OUR PRAYERS

Allenbrooke NH/Rehab At Home Bill Whitaker 206 Aleita Tutor Forest Cove NH Chris Simmons 129 Hospice Care

Mary Stanley

Earl Gallowav Lynda Park **Terry Williamson** Becky Roberts

Special Prayers for

....kidnapped girls from Nigeria

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to ... Megan Cuellar & family in the loss of her father, Joseph Cuellar ...Family & friends of Rev. Ronnie Ward

...Family & friends of George Holt

OUR PRESENCE

October 19

Church School	59
Worship	79
Visitors	17

OUR GIFTS

October 19	
This Week's Offering	\$ 2,016
MTD	\$ 9,524
Apportionments TD	\$ 7,090

OUR SERVICE Ostahan 20 2044

OUR WITNESS

2 Barry Mathis

9 Renee Little 16 Warren Petty

23 Judy Stanley

30 Dean Tutor

November Scripture Readers

Greeters	Barine Deekae Rose Oyoo
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Tom Lockhart
Children's Time	Peggy Brightwell
Lock-up	Emmett Parrish

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THE WRITE REVEREND



When I was a boy in church, the youth led worship every third Sunday of the month. On one such occasion, I was assigned the task of reading the scriptures. A daunting assignment for someone who was a serious stutterer. When I got to church that Sunday morning, I realized that the passage I had practiced and read and re-read, was not the passage listed as the Scripture reading for that day. I was in a panic. What was I going to do? I prayed mightily and got up and read the passage; braking down in syllables words I did not know on the fly and pronouncing names that only the preacher could pronounce. I read what was before me without a hitch.

After church, I asked my mother how I did, expecting to be praised for having risen to the challenge. My mother very gently said: "Son, you did what you

were expected to do."

Dan Mullen, head football coach at Mississippi State University, believes in high expectations. Who would have believed when he took over this program, that they would be the Number 1 team in the nation in the AP poll for the first time in the school's history? Why settle for beating a few traditional rivals when you could be the best team in football? Mullen knew it was possible and refused to believe otherwise.

It was Napoleon Hill, in his classic book Think and Grow Rich, who revealed to the world what he called a part of his secret to success: Any thing you can conceive and believe you can achieve. According to Hill, who had been hired by industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie to discover the secret of accumulating wealth, this simple formula was at its core: If you can conceive it and believe it, you can achieve it. Hill distilled his volumes of work into this one little book.

What do we expect of our faithfulness as the church? Do we expect the church to grow and respond to the needs of its community or do we anticipate that the church will simply turn in on itself and die? I'm with Dan Mullen and the Apostle Paul: "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13

Herbert



LÖÖKING AHEAD

- Sun. 10/26 **9:00a Finance Committee Mtg.** 9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship 12:30p Sip & See Mary Bierbrodt Deadline for Shoes for Lakeshore
- Mon. 10/27Noon News DeadlineTue. 10/286:00p Cub ScoutsWed. 10/2910:00a Bible Study at Aldersgate
6:00p Fellowship & Study
- 7:30p Choir Rehearsal Thu. 10/30 9a-12p Food Pantry Open at Asbury
- Fri. 10/31 Offices Closed
- Sat. 11/1 9:00a AFLS Set clocks BACK one hour tonight
- Sun. 11/2 All Saints' Sunday 9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship 12:15p Hispanic Board Mtg.

REMINDER The Finance Committee, Sun., Oct. 26, at 9 a.m.



FOOD PANTRY FOR OCTOBER Green Beans, Corn, Cake Mix, Frosting

KOFFEE IN THE KITCHEN

Please join us in the kitchen on Sunday mornings, help yourself to a cup of coffee then join your friends in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!



ADVENT STUDY

Student books for our special Advent study, "Not a Silent Night"—Mary Looks Back to Bethlehem, are now available for \$11 each. Sessions will begin on November 30. Stop by or call the church office to reserve or pick up your copy.



HARVEST DINNER IS NOVEMBER 16

We always look forward to our traditional Thanksgiving Dinner, catered by Mary Proctor. **Don't forget to make reservations**. They are a must, to provide us with the number of mouths we will feed. The sign-up sheet is on the office window or you may call the office, 683-8861.



