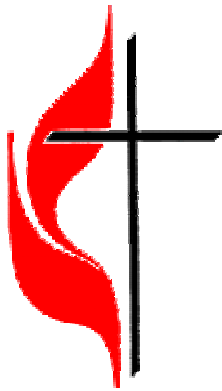


The Good Views

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Join Me On The Trip Of A Lifetime

In January of 2008 I will be taking the trip of a lifetime and I invite you to join me! That month I will travel to the Holy Land for 11 days of inspirational Biblical discovery as I join other pilgrims from Middle Tennessee in "walking where Jesus walked." This trip, led by my good friend Dr. Ed Crump, is without a doubt the finest, most affordable, and safest opportunity for Christians to explore the Holy Land. Ed is a retired United Methodist Minister who has led dozens of trips to the Holy Land through the years on behalf of Educational Opportunities Tours. EO Tours is a Christian tour ministry headquartered in Lakeland, Florida, that has enabled hundreds of thousands of persons

like you and me to experience the Holy Land since 1974. Their website is www.eo.travelwithus.com. My EO tour host ID number is 13415 so be sure to use that number if you contact them.

I encourage you to consider making this trip of a lifetime with me. We will depart January 21, 2008 from New York city and spend the next 11 days visiting all the major places that Jesus visited during his life and ministry. This will include his birthplace Bethlehem, his childhood home of Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee and Caesarea, and of course Jerusalem including the Via Dolorosa, the Garden Tomb, and many other important places. All of this while staying at 4-star hotels and traveling in air conditioned sight

seeing buses.

If you would like to find out more about this remarkable opportunity and all the details involved I invite you to join me for an informal information session on Monday night, July 23 at the church. We will gather in the sanctuary starting at 6:30 p.m. and it will last for no more than one hour. Dessert will be offered following the meeting. There is no obligation at all for attending so plan to come and find out if this may be your trip of a lifetime as well. In the meantime if you have questions or are interested in finding out how you can be a part of this special trip call me at 799-0250 or at 944-6291.

Grace and peace,
Ed Britt

A “Note” from your Minister of Music

There is nothing in his background to suggest that he might have been extraordinary. He was a bit less than an average student in school, and at times was a problem pupil. An incident occurred when he was 15 years old and in high school. The teacher called Victor Seribriarkoff a "dunce," and told him it would be better if he dropped out of school and learned a trade.

Victor took that advice and acted upon it. He dropped out of school and for the next 17 years went from job to job, becoming a wanderer, living life without a purpose and acting out the fact that he was a dunce. At the age of 32, however, something amazing took place. It was a moment that would change his life forever. Somehow, somewhere, somebody gave him an IQ test. The results? They revealed that he was a genius with an IQ of 161! Most of us are “average” with an IQ between 90 and 110.

From that moment,

Victor began acting like the genius the IQ test indicated he was! Today he’s quite a remarkable fellow. No longer is he a vagabond; instead, he’s a very successful businessman. He’s the author of several books and has invented some new discoveries for which he holds the patents.

His name is not exactly a household word, but those who have heard of Victor know that he was elected to be the chairman of the International Mensa Society. To belong to Mensa, a person must have an IQ of 140 or above.

The point is that once Victor realized who he really was, his entire life changed. The way we see ourselves often determines what we become. Our self-image often develops from what other important people say about us. We listen to what they tell us, and then begin to act upon it. If we believe that we are a failure, then we

act like a failure. If someone calls us a dunce and we believe that, we act like a dunce.

Some of you have been told you can’t sing. Others of you have told yourselves you can’t sing because you compare yourself to people on the radio (but the truth is it took them three hours to find that perfect 15-second segment, anyway—so even *professionals* don’t actually sound that good, anyway). So don’t believe any of those lies—from yourself or other people.

God wants you to sing. Scripture says that if we were to be silent, even the very rocks would cry out praises to God. We aren’t asked to be perfect, but rather to be faithful. Please come hang out with us at from 6:30 to 8:00 every Wednesday night this summer, helping us make a joyful noise in praise to our Creator.

