

# FAITHFUL WORKERS

12/3	12/10	12/17	12/24	12/31
<b>Ushers</b> Bennie Arp Shirley Corbin Mary Drinkard Jerry Smith	<b>Ushers</b> Trish Cole Richard Cole Marty Gilliam Steve Keylon	<b>Ushers</b> Billy Ray Patton Ken Rose Jerry Smith Clyde Thurman, Jr.	<b>Ushers</b> Richard Cole Trish Cole Mary Drinkard Walt Morse	<b>Ushers</b> Mary Drinkard Steve Keylon Billy Ray Patton Ken Rose
<b>Hosts</b> Glenda Keylon Steve Keylon	<b>Hosts</b> Sharon Cowart Shelby Williams	<b>Hosts</b> Susie Strunk Jerrie Patton	<b>Hosts</b> Dorathy Hastings Sheila Larson	<b>Hosts</b> Sharon Cowart Jerrie Patton
<b>Nursery</b> Loretta Hale	<b>Nursery</b> Lesia Garrison	<b>Nursery</b> Terry Hooper	<b>Nursery</b> Peggy Bowman	<b>Nursery</b> Wanda McCarter
<b>Acolytes</b> Emily & Gabby McBride	<b>Acolytes</b> Emma Broyles	<b>Acolytes</b> Rachel Heimel	<b>Acolytes</b> Madison Hinely	<b>Acolytes</b> Emily & Gabby McBride
<b>Children's Church</b> Wendy Thurman Natalie Baker	<b>Children's Church</b> Constance Garrison Hannah Couch	<b>No Children's Church Today.</b> <i>Enjoy the Cantata!</i>	<b>Children's Church</b> Susan Maddux Erin Couch	<b>Children's Church</b> Angie Couch J. T. Baker



## Happy Birthday!



1 Judith Barger	10 Chris Hastings	23 Jim McCarter
2 Jim Baldwin	12 Sam Hanson	Daniel Wyrick
Cynthia Dykeman	13 Dakota Rose	24 Taylor Thurman
3 Autumn Neal	14 Atlanta Ervin	29 Barbara Hardy
4 Hannah Couch	16 Pat Garner	Cherie Henderson
Karen Jo Tallent	19 Garen Ruffner	Penny Rice
6 Aaron Heimel	20 Anna Messimer	Dan Uhler
Walter Hooper IV	Carol Price	30 Harriet Southers
9 Lori Dillard	21 Andrea Cash	
10 Erin Couch	22 Cindy Ross	



# December 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>3</b> 11:00 Worship Service 4:30 Ohana Youth 5:00 Cantata Pract. 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>4</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>5</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 SC Women's Club, FH 6:00 UMW, FLC	<b>6</b> Piano Tuning Sanctuary Choir Room Fellowship Hall 4:30 Ohana Youth Kid Spring 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>7</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group	<b>1</b> <b>8</b>	<b>2</b> Ohana Youth Living Nativity @ Rhea Fairgrounds <b>9</b> Ohana Youth Living Nativity @ Rhea Fairgrounds
<b>10</b> 11:00 Worship Service 4:30 Ohana Youth 5:00 Cantata Pract. 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>11</b> Newsletter Deadline 10:30 TVA Retirees Family Life Center 5:30 Private Event Fellowship Hall 6:30 TLC	<b>12</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Parish-Cluster Cleveland 5:00 Joy Ministry's Movie Night	<b>13</b> 4:30 Ohana Youth Kid Spring 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>14</b> LDL Deadline 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group 7:00 Trustees	<b>15</b> 9-2 Kiwanis Setup Family Life Center (Family Life Center Closed)	<b>16</b> Ohana Youth Living Nativity @ Rhea Fairgrounds 7-12 Kiwanis Christmas Baskets Distribution, FLC 12-5 Private Event FLC
<b>17</b> 11:00 Christmas Cantata 3:00 Afternoon Cantata 4:30 Ohana Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>18</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>19</b> 8:30 MDO 12:00 Let's Do Lunch 6:30 UMW Book Club	<b>20</b> 4:30 Ohana Youth Kid Spring 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>21</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group 5:00 Community Meal	<b>22</b> Conference, District, & Church Offices Closed	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Christmas Eve 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>25</b> Christmas Day <i>Unto Us a Child is Born</i>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<i>Church Office Closed Dec. 25 - Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>; opens on Jan. 2, 2018.</i>						
<b>31</b> New Year's Eve 11:00 Worship Service 4:30 Ohana Youth <b>NO 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Sing</b> 8-9 p.m. AA-FH						

Note from Jeannette:  
Be thankful for this wonderful gift from God to the world - His son, Jesus.  
You are loved!



