

THE WHITFIELD



SPIRIT



For Members and Friends of Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church
July 30-August 5, 2017

Ninafurahi kwamba tutaonana, rafiki zangu!

(I am happy that we will see each other, my friends! *from Davis*)

Davis Rhodes, son of Rev. Dave (Chickasaw UMC) and Elise Rhodes, will be with us on Sunday, July 30th, to share about his mission work in Tanzania. Here is how that ministry started:

In 2010, two young volunteers, Liz & Eric Soard, went to work at an orphanage in Northern Tanzania for just a few months. That work included worshipping with the children on Sundays — singing songs in Swahili, dancing and preaching. Soon folks from the village started attending with the children, many saying they had no church within walking distance. Before long, 60-70 people were regularly worshipping at the orphanage on Sundays.

They hadn't intended to start a Church, but it was apparent that is exactly what they had. Since neither Liz nor Eric was an ordained pastor or missionary, Liz's father would come to baptize new believers. Seeing the need and desire for worship in their small village, they sought out the same passion in the surrounding villages. Over the next few years, they established 13 Methodist Churches in Northern Tanzania.

Liz and Eric knew that the Church was being called to meet more than just the spiritual needs of these communities. They began to raise up Tanzanian leaders, which the churches would need to survive long-term. As they made this transition, Davis Rhodes was invited to join them in 2016. They now have three major projects underway to help these churches become self-sustaining and self-replicating: Asset-Based Community Development, Savings & Loan Groups, and Wesley College.

Davis will tell us about these projects and other beautiful stories of the mission work in Tanzania during our Fellowship Luncheon on Sunday, after worship. Please bring a dish to share, and be prepared to be blessed beyond measure by Christ's work here and abroad. You'll also be given an opportunity to contribute to a Love Offering to help with this Northern Tanzanian Ministry.

For more info, check out Davis's website: <http://davisrhodes.org>.



Prayer Focus: Let us remember missionaries around the world, the hardships they suffer and the seeds that are planted in Jesus's name.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28: 19-20

Why Me by Kris Kristofferson

Why me Lord what have I ever done
To deserve even one of the pleasures I've known
Tell me, Lord, what did I ever do
That was worth lovin' you or the kindness you've shown

Lord help me, Jesus, I've wasted it so
Help me Jesus I know what I am
But now that I know that I've needed you so
Help me, Jesus, my soul's in your hand

Try me, Lord, if you think there's a way
I can try to repay all I've taken from you
Maybe Lord I can show someone else
What I've been through myself, on my way back to you

Lord help me, Jesus, I've wasted it so
Help me Jesus I know what I am
But now that I know that I've needed you so
Help me, Jesus, my soul's in your hand

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Help me Jesus I know what I am
But now that I know that I've needed you so
Help me Jesus my souls in your hand
Jesus, my soul's in your hand.

*"I am truly blessed and humbled by outpouring of
love and support by the Whitfield family.*

*Thank you, thank you, thank you. Jesus lives
today."*

Brownie Brown

Holy Communion - Sunday, August 6, 2017

Holy Communion will be offered on Sunday, August 6,
to our members who are unable to attend church at
this time.

The elements will be consecrated at the 10:30 am
worship service and volunteers will take Communion
out between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 pm. We plan
to take Communion to all who received Communion on
Sunday, April 2. If you did not receive in April, but
would like to receive the sacrament on August 6, please
call the church office by Thursday morning, August 3.
This ministry is being sponsored by the A+ Council at
Whitfield UMC.

Attendance July 23, 2017

Sunday School 50 Morning Worship 96

**Wednesday Night Dinner
WILL RESUME
SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

CEREAL, DRIED MILK, LARGE CANS OF
FRUIT, LARGE CANS OF VEGETABLES, AND
DRIED BEANS.



Fifth Sunday Activities - July 30

Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

*One worship service at 10:00 a.m. filled with all of
your favorite hymns.*

Missionary Davis Rhodes will be with us.

****We will collect a special love offering for his
Tanzanian ministry at the Fellowship Luncheon**

*Find more about his mission work at:
www.davisrhodes.org*

Covered Dish Luncheon & Fellowship

Biscuits Baseball Charity Night!

