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OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY-THURSDAY
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
FRIDAY: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Sunday, September 2, 2018
8:30 am Morning Fellowship
9:00 am Sunday School
9:45 am Kid's Worship
10:00 am Morning Worship
11:00 am Emmaus Luncheon (FH)
11:00 am Thrive Worship
5:15 pm Youth Small Group
6:00 pm Sunday Night Sing-a-long

Monday, September 3, 2018
LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, September 4, 2018
6:30 pm Cub Scout Parent Orientation (FH)

Wednesday, September 5, 2018
6:00 pm Youth Activities
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 6, 2018
FOOD DELIVERY
9:00 am Nifty/Fifty (FH)
1:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
6:00 pm Painting Class

Friday, September 7, 2018
8:00 am Day Care Grandparents Breakfast (FH)

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Hueytown, Alabama

John's Journal

August 27, 2018

Hello My Friends! I want to begin by saying "Thank You" to Joel Henson for his work on a wonderful Awesome August. We had a wonderful month of worship through the gifts and talents of Malia Henson, Maegan Roper, The Edmonson Boys and SonRise. God was lifted up, offered praise, glory and thanks by each musical guest. We can already begin to dream forward for an awesome, Awesome August 2019.

Last week I had the privilege of having a first meeting with the Vision Team here at Hueytown FUMC. Our discussion for the majority of the meeting was to help fill me in on the work of Ministry that has taken place regarding our new Thrive Worship service as well as participation in the "Level Up" program our church is privileged to be a part of through the Annual Conference. As I have been praying and discerning what I've heard and learned, the thing I notice is the investment the North Alabama Conference has made, and continues to make, in the ministry life of our great church. In my count, beginning August 2016 to August 2018, we have been the recipient of $70,000. I am happy to announce that we have also been granted an additional $15,000 for 2019 – totaling $85,000. That is a great amount of confidence to have been granted in reaching new people for Christ.

Last week during my meeting with the Vision Team, I asked this group to join me as we begin work in clarifying our "**next steps**", clarifying our Mission, our Vision and our Values in how we do ministry at Hueytown F.U.M.C. What do I mean? **By Mission** I mean what our goal of ministry is to accomplish. While it's simple to say, "Win lost people to Christ," it has to be more specific. **By Vision** I mean how we will accomplish our Mission. While it's simple to say, "by offering the lost Christ," it has to be more specific. **By Values** I mean what we hold high as the margins of Christian piety and practice in how we carry out both the Mission and the Vision of F.U.M.C. While it's simple to say, "by doing what honors God," it has to be more specific.

Friends, the gospel of Jesus Christ is about "Change!" Christ Followers are to be growing deeper in our walk with Christ, and to do that, we must change from the person we were yesterday into the person Christ calls us to be today. It means bringing along with us the good of yesterday and tweaking the areas needing adjustments. The church has to operate likewise in how it offers Christ through its ministries. But we so often flinch when we hear the word "Change." We often recoil, retreat, and prepare to deflect change. I want to commit to you that I will be in open communication with you to proposed "Change" in our church. Be assured that I have heard you clearly say that you are not opposed to "Change," but that you want to be informed about "Change," - the What? Why? How? When? I am committed WITH YOU to do what's best for the ministry of Hueytown F.U.M.C. to lead lost people to Jesus Christ through the ministry of this great church. To fulfill the calling to reach lost people in five different generational demographics…Change will have to be an operative norm for the church today.

My friends, you have known me only a few short nine (9) weeks. I have to earn your trust in how I lead you in ministry. I have to earn your trust in being transparent in all matters except Confidential Matters. I have to earn your trust that my heart is as deep as your heart for the Best of Hueytown F.U.M.C. I have to earn your trust as we grow and change, but I ask that you trust me as I seek to earn that trust, for the best of this great church. Remember, WE ARE ONE TOGETHER! I need you, and I hope you need me!

To Christ's Glory, Bro. John V.

Remember In Prayer

HOSPITALIZED

UAB-WEST
Mary Clyde Moore, dehydrated

Recovering at Home:
Gentry Ann Burgett, Seth and Millie's daughter.
Born August 21 weighing 7lb, 6oz.

Special Prayer Requests:
Ruth Bryant
Peggy Hendricks
Susan Rheuby
Patricia Pate
Monique Sanders
Floyd Lunceford
Beverly Seale
Tom Cale, Cardiact rehab (Ruth's son)
Sandra & Bobby Bracknell
Richard Norton (Vicki Parson's brother)

Attendance & Contributions
August 26, 2018

Sunday School	**73**
Morning Worship	**240**
Thrive Service	**44**
Sunday Night	**51**
Received this Sunday	**5,672.81**
Received for August	**$31,551.37**
Total Received 2018	**$272,564.91**

DID YOU KNOW …. That the church furnishes the pastor's office and pays for his moving expenses?

A opportunity for everyone!

Community Children's Christmas Party

At this time we are asking for donations to purchase gifts for the children in Hueytown that otherwise might not have a Merry Christmas. We spend $50 per child on toys and purchase a new coat or jacket. Please consider sponsoring a child (or 2 or 3). I plan to meet with the new principal and counselor at Hueyown Elementary school soon. Once the counselor has the families list I will need volunteers to help fulfill the wishes of these children.

Donations can be placed in the offering or taken to the church office. Make checks to the church with attention to the party.

Thank you for your faithfulness to this project.

Caryl Hadder

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,
We want to thank you all for the generous donations of wipes and tissues. They will be a tremendous help throughout the year. We would also like to thank the numerous volunteers helping with our latest projects around the daycare: from patching and sanding walls, painting, bulletin board construction and putting mulch out on the playground. We are so blessed to have such a generous and loving church family! Britni & daycare staff

CONTRIBUTIONS
Memorials & Honorariums

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
In Honor of Tom Cale
In Memory of Jane Post
By Doug and Sue Douglass

FOOD PANTRY
In Memory of Mava MCCrorie
By Frances & William Brawley

In Memory of Jane Post
By Cheryl Finch

PARLOR PATIO FUND
In Memory of Jerry Champion
By Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ramey II

In Memory of Jerry Champion
By Leo and Carol Madderra

In Memory of Jerry Champion
By Dale and Karen Stephens

In Mmeory of Dr. Jerry Champion
By Rachel W. Mason

In Memory of Jerry Champion
By Kay Ling

In Memory of Jerry Champion
In Honor of Becky and Family
By Ricky and Carolyn Grimes

BUDGET
In Memory of Jerry Champion
By Cheryl Finch

In Honor of Joan Jones, Jayne Hornsby, Marie McFall and Jo Edmonson
By Lucille Ogletree

In Memory of Jerry Champion
And Buddy Parker
By The Seekers Class

In Honor of Sandra Bracknell
By Faith Joy Circle

WINDOW RESTORATION
In Memory of Jane Post
By Mike and Jane Blackwell

MEMORIAL FUND
In Loving Memory of Jane Post
In Honor of Maureen, Katherine, Steven & Troy
By Marie McFall

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

OPEN DOOR CLASS

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Begins September 11th @ 9:00 a.m.

In the Disciple Room

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 **11:00 AM EMMAUS LUNCHEON** **11:00 AM THRIVE WORSHIP** **10:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**	3 **LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED**	4 6:30 PM CUB SCOUTS	5 6:00 PM Handbells 6:00 PM Youth Activities 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	6 **FOOD DELIVERY** 9:00 AM NIFTY FIFTY **1:00 PM GOLDEN GIRLS BIBLE STUDY**	7 **8:00 AM DAY CARE GRANDPARENTS BREAKFAST (FH)**	8
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