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# CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH UT TLOOK

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### Everyone who LOOKS to the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life. John 6:40

## **Steve's Sentiments**

Do you know an amazing Biblical

story of the power of prayer? There's one found in Exodus 14. The story starts with God telling His people, who have just been released from Egypt's captivity, to camp near the Red Sea. They might have thought, What??? There's no escape there--the sea in front of us and Pharaoh's army coming after us! They attacked Moses saying, "Weren't there enough graves in Egypt so you brought us here to die?" Well, our Tuesday night prayer group is

learning about these situations: when God tells us to do something, we should just be obedient, do what He says, and not second-guess God.

Verse 10 of Exodus 14 says, "The people were terrified and cried out (prayed) to God." We aren't told the content of their prayers, but under the circumstances they made, no doubt, desperate pleas for God to

save them--grandpas were concerned for their grandchildren who were with them, mothers were carrying nursing infants, men wanted to protect their women and children but had no weap-



ons that could match the arsenal of the Egyptian army. Moses told them to stay calm as they prayed and watch the Lord work.

Verse 15 indicates that Moses had no idea what God would do when he told the people to trust, be still and pray. God called Moses out of his prayer time and told him to raise his staff over the sea - you probably know the rest of the story. If not, read the amazing 31 verses of Exodus 14. Our prayer group is also learning that God can provide every spiritual blessing we need to get us out of what seems to

be "jams." What we think of as problems, may actually be where God has led us so that we can experience His way of escape – a way we would never dream of because we tend to only rely on our resources in the physical world.

Prayer takes us into the Kingdom-of-God-realm, where resources are not limited to what we have or what we can do. Our weekly and monthly prayer meetings are so refreshing because they point us to God's power, not

our own. Won't you join our Tuesday evening prayer group? And won't you join us for our next corporate prayer meeting on February 22? These are important times with the Lord and fellow believers! Especially if you feel like you have the ocean in front of you and an enemy army pursuing you. Cry out to God with the rest of us who often feel the same way.

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## CPC Ladies & Friends!

# You're Invited to a Ladies Time Out

Sat., Feb. 7, beginning at 10:00am

Brunch at *la Madeleine* (4406 19th St.)

Followed by a movie at *Chitwood Home Theater* (37 Arapaho Rd., Ransom Canyon).

## **AROUND CUMBERLAND**

## Announcements

#### Join a Bible Study ANY time!

- Our study of the *Gospel of John* meets Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Library.
- Our Pastor's Study, the Book of Judges, meets Thursdays at noon in the Fireside Room.

Prayer leader Cindy Chitwood invites you to **PRAY** & learn with us on **Tuesdays** at **6pm in the Fireside Room**. "Father, glorify Your name! Whatever it takes, Father; whatever path it sets me on, Father; whatever dying to self I have to do, Father. Glorify Your Name!" prays Jennifer Dean, author of our prayer study. Let's make it our prayer, too!

The **Deacons** will meet Mon., Feb. 2, 6:30pm in the Library.

The CP Achievers' February potluck meal and program will take place on Wed.,



Feb. 4, beginning at 10:30am in Fellowship Hall. Virginia Schmuck will share about her trip to Rome.



#### We'll start at 10am!

Brunch: la Madeleine
(4406 19th St., Ste. B)
Movie: "Mom's Night
Out" at the Chitwoods'
(37 Arapaho Road, Ransom Canyon)

**Please note that** the **Session** will meet Mon., Feb. 9, 6:30pm in the Library.

**WHAM!!**—Women Helping Advance Missions—will not meet Feb. 14th but will have a short (optional) business meeting following our Ladies Time Out Feb. 7.

Ministry team leaders & teams will meet on the 16th this month. Leaders will meet in the Fireside Room at 6:30pm followed by team meetings at 7:00.



## FROM THE CHURCH TREASURER

Contribution Statements for 2014 will be ready to be picked up on Sunday, February 1. They will be on a table outside the sanctuary in an envelope for each giving unit. The ones not picked up on February 1 will be mailed. Also those going to out of town donors will be mailed.

