

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the
SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAY 2013

Dale's Doodles

Romans 12:1-21

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God— what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. ⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

You have heard the story of the person driving his car and gets behind someone who is driving very slowly. So he begins to experience road rage - honking the horn, making all kinds of gestures, and even screaming out the window. When he stops at the light, the rage continues. Up comes the policeman and takes the person into custody.

When they arrive at the station, the angry driver insists on finding out what he had done wrong. The officer said, "When I pulled up behind you and watched how you were acting, I had to arrest you."

The driver asked why? The officer responded, "On the back of the car I saw the Christian symbol of the fish, a bumper sticker that read, "Honk if you love Jesus," and a scripture reference to John 3:16. The WAY you were acting, I just knew you had stolen the car."

The Apostle Paul reminds us that one of the most important things about being a Christian is being consistent in our daily walk. Let people see Christ not only by our words but by our lives.

Shalom,

Pastor Dale

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Bill Crowder
Ernestine Simpson
Joyce Lavender
Ray Keylon

Aud Ray
Joe Graham
Ardoth Martin
Patsy Burdette

Max Douglas
Steve Keylon
Bill Thurman
Jesse Gibbs

Mary Curtis (Spring City Care and Rehab. #411)
Virginia Hale (195 Deer Ridge Dr., A6, Dayton, TN 37321)
Margie Hughes (Spring City Care and Rehab, #209)
Ruth Huskins (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., S.C.)
Fred Mullins (Spring City Care and Rehab. #302)
June Pitman (c/o Terri P. Depp, 2516 Gray Hendrix Road, Knoxville, TN 37931)
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, # 613)
Elsie Robbins (Life Care Center of Rhea County, #209A)
Hiley Brady Smith (Horizon Healthcare, 811 Keylon St., Manchester, TN 37355)

Annette Osborne (Terry McBrayer's sister)
Sandy Robertson (Peggy Bowman's friend)
Montana Running Horse (Jeanne DeCrose's friend)
Ann Lee Berry (Lynn Hinkle's daughter)
Valerie Nixon Allen (Lou Ellen Nixon's daughter)
Kathy Powell (niece of Carolyn Reid)
Cheryl Witt (Jeannette Long's friend)
Patricia Payne (Shirley Corbin's friend)
Aiden Cargyle (Joyce & Dave Eicher's nephew)
Leona Monday (Jeannette Long's cousin)
Phillip Gilmore (Gary & Tia's son)
Leona Brown (Pastor Dale's friend)
Carlton Rogers (Linda Gibb's brother-in-law)
David Long (Jeannette's brother)
Alcibee Tharp (Tia Gilmore's mother)
Emmitt Huskey (Joe & Molly Graham's friend)
Cathie Lipka (Joan Carty's daughter)
Larry Lee (Judy Litteken's nephew)
Kathy Gideon (Kathleen Garrison's friend)
Olga Conroy (John & Mary's daughter-in-law)
Mary & Rachel Orr (relatives of Ginny Hatcher)
Jordan Nelson (Leon & Nancy Hicks' granddaughter)
Kathy Garrett (Jeannette Long's relative)
Sandy Wood (Ginny Hatcher's niece)

Billy Arnold (Conroys' son-in-law)
Vivian McClendon (Jeannette Long's friend)
Carolyn Hesselbach (Carl & Kay's daughter)
Catrina Christi (Manuel Christi's daughter)
Christina Jordan (Manuel Christi's daughter)

The Family of David Strong
(Lynne Agee's brother)

The Family of Juanita Reed
(Nancy Gilliam's mother)

Please call the church office (365-6324) the first of every month with an update if you wish a name to remain on the prayer list.

