



The Flame

First United Methodist Church, Paragould, Arkansas

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Dear Friends,

I used to have a saying with my two sons, “Maturity is knowing how to act when.” By that I meant that there is a time to be “wild and crazy” and there is a time to be serious and diligent. Maturity is knowing how to act when.

That seems to be the message, at least in part, of Ecclesiastes 3:1-11: “To everything *there is* a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, And a time to die . . . A time to break down, And a time to build up; A time to weep And a time to laugh” . . . you get the point.

This year we are in a season of discipleship. Over the next several months, I will be challenging you to take seriously the commitments that you made when you first began to follow Christ. I can think of no life that is more exciting and meaningful than life with Christ, and my prayer is that all of us will deepen our daily walk with him. Your Vision Team met in the summer and fall to plan a strategy for fulfilling the call to discipleship as a church.

Two words come to mind: expectations and opportunity. Jesus had very definite expectations of his followers, but he also gave them the opportunity, and the spiritual ability, to meet those expectations through the power of the Holy Spirit.

You will be hearing about a number of such opportunities in the near future.

However, we have already had to be a little more flexible. **Our “Fresh Start” brunch has been postponed until Sunday, February 14.** Please stay tuned for more details.

On January 17, I will be inviting you to hear more about ABCD groups (Accountability, Bible Study, Caring, and Doing Discipleship). I believe that small groups for spiritual growth, fellowship, and ministry are vital to the health of a church.

In Lent, we will be offering a study on prayer, “When God’s People Pray” on Wednesday evenings. Prayer is the foundation of all that the Christian is and does.

And on February 28, you will be invited to become a part of a NOW Team (Nurture, Outreach, Witness) in the church. It is my fervent belief that every Christian is born from above through the power of the Holy Spirit; and that as a result of that new birth, every Christian has a gift for ministry. It is further my belief that the reason some of our members are not more involved in ministry is that they have not been given the opportunity. The time has come to remedy that.

Obviously, we have embarked on an ambitious plan to engage you in discipleship. But God has always challenged His people to feats that are beyond our ability – remember Israel crossing the Red Sea, and the feeding of the 5,000.

To borrow a quote from another Christian visionary, “Go after dreams that are destined to fail without divine intervention.”

My prayer is that 2010 will be the season of our lives that we turn the corner as passionate, sold-out, fully committed disciples of Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Tom

The following were Poinsettias and Memorials/Honorariums given for Christmas

Poinsettias Given In Memory of:

R. L. & Mattie Smith by C.B. & Margaret Smith
C. B. Sr & Samantha Smith by C.B. & Margaret Smith
Russ & Marge Ford by Bill, Deana, Weston & Alden Weeks
Rose Bradsher by Bill, Deana, Weston, & Alden Weeks
Warren & Ruth Blalock by Debbie DaVault, Brad, David, Natalie, Isaac & Julie
Perry Biggs by Virginia Biggs
Dwight Lee & Steve Lee by Jerry and Jerry Ann Cunningham
Mr. F. B. & Alma Scates by Larry & Linda Faulkner
Darin Russell & Donald Faulkner by Larry & Linda Faulkner
Mrs. Fay Faulkner by Larry & Linda Faulkner
Mr. & Mrs. Littleton Faulkner by Larry & Linda Faulkner
Carole Shewmaker by W.T. & Neva Shewmaker
Jo Ann Branch by Bob Branch
Kathryn Hoskins by Owen Hoskins
Frances Albright by Her Family
Mr. & Mrs. Homer Rutledge by Mikie Lou Coates
Rhonda Priest Moore by Mikie Lou Coates
Marshall Priest by Mikie Lou Coates
Joe & Louise Wilbourn by Steve & Bettye Johnson
Vernon & Lorene Williams by Drs Mack & Vern Ann Shotts
Sonny Roswell by Tim & Kelly Roswell
Mr. & Mrs. G.H. McKnight by Dr. and Mrs. Don Purcell and Paige
Jay & Opal Starr by William and Linda Wilthong
Mary Bachelor by Kim, Daniel, Chris, Nicole & Michael Stidham
Ed Hamilton by Kim, Daniel, Chris, Nicole & Michael Stidham
Kathryn Hoskins by Frank Hoskins
Denise Crow by Frank Hoskins
Kitty Williamson by Frank Hoskins
Denise Crow by Asa & Wanda Crow
Al & Jane Cochran by J Dewayne & Mary Ann Allen
Kay Todd by J Dewayne & Mary Ann Allen
Cynthia Samuel by Alvin & Carolyn Samuel
Jane Honen by Paul Honen
Tina McDaniel by Paul Honen
Lou Tripod by Her Family
Burrell Thompson by His Family
Marci Workman by Fred & Judy Workman
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Workman by Fred & Judy Workman
Mr. & Mrs. D S Graham by Fred & Judy Workman
Mr. & Mrs. E. F. McDonald by Helen Dover
Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Stedman by Helen Dover
Buford Dover by Helen Dover
B. J. McCulley by Sue, Nancy, David Joe, Terry, Chip, Brooke, Emily and 'Tripp'
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Witt by Sissy Riggs and Emmy
Dr. Richard Martin by his family
Dave Edrington by Brandy & Kelli Edrington
 Brown, Ainsley Brown, Clint Edrington & Leana Henry
J. R. Smoot by Sue Koenigseder

