

OUR PRAYERS

Poplar Point Rehab

Tom Boillot 116A

At Home

Jane Hight

Special Prayers for

....kidnapped girls
from Nigeria

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to
...Mava Dell Fry and family in the loss of her son,
William Fry

Homebound/Assisted Care

Martha Allen	June Burton	Gerri Colosia
Jack Eaton	Mava Dell Fry	Earl Galloway
Helen Griffin	Marie Hughes	Margaret Kenley
Doris Palazzini	Jane Pifer	Betty Ray
Bernice Shelby	Chris Simmons	Emmett Smith
Harold Smith	Betty Smithmier	Martha Wallace
Bill Whitaker		

OUR PRESENCE

April 19

Church School	50
Worship	89
Visitors	2

OUR GIFTS

April 19

Offering	\$ 2,191
Month to Date	\$ 8,042

OUR SERVICE

April 26, 2015

Greeters	Lorelle Woodard Margie Williamson
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Barry Mathis
Children's Time	Dr. Lester
Lock-up	Jimmie Bedwell

OUR WITNESS

May Scripture Readers

3	Renee Little
10	Judy Stanley
17	Jane Hight
24	Rose Oyoo
31	Peggy Brightwell



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THE WRITE REVEREND



In 1905, and again in 1915, Albert Einstein shook the scientific world with his theories of relativity. Up until then, Sir Isaac Newton's laws of motion had been the be all to end all in physics and the world was sure they would stand forever. But Einstein proved that Newton's theories were only approximately right and did not account for what happens when approaching the speed of light and/or a strong gravitational field.

But I can imagine that the power of Einstein's theory of relativity pales in comparison to how news of the resurrection would have shaken Jesus' world. Up until then, death had had the last word and was the power beyond which there was no answer. But on the third

day after his crucifixion, Jesus of Nazareth was raised from the dead and His resurrection has become the central event in the Christian faith.

In the early 1950's Paul Tillich wrote "Shaking the Foundations." In this work he argued that with man's capacity for self destruction present with us in nuclear weapons, we were faced with only two choices, annihilation and despair or faith in the world to come as promised by Jesus and given testimony in the resurrection.

Like Newton and Einstein's discoveries, the resurrection shocked the foundations of the existing social order and promised a new world where justice would run down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Where those who were last in the old world would be first in the new; a world where the least, the last, the lost, the lonely, the left out would sit down at the heavenly banquet and be fed until they wanted no more.

During Easter and the Sunday's after, we celebrate the breaking into human history of that world in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Hallelujah, Christ is risen in deed!

Herbert

Scriptures for the week: Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 I John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

LOOKING AHEAD	
Sun. 4/26	10:15a Church School 11:15a Coffee in Fellowship Hall 11:30a Worship
Mon. 4/27	Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury
Tue. 4/28	1:00p Gift Wrap open @ Asbury
Wed. 4/29	10:00a Bible Study at Aldersgate 5:30p Youth Fellowship 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:15p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 4/30	9-12 Food Pantry @ Asbury
Fri. 5/1	Offices Closed May Friendship Day
Sat. 5/2	8:00a Aldersgate Spring Festival 9:00a AFLS 6:00p Spanish Worship Service
Sun. 5/3	10:15a Church School 11:15a Coffee in Fellowship Hall 11:30a Worship

FOOD PANTRY FOR APRIL

Dried Beans Rice Canned Fruit
Cash is always appreciated.

(Make checks out to Aldersgate and write 'food pantry' in the memo line.)

Thank you.



ALDRSGATE SPRING FESTIVAL

The Time Is Near!

Saturday, May 2 8am —2pm

Want to help? Volunteers are needed to set up Friday night and early Saturday morning and to take down and clean up after 2 on Saturday. Call Perri Mathis, 831-2217, or Judy Stanley, 652-4821. Bake Sale goodies, white elephant items, household goods and more are needed. If you cannot deliver your cache to the church, Aleita, (274-0089) will pick up your bake sale items; Renee (737-9899) will pick up white elephant items; call Judy (652-4821) or Barry (299-2746) for larger items.

