

THE OPEN DOOR

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FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear Bethel,

When you take a Polaroid picture, the longer you look at it, the clearer it gets. The longer we look at the vision God has given us, the more defined it becomes! That is surely so – as we look around this place we call Bethel!

Proverbs 29:18 says: “Without Vision – People Perish!” Vision is not about reality or what is. Vision is all about our dreams and hopes of what could be!

It took a great deal of vision in 1818 to plant this church in Kingston – and through the years the faces in the congregation have changed – but the core vision is the same: be a community of faith coming together, for fellowship, study and service...seeking God’s peace, justice and love!

We envision helping all of God’s people—youth as well as adults—to discover their divine designs so that they are equipped to serve Christ effectively. And so, we celebrate in our new Youth Director, Will Purushotham! Pray for Will as he ministers to the youth of Bethel and KUMC! True to our heritage, our goal is that every member be a minister. Our church is actually an equipping center where every person can develop to his or her full potential for ministry. This development will come through worship; teaching; supportive fellowship; and opportunities for outreach into the community in service and evangelism.

Today – our elementary Sunday School is dwindling. Yet, we envision children waking up parents on Sunday morning excited to go to Bethel Church. We see lots of smiles, glad to be in a place of belonging, welcomed again by a familiar face. We see the fright of the first time melted away by an extra caring touch and loneliness replaced by laughter. We see motivated volunteers, passionate about being with kids, gifted to teach, shepherd, and serve. We see physical care, babies being cuddled and crawlers being chased. We sense a foundation being laid where Sunday morning is an experience of God’s love for the youngest baby to the oldest youth; a time when seeds of faith can be planted and nurtured. These visions are perched on the edge...and we are ready to jump off...we just need children!

We hear cheers of older kids, and feel fun in the air as older children and youth celebrate and sing of the goodness of God; we hear the quietness of prayer. We see the stories of the Bible told in creative ways. We see the look of conviction as the gospel penetrates a child’s heart. We see caring adults leading discussions and listening during small group time. We dream of kids and youth bringing friends.

We see whole families growing closer to God and each other through programs to motivate and equip parents. We hear the sounds of fellowship—loving, learning, laughing, and living in harmony together. We envision welcoming numerous members into our body who are excited about Christ, experience healing in their family relationships and marriages, and grow together in love. We envision developing all our people—seekers, new believers as well as established believers into fully functioning followers of Christ through the people-friendly worship services, Sunday School, special events, and small groups. As a result, Kingston will be different in ten to fifteen years, with Christian influence being increasingly felt in homes, businesses, education, and politics...all because God placed in the hearts of people in 1818 and in our hearts in 2009 the vision God has for this place we call Bethel!

We envisioned a larger facility that would accommodate our growth and would be accessible to all in Kingston and the surrounding communities. The vision has more than come into focus – it is a reality! How amazing that after all these years, and all the changes... the vision of Bethel Presbyterian Church has not deviated from its original dream! Now...we need to support what God has placed in our midst...! I pray we will desire to grow as God prospers us and uses us to reach a lost and dying world. This is our dream—our vision of what could be!

In Christ’s Love,
Pat



*Bethel Presbyterian Church — a community of faith,
fellowship, study and service...seeking God’s peace, justice, and love.*

From the Parish Nurse

On September 15th, I will be having an information program on Lifeline at our Fellowship Hall. If you or anyone you know would like to learn about this service (the little button that folks wear around their neck) that helps them stay at home and retain their freedom--let me know. My program on the 15th will be at 10:30 A.M.

There have been many requests for the flu shots. Here is what I know: The Roane County Health Council has ordered 400 regular flu shots and my red-headed friend (Cathy Cole R.N.) and I will be giving them as in years past. Cathy and I will be having a Flu shot clinic here at the church. Now, as for the H1N1 shots-Ronnie Baggett at Baggett Drugs is looking into ordering the vaccine off of the internet. I have offered to help give these shots when they come in.

