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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Someone once said, "Christian fellowship is second to none!" The significance of these great words took on new meaning for me during last Sunday's praise and fellowship service. People were smiling and enjoying their worship as they sung some of their most favorite contemporary and traditional hymns of the faith. Attendance was also impressive during the children's sermon when 19 children assembled at the altar for a spiritual object lesson. How delightful it was to receive the Mischke family back into the membership of our church! Following the morning worship service, almost everyone attended the delicious pot-luck and fellowship luncheon given in honor of our new members, non members, and people who have recently been attending our church. If Christian fellowship really is second to none, I am in full agreement based on the sustained evidence!

As your pastor, I hope and pray that you and your family are getting excited about our first Wonderific Wednesday program that resumes this Wednesday, September 3, at 5:30 p.m. The adults will begin their study of the "Miracles of Jesus," and there will be music and handchimes and crafts for the children and a new program for the youth. Be sure to invite your friends to attend. Please continue in your unwavering attendance and participation of these new training ministries. We need everyone's prayers and support to insure our success and accelerated growth.

In closing, I am really looking forward to next Sunday's worship service because we will welcome a new staff member, Jacob Ross, who will officially become our youth director. We are indeed a very gracious and gifted church family, and the future is beginning to look much brighter with "endless opportunity" to develop our full potential.

In Christ's Service

Re. William T. Jowers

UMYF NEWS!

There will be a new UMYF Sunday evening schedule this year. Jacob Ross, our new youth director, is including 6th graders in our UMYF program! The schedule will be as follows:

- 4:30-5:30 p.m. - Junior High UMYF (6th, 7th, 8th grades)
- 5:30-6:00 p.m. - UMYF Joint Meal (6th through 12th grades)
- 6:00-7:00 P.M. - Senior High UMYF (9th through 12th grades)

Adult supper volunteers will need to be present from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. If you are unable to come at 4:30 or to stay after the meal, contact Glenna Helms at 692-3531.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the Mischke family as our church's newest members, Jodie and Sarah, who come as transfer members from Henderson First UMC. Since Bro. Steve is a retired United Methodist minister, his membership is always with the Memphis Annual Conference. Jodie is employed at the District Attorney General's office here in Trenton and Gibson County. Sarah is a sophomore at Peabody High School. How delighted we are that they decided to move back to Trenton and become active members of our church!

CHURCH PICNIC

All church members, friends, and guests are invited to attend our annual church picnic at Grover and Betty Poteet's home, located on the Milan Highway, on Sunday, September 14th, at 4:00 p.m. Please bring a large serving of your favorite food. Since by 4:00 p.m. our Love Notes handbell choir will have finished their performance in the homecoming program at Dyer First UMC, we strongly encourage them to attend this fellowship event. Our youth and children are especially alerted to attend because there will be games and recreation under the leadership of our new youth director, **Jacob Ross**, and others of our youth counselors. **We are expecting everyone's full participation, and thus we expect this year's attendance will be one of our best!**

REVIVAL NEWS

Bro. Tommy will be the guest preacher at the Yorkville Cumberland Presbyterian Church for revival services, Sunday - Wednesday, September 7-10, beginning at 7:00 p.m. every evening. Please keep him in your prayers during these worship services.

LOVE NOTES BELL CHOIR

Our handbell choir will perform on Sunday, September 14, at 1:30 p.m. as part of homecoming festivities that start at 1 p.m. at Dyer First UMC. You are invited to attend; it would mean a great deal to our handbell choir.

**HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY TO GAIL AND ROBERT
SIDNEY PHELAN AND TO SALLY AND CARL
WYATT!**

INVITATION

Jill Mischke and Ben Hampton were married on August 14 in Gulf Shores, Alabama. You are invited to a reception honoring the couple on September 13 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at The Reserve at Dexter Lake Pavilion, 1400 Dexter Lake Drive, Cordova, Tennessee.

Can you guess who this child is? Call Gary Blankinship 855-0896, or phone the church at 855-0561. The previous photo was of Joyce Flack.

PRAYER AND CARE: Terry Agree, Susan Buchanan, Lonnie Campbell is in Gibson General Hospital (brother-in-law of Faye Campbell), Michele Phelan, Terry Rivas (sister of Lori Michel), Bill Stover (father of Terrie Joyner), James "Sonny" Taylor (grandfather of Kari Alexander), Mary Laurel Webb (daughter of Susan Buchanan).

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY: Otto and Hans Bauer (nephews of Gina Williams), Darrin Brewer and Jason Pritchett (nephews of Skip & Bonnie Palmer), James Patrick Inman, Chris Smith.

IN NURSING HOMES: Finis & Mattie Carr, Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street; Dorothy Hardaway, 400 Harlan Morris Drive Room 5, Trenton; Vivian Hight, Humboldt Manor, 2031 Avondale Rd., Humboldt, TN.; Walter Kilzer, Dyer Nursing Home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER: Jim Grant

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

*Billy Woods Billy George Ken Holder
Judy Woods Becky George Marilyn Holder

MEALS FOR OUR YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENING

To volunteer to feed the youth, call Glenna Helms 692-3531

September 7---Beth Phelan and Michele Phelan
September 14--Church Picnic at the home of the Poteets
September 21--Sandra Mitchell
September 28--Kari Alexander

Supper volunteers will need to be present from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. The meal is served at 5:30. If you are unable to come at 4:30 or to stay after the meal, contact Glenna Helms at 692-3531.

