

CUMBERLAND CHURCH OUTLOOK

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

Steve's Sentiments

BATTLE FOR THE CROSS

There was a good point/counterpoint exchange at the Elders Training event here in February. One person made the comment that the reason for lack of growth in most CP congregations is lack of spirituality. We've gotten so accustomed to the world's ways that we function as a man-powered organization and lack the dynamism of the power of God.

Then another person respectfully proposed that we are in our current condition because we aren't doing the stuff we are supposed to do. We don't talk to our neighbors, work associates, and friends about God; we don't interact with people

we don't know; we don't love others sacrificially. As a result, our circle of relationships stays the same and we miss spontaneous opportunities for our good works to glorify God and draw new life into our fellowship.

Our *Seek God for the City* presented another key ingredient on Feb. 27: We seem to underestimate the work of Satan and his relentless pursuit to keep people away from the transforming grace of God. Our devotional suggested prayers that God would do three things: 1) pray that blind spiritual eyes will see; 2) pray that those who see will believe; and 3) pray that the believing will worship. Satan works to 1) keep the

blind blind; 2) cause those who see to remain skeptical; 3) cause believers to confine their belief to an intellectual position rather than letting their belief become heartfelt devotion in worship with reckless abandon.

The cross and the resurrection display the ultimate victory of Jesus over the power of Satan. Victory over Satan is already won, but his influences are still rampant. If Satan's schemes aren't exposed and neutralized through the power of God, all efforts are sabotaged. It really does come down to the fact that if God does not work among us, all of our efforts are puny, with little results.

Let's stand up to Satan's bluff by letting our roots grow deep through prayer! Let's fast and pray! Let's worship passionately! Let's boldly enlarge our circle of friends for the cause of Christ! Let's pray that God goes before us and opens blinded eyes, causes those who see to believe, and draws believers into incredible

life-changing personal and corporate worship.

-Steve



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Order Your Easter Lily

Cumberland traditionally adorns the sanctuary with lilies on Easter Sun morning. You may order a plant for \$9.25 in honor or memory of a loved one or event. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office or drop it in the offering plate with your check (with "lily" on the memo line) by March 10. Easter Sun morning's bulletin will list people who are honoring others or have been honored. Lilies will be yours to take home following the 11:00am Easter worship service.



Purchaser: _____

In (circle one) Honor Memory

Of: _____

Number of Plants Purchased: _____

AROUND CUMBERLAND

Announcements

The Chili Potluck Supper will be Sat., Mar. 2 at 6pm in the Estes Center. Salad will be provided. Prizes will be awarded for chili, and the variety show afterward will hold surprises for all of us.

Cumberland Visiting Ministry will meet in the library on Mar. 4, 1:30pm.



The youth will be going to the "War of Change" Thousand Foot Krutch concert Fri., Mar. 8, at 7:00pm at City Bank Auditorium.

The men & boys are invited to a **SPRING SPRUCE-UP**, including a free breakfast, on Sat., Mar. 9, 8:30am at the Estes Center. We'll enjoy a brief devotion and then an opportunity to clean up a few areas around our campus. Bring tools that you would use to clean up your own property. The church does have a few to share.



The church parking lot will be resurfaced over Spring Break, Mar. 11-15. Please plan to not drive on the lot during that time.

The Pantry of Care will have their annual Carrot Cake Bake Day on Mar. 22 in Fellowship Hall kitchen, 9:00am.



WHAM!!



Women
Helping
Advance
Missions

"...to share the love & joy of Jesus Christ through missions"

We're on our way! A task force, along with members of the two women's circles and Pastor Steve, met to reorganize the Women's Ministry at Cumberland. Both groups will become Women Helping Advance Missions—a ministry for all ages.

The journey is just beginning, and all women are encouraged to join in as we travel in this new direction. Please bring your ideas and your favorite brunch "goodie" to share in the Estes Center on Sat., Mar. 23, at 10am. We will enjoy fellowship as we plan for the future of WHAM!!

All Aboard!

Thank You's

Pantry of Care,

Thank you for the delicious fruit basket. I enjoyed it all! May God bless each of you. ~From Alice Davis

Members of Ollie Baucom Circle,

Thank you so much for the very nice window coverings that you provided for my office. They are a vast improvement over the sheets of plastic that were being used. A special thank you to Karen Caldwell and Virginia Kinslow for heading up this project. I appreciate your thoughtfulness very much.

