

The Messenger

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THE BIBLE: GOD'S REVELATION

The Holy Bible is the revelation of God's love for us! It begins with God's creative love and concludes with the revelation of God's gracious love in Jesus Christ. Although we speak of the Bible as having two testaments, the revelation they proclaim is the same: God is a gracious, caring God who desires that we live an abundant life of faith, hope, and love. The mission and ministry of Jesus is understood more fully as we see it in the context and knowledge of the Old Testament. The story of God's love begins in the Old Testament and finds fulfillment in the love of Jesus Christ in the New Testament. It takes both Testaments to tell the whole story. Thus, to study the Old Testament is to undertake a journey in the Word that leads ultimately to God's greatest expression of truth, life, and love: the gift of Jesus Christ to the world!

In a few weeks a new short-termed Disciple Bible Study entitled "An Invitation to the Old Testament" will begin at our church. Two small groups of fifteen will journey through the Old Testament, seeking to understand more fully God's revelation to us. I would like to invite you to consider being a part of one of these small groups of fifteen. One group will meet on Thursday nights at 7:00 until 8:30 and the other on Friday mornings at 10:00 until 11:30. Both groups will meet in the conference room in the Crossway (office building). The study begins with an Orientation Class on either August 21 or 22. Each participant will receive a manual (\$9) which will guide the class through the eight sessions of the "Invitation to the Old Testament" study.

How to Sign Up for "Invitation to the Old Testament"

Please sign up for the study by calling the church office at 987-1852 and placing your name on the "Invitation to the Old Testament" study list. Due to the small group nature of the class, enrollment is limited to fifteen at each session.

Blessings!

Rev. Roland E. Fall

Facilitator for the "Invitation to the Old Testament" Study

The Church At Worship

9:00 AM and 11:00 AM
Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams

Evening Worship Service
Rev. Billy Kimbrel
Special Music
Gene Salyer, clarinet

Sunday Worship Volunteers August 3

GREETERS

9:00 A.M. Dawn and Billy Jerles	11:00 A.M. Hatsie Kinsley Jane Whipple
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ACOLYTES

9:00 A.M. Jackie Baird John Edward Baird	11:00 A.M. TBA
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AUGUST

August 4 - Houston County Schools begin classes
August 13 - Westfield School begins classes
August 17 - Camp Meeting Services
August 24 - PUMC Promotion Sunday
August 24 - PraiSing - First Baptist Church

CenterStage For Christ

Presents

Michael and Diane Kinsley

in

“I HOPE YOU CAN SWIM”

Make your reservations by 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday before the luncheon. If you make a reservation and find that you cannot attend, please call the church office and cancel by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday before the luncheon. If cancellation is not made by the deadline, the payment of \$5 per person is due. For reservations call 987-1852.

Prime
Time
Luncheon



Thursday
August 7
12:00 Noon
Fellowship Hall



IT'S A GIRL!

John Gray and Sharon Walker are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Sophie Marie, born on July 28.

PRAY
FOR
OUR
MILITARY



Justin Dunnam, brother of
Aimee Curtis

**Capt. Elmo Cooper Wright, III and
Lt. William R. Wright**, grandsons of Elmo and
Elaine Wright

**Capt. Brandon Perdue, Lt. Barrett Perdue,
Capt. Jeff McFarland, PFC John Lane Sirmon**,
grandsons of Rene Fendley Sirmon and John
Sirmon

Lt. Phillip Ferris, son of Mark and Gloria Ferris

Church Staff

Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams	Senior Pastor
Rev. Roland Fall	Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Rev. Billy Kimbrel	Associate Pastor for Evangelism
Dr. Billy Key	Pastor Emeritus
Krissy Pope	Children's Pastor & Dir. Of Christian Ed.
Jane Kimbrel	Minister of Music
Miriam Marchetti	Music Associate/Pianist

John Williams, Building Supt.	<u>Nursery Workers</u>
Leslie Mercer, Financial Secretary	Christie Rooks
Ginger Vance, Admin. Assistant	Linda Hall
Grace Daniel, Organist	Amanda Suttmueller
Deborah Walker, Pianist	Lisa Mixon
Alice Releford, Custodian	Jill Thigpen

Our Methodist Connection

Bishop B. Michael Watson	Resident Bishop
Rev. Ronnie Wills	District Superintendent

Music Notes



WHAT: JOY Choir Lunch Outing

WHEN: Tuesday, August 5
Buses will depart at 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Whistle Stop Café

BRING: Money for a Meal

This will be our final summer outing before beginning regular rehearsals on Tuesday, September 9 at 11:00.

