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Dear Friends,

September is a full and exciting month for Bethel Presbyterian Church. There is the church family picnic on Sept 14, the Fall Festival on Sept 20 and the International Peacemaker will be with us on Sept 28. Mark your calendars so you don't miss any of the fellowship and fun.

In the midst of all the fun are also great opportunities to support local ministries and national ones. The Fall Festival proceeds support three local ministries and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is asking congregations to donate hygiene and school kits to be used by churches as they minister to and help the unaccompanied children on the border. The cost of the hygiene kit is \$10 and the school kit is \$15. We have a goal of 20 kits each. Please have your donations to the church by Sept 14. We will buy the items for the kits and the children and youth will put them together at 5pm on

Sept 21. We will then dedicate them in worship on Sept 28 before sending them off with our love and prayers. This is a small but important way we can offer our support to those children.

On Sept 28 International Peacemaker, Jocabed Gallegos Viesca will be with us for Sunday School and worship. Jocabed (Joca) is the Mexican Coordinator with Frontera de Cristo, a Presbyterian border ministry located in the sister cities of Douglas, Arizona and Agua Prieta, Sonora. She is well acquainted with issues of violence, poverty, trade, health care and family life faced by these two cities on the U.S./ Mexico border.

Joca graduated from the Presbyterian Seminary in Mexico City and served in the Presbytery of Chihuahua. She worked alongside her father in Hispanic ministry in So. Carolina for 3 years, then returned to Mexico

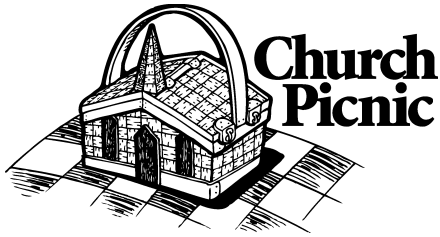
to develop her own border ministry. She is a fourth generation Presbyterian, something that is uncommon in northern Mexico. We look forward to having Joca with us.

As you can see, September is a full month of fellowship and mission and lots of fun. There are lots of ways you can participate and share your gifts as well as learn and enjoy the fellowship of community. I look forward to seeing you often this month.

Grace and peace,
Wendy

*We always thank
God for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV



Picnic Time At Bethel:

The annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, September 14th at Dick and Marge Hettrick's home located at 200 Lake Street in Harriman. The fun will begin at 3:00 P.M. with games and socializing. Then at 5:30 P.M. we will have a picnic dinner with hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings. Please bring yourself, a lawn chair, drinks and finger food dessert items. Get ready to have a good time!



H.O.M.E. Food Collection

For the month of September our focus foods are Canned Fruit / Apple Sauce. These and other non-perishable food items can be brought in throughout the month and placed in the HOME collection basket in the Gathering Area. Our in-worship collection will be Sunday, September 21st. Thank you for supporting our local food pantry and helping feed hungry folks in our community.

Bethel Fall Festival 2014

Revisit your calendar and save the date! The time is nearing to host the Bethel Fall Festival 2014. The Fall Festival will be held on Saturday September 20, 2014 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. The festival will be open to the community, presenting live music, a market-place with baked goods, honey, & hand crafted items, a youth craft sale, mop ponies (make your

own Mop Pony and ride it around the lake or enter your Mop Pony in a race with other Mop Ponies!), lots of games for kids, a book giveaway, a petting zoo, and food from our fellowship breakfast and café lunch. The proceeds of the Fall Festival will go to Mid-East Senior Nutrition Program (Mobile Meals), Michael Dunn, and the Second Harvest Backpack Program. We are in need of items for the Marketplace (baked goods, arts and crafts, and select silent auction items) and volunteer workers for various assignments. You will see other mentions of the festival in the church bulletin and postings around the church. The Volunteer Sign-up Sheets are on the community table in the Gathering Area with more detail. Donated items for the Marketplace Silent Auction should be brought to the church office by 12 noon on Wednesday,

September 17, 2014. Baked goods may be delivered up to the day of the festival. Please remember to label or identify your baked item with the name of the item and an accompanying recipe is welcome as well. Everyone is asked to participate by donating and/or



attending the festival to make this our best year ever!! All of us are blessed with abundance by God's grace and this is a wonderful opportunity to give back to Him and put a smile on Jesus' heart. Thank you for all of your support.

