

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the

SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JANUARY 2012

Dale's Doodles

Philippians 4:19

¹⁹And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

**Life is full of opportunity, possibility,
and amazing potential.**

This article was written at the close of 2011, on a cold and gray December day.

Time is something we all pay close attention to, and in many ways it controls us and the way we live. How often it is said that as we get older, time seems to constantly speed up, as if there are less than twenty-four hours in a day, seven days in a week, and three hundred, sixty-five days in a year. We are literally standing on the threshold of a new year - 2012.

Many of us are looking forward to this New Year, ready to let go of the old one and face whatever new challenges are put before us. I often hear people say, "This year has flown by so quickly. Where did the year go?" We have had to face many difficulties that have limited us, restrained us, and yes, even prevented us from having a fulfilled life. We have missed some things, missed doing some things, and even missed the joy of life itself. In some ways, we may look at 2011 and say what if...?

The truth is, no matter how much we would like we cannot turn back time; we cannot go back and change things. What we can do is move onward and upward with the greatest of expectations for this New Year. We can go with God and walk into God's Promised Land. We can go with faith and trust that God is in total control of our lives and knows what steps we will take on our journey. God knows everything about us all the time and God knows everywhere we go.

This New Year let God be the God of opportunity and possibility. Trust in the God who can, and is able. When the Children of Israel stood on the bank of the Jordan River looking into the Promised Land, they stood there trusting God was true to His word. When the priest put his toe into the water, the Jordan stopped flowing and the people walked across on dry land. This is the same God we serve today.

God is faithful and trustworthy in all things. If God can raise a man from the dead, if God can stop raging storms, if God can heal all kinds of disease, if God can walk on water, then imagine what God can, and will, do for you in 2012.

Let us look forward with God's anticipation for this New Year and the amazing potential that awaits us!

Shalom,

Pastor Dale

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Earl Robbins
Ethan Kincannon
Sylvia Baldwin
Gerri Cash

Bryan Massengale
Janice Laughery
Joan Carty
June Pitman

Roy Phillips
Bridgett Phillips
Tyra McClendon
Tom Fricke

Rosalind Booker (Abby Mae's Hill, 365-6530)
Ruth Huskins (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., S.C.)
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, # 206A)
Ernestine Simpson (Abby Mae's Hill, 419 Pin Hook Rd., S.C.)

Clarence McAllister (friend of the Keylons)
Micah Henson (Mary Conroy's nephew)
Mike Shock (Letty Shock's son)
Benny Matherly (Pastor Dale's friend)
Trey & Michelle Lewis (friends of Joe & Molly Graham)

David Wyrick (Pastor Dale's son)
Chris Hanson (Hansons' daughter-in-law)

Richard Southers (Cheryl Southers' husband)
Ed Logsdon (Caren Ruffner's father)
Sandy Wood (Martin & Ginny Hatcher's niece)

Margaret Way (Pat Douglas's friend)
Eddie Nolde (John Hanson's friend)
Gail Cranfield (Beth Keylon's friend)
Bobbie Thomas (Judy Litteken's sister)

Janet Snyder (Frank Snyder's mom)
Julene Morgan (friend of the Henleys)

Gene Elsea (Gerri Cash's neighbor and friend)

Megan Hebert Vaughn (McIlwains' granddaughter)

Christina Christi Phillips (Manuel Christi's daughter)

Alma Holloway (friend of Earl Robbins and Pastor Dale)

Ronald Brown (Beth Keylon's dad)

Jim Toombs (Earl Robbins' friend)

Shelley Surrena (Rita Uhler's friend)

Lisa Smith (Littekens' daughter)

Charlotte Thurman (Arthur Gilliam's sister)

Juanita & Dick Reed (Nancy Gilliam's parents)

Christina Jordan (Manuel Christi's daughter)

Velma Roark (Earl Robbins' friend)

Kristine Ferris (Liz DeHart's friend)

Shaina Kenny

Camden Allen

The Family of Martin Hatcher
(Ginny Hatcher's husband)

The Family of Donald Wilkey
(Nancy Jo McClendon's brother)

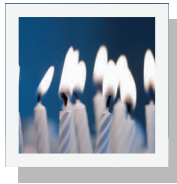
Please call the church office (365-6324) the first of every month with an update if you wish a name to remain on the prayer list.

