

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Sunday, August 10, 2014

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer Time
 In the Hospitality Rm
- 8:30 am Morning Fellowship (FH)
- 9:00 am Coffee with the Pastor
 In the Hospitality Rm
- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 9:00 am Children's Club (in the
 Round-up Room)
- 10:00 am Children's Worship (1st–5th
 in the Children's Chapel)
- 10:00 am Cherubs Worship
 (age 3-5 Round-up Rm)
- 10:00 am Morning Worship
- 11:00 am Welcoming our Guests
 In the Hospitality Rm
- 6:15 pm Snack Supper
- 6:30 pm Children's Activities
- 6:30 pm Identity Worship
- 7:00 pm SonRise Practice

Monday, August 11, 2014

- 9:30 pm Koinonia Circle (parlor)
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts
- 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

First United Methodist Church
 110 Sunset Drive
 Hueytown, Alabama 35023
 (Return Service Requested)

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, August 13, 2014

- 9:00 am Food Pantry
- 9:00 am Registration
- 9:00 am Clothes Closet
- 6:00 pm Handbell Practice
- 6:15 pm Snack Supper
- 6:30 pm Children's Activities
- 6:30 pm Youth Worship
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, August 14, 2014

- 9:00 am Nifty/Fifty (FH)
- 9:00 am Food Pantry
- 9:00 am Registration
- 9:00 am Clothes Closet

Friday, August 15, 2014

- 11:00 am Ladies Salad Luncheon

Thursday, August 7, 5:00 pm

HEALTH FAIR MEETING (FH)

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Hueytown, Alabama

Scribbles...

Hi, Hey, Howdy, Hello!!
 8th day?

What did God do on the
 Super Duper--- T.J. & youth/student band!!
 Do not leave kids or pets in hot cars! Hello!
 I would attend a church that enjoyed God instead of enduring life together.
 What can people do at church other than eat, study and attend
 Corporations are now promoting
 worship gatherings? meditation breaks. Did you know Google employees meditate?
 Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
 Be acceptable O, Lord My strength & redeemer!
 I like to sing. Don't get me wrong! But what else can we do?
 Would you do yoga? How bout a Jericho march around the sanctuary?
 Just Joking!! Would you tell stories? Would you dance?
 Would you journal?
 Breathe out judgmentalism. Breathe in acceptance.
 Can you hear yourself breathe? Spiritual means to breathe.
 Jesus breathed on them and said...receive the Holy Spirit. And so, they did.
 Some people endure church or God. I have to... What about, I get to...
 If you were God, what would you do?
 Jazz is mad at me. But, hey, she's a cat. I'll expect it.
 But she has a point. I left her out of my sign-off last week.
 So, Jazz says hi, hey, howdy and hello!
 Praying for: Ensley, Ginghamburg U.M.C. & Darfur. Bye!
 Dean

remember in prayer

hospitalized:

princeton

Dee Mills, NICU
Bernie Finneran, gall bladder surgery

recovering at home:

Marion Abernathy
Tammy Campbell
Paige Jones
Mava McCrorie

special prayer requests:

Ruth Cale Sandra Purcell
Joyce Cameron Judy Owens
Ann Winslett Patsy Crump
Marilyn Cannon Jay Wilks

Attendance & Contributions

August 3, 2014

Sunday School	84
Morning Worship	274
Youth Identity Worship	
Total Worship	274
Pledge Total 2014	\$404,250.00
Budget for 2014	\$546,923.00
Needed for August	45,524.42
Received this Sunday	19,138.09
Received for August	19,138.09
TOTAL FOR 2014	\$307,079.91
Building Fund 2014:	1,665.00

BIRTHDAY'S NEXT WEEK



Sunday, August 10th: Chuck Cater, Dora Chaffin, Gil Higgins, Earl Franklin
Monday, August 11th: Lucille Young
Tuesday, August 12th: Ashley Kimmel, Chase Ezell, Kyle Oden
Wednesday, August 13th: Becky Champion, Doris Ritchie
Thursday, August 14th: David Lee, Jim Allums, Kayla Glaze, Kyleigh Davidson
Friday, August 15th: Bill Cater, Alec Guthrie
Saturday, August 16th: Fletcher Lacy, Gary Harrison, Hamp Bryant, Julie Harrison, Karl Lundstrom, Leo Madderra

Are we missing a Birthday?

