

## PERSONS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION

Jim Hannah-At Home (no visitors) Judy Dickson-At Home  
Horace Beasley-MTMC Phil King-At Home  
Dawn Finch-MTMC Mike Hyde-At Home  
Sue Ridley-MTMC Larsen Purvis-At Home  
Sonny Reynolds-At Home Harold Coke-At Home  
Sybil White-Adams Assisted Nancy Pierce-At Home  
Melva Hargett-Adams Place Rehab Mark Harrell-At Home  
Elizabeth Ann Hibbler-At Home Jim Bishop-At Home  
Clara Delbridge-Adams Place Kristen Jackson-At Home  
Katherine Chapman-Baptist Hospital Rehab  
Irvin Hoover (Margaret Ellis' uncle)-At Home  
Valarie Grace Welch (Carolyn Hopper's grandniece)-St. Jude's  
Becca Zeisler (John Boston's niece)-Massachusetts Hospital  
Mary Crutcher (Ken Crutcher's mother)-At Home  
Patsy Burton (Anne Nall's sister)-At Home  
Nancy Butler (Craig Butler's mother)-Tunica, MS

## 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, Matt Crisafulli, Thomas Hosfelt

## SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to:

- Family and friends of Virginia Wilkinson who passed away Saturday, January 24, 2009.
- Mike and Diane Gower and family in the loss of Mike's mother, Margaret Brown Gower, who passed away Sunday, March 1, 2009.
- Payne and Evelyn Hardison in the loss of Evelyn's aunt, Mary Jones Montgomery, who passed away Wednesday, March 4, 2009.
- Family and friends of Nora Hinton who passed away Wednesday, March 4, 2009.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU FOR 03/11/09** - Baked Potato & Salad Bar, and Holy Cow Cake; 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.

## MARCH SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

Please come and join us for a St. Paddy's celebration on Thursday, March 19th. You are invited to join us at 12:00 noon for a "grand" meal and fellowship. Following the food we will have a special program celebrating Ireland's patron saint with First Church's own Celtic ensemble, "*40 Shades Greener*". You may make your reservations by email: [tperkins@fumcm.org](mailto:tperkins@fumcm.org) or by signing up in your Sunday School classes, at the welcome center, or by phoning the church office at 893-1322 no later than Monday March 16th.

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The Nurture Ministry Group announces a special six week grief support group for any one over the age of 18 who has experienced the loss of a loved one. The grief support group will meet every Wednesday night in room 215/217 starting at 6:00 pm on March 11th through the last session on April 15th. This study/support group will end each Wednesday by 7:30 pm and will be facilitated by the Reverend Jackie Clevenger. There is no fee for this support group, but pre-registration is necessary and must be completed no later than Monday, March 9th, by calling the church office at 893-1322.

## THE GIVING CIRCLE

The Giving Circle has adopted the Domestic Violence Shelter in Murfreesboro as our mission focus for the year. We would like to invite you to hear Karissa Kraptf, Children's Advocate at the shelter, speak at our next meeting on Thursday, March 19th, at 7 pm in room 115. She will tell us how domestic violence affects those involved, especially children, how the shelter works and what opportunities there are for the community to get involved. Any questions, contact Stacie at 217-7615.

## THANK YOU

The W.O.W. Circle wishes to say a heartfelt "Thank You" for your response to our Warmth In Winter Project in providing gloves, scarves, and hats for the homeless people in our community. Your response was over and above what we had hoped for. You have blessed them and our circle members.

The W.O.W. Circle also would like to thank all of you who donated jewelry and purses for one of our Christmas projects of giving gifts to the mothers of Angel Tree children. To add sunshine to a struggling mother's life was a real blessing. Thank you for your generosity!

## ROAD RUNNERS TRIP TO HISTORIC FRANKLIN

Join the Road Runners for a trip to Franklin, TN to tour the historic Carter House followed by a wonderful lunch at Monell's in its new location. We will leave the church on Thursday, March 26, at 9:00 am and return by 4:00 pm. After lunch we plan to have time to visit some of the interesting shops on Main Street, so bring some comfortable walking shoes. Please make your reservation by bringing \$25.00 to the church office no later than Tuesday, March 24th. The \$25.00 will be all inclusive for this trip including admission to the Carter House museum, lunch at Monell's, as well as transportation to and from Franklin. Come and have a great day with us.

## NURSERY NEWS

Kathy Turner, our wonderful Young Children's Coordinator has taken a full time job and can no longer fulfill her duties as Coordinator here with us. She has been wonderful and we will miss her cheerful attitude and organizational skills. So, we are looking for a part-time qualified Young Children's Coordinator to work all Sundays, Wednesday nights, and 2-3 mornings per week to supervise a 16 member paid Nursery Staff and oversee pre-school age activities and assist the Children's Director as needed. About a 20-25 hour week. This is a salaried position/\$250.00 per week. References required. Applicant must have a clear criminal history. Call 893-1322 and talk with Tami Smith for an application. Applications due by April 1st.

