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

Steve's Sentiments

Did I ever mention that I grew up in Indiana? While living there, we occasionally vacationed in the beautiful state of Kentucky, so I'm famil-

iar with the Cumberland River. Its 688 miles start in eastern Kentucky in the Cumberland Plateau, curve into central Tennessee through Nashville, then back into western Kentucky where it empties first into the Ohio River which then flows into the Mississippi River. Cumberland River forms four major lakes, countless coves and areas for recreation and fishing, has two major dams and one of the largest waterfalls (68 ft.) in the Eastern US. There are towns, parks, and regions which take their names from this dominating geographical feature: Cumberland. So does our church.

I believe a river is a good analogy for what God wants churches to be. The Bible tells us to both get in

the river (Ez. 47:3) and that rivers of living water would flow from within us (Jn. 7:38). Consider the similari-

1) A river is completely dependent upon its source (headwater) or there is no water; we are also completely



Nashville, TN on the Cumberland River

dependent upon God, or else we are nothing and have nothing to offer. We are to be a people of prayer who continually go to our Source.

2) A river has life springing up all around the river; with Christ in us, we are a source of refreshing water and spiritual nutrition so that people can come and find new life, strength and

purpose. We are to be a people of hope who encourages and provides for the growth of others.

- 3) A river provides countless opportunities for recreation; our warm fellowship which permeates every activity and ministry provides others with a community to serve and love together. We are to be a people of love who provide an inviting atmosphere for others to join.
- 4) A river provides transportation, power and water to its surroundings; we also exist to humble ourselves and meet real needs of those around us. We are called to be a people of service who take our lead from Jesus in viewing others' needs as more important than our own.

What a great name to have! Like a river, God has placed us here in Lubbock to be instruments of hope, love and service to people He desperately wants to reach.

Does the true River of Life help us see where we are going in the future and how we will get there? Lord, help us to become one of Your "streams in the desert" (Isaiah 35:6)!

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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 \$10.00 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 18.

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 Easter worship service.

Purchaser:		
In (circle one)	Honor	Memory
Of:		
Number of Plants Pu	ırchased:	

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 Judg-es*, meets Thursdays at noon in the Fireside Room.

We're beginning a NEW PRAYER STUDY—Draw the Circle by Mark Batterson—Mar. 10! It is a 40-day prayer challenge just for YOU! Prayer leader Cindy Chitwood invites you to PRAY & learn with us on Tuesdays at 6pm in the Fireside Room.

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

The **CP** Achievers' March potluck meal and program—CPC AMATURE HOUR—will take place on Wed., Mar. 4, beginning at 10:30am in Fell. Hall.

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

WHAM!!—Women Helping Advance Missions—will meet Mar. 14th, 10am in the Library.

Ministry team leaders & teams will meet on the 23rd instead of the 16th this month (due to Spring Break). Leaders will meet in the Fireside Room at 6:30pm followed by team meetings at 7:00.

Pastor Doles and his family will be heading to Indiana over **Spring Break**, Mar. 14-22. If you have an **emergency**, please contact Gordon Downum (806.790.3652) or Ken Smith (806.928.6387).





Thank You's

Thank you for the lovely Valentine cake. I do miss the home-made taste. Thank you for thinking of Sonny and I. ~Mary Lou Moore & Sonny

Friends.

Thanks so much for the Valentine cake. It was so good. I appreciate it and your visit. Love, ~Ann McLaren

CVM.

Thank you for sharing God's love with us on Valentine's Day! The red velvet bundt cake was so pretty—and delicious! God bless your ministry! Love, ~The Steve Doles Family

From the Deacon's Bench





On Friday evening, February 13, several deacons had the privilege of being able to participate in Family Promise. This organization helps to provide homeless families with children the tools necessary to achieve long term financial, parental and personal self-sufficiency through a comprehensive program of temporary housing, case management and supportive services. We were able to visit with the families, take them dinner and get to know them and what they are working on. Currently they have 3 families in the program: 3 single moms and their children ages 4 weeks, 6 weeks, 1 year, and 12. Volunteers provide hospitality and basic kindness and support.

We are planning to help with diaper drives and the like and also planning on providing meals once every 1-2 months. If you are interested in helping, please contact one of the deacons. We will be providing sign-up sheets for our upcoming events. Please read more about this organization at www.familypromiselubbock.org. What a wonderful opportunity to be a blessing to a young family and provide a hand-up!

