



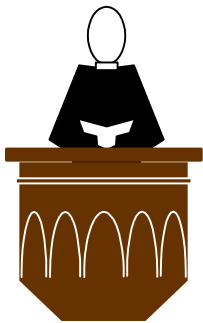
ZION ALERT

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From the Pastor



When I was growing up one of the magazines that we subscribed to was the Reader's Digest. One of my favorite sections was "laughter is the best medicine." In this section people would send in short quips that would share a brief story that would lift your spirits and put a smile on your

face. In the last several weeks we have experienced the death of several of our members and also several deaths in our extended community. I was sharing this information with my older sister and she responded by forwarding the following email to me. The email reminded me how laughter can be used in the healing process. The laughter in no way replaces our loss, nor is it intended to make light of the reality of death, but to offer a brief respite from our grief. So I share this obituary with you with all the puns intended.

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Buttersworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was considered a very smart cookie, but wasted much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions....

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children; Dough, Jane Dough, and Dosey Dough. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If this made you smile for even a brief second, please rise to the occasion and take time to pass it on and share that smile with someone else who may be having a crumby day and kneads a lift.

Shalom,
Lowry



World Day of Prayer

St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Friday, March 5, 2010
7:00 p.m.

Avg. Attendance for February

Sunday School - 112
Worship - 169

Ushers

8:30 a.m.
Brent Richardson
Jonathan Richardson
10:30 a.m.
Mark Hockman
Callie Hockman
Mike Haney
Rett Haney
Josh Haney

Altar Flowers

Mar. 7 - Jim and Barbara Barber
Mar. 14 - Rhett and Edna Marie Fellers
Mar. 21 - Ralph and Violet Hamm
Mar. 28 - Daniel and Sheron Quattlebaum

Nursery

Mar. 7 - Marianne and Josh Haney
Mar. 14 - Jenny Fellers and Connie Fellers
Mar. 21 - Christy Brown and Dana Boozer
Mar. 28 - Meg Davis and Heidi Corley

Acolyte

Mar. 7 - Summer Parkman
Mar. 14 - Lauren Shealy
Mar. 21 - Storm Hamby
Mar. 28 - Jonah Bedenbaugh

Fundraiser

During an upcoming Avon campaign in March, Mrs. Judy Moore will donate her profits to the Deanna Meade Fund. Please take advantage of this opportunity to help Deanna, the great-granddaughter of Mr. Cloyd Chapman. Contact Janie Morris at 364-3915 or Carol Marse to get an Avon book as they become available. More details will follow. All help will be greatly appreciated.

****CELEBRATIONS****

*Souper Bowl raised \$350. The money was given to the Oliver Gospel Mission. With over 9000 groups reporting, Souper Bowl raised over 2 million dollars.
*Thanks to all who stayed for the Soup and Sandwich lunch to support the Koinonia Circle.
*We had a wonderful Ash Wednesday Service February 17, 2010.
*Zion put together over 200 health kits Sunday, February 21, 2010.
*Zion raised over \$2000 for UMCOR - Haiti Relief.

March

Proverbs

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Koinonia Circle will meet Monday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Allison Elswick and Marcia Miller will host the meeting.

The Laura Bedenbaugh Circle will meet Tuesday, March 2 at 11:00 a.m. The program leader will be Violet Hamm and hostesses are Mary Moore and Joanne Newman.

The Naomi-Ruth Circle will meet Thursday, March 18 at 11:30 a.m. The program leader and hostess will be Sara Ruff.

The next joint UMW meeting will be held **Sunday, April 11 at 5:00 p.m.** The Naomi-Ruth Circle will host this meeting.

MEN'S CLUB

The Zion Men's Club met Monday, February 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. There were 23 members present.

Mrs. Ettie and Larry Killian & Julie and Jason Barnes cooked and served a delicious meal. Jason Barnes gave the devotional.

The club voted to donate \$300 to Health Kits for Haiti Relief. There are 100 quarts of frozen turkey stew remaining. Please call Terry Fellers if you enjoy turkey stew.

We voted to sponsor a deer hunt this fall for disabled veterans through the Freedom Isn't Free Lodge.