Sincerely,

~Richard Trussell
Church Treasurer



FROM THE DEACONS' BENCH

By Ken Smith

What exactly is a "deacon?" The Confession of Faith says: "Deacons are elected by the people and ordained to lead the church in its care of the poor and others in need, administering the funds provided by the church for these purposes. This ministry is given to the church by Jesus Christ, who came to serve rather than to be served. Through the care of the poor and others in need, the church gives witness to the compassionate love of God shown in Jesus Christ. The deacons shall lead and coordinate activities of persons, committees, and groups in ministering to the poor, the elderly, the sick, orphans, refugees, prisoners, and others in distress." This is what we attempt to do as deacons. We all make an effort to put aside our own agendas and decide what is best for the family of God; whether they are members of our local church or are programs worldwide. The majority of the deacon money is from the Pumpkin Patch. The deacons spend many hours and many prayers deciding how to disperse that money. This money supports many ministries, not only ones in our church but outside as well. It is hard to tell how many people that our "pumpkins" reach each year. Keep us in your prayers as we try to represent all of you as part of the Kingdom.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday Services	8:00, 9:30 & 11:00
Sunday School	9:30 & 11:00
Sunday Coffee Break—Fell. Hall	10:30
Sunday Open Gym, Bell Choir	5:00
Sunday Prayer Time—Fireside	6:00
Sunday Care Packaging—Library	6:00
Tuesday Staff Meeting—Office	12:30
Wednesday CP Achievers	11:00
	(Buns Over Texas)
	Games to follow in Fell. Hall
Wednesday OT Bible Study—Library	6:00
Wednesday Choir	7:00
Thursday Prayer Time—Fireside	1:00
Thursday NT Bible Study—Library	6:30
Saturday Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café	8:30
Saturday Worship Team Practice—Estes Center	2:00

Monthly Meetings

Deacons Meeting (Fell. Hall)	Mar. 4, 6:30
Session Meeting (Library)	Mar. 4, 6:30
Caregivers Support Group (Library)	Mar. 8, 10:00
Ministry Team Leaders (Fireside)	Mar. 18, 6:30
Regular Ministry Teams	Mar. 18, 7:00

AROUND CUMBERLAND, cont.



Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday services this year will be Mar. 24. The Praise & Classic services will involve Cumberland's youth.



Maundy Thursday

I Came to Serve will be the theme of this year's Maundy Thurs. Service on Mar. 28 at 6:30pm. It will focus on communion and Jesus' teachings at the Last Supper.



Good Friday

This year's Good Friday service will feature Cumberland's choir and will focus on the *Lamb of God* who takes away the sins of the world. It will take place in the Sanctuary on Fri., Mar. 29, at 6:30pm.



Easter Sunday

We'll start our Easter celebration with a joyous Sonrise Service at 7:30am, followed by a breakfast at 8:30am, Mar. 31, hosted by the women of the church. Contributions of breakfast casseroles, other breakfast items, juice, milk and/or fruit would be appreciated. Please have them to the church before the Sonrise Service. If you can help set up for this event, please watch for set-up times to take place Sat., Mar. 30.

EASTER SCHEDULE



Sun. Mar. 24		Palm Sunday (Youth-led Praise & Classic Services)
Thurs., Mar. 28	6:30	Last Supper Comm. Service—I Came to Serve
Fri., Mar. 29	6:30	Good Friday Service—Lamb of God
Sat., Mar. 30	7:30	24-Hour Prayer Vigil Begins
Sun., Mar. 31	7:30	24-Hour Prayer Vigil Ends
	7:30	Easter Sonrise Service (Estes Center)
	8:30	Easter Breakfast (Estes Center)
	9:30	Sunday School (Adult Classes)
	9:30	Cumberland Praise (Estes Center)
	10:30	Coffee Break (Fell. Hall)
	11:00	Sunday School (Elem., Mid/HS & Adult)
	11:00	Classic Worship (Sanctuary)
	No	Sun. Evening Activities

Easter 24—Hour Prayer Vigil

"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples!"

"I tell you," He replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

~Luke 19:38-40

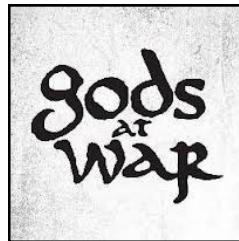
Small Groups Forming

CPC will begin the *gods at war*

study series in a few weeks.

Groups are forming in homes and at the church during the week, during the Sunday school hour, and

for the youth on Sunday evenings. Find which time slot fits best for you, and sign up today!



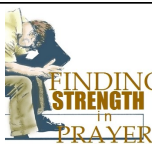
Our Easter 24—Hour Prayer Vigil will start on Sat. morning, Mar. 30, at 7:30am, and will conclude Easter Sunday, Mar. 31, at 7:30 am. We invite you to sign up later this month to spend an hour in prayer. You will be surprised how quickly the time goes and how much you will enjoy your time with the Lord. Let us join together to lift up prayers of rejoicing, thanksgiving, confession, repentance, intercession, meditation, and certainly of praise for all that our Lord has done for us. What a privilege we have to meet with our Lord daily, and an extra special blessing to join fellow believers in a continuous 24-hour event!



