

THE WHITFIELD



SPIRIT



For Members and Friends of Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church
August 20-August 26, 2017

Every Single Day

Dear Whitfield Family,

Hello to my brothers and sisters in Christ. Recently, I read the following words by author, speaker and counselor, Mike Foster. God is using these words to encourage me. May He use these words to encourage you and others, as well.

Sometimes the smallest things can make the biggest difference when you factor in time and consistency.

Consistency can create beautiful things.

Imagine what your life would look like if you showed up every single day, rain or shine, ready to do the unique work that only you can do.

Consider how the state of the world around you would improve if you consistently showed kindness and love whether people deserved it or not.

So, on the days when you feel like you are not making a difference or what you do does not matter, remember even small things can make a huge impact when done every day.

Foster's words remind us of the importance "every single day" holds. After all, our lives are the sum total of "every single day." Over time, our most basic day-to-day practices can greatly influence our emotional, financial, intellectual, physical, spiritual and vocational well-being. Furthermore, we are reminded that the seemingly insignificant tasks and responsibilities of our daily lives can have great significance when done consistently with excellence and love.

Therefore, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may we daily strive to make wise decisions for God's glory, our good and the blessing of others. Additionally, with excellence and perseverance, may we consistently and lovingly use our God-given gifts to make a positive difference in this world "every single day." Thank you for joining me in this effort to make "every single day" count. To God be all glory, honor and praise!

Showing up,

Carolyn

Reverend Nancy Pugh will share the sermon and lead the worship services on Sunday, August 20.

"Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."
Galatians 6:9

"Do small things with great love." Mother Teresa

Weekly Focused Corporate Prayer: Please pray for all students, teachers, administrators and families to have a safe and successful school year.

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for the prayers, calls and cards before and after my surgery. Surgery went well and I feel so much better.

Thanks,
Neet Duffee

One Day Event

Saturday, September 16, 2017

The Conference Older Adult Ministries is sponsoring a One Day Event on September 16, 2017 at Ozark First UMC. The event will be from 10:00 am - 2:30 pm with registration at 9:30 am. The keynote speaker for the day is Bishop David Graves. The cost is \$20.00 (includes lunch). Make your check out to Whitfield UMC and note that it is for the One Day Event. Checks must be in by Tuesday, August 29.



Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 20

Students, bring your backpacks, book bags, etc. for blessings.

SPECIAL MUSIC

This Sunday, August 20th, we will be blessed to have Vic Bradsher playing our Gathering Music at the 10:30 service. Vic is a talented musician who uses his gifts in many areas at Whitfield. He runs our soundboard, works as an usher, and frequently plays piano for special services. Come early to listen to his beautiful music!

Are you interested in learning to play the UKULELE?

WUMC will begin a Ukulele class in September. This group will learn to play lots of great tunes for worship and special occasions. We hope to eventually start a Ukulele Ministry, going to nursing homes, hospitals, etc. to bring smiles to folks, four strings at a time.

You will need your own Ukulele, which can be found at local music shops, online at Amazon or other sites. (\$30-\$50) Instruction materials and music will be provided. Sign up now - class day and time will be announced soon. C'mon, UKE can do it!!



Wednesday Night Dinner WILL RESUME SEPTEMBER 6, 2017



It is almost time for a new school year at Whitfield Kindergarten.

Here is a list of the supplies we could use this school year:

- Kleenex
- Paper Towels
- Large Glue Sticks
- AA & C Batteries
- Snack size lunch bags
- Brown lunch sacks
- Paper plates
- Black Sharpies - All Sizes Markers
- Handi-Wipes
- Lysol Spray
- Masking tape
- Liquid Dish Soap
- Masking Tape

THANKS!

Jane & Whitfield Kindergarten Staff

***We are also looking for some volunteers to help with sprucing up the playground. There are some missing wooden slats that need to be replaced, some of the metal parts need to be repainted and a few tires need to be replaced on the play equipment.



Ice Cream Social

The new Supper Clubs will be forming at the Ice Cream Social on Monday, August 28th at 6:30 pm in the Sheppard Center.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar for August 20 are offered to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Col. Thomas Rodgers and in honor of the August birthdays of Tiffany Turner, Rob Mitchell, and Angie Mitchell, by Joan Rodgers.

Attendance August 13, 2017

Sunday School 50 Morning Worship 107

WEEKLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL!

Sunday, August 20

Worship Service	8:15 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Morning Social	10:00 a.m.
Choir practice	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
YAF	11:30 a.m.
UMYF	5:00 p.m.

Monday, August 21

Walking Group (M-F)	7:15 a.m.
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Tuesday, August 22

Prayer Group	7:15 a.m.
Garden Club—Keystone Class	9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 23

**SUPPERS AND PROGRAMS
RESUME SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.
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Thursday, August 24

No Events Currently Scheduled

Friday, August 25

Sew n Sews	10:00 a.m.
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Saturday, August 26

AA Annual Picnic	12:00 p.m.
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It's that time of the year..... Are you entering 6th-12th Grade? Are You Ready For This??? We will have a brand new Wednesday Night Bible Study and a new season of Sunday School. And as always, Sunday night UMYF! Make sure to come and bring your friends!

We will resume our normal weekly gatherings with the Wednesday Suppers on September 6th.

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

We are looking forward to the *new* school year!

Amy & Scott

Jeremiah 29:11-13

¹¹ For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹² Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.

¹³ When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart,

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, Alice Henley, Lynn Norsworthy

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 - August 20 (3rd Sunday)

Ushers: (8:15) Carol Ann Free
(10:30) Ken Carrick, Jim Solomon,
Jeannie Anderson, Brownie Brown

Counters: Jeannie Anderson,
Mary Thomason

Van Driver: Ron Capel

Soundboard: (10:30) Jimmy Lee

Readers: (8:15) Bosch Children
(10:30) Patty Macready

Children's Worship: Patty Macready