Poinsettias Given in Honor of

Debbie Williamson by C.B. & Margaret Smith
Jennie Snapp by C.B. & Margaret Smith
Dr. & Mrs. Omer Bradsher by Bill, Deana, Weston & Alden Weeks
Gene, Jill & Whitney Weeks by Bill, Deana, Weston & Alden Weeks
Jim & Mary Beth Weidman by Bill, Deana, Weston, & Alden Weeks
Gretta Jernigan by Debbie, DaVault, Brad, David, Natalie, Isaac and Julie
Our Children and Grandchildren by Jerry & Jerry Ann Cunningham
Dalton and Cristopher Priest by Mikie Lou Coates
Mr. & Mrs. Stan Bryant by Mikie Lou Coates
Mauri, Zeke and Laura Shotts by Drs. Mack & Vern Ann Shotts
Our Children and Grandchildren by Asa & Wanda Crow
Our Children & Grandchildren by J Dewayne & Mary Ann Allen
Jerry & Jerry Ann Cunningham by Greg & Michele, Lauren & Garrett Graham
Our Children and Grandchildren by Melvin & Sandra Wamock
Fritz & Kim Workman by Fred & Judy Workman
Kaleigh, Noah & Lexie by Fred & Judy Workman
Bernard Raley by Mike & Shelia Ragsdell
My Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren by Helen Dover
My Children, Grandchildren, and 'Tripp' by Sue McCulley
Drs. Mack & Vern Ann Shotts and family by Yuba Williams
Betty Fletcher by Derrick & Kelley Davidson, Tyler & Taryn Thompson, Landon Davidson

In Memory of

Earl E. Kirk by Charles & Donna Brazil
Tarver-Burke Bruce by Mike & Nancy Bruce
Ike & Almeria Willcockson by The Family
Our Parents by Charlotte & Bob Thompson
Harold Horner by Patte, Casey, Bridgette, Alexis & Kyleigh Horner, Chris, Tabatha & Natalie Horner
Euclid Green by Patte, Casey, Bridgette, Alexis & Kyleigh Horner, Chris, Tabatha & Natalie Horner
Euclid Green & Reg Green by Don & Millie Fleeman
Buford Dover by Helen Dover
Our Parents by Helen Dover
Buford Dover by John & Ann Honeycutt
William & Ola Holmes by Bill & Kaye Holmes
Mardis & Myrtle Overbay by Bill & Kaye Holmes
Maeda Asbell by Everett and Sandra Rogers
Clifford and Ednas Collar by Everett and Sandra Rogers
Everett and Harriett Rogers by Everett and Sandra Rogers