18 Nash & Constance Garrison  
21 Chris & Carolyn Haerr  
22 Mike & Angela Jackson



22 Jerry & Shari Norris  
28 Gary & Mary Drinkard  
31 Tom & Mary Fricke

## Happy Anniversary!





# THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the  
SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 2017

## Dale's Doodles

Matthew 6:25-34 <sup>25</sup>“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor was spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup>“So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.”

What if ??? Think about this for a moment and it might change how we look at and experience life. I wonder how many hours we spend worrying about all the concerns we have about life.

**Do you know people worry about almost everything? What would happen if we used all the time we spent worrying and used that time to pray? What would happen if we prayed, trusting, and believing that God could/would be involved in everything we worry about daily? What would our lives be like if we let go and let God?**

**You may say, “Preacher, this is so simple to say but difficult to do.” I concur it is, but the Bible teaches me that all things are possible with God. (Mark 16:27)**

**So let God take care of the things we worry about, and if we do that, our lives will be blessed knowing God is in control.**

Shalom,

*Rev. Dale J. Wysock*



The holidays for our church staff are Christmas Eve, Christmas, and New Year's Day. This year, the office will also be closed the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday after Christmas and will reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 2018.

The newsletter deadline is noon, Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Richard Corbin**  
**Jesse Gibbs**  
**Travis McClendon**

**Sandy Morgan**  
**Linda Mullins**  
**John Powell**

**Jack Phillips**  
**Doris Roy**

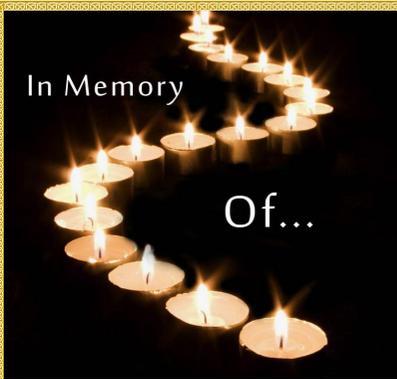
**Ella Bell** (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)  
**Nancy Carr** (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., #10, Spring City)  
**Mary Galloway** (195 Deer Ridge Dr., Room #A5, Dayton, 37321)  
**Jerry Greathouse** (Spring City Care and Rehab, 331 Hinch St.)  
**Jeannette Long** (The Veranda at Life Care, #506,10055 Rhea Co. Hwy, Dayton, 37321)  
**Kathleen Reece** (Spring City Care & Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)  
**Margaret Scholz** (Spring City Care & Rehab, #511, 331 Hinch St.)

**Mark West**  
(friend of Jerrie Patton)  
**Sherry Luttrell**  
(friend of Susan Arp)  
**Gracie Housley**  
(friend of Josh & Kim Wheat)  
**Peewee McClung**  
(friend of Angie Rose)  
**Margie Hodge**  
(friend of Diane Yonke)  
**Austin Nowell**  
(nephew of Sharon & Gray Cowart)  
**The Family of Mason Evans**  
(friends of Lesia Garrison)  
**Kennedy & Lincoln Ladd**  
(friends of Peggy Bowman)  
**Jackie Fine**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)  
**Larry Buller**  
(friend of Sharon & Gray Cowart)  
**Emaline Nunley**  
(aunt of David, Marty, & Howard Gilliam)  
**David Lee**  
(nephew of Judy & Gil Litteken)  
**Gloria Roberts**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)

**Jeff Bogges**  
(friend of Tammy Boles and Kevin Garrison)  
**Dennis Roddy**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)  
**Jenelly Kinsey**  
(friend of JoAnn Moorshead)  
**Tyler Lord** (son of Janet Lord)  
**Grace Ruffner**  
(niece of Bill & Caren Ruffner)  
**Dave Byers**  
(friend of Donna Hudson's family)

**The Family of Norma DeWitt**  
(sister of June Tallent)

*Due to limited space, names are removed the first of each month if the church office (365-6324) is not notified.*



Those who gave to the **General Budget** in memory of **Nina Gibbs**: Walt & Linda Morse, Leon & Nancy Hicks, Harriett Southers, Tommy & Loretta Hale, Gray & Sharon Cowart, Don, Betty, Diane, Malinda & Barbara Gray, Joanna, Jonathon, & Justin Thompson, Ken & Ann

Hasting, and Ralph & Mary Brockett.