BIRTHDAYS

1 Steve Keylon	12 Cindy Burns	21 Kathy Barnes
Helen Kincannon	Nash Garrison	Gary Gilmore
Angela Moffett	Bruce Hinzman	Terry McBrayer
Richard Stair	Jeremy Moffett	23 Betsy Henley
3 Pat Douglas	13 Rowan Hess	24 Kendra Carr
Beth Keylon	14 Wes Tallent	Donna Mullins
4 Diane Yonke	15 Sylvia Baldwin	Theresa Prisbrey
5 Ralph Root	Beth Casady	25 Cathy Barnes
Kevin Rose	16 Todd Bolton	Logan Jordan
8 Virginia Hale	Chris Haerr	Billy Ray Patton
Jennings Smith	17 Kay Hesselbach	27 Arthur Allison
Lois Walling	18 Casey Cash	28 Mary Drinkard
9 Linda Booker	Kailah McNabb	29 Katie Rose
10 Leon Hicks	19 Alex Thurman	31 Angie Rose
11 Jerrie Patton	20 Roy Phillips	

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Ron & Fran Hubbard	19 Brady & Wanda Smith
Matt & Helen Miko	Les & Karen Whiles
7 Tommy & Loretta Hale	20 Robert & Sheila Larson
Billy Ray & Jerrie Patton	22 Don & Dina Hess
Dan & Rita Uhler	26 Scott & Laura Messimer
10 Leon & Nancy Hicks	27 Tom & Kathy Heime
16 Scott & Stephanie McClain	30 Richard & Cheryl Southers
17 George & Phyllis Schaller	

Faithful Workers

5/5	5/12	5/19	5/26
Ushers Jennings Smith Jerry Smith Clyde Thurman, Jr. Pete Williams	Ushers Ronnie Barger Chadley Bowman Eddie Garrison Walt Morse	Ushers Kevin Garrison Marty Gilliam Jerry Henley Bob Larson	Ushers Marla Hinzman Earl Keahey Earl Robbins Ken Rose
Hosts Ginny Hatcher Glenda Keylon	Hosts Steve Keylon Linda Mullins	Hosts Carol Price Jim & Sylvia Baldwin	Hosts Margaret Scholz Lynda Smith
Nursery Debbie Wilson & Carlie	Nursery Angie Couch & Kaitlyn	Nursery Angie Rose & Katie	Nursery Andrea Cash Peggy Bowman
Acolyte Oceanne Hunt	Acolyte J. T. Baker	Acolyte Natalie Baker	Acolyte Hannah Couch
Children's Church Angie Couch	Children's Church Angie Rose	Children's Church Sharon Baker	Children's Church Wendy Thurman
Youth 5/5 Sharon Baker 5/8 Dorothy Hastings	Youth Mother's Day 5/12 No Youth meeting 5/15 The Cowarts	Youth 5/19 Angie Couch 5/22 Rita Uhler	Youth Memorial Day Weekend 5/26 No Youth meeting 5/29 Kathy Heime

MAY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
NOTE: MAY the Lord bless and keep you. You are loved! Jeannette			1 10:00 Disciple II 6:00 1st Wednesday Fellowship Meal, (by Celebration Class) 7:30 Chancel Choir	2 11:00 Home Prayer Group <i>FLC Closed Today for UMW Flea Market setup</i>	3 <i>FLC Closed Today for UMW Flea Market setup</i>	4 8 - Noon UMW Flea Market, FLC 2 - 4 Birthday Party, Sanders' Restaurant
5 Bth Sunday of Easter 11:00 Worship Service 1:30 Baby Shower, FH 6:00 Youth 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	6 10:00 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	7 8:30 MDO 6:30 UMW 7:30 Trustees Meeting	8 10:00 Disciple II 6:00 Youth 6:00 Ding-a-Lings 6:00 Puppet Ministry Team Meeting 7:00 Chancel Choir	9 8:30 MDO DEADLINE FOR LDL RESERVATIONS	10	11 2 - 4 50th Reunion Class of 1963 FH
12 Mother's Day 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Church Council 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Youth 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	13 6:30 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	14 8:30 MDO	15 10:00 Disciple II (Final Class) 6:00 Youth 6:00 Ding-a-Lings 7:00 Chancel Choir	16 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group 5:00 Community Dinner	17	18
19 Pentecost 11:00 Worship Service 4:00 Pre-Conference Briefing Ooltewah UMC 6:00 Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	20 Newsletter Deadline 10:00 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	21 8:30 MDO 12:00 Let's Do Lunch	22 6:00 Youth 6:00 Ding-a-Lings 7:00 Chancel Choir	23 8:30 MDO	24	25
26 Trinity Sunday 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	27 Memorial Day <i>Church Office Closed</i>	28 8:30 MDO (Last Day) 6:00 District Farewell Picnic <i>Sunshine Hollow</i>	29 Last Day of School 6:00 Youth 6:00 Ding-a-Lings 7:00 Chancel Choir	30	31	

Birthstone & Flower for May
Birthstone is Emerald.