PROPERTY MINISTRY REPORT SINCE DEC. 2014 by Glenn Jones

Accomplished

- Provided additional light switches in hall around sanctuary
- Replaced water heater in restrooms
- Replaced EXIT lights in church
- Replaced south door closer
- Repaired & replaced parking lot lights and ballast in EC parking lot

Going Forward

- Correct lighting around flagpole & light new sign
- Balance sanctuary lights to proper brightness
- Clean carpets
- Spring clean flower beds to be more uniform

<u>Future Plans</u>: Recruit more Property Ministry Team members Form sub-committee for color coordination



Monthly Meetings

Deacons Meeting (Library)	Mar. 2, 6:30
Session Meeting (Library)	Mar. 9, 6:30
Caregivers Support Group (Library)	Mar. 13, 10:00
WHAM! (Library)	Mar. 14, 10:00
Ministry Team Leaders (Fireside)	Mar. 23, 6:30
Regular Ministry Teams	Mar. 23, 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 Youth—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	w 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

Ongoing Studies!



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



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



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

Ash Wednesday



We had a real treat when Dowe Mayfield opened the Word with us on Ash Wednesday, February 18th, in the sanctuary, and taught on David's heart when David said, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me" (Ps. 51:10). While our sins today may not *seem* as terrible as David's adultery and murder, there are still things in our lives that may be holding us back from having that "right Spirit" within us. We took the time on Ash Wednesday to write down some of the things of which the Lord was convicting us. Craig Hart burned those papers to make our ashes of repentance. Then Stepheni Perez sang a prayer that the Lord would take our ashes and turn them into something beautiful—a



sacrifice to the Lord. Ash Wednesday is a day to begin to remember Jesus' time of fasting in the wilderness. Is there something in your life that you might fast from to devote yourself more wholly to Lord?

February Ladies' Time Out

About 15 CPC ladies converged on *la Madeleine Country French Cafe* on Sat. morning, February 7, for our **Ladies Time Out.** We had fun sampling omelets, quiche, French toast and crepes. Then most of us went out to Ransom

Canyon where Cindy Chitwood hosted a viewing of "Mom's Night Out," an entertaining movie that encourages women to just be who God intended them to be and to not beat themselves up for falling short of their own expectations. Many thanks to Cindy

for hosting!



Some ladies enjoy watching
"Mom's Night Out" at the
Chitwood home theater.

<u>Upper left:</u> Karen Reid, Virginia Kinslow, Diana Akins, Cynthia Paulk and Stepheni Perez enjoy brunch at la Madeleine.

<u>Far Left:</u> Guest Judy Wilmington and Joan Baumann chat over brunch.

<u>Center:</u> BayLynn Doles is first to the snacks at the Chitwood home.

WHAM! Initiates Minutes for Missions As Part of Worship

by Glenda Mercer

WHAM (Women Helping Advance Missions) is taking steps to locally advance the global mission work of CPC's denominational missionaries. Several ladies have been trying to contact the missionaries to get information about the work they are doing and what prayer requests they may have. Then these ladies will be presenting missions information in a Minute for Missions during the weekly worship services.

Did you know there are 24 missionary families in 15 locations around the world? The missionaries that WHAM is able to contact directly are in Guatemala, Philippines, Mexico, Colombia, Hong Kong and Uganda. Other countries are closed to religious expression; these missionaries must be contacted through the missions ministries team of the denomination. It is unsafe for them if we even know the names of these missionaries in Cambodia, Laos, China, Kyrgyzstan, Myanmar, Nepal and North Africa.

Currently the denomination has missionaries from Colombia who are serving in Guatemala and Mexico, and other missionaries in other locations are from other mission fields. WHAM will also be including Sam Lively and Jordan Sims (Craghead's granddaughter) in their Minute for Missions.

In addition, the denomination also has 43 cross-cultural ministries (that WHAM will not be contacting) in many parts of the US—new church developments or fellowships—22 Korean, 18 Hispanic, 1 Sudanese, 1 Chinese and 1 Japanese.

Other places of mission ministry over the years have been in Japan, the Chinese in San Francisco, the Choctaw People in Oklahoma, the Appalachian people in the Eastern US, the Beth El Farm Ministry in Florida and Project Vida in El Paso, TX.

