

## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Wow. It's August already! I seem to be caught more and more often wondering, "How could it be this late in the year already!" The faster the world turns, the faster the year rolls by.

With that passing of time, though, begs another question – "What are you doing with that time?" August is the time for school to start back up for another year. Our children will all be advancing to new classrooms with new things to study. They set a good example for us who have graduated. We, much too often, lay down the process of purposeful learning when we graduate.

John Wesley said that those who read are those who grow in grace. Those who make an effort to learn are those who continually expand their minds and hearts to greater things.

Our United Methodist theology talks about the path of Christian Perfection. Too many of us hope that this will happen with no effort on our part. Too many of us want the betterment of our souls to come as an accidental thing or from a magic wand that God waves so that we don't have to put forth any effort. We need to work at learning and growing. It does not often happen accidentally or magically. It

happens as we strive to improve ourselves.

School is starting for the children soon. What kind of classroom are you going to put yourself in? Will you make yourself do things that are not easy or don't come naturally?

Growing closer to God is something that should be intentional and it should also be a priority in all our lives. It's easy to let it slide. It's important to make it a lifelong process. As we start back in another school year, let all join in to "study to show ourselves approved unto God."

What are you doing to grow and learn more in your faith?

See you in church!



# FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

The Tolliver Family Graduated this SATURDAY!

Tomica is working at a daycare, with an opportunity to obtain her CPA license and the family happily moved into their own home in Payton, KY!

The children are excited to start new schools and we will continue to work with Tomica to obtain scholarships from the YMCA for after school services.

Although this family was excited to move on, little Jordan was just not ready, she wanted to stay in Family Promise forever

We know that each of you played a HUGE role in helping this family reach graduation! Without each of you and your patience and understanding I do not think they would have made it this far!

Thank you for all of your love and support shared to this family, I know it meant the world to them!





Building community, strengthening lives.

## **Adult Ministry's News**

Yard Sale / Bake Sale is Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Set up at 7:00 am Sale from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. If you would like to join us as a vendor the price is \$15.00 for 2 car spaces. Bring your own tables and chairs, and money for change. Make your check out to EUMC Adult Ministry by September 17th. The Youth Group will be selling food. If you have items to get rid of but are unable set up shop. The Church will have a table with proceeds benefiting UCV. We will also need a LOT of volunteers to make this day great. If you have any questions see or call Jou Hamilton. (The day of the sale please park in the back lot.)

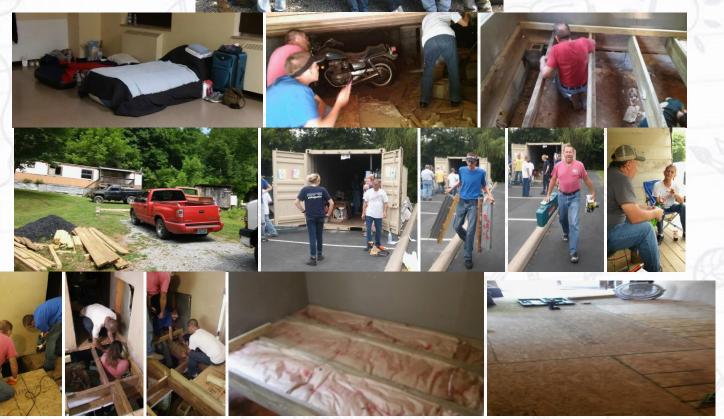


The Old Time Camp Meeting Worship Service 2017, will be Sunday, **September 24**<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am, at Lincoln Woods park in Florence KY. After the service, a catered lunch will be served. More information will be coming so be on the lookout. There will be no 10:30 worship service at EUMC on this day.