Opal Mangrum by Everett and Sandra Rogers
Richard Collar by Everett and Sandra Rogers
Leicester Lea, Jephtha Futrell, Earlene Futrell by Linda & Danny Futrell
Our Mother, Marilyn McClure by Lianne McGinnis, Lucinda Lawson, Mike McClure, Tim McClure
Dr Richard Martin by Janie, Britni & Jake
Clifford & Ednas Collar by David, Shirley & Kelsey Wilson
Pete & Jean Wilson by David, Shirley & Kelsey Wilson
Eldon McDaniel by Mary McDaniel
Earl E Kirk by Matilene Kirk
Mr & Mrs R E Martin by Mary Kathryn Martin
Betty & Gerald Huron by Mary Kathryn Martin
JoAnn & Joe Staelens by Mary Kathryn Martin
Richard Hoessli by Mary Kathryn Martin
Vaughn Nutt by Dorothy Nutt

In Honor Of

Danny Davis by Chancel Choir
Bernard Raley by Chancel Choir
Jeff Weaver by Holly & Katie Blankenship
Amanda Baldwin by Holly & Katie Blankenship
Staff and Volunteers by John & Gayle Eden
Mateline Kirk by Charles & Donna Brazil
Micah, Mandy, and Jessica Bruce by Mike & Nancy Bruce
Granddaughter Laney by Mike & Nancy Bruce
Our Children and Their Families by Charlotte & Bob Thompson
Winnie Bland by Andrew & Julie Chumley
Bridgette Horner by Casey, Alexis & Kyleigh
Patte Horner by Casey, Bridgette, Alexis, Kyleigh Horner, Chris, Tabatha & Natalie Horner
Lucille Harvey by Bridgette, Casey, Alexis & Kyleigh Horner
Tabatha Horner by Chris, Natalie & Patte Horner, Casey, Bridgette, Alexis & Kyleigh Horner
Hazeldine Green by Don & Millie Fleeman
Our Children, Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren by Helen Dover
Our Parents, Helen Dover, JT and Edith Honeycutt by John & Ann Honeycutt
Our Children: John Jr & Shannon, Josh & Danielle, Amanda & Nicholas by Mom and Dad
Our Grandchildren: Anna, Caroline, Elizabeth, Cooper, Lili, & Carter by GranAnn & Poppa John
Our Children & Grandchildren by Bill & Kaye Holmes
Jarrett, Jenna, Jude and Max Rogers by Everett and Sandra Rogers
Lida Lea by Linda & Danny Futrell
Gloria, Donna, Tommy, Sara & Families by Matilene Kirk
Lay Pastoral Care Team by Billye Boothe

'Fresh Start' Brunch

As we prepare to begin the New Year, we will be inviting everyone in the church to a "Fresh Start" brunch during the Sunday School hour. This has been postponed until **February 14**. Everyone is invited—visitors, active members, and members who have perhaps gotten out of the habit of church attendance over the past year.

Mom's Day of Prayer

Saturday, January 16 - 9 am to 12 noon
Woodland Hills Church of the Nazarene
Hwy 135 N

A time for women of all faiths to unite in PRAYER!
For more information call Susan Holifield at 239-4875

Angel Food Ministries

Thanks to everyone who ordered a donation box last month. The last 2 months any person that ordered a box with food stamps has gotten a second "love" box from Angel Food. We had almost 15 food boxes donated on top of the 10 – 15 boxes that were donated to Agape House and Grace Bible Mission! How wonderful is that to be able to help those in need!!

We have people in our local community in need. One box can definitely make a difference in the life of someone or some family in our community. Susan Risker delivered a "love" box to a family and they commented that God knew they needed food. This may seem like such a small gift, but to the people that are receiving the "love" boxes it is a huge gift. Please prayerfully consider purchasing a donation box so we can continue to give the 2nd "love" box to those in need.

Sunday, January 10th is order day at our church. I want to ask each of you once again to prayerfully consider purchasing a donation box, either buying one yourself or going together with your Sunday School class and buying a box. There is a group that plays Bunko and in lieu of gifts, they buy a donation box, so all of the members of the Bunko group are winners!! There are "love" boxes purchased in a needy persons name and the receipt mailed to them so that they can go and pick up their food box. Any idea or way of purchasing a "love" box gives to someone in need.

God is Good!! All the Time!!
Erik Eliason

2010 Operating Budget

Local Church Buildings

Church Maintenance ----- 25,000.
Parsonage #1 -----2,000.
Parsonage #2 -----2,000.
Property Insurance----- 35,000.
Automobile Insurance-----1,500.
Major Repairs ----- 10,000.
Transportation-----1,000.

