

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Friends,

My thanks and appreciation to everyone for all the cards, calls, food and other expressions of kindness during my recent illness. It really brightens your day when you hear from your friends! I am blessed to be part of such a caring church family.

Evelyn Vowell

Thank you so much for your cards and prayers at the time of my father's death. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Carrie Likley & Family

HELP US SPRUCE UP THE LIBRARY!

Thanks to the volunteers who recently helped us clean up the library to make way for new materials. If you are the artistic type, neat and love to paint, or just have big muscles, WE NEED YOU to help us spruce up the library before our summer reading program. Paint will be provided, but we need other material such as rollers, drop cloths, and extension ladders. Please contact Margaret Carbaugh, 682-2299 — leave a message — and I will find a job for you. We will schedule a work day in April or early May. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

LAST CHANCE TO SUBSCRIBE!!!

Please renew, or begin, your subscriptions to the United Methodist Reporter, our Conference newspaper. All subscriptions will begin June 1, 2009 and end May 31, 2010. The cost is \$20 per year. This is a great way to stay up-to-date on all the news from our local Conference as well as United Methodist news from around the world. Make checks payable to Mullins UMC and designate "UM Reporter"

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HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY

In honor of Tabitha Smith by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Cooper

PLAYGROUND

In honor of our daughter, Ann Smith by Bill & Betty Pickel

MIFA BIRTHDAY "GOODIE BAGS"

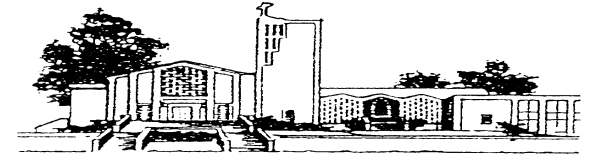
On Tuesday, May 5, Mullins United Methodist Women will once again be filling the Birthday "Goodie Bags" for MIFA (Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association). Recipients of Meals on Wheels will receive a bag filled with 15 usable items on their birthday. Each bag will contain a magnifying glass, flashlight, Word Scan book, lotion, night lights, etc. (no food items). Donations of money will be especially appreciated, so that we can purchase 50 of each item. It will be very helpful to have all donations by April 23, but we welcome them at any time. Checks should be made payable to Mullins and designated "Goodie Bags". **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

Nancy Blankenship

FIRST CHURCH GOLF BENEFIT

Spend a fun-filled afternoon at the 2nd oldest golf course in the United States and help rebuild Memphis' "First Church"! You are invited to a rebuilding fundraiser for First Church on Friday, May 8, 2009, at The Links at Riverside". This is the closest golf course to downtown Memphis. Built in 1908, this beautiful historic-hole, par 35 course, boasts a 7700 square foot Club House and new putting greens. Two person teams will play 9 holes at \$100 per team: fees include green fees, cart and dinner. Prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place teams and the closest to the hole (par threes at #3 and #5, etc). Register by calling 527-8362, Monday — Friday. Deadline for team sign up is Sunday, May 3, 2009 or 52 players—whichever comes first. Children are welcome and can enjoy a special putting contest. Non-golfers are welcome to enjoy the facilities, the dinner and fellowship for \$15.00 per person. Hole sponsorships are available at \$100 per hole. All golf proceeds will benefit the First Church Capital Campaign for Rebuilding.

MULLINS MESSENGER



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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor

Mullins Pulpit - April 26, 2009

Scripture: Luke 24: 36b - 48

Sermon: 'GOSPEL OR GHOSTS?'

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:45 & 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School 9:40 am
Wednesday Dinner & Program 5:45 p.m.

SMALL GROUPS AND DISCUSSION TIMES COMING TO YOU

Prayer and You: Charting Your Path into a Deeper Prayer Life

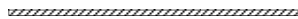
Feeling like your prayer life could use a tune-up? Interested in identifying forms of prayer that fit your spiritual style, or in trying some that invite you to stretch? Come join a 3 week group that will explore these questions and more. The group will meet on Monday evenings, May 4, 11, 18, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. The location is yet to be decided. Please call the church office by April 30 to register, so we can be good photocopy stewards. The facilitator will be Rev. Scottie Bradford, Director of The Center for Spiritual Formation.