Regular, or "seasonal", flu shots are usually given first to ages 60 and above or younger folks depending on chronic health disorders or compromised immune disorders. H1N1, or "Swine Flu" vaccine is just the opposite. The target group who will be the first to get the H1N1 shot will be:

- pregnant women
- people who live with or care for children younger than 6 months of age,
- health care and emergency services personnel with direct patient contact,
- children 6 months

through 4 years of age, and

- children 5 through 18 years of age who have chronic medical conditions.

Once the priority group has had their first round of shots (H1N1 vaccine must be given in 2 doses 1 month apart) then programming will begin to vaccinate the 25-64 age bracket population. Persons that are 65 and older are the LEAST LIKELY to be at risk for the H1N1 virus. For the terminally curious I will explain that this is because that folks that have reached the glorious age of 60 have gathered up immunity against all kinds of virus that younger folks haven't. So...age does have its advantages!

I will let everyone know when the Flu Shot Clinic will be.

I wish you health.....Deb

Memorial Gifts

In memory of Henry Tulley from:

Nancy and Clay Landers
George and Ginny Warlick
Bill and Betty Ulrich
Jim and Karen Schall
Jill McMaster
Jerry and Jennie Morris
Dick Evans and Celia Simon
Bill and Marianne Shadden
Dan and Cathy McDowell
Dan and Debbie Hyder

In memory of Joyce Law from:

Vernon Law

In memory of Ruth Martin from:

Phil and Jane Walsh

Parish Life

The fun Lunch is September 8. Bring a dish, a smile, and share a meal with others. Bring a friend, too!

Don't forget to join us for Sunday morning refreshments on September 13. Mark Banker's class will be our hosts.

We will not have our usual Wednesday Fellowship Supper in September. Instead, fellowship with us at the picnic.

The annual church picnic will be September 27 at the home of Dick and Marge Hettrick. Bring a chair and a drink. Festivities begin at 3:00 and the meal will be around 5:00-5:30. More details will be upcoming in the bulletin.

Notes and Letters

Note: Recent UT grad Andy Holloway is now living in Wichita, KS. His address is: 1713 N. Socora St., Wichita, KS 67212

A note to Linda Brown and the rest of the Bethel family:
Linda,
For all my special friends at Bethel, and Jack and Travis – Thank you. This does not seem to be enough for all you have done. Your prayers and concerns have meant so much during this trying time. Bless you, Miss Edith



Youth News

Dear Bethel Presbyterian Church,

Thank you so much for welcoming me into your church family. I was born in Huntsville, AL. When I became a senior in high school I felt a calling into youth ministry. I graduated from high school and moved to Athens, TN to attend Tennessee Wesleyan College where I majored in Church Vocations with an emphasis in Church Camps and Recreation and Church School Education. I spent my time in college volunteering at First Baptist Church, Keith Memorial United Methodist Church in Athens and interning for the youth program at Alders-

gate United Methodist Church in Huntsville, AL. I graduated from Tennessee Wesleyan College in 2003. I moved back to Alabama but soon realized how much I missed East Tennessee. I moved back to Tennessee and was hired as an Admissions Counselor at Tennessee Wesleyan College. I worked at the college for a few years and decided to attend seminary. I started my seminary career at Candler School of Theology at Emory University but decided that was not the direction I wanted to head at that time. I have spent the last several years working for my family, volunteering and attending Keith Memorial United Methodist Church, and

working at a small gift store in Athens, TN.

I am very excited about this new opportunity and ask for your prayers for the youth group. We have a wonderful group of students who I am excited to work with and minister to. Please feel free to contact me at any time. My email address is willpuru@comcast.net and my phone number is (423) 506-9584. Peace, Will Purushotham

Welcome!



From the Youth: Thank you to the following Bethel adults for their help with the Lock-In: Rachel Dailey, Adam Galaher, and Orlando Vanegas. Thanks also to Amy Coen for preparing the Gutter Sundae for Youth Water Day last Sunday.