#### Canned Green Bean Drive



Tim
Rickman
reports that
the deacons
would like
to sponsor
a church
wide
Canned
Green
Bean

**Drive**. Jay Hanley of the Texas Boys Ranch has contacted Tim about the need. We will collect Feb. 1 - 22.

## **Upcoming Nicholson Memorial**

A Memorial Service for **Betty Nicholson** will be 2 PM Sat., Feb. 7, at Lake City Presbyterian Church, 3841 NE 123rd, Seattle, WA 989125, and a 3 PM graveside will be Sun., Feb. 8, at Woodlawn Cemetery, Snohomish, WA. For more information, please see Betty's tribute posted

on the bulletin board at the church's south entrance or contact the church office.

# From the Deacon's Bench





You are invited to join Carpenter's Church for our

The Carpenter's Banquet Laying Foundations of Hope

Saturday, February 21, 2015 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Fazier Alumni Pavilion Red Raider Avenue Lubbock, TX

Welcome to the Second Annual Carpenter's Banquet: Laying Foundations of **Hope!** This is a time to share the story of what God has been doing among us in Lubbock's inner city. Prepare yourself for a night of amazing food, live entertainment, a silent auction and inspiring stories of hope among those experiencing homelessness as well as those finding housing. This event will feature the premiere of a local documentary on the costs of homelessness and benefits of supportive housing. We will also be announcing our plans to expand supportive housing in Lubbock. All proceeds from this event will go to the Carpenter's Supportive Housing ministry.

Attire: Party Casual/Dressy Casual Advanced viewing and bidding for the Silent Auction can be found at <a href="http://www.32auctions.com/carpentersbanquet">http://www.32auctions.com/carpentersbanquet</a>

Live Music performed by Tom Green and Bluesette Merci

## Monthly Meetings

Feb. 2, 6:30
Feb. 9, 6:30
Feb. 13, 10:00
Not Meeting
Feb. 16, 6:30
Feb. 16, 7:00

## Weekly Meetings

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Sunday Services	9:30 & 11:00
Sunday School	9:30 & 11:00
Sunday Coffee Break—Fell. Hall	10:30
Sunday Bell Choir—Fell. Hall	4:00
Sunday <b>Youth</b> —Estes Center	5:00
Tuesday Staff Meeting—Office	12:30
Tuesday Prayer Time—Fireside Rm.	6:00
Wednesday CP Achievers—Buns Over Texas	11:00
Games to follow in Fell. Hall	
Wednesday Gospel of John Study—Library	6:00
Wednesday Choir Rehearsal	7:00
Thursday Pastor's Study—Fireside Room	Noon
Saturday Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café	8:30
Saturday Worship Team Practice—Sanctuary	3:00

## **Around Cumberland**

## CPC Reaches Out with Donuts & Coffee

A dozen or more CPC-ers braved the cold and early morning hours to hand out free donuts and coffee to our neighbors. Invitations to the give-away were distributed in the neighborhood east of Indiana from the church the evening before the event. However, many of our "takers" were brought in by some men holding signs out by Indiana Avenue. We gave away about 45-50 donuts and cups of coffee just because we wanted to share God's love. The recipients were surprised and blessed. Thank you to the folks who came out to help distribute invitations and hand out donuts and coffee.





## **Ongoing Studies!**



**Prayer Study** & Prayer Time Led by Cindy Chitwood Tuesdays, 6:00pm Fireside Room



Gospel of John Led by Dowe Mayfield Wednesdays, 6:00pm Library



Book of Judges Led by Pastor Steve Thursdays, Noon Fireside Room



## Men's Retreat Recap

It was great to have a church-related activity that even the youth were anxious to at-

help advertise.