Lily of the Valley is the Flower.

Sunday Schedule

9:45 a.m. - Children's Choir
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:45 a.m. - Coffee & Donuts
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. - Bible Study
6:00 p.m. - Youth

In Honor of Ryan Lisa & Lauren Wilson

Ryan Lisa and his fiancée, Lauren Wilson, were honored with a Bridal Tea, Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m., in the FLC. Theresa Lisa is shown below with her son, Ryan, and future daughter-in-law, Lauren. Across, Susan Maddux and Doris Roy, present a Prayer Shawl to Ryan & Lisa on behalf of the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team. The couple received many nice gifts. Their wedding is June 15, 2013.



Memorials & Honorariums

Walt & Janice Laughrey gave to the Organ Fund in loving memory of their parents.

Richard & Jeanne DeCroce gave to the Organ Fund in loving memory of their daughter, Lisa Ann DeCroce.

Harriet Southers gave to the Organ Fund in loving memory of Dewey.

Tommy & Loretta Hale gave to the Organ Fund in memory of Allie Blevins.

Kelton & Patricia Owens gave to the Organ Fund in honor of Jesse & Nina Gibbs, Edward & Linda Gibbs, and Randal Gibbs.

Gil & Judy Litteken gave to the Organ Fund in honor of Bryan Massengale.

T. C. & Lauretta Cash gave to the Organ Fund in honor of their granddaughters, Presley and Anna.

Myra Tatum gave to Holston Home for Children in honor of her mother, Mary Galloway.

Jim & Mary Hale gave to Holston Home for Children in honor of Jim's mother, Virginia Hale.

Mr. & Mrs. John Hanson gave to the Family Life Center Fund in memory of Nancy Gilliam's Mother, Juanita Reed.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Juanita Reed.

Ryan Lisa and Lauren Wilson gave to "Imagine No More Malaria" in honor of Rev. Dale Wyrick for officiating at their wedding in June.

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

MARCH 2013

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	\$31,289.90	76,024.78	345,167.00	22.0%
Mother's Day Out	2,840.00	9,110.00	32,980.00	27.6%
Other Income	125.10	203.93	1,300.00	15.7%
TOTAL INCOME	34,255.00	85,338.71	379,447.00	22.5%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	18,482.68	53,277.18	225,941.00	23.6%
Property Maintenance	5,301.07	12,575.05	41,400.00	30.4%
Office Administration	981.09	7,004.48	15,100.00	46.4%
Nurture & Music	1,489.04	2,955.77	4,100.00	72.1%
Witness	194.00	649.58	6,600.00	9.8%
Outreach - Missions	3,141.50	13,078.87	40,856.00	32.0%
Church Support	62.41	1,631.41	5,770.00	28.3%
Children's Ministry	148.40	184.40	3,300.00	5.6%
Adult Ministries	151.00	229.33	1,300.00	17.6%
Youth Ministry	0.00	246.00	1,450.00	17.0%
MDO Expenses	3,636.61	10,853.22	33,380.00	32.5%
Young Adults (18-35)	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENSES	33,587.80	102,682.29	379,447.00	27.1%
NET INCOME	667.20	-17,343.58	0.00	100%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	2/10	2/17	2/24	3/3
General Budget	8,584.26	3,815.59	4,871.03	9,559.10
MDO	2,280.00	480.00		
Memorial	100.00			
Specials	2,461.25	1,229.95	693.00	1,655.00
TOTAL	13,425.51	5,525.54	5,564.03	11,214.10
SS ATTENDANCE	74	67	78	74
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	225	175	160	173

Springtime at Let's Do Lunch

Ladies, 60 and up, met for Let's Do Lunch (LDL), Tuesday, April 16, at noon, in the FLC. Lynda Smith's devotion was called "A Woman of Worth" and was very inspirational. Caren Ruffner's table decorations were beautiful with floating candles with a flower inside each one. The napkins matched the centerpieces perfectly. Cookie Smith's menu consisted of: Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Green Beans, French Bread, and a choice of 3 types of dessert. The program was on TVA River Operations and the maintenance of 49 dams. The next LDL is Tues., May 21, 12:00 p.m., in the FLC.





