

MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 26, 2009

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Wish List

Thanks to the generosity of Mulberry members in the Easter offering, we have been able to purchase virtually all of the story materials needed to furnish our Godly Play classrooms for children's Sunday School beginning this fall. Now we are making an old-fashioned call for you to turn out your attics, basements, and closets for these items you don't need any more but which we can gladly use:

- Book stands
- Wood trays with handles
- Crosses (all shapes and styles 12" or smaller)
- Menorahs
- White doves (from Christmas decorations, if available)
- Baskets (no deeper than 4-5" preferably)
- Old maps of Biblical areas
- Pictures of Jesus, disciples, and Old & New Testament figures
- Bibles of all translations
- Kids' books and reference books about biblical characters
- Biblical puzzles
- New journals or notebooks
- Potted plants
- Plastic water pitchers
- Pickle jars
- Dixie cups
- Hand mirrors (with handles)
- White votive candles (3" high)
- White pillar candles
- Simple stands for pillar candles
- Candle snuffers
- Heart-shaped Valentine's chocolate boxes
- T-shirts or oxford shirts suitable for smocks
- Feather dusters
- Dust pans
- Short-handled brushes or whisk brooms
- Spray bottles for water

Look for a box in the Atrium marked "GODLY PLAY DONATIONS" or call Julia Magda at 719-9562 to arrange to have items picked up from your home or business.

Sunday Worship

July 26, 2009

Nine O'clock - Sanctuary
Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

Swimming with Jonah:
"Running **With** God
Jonah 3: 10 - 4: 11 &
Acts 27: 20-25

Rev. Tommy Martin



Assisting with Worship

Ushers for Nine O'clock
Joe Reeves & Clay Washburn

Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Art Banks, Russ Barber,
Cary Beck, Bill Gifford,
Waverly Golson, Mel Jamison,
Tom Owens, Ed Powell,
Doyle Powers, Jerry Rankin,
Bert Thompson, Rett Walker
Tom Woodcock

Children's Church

Rader & Kate Sellers (2/3K)
Austin & Karen Carter (4/5K)



Altar Flowers



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John H. Kennington by Charlotte and John Kennington.

Attendance Last Sunday

Nine O'clock Worship	63
Eleven O'clock Worship	223
Total Worship Attendance	286
Sunday School Attendance	224

Fall Leaves in the Mountains

Join Cile for a fall get-a-way to Lake Junaluska. Dr. Evelyn Laycock, a well-known and loved bible teacher, will be the teacher at the **Fall Fling October 20-23**. We would arrive at Lake Junaluska on Tuesday and leave on Friday. Wednesday and Thursday afternoon is free time for sight-seeing. The cost is \$300 for a double occupancy room. This would include room, meals and transportation. What a great opportunity to see the fall leaves, to grow spiritually and to have wonderful

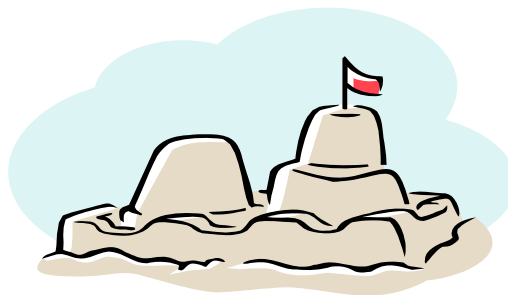
The Soul Lover

Prolific hymn writer Charles Wesley wrote the moving song "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" in 1739. According to one story, Wesley penned the lyrics after surviving a raging storm at sea. A frightened bird apparently flew into Wesley's window during the uproar, seeking safety in the folds of Wesley's coat. The first stanza is as follows:

Jesus, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high,
Hide me, O my Savior,
hid, till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last.

This brings to mind the frightened disciples of Matthew 8: 23-27. Pummeled with wind and waves, they feared drowning and called to Jesus to save them.

We, too, can take refuge in our Savior during life's storms, knowing we have a safe haven and a sure destination.



**Adult
Sunday School Classes
Are Building
"CanCastles"
for Macon Outreach
This Summer!**

**Final Week!
Pictures taken on July 26th.**



Cameron Bishop,
Director of Youth Ministry

Summer 2009 Schedule of Events

July 26: Sunday Night Program
July 27: Sr. High Bible Study
July 29: Lunch & Movie

More details will be coming out about the events listed above each week. Keep checking your mail & email.

mulberryyouth.com

The Mulberry Youth Website has all kinds of information. You can see pictures from past events, learn about the different programs, access archived communications (emails, letters, postcards, flyers, etc). Take a minute today and check it out, and let us know you visited by clicking on the "Contact Us" page off the main site. Thanks!

**Senior High
Bible Study
Mondays - 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Heart Matters

A relationship between two or more of Christ's followers is simply a heart-to-heart matter. Methodism founder John Wesley said: "If your heart is as my heart, give me your hand." In other words, when two (or more) people know Christ, they have something wonderful in common. Therefore, they should embrace one another as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Attending worship and being involved in church activities draws us closer to Jesus and to each other. As Christians, we are called to be hospitable toward strangers, not just our friends and acquaintances. Remember Christ's words: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." (Matthew 25: 35).



Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Extreme Games and Blizzards - July 28

Bring your already-fed kids to the church at 6 for an hour of fun Bible Quiz Bowl Games, and then we'll go to the Marble Slab. Kids under 5 must be accompanied by parent. The cost is \$5, and you can pick them up at the ice cream places at 9.