FAITHFUL WORKERS

1/1 USHERS Eddie Garrison Kevin Garrison Kevin Rose Walt Morse	1/8 USHERS Eddie Boles Chadley Bowman Marla Hinzman Eric Bowman	1/15 USHERS Ronnie Barger Marty Gilliam Jerry Henley Leon Hicks	1/22 USHERS Earl Keahey Drew Keahey Steve Keylon Billy Ray Patton	1/29 USHERS Earl Robbins Ken Rose Jerry Smith Jennings Smith
HOSTS Tammy Boles Sharon Cowart	HOSTS Mary Drinkard Nina Gibbs	HOSTS Ginny Hatcher Glenda Keylon	HOSTS Margaret Scholz Susie Strunk	HOSTS Carol Price Lynda Smith
NURSERY Terry Hooper Peggy Bowman	NURSERY Angela Couch & Kaitlyn	NURSERY Lesia Garrison Anna Messimer	NURSERY Angie Rose & Katie	NURSERY Debbie Wilson & Carla
ACOLYTE Hannah Couch	ACOLYTE J.T. Baker	ACOLYTE Natalie Baker	ACOLYTE Erin Couch	ACOLYTE Oceanneanne Hunt
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Wendy Thurman & Taylor	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Angie Couch & Kaitlyn	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Beth Keylon & Hailey	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Robin Bolton & Allison Neal	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Ashley Snyder
YOUTH 1/1 No Meeting 1/4 Dorathy Hastings	YOUTH 1/8 Sharon Baker 1/11 Beth Keylon	YOUTH 1/15 Resurrection 1/18 Gray & Sharon Cowart	YOUTH 1/22 Angie Couch 1/25 Rita Uhler	YOUTH 1/29 Penny Rice

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Jerry Steven Smith	16 Brianna Hess	28 Betty Thomas
2 John Hanson	Hailey Keylon	29 Jenny Chattin
3 Melva Dunlop	17 Rachel Heimel	30 Patty Crowder
5 Jim Fallon	18 Linda Gibbs	Ian Gilliam
Don Hinkle	20 Marilyn Cooksey	Fred Sprouse
6 Duane Ezell	21 Linda Mullins	31 Dale Wyrick
7 Norman Bowman	22 Ruth Jenkins	
Amy Haerr	25 Steve Barnes	
10 Clyde Thurman, Jr.	26 Mary Conroy	
11 Maggie Tammark	27 Dina Hess	
12 Gina Winterberger	Walter Hooper	
13 Alexis Neal	Wanda McCarter	
14 Earl Robbins	28 Diann Foutz	
15 Gary Drinkard	Theresa Slater	



Happy Birthday!



Anniversaries in January

1/6 Richard & Cindy Sutton
1/23 Gene & Dorathy Hastings

Call 365-6324 if you would like to submit a birthday and/or wedding anniversary.



January Birthstone is Garnet.

Flower for January is Carnation.

