

FROM THE PASTOR

The holidays are here! What a joyful time of the year! The season of Advent and the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is and should be a celebratory time for God's children. Make a special effort this year to share with those around you who may not know Christ why this is such a special time in your life each year. Look for those who are lonely, those who are without, those who have needs, and let them see Jesus in you! Don't forget to share with your own family the wonderful moments of our come and go Christmas Eve candlelight communion from 5:30-6:30. This has become a very special time for me each Christmas, and I pray that is has for you and your family as well. A loving and caring church family like ours make each Christmas very special for me and my family. May God bless you and your family greatly this year as we celebrate our Savior's birth together.

Bro Joey



Session Minutes for October 2013 - by Gwen Hromada

- **FINANCIAL REPORT** - Financial report reviewed. On motion, accepted.
- **WORSHIP COMMITTEE** - We will have a special service on Nov. 17th—Denominational Awareness and Missionaries. On motion, accepted.
- **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Average attendance for September – adults 14...children 7. On motion, accepted.
- **FELLOWSHIP:** Annual BBQ another success. Served over 130 individual plates. Profit will be added to the Change for Change fund to help pay off the ceiling renovations. Plan to have a "Game Night" once a quarter. Planning a Prime Timers outing for Nov. 15th. Next women's ministry meeting will be on Nov. 29th at 11 AM. On motion, accepted.
- **BUILDING & GROUNDS:** Roof was fixed. Will begin to save money for new roof for both buildings which is needed within next three years. Refrigerator repaired. Donation of ice machine for kitchen by member. On motion, accepted.
- **COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY:** Nothing for this month
- **YOUTH AND CHILDREN:** Hayride is a possibly in November...need to check with the Long's. Looking to schedule Denominational Headquarters visit. On motion, accepted
- **OLD BUSINESS:** Special Pot Luck on October 25th to honor missionaries from Guatemala. Decided to give them special donation.
- **NEW BUSINESS:** Christmas program will be Dec. 22. Election of new elders will be on Dec. 1 during congregational meeting.

Youth Christmas Card Delivery

Save your postage on Christmas Cards to our church family - instead bring your cards to church and "mail" them here in the mailbox in the front foyer! Our youth will "deliver" your cards to our church family members! You can then donate your postage to the youth fund! The youth will deliver cards each Sunday prior to worship service. They will deliver through Dec. 22. This is a neat fundraiser for our youth - your support of our youth is always greatly appreciated!



The Morning Sun Cumberland Presbyterian Church Session Elders have nominated Brian Gibson and Darrel Gambill as Elder's to replace Joe Hromada and Jim Doriot, who will be rotating off of the session after their 3 year service.

REMINDER: Congregational Meeting Dec. 1 immediately after worship service



The Women's Ministry Group will NOT meet during the month of December—they will resume in January. They are asking that the ladies of the church fill the freezer with casseroles—either homemade or store bought. These meals will be used to help any

families in need! If you need more information, please see Debby Roe or Barbara Stewart.



Fill the Freezer

The Tale of the Candy Cane



The account of the candy cane's origins circulates every Christmas season and is more likely a fun story than historical fact. No matter; tales often contain truth. This tasty treat can convey important elements of our Christian faith.

The stripes remind us of the heart of Christmas, our Savior, Jesus: white for his purity; red for his blood shed on the cross. The candy cane resembles the curved staffs of the shepherds — the first people to visit the Christ-Child and worship at the manger. And when the cane is turned upside down, it becomes a letter J, for "Jesus."

Indeed, Jesus turns our lives upside down and inverts our presumptions: A poor baby born in a stable becomes King of kings and Lord of lords; enemies aren't for hating but loving; blessings aren't for hoarding but sharing; the world works for war, but Jesus calls us to live in peace; receiving is better than giving; sinners are made saints; and death is conquered as God grants us eternal life.



- Helen Alexander,
- Barbara Albright,
- Mark Archibald,
- Delta Black,
- Kym Borders,
- Joe Caldwell,
- Angie Campbell,
- Jimmy Clay,
- Tom Collins,
- Adian Conway,
- Nell Coulter,
- Lou Davidson,
- Julia Deeks,
- Lily Doriot,
- Jim Doriot,
- David Edwards,
- Joan Edwards,
- Allen Ellis,
- Jonnita Franklin,
- Joe Frazier,
- Mr. Frost,
- Mrs. Gambill,
- Mrs. Gibson,
- Cody Glover,
- Oscar Grafton,
- Linda Grant,
- Barbara Gregory,
- Crystal Griffin,
- Roy Hamblin,
- Michael & Shirley Hansen,
- Jim Hargrove,
- Heather Harper,
- John Harrington,
- Jim Hartwell,
- Kevin Harwell,

