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THE COLUMNS

First United Methodist Church, Mayfield, KY

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Accomplishes Much)

Mayfield First's new teams that will help us imitate Jesus' ministry are now forming. First is the Hospitality/Local Outreach team. YOU may have expressed interest in this team or one of the teams below, or perhaps you are still wondering which group might be for you. **Read on!**

Hospitality and Local Outreach Team

Meeting Sunday, January 10, 1:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall



The work of these teams will be wide-ranging. Some of the participants will be "meeting people," those who have ideas and attend meetings for planning, etc. Others will be "task people," folks who want to be called on when it's time for a specific action or event with which they can help. If you're not a "meeting person," but the emphasis of this group is "up your alley," please attend this first gathering or contact the church office or Pastor Joe to express your interest.

- ◆ Making church entryways and interior/exterior signage more visitor-friendly
- ◆ Visitor follow-up (Bread, letters, notes, visitation, welcome literature, etc.)
- ◆ Special events/programs held at the church designed as outreach (concerts, recovery groups, special family/community seminars, etc.)
- ◆ Community events and outreach opportunities (Glory Days, Christmas Parade, etc., specific events we may hold to reach those with no church affiliation)
- ◆ Advertising and internet presence
- ◆ Congregation information and education about hospitality and outreach

Faith Formation Teams –

Discipleship (learning the faith) and
Nurture (congregational care)

Sunday, January 24, 11:35 a.m., Fellowship Hall

We'll have pizza, salad and drinks and begin our discussion of how to enhance and encourage existing discipleship and nurture ministries, and to assess where we can add events or communications to serve the Lord better through Bible studies, Sunday School, email/letter/card encouragement, web ministry, visitation, follow-up on inactive members and much more.



Worship Design Team

Thursday, January 21,
 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Come find out if this group is the match for your gifts and ministry passion. Musicians, singers, those interested in drama, video production, Altar Guild (caring for Holy Communion and paraments), banners, graphic design, cameras, sound and video projection, worship broadcast, and special seasonal, ecumenical and other worship celebrations.

Missions Team

Tuesday, January 26, 6:30 p.m.,
 Charles Baugh Classroom

Jesus' mandate is that the Church go out into all the world. Mayfield First's involvement in local, regional, national and international ministries, relationship to missionaries, short-term teams, missions education, cooperation with U.M.W. and congregational communication are all part of this team's critical work.





The following memorial/honorarium gifts have been received by our church through January 4, 2010.

In Memory of Ruth Ligon

Given by: Joe & Dean Roper (scholarship)
Bill "Red" & Garvelene Wolfe

In Memory of Linda Lowry

Given by: Joe & Dean Roper (scholarship) James Lowry
Nancy Smith Bill "Red" & Garvelene Wolfe
Joanne Givens Tucker (Bldg. Fund)

In Memory of Rita Robertson

Given by: Joe & Dean Roper (scholarship) Sue Perkins
Mary Ann Ellison

In Memory of Lucy Gough

Given by: Joe & Dean Roper (scholarship)

In Memory of Virginia King

Given by: James & Wanda Gay Wesley & Nancy Greer
Charlotte Clemmons Marilyn Coltharp
Robert & Janie Ivy Stan & Debra Hack
Sue Perkins Louise Saxon

In Memory of George Tucker

Given by: Jeff & Melanie Beck Wesley & Nancy Greer
Stan & Debra Hack Sue Perkins
Nancy Smith Joe & Liz Hansen

In Memory of Katherin Sprowles

Given by: Marilyn Coltharp

In Memory of Don Kerr

Given by: Marilyn Coltharp

In Honor of UMW

Given by: Jeff & Melanie Beck

We extend our Christian Love and Sympathy

.....to Bob King and family upon the death of his mother, **Virginia King**, on Monday, November 23, 2009. Services were held on November 28th in West Virginia.

.....to the family and friends of **George Tucker** upon his death on Monday, December 7, 2009. Services were held on December 11th in McKenzie, TN.

.....to Gary Jetton and family in the death of his uncle, **Martin "Spud" Jetton** on New Year's Day. Services were held on Tuesday, January 5th in Mayfield.