Here we go again!! Time to clean out all those dust bunnies that have gathered over the winter. Spring cleaning can be fun and so liberating!! Start a stack of your "JUNK" to bring to the **UMW FLEA MARKET ON MAY 4.** We will collect items (**NO CLOTHES**) on **May 2 and 3.** Remember your junk may be someone's treasure - and that will help us to raise funds to spend on local mission projects. We appreciate all our church family does to help us in our mission endeavors.

Thank you and May God Continue to Bless you,
Your UMW Ladies

FREE THE GIRLS

"Got a Bra? Save a Life!" <http://freethegirls.org>

I'd like to share an initiative our UMW is supporting, started by an American pastor that's been featured as a CNN Freedom Project. The idea for this project does not go further than our undergarment drawer. It's called "Free the Girls", and collects donated bras to help women in Mozambique. Bras are a status symbol and offer women protection as they send a "hands off" signal to potential sexual predators. Women wearing undergarments are much less likely to be sexually assaulted than women who cannot afford to wear undergarments. Bras are a commodity here, a luxury there, and as such, command one of the highest prices in the used clothing market. Victims of sex trafficking can use the proceeds from sales of bras to receive rehabilitation, and not be coerced back into slavery.

Survival. Hope. We can easily change lives...No need to write a check, or send money, just reach share your abundance- a bra here or there that doesn't fit, or one that you're going to throw away anyway-just one piece of casual clothing that can change a 15-year old life a world across from you...So if you've got a bra, you really can save a life! A donation box is located at the side entrance door. As always, we **thank you** for your gracious support of our mission work!

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY "HERE - NOW THERE - THEN" STUDY OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION



11-Week Study Series for Women



Participants of the new Beth Moore Bible Study on the Book of Revelation, which began on Tuesday, March 19, at 10 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, are seated left to right: Tina Brown, Linda Brown, Sandra Rogers, Sharon Cowart, AnnMarie Lanzi, and Joyce Eicher. Standing left to right middle row: Pat Clark, Barbara Hardy, Nancy McIlwain, Donna Fisher. Back row: Wendy Thurman, leader, Judy Litteken, Shirley Corbin, Jackie Robinson, Betty Thomas, Linda Booker, Susan Maddux, Sheila Larson, and Judy Johnson.



UMW Welcome District Guest Speaker

The United Methodist Women (UMW) met in the Fellowship Hall, Tuesday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m., for their monthly meeting. The devotion by Susan Maddux was called "God's Grace explained with an Empty Bird Cage." District UMW guest speaker, Shannon Beaver, spoke on "Personalizing Your Prayer Life."

Refreshments consisted of tuna and chicken salad sandwiches on Hawaiian bread with cream cheese and pepper jelly spread on top and served like slices of cake. Patty Crowder dipped cherries in white chocolate pudding and then dipped them in crushed graham cracker crumbs. The UMW also enjoyed a fruit tray, miniature cupcakes, and sugar cookies with icing. The beverage was decaf iced tea with lemon.

Every woman in our church is invited to join the UMW on the first Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

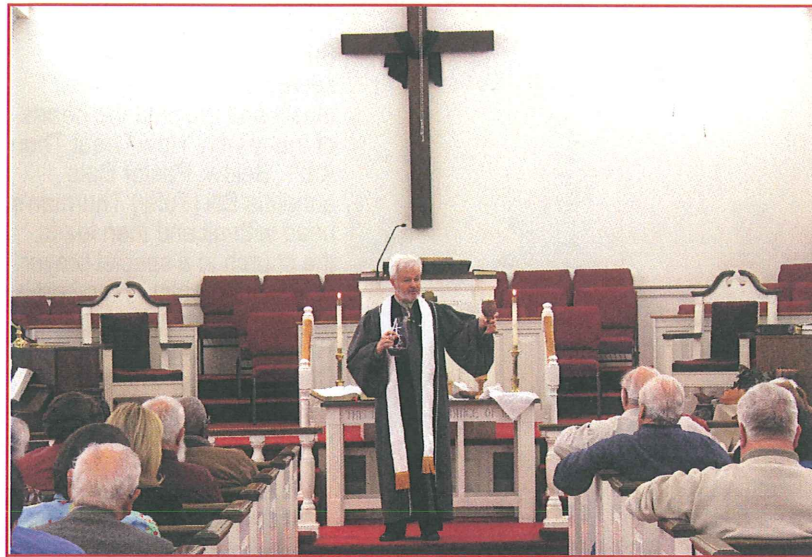
EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2013