In Christ,
Will

Welcome our new members!

WUMC is excited to welcome our newest members, Bill & Pat Simpson. Please take few minutes to check out these new faces and introduce yourself and make them feel welcome next time you see them!



Friends of Westview,

Thank you so much for your prayers over this past year for Omelene Stinson. We appreciate all your kindness. Your visits to the funeral home and the food after the service. The food was delicious! - As Always. The Meal brought the family together for a special time of saying good-bye to those

from out of town before they started home.

With many thanks for all your thoughtfulness—it was very much appreciated.

With Love,

Joyce & Loyce Mangrum
and the Mangrum Family.

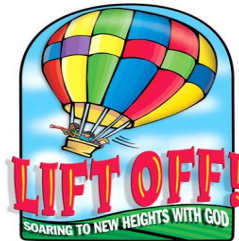


Very Much!

Westview United Methodist Church VBS

Boys and Girls get ready to lift off for a good time!

Westview United Methodist Church is hosting their annual Vacation Bible School starting July 30, 2007, through August 3, 2007. So get your flight gear on and come join us for a week of fun. Get plenty of rest the night before because we will start at 9:00a.m. and go to 12:00p.m. daily. So gather all your friends, ages 5-12, and come aboard to soar to new heights with God.



Volunteers Needed!

If you would like to help with VBS this year, there will be a special VBS volunteers and training meeting on Thursday, July 19 at 6:00 pm. If you need more information or would like to donate an item from the wish list, please contact Patty Carroll at 799-5575.

VBS WISH LIST

- 8 Boxes of Honey Comb Cereal
- 8 Bags Mini Pretzels
- 3 Large Boxes of Raisins
- 150 Twinkies
- 150 Sugar Cookies
- 15 Boxes Graham Crackers
- 10 Bottles of Apple Juice
- 6 Cases of Bottle Water
- 6 Boxes of Sandwich Zip Lock Bags
- 100 Bars of Ivory Soap (Large Bars)
- Construction Paper
- Glue Sticks

**Join us for
Vacation Bible School**

Special Services Offered In July

Two special services will be held in July that differ from our usual Sunday morning liturgy. On Sunday, July 8, a Service of Testimony will be led by Lay Leader Willie Anderson. Along with inspirational music, personal testimonies will be shared by several of our Westview church members. This is will be an uplifting and

encouraging service that you will not want to miss. Then on Sunday, July 29, our morning services will feature a Praise and Worship flavor as we share in the contemporary type worship many of our young people enjoy. Both young and old will be blessed by this experience as well. Plan to attend worship each Sunday

but especially look forward to participating in these unique services.

Annual Conference Report

Submitted by Dr. Ed Britt

This year's Tennessee Annual Conference was held June 10-13 at Brentwood United Methodist Church. Mr. Chuck Dyer, Lay Member, and Dr. Britt were our official representatives. Highlights of the conference included the election of five clergy and five lay delegates to the 2008 General Conference. Dr. Lynn Hill pastor of Franklin First UMC was elected as the first clergy delegate and later named by the annual conference as our candidate for bishop. An additional five clergy and five lay delegates were elected to represent the

conference at the 2008 Jurisdictional Conference where new bishops will be elected.

In addition to the elections, reports were heard from our conference ministries and agencies outlining their work during the past year and the many lives that were reached for Jesus Christ. A conference budget for 2008 as passed that totals \$13,821,610 and underwrites the hundreds of ministries and programs run by the conference and its agencies. Bishop Wills' brother-in-law

Dr. Waite Willis, Jr. was the conference Bible study leader and did an excellent job leading delegates in exploring insights into Moses' experience of God, the suffering servant in Mark, and the concept of the Trinity. Conference preacher for the week Bishop Robert Fannin lead services around the theme "Making Disciples for the Transformation of the World Requires our Gifts." For more details or questions on the actions of the conference contact Chuck Dyer or Ed Britt.