.....to Harold Adams and family upon the death of his mother, **Elizabeth Adams Vick**, on Sunday, January 3rd. Services are being held on Wednesday, January 6th in Mayfield.



CATERPILLARS ARE CRAWLING...

No, not the fuzzy ones on the ground but the caterpillars preparing for the upcoming Chrysalis Flight. Please pray for our own, **Hillary Bacon**, as well as all the others who will be attending Flight #32 next weekend, January 16-18. Also remember the team as they lead the group. Working the Flight from Mayfield First are **Christa Copeland, Joe Hansen, Clarke & LaVerne Waldrop**.

Mayfield FIRST RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM - JOIN NOW!

Eleven members have already registered! You can register on-line or call Khadra Turley at 247-8807. We were a Silver team in '09 raising \$6,638! This year's Relay is June 11 at Graves Co. football field. Let's have over twenty team members this year....sign up today!



If someone should be added or removed from the prayer list below, please contact the church office.

Remember these persons in prayer:

Ongoing Concern

Nancy Greer, 618 Hillside Dr.
Reid Hearn, 406 E. College St.
Joe Roper, 1212 Sunnyside Dr.
Janice Sweatt, 724 South 3rd St.

Homebound Members

(Please call the church office if you need a specific address for any homebound member.)

Charlotte Boyd	Carolyn McClendon
Rebecca Canter	Georgia Morehead
Joyce Champion	Homer Pace
Ruth Dillard	Margie Pearson
Carolyn Gibson	Clara Power
Hal Gibson	Georgie Pryor
Jean Hamlin	Doris Sims
Euvah Howland	Cameron Stimson
Jean Kennedy	Frances Williams
Margaret Kirkwood	Anna Wright

Friends and Relatives

James Baer	Don Hise
Jimmy Cherry	Dwight Mills
Peggy Daughaday	Riley Grace Mulligan
Buddy English	David Morrill
Doug Flanary	Frank Olsofka
Bruce & Ann Henderson	

HEY KIDS - JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Grades 3, 4, and 5 have been studying different aspects of the advent season and are continuing that through the events in the early life of Jesus and now John the Baptist who challenges us to help our fellowman. After we study the Bible stories for a period of time, we refresh our memories through Bible Baseball. Come join us each Sunday on 3rd floor. The teacher is Joyce McClain.



NEW BABY



Congratulations to Ashley Jones on the birth of her son, **Cooper Phelps Jones** on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 weighing in at 7 lbs. 1 oz. Steve & Shannon Jones are his grandparents; Hailey is Cooper's aunt; and the very proud great grandparents are Steve & Vicky Jones.

CONGRATULATIONS

.....to **Grant Phillips** for being named the November Student of the Month for Confidence at Sedalia Elementary School. That's great!!
.....to Mayfield High School's **Sarah Hamby** who was elected as Leo Club President. The Leo Club is sponsored by the Lions Club. Go, Sarah!!

UMW NEWS

We invite all women of the church to join and to participate in the United Methodist Women's Study and Mission activities for the year 2010. At the local level, we are organized into four membership groups or circles. Two meet during the day and two meet in the evenings. See the following information about each circle and hopefully you can find a time or an interest that will fit your schedule:

- **Mary Martha Circle** has 13 members
Meets at the church on 4th Monday at 10 AM
Chairperson - **Mary Ruth Wright** (247-2523)
- **Fellowship Circle** has 16 members
Meets at the church on 4th Tuesday at 2 PM
Chairperson - **Joyce Sprowles** (247-7457)
- **Circle of Grace** has 18 members
Meets on 4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm
Chairperson - **Kelly Green** (247-5279)
- **Nancy Isbell Circle** has 20 members
Meets at the church on 4th Monday at 5:30 pm
Chairperson - **Vicki Smith** (345-3161)

If you have any questions about the United Methodist Women organization, please contact one of these chairpersons or the president of the local unit, **Joyce Sprowles** (247-7457).

Kellie Wilber and team want to thank everyone who prayed, gave backpacks (and contents) and financial gifts in support of the New Year's mission to Highgate Jamaica. Your prayers and gifts made a wonderful difference in people's lives for God's Kingdom. Thank you!