A special note! We had over 30 youth turn out for both the lock-in and the water day. Please keep this program in your prayers. If you know of any youth who would like more information about our program email Will at willpuru@comcast.net

Youth Calendar

Wednesday, September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Bible Study
Doug & Carol Brown's House
1146 Circle Drive
Sunday, September 6
9:30 – Sunday School – Bethel Fellowship Hall
NO YOUTH – LABOR DAY
Sunday, September 13
9:30 – New Sunday School Classes begin
5:00 - Youth Planning Council
6:00 – Youth

Friday, September 18
5th Quarter after RCHS Football Game
First Baptist Gym
Sunday, September 20
9:30 – Sunday School
12:00 – Junior/Senior Lunch Out
Family Picnic at John Knox
5:00 – Parent Meeting
6:00 – Youth
Wednesday, September 23
SYATP – See You At The Pole
Sunday, September 27
9:30 – Sunday School
Bethel Annual Picnic
6:00 - Youth

On Saturday, September 26, up to 2000 kids will be hop scotching for the beautiful feet project (www.beautifulfeetproject.org) as part of a mission outreach project by Victory Baptist Church. The beautiful feet project is working to put 10,000 destitute African and Appalachian children in their very own pair of shoes through a partnership with TOMS Shoes – for every pair purchased, one is given away. The team is constructing the world's largest Hopscotch course at Ladd's Landing with hopes the Guinness World Record folks will add them to next year's book. Sponsored Christian foot soldiers (local kids raising \$100) will hop from one square up to 3 miles between 8:00 and 4:00. Nineteen Roane County churches and any interested individuals have been invited to participate. Visit the web site or phone 376-6906 for more information.

Mission Outreach

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

8/30 thru 9/2:

Household goods and Clothing
Collection for Sunset Gap Com-
munity Center (trip to deliver on
9/3) Contact: Joni Morgan

9/6: 1st Sunday canned good col-
lection for Hands of Mercy
Contact: Teresa Hettrick

9/10: MO Committee Meeting
Contact: Joe Coen
6:30 pm at church

9/11: Angel Food orders due to
United Way
Contact: Jane Walsh

9/19: Angel Food distribution
Contact: Jane Walsh
Luminary UMC / Roane County
United Way

9/20 :Minute For Mission – Liv-
ing Waters for the World
Special Offering collection
Sunday Worship (date subject to
change)

Notes:

Get your Sunset Gap items to the church before Thursday morning, September 3rd. The delivery crew is planning an early start to their trip to the center. You can place your gently used things in the last classroom on the right on the main floor of the education building.

We are planning for a plant and bake sale at the October Wednesday night supper, with the proceeds to go to our Christmas Basket program. More information will come later. For now, contact Jane

Walsh if you can donate either plants or baked goods (or both).

Work is beginning on organizing a mission trip to Ganado, Arizona in summer 2010. See Mark Banker or Joe Coen for information.

If you are ready, willing, and able, you can purchase some items for our Christmas Basket program as you see them at sale prices. See Jane Walsh if interested for an idea of what items are needed.

**MISSION FOCUS FOR
SEPTEMBER**

(Submitted by Laura P. Dailey)
“We all live downstream.”

Once again, water quality is foremost on our minds. As we watch recently polluted river waters drift by our community, we are reminded of the potential threats to health that have affected the water that quenches our thirst and provides a myriad of recreational pursuits and economic benefits for many. How fortunate we are as a community to have had the quick response of people with expertise and initiative to monitor the clean-up of the precious water we consume. Yet, we have neighbors here in Appalachia, who do not have potable water supplies and who have risked continued infection from bacterial and/or chemical contaminants from home wells or

water that is piped from streams. Over one billion people in our world lack access to clean water.

