Ladies Bible Studies

Ladies, two new opportunities are approaching to join a ladies Bible study at First United Methodist Church! Living Beyond Yourself, a Beth Moore study exploring the Fruits of the Spirit, will begin Tuesday night, January 8th, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The Wednesday morning session will begin Here and Now... There and Then, also a Beth Moore study which is a lecture series on the book of Revelation. Beth presents many points of view, allowing women to decide for themselves when the interpretation varies among scholars. Wednesday’s session will be from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Childcare will be provided with prior notice. Call the church office to register: 601-928-4880. For more information, contact Kathy Gordon at 601-928-9879.

Managing Our Finances God’s Way

We will be beginning a new 8 week Bible study entitled “Managing Our Finances God’s Way” on February 3rd during the Sunday School hour, 9:45 a.m.–10:45 a.m. The class will include a 20 minute video and then a discussion. Study guide workbooks are $15 each. You can reserve a book by signing up on the sheet on the table outside the church office or by contacting me. Please let me know or sign up by January 23rd so I can order books in time to receive them by February 3rd. Susan Campbell 601-520-0074.

To the church family:

Thank you for all your prayers this past year and as we celebrated my brother Boyce’s home-going on Thanksgiving day. A very special thank you for those who provided the prayer shawl.
Iva Rigby

Thank you to my church family, Brother Jeff and Miss Lilly for the prayers, visits, calls and cards during my recent hospitalization.
Lee Fulcher

Thank you for all so much for sharing with others during Thanksgiving and the Christmas Season. The food was shared with 3 families and helped with meals for 14 people (with leftovers!). May God continue to bless each one of you and hope each one has a wonderful CHRISTMAS.
Mrs. Rigby

January Acolyte Schedule

8:45 a.m. Service

Jan. 6 Kate Chandler & Shanna Brownell
Jan. 13 Caycen Ratliff & Kate Chandler
Jan. 20 Simon Cook & Emily Luke
Jan. 27 Caycen Ratliff & Shanna Brownell

11:00 a.m. Service

Jan. 6 Morgan Pickering & Wesley Miller
Jan. 13 Chloe King & Emily Luke
Jan. 20 Noelle King & Alec Hardy
Jan. 27 Hayden Miller & Lyndzie Hardy

To the FUMC Children’s Department:

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Mrs. Rigby

Youth News

I would like to thank the First United Methodist Church of Wiggins for allowing me the opportunity to serve as the Director of Youth Ministry and Activities. I look forward to working with each member to fulfill these ministries for our youth. I pray that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, over this year, the youth will grow in faith, grace and service. Through their fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and mission they would become examples of Jesus to this community and the world; to fulfill the mission of the United Methodist Church; to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. I want to ask each member of First United Methodist Church of Wiggins to pray that God’s hand be over our youth and my guidance to seek His will and grow in His love I close with I Peter 5:1-11.
Thank you,
Robert Cook

Upcoming Events: please start saving your “stuff” for our annual garage sale in March.
Please feel free to contact me anytime through the church office or by email: robert@fumcwiggen.org.

Memorials/Honorariums

Given in memory of Mildred Mathis in observance of Christmas by:
Bill Davis & the John Alexander family-Austin Somers Memorial Scholarship
Dawn, Collin & Brennan Somers-Austin Somers Memorial Scholarship

Given in memory of MaKae Easterling by:
Doug & Fran Carson-Land Note

Given in memory of Helen Rae Preston-Land Note
Given in memory of Opal Blaylock & family-General Budget
Given in memory of Rebecca Taylor-Land Note
Given in memory of Sondra O’Kelley-Land Note

Carole Pearce-Operation Christmas Child

Memorials/Honorariums

Given in memory of Austin Somers Memorial Scholar:
John & Mary Linda McQuaigue-Land Note
Carole Pearce-UMCOR

Given in memory of Eliza Lambert by:
John & Mary Linda McQuaigue-Land note

Given in memory of Rusty Huntsman by:
John & Mary Linda McQuaigue-Land Note
Carole Pearce-UMCOR

Given in memory of Christina Hall by:
John & Mary Linda McQuaigue-Land Note

Given in memory of Billy Ray Alexander by:
Ron & Brenda Dyal-Austin Somers Memorial Scholarship

Given in memory of Lila Revels by:
Ron & Brenda Dyal-Austin Somers Memorial Scholarship

Given in memory of J. T. & Danielle Moore on their marriage by:
Ron & Brenda Dyal-Austin Somers Memorial Scholarship

Given in memory of Hertha Leigh Nall by:
Diane Hayden

Memorials/Honorariums

Given in memory of Robbie Terrell by:
John & Mary Linda McQuaigue-Land Note
Carole Pearce-UMCOR

Given in memory of Sonny Wallsmith by:
Carole Pearce-UMCOR

Given in memory of Ed Coker by:
Carole Pearce-Foyer-Funfund

Given in memory of Hazel Britt by:
Carole Pearce-UMCOR

College Connection Corner

Here we stand at the edge of a brand new year. One semester completed and a new one about to start. Whether or not yours was successful, here is a chance to start anew. We always think of resolutions at the beginning of the new year. How long do we keep them? Sometimes not very long. If you resolve to commit to the Lord whatever you do, He will guide you although His way may vary from yours. Here’s wishing all of you a very successful semester. And remember: The will of God - Nothing more. Nothing less.

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Arin & Becky Foye-Funfund

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A BRAND NEW YEAR! Wow! A New Year of God’s Blessings. How wonderful it is to watch day by day and see the newness of the things of God. Lamentations 3:23 “They (the mercies of God) are new every morning: Great is Your (the Lord) faithfulness.”

In a sense God’s faithfulness cannot be exhausted, because it begins “anew each morning.” As well, one can be certain that this will never change, because the Holy Spirit says, “Great is your (the Lords) faithfulness.”

Vs 24 “The Lord is my portion, says my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.” (“The Lord is my portion”) proclaims that anything and everything that one needs is found in the Lord, and only in the Lord.

II Peter 3:4; Psalms 16:51.)

Vs 25 “The LORD is good unto them who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him.” The intimation is: If we “seek” Him though it may take some time, “we will find Him”.

It is wonderful to know that as we start a brand New Year, though we have no idea what lies ahead of us, one thing we know for sure: The Lord will never leave for forsake us. I am nothing without Him (my best friend) and whom I know truly, truly LOVES ME.

Living for the Lord is such an honor and so much fun. All good things come from above. The Holy Spirit is such a comfort. Trusting Him (the Lord) is such a faithful promise. To be absent from this life is to be present with the Lord.

I pray that ya’ll have a Wonderful and Blessed new Year. Loving you as always,

Mary Williams