Call the office to have it added to our list.

**CONTRIBUTIONS
Memorials & Honorariums**

Budget

In Honor of Marion and Lenward Abernathy, Dee Mills and Ann Winslett
By Buster and Betty Jane Kornegay

In Memory of Dot Freeman and Mary Roberts
In Honor of Ann Winslett, Mava and Stuart McCrorie, Dan Thigpen, Marion Abernathy, and Joyce Cameron
By Marilyn and Alan Brown

RED BIRD MISSION TRIP



Beverly, Kentucky

Sept. 14th - 20th

Our Team:

Cheryl Finch,

Sharon Sellers, Laura Ashcraft,
Joe Moses, Danny Karr, Guin Butler
& Danny Richardson

Join our team! Call: 491-3421

SAVE YOUR COATS FOR THE
RED BIRD MISSION TRIP!

THANK YOU

Dear HFUMC,

Thank you so very much for all of the prayers, food and kindness extended to my family during the week following my mother's death. Please continue to pray for my family.

In Christ love,
Myron Freeman

Dear FUMCH,

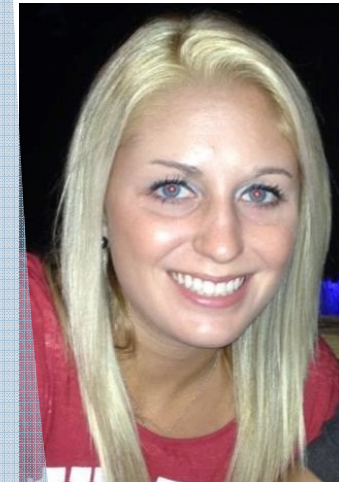
Thank you so much for the beautiful plant you sent. These last few months have been very difficult for Gary and I losing both of our mother's so close together. We are blessed to love a wonderful church family,

Gary and Pam Harrison

10:00 am Sunday



Ashley Kimmel



*Thank you
for serving
as
Children's
Director @
FUMCH*

**Join me next
week at 9:00 for
coffee in the
Hospitality Room**



Dean

Missionary Offering Sunday for Rhett Thompson



Panama Update

By Reverend Rhett Thompson

United Methodist Missionary, Panama

God's Love and Leshmaniasis

It is both humbling and exhilarating to be a part of God's amazing work to heal the sick and comfort those in tribulation. In mid-January I accompanied a group from the Panama District of the Methodist Women's Federation on a visit to a remote rural community about an hour outside Panama City. I had been warned to wear good boots because the last part of the journey would be over difficult terrain. However to everyone's delight in this election year the local government representative had had the road to the community completely graded. So the two buses, loaded with gifts for the children (a belated celebration of Three Kings' Day) were able to drive the group of women and accompanying men all the way to the swinging pedestrian bridge that provides access to the community across the Trinity River.

We had a grand celebration! After the ceremonial words of welcome by community leaders, the children's folk dance troupe delighted us all with a lively presentation. Following this activity we sang some Christmas carols and then the children were divided into different age groups to play games, receive their gifts and take turns bludgeoning their respective

piñatas. The day culminated with a community meal of sancocho (Panamanian chicken soup) and white rice.