So what can we, at Bethel, do? We can continue to celebrate and support the work and amazing growth of **Living Waters for the World**, the global mission project of the Synod of Living Waters of the Presbyterian Church (USA). The motto of LWW which states “Jesus Christ is Living Water for our Bodies and Souls” is evident in the “ripple effect” that this group has created around our globe. For the past 14 years, LWW has trained and equipped mission teams at their facility, **Clean Water U**, to share the gift of clean water with communities in need, from rural Appalachia, to Latin America, to Asia and beyond. Over **800 volunteers** have installed **260 systems** that operate in **19 countries**. By providing a system that’s sustainable and affordable, and by teaching local leaders to lead health, hygiene and spiritual education among the community, LWW has been able to help those in communities with contaminated water take ownership of making their own water clean again.

In previous special offerings, Bethel has given generously. Please continue to respond to this great need and support Living Waters of the World, and enjoy that next sip of cool, clean water! To learn more about LWW, visit the web site: www.livingwatersfortheworld.org

*Landscape Committee
Report*

You have probably noticed some plants going into the ground around Bethel. The Landscape Committee continues to do a lot of planning but some of us are also beginning to put things into the ground as we find good sales and the rains continue. Beginning in late October, more and more plantings will occur and the landscaping should begin to take shape. Many of our plants will be small when planted since this gives us a better chance for success. Our big sugar maples will be professionally planted in December. Many of you have offered plants from your own gardens, so don't be surprised when you start receiving phone calls from various committee members. We will also be using many of the plants Bethel members have suggested.

Our vision for the landscape

around Bethel is one of year round interest. This means we will be using plants with interesting leaf textures and colors as well as interesting barks.

Hopefully, we will have something blooming around Bethel just about year round.

We are looking forward to having an informal, dynamic landscape that is environmentally friendly and will someday soon be accepted as a National Wildlife Federation Backyard Garden Habitat. Thanks to Cathy, bird feeders are already in use and special rocks have small indentations for water (as well as the lake). We have already helped produce three baby sparrows in one of the planters. Butterflies and other nectar feeders and pollen gatherers have already found the butterfly bush as well as other summer flowers.

Several folks have asked us about the source of funds for construction of Bethel's Memorial Garden. The Landscape Committee wants to express sincere

THANKS to several families who have made very generous donations specifically designated for the construction of our Memorial Garden. These families have a genuine interest in seeing our Memorial Garden become a reality. Also, everything that you currently see in our total landscape (plants, shrubs, little trees, bird feeder, etc.) has been donated except for the initial \$332.68 that we spent for grass seed, fertilizer, and straw. We are still working with the City of Kingston on the labyrinth, the amphitheater, and the sidewalk and steps going to the walking trail. Your Landscape Committee feels very blessed to have your support as we slowly develop our plans.

We would like to continue to thank everyone on the Landscape Committee and all of you who have made suggestions and donated plants.

--Cathy McDowell and Jane Walsh

Prayer Reminders

The members and regularly attending friends of Bethel are assigned to elder care groups. Each month, we publish the list of one or more elder care groups in the newsletter for your prayers. The elder's name and phone at the top of the list are listed as a reminder of their role in nurturing and supporting those who belong to Bethel. You should feel free to contact your elder or the pastor if you have a particular spiritual need or other matter that needs to be brought to our attention.

**MARY B. HINES (2011)
376.6956**

- Jim, Matt [college]
- Fletcher, Sara
- Hart, Julie
- Hart, Karen
- Hart, Shawn
- Harvey, Jerry & *Pat
- Jones, Bob & Sue
- Jones, Frank & Linda (out of state)
- McMaster, Jill
- Parkinson, Doris Ann
- Parkinson, John
- +Rusher, Lisa
- Schall, Jim & Karen
- Standridge, David & *Debbie
- ^+Willmarth, Phyllis
- +Woodall, Don

**JEREMIAH JACKS (2011)
717.6756**

- Bunch, Julie
- Condon, Jim & *Gisela
- ^Davis, Al & Dot
- Hale, Pat
- *Hall, Betty
- ^+Hutchison, Reid
- Shesler, Erma
- +Simpson, Rebecca (out of state)
- Smith, Marci & Tim ~Joshua
- Strickling, Larry & Brenda
- +Wolfenbarger, Pamela
- Wolfenbarger, Raymond & Lucy

