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This newsletter is sent with a blessing and a prayer to...



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CONNECTING POINT

March 2011

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ;

What's inside your heart? Deep down on the inside what or who is there?

If you have repented of your sins and asked Jesus Christ to save you and to come into your heart, then the deepest reality in you is "Christ in you, the hope of Glory."

I know that you understand a lot about what it is to have Jesus abiding in your heart, and Colossians 1:15-20 will add depth to your knowledge of Christ's greatness. I encourage you to read and meditate upon those verses.

Here is just a brief description of the treasure that resides within you. Who is this Christ in your heart?

- He is the image of the invisible God.
- He is the creator of all things, visible and invisible.
- He is the purpose giver to all things.
- He is the holder together of all things.
- He is the head of the Church.
- He is the first born from the dead.
- He is the fullness of God.
- He is the reconciler of all things.
- He is the peace maker of all things on earth and in heaven.

The simple secret to the fulfillment of life is "Christ in you, the hope of glory." Therefore you are empowered to infuse the daily with the sacred. Therefore, you can make every part of your life Christ filled. You have been given the privilege of being connected with God by abiding in the Christ in you.

Blessings;

Wayne



United
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 Women

All Women are invited to a Mission Study at Sandy Cross UMC on Saturday, March 19th from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Bishop Alfred Gwinn, Jr., will lead an in-depth spiritual growth study seeking to answer questions concerning who wrote the letters in the book of John, to whom they were written and what they mean today. It echoes the emphasis of the New Testament book of 1 John to love God and love people and explores how the church today can embrace unity during a time when there is so much diversity in society and the church. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. and optional study books will be available. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy fellowship with other Methodist Women in our district.



JESUS SAYS

"... I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU VISITED ME."
 MATTHEW 25:36

Kairos is an international prison ministry whose mission is to bring Christ's love and forgiveness to incarcerated individuals. The purpose of Kairos is to establish strong Christian communities among the populations of correctional institutions. Through a systematic, structured program, the residents of correctional institutions are given the opportunity to experience a religious renewal and to accept God's call to a life of Christian witness and service to one another during their stay in the institution and beyond. The Kairos strategy is to identify leaders from the key environments of the institution, leaders who have the greatest potential to impact their environments with the message of Christ's love. These leaders are then invited to attend a 3-Day Short Course in Christianity where they are introduced to the Kairos community. Cookies are distributed to every resident and staff member during the three-day weekend. These homemade cookies are a tangible and vital expression of Christ's love and witness from the outside Christian community. Contact Kay or Levi Jenkins, Lois or Buzz Beal, or Lynn or Ellen Ward for further information.



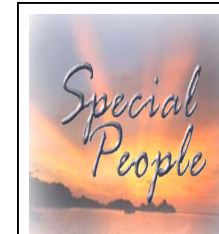
JOIN YOUR FRIENDS
 AND CHURCH FAMILY
 FOR A NIGHT OF
 FELLOWSHIP &
 ENTERTAINMENT
 AT COMMON GROUNDS.
 ON FRIDAY NIGHT
 MARCH 25TH
 FROM 7:00 - 9:00

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



The Red Cross Blood Drive
 will be held at our Church on
 Monday, March 14th from 3:00 - 7:30.

**The need is constant.
 The gratification is instant.
 Give Blood.**



Special People will meet on
 March 15th at 12:00 in Cockrell Hall.
 Speaker, Lynne Anderson,
 will be discussing finances in Nash County.
*Everyone is welcome.
 Bring a sandwich and a friend!*



Cub Scout Pack 76 will be having the annual **Pinewood Derby** during the month of March. They will have their AKELA or "Open Race" on Friday night March 18th beginning at 6:30. This race is open to **any and everyone**, for a simple \$5.00 entry fee per car. They will have pizza, drinks and goodies available during this event. The actual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby will be on Saturday March 19th beginning at 3:00 in Cockrell Hall. If you are interested in purchasing a Pinewood Derby Kit to build a race car or have questions about this event or any other Cub Scout questions, please contact Bob Dees 252-904-5552 or Lewis Smith at 252-459-5725.



What is Ash Wednesday?

Ash Wednesday emphasizes a dual encounter: we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. This confession is not a verbal public confession, but rather a nonverbal prayerful confession to God. The form and content of the service focus on the dual themes of sin and death in the light of God's redeeming love in Jesus Christ.