The club is planning to have our Boston Butt BBQ on May 29, 2010. There will be more details later.

The cooking captains for March are Mickey Wilson and Daniel Quattelbaum. David Crouch is the devotion leader for March.

YOUTH NEWS

The UMYF has been going strong since the first of the year. We attended the first annual Revolution in Columbia. This is a youth retreat that the SC United Methodist Conference is starting. It is taking the place of the retreat we used to go to at Springmaid. We had 16 youth attend. A big "Thank You" to Mr. Junior Parkman and Mr. Brent Richardson for going along to chaperone. We were also really glad that Chase Hamm got home from Memphis just in time to go too. It was a great experience! We are already talking about next year's trip.

We also want to thank everyone for giving so generously on Souper Bowl Sunday. We received \$350 which was sent to the Oliver Gospel Mission.

We appreciate all of you stopping by to visit the concession stand at the Upward basketball games. We have been doing well and it gives us a little extra money for upcoming projects and trips.

We had a great crowd that traveled to Epting UMC on Feb. 21 for Sub-district. Two Newberry College students talked to the youth about how the decisions they make affect everyone around them. After some activities, we enjoyed a meal of hamburgers and hot dogs. Thank you to Mrs. Marcia Miller, who helped us with transportation. The UMYF is growing and that means we need more room.

We appreciate all that you do to support us. We are looking forward to spring and warmer weather!!! God bless each of you!

OUTREACH

Zion members continue to be actively involved in outreach activities. Here are some highlights of a few of the deserving organizations with which Zion partners. Please pray that God will be glorified in the use of our gifts dedicated to these ministries, and for our continued ability and willingness to reach out for opportunities to serve others.

Epworth Children's Home - Thanks to you, giving from UM churches increased in 2009. The average total went from \$4.75 in 2008 to \$5.76 in 2009—a \$1 increase per member! An increase such as this during this difficult economic time is commendable. Mark your calendars for the Mother's Day Offering on May 9.

Manna House - During the Christmas season, M/H shared large quantities of donated food items, candy and toys with "Sister Care," and also with the Sheriff's Office personnel, who arranged for policemen to distribute candy and toys to children on the street. This benevolence was extremely well received. Student participation from county-wide schools was excellent again in 2009. Both green beans and corn are especially plentiful at the M/H pantry. Continual special emphasis items of need are: sugar, grits, powdered milk, Jello, canned meats, and canned fruit. During 2009, 455 families (a total of 896 individuals) were served from the Manna House food pantry. Zion food collection boxes have been placed at each of these locations: 1) front entrance of the Sanctuary, 2) next to the water cooler (adjacent to the restrooms in the rear of the Sanctuary), and 3) in the main entrance of the Family Life Center. Designated collection date is the third Sunday of each month. However, food items can be deposited in collection boxes at any time. Zion is one of 20 churches in the area that provides volunteers to distribute food items to needy families in the local area. Serving as Manna House volunteers for the week of February 22 were: Shelby Wilson, Mildred Tyler, Dot Connelly, Cedralia Stevens, Carol Marse, Mary Moore, Larry Killian, Donna Kennedy, and Peggy Koon.

Oliver Gospel Mission: Did you know that in 2009, OGM arranged for 2488 men to take life skill classes such as: financial and time management, computer, interpersonal relations, and pre-employment skills such as resume writing to better equip them for responsible living? OGM volunteers packed 500 boxes of turkey dinners for needy families in Columbia? OGM served over 76,000 meals to Columbia's homeless in 2009? Critical needs are: toilet paper, cleaning supplies, coffee, hot cocoa mix, canned vegetables and fruit, printer paper, Kool-aid, and soap.

Haiti Relief - On Sunday, February 21 members of Sunday School classes of all ages met jointly in the gym of the Family Life Center to assemble health kits for the Haitian people. Rev. Drennen gave participants an update of the current situation in Haiti. Over 200 kits were donated.



Special Gifts to the Budget

In memory of Kissie Worrell

By: Jerry and Peggy Koon
 Betty and Ollie Dominick
 Daniel, Sheron, Leila Kate, and Hannah
 Quattlebaum
 George and Della Rexrode

In memory of John Richardson by Daniel, Sheron, Leila
 Kate, and Hannah Quattlebaum.

