



Our *B-Kidz Day Out* is in its seventh school year of offering fun and friendship for children in a loving Christian environment every Tuesday and Thursday.

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Dear Friend,

January 6 is the Day of Epiphany on the Christian calendar. "Epiphany" means 'revealed,' and also 'sudden realization.' There are times in God's dealings with us when we suddenly realize something unique in our relationship with Jesus, and it seems as though God arranged for us to discover this unique understanding. That is the idea behind the Season of Epiphany, and we are reminded of epiphanies from the sudden realization experienced by the Magi – the Wise Men – who found the Christ child in Bethlehem so long ago.



The Wise Men came a great distance to Judah and were looking for the new born king of the Jews. They asked King Herod where the new king was born. Herod consulted the experts in Jewish prophecy to find out that Bethlehem was the place. Then he asked the Wise Men to go find the child and then to let him know where the child was. He said he wanted to come and worship, but in reality he was a very jealous king and did not want competition for the throne. So after visiting with Mary, Joseph, and Jesus; the Wise Men went home another way to avoid King Herod. In Matthew chapter 2, King Herod had ascertained the timing of the birth of Christ from what these visitors from the East had said when they first came. Using this information, and guessing what age the boy might be, Herod gave orders to kill the baby boys who were two years old and younger. This is known in history as the Massacre of the Innocents.

The Wise Men had seen a star. In their belief system, perhaps due to its position in the night sky, they thought this star signified the birth of a king in Israel. It was a long journey and it probably took a while for them to finally arrive in the Jerusalem area. Their learning and livelihood concerned the study of the night sky. God got into their field of view with something designed to get their attention. And that it did - hence the journey and the search.

They thought they would find the newborn future king of another nation. Instead they found the Messiah. Perhaps that's what the Wise Men experienced. There are times when we also experience sudden realizations of truth. God can use these times to get our attention.

Thank you.

Randy Walworth

January

Wednesday 1/2	Nursing Home Birthday Party 9:30 a.m.
Thursday 1/3	Wesley Class Lunch at O'Charley's 11:30 a.m.
Thursday 1/3	Prayers & Stitches in Koinonia room 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday 1/15	UM Women in Heritage Hall 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 1/20	S/P/P/R Committee in Koinonia 3:30 p.m.
Monday 1/21	Keenagers at Choo Choo BBQ 11:30 a.m.
Sunday 1/27	UM Men's breakfast in Heritage Hall 7:30 a.m.
Sunday 1/27	Finance 5:00 Church Council 6:00 Trustees 7:00

**Holy Communion Offering
is for Action Ministry**

Sunday, January 6 – 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

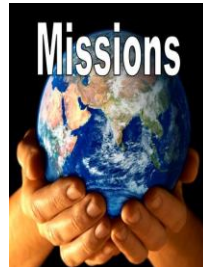


Our housing programs enable individuals and families to move from homelessness to independence. Through Action Empowers. Action Services. Action Thrives and Action Cares we are providing safe, secure, stable housing opportunities to veterans, families, and adults with illnesses and disabilities.

Action Ministries' hunger relief programs help people shed the burden of searching for their next meal. Through our food boxes, community kitchens, and childhood hunger relief programs Action Ministries volunteers are helping to break the cycle of poverty – one meal and one relationship at a time.

Action Ministries works to improve access to educational resources for families. Our child and youth programs focus on math and literacy benchmarks, social emotional skills, and access to quality field trips and summer camps. Adult coaching programs encourage parents and families to reach for their own success.

Mission Trip



Looking back on 2018 Mission Nicaragua there were many concerns and down moments. The blessings we were given and were able to give far outweigh the struggles we endured.

I want to thank everyone for the donations given from Boynton UMC for the Mobile Clinic - Nicaragua. Thank you Theo, Nan, Glenda, Howard,

Wanda, Tommy, Ann, and Koinonia class. There are others whose names I don't have that gave as well. Thank you so much.

Boynton UMC members gave over this year 2018 a total of \$2350. \$2000 went towards the mobile clinic. The \$350 received the first Sunday of December will go to help in some of the cost to put on youth conference in Nicaragua.

January 2019 mission trip: January 12 to 19, 2019.

We will visit six communities with the mobile clinic. We will see patients but will be more of a support for the clinic staff. We have 196 back packs filled with supplies for school age children. They start back to school the first week of February. Water filters for 100 families to be given out in several communities. We will hold an all-day conference for youth, mentors and youth that live on the street. Communication skills and caring loving helping hands are the topics.