THANK YOU

Our Birthday Bash was everything you would want a birthday party to be—Happy! Our own little multi-cultural community coming together for good food, fun and fellowship to help send some of our “Kids to Kamp”. We thank you for your generous donations, your spaghetti, your most fabulous deserts, your time spent serving and cleaning up and creating some of the best dressed tables. Everyone did something to make this one of our “favorite” events! And, yes, Lakeshore, here come our precious children to learn more about the glory of God!



RECIPES

REQUESTED

For Anniversary Cookbook

Let's get specific—Do you have a recipe for a great dip for chips/crackers or fruit or veggies? How about a punch recipe that earns praises every serving? Maybe an evening snack to eat while watching a favorite movie? You could have a candy recipe everyone begs for. Or salads, sweet or savory, and a special dressing to go with? Please turn recipes in at the office or to Aleita Tutor, either by hand or by email.

Office email: office@agumc.org

Aleita email: rdeantutor@bellsouth.net

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2015 SENIOR EXPO

...to be held at Bellevue Baptist Church, 2000 Appling Road, Cordova 38016, on Tuesday, May 5. Mayor Luttrell will open the festivities at 9:30, followed by lots of entertainment and good information on all aspects of senior living. Mark your calendar now.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for May/June is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick up your copy today.

NEW ADDRESS FOR OUR FRIEND

Jo Ann Shelton
6010 Spring Creek Court
Mount Dora, FL 32757-6952
Her cell phone is still the same:
901-378-6587

OUTREACH FROM INSIDE

Grace Place UMC, serving the female inmates inside the Mark Luttrell Correctional Center, is asking for yarn, and other items, to continue its many crafting projects. Grace Place members crochet crosses, scarves, angels, bears, etc., which volunteers sell “on the outside”, to help the congregation support various charities. Items not made for sale support persons in need inside and outside the prison, with crocheted cancer caps, baby blankets, prayer shawls, hats and scarves. Regular, 4-ply yarn, in assorted colors, preferably in original packaging or rolled into balls and placed in zip-lock bags, soft baby yarn, plastic tapestry needles, plastic crochet hooks and #10 crochet cotton, may be mailed to the Asbury District Office at Highland Heights UMC, 3476 Summer Ave., 38122, or delivered Monday through Thursday from 9 to 3. The Asbury District Office phone number is 901-590-4820, to be sure someone is available if you are delivering items.



MUFFINS FOR MOM - MAY 10th

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:45 on Mother's Day, May 10th, as we celebrate our Moms. Please bring pictures of Mom to share with our church family, and be sure to put her name and yours with the photos.

As in the past, you may give an honorarium or memorial in Mom's name or that of a special lady in your life, be she Nana, Auntie or loving friend, to be included in a special bulletin insert on Mother's Day. If you wish, you may designate your gifts to any fund you choose.

EARLY EVENING PRAYER WALK

Asbury UMC is continuing their Lenten practice of a Prayer Walk each Monday evening at 6 p.m. Weather permitting, it is held in the parking lot, otherwise, it will be inside. The simple schedule of pray-walk-pray is followed each week. All are invited to take part. No reservations or registration, just show up at 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd. and join the group.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

Music Fund

In honor of Jo Ann Shelton by
Jimmy & Jane Hight
In memory of James Varner by
Jimmy & Jane Hight

Memorial Fund

In memory of James Matlock by
Jimmy & Jane Hight
In memory of Lynda Park by
Jimmy & Jane Hight



JOIN US FOR 'FAITH IN ACTION' CLEANUP

8:30a.m. on Saturday, April 25, meet at the church to participate in the Faith in Action Cleanup around Willow Oaks School and Godwin Park. You may contact Diana Bedwell by email at diana.bedwell@earthlink.com or by phone at 761-1934, for more information.

TRAVEL TIME

Have you made your reservations for the day trip to Discovery Park in Union City, TN? Join us on June 16. Reservations deadline is May 8. The cost is \$59.50. There is much to see at this newly opened park. Brochures are on the bulletin board outside the kitchen or call Carolyn, 861-0841, for all the details.



WEDDING BELLS

Blessings and best wishes to Olivia Broyles and Patrick De Stephanos, who were married April 18. The proud family of the bride are David, Agnes & Agatha Broyles. The De Stephanos will reside in Cordova when they return from their honeymoon.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

What is needed is yours to give.
Be inspired to write a letter, make a phone call, give a smile or offer a hand.