In spite of the fact that the children seemed generally much healthier than the children we often see in the Ngäbe Homeland, I was disturbed to see a number of children with ugly sores on their faces and other parts of their bodies. Some had bad scars where previous skin lesions had healed. When I asked about the sores, I learned that the children were suffering from leshmaniasis. This particular zone is one of the few places in Panama where this disease occurs. Flea sized flies bite and suck blood from wild and domestic animals that serve as reservoirs for the parasite that causes leshmaniasis. When these same flies bite the children or adults, they inject the parasite. Standard treatment involves very painful daily injections over as many as 40 to 50 days. However the mothers of some of the affected children told me that there was no longer a doctor at the nearby government clinic. They were told to go to the Gorgas Institute in Panama City. None had attempted to make that journey, so all of the children were going untreated. "No," I thought. "This can't be!" Determined to find out what was going on, the next day I googled "Leshmaniasis in Panama" and found an article published in the local newspaper that very day describing a new painless topical treatment developed by the Gorgas Institute. On Monday, after a half a dozen calls, I finally contacted the clinic offering the treatment. After I explained the situation, the clinic manager said that if we would get a list of people in need of treatment, they would send a vehicle to pick them up and take them to the clinic where they would receive a complete medical examination and then be enrolled in the treatment program. Everything would be free of charge! You can imagine how my heart rejoiced when I heard these words.

We were not on a health mission. We just wanted to bring a little cheer to a bunch of kids. But God was at work bringing all things together at that precise moment. And God presented us with an opportunity to do something. I think these opportunities arise daily. We just have to be paying attention and follow the impulse of the Holy Spirit. I believe that God's love was at work in the scientists who developed the new treatment, in the Methodist women who have been making these annual visits to the community and in Benjamin and his helpers. I just got to be a link in this chain of God's love and mercy. Thanks be to God!

Shalom, Carol Ruth

"We are not human beings having a spiritual journey, we are spiritual beings, having a human journey"

Annual Conference Report

The 145th Annual session of the North Alabama Conference was held June 1-4. Thank you for allowing me to attend this conference as the church lay representative. For the third year in a row, the conference was held at Birmingham Southern College after being held at other locations in previous years.

This year as in last year, we were led by our new conference Bishop, Debra Wallace-Padgett. She has a good presence about her, and conducts meetings smoothly. She manages difficult situations well and with really good humor. The goal of 1 million dollars for "Imagine No Malaria" was achieved. Hueytown F.U.M.C. contributed \$3,830.00 towards this project.

The North Alabama Conference is the connection between our church and the other Methodist Churches in Alabama, in America and really in the rest of the world. There are 750 churches in the conference so you can see how big the conference is.

This conference is a gigantic event with everything from music, devotionals, constitutional amendments and a long list of reports. The North Alabama Conference does a lot of jobs for all the churches. Just to mention a few of them:

Pastoral Assignments, Ethnic Ministries, BSC & Huntington College connections, Camp Sumatanga, Disaster Recovery for North Alabama, Lay Ministry, Cokesbury Books, UMW Children's Homes, + many others.

The activities of the conference can impact our church. Dean and the committees of the church will keep up with what all is happening but, I encourage you to take an interest in the conference and its work and perhaps take in one of the meetings at the next annual conference.

Thanks,
Bill Hornsby

SALAD LUNCH

Saturday, August 16th 11:00 a.m.

All Ladies in our congregation are invited to bring a salad and join together for Good Food, Fun and Fellowship.

Gaither Musical Concert

*(Featuring 80 Voices & Orchestra)**

"Alleluia Praise Continued"

Sunday, August 24 @ 3:00 p.m.

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church

Hueytown

** Combined choirs of*

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church,

Caanan Baptist Church,

Baptist Church of McAdory,

First UMC Hueytown,

Pleasant Hill Methodist Church

Directed by LaWayne Fleming

Items Needed to Start the New Nursery

Rocking Chair Crib Fitted Sheets
Blankets Garbage Pail Riding Cars
Crayons Coloring Books Puzzles
Dolls Doll Clothing
Nesting Toys Building Blocks
Kitchen – Plates, cups, tea pot

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS August 3, 2014

We wish to welcome the Ballard's in to the Christian love and fellowship of First Church.

Kevin & Richenda Ballard
448 5th Court
Pleasant Grove, AL 35127
Children: Drake & Alice

Flowers in the Narthex Sunday were in honor of Chris and Monica Burrage on Their 1st Anniversary & David and Cindy Burrage on Their 27th Anniversary