplies	Puzzles	Board Games
Card Games	Used Wii Games	Stationery	Crossword & Puzzle Books
Books on Tape/CD	Arts & Crafts Supplies	Yarn (Crochet & knitting supplies)	

Bountiful Blessing Bags

These bags, with a value of \$150, are designed for residents who come to a Wesley Living Community with NOTHING or those who are faced with purchasing needed items like medications or food, but not both. One bag will feed a person for nearly 2 months, with some items lasting much longer.

Canned Vegetables (4 small cans of each: peas & carrots, corn, green beans, 1 turnip greens)

Canned Soups (2 each: cream of chicken, mushroom, vegetable, chicken noodle, vegetable beef, tomato)

Boxed Meals (4 complete in box)

Tuna Helper (1 box)

Beef Stew (2 cans)

Mac-n-Cheese (with liquid cheese packet)

Peanut Butter (creamy or crunchy)

Cup of Noodles (10 Pack Ramen)

Seasonings (Mrs. Dash original)

Tea Bags (1 small box)

Sugar & Sugar Substitute

Cookies (1 Oatmeal, 1 Fig Bars)

Gravy Mix (2 pkg.)

Spaghetti Sauce (can or jar)

Gift Card to Grocery Store (\$25)

Canned Meats (ham, 4 potted meat, 2 chicken, 4 tuna, SPAM, salmon, 6 Vienna Sausage)

Canned Beans (1 black beans, pinto, butter beans, baked beans, black-eyed peas, purple hull peas)

Canned Fruit (pears, fruit cocktail, peaches, cranberry sauce)

Instant Potatoes (2 butter flavor, 1 sweet potato)

Corn Bread Mix (2 boxes)

Beanie Weenies (2 cans)

Cornbread Stuffing Mix (1 box Stovetop)

Jelly (grape or strawberry)

Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise)

Salt & Pepper

Instant Coffee (1 regular jar)

Rice & Pasta

Crackers (Saltines, Club)

Cereal (Oatmeal Variety Pk. & 1 other dry cereal)

Flour (#5 lbs.) **Oil** (1 bottle)

Reusable Shopping Bag

Or Cash to purchase items and gift cards