

**OUR PRAYERS**

**At Home**

Charles Kicklighter  
Richard Herndon

**Kirby Pines Skilled Nursing**

Bea Harris Rm. 156A

**Camden Rehab**

Gabe Colosia 508A

**OUR PRESENCE**

**August 7**

Church School 48  
Worship 84  
Visitors 8

**OUR GIFTS**

**August 7**

Total Rec'd \$ 5,304  
MTD \$ 5,304  
Apportionments TD \$ 11,600

**OUR SERVICE**

**Assisting August 14**

**Greeters** Peggy Brightqwell  
Sharon Lockhart  
**Liturgist** Bruce Hughes  
**Scripture** Happy Birah  
**Children's Time** Rebeca Ernst  
**Lock-up** Neil DeLong

**OUR WITNESS**

**August Scripture Readers**

21 Jane Hight  
28 Lisa Hughes

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

In *Mere Christianity*, C. S. Lewis writes "Do no waste your time bothering whether you 'love' your neighbor, act as if you did. As soon as we do this, we find one of the great secrets. When you are behaving as if you love someone, you will presently come to love him. If you injure someone you dislike, you will find yourself disliking him more. If you do him a good turn, you will find yourself disliking him less."

Peace and Grace,  
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for August 14<sup>th</sup>

Psalm 133

Romans 11:1-2a, Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon Title

"God's Universal Grace"

## THE WEEK AHEAD

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|-----------|--|
| Sun. 8/14 | 9:45a Church School<br>10:55a Worship<br>12:30p Willow Oaks Potluck Lunch<br>12:30p Angelfood Orders |
| Mon. 8/15 | Noon News Deadline   |
| Tue. 8/16 | No Activities  |
| Wed. 8/17 | 5:30p Angelfood Orders<br>7:30p Choir Rehearsal  |
| Thu. 8/18 | 10:00a Bible Study   |
| Fri. 8/19 | Offices Closed   |
| Sat. 8/20 | 9:00a AFLS   |
| Sun. 8/21 | 9:00a Trustees Mtg.<br>9:45a Church School<br>10:55a Worship   |

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Lessons are in life.  
Answers are in church.

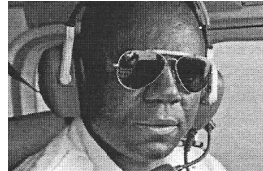


## EPWORTH BY THE SEA OFFERS AUTUMN ADVENTURES

"Tracing Footsteps from the Past", Sept. 26-29, will include a visit to St. Mary's. GA, the second oldest continuously inhabited city in the USA, where stands the oldest building continuously used as a church since it was built in 1808; tours of Kingsley Plantation; the colonial capital of the Province of Georgia, later becoming Savannah; and Fort George Island Cultural Park as well as other great sites and sights. For information about fees and housing and to register visit [www.epworthbythesea.org](http://www.epworthbythesea.org).

## THANK YOU

Dear Friends,  
Your cards, calls, thoughts and prayers have given me the grace to get through this difficult time. Thank you for your love and care.  
Jimmie Bedwell



UM missionary pilot Gaston Ntambo.  
A UMNS photo by Carey Woods.

## THE MIRACLE OF FLIGHT TAKES ON NEW MEANING

Imagine an area about the size of Texas, 270,000 sq. miles, with a population of around 6 million (compared to 25 million in Texas), that has been ravaged by war, is so remote there are no roads, and has no doctors or medical care available to the inhabitants within hundreds and hundreds of miles.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief found just such a place and is lending a hand.

For the last 50 years, UM planes have been flying in Africa, saving lives and spreading the gospel. Currently, the program, UM Aviation Ministries, supports 3 pilots serving 3 remote UM Conferences in the Democratic Republic of Congo: North Katanga, Central Congo and Southern Congo. There are no air traffic controllers and no radar or weather reporting stations, so each time the pilots take flight, they put their lives in God's hands.

Gaston Ntambo, a UM missionary and pilot, has flown accident-free for 14 years. He says the dangers and hardships through which he travels are all worth that one moment when he knows he got someone to a doctor in time.

Read the complete story at [www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org). Search for: Aviation ministry.



## UMW NEWS

The handouts for our August study, *The Journey*, may now be picked up in the library. Our men are joining us as registrars and Brother Paul will help us understand the focus of the study. We still are in need of a song leader and a very few parts need to be taken. We will need help setting up a few days before the study.

## THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for the cards and flowers and for thinking of me. I had a lovely birthday. You are very special to me.

Jane Pifer



## WESLEY SENIOR MINISTRIES GOLF CLASSIC COMING UP

A full day of golf is planned for September 15 at Wyndyke in support of Wesley Senior Ministries. There will be goodie bags for everyone along with prizes for the putting contest, longest drive, closest to the pin, flight prizes and hole-in-one. The fee is \$125 per person or \$500 for a team (including mulligans).

If you are interested in playing, being a sponsor or volunteering, please call Selena Henson or Kartha Stires at 231-1930.



## CREATION CARE TIP

**Be clean and green!** Use bio-degradable detergent for laundry. Harsh detergents can cause many health and ecological problems. They contain carcinogens and toxins unfriendly to our bodies and our environment.

Because manufacturers are not required to list ingredients on cleaning products, it can be difficult to find out just what is in their detergents. The best way is read the labels and look for "environmentally friendly" products. Try them until you find one you are happy with.

Charlie's Soap, found at places like the Fresh Market, out-performed Tide in laundry tests at Clemson University.



## EPISCOPAL NOMINEE SELECTED

The General and Jurisdictional Conference delegation, elected by the Memphis Annual Conference this past June, has endorsed the Rev. Randy Cooper as their episcopal nominee for 2012. Rev. Cooper, who is part of the delegation and serves at First UMC in Martin, TN, was also the nominee for 2008.

The delegates will be attending General Conference in April 2012 in Tampa, FL, and Jurisdictional Conference, July 2012, at Lake Junaluska, NC.

## WE FOUND IT

A silver-tone bracelet has been found in the Sanctuary. Call the office if it is yours, 683-8861.