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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Celebrating Stewardship: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow!" Our church family will be celebrating the spiritual meaning of stewardship throughout November. The questions that we would like to explore throughout this fantastic journey are as follows: What is a Christian steward, and what can I do to enhance my relationship to Jesus Christ? A Christian steward is simply someone entrusted with the God-given resources of time, talent, and wealth. How we use, invest, share, sacrifice, and give back to God those assets definitely reveals our love for Him, His Kingdom, and His Church! If we are faithfully committed as we explore these awesome gifts from our Creator, we could easily awaken a new resource of joy within the depths of our hearts. When Christian stewardship becomes more than a strict discipline of dollars and cents and elevates toward becoming a personal and total lifestyle, we instantaneously become the recipients of new and exciting blessings.

The intent of this stewardship program will be to provide a spiritual and educational format for the entire church family to begin focusing on our unlimited potential of becoming not only a strong church, but a spiritual fellowship second to none. If everyone will remain open and flexible as we learn these new interpretations of this unexplored and adventurous word *stewardship*, I will assure you that "The best is yet to come!" Can God and can our church count on you to give this new program a fair and prayerful consideration concerning where you would like to be in your relationship with our Lord?

In Christ's Service,

Rev. William T. Jowers

DESSERTS FOR CHARGE CONFERENCE, NOV. 2

Since the stew will be provided at charge conference (5:30 p.m., Sunday, November 2), we need families to bring some desserts. There will be 15 churches representing 6 charges attending, and we will need an assortment of desserts. Thank you for your support.

A GREAT CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

How refreshing it was to witness the children, youth, and adults using their talents to present a musical and narrative interpretation of the Apostles' Creed! Our pews were almost filled to capacity as the church family enjoyed the music of Jacob Ross, Garrett Hinson, Alex Jones, Rachel Rollins, and the children's band led by Leigh Boyce. Appreciation is especially expressed to the following leaders: Teri Maddox, TyAnne Ridings, Leah Jean Rollins, and Leigh Boyce.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

We will honor and remember these members of our church family who have died since we celebrated All Saints Sunday in 2007. These members are as follows:

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| 1. Johnny Milligan | 4. Hattie Bell |
| Boswell | |
| 2. Kathy Bradley | 5. Virginia Skiles |
| 2. Jamison Grey Buchanan | 6. Walter Kilzer |
| (infant of Clint & Cicily Buchanan) | |

HERITAGE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

This Sunday, Nov. 2, is also Heritage Sunday at our church. Gary Blankinship along with his cast of actors will present a brief skit about our wonderful heritage and those gifted stewards of the past. Please be present for this inspirational worship service beginning at 10:50 a.m.

DO NOT ADJUST ANY THERMOSTATS!

We have recently installed new programmable thermostats throughout the church. **If you are too hot or too cold, please do not adjust them because you could easily change these sensitive time and temperature programmed settings without realizing what you have done.** Please contact William Joyner, Billy Woods, Harold Griggs, or Bro. Tommy if you feel that the majority of the congregation is uncomfortable with these temperature settings.

Call 855-0561. There is a prize of a golden dollar to each of the first 3 families to identify this young lady. Give your childhood photo to Gary or Carolyn Blankinship. The last photo was of Janie Hall (mother of LaNita VanDyke).

PRAYER AND CARE: Terry Agee, Joseta Barker, Susan Buchanan, Thomas Cherry, Terry Rivas (sister of Lori Michel).

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY: Otto and Hans Bauer (nephews of Gina Williams), James Patrick Inman, Paul Michael Ross (brother of Jacob Ross), Chris Smith, Chais Milligan Wallsmith.

IN RETIREMENT HOMES: Agnes Evans, Room 44, Harlan Morris Home, 400 Harlan Morris Drive, Trenton, TN. Dorothy Hardaway, Room 5, Harlan Morris Home, 400 Harlan Morris Drive, Trenton, TN.

