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# JULY 2008

## First Presby News

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*First Presbyterian Church will strive to be a welcoming home, a beacon of Christ's light arising from inspiring worship and loving discipleship.*

**Summer Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.**

**11:00 Radio Broadcast: 580 AM WCHS**

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*Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God,  
the Lord alone.*

*You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your strength.*

**(Deuteronomy 6:4-5)**

We began our 2008 adventure in Jerusalem (First Presby's Bible School) with dinner each night, and ended with singing and dancing. In between were visits to the Synagogue to learn Hebrew words, customs, and scripture, and to discuss the mood of Jerusalem during what would later be known as Holy Week. There were visits to the Marketplace to make jewelry, weave baskets, bake bread, create herbal sachets, grind grain, sew, and hammer. Outside we made bricks from mud and straw and played games. Tribes were "home base" where we prayed, talked about the daily drama, practiced religious customs of our Hebrew ancestors, and shared bread each night.

Each evening families practiced sharing as they contributed to our designated mission project of providing milk and nutritional snacks for Palestinian preschool children. To date, \$127.35 has been given. As one of our young children placed his offering in the "well," his mother explained, "He has three jars. One holds spending money, one is for saving, and the other is for sharing." Her son joyfully placed handfuls of coins in the well, money he set aside to share.

If you've ever helped plan or execute VBS, you know that it is a ministry that attracts the best in us. Each year I am overwhelmed by the commitment of so many who give their time to touch lives and make the week one to be remembered. Jerusalem was both bustling and peaceful, energy-charged and calming, and so much fun! **It was a week that enriched us all and for which I thank God for the presence of the Holy Spirit and for our many wonderful volunteers and participants.**

Shalom!

Barbara Hopta

## Summer Worship

Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS!

We celebrate the following recent weddings:

**Jonathan David Kaplan and Heather Lee Selfridge** were married on May 30, in Melbourne, FL. Jonathan is the son of Barbara Knight Warren and step-son of Duane Dombek.

**Rebecca Hazard and Alex Dick** were married on June 14. Rebecca is the daughter of Sally and Sprague Hazard.

**Drs. Karen Herold and John Mason** were married on June 14, and will be residing in Parkersburg. Karen is the daughter of Susan and Bill Herold.

**Elizabeth Zak and Grant Clark** were married on June 21. Elizabeth is the daughter of Kristy and Joe Zak.

### DAILY BIBLE VERSES

- 7/1: Isaiah 49:14-15
- 7/2: Isaiah 53:3-5
- 7/3: Isaiah 65:25
- 7/4: Jeremiah 29:5-7
- 7/5: John 6:35
- 7/6: John 9:1-3, 6-7
- 7/7: John 11:21-27
- 7/8: John 11:33-36
- 7/9: John 14:5-6
- 7/10: John 14:23-24
- 7/11: John 21:15-17
- 7/12: John 21:25
- 7/13: Joel 2:12-13
- 7/14: Joel 2:28-29
- 7/15: Joel 3:14b-16a
- 7/16: Psalm 88:13-14
- 7/17: Psalm 98:7-9a
- 7/18: Psalm 103:8-10
- 7/19: Psalm 103:15-17a
- 7/20: Psalm 119:1-5
- 7/21: Psalm 124:2-8
- 7/22: Psalm 136:23-26
- 7/23: Psalm 139:13-14
- 7/24: Psalm 39:19, 21-22
- 7/25: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3
- 7/26: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-6
- 7/27: 1 Thessalonians 1:9
- 7/28: 1 Thessalonians 1:10
- 7/29: 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8
- 7/30: 1 Thessalonians 5:5-8
- 7/31: 2 Thessalonians 1:6-7

Note: These readings follow those listed in Making Time for God.



### NEW BABIES ABOUND!

We celebrate the birth of Jack Tompkins Slicer, born May 22, grandson of Sally and Pete Slicer. Parents are John and Amanda Slicer.

**Penny and Jerry Swan** are also celebrating a new grandson, Taylor Browning Swan, born June 28. Parents are Ginny and Justin Swan of Redwood City, California.

**With Patti and Aaron Alexander and Marty Martin** we celebrate the birth of Addison Grace Higginbotham, June 7. Parents are Monica and Ryan Higginbotham of Dunbar.

### BAPTISM

We celebrate the baptism of Hailey Elaine Peterson and Maxwell Reed Peterson on May 25. Hailey and Maxwell are the children of Heather and Cameron Peterson. Look for their photo outside the Nursery.

### SUMMER TUESDAYS

Parents of young children are invited to meet informally each Tuesday morning on the church playground. Meet friends and make new ones while small children enjoy the small-sized equipment, 9:00-11:00ish

### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

You are welcome to join this group meeting once a month, the third Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. in Room E-310.

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- **July 17: Night Out At the Ball Game!** We have 100 FREE tickets; sign-up at the church.
- **Aug. 17: Ice Cream Sundae Sunday,** 11:00 a.m.
- **Sept. 7: All-Church Picnic at Coonskin Park,** 12:00

### BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

Get your blood pressure checked by a nurse, Sunday, July 13, in the Cablish Room off the main church hallway.



### DECADE OF THE CHILD PROJECT

The Christian Nurture and Worship Committee of the Presbytery will be collecting children's books at the September 9th Presbytery meeting. We are collecting new and gently used children's books to send with our commissioners to the meeting. Please drop your book donations off in the front office to help support this Decade of the Child project.

### FINANCE DIVISION REPORT FOR MAY 2008

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Pledge Offerings:	\$ 85,000	\$ 68,731	\$ (16,269)
Trustee Funds:	28,229	30,143	1,914
Other Revenue:	7,955	10,957	3,002
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>121,184</b>	<b>109,831</b>	<b>(11,353)</b>
Expenses:	126,818	122,236	(4,582)
<b>Net Income:</b>	<b>\$ (5,634)</b>	<b>\$ (12,405)</b>	<b>\$ (6,771)</b>

<b>2008 Stewardship Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 1,188,875</b>
Pledged-to-Date:	\$ 1,045,433
Miracle Sunday Pledges:	\$ 78,794 (received as of June 18)
<b>Short of Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 64,548</b>

*Prayerfully consider in what capacity you are able to support the ministry of First Presbyterian Church in 2008.*

## CHURCH POSITION OPENING

The church is accepting applications for the position of Membership Secretary. Our current Membership Secretary, Marilyn Walbe, will be assuming the position of Administrative Assistant to the Pastors upon Jo Burdette's retirement in the fall. Please call the church office to obtain an application.

## COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATION

The Kanawha Pastoral Counseling Center is presenting a series of classes and workshops designed to help people practice the skills of effective and heart-connected communication, peaceful parenting, and respectful negotiation.

**Compassionate Communication: Basics 1, 2, 3** —Sundays, July 13, 20, 27 from 12:30 - 2:00 at Unity of Kanawha Valley.

**Introduction to Compassionate Communication** — July 15, 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. (registration required) during the "Faces of Leadership Conference," at the Charleston Civic Center. .

**Pick-up Practice Sessions** are offered free on the 4th Tuesday of every month, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., in the Activities Building.

**A Compassionate Communication Mini-Intensive** — Friday, Sept. 12, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 13, 9:00 - 12 noon. (Fri \$20, Sat \$30) in the Activities Building.

Each of these classes focus on using the Nonviolent Communication model in relationships. We will be working on how to use Nonviolent Communication to deepen connection, increase empathy and non-judgment, and how to negotiate unmet needs from an open heart. It is open to individuals as well as couples. For more information about all of these workshops, call 346-9689 or view [www.kpcc.com](http://www.kpcc.com).

## PYC YOUTH NEWS

### **"Leaps and Bounds"** **Massanetta Middle School Conference** July 15-18 - Harrisonburg, Virginia

"Leaps and Bounds" will have us face to face with the power of Jesus Christ, as well as digging deep into what it means to help our friends, to belong to a supportive faith community, to see God calling people to "leap" today and to glorify God for the great things God has done and will continue to do!  
**Call Claire, 343-8961 ext. 119, today!**



## LET'S GO FLYFISHING!

We're planning a day-trip to Elk Springs Lodge on Saturday, Aug. 9. We'll leave the church parking lot at 7:00 a.m. The cost is \$30 which includes instructions on how to cast and lunch. Bring along any fishing equipment you already have, bug repellent, hat, sunblock, money for supper on the way home, and your fishing license which can be purchased online at <http://wvdnr.org/fishing/license.shtml>.

Adult chaperones are needed, to volunteer or for more information call Claire Butler.

## FIRST PRESBY'S YOUTH COUNCIL

The Youth Council is a team of YOUTH and ADULTS, who plan the youth events. The team meets three or four times a year and are encouraged to take a leadership role in youth group as well.

Won't you join the Youth Council? Give Claire a call: 343-8961 ext. 119.



## CONFIRMATION

Ninth grade students joined the church on June 8, 2008. Pictured above (left to right) Erin Nolan, Allison Pitchford, Chris Welty, Ann Pancake, Tim Kinneburg, Victoria Thomas, and Max Graney. Not pictured: Matt Phillips and Morgan Vincent. Congratulations to all of these ninth grade students and their families.

## STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

A subgroup entitled Stewardship of Creation has been formed within the Committee on Social and Ecumenical Ministries. The group is led by two Stewardship of Creation enablers: Marcia Leitch, [jmleitch@mountain.net](mailto:jmleitch@mountain.net); and Robin Blakeman, [robinbe@verizon.net](mailto:robinbe@verizon.net).

## "Live Green"

We invite you to visit our webpage within the SEMC page of the Presbytery website ([www.wvpresbytery.org/Social\\_and\\_Ecumenical.htm](http://www.wvpresbytery.org/Social_and_Ecumenical.htm)). You will find a variety of links there to learn more about Stewardship of Creation! We would love to hear about what you and/or your congregation is doing to "Live Green."

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### Morning Prayer

Dear God, you have given us a world to share. All over the world people live in all kinds of houses. Some people spend their lives in the same house, while others move from place to place. Wherever we go, wherever we live, we know that you are with us. Thank you for people who share your love by providing shelter for others. In Jesus' name. Amen.

### Blessing for Meals

*For health and strength and daily food, we praise thy name, O God!*

### Evening Prayer

This is a blessing that comes to us from Scotland. Say it at night before you go to bed.

*Deep peace of the flowing air to you.  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.  
Deep peace of the shining stars to you.*

*Deep peace of the Prince of Peace to you. Amen.*

### Bible Verse

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."  
(Matthew 11:28)

### WORD OF THE MONTH

**Immigrant:** An immigrant is someone who leaves one country to settle permanently in another country. Frequently people move to a new country to escape war or poverty and to build a better life.

### RECIPE: MANNA PANCAKES

We don't really know how to make manna because it was a special bread provided by God to the Israelites while they were in the wilderness. The Bible says it tasted like coriander and honey. Ask an adult to help you.

- 1 1/4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 3 tsp. Baking powder
- 2 tsp. Sugar
- 1 tsp. Ground coriander leaves
- 1 beaten egg
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tbs. Salad oil

Sift the flour, baking powder, sugar and coriander into a large bowl. In a separate bowl stir the egg, milk, and salad oil together. Add this to the dry ingredients, stirring just till moistened. Put a little oil on a griddle or in a large frying pan. When the oil is hot, spoon a little batter on the griddle or pan. Make several little pancakes. Turn over with a spatula and brown on the other side. Remove when golden brown. Serve with honey.

*Portions from 2008 Children's Mission Yearbook. Copies are available in the CE Office.*

### DID YOU KNOW?

During July many Presbyterian churches will celebrate Immigration Sunday. Presbyterians for Just Immigration is a network of Presbyterians who want to help immigrants and citizens work together to create a strong community for everyone.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### SOJOURNERS CONTINUE THROUGH JULY

You are invited to join the Sojourners Class on Sunday mornings at 9:00 during the month of July. Each week their discussion is focused on a recent news item and biblical references. If you would like the lesson emailed to you, contact Ina, 343-8961 ext. 122.

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) met in San Jose, CA. John Bolt, Stated Clerk for the Presbytery of WV, has provided his reflections on the General Assembly. Read <http://decenthillsorderlyhollows.blogspot.com/> and get links to more Presbyterian USA news.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL





## MUSIC AND CHOIR NEWS

### FROM MARY ODIN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

A couple of months ago my then 4-year-old daughter, Ruth, asked me a tough question: "Mom, do you love God more than you love me?" The answer, of course, had to be, "Yes, Ruth, I do love God more than I love you. Sometimes it's hard to do because I love you so much, but God tells us we have to love Him more than anything or anyone." To my surprise and relief, rather than acting hurt, Ruth just said, "Oh. Can I have a peanut butter sandwich?"

As I write this, we are finishing up Vacation Bible School. I must use a bit of my allotted space this month to say "thank-you" to Barb Hopta and the many, many volunteers who worked so hard throughout the week to drive home the point: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." (Deut. 6:5)

The first two phrases of that scripture have always made sense to me, since love feels like it comes from the heart and the soul. Ruth's question made me come to grips with the last phrase, "with all your strength." If we love anything or anyone more than God, then we lose the Source of love. God's command is clear: No matter how much I love Ruth and James, I must love God more. It requires all of my strength.

Our Vacation Bible School passage continues in this way: "Keep these words that I am commanding you

today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." (Deut. 6:6-9) During Vacation Bible School, the children tied scripture verses in little leather cases around their foreheads. Rabbi Papa K. taught us that this was to remind us to keep God's Word close to our minds and on our lips. Obediently, Ruth wore hers to Kroger on Wednesday because, in her words, "Rabbi said I should!"

What does this have to do with music in our church? If you were in worship on June 15, you heard our Vacation Bible School families sing the Deuteronomy passage during the children's time. The song was a tool that helped families "talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise." We even sang the scripture at the Kroger. The music helped everyone, even the youngest among us, to remember the scripture and the importance of our devotion to God above all else. When music does that, it is in its proper place: not as the thing we love the most, but rather as a signpost pointing to the One, the *only* One, who deserves our full devotion.

Mary

### CHERUB, CATHEDRAL, AND GENEVA CHOIRS

Members of all three of our vocal choirs combined last month and, together with other friends and family, provided special music for worship services in June.

In July and August, we will welcome soloists of all kinds from our congregation to provide special offerings on Sunday mornings. You just never know who might sing or play an instrument this summer—don't miss worship if you can help it!

### BELL CHOIR

Bell Choir is taking a break for the summer. If you'd like to ring with the group in the fall, contact director Kathy Lynch to let her know you're interested.

### WORSHIP TEAM

The Worship Team provides musical leadership during Sunday worship each week. This ensemble of vocalists and instrumentalists uses guitar, bass, piano, mandolin, and other instruments to accompany congregational song. We normally rehearse in the sanctuary on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Throughout this summer our rehearsals may be sporadic. If you'd like to play with us, contact Mary Odin at church, 343-8961 ext. 137, [modin@firstpresby.com](mailto:modin@firstpresby.com), or speak to any member of the group.

### FPC LYRES CLUB

The Lyres Club is on tour this summer, rehearsing at various times and places around town. We have been to Hubbard Hospice House and Heartland of Charleston, and plan to return to both places later on.

As of this writing, our July tour dates are not yet confirmed. **Lyres Club members need to check email and/or the table in the hallway for details as they emerge.**

If you have never played an instrument and are interested in learning to play the folk harp with us, contact Mary Odin, 343-8961 ext. 137 or at [modin@firstpresby.com](mailto:modin@firstpresby.com).

### PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

**Major Todd Harrell**, father of Emily and Jonathan, is back from Iraq.

**Edwin Anderson**, cousin of Mary Odin, Afghanistan

**David McMillan**, grandson of Betty Kerns, National Guard Engineers, Iraq

**Caitlin Workman**, granddaughter of Pat Workman, Airman First Class, Omaha, NE

**Franz S. Workman IV**, grandson of Pat Workman, Airman 1st Class, Moody AFB, GA

**David McDarmont**, son of Liz O'Finan, Ohio

**Donald Boylen**, grandson of Dick and Becky Smith, Virginia

**Owen Brown**, son of Earle Brown, Pensacola, FL with the Navy

**David Rucker**, nephew of Barbara Brown, Germany

*Please call the church office to keep this information current. Thank you.*

# COMMUNITY MINISTRY



## LUNCH AND LEARN!

Our local Alzheimer's Association will present a series of workshops for caregivers every third Wednesday, at noon at their Charleston office, 1111 Lee Street East. **For July 16 the program will be "Communication, Behaviors and Alzheimer's."** For more information contact April Lewis, 343-2717. Bring a sack lunch!

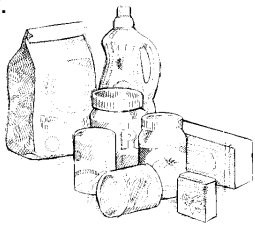
## THE FOOD PANTRY: WE CAN. Yes, we can!

It is early in the month of June, but the line waiting for bags of groceries is as long as the last few days of last month. While most of us have great abundance, right here in Charleston there are many who cannot afford to buy ANY of it! Poverty is not "lacking enough," it is lacking anything at all!

**WE CAN share our lives, our gifts, our food, and our prayers with those in need.**

**WE CAN bring canned foods with us to worship each Sunday this summer.**

Grocery carts will be near the front entrance and other areas to receive your donations. While we vacation this summer, let us not vacation from remembering the hungry.



## OPERATION BEANS AND RICE!

"Operation Beans and Rice" is a new way to address the continuing plight of world hunger and malnutrition. Consider how much you and your family spends to eat out following church on any given Sunday. (Most families spend about \$11 a person for their meal.) What if instead you spent that money on a bag of beans and rice which you could then cook at home) Or you could donate to the Covenant House Food Pantry located right in our own church. **Bag of beans and rice are available through the church office.** All proceeds from Operation Beans and Rice will help support youth mission activities. Thank you.

## CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING: AUGUST 3

Even as we grow our gardens and relish the fruits of summertime, we need to recognize that for many folks this is the hungriest time of the year. Consider bringing in produce for the food pantry and much-needed staples such as canned goods, prepackaged meals, peanut butter, cereal, and more. It is from gifts like these that the hungry are fed. Many folks coming to our food pantry this summer hand never sought help before. It is really hard to ask for and to accept help, but their need is great. Cents-Ability recognizes this and provides direct food relief to 18 food pantries in local churches in WV and also gives 25 percent to famine stricken Africa through a special grant. **Your gifts of food and money really make a difference!**



## WORLD MARKET DATES

In this world of extraordinary people there are special folks who plan way far ahead...they want to plan NOW to buy their Christmas and birthday gifts at the World Market. **For those and for you, the dates are Sunday, Oct. 12 through Thursday, Oct. 16. Open daily 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; and Wednesday 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Please help us get the word out this year. Do you have an organization you can submit announcements to? Can you urge the members of committees on which you serve to come to the Market? We need the help of the entire congregation to make this a success. Talk it up; word of mouth by happy customers is the most effective publicity we can receive.

## CHAPLAINCY OFFERING



The Davis-Stuart Chaplaincy program will receive your generous support in the amount of \$806.80 from the June "thanksgiving" offering. Thank you so much for recognizing the need for Christian nurture for these troubled youth.

## WHEN PEOPLE NEED HELP

Jesus taught his followers compassion for those in need. The way in which we offer that compassion must be of genuine and meaningful benefit to the person. Responding to any person who might approach you asking for money or food requires that we be both loving and wise, both with God's resources and the person's real need. Here are some points to guide you:

- Most people who approach you have convincing, heartbreaking stories. If their story is true, one of the local shelters, Covenant House, Manna Meal, or Union Mission can help.
- Giving money may not help the person. As a body of believers, First Presbyterian Church has tremendous resources to help persons for the long term as well as the short term. Consider telling them, "The way our church helps people in your situation is by working with Manna Meal, Covenant House, etc."
- Offer the person what they need, not just what they ask for. If they are asking for money so they can buy food, consider buying them lunch, giving them gift certificates to Wendy's or Tudor's, or directing them to Manna Meal or a local shelter.
- If you feel the person, or you, are in danger, call 911.
- Food, shelter and many other forms of assistance are available to those in need. Use the blue and white cards (available from the church information table) to direct them to the ministries they need. By doing so, you are doing God's work and contributing to First Presby's mission to be a "beacon of Christ's light."

