# Messenger

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#### Dear FUMC,

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of the supplies, donations, and prayers you sent with me to Cuba! I could not believe it when I heard all that had been donated, and it meant the world to me when Mrs. Tera told me all that had been collected by the children during Vacation Bible School! This year we took the most supplies and donations ever! We gifted \$10,000 in donations, took 800 pounds of supplies, and worked with seven different ministries! We distributed everything throughout the orphanages, farm, and people that came to the farm the day we were there, while also giving to the handicapped ministry and the women's ministry. It was incredible! The Cubans were so thankful and in complete awe of what we had brought them, a lot of which came from you. Everything we did and everywhere we went was a blessing not only to Cuba but to our whole team in many different ways!

It was a truly life-changing experience, and I wanted to share a few of things I learned on this trip! Several of the experiences I learned about were serving, the power of prayer, and the kind of joy that Christ offers, something the world could never give! I learned that joy does not come from what you have on the outside but from what you have within, and I learned that it is so much better to give than receive whether it be in your work or just giving your time to encourage someone. One of the biggest things that I learned is that if you walk by the flesh you will easily become tired, but if you walk by the Spirit, He will renew your strength and give you energy. God is still teaching me something new every day; He is still molding me and shaping me, and I am still growing through Him! I am so thankful for each of you in this church, all your encouragement, and everything that you sent with me! The lives of the people in Cuba and the people on our team were changed, including mine, while miracles took place! Everything that you did was a blessing in more than one way, and I am truly thankful to have each one of you as a part of my life! Thank you so much again!

Love Always, Elizabeth Turner

# & Birthdays Anniversaries

- 26. Whitney Pitts
- 27. Angie Edgar
- 28. Bill Dew
- 29. Monica Heidel, Brenda Hines, Reese Ragland

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- 28. Mr. & Mrs. James Cresswell
- 31. Mr. & Mrs. Max Sanders

#### THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 26**

9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service

9:50 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

5:00 p.m. Acolyte Training (gr. 4-6)

6:00 p.m. Snack Supper

6:30 p.m. Youth Solid Ground

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 27**

9-12 noon Methodist Market

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 28**

6:00 p.m. Emmaus Meeting

#### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29**

5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting

6:15 p.m. Youth Small Group

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

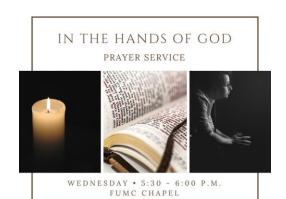
#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

9-12 noon Methodist Market



# are needed

The Manna House needs volunteers to serve lunch August 27-31, from 11:30-12:30. Please call the church office if you can help.



For more info go to fumcyazoo.org or Facebook at "First Methodist Yazoo."



This is our final Sunday in the book of Romans. The scripture comes from Romans chapters 9-16. This week's lesson is entitled "Action!" God has shown us mercy and grace. We have been given "a do over." We need to live everyday of our lives with purpose and power and do all we can to glorify God. We have been called to take action, so we need to stand up to the challenge.

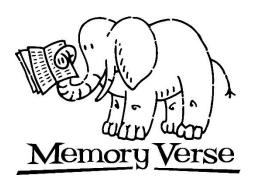
# **Sunday Night Youth**

Sunday night group will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the basement and begin with supper. We will follow up with a game called *Fortress – the next level*, before moving into week 2 of our series, **Be Brave**. This week our key point is to be strong. We should always remember that God is our strength. Our scripture this week comes from Psalm 27. See you Sunday night as we gather to study God's word.

# Wednesday Night Small Group

Small group will meet Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. in the youth basement. We will begin our Bible study on **David: Seeking God's Heart.** Last week we talked about David, and how he was chosen and anointed to serve as king after Saul. This week we will discuss one of the most well-known Bible stories of all time... David and Goliath.

# Children's Page



"I have given you an example: just as I have done, you also must do."

John 13:15



This week we will wrap up our series on the people that Jesus met. In this last story, we learn about a man who has been sick for many, many years. He desires so much to be healed, and one day Jesus approaches him. See you Sunday as we learn more about the awesome power of Jesus.



This Sunday we will have our final Acolyte training for the  $4^{\text{th}}$  - $6^{\text{th}}$  grades. Please be at the church by 5:00 p.m. as we will go over the proper way to serve as an Acolyte. The Acolyte schedule will begin on September 9, with two children serving during the 11:00 worship service. It is important that all  $4^{\text{th}}$  - $6^{\text{th}}$  graders attend these training sessions.



We would like to personally thank the Real Life in Christ Sunday School Class for the beautiful shower. We would also like to thank everyone who attended. We are so blessed, and we are beyond thankful for each and every gift we received, and that our baby girl will have a loving church family to welcome her into the world in just a few short weeks.

With love, Thad & Crosby Hicks

### \*\*\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*\*

We are currently in the process of adding a digital PDF version of our *Messenger* newsletter to the church website that can then be sent out by text message, email or Facebook. To subscribe to receive the Messenger by text, text the message @yazoo1 to the number 81010. We hope to have an email system in place soon.

## Volunteers for Sunday, August 26, 2018

Greeters
Worship Leader
Scripture
Sermon
Security
Flowers
Syron & Robyn Kelly/Marilyn Burnett
Rich Knox
Acts 1:1-11
Stephen Harris/Reece Vaughan
Dr. & Mrs. Walter Burnett

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#### Attendance, August 19, 2018

| Worship Services | 172 |
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| Sunday School    | 99  |