January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Happy New Year!</i> 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study NO YOUTH 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	2 Church Office Closed 10:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Library	3	4 10:00 Disciple I 6:00 Youth - FLC 6:00 Ding-A-Lings 6:30 Young Adults 6:30 K.I.C.K. 7:00 Chancel Choir	5 8:30-2:30 MDO	6	7 10-11:30 Boy Scouts, FH
Pastor Dale away on Holy Land Trip. He leaves January 2 and returns January 13. Pray for his safe journey.						
8 11:00 Worship Service No Bible Study 6:00 Youth, FLC 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	9 6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Library	10 8:30-2:30 MDO 6:30 UMW, FH 7:30 Trustees' Parlor	11 10:00 Disciple I 6:00 Youth - FLC 6:00 Ding-A-Lings 6:30 Young Adults 6:30 K.I.C.K. 7:00 Chancel Choir	12 Deadline for LDL Reservations 8:30-2:30 MDO	13	14 Youth at Resurrection 10-11:30 Boy Scouts, FH
Pastor Dale away on Holy Land Trip.				Pastor Dale Returns.		
15 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Church Council 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	16 M.L.K., Jr. Day 10:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Library 7:00 Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, FLC	17 8:30-2:30 MDO 12:00 Let's Do Lunch, FLC	18 10:00 Disciple I 6:00 Youth - FLC 6:00 Ding-A-Lings 6:30 Young Adults 6:30 K.I.C.K. 7:00 Chancel Choir	19 8:30-2:30 5:00 Community Dinner, FLC	20	21 10-11:30 Boy Scouts, FH
Youth Return from Resurrection						
22 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Youth - FLC 8-9 p.m. AA- FH	23 6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Library 7:00 Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, FLC	24 8:30-2:30 MDO	25 10:00 Disciple I 6:00 Youth - FLC 6:00 Ding-A-Lings 6:30 Young Adults 6:30 K.I.C.K. 7:00 Chancel Choir	26 8:30-2:30 MDO	27	28 10-11:30 Boy Scouts, FH
29 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Youth - FLC 8-9 p.m. AA- FH	30 7:00 Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, FLC	31 8:30-2:30 MDO				

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

Memorials and Honorariums

Jerry & Rayna Henley gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Henley Baugh gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Carol Price gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Earl & Imogene Robbins gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Joe & Theresa Lisa gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Bill & Patty Crowder gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Patty Crowder gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Max Tallent

Gil & Judy Litteken gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Gene & Dorathy Hastings gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Gray & Sharon Cowart gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Norman & Peggy Bowman gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in honor of Gil & Judy Litteken.

Harlie & Ann Reed gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Jerry & Lynda Smith gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Virginia Hale gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Tommy & Loretta Hale gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Phyllis Smith & Carol Patterson gave to the *Sanctuary Music Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Gary & Mary Drinkard gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Cathy Kincannon Sanders gave to *Kiwanis Christmas Baskets* in memory of Joe Kincannon.

Margaret & Gary Cumby gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Loyal Cornelius gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Martin Hatcher.

Edward & Linda Gibbs gave to the *Organ Fund* in honor of Rhonda Evans.

Loyal Cornelius gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in honor of Ginny Hatcher.

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

NOVEMBER 2011

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	\$22,276.25	\$284,526.28	\$315,150.00	90.28%
Mother's Day Out	2,515.00	30,063.00	43,495.00	69.12%
Other Income	183.67	2,685.65	2,850.00	94.23%
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,974.92	317,274.93	\$361,495.00	87.77%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	\$15,604.48	\$174,827.60	\$187,721.00	93.13%
Property Maintenance	2,927.87	57,818.33	65,461.00	88.32%
Office Administration	449.50	9,636.71	10,300.00	93.56%
Nurture & Music	512.43	4,558.39	4,050.00	112.55%
Witness - Evangelism	0.00	2,517.18	2,750.00	91.53%
Church & Society	0.00	1,395.70	1,050.00	132.92%
Outreach - Mission	2,293.99	34,915.21	40,028.00	87.23%
Church Support	1,341.52	5,875.27	5,550.00	105.86%
Children's Ministry	434.93	1,944.79	2,800.00	69.46%
Youth Ministry	44.00	1,527.65	3,750.00	40.74%
MDO Expenses	3,276.50	33,437.84	37,135.00	90.04%
Young Adults (18-29)	136.34	162.18	900.00	18.02%
TOTAL EXPENSES	27,021.56	328,616.85	361,495.00	90.90%
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSE	-\$2,046.64	-\$11,341.92	\$0.00	0.00%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	11/20	11/27	12/4	12/11
General Budget	\$4,237.50	\$3,341.50	\$10,239.00	\$5,041.10
MDO	730.00	0.00	1,235.00	600.00
Memorial	0.00	0.00	180.00	40.00
Specials	1,374.00	520.50	1,295.00	3,035.86
TOTAL	\$6,341.50	\$3,862.00	\$12,949.00	\$8,716.96
SS ATTENDANCE	57	63	57	63
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	188	131	180	220



