

Older Adults

These events are for everyone—singles and couples. Our activities are open to anyone age 55 and older regardless of church membership

XYZs May Event. Join us for an all-day trip to Tupelo, Mississippi to tour the Elvis Presley Birthplace, eat lunch at Vanelli's Greek and Italian Restaurant, and enjoy the Tupelo Automobile Museum on Tuesday, May 17. We depart at 8 a.m., and the all-inclusive cost is \$35 per person. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Louise McGhee, 755-3463, or Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, to make reservations before Tuesday, April 19.

May Brown Bag Lunch. The "GUMC Attic Treasures Roadshow" will be Friday, May 6, in the Fellowship Hall. Appraisers, antique dealers, and local shop owners will be available to give you an estimated value of jewelry, china, art, books, fabric, silver, toys, games, dolls, and anything else you can carry in your hands. You may bring only four items—no pictures of items, vinyl records, coins, Orientalia, large pieces, or furniture, please. The program starts at 11 a.m. with lunch at Noon. Bring your own sack lunch; the church will supply the beverages. No reservations are needed.

Prayer Concerns

In Deepest Sympathy

Marjorie "Margie" Carl, wife of Bob Carl, April 1

Evelyn Hailey, paternal grandmother of Brian Hailey and Sharon Hailey, March 29

Billie Blocker, father of Lynndy Travis, March 26

Mary Ledford, grandmother of Jim Duncan, March 20

Joe Land, father of Bob Land, Sr., grandfather of Bob Land, Jr., March 20

Margie Fuller, sister of Charles Drummond, March 18

Concerns - Members & Friends

Chris Atkinson, Harold Butler, Mary Carpenter, James Dacus, DeWayne Hawkins, Kimberly Jessop, Elizabeth Johnson, Jan Johnson, Saja Mason Doris Morgan, Lillian & Lloyd Moore, Barbara Moorehead, Myra Thomas Bill Walker, and Ethel White

Concerns - Family & Friends

Kathy Ayers – friend of Valerie McKinney; Ann Bell – friend of Cecilia Conine; Selene Benitone – mother of Coleman Callaway; Windy Blair – daughter-in-law of Phil & Gretchen Blair; Jeffrey Browndyke – friend of Jack & Wilma Ridner and Charlie & Ann Jennings; John Bumpers – friend of Randal Tomblin; Jimmie Lois Burson – mother of Deborah Smith; Becky Joy Butler – granddaughter of Hazel & Gene Goodale; niece of Gene & Louise Goodale; Shawn Butrum – nephew of Donna Callaway; Milteen Cartwright – mother of Tim Cartwright; John Colebank - brother of Linda Colebank; Cindy Connolly – sister of Mike Callaway; Maggie Cordon – friend of Pam Wohrman; Tricia Coward – niece of

Ruth S. King; Pauline Cychowski – mother of Louise Goodale; Mary Ellison – friend of Chris Atkinson; Patrick Evens - friend of Jack & Eleanor Purdy; Marsha Everett – friend of Joanne Tomblin; Robin Ferguson – daughter-in-law of Gary & Martha Rutherford; Martha Ferguson – sister of Louise McGhee; Reggie & Kim (Pappin) Fields – former member (Kim) and friends of Barbara & Conrad Schanson; Suzanne Forbus - mother of Lauren Boswell; Debra Gant – friend of Pat Davis; Lynn Harper – in-law of Julie Nagem (former member); Gertrude Haun – friend of Ruth S. King; Dianne Hill - friend of Mary Ellen Kemker; Janice Houze - mother of Reggie Houze; Cara Jones – mother of Nancy Blake; Walter Joshlin – son of Charlotte & Bill Joshlin; Lewis Kizer – father of Hope O'Briant; Lucy Krull – friend of Hope O'Briant & Alise Davis; Debbie Lambert – friend of Ann & Charlie Jennings; Thomas Lawrence – son of Cindy & Tom Lawrence; Michael Lemmons – brother of Karen Lochemes; Ed Lupo - friend of Kay Lindamood; Mickey Lynn – brother of Bob Lynn; Mary Faith Mariott – aunt of GaNelle Ballard; Jim McCown – father of Sue Clark; Brian McKinley - son of Jim & Linda McKinley; Karen Moix - friend of Ruth S. King; Debbie Price – daughter of Mary Helen & Ed Price; Diego Ramirez – friend of Tim Carruth (Marian Carruth); Francis "Fran" Riley – friend of Doug Carpenter; Jake Romo – neighbor and friend of John & Tari Ellery; Dave Rossetti – father of John Rossetti; Emily Smith – daughter-in-law of Terri-Lyn & Alan Smith; Renee Smith – granddaughter of Terri-Lyn & Alan Smith; Tina Sproull – daughter of Kay Lindamood; Jim Szalay – father of David Szalay; Nadene Tally – sister-in-law of Len Greenwalt; Gabriel Taylor - son of Jeremy & Rhonda Taylor (former members); Francis Threadgill – sister of Helen Pulliam; Dr. Carter Towne – friend of Nancy & Ed Barnett; Florence Webster – grandmother of Jessica Webster (staff member); Shirley Wilson – aunt of Gary Paulson; Stephanie and Ken Wright – daughter and son-in-law of Ruth S. King