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AUGUST EVENT 2017				
Tue	1	7:00p	Bible Study	
Wed	2	12:00p	Caring Team	
		7:00p	Manna Mission Meeting	
		7:00p	Choir Practice	
Thu	3	11:00a	WIM	
Sat	5	8:15a	UMM Devotional	
		9:00a	UMM Meeting	
Sun	6	9:00a	Communion/Chapel	
		9:15a	Sunday School	
		10:30a	Worship	
		4:30p	Devotions	
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Wed	9	7:00p	Choir Practice	
Thu	10	6:00p	Prayer Group	
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Mon	14	7:00p	Council On Ministries	
Tue	15	7:00 p	Bible Study	
Wed	16	7:00 p	Choir Practice	
Thu	17	Erlanger /	/ Elsmere First Day of School	
Sat	19	Car Sho	ow XI	
Sun	20	9:00a	Communion/Chapel	
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Mon	21	6:30 p	Trustee Meeting	
Tue	22	7:00p	Bible Study	
Wed	23	7:00p	Choir Practice	
Thu	24	7:00 p	SPRC Meeting	
Sat	26	5:00 p	Manna Mission Meal (Children volunteer)	
Sun	27	9:00a	Communion/Chapel	
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Tue	29	7:00p	Bible Study	
Wed	30	7:00p	Choir Practice	
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# APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT

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The theme of the trip came from the book of 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:18. Little children let us not love in word or speech, but indeed and in truth. God calls us to reach out to those in need that sometimes takes us out of our comfort zone. But if we step out in Faith to answer that call we find that we are more blessed, and the rewards far outweigh the deed we are called to do. Such is the case with the ASP trip. The team (Andy Buck, Cindy Slaven, Faith Wehr, Chris Deck, and Bill Slaven) did not know what we were getting into until our arrival in Knox Co, KY. Upon seeing the house we were to work on, my first thought was Lord can we do this? After talking to the team the answer was yes. We were to tear out an entire floor and rebuild it. After tearing out a floor that seems barely safe to walk on we started the task of rebuilding. We cut and installed new floor trusses, installed new insulation and Tyvek wrap and cut ¾ inch OSB flooring. The task at hand took every bit of our week there to finish, but in that week we came to know the gentleman who was living there. He was very hospitable and loved to play the guitar and sing (which he did for us). We ate lunch together. You might say we broke bread together and spoke to Jesus a lot. As the week went on, He introduced his family members to the team. We also broke bread together and spoke of Jesus. As the week came to a close we grew closer as a team and closer to the gentleman and his family. I will never forget the gentleman and the bonding that can and will take place, if we just step out of our comfort zone and reach out to those in need, in the Lord's name. The Lord will surely bless us and reward us beyond measure. I came away feeling more blessed than any good that I may have done. A big thank you to the mission team, Rev. Shepherd and each and every one of you at Erlanger United Methodist Church, for making this trip happen. God Bless You All,

Bill Slaven



### **CAR SHOW AND CANNED FOOD DRIVE**

Presented by EUMC Methodist Men, Sat, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 3 pm. If anyone would be interested in sponsoring a trophy at the 2nd Annual EUMC Car Show please contact Don Alexander @ 859-803-8431 or see me at Church. We would also like to ask if anyone would be interested in donations for raffle prizes which will be given to the Car Show participants. Please come to the show and see the lineup of very nice new and classic cars and trucks. Admission is free however we encourage everyone to bring a canned food item to support the canned food drive for UCV. If you or anyone who may have a car that they would like to enter, please contact Don Alexander or the Church office for details and we will make sure that we get a flyer to you with all the details of the show. Thank you all for your continued support of the Erlanger United Methodist Men. If you would like some postcards to share with your friend and neighbors call the church office.





#### From the Erlanger United Methodist Men

Hi Folks

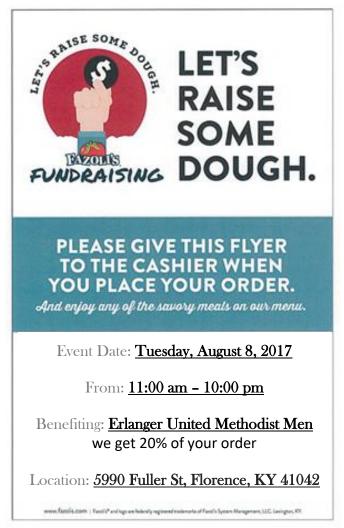
Focus from the UMM is on two things. Missions, which is helping other people and PRAYER. Thank you for all of your support in all of our missions and keep praying!!!



We would like to invite all men to join the Erlanger United Methodist Men. Our next meeting is August 5, 2017, Saturday, 9:00 am at Erlanger UMC in the Asbury Room.

Thank you and GOD Bless you all.

The mission of the General Commission on United Methodist Men is to assist men to know Jesus Christ, to serve Him, to grow spiritually and seek daily to do His will.





