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# MISSION MOMENT

Your Mission Team

#### REELFOOT RURAL MINISTRIES

This Sunday, November 2, we have the opportunity to enter the Mission Field by donating our Communion Offering to Reelfoot Rural Ministries. For years our church has partnered with Reelfoot Rural Ministries to help meet specific needs of thousands of people here in West Tennessee.

This time of year we begin collecting donations for the Reelfoot Christmas Store where needy families can fill out an application and shop for gifts for their children at a low cost. Over a thousand children and teenagers benefit from this service every year. Reelfoot reaches out to give a caring hand to children in other ways as well. Each summer Reelfoot hosts a Back to School drive where parents can come and get the basic supplies their children need to be successful in school. School-aged children in Lake County also benefit from a Backpack Program similar to the one in Dyer County to help provide them with food on the weekends.

Reelfoot goes beyond ministry to children and helps people of all ages meet their basic needs through its grocery ministry and thrift store. In addition, Reelfoot provides emergency services and supplies to victims of fire, flood, tornado, and domestic assault. Finally, Reelfoot operates Dental and Vision Clinics to provide these vital services to those who need it most and would probably not receive the services any other way. Reelfoot Rural Ministries has a long history of mission work right here in our backyard. To make sure this continues, the board is intentionally and strategically planning for the future to strengthen this ministry for the coming years.

How can you support this amazing work? First, you can give a donation on Sunday. If you write a check, mark "Reelfoot Rural Ministries" on the memo line or "monthly communion" for online gifts. Second, you can purchase books, toys, or sports equipment for children and teenagers and place them in our donation boxes in the Connect Center.

Thank you for your continued support of Reelfoot Rural Ministries!

Your Mission Team



#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

#### **USHERS**

Thomas Lemons
Bill Yates
Tim Taylor
Lowell Beck
Dustin Seratt

#### **GREETERS**

Maralyn Beck Lena Lewis

# **LITURGIST**

Steve Caldwell

#### VIDEO RECORDER

Jared Agee

#### **COMMUNION STEWARDS**

Pierce and Amy White Jack and Ellen White

### HOMEBOUND COMMUNION STEWARDS

Phillip and Julie Cook

# Our Mission Statement

To Know, Love, Share, and Serve Christ

# Our Vision Statement

We seek to love God above everything and to love our neighbors as ourselves

# Our Values

Hospita<mark>lity, O</mark>utreach, Loving, Tradition, Community, Teaching, Family

# RECORD OF LOYALTY (10/26/2025)

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
Online Worship	33
In Person Worship	88
Sunday School	49

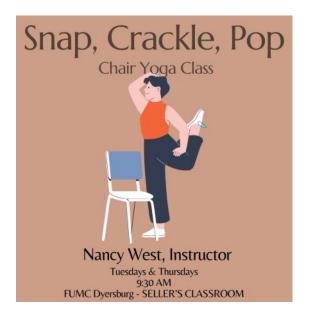
# **OFFERING**

Income Year to Date	\$596,102.00
Expenses Year to Date	\$666,401.06
Income (September)	\$87,436.51
Expenses (September)	\$139,958.38

#### **CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

This quarter's contribution statements were sent out this week. If you do not get yours or need to update something, please call or email, Karen in the church office. 731-285-6454,

kkesterson@fumcdyersburg.com.





Decommissioning Service for Sellers' Class

Celebrating **Years of Joyful Learning Together** 



Nov 2nd at 9:00am



If you're interested in taking a bus trip or caravan to watch Josh's recital please let me know at tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com.



Canned Fruit
Chicken Noodle Soup
Single Toothbrushes
Toothpaste

#### PRESCHOOL MINISTRY UPDATE

Dear FUMC,

I wanted to take a moment to update our church members on the progress in our Preschool. Our committee is so proud of the direction in which things are moving in our Preschool Ministry, and we are very excited to welcome Rose Sherron as our new Preschool Director. Rose comes to us with expertise in early childhood education, regulatory compliance and program administration. Along with her credentials she is deeply committed to building a faith-based learning environment where children feel safe, loved and supported in their spiritual and educational growth. We are very pleased that she has joined our Preschool Ministry.

It is also important to let the church know that we had some real behind-the-scenes heros, both Preschool Board Members and church volunteers in general, who really stepped up in multiple capacities as the hands of Christ. We needed so much help over the past few months and we appreciate everything that you did for us.

The list of help and helpfulness is extensive so I would like to mention some of the main categories in which Preschool Board Members and Church Volunteers directed their efforts:

- Came together on a Saturday in August to empty out a storage room and a classroom full of school supplies that were outdated / not needed
- Moved and set up the contents of the emptied-out rooms in the FLC as a place for donations and 'shopping' for parents and teachers who were interested in them
- Organized and reorganized rooms to bring them into compliance in order to meet state licensing requirements
- Filed immunization records and student profiles, and contacted parents for additional information required for compliance
- Compiled lists of treats our teachers enjoy so we can keep an ongoing 'sunshine' record for anyone interested in providing treats for the staff
- Chipped-in so that we could provide our new Director with flowers and gift cards
- Worked weekends and after-hours in order to bring the Preschool into compliance
- Board Members made and continue updating the bulletin boards on Sunday evenings for the Preschool.

Again, we appreciate everyone's help and support over these past few months.

Peace in Christ, Kristen Caldwell







The **November/December** Upper Rooms are in! Please remember to save and recycle your previous devotional. Bring it with you when you pick up your new devotional. Both can be dropped and picked up in the Connect Center.

# THANK YOU FROM DYER COUNTY SCHOOLS

Dear Reverend Lefebvre.

I want to thank you and your congregation so much for the donation you gifted us! We had a great start to our school year with the kind notes sent by your members. This donation is very supportive and we will put it to very good use. Unfortunately, we have children who do not have shoes that fit, and as the weather changes, coats to keep them warm. We take care of those students and your donation helps more than you know.

Please extend our thanks to all who had a part in this kindness extended to our students. Your generosity will always be remembered.

Sincerely, Ms. Cheryl Mathis



# Prayer Requests

In order to keep our teams informed about persons you've requested prayer for, please send updates every *three weeks*.

Rachel Flynn (Elaine McCormick's granddaughter-in-law) Tiffany Riggins (Elaine McCormick's daughter)

Nadia Browning

David West

Ardis Phillips

Carolyn Cooper - Bells Nursing and Rehab. Center, 213 Herndon Drive, Room 218, Bells, TN 38006

Bill Troy Ron Gathright George Robertson Cherry Robertson Linda Jones

\*Please continue to remember the Home Bound.
\*If you'd like to send cards, contact the church office for addresses if you need them.

# TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The mission and ministry of Dyersburg FUMC is now more vital than ever. Although you can bring your offerings with you to church on Sunday, you can also still mail them or go online. It's easy: mail your check to the church at P.O. Box 452, Dyersburg, TN 38025 OR give online by going to <a href="https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate">https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate</a>

Sunday, November 2, 2025 All Saints' Sunday

Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Fellowship Time 10:15 am Worship 4:00 pm Blankets (2yr-5th Grade) 4:00 pm Fuel for the Soul (6th-12th Grade) 4:00 pm Choir Practice

Rev. Steve Lefebvre, Preaching

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