IN NURSING HOMES: Finis & Mattie Carr, Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street; Vivian Hight, Humboldt Manor, 2031 Avondale Road., Humboldt, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER: Betty Denton

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

*Sammy Dickey Thomas Cherry Jimmy Milligan
Janice Dickey Virginia Cherry Sandy Milligan

MEALS FOR OUR YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENINGS

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

November 2 TyAnne & Larry Ridings
November 9 Sandra Mitchell
November 16 Carol Edwards
November 23 Bettye Jackson & Karin Johnson

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

November 2 Joseta Barker & Betty Denton
November 9 Kerrie & Brad Ballentine
November 16 Dorothy & Charlie Lancaster
November 23 Donna Carr & Judy Estes

ACOLYTES

November 2 Claire Rollins & Gracie Williams
November 9 Cade Roberts & Christian Roberts
November 16 Rachel Rollins & Bailey Williams
November 23 Blake Estes & Daniel Hodges

SUNDAY WORSHIP LAY READERS

November 2 TBA Diane McClanahan
November 9 TBA Murray Jones
November 16 TBA Harold Griggs
November 23 TBA Trudy Phillips

CHILDREN'S SERMONS

November 2 Bro. Tommy Jowers
November 9 Teri Maddox
November 16 Andrea Joyner
November 23 Barbara Griggs

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3-Henry Phillips. 9-Nathan Baker. 13-Trudy Phillips.
19-Rachel Lambert. 20-Louise Potts. 24-Joyce Sanders.
29-Rachel Rollins

NEW KITCHEN TOOL SETS

We have new knife sets of stainless steel by RADA that will make wonderful wedding presents. Come to the church office to see the new items available through this fund-raising project of our UMW.

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 2--All Saints Day/Heritage Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Coffee and Conversation-in the-fellowship hall
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:50 a.m. - Worship Service
5:30 p.m. - Charge Conference Stew Meal by the Poteets
6:00 p.m. - North Gibson County Cluster Charge Conference
7:00 p.m. - Love Notes Handbell Choir practice

Tuesday, November 4

8:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. Free Health Clinic
Free fasting blood sugar and blood pressure testing
Be sure to come fasting for fasting blood sugar test.

Wednesday, November 5

5:30 p.m. - Wonderific Wednesday fellowship meal by Gloria J.
\$3 per person. \$10 maximum for a family.
6:00 p.m. - Activities for all ages.
Adult Study Assignment: The next 2 miracles.
7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

ATTENDANCE OCTOBER 26, 2008

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 101 **MORNING WORSHIP:** 127

VISITORS IN WORSHIP OCTOBER 26: Unknown because attendance pads did not get passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TO IMPROVEMENTS DEBT OCT 20--OCT 26: \$10
TO DATE FOR SANCTUARY DEBT: \$14,410
TO DATE FOR YOUTH MINISTRIES: \$3,501

MEMORIALS

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

TO THE TRUSTEES MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY OF WALTER KILZER

Daisy & William Stott

IN MEMORY OF WALTER KILZER AND JACK WALKER

Beverly & Mack Younce

TO THE FLOWER FUND

IN MEMORY OF WALTER KILZER

Candace & Alan Yates Joyce & Larry Sanders

FOUND in the church van: A necklace of shiny dark-gray metal beads and a modern dark-gray metal crucifix. Reclaim this on the table outside the church office.

FOUND after the bazaar: A ladies wristwatch with heavy metal band of "silver" and "gold." Claim it on the secretary's desk.

IN CONCERT: BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE, AUSTIN'S BRIDGE, BEN KIRK at Peabody High School 7:30 PM Friday, November 7, sponsored by Peabody High Band Boosters. Tickets: Artist Circle (first 10 rows on the floor) \$15; General Admission in Advance \$10; Groups of 10 or more call 731-343-6453. Available at Deaton's Marketplace, Trenton; Lifeway Bookstore, Jackson; Lighthouse Bookstore, Union City; or from any PHS band member (Alex Jones) or any PHS Band Boosters member.