In memory of William Bray by Esther Mae Bray and fam-
 ily.

In honor of Marianne and Rett Haney on their birthdays by
 Esther Mae Bray.

In memory of Earl Kelly

By: Mr. and Mrs. James Cannon
 Employees of Hampton Automotive
 Anne B. Shealy
 Wilbur and Kate Sightler
 Mr. and Mrs. James L. Swittenberg
 Richard and Ella Mae Till
 Donna Reed Waldrep
 Valorie Onley
 Oscar and Marian Bowers
 Daniel, Sheron, Leila Kate, and Hannah Quattle
 baum.

In memory of Gerry Bedenbaugh by Jerry and Peggy
 Koon.

In honor of Edna Marie Fellers by Jerry and Peggy Koon.

In memory of Martha Henson by Laura Bedenbaugh Cir-
 cle.

In memory of Berdie French

By: Garrett and Inge Lipscomb
 Oscar and Marian Bowers
 Daniel, Sheron, Leila Kate, and Hannah Quattle
 baum.

*Special Gifts to Church
 Improvement Fund*

In memory of Kissie Worrell

By: Ed and Sue Green
 Lydia Fellowship Class
 Mary Moore
 Young-At-Heart
 Zion UMW

In memory of John Richardson by Ed and Sue Green.

In memory of Earl Kelly by Walter and Nellie Morris.

In memory of Berdie French

By: Zion UMW
 Lydia Fellowship Class
 Young-At-Heart

In memory of Gerry Bedenbaugh by Mary Moore.

Special Gifts to Cemetery

In memory of Kissie Worrell

By: Joanne Newman
 Doris Webb
 Bruce and Dot Connelly
 Milton and Diane Dennis

In memory of Earl Kelly

By: Bruce and Dot Connelly
 Anthony and Missy Dennis
 Milton and Diane Dennis
 Joanne Newman
 Doris Webb
 Steve and Karen Freshley

In memory of Gerry Bedenbaugh

By: Glenn and Joy Fellers
 Judy and Bo Hamm
 Doris Webb
 Hannah Hallman
 Harry and Lunelle Harmon
 Julia and Walt Langford
 Joanne Newman and Glenn Hamm
 Bob and Alice Faye Shealy
 Geneva Wall
 Elizabeth Ann Wise
 Stacy, Beck, Taylor, and Katelynn Boozer
 Kenneth and Gloria Bowers
 Huger, Anne, Kristin, and Huger Caughman,
 Jr.
 Bill Engen, Andy Leitzsey, & Jan Tramell
 Billy and Polly Dill
 Wyman Dominick
 Joel and Katie Dutton
 Terry and Susan Fellers
 Jimmie and Sandra Glymph
 Lt. Col. William Crapps

In memory of Berdie French by Laura Bedenbaugh
 Circle.

Special Gifts to Youth

In memory of Kissie Worell

By: Jake and Becky Boozer & family
 Judy and Bo Hamm
 Ralph and Violet Hamm
 Gordon and Janie Morris
 Walter and Nellie Morris
 Bob and Alice Faye Shealy
 Laura Bedenbaugh Circle
 Frances and Bryan Counts
 Friendly Roadrunners Club
 Cornelius and Madeline Hipp
 Leo and Judy Jennings
 Marcia Miller

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pingleton
Robert and Sara Ruff
Rudy and Jeanette Barnes
Gloria Erickson and family
Joan Holmquist
Junior and Renee Parkman
Gordon Shore, Jr., Gordon III, Lisa and Angel
Wanda Livingston
Oscar and Marian Bowers
Gay Davenport

In memory of John Richardson by Charles, Sherry, Will, and Alex Bedenbaugh.

In memory of Gerry Bedenbaugh
By: Ralph and Violet Hamm
Gordon and Janie Morris

In memory of Earl Kelly by Ralph and Violet Hamm.

In memory of Berdie French by Ralph and Violet Hamm.