Do It Anyway

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

-this version is credited to Mother Teresa



Important Meetings in January

Sunday, January 20	S/P/P/R Committee 3:30 p.m. (Koinonia classroom)
Sunday, January 27	Finance Committee 5:00 p.m. (Koinonia classroom)
Sunday, January 27	Church Council 6:00 p.m. (Heritage Hall)
Sunday, January 27	Trustees 7:00 p.m. (Koinonia classroom)



January

- 1 Shelby Williams
- 2 Carol Rosser
- 3 Tommy Harris
- 3 Brian Gentry
- 3 Elizabeth Smedema
- 3 Glenda Thomas
- 3 Tom Billington
- 5 Alan Shirley
- 7 Audrey Cooper
- 8 Becky Cardwell
- 8 Nancy Dutto
- 8 Tony Nix
- 9 Jim White
- 10 Steve Wyatt
- 14 Olivia Aven
- 14 Bertha Baker
- 18 Marlene Bloomer
- 20 Berry Cooke
- 21 Chuck Thacker
- 21 Charlie Byrd
- 29 Neil Bird
- 30 Layla Forgey



- 1 Calvin & Claire McCullough
- 3 Patrick & Amanda Johnston
- 4 Mike & Huelene Harris



January Menus

January 9	Collards, blackeyed peas, macaroni and Cheese, slaw, corn bread and yogurt pies.
January 16	Spaghetti Amore, salad bar, garlic bread and ice cream cake.
January 23	Soup night, taco salad, orange-coconut cream pie.
January 30	Chicken pot pie, broccoli and cheese, potato salad and Coca Cola Cake.

Servants for January

Sunday Nursery (9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.)

6	Lois Nix
13	Fay Peters
20	Tina Holt
27	Glenda Thomas

Contemporary Worship 9:30 a.m.

Greeters

6	Tom & JanElle Mooney
13	Wanda Harris
20	Harvey & Amy Williams
27	Gigi & Beau Pattison

Host/Hostess

Lisa Huskey – 423-595-7060
Saundra Smith - 706-947-5325

Head Usher

Richard Doyle

Traditional Worship 11:00 a.m.

Greeters

6	Jim Cospier / Patty Bishop / Nancy Bunch
13	Kay Harper / Dennis Sims / David Humble
20	Howard & Glenda Thomas / Fay Peters
27	Steve & Sally Abercrombie / David Humble

Acolytes & Holy Communion Stewards

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Church community

Sherma Addington – health concerns
 Charlie Ball – lymphoma
 Tom Billington
 Neil Bird
 Carl Bunch – recovering from heart surgery
 Barbara Chambers
 Lois Dietz
 Iris Eaves
 Family of Bob Gilbert
 Dot Gilbert
 Dan and Janice Harding
 Lisa Huskey – recovering from back surgery
 Richard and DeAnne Huskey
 Johnny Long – looking for job opportunities
 Jerry Lowery – health concerns
 Claire McCullough – untenable work situation
 Katie McCullough – starting new job in Knoxville
 Connie Noland – ear problems
 Jerry Noland – health concerns
 Nancy Perry
 Theo Pinkston
 Cathaleen Rivers - seizures
 Joyce Roach
 Chuck Thacker
 Jennifer Walworth
 Rob Waters – degenerative disk in back
 Sadie White
 Harvey Williams – heart concerns
 Sue Williams
 Bob Walden – NHC
 Annie Wyatt

Cancer

Fred Baer – lung, requested by Julie Dietz
 Bill Beagan, multiple myeloma – friend of Howard & Glenda Thomas
 Nancy Brock – colon, requested by Julie Dietz
 Ann Brooks – lung, Haley McCullough's grandmother
 Scott Eldridge, Claire McCullough's cousin
 Cecil & Nita Geter – parents of Carolyn Bonner
 Family of Kara Hubbard – niece of Howard & Glenda Thomas
 Lawrence Levan – Dot Gilbert's brother
 Howard Mathes – lung, uncle of Lee Shirley / Sharon Guffey
 Dale McCloud – pancreatic, friend of Brian & Melanie Gentry
 Axton Solberg – brain, 3 year old – son of Toby Solberg, pastor at New Heights Baptist Church in Ringgold
 Glenda Shropshire – pancreatic, friend of Darraj family
 Billy Walworth, prostate, brother of Randy Walworth
 Bert Workman – cancer, friend of Nancy Bunch

