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### Sunday Aug. 11, 2024 AWESOME AUGUST

P.B. & JELLY
8:45 am IGNITERS FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am WORSHIP
11:00 am COVERED DISH LUNCH
11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP

11:10 am CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 5:30pm YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

LAST DAY OF D-NOW YOUTH
WEEKEND

Monday Aug. 12, 2024 8:00 am SACK GROCERIES 9:30 am KOINONIA 3:00 am ALPHA

# UPCOMING DATES

#### Wednesday Aug. 14, 2024

**Tuesday Aug. 13, 2024** 

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY 6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

#### Thursday Aug. 15, 2024

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY 9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY 6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

Friday Aug. 16, 2024

Saturday Aug. 17, 2024 8:00 am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

#### **NEW FEASIBILITY STUDY**

On Sunday, July 21, 2024, the Administrative Board voted to initiate a "Feasibility Study" to investigate expanding the Child Care Center here at First Methodist Church. The Child Care Center currently has 130 +/children, and over 28 teachers/administrators. At this time, we also have approximately 100 +/- children on the Child Care Center waiting list for enrollment. The envisioned work would include but not be limited in the scope of a "Feasibility Study" to research cost of an expansion: facility needs for such an expansion: scope of an expansion with regard to child care need by age groups; security needs; I.T. expansion needs; feasibility of potential relocations within the church of current ministry rooms; etc. If you would feel called to be a part of this "Feasibility Study" group, please contact the church office by Monday, August 5, 2024, and give your name to Laurie McCombs. The study group will be made up of CCC parents; CCC Board Members; CCC Director/Asst. Director; Church Leadership and Church Members. We look forward to hearing from you to be a part of this work of ministry. Thank you! ~ Bro. John V.

On behalf of the Childcare Center parents, students, and staff, Thank You so much for our dinner you provided for our "Meet The Teacher Night". It was so thoughtful and very much appreciated!

Candi Boissel



Hello Friends,

I hope you are well today as you receive this week's Newsletter. By the time you receive the Newsletter, the 2024 Summer Olympics will be coming to a close. I have enjoyed watching world class athletes represent their respective countries in sports representing the world. One of my favorite parts of the Olympics are the athlete profiles. Some of the stories of the many athletes speak to what for many are insurmountable odds in making it to the Olympic stage. The stories have represented athlete illnesses, nations embroiled in war, families uprooted and moved to allow an athlete to have the best training available in a new location, the consummate hours of dedicated, meticulous, and rigorous training...all invested in what might be for many...one shot at making it! I believe I remember there being a few representations where there was only one athlete from some countries (Belize, Liechtenstein, Nauru, and Somalia). And yet, these athletes trained just the same for the world stage.

I couldn't help but set the athletic stories beside our spiritual stories of training and representation. I couldn't help but wonder Spiritually about our believing and having faith through illness; the interpersonal waring in our lives; our family issues/uprootedness, the dedication in our training; our meticulous attention to realize, recognize and respond to God's speaking in our lives; and our willingly rigorous training in the disciplines of our faith (worship, prayer, fasting, study, service, giving, fellowship). What would the story be if a documentary of our faith was recorded? I know! Yikes!

Maybe we need this launchpad example to get us going? So, if a short video was recorded in interview form to put our church website about "growing in Christ," what would our story report? Hmmm? It's never too late to update, rewrite, change the trajectory of our "training." You just have to want it bad enough to do it...not alone but with Jesus and other Sojourners in the Faith. What do you say? Yes?

How did this week go in memorizing, remembering and practicing our disposition of Jesus in daily living? Our memory scripture comes from Galatians 5:22-23, and reads, "22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Let's continue to work on this spiritual challenge of being and becoming a living reflection of Jesus Christ to all we meet.

In Service to Christ,

Bro. John Verciglio

#### **Attendance & Contributions**

## **Special Prayer Request**

Jan Towers
Susie Linholm
Jack Moon
Stuart McCrorie
Abby Parsons Sellers
Jayne Hornsby
Ronny Duncan
Carol Maddrra

Phil Vines
Ann Clark
Terry Horne
Tammy Moody
Sandra Zito
Ann McCown
Marilyn Brown
Batton Terry



We are blessed to add **Debbie Hornsby** to our First Methodist family officially. Debbie was welcomed with smiles, hugs and handshakes Sunday after worship. **WELCOME DEBBIE. WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE YOU AS PART OF THE FAMILY.** 

We now have LARGE PRINT bulletins available each Sunday in the narthex.



#### THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS

"5 COLORED CATS" 6:00pm on 8/1/24. All supplies are included. Everyone is welcome! NO EXPERIENCE NEED-ED. Call the church office to

RSVP. 205-491-3421. Or call Laurie Mc. at 205-401-3124.



#### **MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM**

**CAPITAL FUNDS**— In Memory of Carol Ruth DeVore. By Carolyn & Phil Vines.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Marilyn Brown. By Adult Sunday School Class.

**BUDGÉT**– In Memory of Carol Ruth DeVore. By Buster & Betty Jane Kornegay.

**BUDGÉT**– In Honor of Marilyn Brown, Jayne Hornsby & Ann McCown. By Buster & Betty Jane Kornegay. **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS**– In Honor of Jimbo Woodward's Birthday and Granny Rose's 94th Birthday. Love, Mom & Dad.

## We love our Youth! AUGUST 9-11

First Methodist Church of Hueytown has recently donated \$126.00 to Society of St. Andrew. **REDUCE WASTE. END HUNGER.** 

Gleaning & distributing thousands of pounds of fresh produce.



# AUGUST & SEPTEMBER CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Aug. 9-10 ... Youth D-Now weekend. Lunch in Fellowship Hall at 11:00am, on Sunday.

Sept. 2 ... Church Office Closed

Sept... 8-13, Redbird Mission trip.

Sept. 15... Tailgate Community Cookout, 4:00 pm, church grounds

Sept. 22... Invite a Friend Sunday, church lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Sept. 20-26...GMC General Conference Mtg, San Jose, Costa Rica

<u>LET'S MAKE SURE WE GET THESE DATES ON OUR</u>
PERSONAL CALENDARS.