Thank you,
Chuck Brumley
865-406-6083

PRE-ORDER JOAN'S FAMOUS FRIED APPLE PIES

Order forms can be found on the table in the Gathering Area. Deadline to order is Sept. 14. Pies are \$1 each will be ready to pick-up at Noon Sat. Sept. 20th at the Fall Festival. Drop the completed form in the collection plate or bring it to the office.

Don't forget, you can freeze the pies. They are easily reheated in the microwave!



Bethel is collecting money to assemble Hygiene kits and School kits for use by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance as it helps churches and communities assisting the children on the border. PDA has specifically asked for these two kits to be sent and estimates the cost of the Hygiene kit to be \$10 and the School kit to be \$15. We have set a goal of 20 of each kit or \$500 total. Please help us meet this goal by donating to the children's kit fund by Sunday, Sept 14.

We will purchase the items for the kits and our children and youth will gather Sun, Sept 21 at 5pm to assemble the kits. We will dedicate them in worship on Sun, Sep 28 - the same day the International Peacemaker from the US/Mexican border will be with us. Thank you in advance for contributing so that we can reach our goal and provide some measure of love and comfort to the children on the border.



BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Sunday School Opportunities this fall:

1) The adult Sunday School class that meets in the Library will begin a new book - Barbara Brown Taylor's *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* - on Sunday September 8. Details about this book can be found on amazon.com. Anyone interested could also review several sermons by Ms. Taylor on YouTube. To locate them just "google" her name.

New contributors to our free-wheeling discussions are always welcome, so come join us! For additional info, contact Mark Banker at 376-2118 or Mark_Banker@Webbschool.org

2) In September we will offer a new Sunday school class called *Feasting on the Word*. This is a new curriculum that uses the Revised Common Lectionary. The RCL as it is commonly known is setup for the church/liturgical year. You will notice that each week before the sermon there is a reading from the Hebrew Bible, a Psalm, a reading from the Epistles, and a Gospel reading. This is the lectionary text.

Our new adult class, led initially by Wendy Neff, as well as the youth and children will be able to follow along with one of the lectionary texts for each Sunday. The class time will have readings, discussions and activities. The Sunday morning worship and sermon will connect everything that was talked about in Sunday school. This class will meet in the fellowship hall.

3) Our third adult Sunday school class, led by Gary Griffith, is a wide-ranging discussion of current events. Each week usually begins with a recent news article, and the spirited discussion proceeds from there. This class meets on the third floor, across the hall from the youth suite.

Welcome Members!

Plan now to attend the monthly fellowship dinner on Wednesday, September 17. We will welcome new members from the past year. Our welcome theme will include a special visual presentation of our new smiling faces and a special dessert. Come join us with a main/side dish.



50th Anniversary Celebration for CAM - Coalition of Appalachian Ministry

Bethel's Dick Hettrick was one of the founding members of the Coalition of Appalachian Ministry and CAM was one of the many beneficiaries of his long and dedicated ministry. CAM will celebrate its 50th Anniversary on Thursday September 18 and Friday September 19 in Townsend. Bethel's Mark Banker will serve as the keynote speaker for the event. On Thursday at 7 p.m., he will speak about "Changing Perceptions of Appalachia, 1964-2014." Then on the following morning, he will address "Changing Perceptions of the Missionary Enterprise, 1964-2014."