## PREPARE FOR EASTER

The adult choirs will begin preparations for Easter Sunday at rehearsals this week. If you have been considering singing in one of our adult choirs, this is a great time to begin. There are no auditions required, just arrive at one of the choir rehearsals a minute or two ahead and we will have a folder and a seat ready for you. If you have any questions, email Elliott at [epeterson@fumcm.org](mailto:epeterson@fumcm.org).

## PARISH NURSING

The Nurture Ministry Group is looking for RNs and LPNs who would be willing to volunteer a portion of their Sunday mornings to a new Parish Nursing ministry here at First Church. If there are any nurses interested in giving about thirty minutes of the Sunday School hour either one to two Sundays a month, please contact Barbara Austin [barbbaustin@juno.com](mailto:barbbaustin@juno.com) at 895-2935 or Tommy Perkins 893-1322 or [tperkins@fumcm.org](mailto:tperkins@fumcm.org).



Join us as a VBS Volunteer for  
**Camp EDGE – Where We  
Experience & Discover God  
Everywhere!**

Vacation Bible School June 15-19

**Come lead our children as we experience and discover God. The week will be filled with exciting Crafts, Recreation, Science, Music, Fun snacks and Bible stories.**

Join us for our Volunteer Meeting  
on Tuesday, March 17, at 6:00 – 204 – dinner and nursery provided.

**Yes, I will help surf into the word by becoming a:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Director of VBS**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Co-director of VBS**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Helper with decorations**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Director of pre-school activities**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Director of elementary activities**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Lead teacher in a VBS classroom**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Helper in a VBS classroom**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Beachcomber craft center**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Leader/helper at Sound Waves**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Leader/helper in Surfin' Snack**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Rockin' Rec**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Surf'n'Sand Science Lab**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Youth volunteer**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Teacher snack organizer or helper**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Youth Coordinator**

I prefer the following age group: 2 yr. olds. \_\_\_\_\_ 3 yr. olds \_\_\_\_\_  
4 yr. olds \_\_\_\_\_ Kindergarten \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_ 5<sup>th</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_ 6<sup>th</sup> Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form by placing it in the offering plate, bringing it to the church office, or by contacting Marsha Thompson. All children who attend VBS must have been 3 by September 30th of 2008. A nursery is available to all volunteers.

**MEN'S CHURCH LEAGUE SOFTBALL**

Men's Church League Softball is fast approaching. Any interested players please contact Scott Leifheit at 631-1484 or Mark Talmadge at 482-6563.

**COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT AFTERNOON OF GOLF!**

Who would think that an afternoon of golf could do so much for our Tennessee Conference Camp and Retreat Ministries? Your grateful participation in this golf tournament enables us to make improvements at both Cedar Crest Camp and Beersheba Springs Assembly that otherwise can not be done through the regular budgets. Such things as equipment for children and youth camps, green projects, facility upgrades and program enhancements are always in need of additional resources. Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Location: The Hermitage Golf Course (General's Retreat)  
Monday, April 13th Time: 1:00 PM Cost: \$125 per Golfer \$500 Team

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, CONTACT: The Office of Camp and Retreat Ministries 931-692-3669, Dickie Hinton or Gloria Fults Email: [tnumcamps@tnumc.org](mailto:tnumcamps@tnumc.org)

**JOB EMPLOYMENT SEMINAR**

First United Methodist Church

Thursday, March 26th - 6:00-8:30 pm, Room TBD

If you aren't getting the responses from employers on your resume that you would like...you might be interested in the following:

- 1 Job, 500 Applicants,
- 1 Objective - BE THE ONE!

Now more than ever you need the tools that will set you apart from the competition. Have you been sending out resumes with little or no response? Then this seminar is for you! Learn how to make your resume stand out. How to stand out at a job fair. Pitfalls to avoid when filling out applications. Learn 5 techniques when interviewing that will set you apart from everyone else. Find out which industries are hiring and how you can increase your chances of getting a job in those fields. This seminar is free to all FUMC regular attendees. Childcare available. Call 615-223-5627 to register.

**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 **June, July, and August.**

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**MARCH 8, 2009**

**NEW MEMBER NAME TAGS**

If you have recently joined the church, please find your name tags located on the Welcome Center desk in the Narthex. Please notify volunteers at this desk if you would like your picture to be posted on the New Member board.

**CONFIRMATION DAY AND SERVICE**

Next Sunday, March 15th, is Confirmation Sunday. We will have a service at 3:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary in which we will celebrate the confirmands reception into the faith as confirmed persons. This service will be followed by a reception in the Family Life Center.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

It's almost time for our blood drive for 2009. It will be on Wednesday, March 18th, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. The Red Cross bus will be parked in the east back parking lot and sign up will be in the Family Life Center. I know that we have a lot of people that give on a regular basis so I would ask that you please put this on your calendar so that you will be able to give. The Red Cross needs blood. They are running low on certain blood types, so please come out and show support for this great cause.  
Dewey Smith, Missions Director