July Birthdays

6 Gene Lewis
 7 Kim Daugherty
 9 Barbara Bains
 9 Rene Job
 10 Jessica McCoy
 11 Carol Fold
 11 Jordan Green
 13 Alyssa Deckard
 13 Travis Raines
 15 John Peden
 16 Deborah Miller
 19 Summer Dircksen
 20 Chris Brison
 20 Jenifer Stewart-Wright
 23 Melissa Bell



23 Ashley Mangrum
 24 Maegen McNeil
 25 Aaron Morgan
 28 Brent Burkett
 28 Kathleen Growden
 28 Kelly Growden
 29 Jerry Cox
 30 Jacob Stilwell
 31 Willetta Grady

July Anniversaries

July 1, Daniel & Linda Lampley
 July 14, John & Gerry Stark
 July 20, Tommy & Beverly Scales
 July 30, Carter & Gail Bock



June Report on Our Faithfulness

June Worship Attendance

June 3rd	8:30	30	10:30	115	Total:	145
June 10th	8:30	27	10:30	104	Total	131
June 17th	8:30	23	10:30	71	Total	94
June 24th	8:30	32	10:30	99	Total	131
Average		28		97		125

June Giving

Apportionments	185.00	Art Academy	95.00
Children of Kamina	227.55	Fellowship Meal	147.43
Ferrell Love Offering	353.25	General Fund	11,257.50
Graceworks	100.00	Memorial Fund	200.00
Parsonage Fund	225.00	Preschool Day Camp	1,587.00
Preschool Tuition	336.00	Red Bird Mission	10.54
Sunday School	44.61	Sunshine Fund	100.00
TN Conf. Hunger Offering	28.00	VBS	135.00
Youth	250.00		

June Apportionments paid: \$2,990.00 Paid YTD: \$14,950.00

Total Giving: \$ 15,281.88

Remember Our Military Friends Protecting our Country

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 HSC-22
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SGT. McDaid, Mathew
 215 Golf Co. SSP
 Unit 40365
 FRO-AP-96426-0365

SGT Jason Gulley
 HMLA 167 F/L
 UIC 77021
 FPO AE 09509-7021

Please take a moment to let them know we support them! It is especially important that we show our support at this critical time in our country as the debate rages over the America's involvement in world conflicts. They need to know we support them regardless of our political ideals or affiliations. They have been called to serve our country and we need to let them know that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

Lectionary Readings for July

July 1, 2007
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14
 Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20
 Galatians 5: 1, 13-25
 Luke 9: 51-62

July 22, 2007
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
 Amos 8: 1-12
 Psalm 52
 Colossians 1: 15-28
 Luke 10: 38-42

July 8, 2007
Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
 2 Kings 5: 1-14
 Psalm 30
 Galatians 6: 1-16
 Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

July 29, 2007
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
 Hosea 1: 2-10
 Psalm 85
 Colossians 2: 6-19
 Luke 11: 1-13

July 15, 2007
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
 Amos 7: 7-17
 Psalm 82
 Colossians 1: 1-14
 Luke 10: 25-37



Don't Forget the Red Bird Mission

The Westview United Methodist Outreach Committee has named Red Bird Mission as our special donation project for 2007. Cups with the name Red Bird Mission are in the Narthex. Please save all your change in these cups and return that amount as the cup is full, (then start all over again). We plan to run this collection until the end of August. Please be generous to help our neighbors in this area of Appalachia.

The Outreach Committee

Memorial Donation

A donation was made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Betty Welch, W.T Mangrum's Sister.

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***Mission Statement: "We envision Westview United
Methodist Church as a place that equips disciples to
change lives."***

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Sunday Activities

8:30 AM Southern Folk Worship

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday Activities

6:30-8:00 PM Youth Fellowship

6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday Activities

7:00-8:00 PM WUMC Men's' Group