PERRY PRAISING

Our Sanctuary Choir and Sanctuary Bells will participate in the **Perry PraiSing**, to be held at First Baptist Church on Sunday, August 24, at 6:00 p.m. A nursery will be provided and a reception will follow the service. Plan to attend this church wide community event as area choirs join together to present a worship service in music and song. The Perry Ministerial Association sponsors the Perry PraiSing. An offering will be received to support their work in the community.



*Blessings,
Jane*

Kyle Kuhn Resignation

Kyle Kuhn has resigned his position as PUMC Youth Minister, effective July 23, 2008. Our UMYF program will continue without interruption under the leadership of our dedicated volunteer adult leaders and parents. A search committee will be formed to identify a replacement who can provide staff coordination and spiritual guidance and leadership required for our youth program.

Bob Messer, Chairman
Staff/Parish Relations Committee

God's Big, Big, Big, Big, Big Backyard! Perry UMC Children's Ministry



**Yearly Parent Meeting-Sunday afternoon, August 17th 4pm
Back Porch
Yearly Calendars will be distributed.**

**Promotion Sunday- August 24th 10 am (during SS Hour)
Sanctuary
Children need to bring school backpacks.**

The End of Summer
Family Celebration
BBQ and Slide Show
for
Children and Youth
Thursday, July 31
from 7 pm until...

Fincher's BBQ will be catering.
\$5/person

YOUTH SUMMER POOL TOUR

**Continues Sunday, August 3
5:30—7:00 p.m.**

**The Kinsley's House
100 Sweetbay Rd
Royal Oaks Subdivision
Kathleen**

**Bring your Swimsuit and Towel
Snacks and Drinks Provided**

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 3

9:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
4:00 p.m. - Center Stage for Christ Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. - Evening Worship

Monday, August 4

4:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room

Tuesday, August 5

11:00 a.m. - JOY Choir Departs for Lunch
2:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting - Conference Room

Wednesday, August 6

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 7

12:00 p.m. - PrimeTime Luncheon - see inside page

Mission . . . Possible!

The Missions Committee wants you to be in the know about the mission work of PUMC. Each week we'll be highlighting mission projects. This week we are celebrating Operation Christmas Child.

Christmas in July

During the month of July you will find wrapped shoe boxes located in strategic places around the church. They will be found in Sunday School rooms, the Narthex, and the church office. Please take one and fill it for children that don't have the blessings that we do.

On each box is a sticker that says boy or girl. Inside the box is a list of suggestions that should go in each box. Once the boxes are filled, return them to the church office or the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, contact Linda Mason 997-1582.

The deadline for returning the boxes is November 2.

You cannot imagine the **joy** these children and their parents experience when they open these boxes.

The boxes are beginning to come in. Thanks for your support of this ministry. **Many thanks to Evelyn Cawthon for wrapping all the boxes.** This is quite an undertaking.

How can you get involved in Missions? Contact Brian Bowen through the church office or at blbowen@aol.com

Attendance Report - July 27, 2008

Morning Worship	470
9:00 a.m.	197
11:00 a.m.	273
Sunday School	273
Evening Worship	53
UMYF	55

Financial Report - Week 30

Budget Needed Weekly:	22,376.25
Budget Receipts July 27	12,341.12
Needed Year to Date:	671,287.50
Disbursements to Date:	670,104.41
Received Year to Date:	554,341.00
Other Contributions:	
Mission Outreach SS Class	50.00



[Houston Medical Center](#)
Lucy Talton

John Williams Has Been Assigned a New Position! Great Grandfather!

John Williams is happy to announce the birth of his first Great Grandchild, Noah Matthew. Born to John's Grandson, Joshua and his wife, Kindra, on July 28. John and Peggie will be making a trip soon to see Noah.

Habitat for Humanity - Apostle Build

What a great day volunteers from PUMC had on Saturday, July 12, working at Habitat Apostle Build. The entire team worked to build a new residence for a deserving family in Warner Robins. The Discoverers Sunday School Class provided a delicious lunch for all involved. Volunteers reported that they received more than just sore muscles from this great experience; they received a blessing from having helped others.

A **Special Thanks** to those who helped: Chesley Cawthon, Paul Cosey, Dicky Gilbert, Jimmy Faircloth, Warren Johnson, Bobby Lewis, Jim Lewis, Bob Messer, and John Williams.