Programs

Education ----- 10,000.
Adult Ministry ----- 250.
Youth Ministry----- 12,400.
Children's Ministry-----2,750.
Children's Programs -----1,400.
Vacation Bible School -----3,500.
Rotation Sunday School -----2,000.
Outreach Ministries -----4,500.
Scout Ministry ----- 500.
Hospitality -----1,000.
Worship-----1,200.
Music Ministry—Adult-----4,280.
Music Ministry—Youth -----3,000.
Music Ministry—Children -----1,500.
Music Ministry—9:00 Service--1,000.
Handbells-----1,000.

Keyboard Instruments----- 2,500.
Lay Pastoral Care-----250.
Advertising ----- 8,000.

General Expense

Office Supplies----- 7,500.
Postage----- 8,000.
Equipment Repair -----500.
Equipment Replace----- 2,000.
Lights & Water & Internet ---- 25,000.
Arkla Gas -----10,000.
Telephone----- 3,500.
Copier ----- 4,000.
Kitchen & Cleaning Supplies --- 5,000.
Miscellaneous -----500.
Professional Services----- 2,000.
Communication Supplies -----700.

Staff

Sr Pastor Compensation -----90,168.
Associate Pastor Compensation 37,740.
Dir of Fine Arts Ministry ----- 31,834.
Music Minister----- 8,030.
Children's Music Director----- 3,570.
Youth Minister Compensation - 35,496.
Children's Director -----25,704.
Children's Director Cont. Ed---- 1,500.

Church Administrator-----32,152.
Custodian -----21,266.
Custodian—Part-time -----10,000.
Organist -----13,260.
Nursery----- 7,500.
Nursery Coordinator ----- 1,175.
Group Health Insurance-----45,552.
SS WH and State Tax -----11,500.
Annual Conference Expense - 1,000.
Continuing Education ----- 1,000.
Civic Club Membership ----- 1,000.
Christmas Bonus----- 1,800.

Apportionments

Conference Apportionments 96,747.
District Apportionments ----- 8,651.
ASU Wesley Foundation ---- 1,084.

Mission Benevolences

Mission Outreach -----5,000.
Emergency Benevolence ---- 1,000.

Total Budget----- 699,949.

First United Methodist Church

2010 Committees

Committee On Lay Leadership

Class of 2010 Donna Brazil, Kerry Eliason, Joe Barnett
Class of 2011 Tori Thompson, J. Gilbert, Susie Cook
Class of 2012 Tracy Brengard, Jeremy Heath, Kelly Kasserman

Trustees

Class of 2010 Charlie Rhodes*, Mary Ann Allen, Bill Holmes
Class of 2011 Vern Ann Shotts, John Cook, King Benson
Class of 2012 Sandra Wamock, Bunny Lee, Everett Rogers

Staff-Parish Relations

Class of 2010 Shane May, Chester Key, Crete Rhodes
Class of 2011 Nancy Cupp, Luke Cook*, Jill Weeks
Class of 2012 J. Gilbert, Sharon Grooms, Winnie Hill
Lay Leader: Robert Thompson *Lay Member to A/C:* Dr. L.L. Shedd

Finance

Class of 2010 Darrin Malone, Brock Wooldridge, Jim Cole
Class of 2011 Bob Branch*, Jan Griffith, Sharon Gazaway
Class of 2012 Jim Weidman, Gene Weeks, Charlotte Thompson
Treasurer: Greg Graham *Asst. Treasurer:* Bill Block *Lay Leader:* Robert Thompson
Lay Members of A/C: L.L. Shedd, Jim Jackson *Church Council Ch:* George Cook
Trustee Chair: Charlie Rhodes *SPRC Chair:* Luke Cook

Memorial

Class of 2010 Marcia Shedd, Sandra Humphreys
Class of 2011 Charles Brazil, Jim Jackson
Class of 2012 Liz May, Terry Waits

