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Vacation Bible School—June 7–11, 2015



ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS

- ◆ Tires or Wheels (inflatable or road)
- ◆ Black Bulletin Board Paper
- ◆ Toy Cars (sizes may vary)
- ◆ White Masking Tape
- ◆ Hula Hoops
- ◆ Plastic Colored Balls
- ◆ Old License Plates
- ◆ Racing Theme Décor
- ◆ Sports Theme Décor
- ◆ Traffic Cones



- ◆ Flags (various)
- ◆ Sports Balls (basketball, soccer, football, etc.)
- ◆ Colored Slinkys
- ◆ Pool Noodles
- ◆ Balloons
- ◆ Construction paper
- ◆ Poster Board

A box will be placed in the fellowship hall for you to place these items in. For larger items, please see Tori Laster.

Teachers and volunteers are still needed.

Please see Maria Cruz if you would like to help.

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The Pastor's Pen



Are you a Googler or a Gutenberg? Do you embrace the Microprocessor Age or steer clear of it? Do you have any idea what I am talking about?

According to Leonard Sweet, a professor of Duke University and spiritual guru, we all fit in one of two tribes, depending how we interact with others and the world. Some of us are Gutenbergs and some of us are Googlers. The Gutenberg, for example, likes to hold a book in his or her hand, while a Googler is just as happy to read a digital book. Gutenbergs would rather call someone on the phone, while Googlers would rather email or text. Gutenbergs will go to a store to buy their clothes and visit the post office to mail a bill. Googlers want to shop online at their convenience and tell their banks (online) to send payments to creditors.

I find myself living in both tribes – I guess I am a bit of a Google-Gutenberg mongrel. I really enjoy a book in my hands while reading it, although I have some books on my Kindle app, because I wanted to pay less for them. I would rather email or text somebody than call. I love working with ATMs and I visit a bank teller maybe once or twice a year. I could have Amazon send me certain items, but I'd rather purchase my clothes at Kohl's or Target.

Why do I mention any of this? It's because there are obvious generational gaps that cause us to misunderstand each other, and yet it is still God's will for us to be in fellowship. We may not have grandchildren and so have no clue what it means to be older, and yet that doesn't mean we should separate ourselves from more mature adults. We may have teenagers and can laugh or roll our eyes at the drama they face (or produce on their own), and yet we can still be in fellowship with younger people, sharing encouragement and faith. Just because we are older or younger and don't completely understand other generations doesn't mean we should write them off.

One of the things that may help us understand each other is to look at the tribes, as Sweet describes them above. Which tribe do we live in? We may like being a Gutenberg, and that might be one of the reasons why we don't identify with certain people, especially those younger than us. We may like the Googler tribe, and so we misunderstand others who are especially older than us. If we discover which tribe we like the most, and also understand what the other tribe is all about, the generational gaps won't be so expansive and cavernous. We will have a better appreciation for where others come from, and together we may communicate on levels that we both understand.

God calls us to come together in fellowship, so the whole body of Christ may grow stronger. Just because one part is not another doesn't mean it should be ignored or eliminated (1 Corinthians 12). We have things to learn from each other. We have things to share. The whole body of Christ flourishes.

Peace in Christ,

Rev. Dr. John

*** Hold on to this Pastor's Pen as a reference for future newsletters. We will revisit this topic.

¹His book is called *Viral: How Social Networking Is Poised to Ignite Revival*.