GREETERS

September 7 Marilyn & Ken Holder
September 14 Barbara & Harold Griggs
September 21 Peggy & Fred Davis
September 28 Barbara & Frank Parker

ACOLYTES

September 7 Sydney Phelan & Rachel Rollins
September 14 Josey Phelan & Claire Rollins
September 21 Christian Roberts & Cade Roberts
September 28 Bailey Williams & Gracie Williams

SUNDAY WORSHIP LAY READINGS

September 7 St. Luke 10:25-37 Debbie Grant
September 14 TBA TBA
September 21 TBA TBA
September 28 TBA Diane McClanahan

CHILDREN'S SERMONS

September 7 Bro. Tommy Jowers
September 14 Delores Smith
September 21 Jeff Carr
September 28 TyAnne Ridings

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2-Barbara Griggs. 2-Carol Ann Halliburton. 2-Allie Privitt.
5-Mary Ernest. 6-Judy Estes. 6-Betty Poteet. 10-Sandy Hodges.

11-Clint Buchanan. 11- Susan Buchanan. 14-Shelby Moore.
18- Noraine Becton. 20-Terrie Joyner. 20-LaNita VanDyke.
21- Dot Kilzer. 22-Shannon H. Ragusa. 26-Sallie King
27-Tim Jones. 29-Jennifer Moore. 29-Frances Joyner.

ATTENDANCE AUGUST 31, 2008

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 96 **MORNING WORSHIP:** 108
TO IMPROVEMENTS DEBT AUGUST 25--AUGUST 31: \$15
TO DATE FOR SANCTUARY DEBT: \$14,232
TO DATE FOR YOUTH MINISTRIES: \$2799

Visitors in Worship August 31 -- Ann Taylor Elliott, Jesse & Teri Gordon, Taylor Hammonds, Marley Hendrix, Chris Rowlett, Rachel Taylor.

CALENDAR

Friday, September 5 (please note corrected date)

1:00-5:00 p.m. - Bloodmobile at Bancorp South-Bypass Branch
Bring a photo ID. All donors receive a gift.
Blood supply is currently low. Please give.

Sunday, September 7

9:30 a.m. - Coffee and Conversation--fellowship hall
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
4:30-5:30 p.m. - Junior High UMYF (6th, 7th, 8th grades)
5:30-6:00 p.m. - UMYF Joint Meal (6th through 12th grades)
6:00-7:00 P.M. - Senior High UMYF (9th through 12th grades)
7:00 p.m. - Love Notes Handbell Choir rehearsal

Wednesday, September 10

5:30 p.m. - First Wonderific Wednesday of fall 2008
6:00 p.m. - Activities for all ages.
7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Saturday, September 13 - 9 a.m. - Handbells move bells to Dyer FUMC

Sunday, September 14

1:30 Love Notes Handbell Choir performs at Dyer FUMC
4:00 p.m. - Church Picnic at the home of Betty & Grover Poteet

WONDERIFIC WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK!

Meal at 5:30. Activities 6-7 p.m. Adults meet with Bro. Tommy to study the miracles of Jesus. Peggy Davis is again teaching the pre-school age class. Children K through 6th grade have music and handchimes with Leigh Boyce and Leah Jean Rollins all through September in preparation for Children's Sabbath in October. Jane Maule is leading crafts for K-3rd graders, and various mothers are doing crafts with 4th-6th graders. In September the craft for 4th-6th graders is decorating concrete stepping stones with Christian symbols, led by Sandy Hodges!

MEMORIALS

Please note: Memorial donations need to be on a check that is a separate check from your other offerings.

TO YOUTH MINISTRIES

IN HONOR OF GARRETT HINSON, JONATHAN GLOVER, ANNIE WILLIAMS, ALEX JONES, SANDY HODGES, CHRISTY WALLSMITH, JACOB ROSS
Leah Jean, Gil, Rachel, & Claire Rollins

IN MEMORY OF MELISSA ARNOLD, BETTY STEWART, HUGHLINE DICKEY, KELLY LANE, BILL HANEY.

**IN HONOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF TRENTON
FUMC, PARKER BACON, ELIZABETH BACON, BLAIR
BACON, HUNTER PARKER, KENSLEY PARKER,
BENEVOLENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

Barbara & Frank Parker

TO SANCTUARY IMPROVEMENTS DEBT

IN HONOR OF BARBARA SHOAF ON HER BIRTHDAY

Noraine Becton

IN MEMORY OF GWINNELL MATTHEWS

Donna & Charles Carr

IN MEMORY OF KELLY LANE AND HUGHLINE DICKEY

IN HONOR OF SUSAN BUCHANAN AND WALTER KILZER

Betty Denton

IN MEMORY OF KELLY LANE

Mary & Neil Ernest

Judy & Billy Woods