For additional information, visit
www.appalachianministries.com
 OR contact
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10 Years; 190,000 Books

Roane Imagination Library and Governor's Books From Birth Foundation are celebrating 10 years. In that time, more than 190,000 books have been delivered to children in Roane County at no cost to the families. Today, 1900 Roane County children receive a book each month – 77.8% of the eligible population. Studies have shown the importance of this early literacy program to school readiness and continued academic success. Roane Imagination Library is supported by donations from the community with matching gifts from Roane-County based companies, Pro2Serve and MCLinc, and the Governor's Books from Birth Foundation. Join the Governor's Books from



Birth 10th Anniversary Bus Tour
 Friday, September 19, 2014, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Pinnacle Pointe (Kroger). Representatives from the Governor's Books from Birth Foundation and Roane Imagination Library will be enrolling children; recognizing community leaders, volunteers, and donors; leading activities for children and adults; and awarding door prizes.

For more information, contact Roane Imagination Library Coordinator, Jill McMaster at 717-3767 or RoaneImaginationLibr@gmail.com.

Music is in the Air!

Now that September is here, choir practice can't be far behind!

Watch your bulletins for news about when practice resumes for the fall.

Our adult choir and handbell choirs both meet on Wednesday evenings, and YOU are encouraged to join in as we make a joyful noise! For more information contact Mary Hook (choir) or Jackie Rylander (handbells).

Desserts Wanted:

The dinner for the Veterans' Club at Morgan County Prison which was postponed last month has been rescheduled for Friday, September 12th.

If you can help provide a delicious dessert, please let Karen Schall or Marge Hettrick know.

The men especially love gooey, rich desserts, and anything chocolate. If you can provide a dessert, please have it at the church before 3 PM on the 12th.

Looking Ahead:

The Coens will be hosting a fall Kids' Event at their place in early November.

Elementary and younger kids will be invited to join a fun run through the grass, a short hayride, games, smores, and a campfire.

Watch the bulletin and newsletter for more information.



Football season is here and cooler weather is on the way! September will be busy with Youth, Ocoee rafting and more. Let me know when you have football, soccer, volleyball, kazoo recitals, hot dog eating contests and I am there! Join us for all of the great activities coming up this month!



We are starting to prep for our fall crop. We need you to help us!

Just for Youth:

August 30- Have a safe and fun Labor Day holiday!

September 5- I will be at the RCHS game

September 26-28- Middle School Fall Retreat at Camp John Knox

Cost-\$95 -- Deadline to register is September 10.

Upcoming Events

October 12- Corn maze, Bonfire and Beef stew.

October 26- Halloween Party

Transitions Fellowship
Most Transitions activities will be held jointly with the rest of the Bethel family this month. Joint activities are listed below; in addition the Traditions Fellowship will meet at 7 PM on Sept. 9th.

Joint



Activities

September 7-Rafting on the Ocoee

Join us for a great time on the Ocoee! We will be leaving the Bethel parking lot promptly at 12 noon on September 7th and return to the church at 9 PM. The cost is \$35 and you will need to bring a sack lunch for the trip down and money for a fast food dinner. There are only 20 spots so sign up soon! The deadline to sign up is 9/3. An email will be sent out on September 3 with information regarding our trip.

September 14- The Bethel Family Picnic will start at 3 PM at the Hettrick's house. Bring a chair and a friend!

September 23- Fellowship 7 PM at Bethel

September 17- Bethel Family Dinner at 6:30 PM.

September 20- Fall Festival! We need your help with this great event! The money raised supports local ministries.

We need help with the following:

(You don't have to work one area. You can switch up throughout the day.)

Café, Duck Races, Pumpkin Painting, Marketplace (Hugs in a can and bird feeders will be sold).

Cornhole (See above). Mop ponies- Celia Simon, Balloon animals-Eric Windhausen

Face Painting-Viviana Vanegas. Pony Rides- Susannah Morgan

September 21- Children and youth will gather for pizza and start to assemble the hygiene and school kits in the Fellowship Hall. You can donate as well. I am 100% sure that every person reading these words has the ability to earn or have access to \$10 (the cost for a hygiene kit) or \$15 (the cost for a school kit). Bethel has set a goal of raising \$500 total. We will start assembling the kits at 5 PM.