Church Council

Chairperson George Cook
Lay Leader Robert Thompson
Lay Member A/C L. L. Shedd
Lay Member A/C Marcia Shedd
Lay Member A/C Jim Jackson
Pastors Tom Letchworth
Ben Johnson
Minister to Youth Jeff Weaver
Children's Minister Tricia Weaver
Dir of Fine Arts Ministries Celeste Letchworth
UMW President Mary K Martin
Finance Chair Bob Branch
Treasurer Greg Graham
Asst. Treasurer Bill Block
SPRC Chair Luke Cook
Trustee Chair Charlie Rhodes
Sunday School Supt. Casey & Bridgette Horner
N.O.W. Administrator Andrea Pearson

Nurture Jame' Cook & Tori Thompson
Outreach Jim Jackson & Susan Risker
Witness Luke Cook & Owen Lusk
Building Committee Bobby Kasserman
Lay Pastoral Care Chair Beverly Crawford
Adult Youth Rep Kerry Eliason
Adult Ministries Robin Newby
Older Adult Ministries Mary Kathryn Martin
Adult Children Rep Jame' Cook / Leigh Jackson
Hospitality Luke Cook

Members-at-Large

Class of 2010 Brian Griffith, John Bland, Dannelle Rogers, Greg Starling
Class of 2011 Jakob Eliason, Jennifer Schreit, John Eden, Linda Faulkner
Class of 2012 Mary Justice, Julie McHaney, H. T. Moore

*Committee Chairs

Children's News

Tricia Weaver, Christian Education/Children's Director

Rotation Sunday School—The next rotation will be “Man Beside the Pool” and will run from January 17 - February 14. The different workshops will be: Games, Storytelling, Arts & Crafts, Cooking, and Music. If you would like to teach, please contact Mrs. Tricia or sign the bulletin board in the first floor hall.

Wonderful Wednesdays will start back with a BANG on Wednesday, January 13. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Inclement Weather Policy

If school is not in session on a Wednesday because of bad weather, we will not have Wonderful Wednesdays that afternoon. If school lets out early on a Wednesday for bad weather, we will not have Wonderful Wednesdays that afternoon.

Souper Bowl of Caring—The Confirmation Class will be collecting canned goods wrapped with a dollar starting Sunday, January 10 and will be collecting them for the “Souper Bowl of Caring” until Sunday, February 7. The money and cans will be given to Mission Outreach and Griffin Memorial United Methodist Food banks. Please support your 6th grade confirmation class in their mission project endeavor. Bins will be located outside the Fellowship Hall.

Looking Ahead: There will be a Children's Council meeting - TBA - some time in February to discuss Easter plans.

Youth News

Jeff Weaver, Youth Minister

Join us each Week!

We meet Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm for snack, Bible study, and fellowship.

Synago Bible Study will start back for the new year on Wednesday, January 13, at 6:30 pm on the 4th floor.

Ministry Class will also start back on Wednesday, January 13, at 5:30 pm on the 4th floor.

We will begin the Youth version of “**Disciple Bible Study**” soon! Contact Jeff to sign up. We will give dates and time after everyone interested has contacted Jeff.

Hams for Sell—The youth will be selling hams starting Sunday, January 10, outside the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$20 and will be ready for pick-up on February 14.

Van Ministry—Drivers are needed on Sunday evenings to help pick-up and take home youth. We desperately need help with this as we have several youth needing rides. Contact Jeff if you can help at 239-1768.

College News

Be sure your college students name and address are on file in the office so we can personally contact them and remind them that our College Sunday School Class meets each week!

Beth Moore - "To Live is Christ" is a study on the life and scripture of Paul. This study will begin on Wednesday, January 20 at 9:00 am. We will meet for four weeks then break until after Easter. We will return on April 7 and run until May 19. If you are interested in taking this study, please contact Tricia. Books will be \$16.50 each and need to be paid for before ordering. Deadline to register will be Sunday, January 17.

DVD's missing: We are missing two DVD's from "Jesus Christ the One & Only". Please check and if you have them, return to the church.

