

## THE HILLSIDE

September was a great month; we had an exciting revival with three great speakers and a disciple growing theme, we completed a series on stewardship. I believe that the month of October will be just as eventful. There will be a new ministry introduced this month. UMCOR has a Christmas Shoe Box program that we are going to begin this year. This is like Samaritan's purse but with some major differences. UMCOR puts these shoe boxes into the hands of the Methodist Missionaries who then give to the children in the villages. The Shoe boxes can be collected year-round. UMCOR provides the boxes at no charge, and the fee is cheaper – \$5.00 a box. There are other differences as well, but these are just the quick highlights.

What else is coming in October? There are plans for an interesting preaching series. When we finish the book of Revelation, we will begin a study of Angels on Sunday Nights, and the Wednesday afternoon study will be in Esther. COVID stopped us right in the middle of our confirmation class, therefore, we will begin the confirmation class again with some changes. The class will meet on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 pm for anyone who wants to come and be a part of the class. The confirmation class will have a different teaching than usual confirmation classes. I hope that parents will attend the class with their confirmands. Let us not forget the Harvest Festival on October 31 with the activities of trunk or treat, the great pumpkin race, and pumpkin painting or carving. October will not be a scary month for Johnston Chapel.

Bro. Dwayne

## KNOW YOUR PASTOR

October is my favorite month the reason is leaves change, it begins to be cooler, and Halloween is this month. I enjoy horror movies and thrillers. I am not so much into the slasher movies; I prefer the films like *Misery* or the movies that you never really see the monster until later in the film. I have watched horror films for as long as I can remember. I remember being little hiding behind a chair peeking around to see the wolfman, but he couldn't see me. The movie that scared me the most though was *Jaws*. This is one of those movies where you did not see the actual shark until about mid-way through the movie. Why do I like being scared? It's the adrenaline rush I get. The movies always ended usually good where the monster dies. However, that is not always true in the real world. It is easy to get scared in the world today because there is so much going on that is evil. However, Paul reminds us in 2 Timothy 1:7 that "God did not give us a spirit of fear but the Spirit of power, love, and self-discipline." It is not uncommon to get scared. John the Baptist had a moment when he was afraid; he sent his disciples to see Jesus. John needed confirmation that Jesus was the Messiah. Jesus gave him that confirmation when he sent word back "Tell John the lame walk, the blind sees, the deaf hear, the lepers are cleansed, and the dead are raised." (Luke 7:22). I have to be honest and admit there are times when I wonder if God cares. It is in those times that I hear God speak through the scriptures. Jesus said, "I will never leave you or forsake, I am sending you a comforter, if you dwell in me, I will dwell in you." All the times the Bible says fear not. We do not have to fear because we know how it ends; God wins.

Bro. Dwayne

## OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

"Everyone likes to be appreciated, especially when the work being done is in service of others. It's important to show your pastor, your shepherd, your spiritual leader that you appreciate what they do and why they do it. We need to take into consideration that not only is October pastor appreciation month, but we should show appreciation daily for our pastor.

Any individual in service to others is probably doing it from their heart and ministers would also say that it is a calling from God. So they don't lead a congregation for the financial gain or the praise of men, however, the responsibility of those being served is to give thanks and recognize work done for their benefit.

Just as corporate worship is important to the body of Christ, so might corporate thanksgiving be to the shepherd of the flock. So go ahead, show your pastor how important he is to you. Going the extra mile to show appreciation is healthy for everyone!"

### **Ideas:**

- **Invite Bro. Dwayne and Teri to your home for a meal.**
- **Take them out for a meal.**
- **Gift cards to restaurants or Walmart**
- **Canned Coke and brownies**
- **Golf balls and tees**
- **Email, text, or call and offer a prayer for him and Teri.**
- **Write a thank you note/letter.**
- **Be creative**



Ushers: JK Bales, Dakota Farmer, Colt Rogers, Lawrence Weems

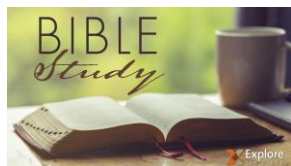
Greeters: Angie, Curt, & Beth Weems



UMW will meet Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the fellowship hall. The program will be presented by Carolyn Butler. All the ladies of the church and community are invited to come join us.