Dear Pam & the Camp Edge VBS Team,
Thank you so much for brightening the lives of people here at Macon Outreach! From the many smiles you shared while serving lunch to the hungry, to the busy happy hands who stocked the food pantry, you made a BIG difference! We are especially grateful for the 4th of July table decorations you made, too. You already know from your week in VBS that being kind to others allows the light of Jesus to shine through you. Thank you for sharing your time, your food, and the love of Jesus!

From your friends at Macon Outreach

Godly Play Workday - Saturday, August 8

Meet at the church from 9 until 3 to help prepare our classrooms for the upcoming year. We need you to make our rooms look great and stock the shelves with Godly Play supplies. Call Pam for more details.

Parent Meeting/Orientation

Monday, August 10, 6-7 pm

Come hear about all our plans for the coming year. We'll explain how Children's Church, SMAK, Wednesday night activities, and Confirmation will work. We need your input, too. Childcare and pizza will be provided.

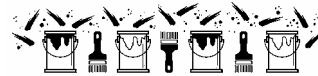
Kids Lock-In the Summer - Friday, August 14

Meet at the church at 5 pm. We'll go on a mystery fun trip, return to the church for a movie and snacks, have a devotion, get some sleep (yeah right!), and then help give out school supplies at Macon Outreach on Saturday morning. The cost is \$15 and some school supplies of your choice. You can pick up your kids at 11 am.

Promotion Sunday and Bibles for 3rd Graders

Sunday, August 16

This is a big day in our children's department! We'll be kicking off our new Sunday School classes and the Godly Play program, unveiling the renovated Children's Assembly Room, recognizing the children in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour, and then proceeding with the "Blessing of the Backpacks" liturgy and presenting Bibles to our third graders during the worship service. More details later. . .



ATTENTION MULBERRY MEMBERS

Pam Johnston has requested assistance in painting the Children's Assembly Room on the second floor. We will do the preliminary work on the 1st of August starting at 9:00 a.m. and will roll the walls (3 colors) and ceiling on the 8th of August. If you wish to help on this project, please sign up on the sign-up sheet available in your Sunday school room or contact the church office.

Please indicate the Saturday(s) you will be available by signing beneath the appropriate date or dates. On the 1st of August you will need to bring with you a 2½ inch trim brush, a 4 to 8 inch roller and pan, and if available, a 8 foot step ladder.

On the 8th of August please bring with you an 8 inch roller (an extension pole) and pan and, an 8 foot step ladder.

Thanks in advance for your help.

Hammers, Hearts and Hands,
Paul Riley

Rose Hill Cemetery Lots Available

The church still has 12 lots available. The total cost per lot, including fees, is \$3,621.80. If you would like to spend eternity with 11 other Mulberry members who have already purchased a lot, contact Bruce Bishop or Linda Parker in the church office.



Scott & Misty Kiernan
Children: Xavier & Chase
1016 South Pine Knoll Dr.
Macon, GA 31204
254-2066

This Day is a Gift

This beautiful day is a gift of love
That's given to us from God above.
With twenty-four hours of time to use
In ways God is hope we'll wisely choose.
So why not ask God for both guidance and grace?
Let God set the standards as well as the pace.
Then when the day's over, we'll find we've been blessed
With all that we needed in choosing what's best!

- Peggy Ferrell

Macon Outreach Fund

In honor of Priscilla Stinson by
the Solomon-Fellowship Class

In honor of Gloria Hall by the Solomon-Fellowship Class

Memorial Fund

In memory of Charles McCrary by
Mr. & Mrs. C. N. Walker Mrs. Janice R. Nordan
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Butler

Godly Play

In memory of George Sapp by Ms. Gail Springstead

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THIS WEEK AT MULBERRY

Sunday, July 26

9:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:40 a.m. KIDSPRAISE/Children's Assembly Rm
 11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
 5:00 p.m. UMYF
 5:30 p.m. Godly Play Training

Monday, July 27

6:00 p.m. Senior High Bible Study

Tuesday, July 28

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study/Conf Rm
 8:30 a.m. Prayer Group/Conf Rm
 9:15 a.m. Chapel for Daycare/Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting/Conf Rm
 12:00 p.m. Kiwanis Club Luncheon/Fel-Hall
 6:00 p.m. Extreme Games & Blizzards
 (Mulberry Kids)

Thursday, July 30

5:30 p.m. Devotional Group/Panera Bread

Friday, July 31

7:00 a.m. Market Place Men's Ministry/Joshua Cup

Sunday, August 2

9:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:40 a.m. KIDSPRAISE/Children's Assembly Rm
 11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary
 5:00 p.m. UMYF



Ministries Budget Report
2009 General Fund

Month	Gifts	Expense	Net	Last Year
Jan	80,288	102,289	(22,001)	(24,726)
Feb	72,070	99,174	(27,104)	(23,690)
Mar	102,764	102,991	(227)	6,979
Apr	81,652	107,761	(26,109)	229
May	85,482	97,177	(11,695)	(5,960)
Jun	103,693	97,924	5,769	28,813
Total YTD	525,949	607,305	(81,356)	(3,059)

MULBERRY STREET UMC STAFF

Tommy Martin, Senior Pastor
Cile Mitchell, Associate Pastor
Bishop C. W. Hancock, Bishop in Residence
Dr. William H. Hurdle, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator
Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist
Cameron Bishop, Director of Youth Ministries
Pam Johnston, Director of Children & Family Ministries
Erin Roberson, Director, Children's Center
Betsy Abbott, Director of Hospitality
Johnny Hathcock, Director, Macon Outreach
Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary
Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary
Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian
Custodians
Clifton Carswell, Arnold Freeman & Sherman Ivry