

**OUR PRAYERS**

**Methodist Germantown**

James Baker

**Memphis Jewish Home**

Earl Galloway

Janet Milewski

**Apple Grove**

Ray & Carolyn Escue

**Corinth MS**

Virginia Kemp Jones

**Patterson, NJ**

Irvin Scheirer

**Mexico**

Misael Hildago

(Gaby's grandfather)

**Highlands of Memphis**

Antinette Guy-Scott

**At Home**

Tom Boillot

Jim Brazile

Virginia Finzel

Dorothy Goolsby

Mildred Hight

Patricia Howard

Freda Lipford

Eloise Miller

Glenn Moore

Lorraine Mitchell

Betty Ray

Terry Williamson

**Special Prayers** for

...kidnapped girls/Nigeria

...disaster victims

...General Conference

**Homebound and Assisted Care**

Martha Allen	June Burton	Mava Dell Fry
Helen Griffin	Doris Hight	Marie Hughes
Margaret Kenley	Ted Lewis	Doris Palazzini
Bernice Shelby	Chris Simmons	Emmett Smith
Harold Smith	Betty Smithmier	Martha Wallace

**OUR PRESENCE - May 8**

Sunday School	49
Worship	83
Visitors	17

**OUR GIFTS - May 8**

Offering	\$ 1,507
Month to Date	\$ 5,333

**OUR SERVICE - May 15**

<b>Greeters</b>	Jane Hight Betty Jones
<b>Liturgist</b>	Warren Petty
<b>Scripture</b>	Tom Lockhart
<b>Children's Time</b>	Goyo De la Cruz
<b>Lock-up</b>	Tom Lockhart

**OUR WITNESS**

**May Scripture Readers**

22 Faith Gbeneneh
29 Jane Hight



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**Charles Wesley wrote these words for Whit Sunday\*, published in 1746, that are as relevant today as they were 270 years ago.**

Away with our fears,  
Our troubles and tears.  
The Spirit is come,  
The witness of Jesus returned to His home;  
The pledge of our Lord  
To His Heaven restored  
Is sent from the sky,  
And tells us our Head is exalted on high.

Our Advocate there  
By His blood and His prayer  
The gift hath obtained,  
For us He hath prayed, and the Comforter gained;  
Our glorified Head  
His Spirit hath shed  
With His people to stay  
And never again will He take Him away.

Then let us rejoice  
In heart and in voice  
Our Leader pursue,  
And shout as we travel the wilderness through;  
With the Spirit remove  
To Zion above,  
Triumphant arise,  
And walk with our God, till we fly to the skies.

Our heavenly Guide  
With us shall abide,  
His comforts impart,  
And set up His kingdom of love in the heart.  
The heart that believes  
His kingdom receives  
His power and His peace,  
His life, and His joy's everlasting increase.

The presence divine  
Doth inwardly shine,  
The Shechinah\* shall rest  
On all our assemblies, and glow in our breast;  
By day, and by night  
The pillar of light  
Our steps shall attend,  
And convoy us safe to our prosperous end.

\* Also known as Pentecost

\* Hebrew noun—the dwelling or settling of the divine presence of God

**Scriptures for the Week:**

Acts 2:1-21

Romans 8:14-17

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

Sun. 5/15

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Day of Pentecost**

General Conference continues in Portland, OR

- 10:15a Sunday School
- 11:30a Worship
- 12:30p Finance Committee
- 12:30p Reception/FH

Mon. 5/16

- Noon Newsletter Deadline
- 7:00p Church Council Mtg.

Tue. 5/17

No Activities

Wed. 5/18

- 10:00a Bible Study @ **Asbury**
- 10:30a UMNC Key Women @ St. Luke's
- 6:45p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 5/19

- 9:00a Food Pantry @ **Asbury**
- 10:00a Bible Study
- 10:30a Young at Heart-**Asbury**
- 6:00p UM Men @ **Asbury**

Fri. 5/20

Offices Closed  
General Conference Ends

Sat. 5/21

- 7:00a **Asbury** Flea Market
- 9:00a AFLS
- 10:00a Sewing Group
- 1:00p One Harvest Distribution
- 6:00p Spanish Service @ **EI Redentor**

Sun. 5/22

- Trinity Sunday
- Heritage Sunday
- 10:15a Sunday School
- 11:30a Worship
- 3:00p Pre-Conference Briefing @ St. Paul's

2016 General Conference  
The United Methodist Church  
www.umc.org/GC2016



**PRAY WITHOUT CEASING**

...even as General Conference ends this week. The attendees will be on their way home on Friday and still in need of our prayers.



Congratulations and best wishes to Rebecca Bedwell, who graduated from the University of Memphis on May 7th with a Master of Social Work degree.

**?? MORE GRADS ??**

We want to congratulate all our grads. If you know of a graduate in our church family, please call the office, 683-8861. Thanks!



**DRIVERS WITH CDL's NEEDED**

If you have a Commercial Driver's License and would be willing to drive our children to Lakeshore, please let us know. Emmanuel UMC has generously agreed to provide the vehicle but is unsure if they will have a driver available in July. Chaperones will also be needed for the trips to and from Lakeshore.

Please contact the church office, 901-683-8861, or [office@agumc.org](mailto:office@agumc.org), if you can lend a hand. We don't want the kids to miss a minute of the "Lakeshore Experience"!



**BIBLE STUDY**

Join us Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. for a variety of studies through the year. Each series is for 6 to 8 weeks and you may join anytime.

**IN THE WORDS OF WESLEY**

"We should be rigorous in judging ourselves and gracious in judging others."  
~ John Wesley ~



**Golden Cross Key Women**

...meet on Thursday, May 12, at 11:00a.m. You still have time to donate personal care or household items for Wesley Senior Ministries, to be delivered at this meeting. Items may be left in the Golden Cross basket near the Sunday School office. Thanks!

**UMNC Key Women**

...invite you to their luncheon Wednesday, May 18th, at St. Luke's UMC, 480 S. Highland St. Registration is at 10:30 a.m. Bring a **salad** to share at the potluck lunch following the program. A "Sweet Offerings" event at the luncheon will offer for sale cakes and desserts from bakeries across Memphis, as a fund raiser for United Methodist Neighborhood Centers.



**FOOD PANTRY FOR MAY**

Pastas and Sauces

Cash is always appreciated and will help purchase goods at a great discount.

(Make checks payable to Aldersgate and write "food Pantry" in the memo line.)

Thank you.



**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Are you trying to find peace and hope? Look within—its yours by the power of the Spirit.



**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS IN SHORT SUPPLY**

At present we have NO liturgists for July through December; NO greeters for June through November; and still need Children's Time Leaders for the remainder of the year! Sign-up sheets are on the office window. If you prefer, you may call the office, 683-8861, and give Kathy your preferences.

**HONORING OUR LOVED ONES**

Gifts have been given for

**Memorial Fund**

In memory of Jeanne Hughes and June Langenburg by

Bruce & Lisa Hughes

**!! PLEASE NOTE !!**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE TO MEET**

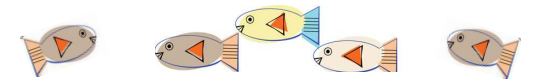
...on Sunday, May 15, at 12:30.

**CHURCH COUNCIL TO MEET**

...on Monday, May 16, at 7:00 p.m.

**Y.E.S. CAMP BEGINS MAY 31**

Youth Empowerment Summer **Camp** for ages 4-14 begins Monday, May 31, and will continue thru July 29, 7 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Complete information is available at 901-488-1112 or [www.a1empowerment.com](http://www.a1empowerment.com).



**"OPERATION OVERBOARD"**

**ASBURY'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

...will be June 27-June 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. If you can help with classes, set-up, etc., please contact Leandria Smith, 901-489-6821. Thanks so much.



**Community Flea Market**

New Date ♦ ♦ ♦ Saturday, May 21, 2016 ♦ ♦ ♦ New Date

7 a.m. – 2 p.m. • Come early and stay late!

No rain date needed — we're having it inside!!!

While the event has been postponed one week, no other changes have been made.

If you need more information or have further questions, please contact Debbie Williams at (901) 355-5397.