

OUR PRAYERS

Baptist Meml

Dorothy Hyatt 4204

At Home

Roger Umnuss

Martha Burford

Dean Shipley

OUR PRESENCE

May 16 Church School 56
Worship 77
Visitors 4

OUR GIFTS

May 16
Tithes & Plate Offering \$ 2932
Church School \$ 15.75
Total Rec'd \$ 2947.75

May MTD \$ 14033.75

YTD apportionments \$ 5469

OUR SERVICE

Assisting May 23

Greeters Ginny & Wayne Lawrence
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Lisa Hughes
Children's Time Dean Tutor
Lock-up Wayne Lawrence

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May Scripture Readers
30 Brother Paul



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FROM THE PASTOR

Along our highways, well placed at appropriate locations, are road signs which give us direction and warn us of danger. Most of these are the reflector type; that is, they are designed to reflect the light of auto headlamps. In darkness, they are invisible to anyone who travels without a light. But when our auto headlights are flashed upon these signs, they reflect back to us their message of guidance or caution. Their night-time aid to us depends upon the light we bring to them. They have no meaning for unlighted lamps. God would like to guide us through the days and through the years of this life. God's signs are out there--in all the appropriate places. But whether we see them will depend upon the light with which we approach them.

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for May 23

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-17

Sermon Title

“Believe in Me!”

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., May 23 - Sat., May 29

- Sun. 5/23 **Pentecost Sunday**
 9:15a Prayer Room
 9:45a Church School
 9:45a Caring for Aging Parents - FH
 10:55a Worship
12:15p Church Council
- Mon. 5/24 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 5/25 6:30p Girl Scouts
- Wed. 5/26 6:00p Fellowship & Study
 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 5/27 10:00a Adult Bible Study
- Fri. 5/28 Offices Closed
- Sat. 5/29 9:00a AFLS in FH

BE EASY ON PAUL WEEK

..while I'm away May 16-22. Thanks.
Kathy



“JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT”

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

**A charity fund raiser presented by
United Methodist Neighborhood
Centers and Theatre Memphis**

If you have tickets, Tuesday, June 1, at 6 p.m. is the time to use them. A “technicolor” buffet and silent auction begin at 6 p.m. followed by the Theatre Memphis production of “Dreamcoat” at 7:30.

PENTECOST

...is May 23, the pentekoste, “fiftieth day”, after Easter. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit, as tongues of fire, upon the followers of Jesus and is often referred to as the Birthday of the Church. On this day of celebration we encourage everyone to wear red, symbolizing joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit.

OPPORTUNITIES

Help UMCNC raise \$100,000 during their fund-raising emphasis. To learn about their programs or to give a donation, contact Exec. Dir., Sonny Davis, 323-4994, or Jim Graham, 487-3991.

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The blue bin in the hall is ready for your gifts to aid seniors through the Golden Cross Key Women and Wesley Senior Ministries.

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UMCOR still needs flood buckets to assist in cleaning up after the recent torrential rains. Fill a bucket or donate \$55.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE



...is coming up June 6-8 at Collierville UMC. Our Lay Member of Annual Conference is Jimmy Hight. Our alternate delegate is Margaret Ann Ligon. Jimmy and Paul will be attending Conference and will let us know all the happenings.

UMW NEWS

Ladies, throughout June we will be focusing on our shut-in and sunshine members. The Koinonia/Rebecca Group will visit their four friends on their regular meeting date. Lynn Coffman will be our speaker at the Unit meeting the last Sunday in June (moved because of Father's Day). This is a wonderful ministry Lynn is doing and we want to learn how we can help more.

For many years we invited all our special friends who could make it to this meeting. If any of them are able, let's see that they can attend.

At-large members are in charge of set-up for lunch.

We have the book for our August Spiritual Growth Study, “For the Love of God”, featuring all the epistles of John. You can order it for only \$6.50 plus tax, from the Mission Education Center: 800-305-9857. You have asked for a Bible study and this is it.

As part of developing a supportive community, let's volunteer to see that Jean McCarty gets to church activities, especially UMW events. She has served us well and now needs our help.

Aleda Kelly



THE FINCHERS AT ALDERSGATE

Have you heard this gospel quartet? Mark Sunday, June 13, at 5:00pm on your calendar. Don't miss the Finchers in Concert at Aldersgate. There will be great music!

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Memorial Fund

In memory of Sherry Mitchell by

Neil & Jean DeLong

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE SPECIAL DAYS!

June 20th — Father's Day — Donuts For Dad—10:30 in the fellowship hall

July 11th — Church Picnic

Bus Tours Coming Up!

Sept. 14-24— Fall Foliage in New England. This is the most beautiful time of the year to experience the exciting color of the leaves in New England states of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York.

Nov. 30-Dec. 3—Branson, MO at Christmas. We have great Christmas shows scheduled along with the Miracle of Christmas a the beautiful new Sight and Sound Theater.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Pass the hours of each day in a way you can be thankful for each night.