WEDDING INVITATIONS

You are invited to the marriage of **Carlye Gayle Burchett and John Thomas Marshall** this Saturday, January 16th at 4:30 p.m. at Liberty Hill General Baptist Church, 12760 County Rd. 420, Dexter, Missouri. A cake reception will immediately follow the ceremony in the Family Life Center of the church.



Mackenzie Leigh Bush and Logan James Hanes will marry on **January 30, 2010** at 5:30 p.m. at the Broadway United Methodist Church in Paducah. A reception will follow at 7:00 p.m. at the Linden Plantation, 3565 Lone Oak Rd. in Paducah. ➔ If you plan to attend, please **RSVP** to Janie Bush at (972) 775-3792 or bushes4@att.net as soon as possible.

A Note from Kakizome Joe (not Kamikaze Joe!)

Early in January, the Japanese do the Kakizome. It means "first writing" of the year. Using traditional oriental ink brushes, citizens write a favorite poem or proverb.

No traditional oriental ink brushes here. Not even the good old pen and paper. It's computer-generated text coming to you hot off the office copier! Hardly old-fashioned, but the truth of the Proverbs does not change, no matter the method of presentation!

Proverbs 3:9-10 says, "Honor the LORD with your wealth (all you've been given, monetarily and non-monetarily), with the first fruits of all your crops (your best gifts of time, talent and treasure); then your barns (your days) will be filled to overflowing, and your vats (your heart) will brim over with new wine (the abundant life Jesus taught us about)."

In Japan, people laugh at the stroke of midnight to ensure good luck in the New Year. In the Philippines, children jump ten times when the clock strikes twelve, hoping to grow taller in the new year. In Mexico, some people take out their suitcases and walk around the block, hoping it will help give them a chance to travel during the next year.

But you, Christian brother and sister, don't need superstitions or temporary resolutions to get you where you need to go in 2010. Instead, *honor the Lord* as the Bible instructs, and the year ahead for you, and for our church - - all of us together, will be fruitful and fulfilling.

**Happy New Year!
Kakizome Joe**

(God's) Love is in the Air!

Jamaican Valentine's Dinner February 13

The Fellowship Hall may not border the Caribbean, be filled with white sand or be located in Montego Bay, Ocho Rios or Negril, but we will take you to Jamaica on the eve of Valentine's Day for a very special evening. Delicious Jamaican food will be prepared by Kellie Wilber and her Jamaican mission team, Joe Hansen, Gary Jetton and others from their team, as well as folks from our own Mayfield First Missions Team. Pork, chicken, rice and peas (beans), festival (a delicious bread), fresh fruits and juices, Jamaican Blue Mountain Coffee and more will be on the menu.

Couples and singles alike will experience a celebration of God's love for all his children, and see/hear reports on how the love of God made a difference in people's lives through these two recent Jamaican mission teams. Also joining us that evening will be Aaron and Melissa Black and their children, who will soon join the staff of Christian Service International (CSI) as missionaries to Jamaica.

There is no cost for this event; however, reservations are needed so that we can be prepared to make this a special evening for you and your loved one(s)! A basket for donations in support of future missions activity will be on the food table that evening. **RSVP** to the church office, 247-5678 or fumcmayfield@ccol.net by Sunday, Feb. 7. Please join us, mon!

January



If you have a January birthday or anniversary and it's not listed or the date is incorrect, please call the church office with the correct information. Thanks for your help!

Happy January Birthday to:

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| 1 - John Harmon | 24 - Harold Adams |
| 3 - Larky Colbert | - Jace Shell |
| - Jennifer Sudduth | 25 - Darrell DeMoss |
| 4 - Sue Byars | - Ruth Dillard |
| - Carol Johnson | 26 - Madison Crooks |
| 6 - Mary Lee King | - Regina Rakestraw |
| 9 - Ronnie Colbert | 27 - Garnet Hedge |
| 10 - Shirley Kerr | - Brian Schorr |
| - A.G. Wolfe | - Davie Stephens |
| 11 - Kate Beasley Cox | - Leslie Towe |
| - Homer Pace | 28 - Jantzen Jones |
| - Cody McCullough | - Audrey Ivy |
| - Brooke Hastings | - Janna Loveless |
| 12 - Susan Gordon | 29 - Bill Brand |
| 13 - Lynn Cobb | 30 - Leigh A. Dane |
| 15 - Jane Ann Waldrop | - Meg O'Nan |
| 16 - Matt Schorr | - Mary Ruth Wright |
| 17 - Robert Carter | - Duane Peregrine |
| - Corie Turley | - Margie Nelle Pearson |
| - Shann Moore | 31 - Karen Gibson Stubblefield |
| 19 - Emily Hansen | |
| 21 - Joyce Cornman | |
| - George Covington | |