Calendar—January

(Dates and times are subject to change)

Sunday, January 10

8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:00 pm UMYF

Monday, January 11

6:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, January 12

6:00 pm Scouts

Wednesday, January 13

6:00 am Men's Study
 3:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday
 5:00 pm Family Dinner
 5:15 pm Radical Ringers
 *6:30 pm Chancel Choir
 *7:30 pm Praise Team

Thursday, January 14

9:00 am Prayer Ministry
 6:00 pm Scout Leaders
 7:00 pm Scout Roundtable
 7:00 pm Hispanic

Sunday, January 17

8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:00 pm UMYF

Monday, January 18

Office Closed

Tuesday, January 19

5:15 pm Trustees
 6:00 pm Scouts
 7:00 pm United Methodist Men—here

Wednesday, January 20

6:00 am Men's Study
 9:00 am Beth Moore Study
 3:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday
 5:00 pm Family Dinner
 5:15 pm Radical Ringers
 *6:30 pm Chancel Choir
 *7:30 pm Praise Team

Thursday, January 21

9:00 am Prayer Ministry
 Noon—Silver & Gold Potluck
 7:00 pm Hispanic

Sunday, January 24

8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:00 pm UMYF

Monday, January 25

6:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, January 26

6:00 pm Scouts

Wednesday, January 27

6:00 am Men's Study
 9:00 am Beth Moore Study
 3:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday
 5:00 pm Family Dinner
 5:15 pm Radical Ringers
 *6:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 28

9:00 am Prayer Ministry
 7:00 pm Hispanic

Saturday, January 30

Baby Shower

Sunday, January 31

8:00 am Early Service
 *9:00 am Contemporary Service
 10:00 am Sunday School
 *11:00 am Traditional Service
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service
 5:00 pm UMYF

Monday, February 1

6:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, February 2

6:00 pm Scouts

Wednesday, February 3

6:00 am Men's Study
 9:00 am Beth Moore Study
 3:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday
 5:00 pm Family Dinner
 5:15 pm Radical Ringers
 *6:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 4

9:00 am Prayer Ministry
 6:00 pm Scout Leaders
 7:00 pm Scout Roundtable
 7:00 pm Hispanic

*Nursery Provided

Volunteers

NURSERY

January 10: Janice Wilcox (9-10)
 Crete Rhodes (10-12)
 January 17: Debbie Brown (9-10)
 Donna Jones (10-12)
 January 24: Julie Rowe (9-10)
 Robert & Tori Thompson (10-12)
 January 31: Elizabeth Sheldon (9-10)
 Jamie McIlvoy (9-10)
 Susan Blossom (11-12)

ACOLYTES

January 10: Holly Blair Benson
 Anna Clara May
 Kirby Weaver
 January 17: Will Jackson
 John Brengard
 Jenna Rawls
 January 24: Lauren Garrison
 Alyssa Reece
 Kyleigh Horner
 January 31: Lily McDaniel
 Abby Rogers
 Sara Giguere

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

January 10: Kara Guinn
 January 17: Luke & Jame' Cook
 January 24: Youth Council
 January 31: Tricia Weaver

BLUE JEAN USHERS

Jan 10: Tom & Jamie Carter,
 Shane & Liz May
 Jan 17: Susan Nanke,
 Shay Nanke & Jeremy Willis,
 Melissa Tarry
 Jan 24: Erik, Kerry & Jakob Eliason,
 Melissa Tarry
 Jan 31: Shane & Liz May,
 Tom & Jamie Carter

Mugging Ministry

Jan 10: Jim & Mary Beth Weidman
 Jan 17: Bob & Sharon Reynolds
 Jan 24: Carl & Sara Schexnaydre
 Jan 31: Nathan & Angela Newby

Memorials

In Memory of

Helen Goehring by Emmy Witt, Bill & Kat Block, Matilene Kirk, Jerry & Jerry Ann Cunningham, Charles & Donna Brazil, C.B. & Margaret Smith, J.A. & M. N. Masterson, Clifford & Beverly Gordon, Betty Fletcher

Daveda Misenhimer by Mary McDaniel, Bill & Kat Block, Matilene Kirk, Glen & Reba Pillow, J & LaDonna Gilbert, Nan Dickey, Jerry & Jerry Ann Cunningham, Charles & Donna Brazil, C.B. & Margaret Smith, Mary K Martin, Dick & Martha Chiles, Phillip & Paige Wooldridge, Beth Williamson, Pete & Linda Black, Iris Wheelis, Anne Queen, Thursday Bridge Club, Marion Samuel, Dave & Rena Jackson, John & Ann Honeycutt, Mary Rhodes, Bill & Pat Phillips, McMurry SS Class, J K Clift, Dr & Mrs Don Purcell, Buster Miller, Pat Sims, Tempa Weir, Helen Dover, Clifford & Beverly Gordon, Gordon Green, Betty Fletcher