UMM will meet on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 AM for Prayer Breakfast. The cooks will be Dale Green, Larry Richardson, and Chris Richardson.



Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 we meet for Bible study in the fellowship hall. We have begun studying the book of Esther. Bro. Dwayne is our leader, and we would like to invite anyone interested. We serve coffee, or you can bring your favorite cola.



### FOOD, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP

Family Night Supper will be Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. This is one of our special times to fellowship with one another and break bread together. Invite someone to come with you and don't forget to bring your covered dishes and desserts!

### KIM'S KORNER

September was a lot of fun and October is going to be even better!!! During Revival at Project Serve we gave out 200 popsicles to the fall sport teams at North Pike and also gave out cookies to the police station, city hall, and the fire department!!! It was a lot of fun, and we also got to get ice cream the last day!!!

Children are meeting at 5:45 each Wednesday and enjoying a snack supper supplied by a few parents. We are talking about how valuable we are to God!!! We started off with 2 children and ended the month with 27!!! We hope in October we will increase our numbers even more so more kids can learn about our loving God. Youth are meeting on Sundays at 4:30 at the gym and 6:00 in the youth room and 5:45 on Wednesdays. We are just opening our Bibles to a page and pointing to a verse and reading it to see what God has for us in that verse. One week we talked about Angels!!!

The youth leadership team decided to go closer to home this summer, so we are going to

Talladega, Alabama, to Student Life camp. We have been before and really loved it, so we are going again!!! We also decided to go on a trip to Lake Junaluska this winter where we will worship and go skiing!!! The youth will pay \$100 each month to help pay for the trip. If you would like to sponsor a youth let, Mrs. Kim know!!! We will also be selling chicken tenders, chicken on a stick, RADA, and may even have a gift card auction!!! Watch the bulletin to see when and where to show up!!! It's going to be a lot of fun!!!

Our Fall Fest is going to be on October 31<sup>st</sup> this year. Be sure to get your trunk ready for a lot of trick or treaters!!! Also bring your cars to race down the hill!!! Will the Weems be the winner for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in a row? Guess we will see!!! Also bring your painted or carved pumpkins for a contest!!! Last year real money was won!!! Who's going to win this year? We will see on October 31<sup>st</sup>!!! See you there!!!

Kim Burkett



WHAT IS THAT SONG?

I belong to a music group on Facebook that asks for its members to post songs from time to time. The songs the admins ask for usually involve a specific subject or word in the title. I try my best to post songs that speak about my faith so that I may share it with others. Last week they wanted songs with the word 'GET' in the title. I found this song and it talks about the ups and downs of our walk with God and how He helps us through those moments.

Keep Getting Up  
by Mandisa

Wouldn't it be nice if we could get it right the first time?  
But that's not how it goes for most  
Change seems like it takes a lifetime  
But He is patient with us and He invites us to trust  
And hold onto hope, never let go  
His love will always meet us there

CHORUS

When we get knocked down one more time  
We swing hard but lose the fight  
Don't forget that the battle's won  
When we keep getting up, keep getting up

Wouldn't it be great if when we fall we didn't stay down so long?  
Or get caught up in the past, keeping track of all the times it went wrong

What if we remembered we are loved and we believed that it's enough?  
To inspire us and light a fire in us to get up and try again

REPEAT CHORUS

So we keep getting up, keep getting up

It's not gravity that tethers us to the ground  
What if it's only doubt and we and somehow shut it out  
Get mad and shout, "I won't stay down"

REPEAT CHORUS

So we keep getting up, keep getting up  
Keep getting up

Lift your eyes, you are not alone  
So keep getting up

Writer: Ronnie C. Freeman, Jr.

Keep your eyes on Him!  
Yvonne Church

**KEEP**  
**GETTING**  
**UP!**



WILL THE REVIVAL CONTINUE?

