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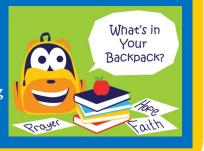
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Please join us on July 23rd during our worship service at 10:45 as we have a special time of prayer. Parents, teachers and children are encouraged to bring their backpacks to the service to be blessed.





Total financial gifts for June

Budget (General) \$35,972.34

Cap. Improvement \$5.997.00

Discretionary Fund \$260.00

Kitchen \$390.00

Memorials \$276.00

Misc. Fund \$100.00

Missions \$747.00

Thank you for your generous support for the ministries of our church.

REV. DAVID MOSELEY

During July and August, we will have an interim pastor who is very familiar with Crittenden County, Rev. David Moseley.

Bro. David comes to us from Hot Springs, but served in West Memphis for several years. He is married to Carol Moseley and they have two children and



three grandchildren. One daughter is Stacie Bratton who resides in Benton with her husband John and their son, Jacob and daughter, Madelyn. Their other daughter is Susan Pierce who resides in Paragould with her husband, Zach and their daughter Katherine.

Bro. David is a graduate of Bryant High School, received his BA at Henderson State University and his Master of Divinity at Perkins School of Theology, SMU. His ministry took him from Texas to Arkansas. Most recent appointments were West Memphis First UMC from 2009 – 2016 and his last appointment before retirement in 2020 was at Hot Springs First UMC.

Happy Birthday



(7/1) Bill Adams, Lynda Avery, Emily Burns (7/3) Melissa Sargent (7/4) Tyler Carey, Aiden Carey, Mary Peyton Bell, Whitten Morris, Don Nelson, Jr. (7/5) Susan Griffee, Leslie Brick (7/6) Kelly Fogleman (7/7) Elliot Allen, Kristen Catt, Lee Catt III, Alex King, Avery Knych (7/8) Laura Helms (7/9) Mark Miller (7/11) Mickey Charlton (712) Marcia Sutton (7/14) Sandra Hall (7/15) Berklee Scifres (7/16) Amy Henderson (7/17) Eme Claire Bius, Tony Gardner (7/18) Brian Doyle, Will Wright (7/20) Lisa Heath, Mike Sample, Kaleigh Busby (7/21) Alan Helms (7/23) Vickie Sample (7/24) Patricia Jones (7/26) Denny East, Meghan Fowler, Missy King (7/27) Lee Catt IV, Catherine Catt (7/28) Julie Burns, David Catt (7/29) Caroline Bernard, Taylor Conrad, Sam Stuckey, Stephen Jones

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



VBS was held June 18th –22nd. Each night was filled with singing, dancing, crafts, games, Bible stories and food.



Top left picture: The children made Hero

capes with matching masks.

Bottom left picture: Learning songs and dances for the final night event.



During VBS, our oldest kids - 5th and 6th graders - have been serving God by doing mission work! Each night they spent time in our food pantry closet sorting cans and filling boxes for our summer food program. These boxes of food will be delivered to families in our community.

SUMMER FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Our food pantry and summer food distribution is serving 14 families with a total of 57 children this summer. We are providing a food box containing a variety of canned vegetables, non perishables, breakfast and snack options. We also provide milk, eggs, cheese and meats.

We need help with distributing to the homes during July. Our dates for delivery are July 7 and July 21. Please contact the church office if you can help assist with this mission.



PROMOTION SUNDAY

The Children's Ministries promoted children to the next grade level on Sunday, June 18th. During the promotion, our upcoming fourth graders received Spark Bibles. This year we had 8 fourth graders. Pictured are Thomas Entrekin, Amelia Phillips and Gwen Wright. Those not pictured are: Troy Cole, Hayes Doyle, Urban Holt, Ross Williams and Apperson Williams.



Youth Mission Trip

MUMC goes to Wynne!

Top picture is of Grace Episcopal Church as it stood for 105 years in Wynne, AR. The picture below shows how it looks today after the devastating tornado that swept through the town in March and reduced it to not much more than a big pile of bricks. While the church itself had been closed for 8 years prior to the tornado due to attrition, the one-room building remained on the National Register of Historical Places after being listed there in 1992. Our youth spent three days to help salvage the antique bricks. Equipped with only hammers and chisels, these kids (plus two mamas and a youth leader!) worked tirelessly to chip, scrape, and sand mortar off the bricks before stacking them on pallets. Our team completed approximately 2,000 bricks!

What's next for these bricks? After at least ten pallets have been filled, they will be moved to Trinity Cathedral in Little Rock where they will be used to build a columbarium. Pretty cool stuff.

It's not often you see kids giving up their summer days to work hard all day out in the sun, all for the good of others. And they did it with no complaints! They plan to return to Wynne on Tuesday and Wednesday to chip away at more bricks. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to join them!









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