A Note from the Mexico Mission Team

As we start a new year, we are challenged to go forth and continue to proclaim God's kingdom. By helping our brothers and sisters along the road, we are doing His work and lifting the load on those less fortunate.

We are excited to announce that once again a group from our church will be going on a medical mission trip to Mexico. We are ecstatic to share with you that perhaps a couple of the youth will be joining us. This year's trip will be from March 24 to April 1. The plans are to go to the towns of Tatoxcac and Ixtepec and surrounding areas. These villages are located in the state of Puebla. Free health care will be provided to the poor people. Our team is organized through the United Methodist Church and is part of the Holston Conference project.

Our mission is to show the indigenous people that God loves them. Through our work, we hope many will receive Jesus as their Savior. We sow the seed the best we can and trust that God will bring the harvest.

We have been blessed in the past with your generosity and prayers. May we take this opportunity to ask you to start praying for the success of this year's mission trip? The team is in the process of being formed and we look forward in serving our Lord in the capacities He has given each one of us. Members from Spring City United Methodist Church who have not gone before will be participating and we are sure they will be blessed as we have been on prior trips.

Thank you for your support!

Frank & Vickie Snyder, Glenda Keylon
Dan & Rita Uhler, Carolyn Haerr

A Day Of New Beginnings

Make plans to attend the Cleveland District Laity and Clergy training day on Sunday, January 29, 2012 at Wesley Memorial United Methodist. As we focus on Call to Action in our local churches and empower the laity, training will be provided for areas of ministry such as: Staff Parish, Disaster Relief Training in the Local Church, Finance, Technology and Worship and Stewardship. Also, a special hands on mission project will be offered to all participants to package meals for the Stop Hunger Now's meal packaging program. Be looking for upcoming information on how your church can be involved in this special outreach program.

Each church is encouraged to bring as many members as it can for this special training day. Our prayer is that this day will breathe new life into our local churches and ministries. Pre-registration is not required, simply register when you arrive. The schedule is as follows:

Sunday, January 29, 2012 at Wesley Memorial UM

1:30 - 2:00	Registration
2:00 - 2:30	Worship
2:45 - 3:45	Workshop Session I
3:45 - 4:00	Break
4:00 - 5:00	Workshop Session II

For more information please contact Rev. Amy Nutt at 423-238-9216.

Let's Do Lunch at Christmastime



On Tuesday, December 13, 12 noon, ladies of our church gathered for Let's Do Lunch in the Family Life Center. Patty Crowder led the group in a spirit-filled devotion. Lisa Raven sang several holiday favorites and her daughter, Hilary Lusk, joined with her to sing a few selections. Lisa is Eldeena Perry's daughter and Jeannette Long's niece. We were so blessed with their beautiful Christmas music.

We look forward to the Jan. 17th, 2012, meeting at 12 noon, in the FLC.

MDO CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS



2011 Parade of Trees



"The Reason for the Season" was the theme for the 2011 Parade of Trees sponsored by the Spring City Historical Museum. The Grand Opening was on Sat., Dec. 3, from 6 - 8 p.m. The King's Trio (Pastor Dale, Richard Stair, and Dave Eicher) with pianist, Eldeena Perry, performed again this year at the Grand Opening. The Parade of Trees was open to the public on Thursdays - Sundays until the last day, which was Sun., Dec. 18. Congratulations to all the volunteers for a job well done!