The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Jewish and Christian worship, and the Imposition of Ashes (placing of ashes on the forehead) can be a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation. This practice is the historic focus of Ash Wednesday observance and gave the day its name. It is traditional to save the palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday service and burn them ahead of time to produce the ashes for this service

Our service will be held in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, March 9th at 6:45pm. Everyone is invited to participate in this meaningful service and opportunity for confession, forgiveness, and growth. Prior to the service, we will have a fellowship meal in Braswell Hall. Watch for sign-up sheets in future bulletins.

* Text taken in part from The United Methodist Book of Worship.





Lent is a season of preparation for Easter and a time for penance by all Christians. Lent is 40 days (not counting Sunday's) beginning Ash Wednesday and ending on Holy Saturday (the day before Easter). The 1st Sunday describes Jesus' temptation by Satan and the 6th Sunday (Passion/Palm Sunday) is Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem and his subsequent passion and death. Maundy Thursday through Easter is the climax of Lent. During these days, we remember Jesus' journey from the upper room, to the cross, to the tomb and to the garden.

During the Lenten Season, the Lenten Cross in the lobby will be adorned each Sunday with symbols representing Christ's teaching and suffering. A note in the bulletin will explain the symbolism of the adornments.

Please be in prayer during this time as we remember Jesus' sacrifice for us and strive to remove sin from our lives.

E-mail Prayer Chain Our prayer request e-mails are now being sent from the church office. If you would like to be on the e-mail prayer chain, please notify the office at info@nashvilleumc.net




Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
		<i>1</i> 7:00pm - Trustees, Parlor	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>			
<i>6</i> 4:30pm - ASP Mtg - Cockrell Hall	<i>7</i> 10:15am - Nursing Home Ministry	<i>8</i> 7:00pm - Finance, Parlor	<i>9</i> 5:30 - Children's Choir - Choir Room 5:45 - Fellowship meal - Braswell Hall 6:45 - Ash Wed. Service - Sanctuary	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 8:00am - Kairos Training - Cockrell Hall 2:00 - Scouts Derby Practice - Bus Garage			
<i>13</i> 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Cockrell Hall <i>NO Kings or Covenant Kids.</i>	<i>14</i> 3:00pm Blood Drive Cockrell Hall 	<i>15</i> 12:00pm - Special People, Cockrell Hall	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> 9:00am - District Office Meeting - Cockrell Hall & Parlor 6:00pm Pinewood Derby Set-up	<i>18</i> Pinewood Derby	<i>19</i> Pinewood Derby			
<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> 10:15am - Nursing Home Ministry	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> 5:30 - Children's Choir - Choir Room	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> 7:00 p.m. Common Grounds	<i>26</i>			
			12:00pm 3/23 - 7:00pm 3/26 - Kairos Nash #1 Organization - Braswell Hall & Kitchen						
<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> 7:00pm Church Council - Cockrell Hall	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Scouting Schedule</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><u>Cub Scouts</u> Tuesdays at 7:00pm - Cockrell Hall (2nd Tues. meeting begins at 6:00)</p> <p><u>Webelos II</u> 1st, 3rd, & 4th Monday - 7:00pm Bus Garage</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><u>Bear Den</u> 1st & 3rd Sunday - 2:00pm - Bus Garage</p> <p><u>Girl Scouts</u> Sunday - 13th & 27th - 2:00 Parlor & Men's Bible Class</p> </td> </tr> </table> </div>			<p><u>Cub Scouts</u> Tuesdays at 7:00pm - Cockrell Hall (2nd Tues. meeting begins at 6:00)</p> <p><u>Webelos II</u> 1st, 3rd, & 4th Monday - 7:00pm Bus Garage</p>	<p><u>Bear Den</u> 1st & 3rd Sunday - 2:00pm - Bus Garage</p> <p><u>Girl Scouts</u> Sunday - 13th & 27th - 2:00 Parlor & Men's Bible Class</p>	
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Attendance

Date	8:30	10:00	11:00	Totals
Jan. 30	198	41	85	324
Feb. 6	198	53	87	338
Feb. 13	198	41	85	324
Feb. 20	162	36	83	281
Averages	189	43	85	317

If your birthday or anniversary is this month and is not listed, we do not have it in our system. Please call the church office and we will update our records.