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# **UPCOMING DATES**

Sunday October 15, 2023

9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
10:10 am SMALL GROUPS
5:00 pm YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY
CONVERSATION

Monday October 16, 2023

Tuesday October 17, 2023 6:30 pm MOVING FORWARD 7:00 pm DISCOVERY

Wed. October 18, 2023

5:00 pm WEAC

6:00 pm HANDBELL PRACTICE

6:30 pm YOUTH

7:00 pm CHOIR PRACTICE

Thursday October 19, 2023

9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY6:00 pm PAINTING CLASS

Friday October 20, 2023

Saturday October 21, 2023

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sunday October 22, 20239:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

# THE CLOTHES CLOSET...

The clothes Closet is in need of children's clothes (especially boys clothes—all sizes.) We are also very low on men's shoes. Thank you for your faithful donations in support of this mission outreach.





#### **CHARGE CONFERENCE**

First Methodist Church of Hueytown's first Charge Conference as a Global Methodist Church is Sunday, November 12, 2023, at Mountain Chapel Methodist Church, Vestavia, AL., 6:00 p.m. The church is located at 2541 Rocky Ridge Road, Vestavia, AL., 35243. I can't impress upon how important being at Charge Conference is. Friends, this is your new church connection, and your new church spiritual movement. Your presence representing what God is doing at First Methodist Church is important to witness to. I will be honored to be gathered with you in this time together.

# LASER FOCUSED... MOVING FORWARD 218

Keep your MOVING FORWARD TEAM in prayer: Scott Edmonson, Tab Blair, Andy Nolen, Tammy Carpenter, Catherine Verciglio, Danny Karr, Kay Karr, Jeff Noe, Wanda England, Gala Douglass, Bill Xenos, Melissa Xenos, Diane Love, Gil Higgins, Tracey Berry, Caryl Hadder, Dave Hadder, Scottie Blair, Ellie Duncan, and Lisa Verciglio.



THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT / DRAWING CLASS. 6:00pm 10/12/23

6:00pm 10/12/23 You are invited. This Thursday we are

doing a drawing class instead of a painting class. We will cover Composition, Light Source, Shadows, Perspective. I will have all materials you need. This will be charcoal drawing on paper from a simple still life. We will have fun and grow your artist skills to help with

your painting in the future. CALL 205-401-3124 FALL YARD SALE-Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023

The date has been set—11/11/23—in the Fellowship Hall!

This is a church-wide fund raiser, with all proceeds going towards our current Capital Fund Campaign.

Be thinking about and collecting items you wish to donate, (or just get rid of)! Remember, one person's trash/discards may be another person's treasure.

We hope to receive home décor, seasonal décor, working appliances, furniture, sports equipment, tools, fishing gear, gardening tools, etc. (No Clothesexcept maybe some adult winter coats, etc.) We plan to widely publicize this fund raiser throughout our community and surrounding areas. If you have any questions, please contact:

Ellie Duncan at 205-529-7954 or Penny Berry at 205-915-8056.

#### **Attendance & Contributions**

October 8, 2023	
Worship 9:00 am Online	
Budget 10/8/2023	\$8,279.00
Total as of 10/8/2023	\$421,681.00

## **Special Prayer Request**

Connie Woodward Nancy Goodwin Beverly Lawley Kay Vines Huey Doc Cater Carolyn Vines Karen M. Parsons Joan Verchot Jan Towers

### \*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*

We need a volunteer to work for the Food Pantry the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.
Contact Peggy Horne.

#### SERMON & SCRIPTURE INFORMATION OCTOBER 15 th, 2023

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-16 Sermon: "All In..."

#### **W.E.A.C. NEWS......**

A reminder that WEAC starts Wednesday, October 11 th – November 15th. The meal cost is \$8 per adult(12 years and up); \$3 per child(4-11); Age 3 and under Free! Make sure you sign up for WEAC by each Monday at 10:00 a.m.

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#### October 9, 2023

#### **Greetings!**

I hope by the time you've received this week's Newsletter, you've had some time to reflect on Sunday, October 8th's message? I know I have! As your pastor, I want to say to all of us, "this was not a sermon 'at you'". But, it is a word to me, to you, to us that God is still in the calling business, and He is calling us to reach the unchurched among us, and around us.

Your participation in the MOVING FORWARD 218 STUDY, and the MOVING FORWARD TEAM'S work has been guiding, directional, and clarifying to Where We've Been; Where We Are; and Where We are Headed as a Church! The work being done has come from the posters on the walls of the Disciple Room, which came from the congregation! In short, your passion has become the passion of your leadership, your MOVING FORWARD TEAM, and your Pastor.

Friends, we've been given a great deal of learning to get moving with. It's not that the scriptures weren't clear enough when Jesus says, "...when he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd...he said to his disciples, the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few (Mt. 9:36-37)." There really is no middle ground in accepting His call. Our very being as Christ's church is in the midst of a culture that is harassed and helpless to know the truth about Jesus Christ's love. For you and me, for us as His church, we either choose to say yes, or we don't to His call! I think we all know the consequences of saying "no?" If you don't, take a read in Revelation of God's word to the churches that turn from Him...

In the next days and weeks, look for information, listen for announcements, watch the church Facebook accounts for all types of information about things taking place in your church as a means of reaching the unchurched in our community, and beyond. The start of such work is this Sunday, October 15th, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! There is a sit-down conversation meal with young adults about reaching their families with the love of Christ...please be in prayer for this time. I look forward to sharing daily the things that are taking place in our church, with your hands and your feet, and the Holy Spirit's guidance...that are taking place. One step at a time, one person at a time...

#### A couple of reminders to put on your calendars:

WEAC Starts Wednesday, October 11 th and runs through November 15th. Administrative Board is October 29th, 4:00 p.m.
Trunk or Treat is Tuesday, October 31st

Blessings,

Bro. John Verciglio

#### W.E.A.C. Menu....

10/18-Chicken Casserole, Rice, Green Salad, French Bread, Cobbler, Ice Cream. 10/25— Pork Loin with gravy, Peas, Mashed Potatoes, Slaw, Rolls, Strawberry Cake.

11/1- Taco Salad, Chocolate Sheet Cake.

11/8- Soup/Chili, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Ice Cream Sundaes.

11/15- Turkey & Dressing, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, Assorted Thanksgiving Desserts.

#### **MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM**

SONRISE— In Honor of Connie & Woody Woodward. In Honor of Carolyn & Phil Vines. In Memory of Ramona Pitesa. By Debbie Bishop McBrayer.

**ADULT S.S. CLASS**— In memory of Carl Ray Gober. By Kenny Sellers.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS— In memory of Sara Lee on her October 14th Birthday. Love, J.D.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS- In memory of Sara Lee Nichols on her birthday. Love David & Barbara Nichols

#### PECAN SALE IS COMING.....

This year we are asking for payment at time of order. One pound bags of either pieces or halves. Any profits made will go to church landscaping. Price is coming next week.