In honor of Rett Haney on his 18th birthday by Robert and Sara Ruff.

Special Gifts

To UMCOR—Haiti Relief

In memory of Kissie Worrell By Glenn and Joy Fellers.
In honor of Emory Hipp by Glenn and Joy Fellers.
In honor of Judy Hamm by Glenn and Joy Fellers.
In memory of Earl Kelly by Glenn and Joy Fellers.
In honor of Bob and Alice Faye Shealy by Judy and Bo Hamm.

To the Bus Fund:

In memory of Kissie Worrell
By: Terry and Susan Fellers
Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Tyler
Keith and Jeanette Boozer

In honor of Emory Hipp by Terry and Susan Fellers.
In memory of John Richardson by Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Tyler.

In memory of Earl Kelly
By: Terry and Susan Fellers
Keith and Jeanette Boozer

In memory of Martha Henson by Joanne Newman.
In memory of Gerry Bedenbaugh by Keith and Jeanette Boozer.

To the Banner Ministry:

In memory of Kissie Worrell by Steve and Karen Freshley.

30 Cokesbury Hymnals given by Doris Webb
(10 in memory of Bobby Webb, 10 in honor of UM Kids, 10 in honor of Zion UMYF)
1 Tea Beverage Dispenser, 1 Lemonade Dispenser
3 Air Pots, 1 Food Cart, 4 Platters, 12 Bowls and Dishes given in memory of Bobby G. Webb by Doris Webb.

To UM Kids:

In memory of Martha Henson by Ralph and Violet Hamm.

To Upward:

In honor of George and Della Rexrode by Oscar and Marian Bowers.



Zion extends sympathy to the following:

Pat Jones and family on the death of her mother, Berdie French.

Bo and Judy Hamm and family on the death of her cousin, Dot Jackson.

George and Della Rexrode and family on the death of her sister, Martha Henson.

Milton and Elizabeth Longshore on the death of his brother, Harold Longshore.

YOUNG-AT-HEART

The Zion Young-At-Heart met February 16, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center meeting room with 9 present. Ralph welcomed everyone and opened with prayer. A note was read that a memorial had been received from the church for Kissie. The treasurer's report was given by Mary Moore.

Mary had our program—a story of the Most Magical Valentine and a poem "Tell Her". She also shared some funny moments and the poem "HUGS" and a story of some squirrels that we remembered.

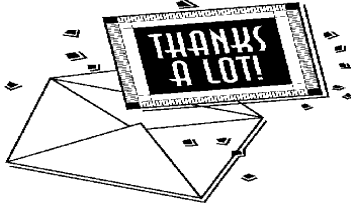
Lowry closed with prayer and blessing for our lunch at the Stable Restaurant.

Lunch for March will be soup, sandwiches, cornbread, and desserts.

See you March 16.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of Kissie Worrell, the church received an abundance of kitchen items for our use. All of these will be used and we will remember her and the love she had for and shared with Zion Church in her years as a devoted member.



The family of Gerry Bedenbaugh wishes to thank the ladies of Zion UMC for the delicious lunch that was served to our family after the funeral service on February 15, 2010. Each and every dish from the entrees to the vegetables to the desserts was scrumptious. All of us felt comforted and special due to the attention given to us by the servers.

We cannot begin to express how much we appreciated not only the lunch, but the calls, visits, and food that was brought in to the home. We certainly realize how many people loved and respected our mother and grandmother.

Again, thank you to everyone who had a part in making lunch for our family after the service. Our thanks comes from the bottoms of our hearts.

To All our Zion Friends:

Thank you so much for your kindness and delicious food for our family and friends. My Dad would have been so happy with everything you did. Thanks from the bottom of my heart.

Pat Swittenberg

To the Pastor:

Thank you for the beautiful service and all your special visits to Earl Kelly in his time of illness. He was a great "Dad", Granddad and Great-Granddad to all of us.

To everyone who gave a memorial to the church, gave me a hug, sent a card, or was just kind and friendly, please accept this note from me and my family in case I left out someone. Thanks from the heart!

