



Congratulations to Jeff and Melissa Mitchell on the birth of their son, Alexander William, on Friday, October 5, 2007. Alexander weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches. The Mitchell family recently moved to Covington, Tennessee. They reside at 310 Maple Street, Covington, 38019.

Dear Church Family,

I leave Thursday, October 11, for what should be an amazing journey — walking 60 miles in 3 days! I would like to thank everyone for supporting me, and helping my team raise over \$15,000.00. Please keep me in your prayers as I fight against breast cancer.

Thank you,
Amber Mock

SPROUTS PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE!!!

Christmas play practice will begin for Sprouts children on Nov. 7. If you are interested in helping the children prepare for their annual Christmas play, please contact Amber.

BABY SHOWER

All ladies of Mullins UMC are invited to attend a Baby Shower for Julie Tolbert, hosted by the MOMS Group. The Shower will be held on Sunday, October 28, at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Julie and Steve are expecting a little boy to join their family in the near future! They are registered at Wal-Mart, Target and Babies-R-Us. Join with us in celebrating this blessing for the Tolbert family!



FUNNY BONES FESTIVAL



Funny Bones Festival is Saturday, October 27, at 4:44 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help with this event which our children look forward to each year! We also need donations of bags of candy — lots and lots of candy!!! Please contact Christie, Kimberly, Amber or Craig and let them know how you will help.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

BUDGET

In memory of Margaret Sanner by Mrs. E. F. Luton, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Hausmann

In memory of Jack Houston by Mrs. E. F. Luton



Adam Wheatley will be in concert at Mullins UMC on Sunday, Oct. 14, at 6:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. Adam has performed concerts and led worship for various events throughout the southeast, and has recently released his debut album, *Bring the Morning, Bring the Sun*. Adam is a native of Jackson, Tennessee, where he graduated from Lambuth University in 2002. Since that time he has worked at Collierville UMC as a youth minister and is currently serving as the church's worship leader for their contemporary service, *The Vineyard*. Copies of Adam's debut album will be available for \$10 at the concert. Everyone in the church is invited to attend this event, sponsored by Mullins youth!

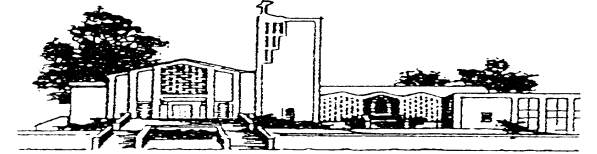
BOX CITY RETURNS

This is it!! Box City is **THIS Saturday, October 13**, at 4:30 p.m. Our youth will sleep outside in boxes, to help better understand the homeless of our community. You can help by bringing donations of blankets, warm clothes, non-perishable food items, as well as monetary donations. All donations will be given to MIFA and United Methodist Neighborhood Centers. Donations may be brought to the church this week.

DON'T FORGET YOUR FLU SHOT!!

Methodist Healthcare will be at Mullins UMC on Sunday, Oct. 21, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., (Parlor), and Wednesday, Nov. 7, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (Reception Room) to vaccinate against influenza. The cost will be \$25 or \$20, depending on if 40 or more sign up in advance. You can pay by cash or check (made payable to Methodist Minor Med.) **If you have Medicare Part B and have your card with you, there is NO CHARGE!** The pneumonia vaccine is available if requested in advance. It is covered by Medicare Part B one time only. If you have had it before, or don't have Medicare Part B, the cost is \$45. Sign up on Sunday or Wednesday or call Scott and Tina Campbell at 761-9816. Check the Methodist web site at www.methodisthealth.org for information regarding who should get the flu shot.

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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor
October 14, 2007

Scripture: Matthew 11: 1 - 6
Sermon: 'OUR WALK'

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship	8:45 & 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School	9:40 am
Wednesday Dinner & Program	5:45 p.m.

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Dear Friends,

There is an old story about a hiker who was lost in the Texas dessert. Near the end of his ability to go on, the hiker comes upon an old shack with a pump out front. He tries the pump and gets nothing. In despair, the hiker lies down in the shadow cast by the shack, ready to die. Under the shack, just out of the sunlight, he notices a bottle. The hiker pulls the bottle out. It is full of water! He is saved! Then the hiker looks at the cardboard tied to the bottle. On it is written the following message.