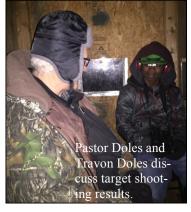
tend! There's something about boys and men with no running water, hunting, a fire pit, the cold and shooting targets. We had advertised to be one of 20 - we actually had 21 men and boys involved at our retreat at the Fanning deer lease January 9-10!

But another ingredient which was even more meaningful was when

these men took an hour out of the morning to watch an episode of Mens Fraternity and were inspired to continue to meet together and continue the quest to be the kind of men God wants them to be! Especially encouraging was that two of the guests who where with us for the first time were the most anxious to continue the journey.

Now is the chance for men who didn't make the retreat to join the fraternity. We will be discussing meeting times, so stay tuned.

A big THANKS goes to Scott Fanning, Robert Gutierrez, and Richard Trussell (even though he was unable to attend) who all put hours of preparation into the event!







Men and boys gather around the table and lie in the loft

above at the Fanning deer lease.

## February 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	F	riday	Saturday
9:30 Classic Worship 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Coffee Break 11:00 Praise Service 11:00 Sun. School 4:30 Bell Choir (FH)* 5:00 Youth (EC)**	6:30 Deacons Meeting (L)+	12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)	CPA (Potluck & program in FH)* 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00	Noon Book of Judges Study (Fireside)	6		8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 3:00 Worship Team Practice (Sanct.)  Addies 10am la Madeleine then Chitwoods'
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## Prayer



#### Praise

Free Coffee & Donut Outreach, Sophia Varghese's safe return from travels, Genevieve Potts' foot doing better, Genevieve Potts' sister Virginia doing better after light stroke, CPC parking lot and roof notes paid off in 2014! Cooks' grandson Caleb doing well, Marge Stevenson's cancer in remission

#### Sympathy

family of Linda Files, family of Craghead's friend Mary, family of Kay Duarte's friend Phillip, family of Susan Stack's cousin Madge, family of Millie Armstrong, for Sophia Varghese family at the loss of her dad, for Stepheni & Anthony Perez after miscarriage, for Charles Cargill's family at the loss of his mom, families & friends of fatal accident victims at Lowe's and on Lubbock roads

#### Service

RoseAnn Lively's friend Stephanie (Qatar), safety for homeland peace officers and families, Deborah Hart's son-Sam (stateside), Mary Rogers' grandson Robert (Spain), Caldwell's grandson Joe (Bahrain), Mercers' grandson Judd (stateside), Chris Reid (stateside), military and first responders

#### Health/Recovery

Melinda Jones (surgery 1/29), Darnell Dingle's friend Rachel (testing for blackout causes), Amy Rickman (hip replacement 1/30), Wanda Martin (upcoming shoulder replacement), Byron & Wanda Martin's grandson Cason (abdominal pain), Joy Doles' 10-year-old niece Zoe (testing of lumps), Mercer's friend Scott (back in hospital after double lung transplant), Chris Woefel (healing from seizures), Gerri Craghead (recovering, cataract surgery), Susan Stack's friend Robie (recovering after surgery), Joe Caldwell (bronchial problems/strength recovery), Elaine Mitchell; HOSPICE: John Carter's mother, Kay Duarte's coworker; THOSE BATTLING CANCER: Bobby Hughes' friend 17-yr.-old Preston (lymphatic leukemia), Sam Lively's friend Wes, Scott Fanning's friend Rhonda (stem cell transplant/ in need of blood donations), Joy Doles' sister-in-law Vickie, Juanita Craig's daughter-in-law Jo, Kay Duarte's 3 co-workers, Jon Randall (pastor, Victory Life), Sonny Moore, LaVeda Davis

#### Kingdom Work - Ministries of Cumberland:

children's/youth ministry, winter Bible studies, for 10 new families at CPC, revival, WHAM's outreaches, Fanning ministry at LCDC, CPC Ministry Teams, Melonie Park South neighborhood/Coachlight Apt.s, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School

## **Concerns**

Kingdom Work - Other Congregations:

1 Feb. - Wolfforth Methodist Church - Rich Jones, Victory in Praise Christian Fellowship - Chris Moore, Generations Church - Ed Ainsworth

8 Feb. - Full Armor Ministries - Leonard Chatham, Monterey Baptist - Jim Brown

15 Feb. - The Fellowship - Dan Chrestman, Harvest Christian Fellowship - Justen Quebe, Focal Pointe Fellowship - Paul Lively 22 Feb. - Grace Beyond Walls - Robert Cortez, Westwood Evangelism Center - Steve Shaw, In Action Greater Works - R. E. McDow-

#### <u>Kingdom Work</u> - Other Ministries:

MCH Family Outreach, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Family Promise, Pray Lubbock, Southerest Christian School, Ministries to the Homeless—Link Ministries & Carpenter's Church

Homebound - Alice Davis, Helen Hunt, Ann McLaren, Anna Montgomery, Mary Lou Moore, Martha Payne, WE Pierce, Laura Yates

## TREASURER'S TALK By Richard Trussell

## Can Money Buy Happiness?

(A Secular Perspective)

It's an age-old question: Can money buy happiness? Over the past few years, new research has given us a much deeper understanding of the relationship between what we earn and how we feel.

This latest research suggests that wealth alone doesn't provide any guarantee of a good life. What matters a lot more than a big income is how people spend it. For instance, giving money away makes people a lot happier than spending it on themselves. And when they do spend money on themselves, people are a lot happier when they use it for experiences like travel than for material goods.

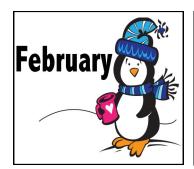
The paradox of money is that although earning more of it tends to enhance our well-being, we become happier by giving it away than by spending it on ourselves. What causes the happiness is not so much the dollar amount given, but the perceived impact of the donation. If you can see your money making a difference in other people's lives, it will make you happy even if the amount given was quite small.

Stewardship Report, Dec. 2014		
	Dec.	Year to Date
Avg. Weekly Attendance	81	78
Sunday Offering	\$18,679	\$228,730
Other Income Sources \$22,260		\$259,402
Total Income \$40,939		\$488,132
Total Operating Expenses \$31,400		\$456,551
Bldng. Loan Princ. Balance		\$1,040,390.53
CPC Roof Repair Princ. Balance		\$0.00
Parking Lot Repair Princ. Balance		\$0.00

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### **Cumberland Presbyterian Church**

Pastor: Dr. Steven D. Doles
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Sam R. Estes, Jr.
Church Treasurer: Richard Trussell
Choir Director: Carolyn Hefner
Organist: Sue Smith
Housekeeping: Corina Bermea
Nursery: Alissia Warden
Administrative Assistant: Joy Doles

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<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
Kathy Davis '15	Candy Baack '15
Gordon Downum '15	Ken Smith '15
Marci Rickman '15	Craig Hart '16
Diana Akins '16	Deborah Hart '16
Cindy Chitwood '16	Genevieve Potts '16
Scott Fanning '17	Tim Rickman '16
Jerrie Pridmore '17	Edie Fanning '17
	Teresa Hill '17

WEEKLY EVENTS				
Sundays	9:30	Classic Worship—Sanctuary		
	9:30	Sunday School Classes		
	10:30	Coffee Break—Fellowship Hall		
	11:00	Cumberland Praise—Sanctuary		
	11:00	Sunday School Classes		
	4:00	Bell Choir—Fellowship Hall		
	5:00	Youth—Estes Center		
<b>Tuesdays</b>	12:30	Staff Meeting—Office		
	6:00	Prayer Time—Fireside		
Wednesdays	11:00	CPA's Lunch—Buns Over Texas		
	12:00	CPA's Games—Fellowship Hall		
	6:00	Gospel of John Study—Library		
	7:00	Choir Rehearsal		
<b>Thursdays</b>	Noon	Book of Judges Study—Fireside Room		
Saturdays	8:30	Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café		
	3:00	Worship Team Practice—Sanctuary		