Those who gave to the **General Budget** in memory of **John Hanson**: Walt & Linda Morse, Harriett Southers, Tommy & Loretta Hale, Helen Kincannon, and Gray & Sharon Cowart.

Felix & Emmaly Fisher gave to the **Holston Home for Children** in memory of **John Hanson**.

Phillip & Wilma Mitchell, Christine Rogers, and Karen Rogers Church gave to the **Bereavement Fund** in memory of **Nina Gibbs**.

Max & Pat Douglas, Larry McCuiston, and Rosemary McCuiston gave to the **Community Ministries Fund** in memory of **Charlene (Tiny) McCuiston**.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the **Community Ministries Fund** in memory of **John Hanson**.

Ken & Barbara Rose gave to the **Children's Ministry** in memory of **John Hanson**.

Josh & Kim Wheat gave to the **Children's Ministry** in memory of **Chadley Bowman** and **Nina Gibbs**.

Ed & Linda Gibbs gave to the **Trustees' Renovation Fund** in memory of **Nina Gibbs**.

Alex & Andrea Solomon, Bradley & Angela Rainey, and Linda K. Cheek gave to the **General Budget** in memory of **Chadley Bowman**.

Pearl Gilliam & Family gave to the **Community Ministries Fund** in memory of **Arthur Gilliam** and the wonderful life they shared.

## MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED OCTOBER 2017

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	31,104.64	282,544.33	369,000.00	76.6%
Mother's Day Out	2,749.30	23,790.39	24,700.00	96.3%
Other Income	169.68	515.12	1,100.00	46.8%
<b>TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>34,023.62</b>	<b>306,849.84</b>	<b>394,800.00</b>	<b>77.7%</b>
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	21,162.67	181,241.62	222,095.00	81.6%
Property Maintenance	3,102.24	47,157.46	67,900.00	69.5%
Office Administration	990.82	6,845.35	10,400.00	65.8%
Nurture and Music	227.10	2,358.37	4,000.00	59.0%
Witness	142.00	755.50	2,550.00	29.6%
Outreach - Missions	285.72	960.72	1,500.00	64.0%
Conference/District	4,462.68	34,146.95	42,841.00	79.7%
Church Support	419.11	5,900.19	7,814.00	75.5%
Children's Ministries	223.04	2,656.10	3,400.00	78.1%
Adult Ministries	-81.00	741.03	1,600.00	46.3%
Youth Ministries	0.00	744.27	6,000.00	12.4%
MDO Expenses	2,451.76	22,288.38	24,700.00	90.2%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>33,386.14</b>	<b>305,795.94</b>	<b>394,800.00</b>	<b>77.5%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>637.48</b>	<b>1,053.90</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	10/29	11/5	11/12	11/19
<b>General Budget</b>	4,200.00	7,200.01	5,622.25	4,673.00
<b>MDO</b>		1,710.00	960.00	120.00
<b>Memorial Special</b>	1,923.85	1,743.85	508.98	425.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,123.88</b>	<b>10,653.86</b>	<b>7,091.23</b>	<b>5,218.00</b>
<b>SS ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>155</b>

## Getting To Know You Better

Ladies, 60 and up, gathered for the November meeting of Let's Do Lunch (LDL), Tuesday, November 21, at noon in the Family Life Center. Patty Crowder opened the meeting with prayer and devotions. A delicious meal followed prepared by caterer, Evelyn Hawkins and helpers. Caren Ruffner decorated the tables using a Thanksgiving theme. Everyone had fun playing the "Get to Know You Better Game."

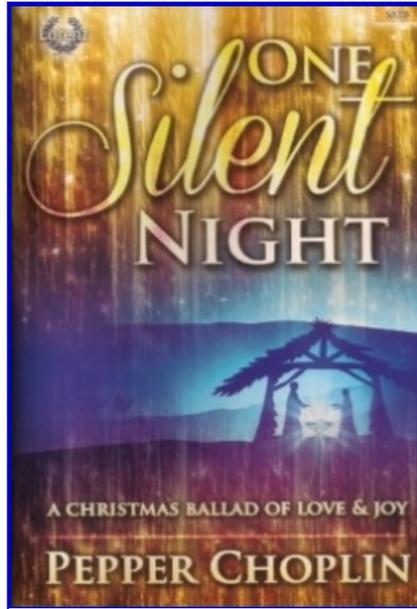
The December gathering of LDL will be at noon, Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars now for the December meeting.