- *non-member
- ^shut-in
- +inactive
- ~baptized roll

Prayer Concerns

Assisted Living and Nursing Homes

Jamestowne 851 Lawnville Road, Kingston 37763

Nelle Griffith Room 206

Louise Pickel Room 209

Mac Robbins Room 305

Sophie Simon Room 302

Anne Smith Room 312

Wellington Place 1098 Bradford Way, Kingston 37763

Jan Parker Room 107

Arbor Terrace 9051 Cross Park Drive, Knoxville 37923

Marge Maki Room 312L

Baptist Healthcare 700 Williams Ferry Rd 45 Lenior City 37771

Evelyn Waldrup Room 42A

The Bridge at Rockwood 5580 Roane State Hwy Rockwood 37854

Roberta Cash Room 110

Gene Pierce Room 209

Marnie Shields Room 128B*

Margaret True Room 212B

Harriman Healthcare 240 Hannah Rd Harriman 37748

Ruby Hunter Room 305A

Joan Pemberton Room 205B

NHC Healthcare Oak Ridge 300 Laboratory Rd Oak Ridge 37830

Wanda Carter Room 212A

Greenfield at Oak Ridge 360 Laboratory Rd. Oak Ridge 37830

Doris Barber Room 231

Parkwest Medical Center, 9352 Parkwest Blvd., Knoxville, 37923

Susan Cutts



In Need of Prayer:

Marnie Shields, Tom Pickel III, Justin Trivett, Diane Russell, Jennifer Rossi, Pat Hale, Marci Smith, Rev. Marc Sherrod, Rev. David Craig, Elizabeth Mohr, Frank Sanders, Helene Ricker, Doris Ann Parkinson, Dot and Al Davis, Kay Michener, Madeline Houston, Lynda Ryswicke, Fletcher Melton (Danny Holloway's step-father), Susan Cutts.

Did you know...

The flowers displayed in the sanctuary are provided by members of our church from their gardens and are available for anyone to take home and enjoy - vase and all. Please return the vase to the church when you are done with it. A donation to the Christmas Basket Fund is appreciated.

September Birthdays

- 1 Elaine Parker
- 2 Evelyn Waldrup
- 3 Tammy Holloway
Lily Lowery
- 4 Lisa Pickel
Shara Cross
Ron Rossi
- 6 Betty Foy
Kathy Francis
- 7 Laura Thomas
- 10 Bobbie Martin
- 12 Marilyn Gaffin
Jacob Murr
Amber Jacks
- 14 Laura Dailey
- 15 Sue Jones



- 18 Jerry Morris
Betty Ulrich
- 19 Joan Pemberton
Corey Preston
- 20 Pat Harvey
- 25 Frank Kornegay
- 27 Frank Harris
Dianne Russell
Bill Shenk
- 29 Jeanette McElhinney
Chris Guy
- 30 Marianne Shadden

This 'n That

Children's Choir will resume the musical fun at 8:30 a.m. in the KUMC annex. Bring your happy voice and join us. Please call Amy Coen (376-9033) with any questions.

Dianne Griffith, soprano, will be presenting an afternoon recital on September 20th in the Bethel Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. The program will include works of Franz Schubert, Leonard Bernstein, Samuel Barber, and others. She will be accompanied by Mary Hook. Light refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall following the program. Please come and enjoy an afternoon musicale!

Breaking News: Presbytery of East TN Approves Mortgage

On August 22, 2009, the Presbytery of East Tennessee voted to approve Bethel's \$1,000,000 loan package from the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program. Ken Dungan reported the loan consists of \$450,000 at 5% and \$550,000 at 6%. We have an additional \$200,000 in loans from an individual and from Presbytery. Full details will be sent to the congregation in September. The material below addresses the operating budget.