HOLY WEEK 2013

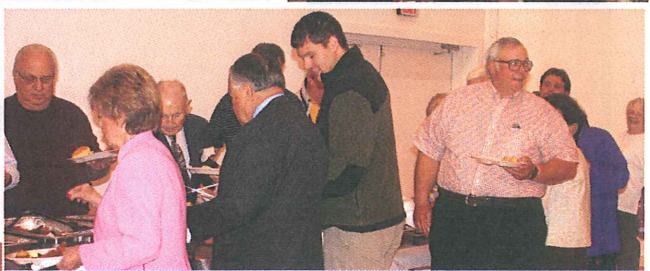
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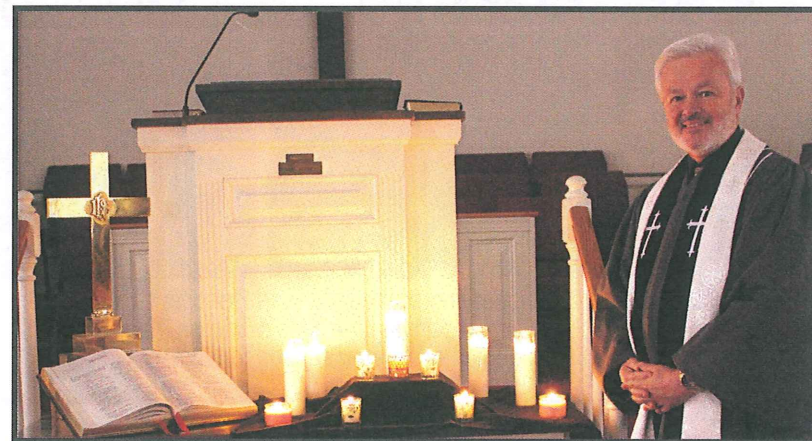
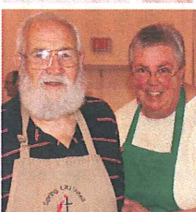
We were richly blessed to have a record total of **328** at the 11 o'clock Easter worship service to celebrate the Resurrection of our Risen Lord.



Pastor Dale is shown holding the Communion elements at the Maundy Thursday Service, on Thursday, March 28, 2013, at 7 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Close to 80 people attended this special service.



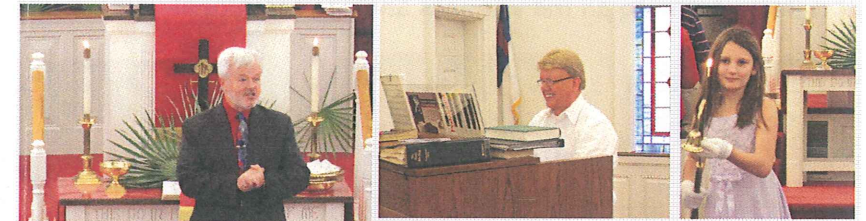
Approximately **77** were in attendance for the 7 a.m. Sunrise Service, which was held in the sanctuary due to inclement weather. In photos above, the congregation is seen leaving the Sunrise Service and on their way to breakfast in the FLC, which was prepared by John Hanson and Nancy Gilliam.



PASTOR DALE LEADS TENEBRAE SERVICE, GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

The word "tenebrae" comes from the Latin meaning "darkness." The Tenebrae is an ancient Christian Good Friday service that makes use of gradually diminishing light through the extinguishing of candles to symbolize the events of that week from the triumphant Palm Sunday entry through Jesus' burial. The service concludes in darkness, sometimes with a final candle, the Christ candle, carried out of the sanctuary, symbolizing the death of Jesus. A loud noise may also sound symbolizing the closing of Jesus' tomb. The worshipers then leave in silence to ponder the impact of Christ's death and await the coming Resurrection.