# Joy Dines at Paula Dean's

The Joy Ministry Group is shown below dining at Paula Dean's Restaurant in Pigeon Forge on Friday, November 17. The group enjoyed shopping, dining, and just being together on such a pretty fall day. A big thank you to Tommy Hale for driving the church bus.

The next event for the Joy Ministry Team is Movie Night on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



## The Chancel Choir

under the direction of Judy Ezell, is presenting their annual Christmas Cantata, "One Silent Night," by Pepper Choplin, **Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, in the Sanctuary.**

Once again the choir is giving us the opportunity to enjoy two performances. The first one is at **11 a.m.**, and the afternoon performance begins at **3 p.m.** Come and

support our talented choir. **Invite a friend or family member to come with you!**



**POINSETTIAS FOR ADVENT:** If you would like to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary during Advent, please purchase and place your poinsettia in church no later than Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> for the Cantata and for the Christmas Eve Service. Call **365-6324** or send an email ([scumc@volstate.net](mailto:scumc@volstate.net)) to let the secretary know if your poinsettia is in memory or honor of a loved one. A special bulletin insert with the Christmas poinsettias will be in the bulletin for the Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 17. Deadline for poinsettia forms is **Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>.**



## KIWANIS CLUB'S CHRISTMAS BASKETS

distribution is **Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** in the Family Life Center, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The Family Life Center closed, Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, for preparing the baskets.



## MORGAN SCOTT "GIFTS FOR TEENS"

There is a great need to help reach out to the preteens and teens of Morgan Scott Counties at Christmastime to let them know they are loved. Please bring unwrapped gifts for teens as we share gifts and love with local children in need. We will collect items until December 2. They will be delivered to Morgan Scott the first week in December.

A box marked **MORGAN SCOTT** is near the side entrance to the sanctuary for gift donations from all who wish to give some Christmas love to a **TEEN**.

### Teen Gift Suggestions:

Boys: Basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, wallets, how to books, building bird houses, crafts, etc.

Girls: Scarves, nail polish, jewelry, cologne, lotions, jewelry making, crafts, etc.





OHANA HIGH SCHOOLERS HAD A LOCK-IN ON FRIDAY, 11/17. THE NIGHT WAS FILLED WITH FOOD AND FUN THAT INCLUDED A FULL COURT, NO HOLDS BARRED PILLOW FIGHT AND A CATERPILLAR RACE FOLLOWED BY MUCH NEEDED SLEEP.

# OHANA

OHANA ALSO HOSTED CATRINA CABE, FOUNDER OF CRY FOR THE BROKEN MINISTRY IN CHATTANOOGA. OHANA PRESENTED HER WITH 30 T-SHIRT BAGS CONTAINING HANDWRITTEN NOTES OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE LADIES THEY HELP.



# KIDSPRING



Children Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are welcome to join us Wednesday evenings at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall. There will be games, arts & crafts, Bible lessons and snacks. We are currently studying "The Armor of God."

# Fun at the Fall Festival!

This year's Fall Festival was a lot of fun for everyone. Thank you to those of you who donated candy, cupcakes, hotdogs, and volunteered your time with the games and prizes. A huge thank you to those who stayed busy preparing and serving so many hotdogs (close to 500)!

We are grateful, too, to those of you who participated in Trunk 'n Treat. This is always fun for the kids in our church and others in our community.





# UMW Sunday



The United Methodist Women (UMW) welcomed their exceptional, musically-inclined guests, Blue Harbor, for UMW Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. The congregation joined Blue Harbor in singing the first hymn, "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)." Pat Douglas served as the worship leader, Margo Hinsdale gave the offertory prayer, Susan Maddux led the Children's Sermon, Patty Crowder shared the UMW Moment, several members of the UMW served as ushers, greeters, and assisted Pastor Dale with Communion. UMW President, Angie Rose, is to be congratulated for planning such a special UMW Sunday!.

## Welcoming Our New Member!

We are happy to welcome **Leo Miller** to our church family! He joined on Profession of Faith, Sunday, October 29, 2017. Leo was baptized at the lake behind Tommy and Loretta Hale's home on New Lake Road. His close friend, **Kaitlyn Couch**, reaffirmed her baptism on this day.

Ohana Youth Director, Krissy Tallent, assisted Pastor Dale in the cold lake, but God watched over everyone; no one got sick.



**Rev. Dale Myrick, Pastor**  
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### OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Lunch: Noon - 1 p.m.**  
 Friday 8 a.m. to Noon

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:45 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
 4:30 p.m. Youth  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study  
 5th Sunday Sing (fifth Sundays)

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