March 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 Classic Worship 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Coffee Break 11:00 Praise Service 11:00 Sun. School 4:00 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 Choir Rehearsal	Noon Book of Judges Study (Fireside)	World Day Prayer	8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 3:00 Worship Team Practice (Sanct.)
See Sunday schedule above. Daylight savings time begins Time to Spring Ahead	6:30 Session Meeting (L)+	12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)	11:00 CPA' (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	in San I (Pastor Do	10:00 Caregivers Support Group (L)+ y del Cristo Francisco les, Fannings th Attending)	8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 10:00 WHAM!! Meeting (L)+ No Worship Team Practice (Sanct.)
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		Spring Break:	Doles Family	on Vacation***		
See Sunday schedule above. No Youth Meeting Pulpit Guests: Joe & Cynthia Paulk	6:30 Ministry Team Leaders (Fireside Rm.) 7:00 Ministry Teams	12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)	11:00 CPA' (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	Noon Book of Judges Study (Fireside)	27 SPRING	8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 3:00 Worship Team Practice (Sanct.) 8:30-11 Church Clean-up
29 Palm Sunday	30	31			(CLEAN-UP DAY	/
5:00, Sanctuary Night of Prayer & Worship pray.		12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)	contact C (806.790.3	an emergency , plea Gordon Downum 652) or Ken Smith 6.928.6387).	S M 1 5 6 7 12 13 1 19 20 2	1 2 3 4 7 8 9 10 11 4 15 16 17 18 1 22 23 24 25
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Prayer



Praise

Amy Rickman doing great after hip replacement, RoseAnn Lively's friend Jacob doing great after heart transplant, conflict resolution in RoseAnn lively's class

Sympathy

family of Rev. Jose Fajardo, family of Murphy Coon's cousin Sawyer

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 & first responders

General

Genevieve Potts' nephew Matt (job search), pockets of persecution in Iraq, El Paso CPC (conflict resolutions), Ramani (travel safety)

Health/Recovery

Kay Duarte (health issues, procedure 2/26), Wanda Martin (recovering at home, shoulder replacement), RoseAnn Lively's 10-year-old student Jacob (recovering, heart transplant), Joe Caldwell (surgery 2/25), Kathy Davis' friend Audrey (knee injury), Amy Rickman (rehab), Elaine Mitchell; HOS-PICE: John Carter's mother, Kay Duarte's co-worker; THOSE BATTLING CANCER: Joe & Cynthia Paulk's friend David Ivy, Amy Rickman's dad, Deborah Hart's friend Donarex (exploring treatment options), Bobby Hughes' friend 17-yr.-old Preston (showing improvement), Scott Fanning's friend Rhonda (stem cell transplant/in need of blood donations), Juanita Craig's daughter-in-law Jo, Sonny Moore, LaVeda Davis, Kay Duarte's 3 co-workers

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 Apts., Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School

Concerns

<u>Kingdom Work</u> - Other Congregations:

<u>1 Mar. - Monterey Church of Christ - Barry Stephens, Grace Assembly of God - Manny Castro, Experience Life - Chris Galanos</u>

8 Mar. - College Heights Baptist - Rick Honea, Church of the Blessed - Johnny Perez, Fountain of Hope - Joey Dorman
15 Mar. - Forrest Heights Methodist - Ross Dunn, 1st Presbyterian Church - Bob Field, Latin Foursquare Gospel - Jesse Martinez
22 Mar. - Broadview Baptist - Ed Clark, St. John Neumann
Church - Gerard Kenney

<u>29 Mar.</u> - LakeRidge Methodist - Bill Couch, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church - J. J. Johnson, Fellowship Church Lubbock - Brandon Gilbert

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

MCH Family Outreach, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Family Promise, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest 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

Points to Ponder

- When you look for the good in others, you discover the best in yourself.
- Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day.
- Patience and diligence, like faith, remove mountains.
- It is wise to direct your anger toward problems not people; to focus your energy on answers not excuses.
- Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.
- Mistakes are the usual bridge between inexperience and wisdom.
- Words are the voice of the heart.
- For disappearing acts, it's hard to beat what happens to the eight hours supposedly left after eight of sleep and eight of work.
- If we are to love our neighbors as ourselves, we must accept people as they are and not demand that they conform to our own image.
- The first step toward change is acceptance. Change is not something you do, it's something you allow.
- It is only by knowing what to let go of, that you know more clearly what to hold on to.

Stewardship Report, Jan. 2015 Year to Date Jan. Avg. Weekly Attendance 75 75 Sunday Offering \$14,637 \$14,637 Other Income Sources \$15,739 \$15,739 Total Income \$30,376 \$30,376 Total Operating Expenses \$30,537 \$30,537 \$1,035,167.31 Bldng. Loan Princ. Balance Paid Off CPC Roof Repair Princ. Balance Parking Lot Repair Princ. Balance Paid Off

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CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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	
Tuesdays	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	
Thursdays	Noon	Book of Judges Study—Fireside Room	
Saturdays	8:30	Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café	
	3:00	Worship Team Practice—Sanctuary	