Our Mission Field

For Boynton UMC to reach people for Jesus Christ
 BUMC Worship Services (Contemporary and Traditional)
 Sunday School
 Student Ministry / BKidz Children's Program
 BKidz Day Out Program
 Stephen Ministry
 Prayers & Stitchers
 Recovery at Ringgold
 My New Normal (Parents of Special Needs Kids) support group
 Christ's Chapel Share & Care Mission
 Nicaragua
 February 2019 Special Called Conference

Catoosa Schools, in particular our partnership schools:
 Elementary: Boynton, West Side, Woodstation
 Middle: Heritage, Ringgold
 High: Heritage, Ringgold, LFO

Homebound/Senior Care Facilities

Bertha Baker, Tom Billington, Margaret Bowman, Martha Dietz, Lois Dunn, Edith Land, Stacy Mashburn, Nan Pinkston

Our Church

Pastor Randy Walworth, Jennifer, Mary Beth
 Our BUMC staff and their families: Linda, Carl, Gigi, Katie, Joe, Diane, Ellen, Janet, Julie and Rebecca
 Our church, our community, our nation, our world
 Our New Building and Renovated Sanctuary Project
 The United Methodist Church

Other requests

Valerie Barnes – second small stroke, Claire's sister-in-law
 Bob & Ruth Bennett – health concerns, Diana Doyle's parents
 Lamar Brown – triple bypass surgery, brother of Theresa Waters
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 Mary Byington – needs new liver, Anna Williams' Mimi
 Patrick Chandler, CF needs lung transplant, requested by Mike Harris
 Dennis Doyle – Richard's brother – medical concerns
 Patrick Johnston's dad
 Baby Olin Isip – health, relative of Diana Doyle
 Nikhoma Johnson, recovering – niece of Jennifer Walworth
 James Kennedy, 84 - in declining health, brother of Barbara McCroskey
 Claire McCullough's co-worker's father
 The family of Dell Nix, father of Tony Nix
 Jerry Noland's nephew, Michael – stroke, Jerry & Connie Noland
 Terry Oliver- friend of Holt family
 Marty Robertson – aneurysm, cousin of Lamar Stone
 Rhonda Robinson – balance problems, friend of Noland's
 Saylor Ruis – health issues, 8 yrs. old, Jack & Reba Love
 Judy Plemon's 13 year old nephew – serious health problems
 Karen Small – car wreck – broken bones, co-worker from WSE
 Stacey Smith – friend of Lois Nix
 Gail Townsend – stopping all chemo treatments, requested by Barrett's
 Jimmy & Sue Walworth – recovering, brother of Pastor Randy

Heavenly Father,

I'd like to thank you for this opportunity to start fresh in the oncoming New Year. It is because of you that I navigated safely through this one and that I am at where I am today. And we, as a family, Lord, know that we are so blessed. We pray for strength to get through the hardest parts of the New Year, and the many adjustments that we will be making. We pray that should temptation stumble upon our path that we can simply look away, remembering and desiring every goal that we set. As we get closer to this New Year, we ask that you keep everyone here out of harm's way, and keep us safe in our travels back home. We know that nothing that we do compares to your glorious work, but we strive to be like you in everything we do. Let us start this New Year off the right way, and that is by talking to you, God.

In your name we pray, Amen!

-submitted by Mike Harris, Prayer Chair

A Way Forward/Special General Conference in February

We have had a prayer effort for some months now for the Special General Conference that will be held in February 2019. It is on the church prayer list and the Koinonia Class has kept it on their prayer list as well.

In October I attended a meeting at Ooltewah United Methodist sponsored by the Holston Annual Conference which was led by two of their delegates to General Conference. They did a very good job of explaining what the proposals are that will come up in February.

In essence there will be three proposals presented to the Special General Conference to choose from. In these studies it has been found that most everyone has definite opinions & has strong feelings. United Methodists are divided on this topic. The proposals are focusing on how to maintain unity in the midst of all this. In short these do not force a different way of believing on a church.

ONE CHURCH PLAN – This proposal lets each individual church choose which way they believe. Each pastor will also choose how they believe. Traditionalist pastors will be sent to Traditionalist churches; for example.

TRADITIONALIST PLAN – This plan maintains our current stance (While we believe LGBT persons are of sacred worth to God we also believe that the practice of homosexuality is incompatible with the scriptures). This plan strengthens this stance.