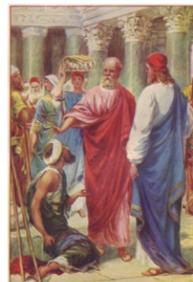
Prayer Requests

PRAYING FOR OUR MEMBERS, FAMILIES, & FRIENDS Chris Dyche, Donald Dyche (Terry's brother), Mimi England & Family, Garrett Johnson, Emily Thompson (former member), Jennifer Barber, Ruth Batchelor, Carol Bevil, Jo Bevil, Esther Bland, Allie Brandon, Mary Bridges, Allene Brown, Dr. Todd Bruno, Nora Byrd, Ray Cabayan, Jack Candy, Lucie Cantrell, Cathy Chambers, Betty Colwell, Tanya Costa, Tony Couch, Shannon Delgado, Kim Ennis, Sherrie Esquivel, Mary Farwell, Will Felt, Jeffrey Frysh, Connie Funk, Jessica Giddens, Penny Gordon, David Hadler, Erin Harkens, Beth Harper, Lizzie Hendrix, John Henrickson, Rev. Penny Hill, Jeannie Hodges, Jim Jenkins, George Kempson, Vickie Loper, Barbara Lukat, Noli Luna, Carillon Marsh, Marcia McCord, Julia McLeod, David & Faye Moss, Jimmy Mullinax, Nan Norton, Nuss Family, Breanna Ordaniel, Sara Ruth Owens (Shirley Thraikill's cousin), Shanti Paramanandam, Rick Peel, Beverly Pruett, Gordon & Shirley Richardson, Lacita Robinson, Shanna Robinson, Allene Rowland, Epetacio Sebilis, Keith Stanley, Carolyn Sterns, Margaret Strelsky, Cathy Thomas, Ann Thornton, Mary Ann Warlick, Eddy Wheeler, Terry & Margie Williams. **OUR MISSIONARIES:** Rev. Al **Tinio** & family in the Philippines; Dan & Elizabeth **Turk** - Madagascar. **OUR MILITARY:** Scott **Bland** - Navy, Virginia; SPC Kevin & Jaime **Brown**—Army—Fort Riley, KS; Jeremy **Butler** - Marines; Sk2 Robert **Crain**, Tennessee; PFC Najee **Hall**, Army, CA; Kevin **Krebs**, AK; SSG Richard **Venizelos** - Air Force, CO.; SPC Justin **Warlick** - Army, TX.



Mother's Day Brunch, May 9, 11 a.m.

Our Annual Mother's Day Brunch will be on Saturday, May 9, at 11 a.m. The theme this year is "Women of Joy—What Brings You Joy?" If you would like to decorate a table, please see Mary Ann Moriles. The Turners will be catering the delicious meal. **Tickets are \$12.00.** Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Checks for payment should be made out to *MPC Presbyterian Women*.



Renewal Services

"The Healing Presence"

May 3—Morrow Presbyterian Church

Dr. Ed Judy, pastor of Morrow First United Methodist Church, preaching.

Combined choirs singing

Menu: Chicken Parmesan Pasta, Caesar Salad, Garlic Rolls, Peach Cobbler, Tea, Lemonade



Our offerings during our community renewal services have been for Stop Hunger Now. **Stop Hunger Now** is an international hunger relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other life-saving aid around the world. The organization is driven by a vision of a world without hunger and a mission to end hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-saving aid to the world's most vulnerable and by creating a global commitment to mobilize the necessary resources.

Stop Hunger Now's meal packaging program provides volunteers the opportunity to package dehydrated, high protein, and highly nutritious meals that are used primarily to support development programs and to save lives in developing countries around the world.

Our three churches will gather together at **Morrow First United Methodist Church** on **Saturday, June 6, at 8 a.m.** to set up and assemble the boxes. The packing and assembling of the packets will begin at 9 a.m.. Our goal is 12,000 packages.

Relay for Life, May 2, 2 p.m.

Relay for Life, Saturday, May 2, 2 p.m. Make your plans to join the MPC Crosswalkers at the Clayton County Relay for Life on Saturday, May 2, from 2 p.m. - Midnight (stay as long as you like). The event will be at the Charles Drew High School Stadium. To join the Crosswalkers, you may go to www.relayforlife.org/claytonga (it is free to join). For more details, call Albert Coughlin at 404-932-9874.

Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Ephesians 4:29-30

Presbyterian Women

PWCT— May 3, 12:30 p.m. The PWCT will be meeting on Sunday, May 3, at 12:30 following the church service. Libby has the devotion and Judy has refreshments.

Virginia Dews Circle, May 4, 6:30 p.m. The Virginia Dews Circle will meet May 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Pacers' Classroom. Maria Cruz will give the devotion and Pauline Buchanan will serve light snacks since we will be going to the DQ after our meeting. Lei will present a study of Dorcas as we continue the study of Women of the Bible. Our project for May will be contributions to the Moriles' mission.

Dorcas Circle—May 12, 10 a.m. The Dorcas Circle will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, May 12. Suzanne Lukat will lead the Bible study—James, Chapter 5:1-6. Hostesses are Virginia Cagle and Shirley Bradley. Roxie Romine has the devotion.

Morning Glory Circle— May 24, 9:45 a.m. The Morning Glory Circle will continue in their Bible study using the book, "The Best Yes," by Lysa TerKeurst. We will be watching the next video.

2015 Graduation

Graduation Sunday, May 31, 11 a.m. Our high school graduates will be recognized on **Sunday, May 31**, at the morning worship service. Our seniors this year are Kelsey Campbell, Dakota Gammage, Kibe Onuoha, and Bailey Brown. The Presbyterian Women invite the congregation to a cake & punch reception following the worship service on the 31st.

Attention College Graduates: If you are graduating from college this spring, please submit your information to the church office for publication in the June newsletter



Shine & Dine, May 17



Bring your dirty vehicles to church on **Sunday, May 17**, for the youth to wash while you dine on baked potatoes with all the fixings, salad, and dessert.

All monies received go to help our youth attend The Great Escape and Fun in the Son—two wonderful, spiritual retreats. Our youth have been attending these summer retreats for many years.

The Great Escape (June 14-19) is held at Lee College in Cleveland, TN. It is for middle school students.

Fun in the Son (July 13-18) will be held at Hilton Head, SC. It is for high school students.

Youth from all over the United States attend each of these camps to enjoy fun, fellowship, special speakers and bands, and most of all, to draw closer to God. Many lives are changed because your contributions make this experience possible for more of our MPC youth. Gifts may be given at any time for the **Youth Scholarship Fund** to help more youth attend. If you would like more information on either of these fine camps, or if you have not yet signed up, but would like to attend, please see Andra Gammage.

Thank You Notes

From Tanya Costa ...To My Church Family, Thank you all so much for the cards, calls, and prayers on my behalf while I go through pancreatic testing. All of my tests have turned out well so far. I go for another pancreatic endoscopy on May 12. Thank you for your concern for me.

From Marissa McKee...Dear Morrow Family, Thank you so much for the overwhelming love, support, and donations you gave towards my upcoming Korea mission trip. I have been so blessed to be a part of this wonderful community, and I will share your love with everyone I am able to help in Korea. I fly out June 1st and request your continued prayers. Your generosity has made this trip possible, thank you! With love...

From Albert Coughlin...To the MPC Congregation, The CrossWalkers would love to thank everybody for all of your support this year with our CrossWalkers Café and the auction. Both huge successes! The team has raised close to \$5000 again this year! Amazing!!! The relay is this Saturday, May 2. Start time at 2 pm with an official wrap time at 12 midnight. Come when you can, and stay as long as you like. If you come early, bring sunscreen, hats and plenty of liquids.

Young at Heart, Peachtree Trolley Tour, May 27

YOUNG-AT-HEART GROUP, you won't want to miss this outing!!! On Wednesday, May 27, we will go to downtown Atlanta and have a narrated Peachtree Trolley Tour of the big city. We will depart from the church at 9:30 AM and the tour will be from 10:30 until Noon. Afterwards we will enjoy lunch together. Cost of the trip will be \$25.00, plus lunch. We may learn lots of new things about our big city! Make your reservations with Ken Campbell, 770-961-2272.