"Stranger, if you find this, then you must be just about all used up. If you drink the water in this jar you'll live for another day. The next water is a three day hike from here. What you need to do is take the top off that old pump in front of the shack. There is a leather washer in there. You didn't get any water when you tried earlier because the washer has to be wet to make the seal that lets the pump actually pump water out of the ground. So, you pour about half this water slow-like into that pump, priming the well and getting the washer really good and wet. Put the top back on and pump water for all you're worth! Before you leave, you have to fill this jar again and put it back under the shack for the next soul down on his luck. Signed: Dessert Pete."

The question that always goes with the story is, "What would you do?" We can greedily drink all the water in the jar and maybe, just maybe, live until we get to the next water. We can trust the note, get all the water we need and not refill the jar for the next person. Or, we can be thankful for the care someone provided for us. We can drink and leave enough behind for the next person in need who comes that way. Christian stewardship is clear. We receive with thanks what has been provided for us by those who have come before. We use the resources we have to prime the pump, care for the equipment, and combined with our own labor, receive that which we need here and now. Then we take more of the resources we have and leave them, invest them, provide them for those who come after us — next week, next year, or the next generation.

Sunday, October 14, is Commitment Sunday. By the grace of God, freely you have received. In the grace of God, freely give.

In His Service,
Brad Gabriel

SPECIAL THANKS!

...to Joe Cooper, for serving as our Stewardship Speaker on Sunday, October 7, 2007!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

SUNDAY	8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel 9:40 a.m. Sunday School 10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary 5:00 p.m. Youth 6:00 p.m. Adam Wheatley Concert - FH 6:00 p.m. MOMs Group - at Abuelos
MONDAY	9:30 a.m. Yoga 10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Bible Study - 212 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - FH 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym 10:30 a.m. UMW Circle Mtg. - Parlor 6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - Gym 7:00 p.m. Yoga Class 7:00 p.m. Bowling
WEDNESDAY	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - FH 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH 6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs 6:15 p.m. Beading - Parlor 6:30 p.m. Program: New Member Recognition 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym 9:30 a.m. Yoga Class - Gym
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym 5:30 p.m. Kindergarten Soccer - IPC #1
SATURDAY	8:15 a.m. Yoga 9:00 a.m. District UMW Training - Mullins UMC 9:00 a.m. 1st/2nd Girls Soccer - HC #2

THE MENU FOR OCTOBER 17

Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20

Adults: Baked Ham, Beans, Turnip Greens, Slaw, Cornbread Dessert
Kids: Pizza or adult menu

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR OCTOBER 14

Children's Message: Mary Elizabeth Washburn
Children's Church: Shannon Stewart, Callie Dawkins

To schedule a nursery for church meetings, please contact Stephanie Bowen, 483-4747, or the church office, 685-8253.

OUR PRAYERS

Baptist Memorial
Ruth Meyer 2405

St. Francis
Rick Crews 388 ICU

Methodist Germantown
Danny Coulombe 307 Med. ICU

At Home
Marguerite Higginbotham
Melissa Mitchell & baby
Lucille Williams
David Weaver

OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	38
Sunday School	116
10:50 Service	134
Prayer Breakfast	13
Prayer Service	76



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God
...in memory of Doug Bethay,
by Lou Bethay and family

CRAFT FAIR IS NOVEMBER 10

Fall is in the air, and the UMW Craft Fair is just around the corner! Lots of help is needed to make this annual event a success. Sign up on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings — there are lots of ways to help! All proceeds go to missions! It's a great way to serve others and fellowship with our own church family!

Another important part of the Craft Fair experience is the annual Bake Sale. Customers will be waiting for the doors to open so that they can be first in line to buy our delicious baked goods! Mullins cooks are known far and wide — please bake several items of your favorite cakes, pies, cookies and breads (no custards, please). Jams, jellies and candy are also in great demand! Items for the Bake Sale may be brought to the church on Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning.