

OUR PRAYERS
St. Francis-Mphs **Methodist G'town**
Bill Whitaker 1230 Charles Howard 406W

Highlanders of Mphs
(James)Chris Simmons 104
The Village Rehab **Allen Morgan Rehab**
Margaret Miller Bill Quinn 133

Hospice Care
Mary Stanley

At Home
David Weaver Margaret Burrows Lynda Park
Earl Galloway Michael Solomon
(Elvernice) Sonny Davis

OUR PRESENCE

July 6	
Church School	42
Worship	65
Visitors	3

OUR GIFTS

July 6	
This Week's Offering	\$ 1,332
MTD	\$ 1,332

OUR SERVICE

July 13

Greeters	Carolyn McDougal Mary Robbins
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Judy Stanley
Children's Time	Renee Little
Lock-up	Barry Mathis

OUR WITNESS

July Scripture Readers
20 Dean Tutor
27 Peggy Brightwell



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THE WRITE REVEREND



I don't know about you, but I love movies. Not so much for their entertainment value, which is immense, but because of the insights they give us into the human experience.

Several weeks ago, two of my favorite movie partners, my daughter Lani and my grandson Adam, and I went to see the new Godzilla. There was suspense; there was love and human conflict; there were things blowing up (lots of them!) and not just one gigantic monster, but three! The plot gets even more interesting and involved when the head brainiac finally figures out the movie's end game.

I won't spoil it for you; suffice it to say that the movie is a lot like life in the sense that more times than not, the end result we thought we had figured out and were working toward is not the end God has in mind for us at all, and what we think is God's will's, reflected in our actions, is in reality a thwarting of that will.

My first district superintendent had a banner in his office which read: "We know we do God's will when we find ourselves where we least expected to be." I think that says it all!

Herbert

Scripture Readings for July 13: Roman 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 7/13	9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship 12:15p UMW Pot Luck with Program on Golden Cross—Open to All Business meeting to follow
Mon. 7/14	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 7/15	No Activities
Wed. 7/16	7:00p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 7/17	10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 7/18	Offices Closed Mission u @ Milan 1st UMC
Sat. 7/19	No Activities Mission u @ Milan 1st UMC
Sun. 7/20	9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship 12:15p Planning Session (Lunch will be served)



EAT WINGS! RAISE MONEY!

Don't forget to join us on Friday, July 11, at Buffalo Wild Wings/Poplar Plaza, 3448 Poplar Ave., from 4 to 10 p.m. when 10% of all pre-tax food sales will be given to help fund the Miriam Child Development Center of our UMNC. Just present a ticket when ordering. EAT WINGS, RAISE FUNDS! Feel free to invite everyone! Tickets are available from the church office or by contacting David Billings or Iletha Robinson, 901-323-8060.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You can't always give. You must also receive.
Are you receptive to acts of peace and love?



WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations and best wishes to Matt & Morgan Rhea who were married on June 28th at the Columns. Mrs. Rhea is the former Morgan Johnson, daughter of Mike & Carroll Johnson. The groom is the son of Beverly Hight and David Rhea and the grandson of Keith Coffman. After a honeymoon in the Dominican Republic, the couple will reside at 5035 Sequoia, 38117.

THE FINCHERS ARE COMING

...July 27th at 5:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. Please come and join us for some great gospel singing. We have invited other churches to join us. There are printed invitations on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Please pass them out among your friends and neighbors. A love offering will be taken that evening for our singers. At 6:00p.m. we will have our annual indoor church picnic. Sunday School classes are furnishing sandwiches, fruit and vegetable trays and cookies. If you are not in a class, please bring cookies or brownies.

Don't miss this special evening!



COME SEE "WHAT'S NEXT?"

To get the latest information on lifestyle changes, join us on July 24 at 11:00a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a program presented by Lynn Coffman and representatives from Crossroads Hospice and the Commission on Aging. We will have lunch at 12:00 with barbecue and all the trimmings (pay by donation). Please call the church office, 683-8861, or sign up on the sheet on the office window to make a reservation so we will know how much food to prepare. Feel free to bring a friend, family member or neighbor, just a reservation for them.

UMW NEWS

Our Unit Meeting will be Sunday, July 13, right after worship. A light lunch (potluck) will be followed by a speaker from Golden Cross Ministries. Everyone is invited to attend. Our business meeting will follow the program.

We will be collecting goods for the Golden Cross Ministry at this meeting. If you would like to help, all donations will be greatly appreciated. Lists of needed items are available outside the Sanctuary. You may place your gifts in the mesh basket near the Sunday School Office. If donating money, please make checks out to Aldersgate with 'Golden Cross' in the memo line and drop in the offering plate or leave in the church office. Thank you for your help.

The UMW Reading Program

...for this session will close July 13. Be sure your name is on the list for each book you've read and for the right category. You still have time to get one more read, but hurry!

Mission u

'Mission u' is July 18-19 at Milan First UMC. If you missed the registration deadline, you may still contact Penny Story by emailing her at pennystory@scarletthreadwomen.com or call 270-395-5324. This study is open to men and women, clergy and laity.

Candle Burning

The Candle Burning Program is a very important part of Mission Giving by the United Methodist Women of the Memphis Conference. Please consider giving \$5 in honor or memory of someone, knowing that your gift is helping the nearly 100 institutions supported by the UMW.

Margaret Ann Ligon
Mission Coordinator

FOOD PANTRY FOR JULY

Jam or Jelly Peanut butter
1 qt. Packages of Powdered Milk



HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to
Memorial Fund

In memory of Frances Coffman by
Mike & Carroll Shultz



ONE HARVEST FOOD MINISTRY AVAILABLE AT ASBURY

Similar to the Angelfood Program that we had at one time at Aldersgate, One Harvest is a discount bulk food program open to **everyone**. Orders may be placed on-line at www.oneharvest.com, if paying by credit card, or in person if paying with cash. Cash or credit card only, no checks will be accepted. If you need more information or help in placing an order, please contact Debbie Williams at 901-355-5397. The July menu may be found at the One Harvest website above or through Asbury's site at www.asburyumc.org. Orders must be placed by 10:45 p.m. on July 13th for the July 19th delivery date. You may pick up your orders at Asbury, 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd. at 1 p.m. on July 19th.



OFFICE HOURS FOR DR. LESTER

While sharing our pastor with our sister church, Asbury UMC, and Dr. Lester finding it difficult to be in two places at once, he has set office hours at Aldersgate for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9a to 12 noon. He will be available at Asbury on Mondays and Wednesdays, also from 9a to 12 noon, at 363-1135. Other times can be arranged by appointment. Fridays will be his day away.