Thanks again,
Pat Swittenberg and family

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I just wanted to write a quick note to say "Thank you" for bringing Upward Basketball to our area. My son Charles is playing on the team coached by Artie Livingston and Brian Fulmer and the experience has been wonderful.

I had heard good things about the Upward program, but this ministry has far exceeded my expectations. The coaches, volunteers, referees, fans and players have done an outstanding job of being representatives of Christ.

Please pass along my thanks to everyone at Zion who had the vision to bring Upward to this community; and to those servants who obediently answered this call to service—especially Ty Fellers (even though he is a Clemson fan—ha, ha)

God Bless Zion,
Trey Taylor

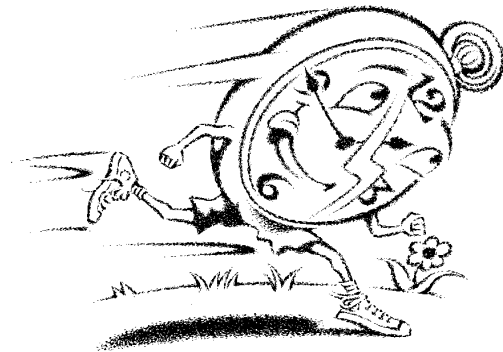
Dear Zion congregation,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the food, cards, and visits for Garrett and myself in the past few months. I hope and pray that we can return to church again soon. I miss all of you. Most of all I miss the choir.

In Christian love,
Garrett and Inge C. Lipscomb



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 14th.
Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour
before going to bed Saturday, March 13th.



March Calendar and Birthdays

| Sun. | Mon. 1 | Tue. 2 | Wed. 3 | Thur. 4 | Fri. 5 | Sat. 6 |
|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|
| | Koinonia Circle, 7:00 p.m. | Adventure Group, 10:00 a.m. Laura Bedenbaugh 11:00 a.m. Bible Study, 12:00 p.m. WISH Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. | Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. <i>Stacy Boozer</i> | <i>Ruth Boozer Cedalia Stevens Tony Barnes</i> | World Day of Prayer at St. Luke's 7:00 p.m. | Potter's Clay 7:00 a.m. |
| 7 UM Kids 5:00 p.m. <i>Mark Hockman Heather Barnes</i> | 8 Men's Club, 7:00 p.m. <i>Margie Langford</i> | 9 Adventure Group, 10:00 a.m. Bible Study, 12:00 p.m. WISH Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. | 10 Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. <i>Jeffrey Fellers</i> | 11 <i>Todd Bedenbaugh Jessica Folk</i> | 12 <i>Connie Fellers Timothy Franklin</i> | 13 Potter's Clay, 7:00 a.m. <i>Glynnis Abraham</i> |
| 14 Men's Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. UMYF 6:00 p.m. <i>Edna Marie Fellers</i> | 15 | 16 Adventure Group, 10:00 a.m. Young-At-Heart 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 12:00 p.m. WISH Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. <i>Beth Drennen</i> | 17 Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. | 18 Naomi-Ruth Circle, 11:30 a.m. <i>Judy Jennings</i> | 19 | 20 Potter's Clay, 7:00 a.m. |
| 21 Manna House Sunday Committee Meet- ings 5:30 p.m. Administrative Council 6:30 p.m. <i>Bruce Connelly</i> | 22 | 23 Adventure Group, 10:00 a.m. Bible Study, 12:00 p.m. WISH Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. <i>Steve Shealy Lisa Shealy</i> | 24 | 25 Newsletter Info Due <i>Jamie Bowers</i> | 26 <i>Gloria Bowers</i> | 27 Potter's Clay, 7:00 a.m. |
| 28 UMYF 6:00 p.m. | 29 <i>Karen Bowers</i> | 30 Adventure Group, 10:00 a.m. Bible Study, 12:00 p.m. WISH Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. <i>Karen Freshley</i> | 31 Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. <i>Ollie Dominick</i> | | | |

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In Memoriam

Kathryn "Kissie" Hendrickson Worrell
November 23, 1924 - January 28, 2010

In Memoriam

Earl Kelly
August 29, 1925 - February 2, 2010

In Memoriam

Geraldine "Gerry" Riley Bedenbaugh
August 25, 1928 - February 13, 2010