Pastor Dale is shown below at the Palm Sunday Service with Bryan Massengale joyfully playing the new "loaner" organ. Hannah Couch served as Acolyte, Frank Snyder & the Mexico Mission Team shared a moment with details of their upcoming mission trip, April 13 - 21, and the Puppet Ministry Team performed to the delight of everyone.



The Easter Festival, 2 - 3:30 p.m., on Palm Sunday, in the FLC-Gym, was well attended. Look below to see how much fun the kids enjoyed. Thank you, John Hanson, the Puppet Ministry Team, and all the volunteers who gave so freely of your time and talents.

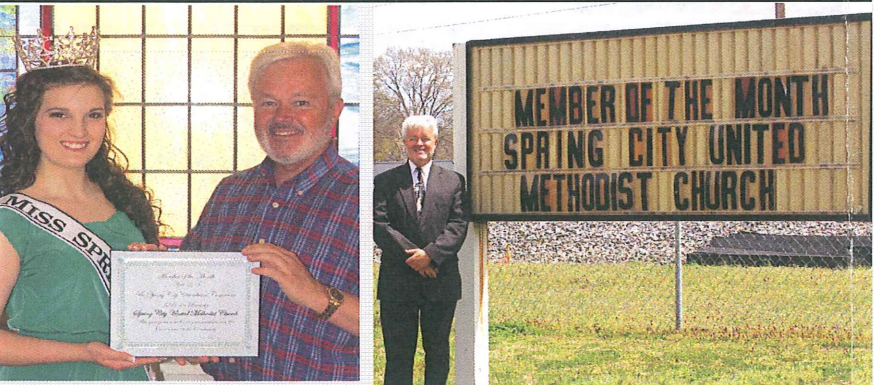


2013 Spring City Scholarship Pageant

Three lovely contestants in the 2013 Spring City Scholarship Pageant belong to our church family. Kaitlyn Couch (center), daughter of James & Angie Couch, was crowned 2013 Miss Spring City, Oceanne Hunt (left), daughter of Rebecca Hunt, is the new Young Miss Spring City, and Nora Gilliam, daughter of Danyelle Gilliam, is the new Wee Miss Spring City. Congratulations to all the winners and their families!



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HONORS SCUMC



The Spring City Chamber of Commerce honored Spring City UMC as "April Member of the Month." Above left are 2013 Miss Spring City, Kaitlyn Couch, with Pastor Dale as they hold the plaque that the Chamber of Commerce presented to the church. (See the plaque on the desk near the side entrance in our church.)

Pastor Dale stands near the large sign in town that proclaims Spring City United Methodist as "Member of the Month."

UNITED IN CHRISTIAN LOVE



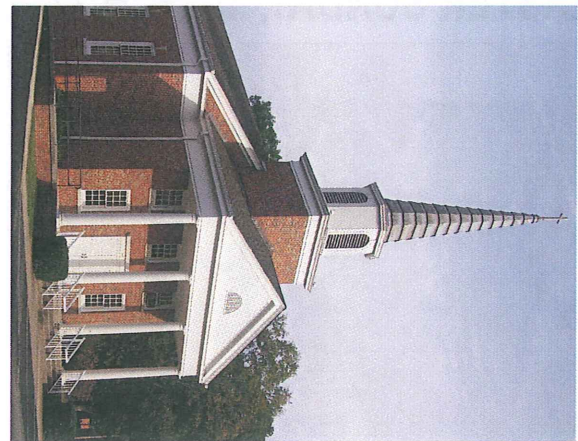
The King's Trio is pictured on Sunday, April 7, as they served Christ through their music and touched the hearts of many with "How Great Thou Art." Below, Pastor Dale anoints Bill (Tuffy) Thurman's head with oil and then leads the church in a special prayer of healing for him. Members gathered near Tuffy and Pastor Dale to unite in Christian love and pray for God's healing for their brother in Christ.



Above is Oceanne Hunt serving as Acolyte, Earl Robbins serving as Usher, and Eldeena Perry accompanying the King's Trio on the piano on Sunday, April 7. They are dedicated to their service for Christ.



Did you know that Malaria kills more than a million kids per year? Left, Pastor Dale explains to the congregation that one life can be saved in Africa by donating just one ten dollar bill to the "Imagine No More Malaria" Campaign. In response, you gave **\$687.33** to save the lives of several children in Africa. You serve Christ by giving so generously to help others. Thank you!



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