

### PERSONS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION

Jim Hannah-Vanderbilt Hospital (no visitors)  
Rick Butler (Ava Eaton's son-in-law)-At Home  
Annette Moore-At Home Judy Dickson-At Home  
Gay Kizer-At Home Jenny McCluskey-At Home  
Ben Ferguson-At Home Larsen Purvis-At Home  
Mike Hyde-At Home Joe Christian-At Home  
Elizabeth Ann Hibbler-At Home Harold Coke-At Home  
Martha Sarah Brandon-At Home Kristen Jackson-At Home

(Allan Brandon & Ellen Evans' mother)

Mary Crutcher (Ken Crutcher's mother)-At Home  
Patsy Burton (Anne Nall's sister)-At Home  
Haydon Hall (Alee Clark's great-nephew)-At Home  
Nancy Butler (Craig Butler's mother)-Tunica, MS  
Hugh & Ruth Tomlin- Hospital & Rehab, AL  
(Linda Prichard's brother-in-law & sister)  
Nora Hinton-West Meade Place, Health Care Ctr., Nashville

### MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

Chris Nall, Jeffrey Parks, Jeff Walker, Doug Brown, John Reynolds, Matthew Gardner, Nathan Gardner, Mason Harlow, Luke Naughton, William Rhome, Tim Ferguson, Nicholas Phillips, Ingram Cope, Josh Berry, Clint Ervin, Chase Moss, Josh Thurman, Ben Cahill, Michael Maglio, Jr., Hugh Hanna, Lloyd Denny, Mark Collins, David Walker, Blake Troutman, Richard D. Forth, Mark Thomas, Brandon Kyle Hall

### SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Nancy McGill, Michael and Tina McGill and their family in the loss of Nancy's step-father, Art Snyder, who passed away Friday, January 9, 2009.

### THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone for their prayers and cards following my recent surgery. I appreciate those who provided my family with meals during my time of recovery. Your love and support means so much to me and is greatly appreciated.

God Bless You,  
Patsy Y. Canter

**THE ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER** celebrates the birth of **Sawyer James Evans**, born to Jamie and Adrienne Evans on Thursday, November 27, 2008. The paternal grandparents are Jane and Eugene Evans. The maternal grandparents are Bart and Debbie Wilson.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU FOR 01/21/09--**Poor Man's Pinto Beans, Crunchy Coleslaw, Macaroni & Cheese, Cheesy Cornbread, Garden Salad, and Banana Pudding; **Snack:** Mini Corn Dogs, Chips, Fruit Cup, Cookie  
\*\*Please remember to cancel your dinner reservations if you will not be attending a dinner. You may fill out a reservation card to cancel with the information or call the church office at 893-1322.

### MURFREESBORO DISTRICT LAY LEADERSHIP TRAINING SHEPHERD SCHOOL

Sunday, January 25th, 1:30-4:00 pm  
First UMC of Tullahoma, 208 W. Lauderdale Ave.  
Tullahoma, TN 37388 - 931-455-5434

Participants will have the opportunity to attend any one of 16 workshops offered beginning at 2:00 p.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. Representatives from specialized ministries of the TN conference and the Murfreesboro District will have informative displays and materials for you to examine (Disaster Response Ministry, Lay Speaking Ministry, Native American Ministry, Stephen Ministry).

### ROAD RUNNERS LUNCH TRIP TO CHRISTIANA

The Road Runners will be road riding southwest on Thursday, January 29th, for a dinner/lunch trip to Miller's Grocery. A bus for hungry Methodists will be leaving the church at 11:00 am and will be returning to the church at approximately 1:30 pm. You may make your reservation by calling the church office at 893-1322 or emailing [tperkins@fumcm.org](mailto:tperkins@fumcm.org) no later than Sunday, January 25th.

### HYMNALS

The Hymnals from our downtown location are no longer in use. Church members that donated these hymnals will have the opportunity to pick up their donated hymnal to keep. The hymnals will be in boxes in the Fellowship Hall from January 28 until February 11. The hymnals that are not picked up by February 11 will be donated to other United Methodist organizations. If you know that you had a Hymnal placed in "Honor or Memory" of your loved one look under your loved ones' last name. If you placed a Hymnal in "Honor or Memory of Loved Ones" or to the "Glory of God" you will find it under the giver's name.

### NEW WEDNESDAY STUDY "A LIFE THAT REALLY MATTERS"

All are invited to a new study of *A "Life that Really Matters: the Story of the John Wesley Great Experiment"* by Danny Morris. The study, which started January 14th, will be on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm and will conclude by 7:00 pm in Room 218. This discussion based study will be facilitated by Josh Markham and will provide participants with direction for spiritual discipline for the new year. At the end of this six week study, there will be an opportunity for every participant to have further commitment and fellowship.

### FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS STUDY

You are invited to the Fellowship Sunday School class in room 218 at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Starting Sunday, February 1st, we will begin a study on **"The Name Of Jesus."** Come and join us.