College and Career and Sunday Morning

Beginning Sunday, May 31, Pastor Gabriel will lead a new class for those in college, recently graduated from college, or newly on a career path. This summer we will be looking at faith themes and images in various films. Let's plan to start with a get-together on Saturday, May 30, 6:00 p.m., at the church. Barbecue and gospel blues is the theme for the evening. Please call the church office, 685-8253, to let us know you will be there.

Cross Talk

Beginning Sunday, May 3, we will have a time for coffee and conversation with Pastor Gabriel following the 10:50 service. All who are interested are invited to meet in the Reception Room immediately off the Sanctuary. You will have the opportunity to ask follow up questions about the sermon, hymns, prayers, scriptures and more. Join us for this time of fellowship.



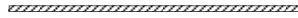
HELP GAIL STRATTON BE A MISSIONARY!

Dear Church Family,

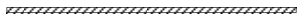
I am soon to be an Honors graduate from the University of Arkansas Eleanor Mann School of Nursing in May, 2009. Recently I have been given the opportunity to participate in a medical mission trip to the Dominican Republic May 31 — June 6, 2009. Although it is a medical mission trip, I will also be able to spread the word of the Lord while using my nursing skills. After arriving in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, a large team of Christians will begin a spiritual journey to share the Bible and provide much needed healthcare. Activities including evangelism, Bible studies, medical and dental services, sports and crafts will be used as platforms to reach people with the Gospel. Last year 4,434 people heard the Gospel and 1,937 chose to receive Christ as their Lord and Savior. I feel that participating in this mission will allow me to use my gifts and talent to give nursing care to the less fortunate, as well as be a disciple for the Lord. The cost of the trip is \$1,250.00. I am asking your help to make this trip possible by sponsoring me on this mission. Donations will be greatly appreciated! Checks should be made payable to Mullins and designated "Gail Stratton". Thank you for making this possible!

Gail

	SUNDAY, APRIL 26 - SATURDAY, MAY 2
SUNDAY	8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel 9:40 a.m. Sunday School 10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary 5:00 p.m. Youth 5:00 p.m. Yoga Class 5:00 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels - 212
MONDAY	9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym 10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Brownies - 100 6:13 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - FH 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	6:30 a.m. Career Support Group - Lamplighter Rm. 9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym 10:00 a.m. Bridge Group - Lamplighter Rm. 6:01 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal 6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - FH 7:00 p.m. Yoga Class - FH 7:00 p.m. Bowling
WEDNESDAY	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH 6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs 6:30 p.m. Program: Barbara Southwell - FH 7:17 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym 6:30 p.m. UMW Night Circle - 117
FRIDAY	9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym 6:00 p.m. Concord Academy Awards Banquet in FH
SATURDAY	8:15 a.m. Yoga - FH



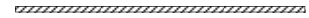
MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR APRIL 26
Children's Message: Miranda Byrd
Children's Church Leader: Lisa Weaver



THE MENU FOR APRIL 29
Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20
Adults: Italian Dinner
Kids: Pizza or adult menu

OUR PRAYERS
Ashton Place Rehab Julia Ettman
Spring Gate Skilled Nursing Lucille Carson 118

At Home
Whitney Williams



OUR SYMPATHY
love and prayers go out to

...Suzanne Barnett and Doris Ruleman
in the loss of their husband and son-in-law, James Barnett

...the family & friends of Dr. David Knott

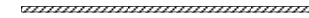
...the family & friends of Bryan Ray



	OUR PRESENCE	
8:45 Service		20
Sunday School		64
10:50 Service		118
Prayer Breakfast		11
Prayer Service		63



CHANCEL FLOWERS
for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God
...in celebration of our anniversary, April 26,
by Andy & Terrye Mastin



PLEASE NOTE!!!
At the present time you may access your church newsletter each week by going to the church website: www.mullinsumc.org. Newsletters will also be available at the church.