"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." ~Rom. 12:12

gods at war Small Groups (All groups will last for six weeks.)

Day	Starts	Time	Place	Leader
Tuesdays	Mar. 19	6:30pm	Homes	Edie Fanning
Thursdays	Mar. 21	12:00pm	Fireside Rm.	Steve Doles
Sundays	Mar. 24	9:30am	Fireside Rm.	TBA
Sundays	Mar. 24	11:00am	Estes Center	Scott Fanning
Sundays	Apr. 7	5:00pm	Estes Center	Joy Doles



"Call to Me & I will answer... (Jer. 33:3)" Let's call to our Lord together! Meet in the Fireside Room on **Sundays at 6:00** and/or **Thursdays at 1:00** (Leaders: Dana & Maria Cook).



Sunday evenings offer a fun opportunity to make and package things for our homebound. ANYONE may meet in the library at 6:00pm (Leaders: Joan Baumann, Genevieve Potts).

Southcrest Connection

Calendar items that may effect CPC:

Fri., Mar. 1	Shadow Day (Prospective Students Visit)
Mar. 11-15	Spring Break
Fri., Mar. 22	Distr. Speech Meet in Levelland
Mar. 25-28	Missions Week
Fri., Mar. 28	Serve-a-thon

March 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																										
 Spring Ahead Mar. 10, 2013					1 11:45 Moderators Planning Meeting (Tech Club)	2 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 2:00 Worship Team Practice (EC)** 6:00 Chili Cook-off (EC)																																										
***If you have an emergency during Spring Break, please call Karen Caldwell at 795.4113 or 470.6121.																																																
3 Communion Sunday 8:00 Cof. Hse. Wrshp 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Cumb. Praise 10:30 Coffee Break 11:00 Sunday School 11:00 Classic Wrshp 5:00 Open Gym, Bells 6:00 Prayer (Frsd) 6:00 Care Pkg (L)+	4 1:30 Cumb. Visiting Ministry (L)+ 6:30 Session Meeting (L)+ 6:30 Deacon's Meeting (FH)*	5 12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office)	6 11:00 CPA (Potluck in FH)* 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 OT Bible Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir	7 1:00 Prayer Group (Fireside) 6:30 NT Bible Study (L)+	8 10:00 Caregivers Support Group (L)+ 7:00 "War of Change" Concert (City Bank Aud.)	9 8:30 Free Men's Break- fast (EC)** & Spring Spruce Up 2:00 Worship Team Practice (EC)**																																										
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Prayer

Concerns

Praise

Rain/Snow, Genevieve Potts doing well after surgery, Tyler Fanning (return of feeling and use of hand), Edie Beckham doing much better

Sympathy

Family of the Baumanns' neighbor Joyce, Genevieve Potts' nephew Taelinn struggling with the passing of his grandmother, Family of John Thurman, Family of Susan Stack's sister-in-law Christi Purtell

Service

Kathy Davis' nephew Jared (Tulsa Police Dept.), Larry Bochant-in's grandson-in-law Matthew Conner (Afghanistan), Mercers' grandson Judd Latimer (Stateside), Chris Reid (Vandenberg AFB, CA), Craghead's grandson Aaron Taylor (Stateside), Cole Baack (Africa), Jason Westbrook (Albuquerque Police Dept.), military and first responders

General

Alissa Cisneros' friend (suicide attempt), Cook's son-in-law—Sam (job challenges, house hunt, travel prep), Safety in schools, Homelessness in Lubbock, Bobby Cates, Revival

Health/Recovery

Dorothy McCarty's sister—Mary Suthers (CCU, Heart Hosp.), Ken Smith's friend Alec (organ infection/kidney stones), Christina Cook Hinojosa's friend 12-yr.-old Jacob Rainey (type 1 diabetes), Jessie Ingley (strength deteriorating), Mary Lo Thurman (URI), Laura Yates (breathing difficulties), Dana Cook's cousin Marty (recovering, surgery on broken leg), Randy Beckham (recovering at home), Randy Beckham's stepdad-Murrel (recovering, leg amputation); **THOSE BATTLING CANCER:** Dennis Benadom, Kathy Davis' friend Sharon, Karen Caldwell's friend Anna Jackson, RL Layman, Sharon Beckham's cousins Gay & Kim, Jason & Rhonda Williams, Russel Montgomery, Jordan Latimer's friend's grandmother, Linda Howell's sister—Debbie Miller, Joy Doles' brother-in-law Ken (lymphoma), Ronnie Freeman's Aunt Joyce, Craig Simpson, LaVeda Davis, Carleen Massey's friend Jackie Sanderson, Margie Stevenson, Greg Cisneros, Dingles' friend Fred Ewing