*Dear Bethel Members
and Friends:*

What's happening at Bethel these days? In the evening you might find the Spanish class practicing verbs and talking about how they are connecting in ministry with the Spanish speaking communities in our area. Or you might peek in at the Tai Chi class and overhear discussions about health, diet, and well-being. You also might find the Parish Life committee meeting down the hall and a planning meeting for the stewardship fair upstairs. Pick another day and you could be working with CASA or be involved in planning for the Mid East teenage pregnancy program and Michael Dunn Adult Education program. Of all these activities, only the Parish Life committee meeting existed before our first Vision 2010 step of re-configuring our worship and meeting space. We are moving forward toward all our vision goals ... and we've only been in the new space for five months.

As with any move after a long

period of stability, we are having an initial period of adjustment. Now that we've spent several months back home, the Stewardship & Finance committee has a sense of where we are with our expenses and our offerings.

Our utility bills have increased. Everyone is working to find ways to minimize our use of electricity, gas, and expenditures, but as with any move after being in one place for a long time, it will take us awhile to find the best way to operate.

While our expenses have increased, our general fund tithes and offerings have not changed. We have received \$105,000 so far this year and we received \$105,000 for the same time period last year while we worshipped with the Methodist congregation. This does not include the offerings (or expenses) given toward our future mortgage and construction interest expense.

Through July, we are \$11,600 in the hole in our general fund. Session has begun to address

the shortfall. Committees have been frugal, spending \$10,000 less than our operating budget without cutting mission programs.

How can you help?

First pray for the ministry of our congregation. Reach out and invite others to join us in that ministry. Become involved. Bethel's long tradition of witness and service is moving forward. How exciting!

Then prayerfully consider what you can do to help us defray our operating deficit. If you are a consistent contributor, could you increase your gift by some percentage? If you are a sporadic contributor, could you give on a regular basis? If you give of your time only, could you pledge to God that you will begin to give a gift from your monetary treasure also? Each one of us doing a little makes an overall big difference.

Thank you for what you've already provided and for your future support.

—Stewardship & Finance Comm.

GENERAL FUND/INCOME & EXPENSE COMPARISON / JANUARY THRU JULY

	2009	2008
<u>GENERAL FUND INCOME</u>		
CONTRIBUTIONS	105,404.62	105,560.38
NON-CONTRIBUTION	3,725.43	961.60
TOTAL GENERAL FUND INCOME	109,130.05	106,521.98
<u>GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</u>		
EMPLOYMENT EXPENSE	79,442.96	73,968.91
OFFICE EXPENSE	3,885.09	4,894.88
BUILDING & GROUNDS	12,880.47	3,506.49
COMMITTEE EXPENSE	24,550.76	24,774.81
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXP	120,759.28	107,145.09
DEFICIT (-)	-11,629.23	-623.11

August 23rd Attendance: 107

August 23rd Offering & Designations:

Offering	\$3,869.25
Youth Auction	20.00
Memory Book	63.00
Bldg/Mtg. Pledges	1,120.00
Mortgage Contrib.	75.45
Total	\$5,147.70

News and Notes

This is news of Helen Roostee from her daughter Jo Schreiber:

Mom is doing good. Her health is still very good, still getting around on her own with her walker. She will be 94 this November, which is amazing. We have Home Health checking in on her and they are always impressed with her vitals. She is currently in an assisted living facility. Her address is Helen Roostee, Townsend House, 10 Ilahee Lane Apt. 12, Chico, CA 95973. Phone # in her apartment is 530.343.4195. She would love to hear from anyone that would care to write. Letters and pictures are a big part of her life.

To Bethel Presbyterian Church:

Thank you for opening your doors for us to host our 2009 Family Reunion. Please accept this donation for your building fund. We had a wonderful time.

I grew up spending my summers "on the farm" with Uncle Gene, Aunt Katy and all the boys. I remember attending Bethel and loving it. What you have accomplished with the renovation and new addition is amazing. I can see that God is truly at work in your church.

Thank you again for letting us use the Fellowship Hall! For the Reunion Committee, Emily Savage

A note from Karen Schall (and all the inmates at Morgan County Prison, I'm sure!):

Thanks so much to each and every one of you for all of the wonderful baked goodies you provided for the Varsity Club banquet on 8/20 and the Veteran's Club banquet on 8/27. I wish you could have all been there to see the joy those desserts brought!