One of the definitions of revival is an act of reviving or the state of being revived such as a renewed attention to or an interest in something. The theme for the four nights during our revival was "**Discipleship.**" If you were in attendance, you heard each preacher talk about renewing our attention to discipleship or renewing our interest in discipleship in some form:

- reminiscing of days gone by
- the power of a person's (your) testimony, (not just being able to quote Scripture)
- a desire to be a true disciple (get out in the community, hands on)
- being an unlikely disciple such as Paul or Peter. God chose Paul, a person who hated the Christians, (who searched them out and had them stoned to death) to spread the Gospel to the Gentiles. He chose Peter, (one who denied him three times), upon which He would build His church. Wow! What could He do with us? What could He do with you? Will the Revival continue? Let's see that it does!

To God Be the Glory,  
Jennie Lou

**OUR FAMILY ALTAR**

Church & Its Ministries Children & Youth  
Our Nation Unspoken World Caregivers

Rev. Dwayne & Teri Scoggins

President Biden, Governors, Mayors, All in Leadership

All of the First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, Hospitals, Pharmacists, Social Workers, Custodians, Everyone affected by Covid

**Shut- Ins/Nursing Home**

**Loss of Loved Ones**

Family of Heath Kent

Family of Bro. Rex Wilburn - Anita Lawson's brother

Family of Donna Byrd – Aunt of Brandon Givens

Family of Dennis Brown

Family of Don Hennis – Brad Tharp's brother-in-law

Family of Bill Cummings – Son of Anna Bigner Cummings

Family of Perry Ely

Family of Brandy Morgan Floyd – Former Johnston Chapel Youth Director

Family of Rebecca Graves Honea

Family of Larry Brown

Family of Kristen McKenzie Zeigler

Family of Brenda Hester – Teri's sister-in-law's mother

**Military**

Jonathan Young – Serving on the USS George W. Bush in Norfolk, VA

J.J. Boshart – Race Willoughby's Brother-In-Law – Kuwait

Nick Mercer–Fort Stewart, GA

Haley Richardson – Marine Air Station – Yuma, AZ

**In Institution**

Bridget Dillon, Chris Yawn, Landon Burrough

**Working Away From Home**

Paul Allred (Kansas), Mitchell Leon (Gulf of Mexico), Brett Stockton (Texas), Shane Williams (Saudi Arabia)

**In Hospital/ Sick at Home/Need Our Prayers**

Marvin Adams – Covid and double pneumonia

Donna Bales – Health

Aubrey Boyd – Health - Back

Jackie Boyd – Health

Kara Brashear – Cousin of Dwight, Glenda, & Darlene – Cancer has returned

**Danney Bullock – Recovering from knee surgery**

Donna Sue Byrd – Cancer

Kathy Capral – Cancer with long time treatments – Yvonne Church's aunt

Chuck – Phil Caudill's associate – A non-believer and dealing with health issues

Yvonne Church – Knees

**Sandra Cummings & Chuck - Covid**

Valencia Damond – Cancer – Kim Burkett

**Belinda Davis - Covid**

Carolyn Deer – Health

Parker Dixon – Recovering from knee surgery

**Greg & Angela Dunaway – Covid**

Shannon Dunaway – Health

Curtis Edmonds – Health

Diane Fortenberry – Cancer treatments & Lupus  
Barbara Rogers' friend – Not doing well