Kingdom Work

Ministries of Cumberland:

CPC Evangelism Ministry, Matine Mwanje (Ugandan child support), Fanning ministry at LCDC, CPC Ministry Teams, CPC Praise Service, Pantry of Care, Caregivers Support Group, CPC Achievers, CPC Visiting Ministry, Session and Diaconate, Ollie Baucom & Grace Circles, How to Save a Life Ministry

Other Congregations:

3 Mar. - Monterey Church of Christ - Barry Stephens, Grace Assembly of God - Manny Castro, Experience Life - Chris Galanos

10 Mar. - College Heights Baptist - Rick Honea, Church of the Blessed - Johnny Perez, Fountain of Hope - Joey Dorman

17 Mar. - Forrest Heights Methodist - Ross Dunn, First Presbyterian Church - Bob Field, Latin Foursquare Gospel - Jesse Martinez

Kingdom Work, Cont., Other Congregations:

24 Mar. - Broadview Baptist - Ed Clark, St. John Neumann Church - Gerard Kenney

31 Mar. - LakeRidge Methodist - Bill Couch, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church - J. J. Johnson, Fellowship Church Lubbock - Brandon Gilbert

Other Ministries:

Child Evangelism Fellowship, Melonie Park South neighborhood, Chaplain Sam Hontz (Lubbock Co. Jail), Family Promise, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School, Ministries to the Homeless—Link Ministries & Carpenter's Church

Shut-ins

Tom Hudson, Helen Hunt, Jessie Ingley, Doris Lowry, Mary Martin, Raymond & Ann McLaren, Mary Moore, Martha Payne, WE & Jena Pierce, Mary Lo Thurman, Laura Yates

TREASURER'S TALK

By Richard Trussell

What Is Average?

Another way to measure giving besides a comparison with budget is by determining per capita giving. The total amount given for a fiscal year is divided by average weekly attendance. This determines the average amount given per attendee. Of course offerings are also received by mail and by the use of online giving. However, a majority of offerings are given by those actually in attendance.

Averages mean that some amounts are above the average while others are below. For the year 2012, per capita giving at Cumberland Presbyterian Church was \$2,426 per attendee. This is an average of \$202 on a monthly basis and an average of \$46 on a weekly basis.

Treasurer Talk articles this year will focus on the concept of generosity and its relationship to being a good steward of God's blessings. "From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked." (Luke 12:48 NIV). We are left on our own to determine how much "much" is.

Stewardship Report, Jan. 2013

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Avg. Weekly Attendance	95	95
Sunday Offering	\$15,673	*\$15,673
Other Income Sources	\$13,760	\$13,760
Total Income	\$29,433	\$29,433
Total Operating Expenses	\$32,650	\$32,650

Bldng. Loan Princ. Balance \$1,158,103.65

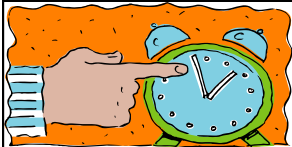
CPC Roof Repair Princ. Balance \$85,059.48

*Jan. offering of \$18,890 would fully fund
total expenses.



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SET YOUR CLOCKS
Ahead!
Mar. 10, 2013

Cumberland Church

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

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Elders

Scott Fanning '13
Tom Martin '13
Dorothy McCarty '13
Dana Cook '14
Kathy Davis '14
Virginia Kinslow '14
Maria Cook '15
Gordon Downum '15
Marci Rickman '15

Deacons

Sharon Beckham '13
Karen Martin '13
Genevieve Potts '13
Mike Westbrook '13
Greg Akins '14
Ronnie Freeman '14
Jordon Latimer '14
Frank Varghese '14
Candy Baack '15
Vicki Carter '15
Ken Smith '15

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays

8:00 Coffee House Worship—Fellowship Hall
9:30 Sunday School Classes
9:30 Cumberland Praise—Estes Center
10:30 Coffee Break—Fellowship Hall
11:00 Sunday School Classes—Estes Center
11:00 Classic Worship—Sanctuary
5:00 Open Gym, Bell Choir Practice
6:00 Care Packaging, Prayer Group

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

12:30 Staff Meeting—Office
11:00 CPA's Lunch—Buns Over Texas
12:00 Games—Fellowship Hall
6:00 OT Bible Study
7:00 Choir

Thursdays

1:00 Prayer Group—Fireside Room
6:30 NT Bible Study

Saturdays

8:30 Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café
2:00 Worship Team Practice—Estes Center