# JULY 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
<b>June 29</b> 9:00 Summer Choir 9:00 Sojourners Class 10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship on the Green - HOT DOG PICNIC!	June 30 8:30 Aerobics 2:00 Senior Exercise	<b>1</b> 6:30 Karate	<b>2</b> 8:30 Aerobics 9:00 Wednesday Work Crew 2:00 Senior Exercise 7:15 Boy Scouts	<b>3</b> 7:30 Bible Study, Shoneys' 6:30 Karate 6:30 Seneca Class Basketball	<b>4</b> Independence Day Holiday 	<b>5</b>
<b>BASKETBALL CAMP MONDAY—THURSDAY</b> Starting at 9:00 in the Gym						
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<b>13</b> <b>Communion</b> 9:00 Sojourners Class 10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship on the Green	<b>14</b> 8:30 Aerobics 2:00 Senior Exercise	<b>15</b> 6:30 Karate 7:00 Alzheimer Support Group	<b>16</b> 8:30 Aerobics 9:00 Wednesday Work Crew 2:00 Senior Exercise 5:00 Fellowship and Recreation Division	<b>17</b> Lifetouch Photos 7:30 Bible Study, Shoneys' 6:30 Karate 6:30 Seneca Basketball  <b>Night Out At the Ball Game!</b> We have 100 FREE tickets; sign-up at the church.	<b>18</b> Lifetouch Photos 8:30 Aerobics 2:00 Senior Exercise	<b>19</b> Lifetouch Photos
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**PARTNERS IN PRAYER**

We pray for churches in our presbytery, and in the Presbytery of Nyeri in Kenya.

July 6: Canyon Community Church, Morgantown; First Presby, Colcord; First Presby, Fairmont; Rev. Naman Githenya Memorial Church, Kenya.

July 13: Grace Covenant Presby; Charleston; First Presby, Kenova; McElhenney Presby, Grassy Meadows; Thunguma Church, Kenya.

July 20: Beckley Presby; First Presby, White Sulpher Springs; Caldwell Presby Chapel; Rware Parish, Kenya.

July 27: First Presby, St. Albans; Spencer Presby; Tygarts Valley Presby, Huntonville; Gitathiini Church, Kenya.

**JULY BIRTHDAYS!**

Congratulations to the following who will be celebrating a "90 and over" birthday during April:

- |                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Harrel Knight</b>    | <b>July 26</b> |
| <b>Ellen Ceperly</b>    | <b>July 29</b> |
| <b>Margery Robinson</b> | <b>July 30</b> |
| <b>Robert Warren</b>    | <b>July 30</b> |



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**OUR SYMPATHY TO . . .**

Nancy Bulla on the death of her sister;  
Jo Burdette on the death of her uncle;  
Dick Lamb on the death of his aunt;  
Tom and Louise Brotherton on the death of their son.

**IN THE HOSPITAL . . .**

**WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S:**

Addison Higginbotham

**MEMORIAL:**

Jan Flannery

**CURRENT PRAYER CONCERNS . . .**

Tammy and John Garlock (friends of Judy Keller); Charles Glotfelty; Paula Bailey (friend of Steve Morris); Gib McCoy (father of Bill McCoy); Becky Ceperley; David Schrom (cousin of Joe Zando); Beth Leister; Connie Payne; Contance Gerstle; Tim Coleman; Ruth Pitchford; Robert Badger (brother of Frank Badger); Stephanie Hersch; Lois Cleland; Jean Matthews; John Baldwin; Curt Davis (uncle of Steve Hopta); Trey Dan Burks.

**EXTENDED PRAYER CONCERNS . . .**

Joseph Sprouse; Max Blizzard; Ruffner Alexander Jr.; Aaron Owen, (son of Ky & Tammy Owen); Anne Taylor Bradley (Jackie Taylor's sister-in-law, Blair Taylor's aunt); Jerrie Duckwyler (friend of Claude Churchwell).

**LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS . . .**

Charlie Young

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS . . .**

Amy Isaac; Donna Noland; Elizabeth Gaucher; Morgan Griffith; Kim Smith

**SICK, HOSPITALIZED, OR IN NEED OF PRAYER?**

Let your church family know of any needs you have. The church has a telephone/e-mail prayer chain, a "pray for" list in the newsletter, and prayers during worship. Tell us your concerns or ask a friend to inform us.

If you want to tell us about someone else, a friend or family member, be sure to respectfully ask their permission first. You can also confide in one of the pastors and request it be kept confidential.

**Call Jim Roberts,  
343-8961 ext. 118, to keep him informed,  
to be removed from the list,  
or to add yourself/family member to the list.**

*In Memoriam*

**Elizabeth Mowers**  
*May 28, 2008*

**Mary Cox**  
*June 18, 2008*