



## *The Pathfinder*

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### **New Ways to Share God's Love . . .**

The Evangelism Committee had a great time celebrating the Fourth of July and Jonesborough Days by handing out free lemonade and ink pens from the porch steps of the church as bluegrass music was played by some special friends. We decided to do this outreach instead of a float this year because we felt we could interact more with those who came to see the parade and it was a great success.

David Babb, along with the McNeese family, played a selection of gospel bluegrass while we waited for the parade to start. Mrs. Erma Toth arrived early to mix up the lemonade and then joined us on the porch for the celebration. Members of the Evangelism Committee, along with family members, shared lemonade with passers-by throughout the parade, as well as before and after. We also offered ink pens to those who came by for lemonade. The ink pens included service times and the web address for the church in their inscription. Additional pens will be coming soon to a pew near you, so be on the lookout.

The Evangelism Committee has made it a goal this year to share God's love with all and to welcome everyone to come and see what God's love is all about. We are doing so by reaching out to the community with small things like lemonade, trusting that God can do great works in the little reminders that we are people who care about our neighbors and wish to invite them to the family table.

*Katy Lawrence*

## Church Family News

Congratulations to the Babb family — son Kent was born July 16, is 19.5 inches long and weighed 7 lbs 10 oz

Condolences to Don and Barbara Bull on the unexpected death July 16 of their daughter-in-law, Jamie, wife of their late son, David

Condolences to Doloros Horne on the death of her stepmother, Ruth Britton

Condolences to Roy Ollis on the death of his brother, Carl Ollis

Condolences to Charlie Barnett on the death of his brother, Bob Barnett

Congratulations to Josh and Annie Conger and big brother Port on the birth of baby Jack on June 19.

## Save the Date

Aug 30—Family Promise week begins

Sept 9—Wednesday Night Lite dinners begin again

Sept 9—A bloodmobile will be at church for a blood drive

Sept 16—Emergency preparedness program

## THE WALK TO BETHLEHEM

WALKING WAS FIRST MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE IN GENESIS 3:8. "THEN THE MAN AND HIS WIFE HEARD THE SOUND OF THE LORD GOD AS HE WAS WALKING IN THE GARDEN IN THE COOL OF THE DAY." IT WAS WHILE WALKING IN THE GARDEN THAT GOD TYPICALLY SPOKE TO ADAM AND EVE. HOW MEANINGFUL FOR US TO WALK THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, OUR PARKS AND OUR COMMUNITIES WHILE TALKING TO OUR CREATOR, THE ONE WHO KNOWS US BEST!

WALKING IS MENTIONED 247 TIMES IN THE BIBLE! OUR BODIES WERE MADE FOR WALKING. WE WERE BUILT TO STAND ERECT. OUR ORGANS FUNCTION BEST WHEN GIVEN ROOM TO WORK. OUR JOINTS NEED MOVEMENT TO MAINTAIN GOOD RANGE OF MOTION. NONE OF THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SITTING IN A CHAIR OR LYING ON A COUCH. THE BENEFITS OF WALKING ARE NUMEROUS.



OUR JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM WILL BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH. WE WILL TRACK OUR PROGRESS WEEKLY AND OUR GOAL IS TO REACH BETHLEHEM IN 12 WEEKS, JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS! ALONG THE WAY, WE WILL INCREASE OUR ACTIVITY, LEARN SOME GEOGRAPHY AND INTERACT WITH OUR COMMUNITY!

WATCH FOR DETAILS IN YOUR BULLETIN!

*RENEE MCNEES, RN  
PARISH NURSE*

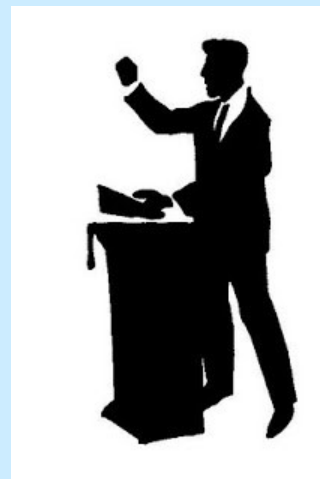


Congratulations to Noah Turner, son of Brian and Amy Turner, who achieved the #1 ranking in the state of Tennessee for 10-11 year old boys in Junior Golf this year. He was invited and placed in the 2015 Tournament of Champions Cup held in Nashville.