CONNECTIONAL CONFERENCES PLAN – Within the United States this plan does away with having regional annual conferences such as North Georgia, Holston, South Georgia, etc. Instead there will be just three conferences in the USA. The Traditionalist Annual Conference will maintain the current denominational stance. The Progressive Annual Conference will allow same sex unions. The Centrist Annual Conference will allow their individual churches and pastors to decide for themselves as in the One Church Plan. All U.S. churches would each decide which conference they prefer to be in.

I thought the best way of getting the information to you at this time would be to offer some links below:

Videos:

1. This is a great Youtube video of delegates explaining the three proposals that will be considered in February:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3dR1eriGpJM&feature=youtu.be>

2. In this video, the Council on Bishops discuss the One Church model:

<https://vimeo.com/277331100/3d399afb04>

3. Bishop Sue of the North Georgia Conference speaks about THE WAY FORWARD at the 2018 North Georgia Annual Conference:

<https://vimeo.com/276351658>

4. Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball of West Virginia gives an overview of the proposals in this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX8CeDy5FHY>



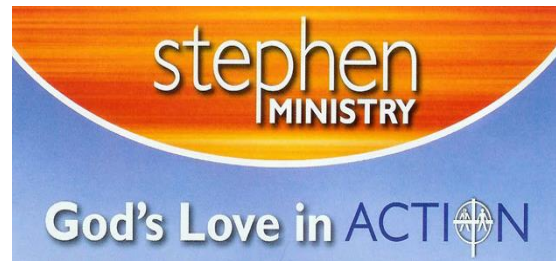


Christ's Chapel Share & Care Mission is in need of soups, chili, stews, canned or mixes and crackers during the months of January and February. Please leave the items under the mailboxes in the hallway across from the women's restroom or place on altar on Sunday, January 27.



Next Men's Breakfast
Sunday, January 27, 2019
7:30 a.m. in Heritage Hall

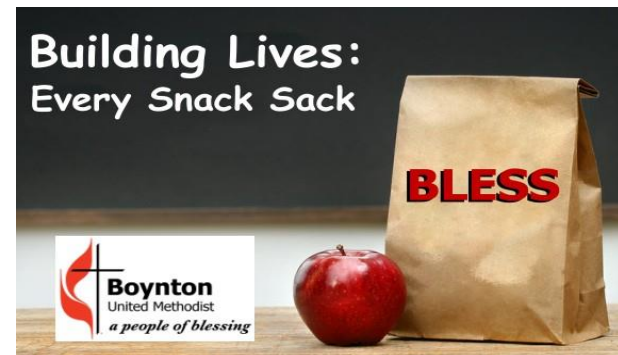
The 2019 January Calendar
is the next page down.



What a great time we had at our December meeting. We compiled 15 Christmas boxes for the women at the Family Crisis Center. Kristy Lawson, Director for the Center, was at our meeting. She helped with filling the boxes and wrapping them. After our project was completed, we enjoyed delicious refreshments. Everyone brought one of their favorite finger foods. Since this was our Christmas party we dispensed with the business and enjoyed a short poem by Ann Orr and Andrea Sims read a short story about peace.

Our next meeting is January 15. We hope to see some new faces in the New Year. We invite the women of the church to join us and learn more about the mission of the United Methodist Women.

Have a Blessed New Year,
Ann Orr
President



BLESS Sacks is a self-funded program that provides a weekend supplement to local students who receive free or reduced lunches in the Catoosa County School System. Last school year we packed over 3,000 sacks for Boynton Elementary, Heritage Middle, and Performance Learning Center. If you would like to help pack the sacks, we meet every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. in the *BLESS Sacks* room (located across from the Nursery).



Boynton United Methodist Church

January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		New Year's Day 1	2 9:30 a.m. Nursing Home Party No Wednesday Night Supper or activities	3 11:30 a.m. Wesley Class at O'Charley's in Fort O. 6:00 p.m. Prayers & Stitches 6:00 p.m. Recovery (RUMC)	4	5
6 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Kidz, Students, Adults) 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship 5:00 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study	7	8	9 5:00 p.m. Bless Sacks 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. BKidz Children 6:45 p.m. Student Ministry 6:45 p.m. Traditional Choir	10 6:00 p.m. Recovery (RUMC) 6:30 p.m. My New Normal	11	12
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27 7:30 a.m. UM Men Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Sunday School (Kidz, Students, Adults) 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship 5:00 p.m. Finance Committee 6:00 p.m. Church Council 7:00 p.m. Trustees	28	29	30 5:00 p.m. Bless Sacks 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. BKidz Children 6:45 p.m. Student Ministry 6:45 p.m. Traditional Choir	31 6:00 p.m. Recovery (RUMC)		