### BREAKTHRU SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS STUDY

Beginning today, the BreakThru Sunday School class will study "The Last Eyewitness: The Final Week" a project from the Voice - as told from John's point of view as he relives Christ's last week before the crucifixion. This fascinating story of Christ's final week is retold with commentary and art by Chris Seay, David Capes, Rob Pepper, Lauren Winner, Greg Garrett, and Brian McLaren. "The Last Eyewitness" includes commentary told in John's voice with comments from Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The compelling story gives you the sense of being around a campfire with first century believers, hearing the story directly from John. So come into the story with us, smell the mixture of the salty air and billows of smoke floating from the bonfire and hear the last eyewitness. BreakThru meets in room 216. All are welcome!

### FUMC "GREEN TEAM" FORMING

Want to make our wonderful church building a healthier place to worship? Reduce its utility bills? Set an example to the community in environmental stewardship? If so, contact Clark Denson at 220-6167 or [clarkd78@gmail.com](mailto:clarkd78@gmail.com) and become a part of the Murfreesboro FUMC "Green Team." First meeting will be Tuesday, January 27, 6:00 pm in room 114.

## WOMEN'S RETREAT

### February 6-8, 2009 Beersheba Assembly

Women are gifted by God to be *nurturers*, but in that role, we often find ourselves spent, both emotionally and physically. Our 2009 women's retreat is an opportunity to come away from the daily responsibilities we bear and be renewed. Register today in the narthex or on weekdays in the church office. Join Pastor Seyler for a season of prayer, inspiration, and fun activities on Monteagle Mountain. \$130 fee includes lodging, food, t-shirt, and crafts. Scholarships available. Email [mseyler@fumcm.org](mailto:mseyler@fumcm.org).

## MEALS FOR ROOM IN THE INN MINISTRY

Room in the Inn is a homeless shelter in our community that provides temporary shelter to single adults and families. The first Friday of each month our church provides the evening meal to Room in the Inn. We currently have a need for classes, individuals, or groups who would be interested in sponsoring and delivering meals for February 6<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup>. Meals may be prepared or catered to feed a group of 25 residents. If you or your group would be interested in participating in this wonderful opportunity to serve, please contact **Byron Lynn at 907-5090**.

## 2009 GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY IS COMING!

Our Guide Book & Directory for 2009 will be coming soon. This handy book is delivered to your home annually, and is the "who, what, where, why, and how" of our church. It is provided to us at no cost. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the church office at 893-1322 or call project leader Mark Johnson at 512-4221. Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. It will "pay" to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.

## KEEP YOURSELF UP-TO-DATE IN THE GUIDE BOOK

Was your family information up-to-date in last year's Guide Book & Directory? Now's the time to update your info with any changes, additions, or deletions that have occurred in your family over the past year. Also, if your phone number and address aren't correct, it's time to fix them. If you have not already informed the church office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the 2009 Guide Book & Directory will be correct. Call the church office at 893-1322.

## DIRECTORY PICTURES

There are several directory pictures at the Welcome Center desk that have not been picked up. If you have not received your directory pictures, please check at the Welcome Center desk.

## MOTHER'S DAY OUT 2009 REGISTRATION

Mother's Day Out 2009 registration will begin on February 2nd for present Mother's Day Out and church members, February 4th for preschool members, and February 9th for the community. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the West Wing (Children's wing). There is a \$75.00 registration fee. Child must be 1 or 2 by September 30, 2009. For more information contact the director, Julie Trollinger (893-1322 ext. 38).

## COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Last week, we sent a letter to all Sunday School classes for this year's Community Café. Here is what we need for 2009. Starting in February though December on every third Thursday of each month, we need \$150.00 and about 8 to 10 people to work at the Salvation Army location from 8:30 am until 1:00 pm. I have a cooking crew that fixes the meal every month and you only have to serve it. You don't have to be in a Sunday School class, you can be a women's or men's group or any group that calls itself a group. If you are unable to serve you still can send the \$150.00 to sponsor the meal and volunteers can serve it. You can even be the one single person who is looking for a way to bless the missions of our church. I need you to call me at 893-1322 or e-mail me at [dsmith@fumcm.org](mailto:dsmith@fumcm.org) and pick your month so we can put you on our calendar which will be on the new mission's bulletin board.  
Dewey Smith, Missions Director

## BENEVOLENCE 2009

I want to thank all of you for supporting the Journey Home in 2008. Thanks to a \$25,000 bequest, we were able to donate all of our funds for benevolence collected at every communion Sunday for a full year. It has helped that program get off to a great start and it is gaining momentum. Our total for 2008 was \$12,579.57. Praise the LORD! This year we will go back to using our funds the way we have done in the past. We have spent the \$25,000 for 2008 and are starting over for 2009. Please remember to make a donation on every communion Sunday so we can grow our funds for we are seeing more people in need than ever before. FUMCM is a source of hope in Rutherford County. May God bless us as we bless others.  
Dewey Smith, Missions Director



**JANUARY 18, 2009**

## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed Monday, January 19th, in observance of MLK Day.

## ALTAR FLOWER CHART

The 2009 Altar Flower Chart is now up on the wall beside the elevator on the first floor. Please sign up for altar flowers, especially during **February, March, and April**.

## SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

The Senior Adult Council invites you to the January Senior Adult Luncheon on Thursday, January 22nd. Please notice the date change. We will return to Thursdays for our programming in the new year. Please join us at 12:00 noon for food, fellowship, and a program that will renew you in spirit and help you lose your winter doldrums. You may sign up **today** in your Sunday School class, the Welcome Center or by email: [tperkins@fumcm.org](mailto:tperkins@fumcm.org).