Sunday, September 28- Peacemaking Sunday: Our guest minister will be the peacemaker from the US/ Mexico border. We will dedicate the hygiene and school kits and have a fellowship lunch.

memorials & gifts

The following memorials were received in July and August:

In memory of Anne Smith from
Mark and Kathy Banker
Gary and Dianne Griffith
Joe and Amy Coen
Emily Smith
Clay and Nancy Landers

In memory of Marc Sherrod
from
Mark and Kathy Banker

In memory of Mac Robbins from
Mark and Kathy Banker
George Warlick
Frank and Marilyn Harris
Tom and Jane Pickel
Doris C. Taylor
Clay and Nancy Landers
Earl and Pauline Kennedy
Bob and Sue Henley
Eva G. Parker
Larry and Elizabeth Finch
Dave and Helen Stevenson



Many
Thanks to
my Bethel
Family:

Thank you for your generous support for urban tree research and education (The TREE FUND). My sister Beth and I rode our bicycles 590 miles in Wisconsin with 80 plus other cyclists raising \$600,000.00 for trees! I could not have reached my goal without your support. You should be proud of yourself and Bethel Presbyterian Church for supporting environmental issues. THANKS!!!
—Melanie Sherrod

Prayer Reminders

Assisted Living and Nursing
Homes

Jamestowne
851 Lawnville Road,
Kingston 37763

Dick Hettrick	Room 102
Ruth Ann Ludwig	Room 308
Louise Pickel	Room 209
Sophie Simon	Room 302
George Warlick	Room 313

Wellington Place
1098 Bradford Way,
Kingston 37763

Jack & Sue Muecke Room 206
Atchley TN State Veterans'
Home
1 Veterans Way,
Knoxville 37931
Jan Parker

In our prayers:

Jan Parker, Jim & Mary B Hines,
Molly Cooper (*Chris
Badger's daughter*), Dianne
Swinler (*Brenda Strickling's sister*)
Harold and Martha Underwood
(*Anita Richmond's parents*).

Lord,
Hear Our
Prayer

Birthdays



Birthdays in September:

- 3 Liam Choate
Tammy Holloway
- 4 Shara Cross
Lisa Pickel
- 6 Kathy Francis
- 10 Dick Evans
Bobbie Martin
- 12 Amber Jacks
Jacob Murr
- 14 Laura Dailey
Eli Jacks
- 15 Sue Jones
- 16 Jackie Rylander
- 18 Corey Preston
- 20 Pat Harvey
- 24 Grayson Pierce
- 27 Frank Harris
Dianne Russell
Bill Shenk
- 29 Chris Guy
April Jackson
Jeanette McElhinney
- 30 Marianne Shadden



september



	1 Labor Day Holiday	2	3	4	5	6
7 Communion Sunday Youth Rafting Trip 12:00 Faith Team 12:15	8	9	10	11	12 Prison Ministry desserts due by 3L00	13 Digital Arts Group
14 Family Picnic @ the Hettrick's 3:00	15	16	17 Silent Auction items due 12:00 Property 5:30 Fellowship 5:30 Fellowship Sup- per 5:30	18 CAM Ministry Celebration 7:00	19 CAM Ministry Celebration in Townsend	20 Fall Festival
21 H.O.M.E. food offering Session 12:15 Children as- semble kits 5:00	22	23	24	25	26	27 <div>Middle School Fall Retreat @ Camp John Knox</div>
28 Peacemaking Sunday Serve Team Study Team	29	30	Weekly Events: Bethel Arts Ministry: Art Club—Adults: Mon. 10-Noon & Mon 6:30-8:30 PM Youth Art Mon. 4-5:30 PM Teen Art Wed. 4-6 Taoist Tai Chi: Tues. 6-7:30 PM, Sat. 9-10:30 AM Kids Spanish Tues. 5-5:45/ESL Spanish: Tues. 6-6:45 PM/ Advanced Spanish: Tuesdays: 6:30-7:20 PM Bell Choir Practice: Wednesdays 6:00 PM / Choir Practice: Wednesdays 7:00 PM Bethel Youth Ministry: Sundays and Wednesdays; check page 5 for times			