ANNIVERSARIES

- Richard & Kay Chapman.....January 8, 1972
 George & Stacy Covington.....January 16, 1965
 Dean & Ruth Criswell.....January 20, 1990

WHAT A WAY TO START 2010!

Once again, Mayfield First came through at the year's end with a carry-over balance of slightly over \$15,000. Because of your faithfulness and generosity, our indebtedness as of December 2009 was \$94,026. We look forward to the new year and what God has in store for Mayfield First Church. Please remember your church daily as you pray, seeking God's will in the life of our congregation.



Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

I would like to say a big "Thank You" for purchasing and installing the new faucet/sprayer in the kitchen. It has made cleaning large items so much easier and more efficient. I certainly appreciate all the support I have received since beginning my cooking endeavor. I am always open to suggestions, so please feel free to make them.

Martha Thomas

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers, acts of kindness and support. It's the thoughtfulness of friends that give us the needed emotional and spiritual strength for the days ahead.

Sincerely, the Tucker Family

Dear Friends,

God's blessings on those that lifted me up in prayer during my recent surgery. I appreciate the cards, telephone calls, food, and Christmas decorations. Thank you, Pastor Joe, for your visit at the hospital. Being a child of God pays off and you are wonderful people.

God Bless You, Janice Sweatt

Dear Church Family,

We want to send a sincere thank you for the many prayers said for Riley Grace. This seems hardly adequate for the tremendous support you have given us and the impact you have had on Riley's life. We truly feel that God listened to your prayers and saved Riley for His higher purpose. She is doing well, but still needs prayers as she faces several challenges ahead. We hope everyone has a peaceful and happy new year.

Together in Christ, The Mulligan & Watts families

We want to say a BIG thank you to every individual involved in the creation of our Church's first Christmas CD. What a great idea! A special thanks to Joe Hansen and Jim Moore for their time producing the CD. We enjoyed (and will continue to enjoy) all the selections. We have many tremendously talented folks in our church. What a wonderful gift for all our members and friends. We both hope this is the beginning of a new annual FUMC tradition.

Ray & Jan Schorr

HOPE FOR LIFE PREGNANCY CENTER
 BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER
 Begins Sunday, January 24



OUR LOYALTY TO CHRIST & THE CHURCH

	Nov. 22	Nov. 29	Dec. 6	Dec. 13	Dec. 20	Dec. 27	Dec. 31	Jan. 3
Attendance: Sunday School—	119	85	98	107	95	78		109
Morning Worship—	223	186	188	226	223	174		178
Sunday School Offering.....\$	55.68	44.25	56.25	49.00	46.00	42.00		61.55
Sunday Offering/Pledges.....\$	7,456.00	9,968.00	8,826.00	5,793.00	26,694.25	6,472.38	1,800.00	6,763.00
Needline/Food Pantry.....\$	25.00			20.00	1,000.00	25.00		20.00
Maintenance.....\$			230.00					230.00
Building Fund.....\$	150.00	65.00	251.00	96.00	200.00	67.00	276.00	240.00
Memorials.....\$	5.00	85.00	75.00	155.00		10.00	40.00	
Lighthouse.....\$		250.00			500.00			
Operation Christmas Child.....\$	25.00	60.00						
Missions.....\$	250.00			40.00	480.00			
Christmas Offering (Manger)..\$				125.00	6,936.00	300.00		
Christmas Eve Offering.....\$						1,273.00		
Youth Ministry.....\$							250.00	
Audio/Video Ministry.....\$							12,500.00	