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL

The Community Thanksgiving Meal was enjoyed by more than 90 people who were served at 12 noon in the FLC on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24. A traditional menu of turkey and dressing & all the "fixins" was served. Lots of pies and desserts were graciously donated by members of the church. Judy Litteken, Chairperson of the Community Ministry Team, was very grateful to everyone who helped to make the special holiday meal so memorable.



"Lead Me Back to Bethlehem" 2011 Christmas Cantata



The Christmas Cantata, *Lead Me Back to Bethlehem*, performed by our choir on Sunday, December 18th, was superb! We are so proud of our choir, music director, Judy Ezell, organist, Lynn Hinkle, and narrator, Ashley Snyder. What a magnificent cantata it was!

2011 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE



As you can see every pew was filled at the Christmas Eve Service on Sat., Dec. 24th. Thank you to everyone who participated in the service!

WE WELCOME YOU!



New members, **Grady and Betsy Henley**, are shown with Pastor Dale as he welcomed them on the day they became members of SCUMC on Sunday, November 20, 2011. Grady and Betsy transferred their membership from Villa Rica First UMC, Villa Rica, GA.



John Hanson, Norman Bowman, and Dave Eicher are shown above with Grady and Betsy Henley as Pastor Dale leads the congregation in a prayer of thanksgiving for our new members. Our church is blessed to have Grady and Betsy join with us in our service for Christ.

SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Dale S. Wyrick, Pastor
Beth Keylon, Director of Youth
Angela Rose, Director of Children
Sharon Brown, Administrative Assistant

245 Church Street
P.O. Box 158
Spring City, TN. 37381
Phone: 423-365-6324
Email: SCUMC@volstate.net
www.springcityumc.com

Return Service Requested

COATS FOR KIDS

Dr. Beth Casady is shown below with the coats she collected this year for "Coats for Kids." Dr. Beth collected several coats this year to donate for children in need at Spring City Elementary and Spring City Middle Schools. Below right, Dr. Beth is shown as she presented coats at the Spring City Middle School office, and on the left she is shown at Spring City Elementary School.

Thank you to everyone who contributed a coat to keep a child warm this winter!



MORGAN-SCOTT TOY DRIVE



Thank you to everyone who donated toys for the children who live in Morgan-Scott Counties. Your gifts will surely put smiles on the children's faces this Christmas.

John Hanson and Gary Gilmore are seen above as they loaded the Morgan-Scott toy box into Gary's truck just prior to Gary delivering the toys. We are very appreciative to John and Gary for their time and efforts to show how much SCUMC cares for those in need.

KIWANIS CLUB DISTRIBUTES CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The Kiwanis Club would like to thank you for your support of their Christmas Food Basket Program again this year. Toys were also donated (see stuffed animals below). Your generosity is greatly appreciated. A special thank you to all the volunteers!



UMW OFFICERS FOR 2012



United Methodist Women Officers for 2012 are shown as they met at their Christmas Dinner on Tues., Dec. 6th, in the FLC. Seated from left to right are President, Judy Litteken, Pat Douglas and Susan Maddux, Co-Vice Presidents, Dorathy Hastings, Secretary, and Linda Mullins, Treasurer. Upper left is Carolyn Haerr, Social Action, Sharon Cowart, Education and Interpretation, Kay Hesselbach, Nurture & Outreach, Pat Horton, Historian, and Barbara Rose, Nominating Panel of 2013. **Pat Horton was named "United Methodist Woman of the Year."** Officers not present: Caren Ruffner, Communications, Betty Thomas, Spiritual Growth, and Kathleen Garrison, Resources. Serving with Barbara Rose on the Panel of 2013 is Pat Douglas. Dorathy Hastings and Kay Hesselbach are on the Panel of 2014. If you would like to become a member of the UMW, contact Judy

Ring those Christmas Bells



The Ding-a-Lings seem intent as they perform at the worship service on Sun., Dec. 11, under the direction of Judy Ezell.

Judy Ezell leads the Ding-a-lings in "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," "Away in the Manger," and "O Come, Little Children" to the delight of the congregation.