Peter & Sonya Francis – Health

Phyllis Freeman – Health

Virginia Freeman – Stage 4 cancer – Yvonne Church's friend's mother

Brenda Green – Heart & knee issues

Dale Green - Health

Eva Nell Green – Health

Kalie Green – Mental Health

Tony Handberry – Amy Campbell's Father - Stage 4 Cancer

Judy Harrison – Health – Nancy's friend

Ronnie Harrison – Cancer treatments – Nancy's friend

Gerald Howell – Health

**Bethany Jackson – Recovering from neck surgery, Joe Jackson's granddaughter**

Thomas Johnston – Health – MS more advanced

Lonnie Keist – Health

Lucy Lofton – Cancer Survivor

Safiullah Makhdoom – Stranded in Afghanistan – Jeremy Roger's good friend

Sharon Marse – Recovering from heart surgery – James Church's sister

Kathy Martin

Patrick McCaffery – mass on his lung – Nancy's Friend

Craig Moak – Recovering from a kidney transplant

Susan Montgomery – Health – Barbara Rogers's Friend

Troy Nations - Covid

W.B. Netterville – Back Issues

Robert Pennington – Stage 3 Small Cell Carcinoma

Tony Ramirez

Donna Reeves – Cancer

Mike Richard – Back Pain

Tony Ritter – Health

Clayton Roberts & Mary Roberts – Health

David Roberts

Jane Roberts – Diagnosed with Parkinson's

Lamar Roberts – Health

Sharon Roberts – Health

Robin Roberts – Health

Wayne Roberts – Recovering from heart surgery

Jill Robinson – ALS

**Teri Scoggins – Partial Cornea Transplant in October**

**Tony Scroggs – Recovering from back surgery**

Jack Seale – Immunotherapy treatments for cancer

Marge Smith – Barbara Mercier's Friend – Radiation Treatments

Snuffy Smith – Health – Brenda Green

Speedy Smith's Father – Recovering from heart attack

Sue Smith – Brenda Green's sister – Heart

Jean Spring – Breast Cancer – Chemo & Radiation

Dwight Stockton – Health

Connie & Maxine Stoddard – Health

Mattie Taylor – Aggressive form of lymphoma – Pam Dixon's friend's granddaughter

Beth Woodall Trantham - Health

Jessica Troutman – ALS – Friend of Darlene Johnston

Robert Walker & Marilyn Stutzman – Health

Deborah Tarver – Health – one of our former Custodians

Charles & Annie Waguespack – Health

Curtis West – Health – Brenda Green

Linda West – Congestive heart failure – Brenda Green

Lyndia Williams – Recovering from knee replacement – Yvonne Church's friend

Keith Williamson – Health

Renae Woods – Crohn's – Health issues

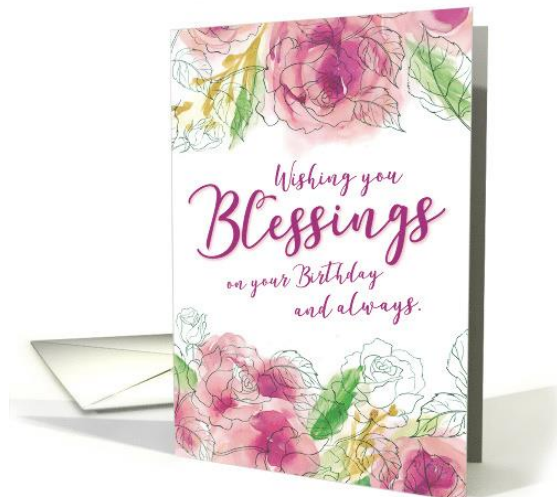
**Joy Yawn – Blood clots in lungs and legs**



### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01 – Bailey Allred  
Paul Allred
- 02 – Donna Dickerson  
Nathan, Jordan, & Caleb Taylor
- 03 – Justin Mercier  
Ellyn Williams
- 04 – Gerald McKenzie
- 05 – Lana Burkett  
Beth Weems
- 07 – Reuben Allred  
Daniel Roberts
- 08 – Clarissa Leon Travis
- 09 – Andrea Godwin
- 10 – Landon Rogers  
Zachary Allen
- 12 – Wes Dickerson
- 13 – Lakelyn Schifano
- 14 – Terri Scoggins  
Koni Walker
- 17 – Jeremy Rogers  
Billy Wallace
- 18 – Joyce Farmer  
Mitchell Leon
- 20 – Suzy Mercier  
Cheri Rameriz
- 21 – Linda Roberts
- 22 – Chrissy Rameriz  
Missy Wisinger
- 23 – Mike Dickerson
- 24 – Angie Griffin  
Angie Weems
- 25 – Curt Weems
- 26 – Greycen King  
Becky Wallace
- 27 – Daniel Bales
- 28 – Elijah Worthy
- 29 – Gerald Howell
- 31 – Lani May  
Brian Mercier

# Happy Birthday



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 04 – Jamie & Jennifer Newman
- 08 – Eric & Amelia Lofton
- 14 – Dale & Brenda Green



You'll always be just like two peas in a pod.  
**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**