Please join us for lunch to welcome

Mary Wilson Bierbrodt

Sunday, October 26, 2014 12:30 p.m. Aldersgate United Methodist Church 4459 Willow Road

Courtney is registered at Target, Babies "R" US, Cotton Tails and RSVP Baby

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Getting people to like you is simply the other side of liking other people. Norman Vincent Peale

REMEMBER YOUR "SHOES FOR LAKESHORE"

The deadline is October 26. Let's put our best 'feet' forward and give Lakeshore our shoes! The more the better. Lakeshore will be paid for every pair of new or gently used shoes donated.

CONGRATS TO THE WINNERS

...of our 35th Annual Golf Tournament: Jimmy Bedwell, David Forney, Matt Bedwell, and John Richey. John Richey also took the prizes for Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive.

UMW NEWS <u>M</u>ission <u>O</u>utreach <u>R</u>etreat Registration Deadline - October 25

Nov. 8-9 at Lakeshore will again see MOR in full swing. There will be both inside and outside activities this year. Bring your crochet/knitting/sewing projects, sewing machines and materials for school bags, sundresses and shorts. Our UMCOR project is sewing kits. If you plan to work on an outside project, please bring black plastic bags, gloves, clippers, etc., and wear tennis shoes.

Bring the usual comfortable clothing and linens, money for the canteen and Bookroom and a bottle for water (Lakeshore does not carry bottled water). A love offering will be collected at the end of the retreat.

Forms are available in the church office or on the tables outside the Sanctuary.

For more information and details, please contact Melba Mitchell, *malibu57@gowisper.net* or 731-780-0873 or Carol Lord, *CaLo4654@att.net* or 901-388-0541.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Starting November 1, we will be collecting for the Thanksgiving food baskets for Asbury's Food Pantry. **Please bring only the items listed below**. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make it out to Aldersgate and note "food pantry" in the memo line. Kroger gift cards in the amount of \$15 are also welcome. Thank you for your faithfulness to this project.

Sharon Lockhart

2 Boxes Stuffing Mix 2 Cans Green Beans 40 oz. Sweet Potatoes	2 Cans Cranberry Sauce 2 Cans Corn 4-5 lbs. flour
4-5 lbs. sugar	40 oz. biscuit mix
24 oz. Oil	Box of Powered Milk
1 Cake Mix	1 Can Frosting
1 Jar of Instant Coffee	26 oz. Instant Potatoes
1 Box Family-size Tea	Bags 1 Kroger Gift Card
This is a complete head	ot You may do all or any

This is a complete basket. You may do all or any part, as you prefer. Please have all items/baskets at the church by November 19.



MULLINS UMW'S 37th ANNUAL CRAFTS FAIR November 8 — 9 am to 4 pm

All are invited to the Mullins UMW's Annual Crafts Fair. There will be over 100 exhibitors offering handcrafted items. All activities are inside. Baked goods and food concessions will be on site. You may find just what you want for that special someone for Christmas!

LA PALOMA TREATMENT CENTER PRESENTS 6K RUN/WALK TO BENEFIT 'THE WAY'

'The Way', a recovery ministry of St. John's UMC and the Church Health Center, will receive the proceeds of the Heroes in Action 6K Run/Walk, on Nov. 8th. Kick-off will be at 8 a.m. at Court Square on Main St.

A recovery service is held at St. John's every Friday at 6 p.m. All are invited to attend. Log on to: *heroes6k.com* to register for the event.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for November/December are now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary.



LINDENWOOD OFFERS "THE CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR"

Tickets are now on sale for Lindenwood Christian Church's "Christmas Spectacular". General Admission is \$18. The performance will be Sunday, December 7, at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30. Please reserve your tickets by phone at 901-458-1652 or email at *chris.nemec@Lindenwood.net*. Last year sold out, so reserve soon! The Chancel Choir, orchestra, soloists and organist, Chris Nemec, will present many favorites such as "O Holy Night", "Away in a Manger" and "Still, Still, Still". Its sure to be a great evening!