Harvest Table: Proceeds from the donated produce go to the Christmas Basket Fund. If you have an excess of garden fruits or vegetables please bring it in on Sunday to benefit this fund.

Prison Ministry

Note from the editor: The mission focus for the month of August was Bethel's Prison Ministry. Here is a brief history of this ministry, as remembered by Dick Hettrick:

"We have been unable to fix the beginnings of the Bethel Prison Ministry. I believe it was in the mid-80s. The political issue of the day was focused on the Kingston Chief of Police. I wrote a Letter to the Editor of the Roane County News, reporting that Presbyterian founder John Calvin, had written in The Institutes of the Christian Religion, that as a matter of Justice the Magistrates were to govern the city in a way that served the needs of the citizens of the village. A few days after the paper came out, I got a letter from an inmate at the prison, who felt clearly that he had not received justice. I wrote him a brief note,

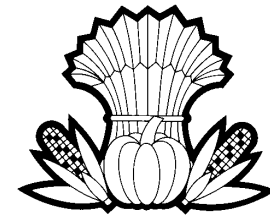
and he wrote again. After we exchanged several letters, he asked if I would come visit him. I had never been inside a prison, but when he said he grew up Presbyterian, I could not turn him down.

"The visit led to more visits, and it was not as scary as I feared. I learned of the work of the Lifer's Club, a group of inmates who had Life sentences. They needed to rebuild their self esteem, by doing special projects that helped other people. Their motto was, "Helping Others on the Road to Recovery." One project involved building a bathroom for a low income family who had a special needs child who could not come home from the hospital until this was done. The Club raised the cash by selling coffee during visitation on Saturday and Sunday. Another project involved a young boy in the Wartburg School, who refused to dress

out for gym. When the Club Sponsor went to visit, he discovered the problem. The boy had no underwear!

"One volunteer, a church lady from Clinton, was selling the coffee, every Saturday and Sunday. The Lifer's asked if Bethel could help with some volunteers. We took it on, and what an eye/heart opening experience it has been. We had Birthday Parties for each month, shared with other churches. We had Christmas Parties, including candle light singing of Silent Night. Each time we worked as coffee volunteers one of the Lifer's Club members worked with us. We really got to know the men and their families. Now our major service is to provide a Worship Service with Communion every 5th Sunday. You can join us some day if you are interested."

September 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Rehearsals are Resuming: Children's Choir 8:30 a.m. Sundays @ KUMC Annex Adult Choir and Handbells: Resume in Sept. Check your bulletin		1	2 Deadline for Sunset Gap Donations	3 Evangelism Committee 7:00	4	5
6 Communion Hands of Mercy Food Collection No Youth	7 Fun Lunch @ noon	8	9	10 Mission Outreach 6:30	11 Angel Food Orders due @ United Way	12
13 Fellowship Hour 10:30 Youth Planning 5:00 Youth 6:00	14 Stewardship 5:30 Christian Ed 5:30	15 Lifeline Program 10:30 Parish Life 7:00	16 NO Fellowship Supper Prop & Personnel 5:30	17	18 Youth: 5th Quarter @ 1st Baptist	19 Angel Food Distribution @ Luminary UMC
20 Youth: Jr/Sr Lunch @ Noon Family Picnic @ Camp John Knox Dianne Griffith Recital @ 4:00 Youth: Parents @5:00; Youth @6:00		22	23 Youth: SYATP	24	25	26 Beautiful Feet
27 Church Picnic @ Hettricks 3:00 Youth 6:00	28	29	30	EACH WEEK: Seniorcize: Mon/Wed/Fri @ 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall Tai Chi: Tues/Thurs @ 6; Sat @9 a.m. in F.H. Youth Bible Study: Wednesdays at the Brown's home Spanish: Beginners Tues @5; Adv. Wed. @ 6, in Library		