Backpack filled and ready to be delivered to Ida Spence. Thank You to all who donated supplies, money and time to this worthy cause. A special Thank you to the Women In Mission for taking the lead in this project. (pictured Martha, Sue, Ann, Sandy, Judy, Nancy, and Phyllis)





# !!WOW!!

Because Of Your Generous Giving, Children Living In City Heights Will Have School Supplies And Children In Erlanger Will Have Christmas Presents!





#### **RED BIRD**

Do you remember an urgent from RED BIRD for more Labels for Education from a Campbell's Soup Can? They needed about 50,000 more in order to purchase another van. They were granted a short period of time to reach their goal. To our surprise, we found there were over 3,300 labels in the mission drawer. These alone with over

50BoxTop labels were sent to RED BIRD. Per Fran Campbell's call yesterday (7/25/17) and ask for a COLOR, you heard if here first, THEY GOT A VAN!!! Also Campbell's is extending grace to us to continue collecting labels through the end of the 2017 calendar year. Please continue sending us your Labels for Education UPC's like these and send them to us as soon as possible. They will use any new labels to get iPads for student perfect attendance awards. (New packaging will not have the Labels for Education). Box top labels will continue to be collected for both RED BIRD mission and HENDERSON SETTEMENT. Thank you for your support.

#### **KENTUCKY ANNUAL COFERENCE**

This past June the conference in Bowling Green, KY, there was a workshop session where 2614 health care kits were assembled for Sager Brown Depot. Our church sent 100 combs to be used in their kits.

#### **NEW PLANTING**

Recently a replacement lilac bush (tree form) was planted in the area behind the Church.

The plaque reads...

"In honor of Lynn Abney Missionary Aug. 29, 1993"

#### August Birthday's

Carrie Herrmann	08/01
Wanda Cole	08/10
Christopher Herrmann	08/11
Kelly Lusk	08/12
Kristi Stricker	08/12
Brenda Cain	08/14
Tom Houston	08/15
Barry Wurtz	08/16
Susanna Vance	08/20
Monica Smith	08/24
Michael Nolan	08/25
Toni Rhodes	08/25
Mark Burns	08/29

## **August Anniversaries**

Eugene & Pat Barbour 08/05
Mike & Emily Markey 08/06
Mike & Karen Fletcher 08/08
Jim & Bev Muegel 08/11
Charles & Carol Kiffer 08/12
Paul & Mary Swanson 08/19
John & Sue Lambert 08/23
Charlie & Wanda Hill 08/31



Youth / Children's Trip to Wright Patterson Air Force Base



Join the Youth Sundays at 5:30 pm for Food, a Devotional, and Fun time. Looking ahead the Youth will have a food both at the Men's Car show, Sat, August 19th from 10 am - 3 pm.

# **Reminisce** (Picture submitted by Ken Maynard)







### **Next Pick Up Dau October 17!!**

# **Methodist Mountain Mission**

# **Urgent Needs List**

#### UPDATE ON TRUCK FINANCIAL NEED

We praise the Lord for answering our need for more trucks! And for the very generous people who gave to our truck fund.

Our original urgent needs request state that we had borrowed \$16,600 from our local bank on a note due September 9, 2017 to purchase a smaller truck.

In addition, we had located a larger truck to add to our fleet.

The cost of it was \$29.250.

With your help, we were able to pay these two trucks off. As of July 24, 2017, we have received \$45,402 in truck donations.

The Lord has provided another large truck and we have stepped out on faith to purchase it.

The cost of this truck is \$28,500 and we will be picking it up in a day or two.

\$28,500! Can you continue to help us with this financial need? It never, never ceases to amaze me at how generous you are, and I thank you in advance.

#### For our Stores/Customers

- \* Back-to-School clothes and shoes
- \* School supplies
- \* Halloween costumes

And, of course, all of the other wonderful good and usable items you donate to the Mission!

Blessings, Karen Bunn

#### PROCESSING PLANT NEEDS

- \* Coffee and Creamer
- \* Vacuum cleaners for stores
- \* Tall kitchen bags LOTS!
  We use these to help fill bale trucks
- \* Paper Towels
- \* 33 gallon garbage bags
- \* Toilet Paper
- \* S-M-L Latex Gloves
- \* Febreeze Air Freshener
- \* Rubber bands
- \* Safety pins



# Back to School

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