## Camp Meeting

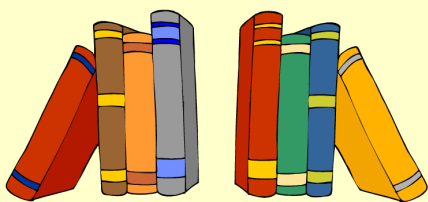
**The 196th Sulphur Springs Camp Meeting is scheduled for August 2-5, in the camp shed at 1432 Gray Sulphur Springs Road. This year's preacher is Reverend Dr. Darris Doyal, and the theme is "Body Work."**

**A mini-concert will be held at 6 pm each evening, with the kick-off concert featuring Loretta Bowers. Congregational singing each night will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by worship at 7 pm. A youth gathering and a special event for children 5 to 9 years of age will be held at 6 pm Sunday, August 2.**



## *Library News*

Several books of hymns and other well-known songs have been donated to the library. In addition, Peggy Rice has donated the following Guidepost books: Agree to Disagree, and The Kindness of Strangers, the story of a volunteer in a hospital to offers to donate a kidney to a dialysis patient. Living Proof, the story of Lt. Clebe McClary, a Vietnam hero, has also been donated. The co-author was Dianne Barker, a graduate of ETSU who worked for the Johnson City Press Chronicle for 9 years before retiring in 1974.



**Reminder!**

If you're in charge of a group that meets at church, please be sure to get your meeting information onto the calendar in the office. This calendar is used to produce the calendar that goes on the website and in each edition of The Pathfinder. Thanks for your help in keeping us all up-to-date!

## **Highlights from** **JUMC Administrative Council Meeting, July 26, 2015**

- Trustees projects reported: built pantry/storage area beside church kitchen, installing new flooring in Good News Fellowship Hall, replaced music room copier for \$960 annual savings, and addressing security needs in main church building.
- Welcomed new member and Memorials Committee Chair, Barbara Smith.
- Approved continuing support of Katy Lawrence as a Deacon candidate.
- Approved continuing sale of engraved patio bricks at \$150 each to support growing children's ministry space, furnishings, supplies, and related needs, to cost about \$8,000.
- Parsonage Committee proceeding with replacement of parsonage windows.
- Reconsidered previous action to study need for Associate Pastor and substituted a new action to form a study group to address the mission and vision of JUMC.
- Heard about our growing children's ministry and the fall plans (currently over 46 children and a bursting nursery), and its demand on space and personnel resources.
- Heard about the successful youth mission trip to Edisto Island, the successful Jonesborough Days parking project (\$2,629 raised), and the many upcoming plans and projects.
- Parish Nurse reported a successful Relay for Life, blood drive coming up on September 9, a healthy cooking program, emergency preparedness program on September 16, and an October program on Medicare.
- Pastor Lane told of several new families joining the church soon and having children baptized, and reported church directories were received with many errors not made by JUMC and returned for corrections.

## August Mission Emphasis

The mission for August is the Jonesborough Area Ministerial Association, better known as JAMA. The mission of JAMA is to feed the hungry by securing food and grocery products and distributing them to the needy, ill, children and the elderly in the Jonesborough area. Elmer Gilespie is the head of JAMA and has been a volunteer since 2002.

The food pantry is open each Thursday and JUMC volunteers Barbara and Roy Ollis and Charlene and David Cleveland staff the pantry the first Thursday of each month. The pantry serves 25-45 each week.

Multiple area churches, as well as the Senior Citizens and The Contra Dance Group, participate in JAMA. Please designate JAMA on your mission offering envelope. You may also help by bringing the item of the month listed in the bulletin and in The Pathfinder.

## JAMA Item for August Canned Fruit



Please give generously  
to Jonesborough Area  
Ministerial Association.

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