

OUR PRAYERS

St. Francis Elizabeth Smith 1229
Baptist Memorial Billy Wakham 5396
Billy B. McClain 2366

At Home

Marie Hughes
Arthur Brown
Russell Vollmer

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to
...Audrey Weaver, Kathy & David and families
in the loss of their husband and father, Phil
Weaver
...Family and friends of Cheryl Pomije

OUR PRESENCE

August 12
Church School 49
Worship 89
Visitors 23

OUR GIFTS

August 12
This Week's Offering \$ 2,532
MTD \$ 7,938
Apportionments TD \$ 11,400

OUR SERVICE

Assisting August 19

Greeters Marcelle Farrow
Margaret Ann Ligon
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Renee Little
Children's Time Bruce Hughes
Lock-up Jimmie Bedwell

August Scripture Readers
26 Warren Petty



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Not only does the Bible contribute to our belief in the best is yet to be, but the things of our daily lives also reveal that this is true. It is this belief that keeps the scientist, inventor, and researcher busy.

- * The best sales presentation has not been perfected.
- * The best car hasn't been developed. * The final cure hasn't been discovered.
- * The safest plane hasn't been produced. * The best song hasn't been written.
- * The best product is not on the market. * The best church hasn't been grown.
- * The best class hasn't been taught. * The best way hasn't been found.
- * The best . . . is yet to be.

The phrase "The best is yet to be" is a positive affirmation that gives life direction. It provides hope: there is more to come in life. It's the spirit of expectancy: good things are going to happen. It is seen through the eyes that look for opportunities that will be greater than ever. It is received through proper planning and work. Desire is the fuel that makes it a reality. THE BEST IS YET TO BE!

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for August 19th
Psalm 111
Ephesians 5:15-20

Sermon Title
"Be Filled with the Spirit"

LOOKING AHEAD

- Sun. 8/19 9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
- Mon. 8/20 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 8/21 9:30a UMW Mission Study
6:00p Cub & Boy Scouts
- Wed. 8/22 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 8/23 10:00a Bible Study
- Fri. 8/24 Offices Closed
- Sat. 8/25 9:00a AFLS
- Sun. 8/26 9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship



FOR THE FOOD PANTRY THIS MONTH
Crackers Vienna Sausages Dry Milk

FELLOWSHIP TIME ~ Sept. 9

Join us at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall as the Fellowship Class hosts.



**CREATION CARE
Every Drop Counts**

Test Your Tank: Add a dozen drops of food coloring to your toilet tank and wait an hour. If any color seeps through the tank, a fitting or into the bowl, you probably have a leak.



**GOLF CLASSIC COMING UP TO
BENEFIT WESLEY SENIOR MINISTRIES**

Join us for a fun day of golf at Wyndyke Country Club on Thursday, September 20, and show your support for the Wesley Senior Ministries Foundation. There will be both morning and afternoon rounds. To reserve your or a team's position, please register by September 1. Forms are available in the church office or you may call 901-213-1930 with your reservation. Fees are: single player—\$125; 4 person team—\$500. You may contact Liz Clayton or Kartha Stires at the number above with any questions.



GOING PLACES

Sept. 18 - Pearl Farm Tour, Birdsong, TN, This is the only fresh water pearl farm in the U.S. Reservations due by September 5.
Oct. 23-26 - Ozark Fall Foliage & Branson, MO. A motor coach tour of the mountains and fun in Branson, including *Joseph* at the Sight & Sound Theater.
Nov. 27-30 - Christmas Tour to Pigeon Forge & Nashville Country Christmas. Time to celebrate Winterfest with all the Christmas decorations and lights in Pigeon Forge then on to Nashville to see the Rockettes and *Ice* at Opryland.
 Brochures are on the kitchen bulletin board. For more info, call Carolyn McDougal at 861-0841.

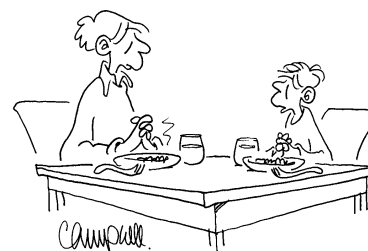


UMW NEWS

Plans are made and the scene is set for our Mission Study, *Immigration and the Bible: A Guide for Radical Welcome*, on Aug. 21st and 28th at 10 a.m. This study shares the narrative of immigrants and migration, exploring biblical and theological understandings. It will help participants examine what it is to be a sojourner and to understand the biblical mandate of hospitality for the "stranger" and "aliens" in our midst. All are invited to become part of a hospitable community; following Jesus and leading lives of service with and for others.
 On both days, please bring breakfast treats to share during Registration & Conversation at 9:30a. Coffee will be provided. A Soup & Salad Luncheon will be shared following the session on the 28th. Soup and green salad will be provided. Please fill in with other salads and desserts.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Pray for those around you who need encouragement and support.



"Do I have to give thanks for all the spinach or just the bite I'm going to eat?"

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for
Scholarship Fund
In memory of Phil Weaver by
 Lou Pennington

Maintenance Fund
In memory of Phil Weaver by
 Evelyn Goddard

Memorial Fund
In memory of Phil Weaver by
 Jimmy & Jane Hight
 June Whitehead



DATE SET FOR TAAUMCUMMGT

Mark October 20 on your calendars now for the Thirty-third Annual Aldersgate United Methodist Church United Methodist Men's Golf Tournament. More details to come soon.



**'HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION'
An event for Older Adults**

Come to Epworth by the Sea September 24-27 and enjoy a tour of historic churches in Coastal Georgia. Visit the smallest church in America, stroll through the Wesley Memorial and Gardens, celebrate Charles Wesley's 300th anniversary and much more. Accommodations are available at Epworth by the Sea with reservations. Complete details and reservations are available on line at www.epworthbythesea.org. Reservations include 3 nights' lodging, 8 meals and all activities.