- Nancy Hayes,
- Tommy Hays,
- Adam Hill,
- Faye Hill,
- The Family of Virgil Hilliard,*
- Carter Horn,
- Alice Howard,
- Louise Hyder,
- Mary Jernigan,
- James Johnson,
- Harry Jones,
- Leslie Jones,
- Sylvia Kendall,
- Robert Kermit,
- Freddie King,
- The Family of Harold King,*
- Ruby Knight,
- Mildred Lane,
- Donnie Langston,
- Kenny Lemonds,
- Michelle Leonard,
- Jullian Long,
- Olivia Long,
- Joni Lyons,
- Tyler Manning,
- Cliff McCaa,
- Bonnie McKnight,
- David Melton,
- Dorothy Mendenhall,
- Carole Mestemacher,
- Jason & Suzanne Mickel,
- Ben Miller,
- Owen Miller,
- Beth Morris,
- James Morris,
- Jason Morris,
- Tim Neal,
- Amy Paige,
- Larry Parker,
- Anne & Ralph Parker,
- Roberta & Steve Powell,
- Duncan Quigley
- Grace Richardson,
- Jim Richardson,

- Harold Riggins,
- Joyce Riggins,
- Wanda Rimer,
- Darrell Roberts,
- Lee Roberts,
- William Roberts,
- Matthew Rose,
- Pam Rutherford,
- Paula Shook,
- Todd Shown,
- Chip Smith,
- Mark Smith,
- Lawson Stafford,
- Chris Stevens,
- Sandy Stevens,
- Tracy Strawn,
- Anne & Jeremy Swenson,
- Jim Terry,
- Pat Todd,
- Trevor Treadaway,
- Dale Vaughn,
- Sutton Warren,
- C.R. Waters,
- Sarah White,
- Betty Jo Wiggins,
- Leon Williams,
- Maggie Wilson,
- Walter & Verlon Yager,
- The Morning Sun Session,
- Our Missionaries,
- The Lost and Unsaved,
- The Homeless Group,
- Our Nation's Leaders,
- Military & Families,
- Shelby & Fayette Co. Schools
- Typhoon Victims in Philippines
- Tornado Victims in IL and KY





Hello Morning Sun,

It is hard to believe that Christmas is almost here! You know what that means, it is time to prepare for the Christmas Program! If you have youth or children, please make sure they are in Sunday School as often as possible over the next few weeks so that they can practice! Also, if any adults are interested in doing special music (singing or instrumental), sharing poems, or being a reader, please let me know as soon as possible!

The youth will be visiting the Denominational Center on either Friday Dec 30th or Monday Jan 2nd. When the Center lets me know which day will be best, I will announce it in church. Many of you have expressed interest in joining us. Please do! This event is open to everyone. We will also enjoy at time of fellowship either before or after the event by grabbing a meal or snack!

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who helped during our Denominational Awareness Sunday service. I appreciate all those who have helped to raise awareness through their prayers, bulletin inserts, and posters, as well as all of those who helped with singing, reading and more! Thank you! Please continue to remember all of our missionaries in your prayers.

Peace,
Brittany



Dates To Remember

- Dec. 1—Congregational Meeting to elect new elders for 2014
- Dec. 1—First Sunday of Advent— Peace
- Dec. 8—Second Sunday of Advent—Hope
- Dec. 14—Church wide Christmas Party—Gary & Debby Roe's home 6:00 PM
- Dec. 15—Third Sunday of Advent—Love
- Dec. 15—Session Meeting—immediately after worship service
- Dec. 22—Fourth Sunday of Advent—Joy
- Dec. 22—Christmas Program during worship service
- Dec. 24—Christmas Eve Come & Go Communion—5:30—6:30 PM
- Dec. 25—Christmas Day—Happy Birthday, Jesus
- Dec. 31—New Year's Eve



COUNTED FOR CHRIST



WEEK OF:	ATTENDANCE	TITHES and OFFERINGS
11/03/13	32	\$ 1,865.00
11/10/13	41	\$ 1,183.00
11/17/13	40	\$ 1,130.00



When? Saturday, Dec. 14th

Time? 6:00 PM

Where? Gary & Debby Roe's Garage

Address? 215 Yancey Road, Rossville, TN

Bring your favorite Finger Food!



Change For Change!

We are using the funds collected in Change for Change to pay off the sanctuary renovations. Please bring your loose change and add it to the jar - every little bit helps!

Collected to Date: 9,862.00
Balance needed \$2,613



Change for
Change Fund

\$ 9,837.00

Jayne Savage—10th
Joe Frazier—11th
Drake Long—14th
Gary Roe—19th
Kym Borders—24th
Janelle Doriot—27th
Hunter Rose - 31



Happy Birthday!

Merry Christmas!

Prime Timers Update!

The first meeting of the Prime Timers Club was a great success. There were 9 folks that attended the devotion which was led by Rev. Debbie

Marshall from Holly Grove, CPC in Brighton. Then everyone loaded up for a great meal at Old Tymer's Restaurant in Millington!

The next meeting will be in either Feb. or March!! Be on the lookout for more information about a scheduled date, speaker, and place to eat!



PRIME-TIME
OUTING

Morning Sun Cumberland Presbyterian Church

2682 Morning Sun Road

Cordova, TN 38016

Sunday School - 9:45 AM

Morning Worship - 11:00 AM



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Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Where the Son Shines!

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Joey Edwards.....901-573-7579 (Cell Phone).....901-867-7271 (Home



CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION

Come and Go

Dec. 24

5:30—6:30 PM

Casual Dress

No Reservations Required

Families Working Together To Do God's Will.

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