Family & Friends Serving Overseas

Afghanistan: Tyler Blackiston – nephew of Bart & Charla Sparks; Jeremy Burch – nephew of Anita Ford; Benjamin Johns – grandson of Joan Johns; Scott Lantz - brother-in-law of Lauren Boswell; Terry Markle – brother of Albert Markle; Justin Olson – nephew of Maureen & Charles Drummond; *Iraq:* Trevor Ducey – nephew of Erin Bailey; James Hayslip – friend of Ruth S. King; Todge Smith - son of Terri-Lyn & Alan Smith; *Korea:* Ryan Robison – nephew of Harris Lewis; *Kuwait* – Jay Pazin – godson of Maureen & Charles Drummond; *Okinawa:* Bradley Sparks - son of Bart & Charla Sparks; *Persian Gulf:* Travis Penn – son of Pam & Joe Penn

The Tidings. If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter, *The Tidings*, via mail and/or email please call 754-7216 or email dthurmond@germantownumc.org. If you would like to submit information for publication in *The Tidings*, please send to news@germantownumc.org.



MINISTRY EVENTS

Germentown United Methodist Church

April 10, 2011

Announcements

Daddy Crow's is Here! We are very excited about this year's Daddy Crow's Jubilee! The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 16 from 5-7 p.m. at the OLEC, and promises to be a fun-filled evening with all you can eat crawfish and all the fixins', bluegrass music, games for the yung'ins, The Ragin Cajun Crawfish Eating Contest, and our very successful silent auction. All proceeds from Daddy Crow's benefit youth summer missions. Get your tickets today in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall or purchase at germantownumc.org. Tickets on sale now! To donate an item for the silent auction, contact Debbie Churchey at dchurch@comcast.net.

4th and 5th Graders are invited to a night of food, fun and fellowship on Friday, April 15 at the Owings Life Enrichment Center. The cost is \$7 to cover the cost of food. RSVP to Michelle Johns at mjohns70@me.com or call 336-2874. (Sponsored by the Sunshine Circle, UMW)

Germentown United Methodist Preschool is accepting applications for qualified teachers for the 2011-2012 school year. Qualifications include a Child Development Associates (CDA) degree or Bachelor's degree in Education (or related field), 3 years experience in a similar setting, and love of God and children. Interested applicants should send resume to Preschool Director, Susan Bryant at sbryant@germantownumc.org

Emmaus Class Barbecue Fundraiser for Kenya Missions. Please come to the Fellowship Hall today to place an order for pork loins and baby back ribs. All orders must be paid in advance. The pickup date is Saturday, April 16, between 2-3 p.m.

Yoga at the OLEC. Increase strength and gain flexibility at our yoga class taught by Sara Carr on Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. The class works the entire body, from head to toe. Come see what it's all about!

The Men's Sunrise Prayer Group would like to extend a heartfelt invitation to all men as we begin an Interpretation Bible Study of the book of Luke. The study book is written by Thomas Walker of Palms Presbyterian Church, Jacksonville, Beach, Florida. This 10-week study will begin Tuesday morning, April 19, from 6:30-7:15 a.m. in Room 339. Feel free to join us at any time during this study. For more information, contact Bryan Barger at 752-0522 or John Phillips at 756-5434.

Staff Announcements

We are pleased to announce that **Tiffany Griffin** has accepted the position of Director of Health & Recreation Ministries at the Owings Life Enrichment Center. Tiffany and her family are devoted and involved members of Germantown UMC. Tiffany also has been most involved in our OLEC ministry as a participant and as a cycling instructor. We believe that under her leadership, our OLEC ministry will be a beacon of physical fitness programs in a Christian context. Tiffany begins her work now, but will not be fulltime for a few weeks.

While **Jason Baker** has been on our staff for the last year as Associate Director and most recently as Interim Director, the search team conducted an extensive national search for the person who could and should lead our youth ministries. After ongoing conversations and interviews with Jason and two other top notch candidates, Jason was the clear choice to be the spiritual leader of our youth ministry. Jason is already much beloved and respected by the youth, parents, and staff and is eager to develop our youth ministry into an even stronger, Christ-centered program.

Celebrate Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 17 · 8:30, 9:40 and 11 a.m. Our Habitat for Humanity volunteers will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Owings Life Enrichment Center. The Children's Choirs will present "Technicolor Promise" at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Maundy Thursday Seder Meal, April 21 · 6 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. Register at germantownumc.org or purchase tickets in the Fellowship Hall today! Free childcare (with pizza) is available for children ages 4 and under. For childcare reservations contact Renee Pearl at 754-7216 or rpearl@germantownumc.org.

Good Friday, April 22. We will observe Good Friday with a Prayer Vigil in the Sanctuary from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. You are invited to come and pray at any time during those hours. At noon on Good Friday, Rev. Steve Atkins will lead us in worship in the sanctuary.

Easter Egg Hunt, April 23 · 9 a.m. · McVay Gardens. There will be lots of fun activities, games, and of course a visit from the Easter Bunny! Please park at the Owings Life Enrichment Center.

Youth Easter Sunrise Service, April 24 · 6:30 a.m. · McVay Pavillion. Beat the regular Easter crowd and join us under the McVay Pavillion for our annual Easter Sunrise Service. The service will be led by our very own youth, and it is one you will not want to miss!

Easter Sunday, April 24 · 8:30, 9:40, and 11 a.m. On Easter, Sunday Christians rejoice, not only because Christ overcame death, but because through Him we have an everlasting hope! Children's Sunday School classes will enjoy special activities at 9:40 and 11 a.m. in the chapel.

****Ushers Needed**** Please help us make our church a place of true warmth and hospitality this Easter by being an usher! We will need as many as 12 additional ushers. Two shifts are available: 9-9:45 and 10:15-11:00. Contact Julie McKenna at 758-6514 or jmckenna@germantownumc.org.

United Methodist Men

Rev. Jack Henton, 754-7216, jhenton@germantownumc.org

Germantown UMM Breakfast. Our next breakfast meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 16, at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Mark Griffy from Personal Energy Transportation will be our guest speaker. Register at germantownumc.org or call 754-7216 by Wednesday, April 13.

United Methodist Women

Spring Luncheon • Tuesday, May 10 • 11 a.m.

David Waters, the award-winning editor and columnist for *The Commercial Appeal* will be our guest speaker. Cost is \$10 each and childcare is provided at no charge. Register at germantownumc.org or call 754-7216.

Children's Ministries

*Janelle Crist, 758-6525, jcrist@germantownumc.org
Shelley Haines 758-6512, shaines@germantownumc.org*

Elementary Grace Place. Grace Place is the Sunday School program for children in senior kindergarten through 5th grade offered from 9:40-10:40 or 11:00-12:00. All children gather in the Chapel for assembly, then proceed to classrooms by grade level groups for experiential learning. This Sunday we continue our rotation theme, "Lent: The Garden of Gethsemane."

VBS: June 13-17, 2011. Registration is now open! We are bringing on the zany kitchen fun at GUMC's "Shake it up Café: Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe" Vacation Bible School. Children age 4 (by 9/30/11) through rising 6th grade will be chefs-in-training as they explore and experience recipes for living out God's Word. Registration forms are available at Grace Place, in the Fellowship Hall, or register online at germantownumc.org.

Missions

Rev. Deborah Smith, 754-7216, dsmith@germantownumc.org

Habitat for Humanity Spring Build: April 16 and 30. Our work house is located at 3474 Trinity Park Dr., near the airport. The work day is 7:30-4:30, but you can work a half day or any combination you wish. Release forms are available at the worksite. For more information call Doug Warner at 755-9729. *You can also support Habitat for Humanity by attending our Pancake Breakfast at the OLEC on Palm Sunday, April 17.*

Caldwell-Guthrie Elementary School. Many opportunities are available to serve in April: April 11-15—TCAP Achievement Test Proctors, April 26—Redbirds Education Day, April 28—ThinkShow Juror. Contact Shirlee Clark at shirleemclark@att.net or 867-4029 for more information.

Violets for Africa. Honor or remember that special woman in your life on Mother's Day by purchasing an African Violet to benefit our missions work to AIDS orphans in Kenya. This summer will mark the 5th year that Germantown UMC has sent a team to Maua, Kenya! African Violets may be picked up at the Owings Life Enrichment Center on Saturday morning, May 7, or in the Fellowship Hall on Mother's Day, May 8. Forms are available at the Information Center. The names will be listed in a special bulletin insert on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8.

Watoto de Afrika: Friday, May 6, 7 p.m. Watoto de Afrika, a children's African Folk and Percussion Dance Ensemble, will present an African dance performance in our sanctuary to benefit our work with AIDS orphans in Kenya. This will be a fun and high-energy evening designed for the entire family. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Purchase your tickets at germantownumc.org or in the Fellowship Hall today!

Donate Your Used Magazines. As a part of our church's missions endeavors, we need your gently used magazines for all interests—ladies, hobbies, mechanics, outdoors, sports, children's, etc. This magazine drive will be an ongoing mission and outreach program for Methodist LeBonheur Hospital-Germantown. If you'd like to participate, drop off your magazines at the Drop Off Closet near the Welcome Center. Please clip off your name and address label from the magazine.

Student Ministries

Jason Baker, 758-6515, jbaker@germantownumc.org

Element, our version of United Methodist Youth Fellowship, meets on Sunday nights in the OLEC from 6-8 p.m. A snack supper is available for \$3. Tonight is a very special surprise Element, so we need all of you there to be able to pull off the surprise! We'll see you at 6!

Senior Packets Due April 24. Seniors, please make note of the due date of April 24 for your Senior Packet. Details were mailed to you at home this week. If you have a senior who would like to be recognized/included in the banquet and did not receive a packet, email Jessica Webster at jwebster@germantownumc.org. Senior Recognition Sunday is May 15, and the Senior Banquet will take place that evening at the OLEC.