Robert Ellis (*nephew of Mary Ellen Hopkins*) by Mary K Martin

Janan Taylor (*sister of Linda Davis*) by Gary & Martha Blankenship, Bill & Pat Phillips, Darwin Goehring, Jim & Mary Beth Weidman, Robin Patten, J & LaDonna Gilbert

Family Lost by Frankie Arant

Martel Ross by Richard & Barbara Blaine, Gordon Green

Harold Morgan by Clifford & Beverly Gordon

Vaudean Pillow by Clifford & Beverly Gordon

Mr & Mrs Webb Green by Gordon Green

Avon Fletcher by Betty Fletcher

Inez Nolan (*grandmother of Tori Thompson*) by Coffee Break Sunday School Class

In Honor of

Sue McCulley by Homemaker's Class

Mary Justice by Homemaker's Class

Joy Faith Smith by Homemaker's Class

Yuba Williams by Homemaker's Class

King Swanson by Homemaker's Class

Greg Garrison by Coffee Break Class

Dewayne & Mary Ann Allen by Everett & Sandra Rogers

Hazeldine Green by Gordon Green

PRAYER REQUESTS

NOTE: Due to privacy laws, our pastors are unable to access hospital admission records as they have in the past. For our pastors to know you are in the hospital, please inform the Church Office. It is our goal to do everything in our power to minister to your spiritual needs and care for you in times of crisis.

Others

SPC Andrew Goodwin	Spc Jeremiah MacDonald	875th
Johnny Townsley	Bette Brewer	Randy Boyd
Jerry Yates	Sara MacDonald	Jim O'Neal
Bill Burnett	Jackson Shepherd	Jorden Davidson
Don Hudson	Janese Hyde	Tommy Shirley
Wayne Tarry	Nichole Babcock	Keith Bean
Ronnie Reeves	Joan Ratton	Joyce Vallentine
Gretta Jernigan	Gayle Eden	Charles Mungle
Lori Thompson	Jane McKenzie	Brian Noland
Claude Martin	Noah Crowe	Koy Garmath
Yuba Williams	Chris Weidman	Ryan Hobson
Melissa Becton	Mary Carr	Tyler Smith
		Roella Williams

Please inform the church office if a name can be removed from this list. Thank you

Sympathy to

Friends and family of Daveda Misenhimer

Linda and Danny Davis and family on the death of Linda's sister, Janan Taylor

Robert and Tori Thompson and family on the death of Tori's grandmother, Inez Nolan

Prayers / Presence / Gifts

2009		Attendance		
Total Budgeted	688,665.00			
Total Contributions	632,077.51			
2010			Jan 3	Last Year
Weekly Budget Needs	13,460.56	8:00	30	39
Weekly Contributions	10,407.38	9:00	155	168
		11:00	142	185
2010 Budget	699,494.00	Total	327	392

ATTENTION

Please be sure your meeting dates are on the church calendar and check with the office before scheduling any activities at the church. As always, our church is very busy and rooms are not always available for meetings. 'Request for Room Usage' forms are available in the church office or call 239-8541.

Next publication of The Flame will be February 3. Deadline for articles will be Monday, January 31 at noon. Weekly updates to calendar events and activities will be sent via email and added to the Sunday Bulletins. If you would like the emails, please send your email address to: dchipman@fumcparagould.org. *Thanks! Denise*



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

404 West Main Street

Ministers—Every Church Member

Bishop—Charles N Crutchfield

District Superintendent—Kurt Boggan

Pastors— Tom Letchworth, Ben Johnson

Director of Fine Arts Ministries—Celeste Letchworth

Minister of Music—Danny Davis

Children's Music Director—Leigh Jackson

Pastor to Youth and their families—Jeff Weaver

Children/Christian Education Director—Tricia Weaver

Church Administrator—Denise Chipman

Custodian—Iona Stone

Custodian—Jerry & Carla Young

Organist—Bernard Raley

Office Hours—8:00 am—4:30 pm

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