Friday, August 11, 2017, 7:05 PM

Sign up with Patty if you'd like to go see the
Biscuits play the Jackson Generals! We'll order
tickets online, and \$3 from each ticket will go to
support the Family Sunshine Center.

**Tickets will be purchased before Noon on
Wednesday, August 9!** Box (\$11) or Superbox
(\$13) as available.

Let's enjoy a great game and help a local ministry!

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar for July 30 are offered to the
Glory of God and in memory of Joseph Goetz by
Sharon, Lee, Courtney and Logan Jones.

WEEKLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sunday, July 30

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Choir practice	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
5th Sunday Fellowship Lunch	11:30 a.m.
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UMYF	5:00 p.m.

Monday, July 31

Walking Group (M-F)	7:15 a.m.
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Tuesday, August 1

Prayer Group	7:15 a.m.
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Wednesday, August 2

SUPPERS AND PROGRAMS RESUME SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

Thursday, August 3

No Events Currently Scheduled

Friday, August 4

Sew n Sews	10:00 a.m.
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Saturday, August 5

No Events Currently Scheduled

From the Youth....

We have had a great summer but now are starting to wind down. We have completed our "Faith of Her Own" Bible Study and will be meeting 7/25 for lunch at the Gazebo Tea Room to celebrate the great women we learned about. Unfortunately, we have had to cancel/post-pone our End-of-Summer Lock-in.

As we look forward to school starting, we will begin a new "mysterious"



Bible Study that will begin when Wednesday Night Supper resumes. We also have several concert events that we will be looking at attending as a group.

We will have the Fall Youth Calendar out soon... keep an eye out for it. We are looking forward to lots of fun and spirit filled activities. Come see us and bring your friends!!!!

Amy and Scott

You Are In Our Prayers!!

Whitfield Members

Vivian Rogers, Kirk Wood, Martha Parker, Alma Reynolds, Jo Moody, Peter Brambir, Joan Rodgers, Dottie Suber, Charlotte Brambir, Mildred Jones, Betty Fuller, Bill Fischer, Kay Littlepage, Brownie Brown, Lib Cain, Tom Burns, Elmer Stelk, Eloise Parsons, Edna Kohn, Helon Haack, Telsie Davis, Ashton Mashburn, Thursa Brown, Jay Byrd, Daisy Stelk, Ann Cheney, Caryl Carrick

Home Bound Members (in-town)

Nealie Pruitt, Emmett Turner, Teresa Chavers, Rubye Solomon, Margaret Deacy, Wayne Read, Delores Dodson, Mitzi Warren, Libby Richardson, Lois Payne

Home Bound Members (out of town)

Elaine McBride, Martha Payne, Juanita Pritchett, Katie Hopper

Friends of Whitfield

Wayne Russell, Verna Stevens, Bill Miller, Jeff Varner, Sharon Brugh, Margaret Ann Batley, Emma Hope Shaw, Joy Lushington, Doug Estes, Kate Lindsey, Mona Pirsig, Mary Ellen Millis, Paul Lanier, Myles Wright, Ashley Dunwoody, Beverly Cornwell, Jean Cantey, Mac Macready, Darlene Fox, JoAnne Westery, Wayne Merritt, Bailey Casteel, Molly Nelson Brantley, Susannah Jones Cleveland, Jack Behm, Philip Landry, Aaron Turner, Dessie Varner, Douglas Nelson

Peace for the nations and protection for all those who live and serve in harm's way.

Note: Please submit any names you would like added to the church via telephone (281-2467) or e-mail (whitumc@bellsouth.net) All names submitted are kept on the prayer list for **four weeks** unless otherwise notified. *Those names in Italics are in need of long term prayers.*

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Church Office Hours:

8:15-12:30 and 1:30-4:15, M-Th

8:15-12:30 p.m. Friday

Sunday Services: 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

Worship Assistants - July 30 (5th Sunday)

Ushers: (10:00) Youth

Counters: Gene Holsenbeck,

Jeannie Anderson

Van Driver: Ron Capel

Soundboard: (10:00) Jimmy Lee

Readers: (10:00) Earl Heath

Children's Worship: Patty Macready