



# South Winds



News from South Ashland UMC

***Anchored to the Rock***

***Relevant to the Times***

***Reaching to the Future!***

June 2008

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## **Leadership Notes**

*by Lance Campbell*

*"This girl, who was also known as Esther, was lovely in form and features, and Mordecai had taken her as his own daughter when her father and mother died."*

*-Esther 1:7b*

You have all heard the stories about Father's Day gifts, wild ties and things of that nature. I always feel kind of sorry for folks when it comes to selecting Father's Day gifts. It is easy for Mother's Day gifts; they get flowers or candy, jewelry or something of that nature, but what do men need for Father's Day?

I'm going to propose a different idea this Father's Day. Because this is what fathers need: Instead of contemplating what gifts we are going to get, we need to spend more time contemplating what gifts we are going to give. What gifts we are going to pass on to future generations.

The Old Testament book of Esther reveals the story of a gift a daughter received from her father. Mordecai, the father in this story, raised his adopted daughter Esther to take a stand at the right time, to do the right thing. As the story progresses, Esther becomes Queen of Persia. Shortly thereafter, Mordecai gets in trouble with one of the king's officials because he refused to bow down to him. As a result, the official threatens to destroy not only Mordecai, but all the Jews as well. Mordecai urges Esther to appeal to the king on behalf of their people. Esther must have trusted Mordecai greatly, for she determines to stand before the king for her people. "And if I die, I die." (Esther 4:16)

Words of faith, words of courage. Words that a daughter could say because she was raised by a father who made the right decisions. Usually, when we study the story of Esther, we see her strength and devotion to her people. But God used someone else in this story to accomplish his purpose. God used a faithful father—a father who impressed a young daughter to have courage in her convictions. At the right time, Esther did the right thing, because she had been raised by a godly father. A father who knew that the decisions he would make as his daughter grew would help her learn to make the right decisions later in life.

"Come, follow me." Let's see where Jesus leads our church.

Blessings,

Lance



## Honors and Memorials

### Budget:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Hartley Flannery. Given by Carl & Stella Pennington.

### Building Campaign:

\*\*In Honor of Joe and the Joyous Sounds. Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

\*\*In Love & Honor of Ed & Cheryl Spears on their birthdays. Given by Aunt Dottie.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Opal Conley. Given by:

- John & Jil McClanahan
- Jim & Nedra Fennell
- Pathfinders Sunday School Class
- Dot Ellington
- Fred & Dana Hill
- Al & Becky Gehringer
- Don & Gloria Neikirk
- Lou & Bev Moore
- Bill & Martha Rice
- Bert & Lois Baker
- Randy & Cynde Elkins

\*\*In Loving Memory of Lillian Hatfield. Given by:

- John & Jil McClanahan
- Don & Gloria Neikirk

\*\*In Loving Memory of Leslie Howells. Given by:

- John & Jil McClanahan
- Wesley Sunday School Class
- Don & Gloria Neikirk

\*\*In Loving Memory of Hartley Flannery. Given by:

- Larry & Ethel Blevins
- Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Tjelle
- John & Cathy LaBarbera
- David & Katie Thompson
- Skippy Simmerman
- Lou & Bev Moore
- Bert & Lois Baker
- Ed & Cheryl Spears

\*\*In Loving Memory of Emilie Harrison. Given by Amy Jenney McKenzie.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Ruth Rayburn. Given by Don & Gloria Neikirk.

\*\*In Loving Memory of George Lenning. Given by Don & Gloria Neikirk.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Pauline Prichard. Given by Skippy Simmerman.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Frank Dixon. Given by Lou & Bev Moore.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Gladys Lake. Given by:

- Carla & Kurt Jaenicke
- W. Bruce & Barbara Ayers
- Southeast Education Foundation

### Costa Rica Farm:

\*\*In Love & Honor of Ed Spears on his birthday. Given by Steve & Darlene Meyers.

\*\*In Love & Honor of Rannie & Charlene Cooper on their anniversary. Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears.

### Mortgage Fund:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Hiram Adkins. Given by Sam & Dody Greening.

### Mortgage Fund Principal:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Mary Moore. Given by Rannie & Charlene Cooper.

\*\*In Loving Memory of George Lenning. Given by Rannie & Charlene Cooper.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Frank Dixon. Given by Rannie & Charlene Cooper.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Hiram Adkins. Given by Rannie & Charlene Cooper.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Ruth Rayburn. Given by Ella Jeane Moore.

### Music Fund:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Opal Conley. Given by:

- Jim & Susan Ifert
- Sam & Dody Greening

### Pital Church in Costa Rica:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Opal Conley. Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears.

### Prayer Garden:

\*\*In Loving Memory of Barry Forman. Given by Mary Lou Forman.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Opal Conley. Given by Bonnie Thom

\*\*In Loving Memory of Leslie Howells. Given by Bonnie Thom.

### Puppet Ministry:

\*\*In Loving Memory of our father/grandfather, George Lenning. Given by Bob & Barbara Niesel and Nikki Niesel.

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\*\*In Loving Memory of George Lenning. Given by:

- Wendell & Aileen Caines
- Bob & Jo Heifer
- Skippy Simmerman
- John & Lynda Cannon  
Ed & Cheryl Spears

**Social Concerns:**

\*\*In Loving Memory of Opal Conley. Given by Jerry & Joy Daniel.

\*\*In Loving Memory of Hartley Flannery. Given by Jerry & Joy Daniel.



**Thank You**

Dear Church Family:

We are eternally grateful for all your kindness shown after the passing of my mother, Opal Conley. You helped me, and all my family, through a very difficult time.

Your prayers, your presence, your food, your hugs, and your calls and cards of consolation are all appreciated more than words can express. "Thank You" is so inadequate, but you know, as does He, what is in our hearts.

Gods' Blessings to you all,  
Jil McClanahan and family

\*\*The family of Lillian Hatfield would like to express our appreciation to all our church family for your thoughtful expressions of sympathy, your support, and your prayers.

Clancy Hatfield,  
Tim Thirion and their family

Dear Church Family and Friends:

Thank you so much for everything that you did for me and my family during Hartley's illness and recent passing. We appreciated the visits from Lance, your prayers, calls, visits, food, and memorial gifts.

God Bless You,  
Esther Flannery and family

**Deaths**



Our most heartfelt sympathy is extended to:

- John & Jil McClanahan and family in the death of her mother, Opal Conley.
- Bill & Faye Family and family in the death of their granddaughter, Leslie Howells.
- Family and friends of Gladys Lake.

The church family is invited to  
the wedding of

Kamilah Joyce Burke  
and  
Damola Abass Asafa

Saturday, June 14, 2008  
5:30 p.m.

South Ashland  
United Methodist Church

Reception at  
Ashland Plaza Hotel  
1441 Winchester Avenue

RSVP 615-0498

**South Ashland UMC Treasurer's Report April 2008**

Current Month	Budget Items	Specials	Mortgage	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$ 38,238.03	\$54,546.87	\$ 0.00	\$ 92,784.90
Receipts	37,018.86	15,453.92	2,361.00	54,833.78
Disbursements	(44,442.60)	( 14,948.08)	(2,361.00)	(61,751.68)
Transfer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Closing Balance	\$ 30,814.29	\$ 55,052.71	\$ 0.00	\$ 85,867.00
<b>Year-to-Date</b>				
Balance 12/31/07	\$ 53,867.95	\$87,838.99	\$ 0.00	\$141,706.94
Receipts	156,411.07	30,590.15	8,589.00	195,590.22
Disbursements	( 180,028.10)	(61,210.77)	( 8,589.00 )	(249,827.87)
Transfer	563.37	( 2,165.66)	0.00	( 1,602.29)
Closing Balance	\$ 30,814.29	\$55,052.71	\$ 0.00	\$ 85,867.00

***Hillcrest-Bruce Mission***

Dear Friends:

Summer is almost here and that means two important things here at Hillcrest-Bruce Mission. First of all we have twelve kids who want to go to Aldersgate Camp. For our children, Aldersgate truly is a life-changing experience. This year the cost for camp is \$200 per child. If anyone would like to invest in the life of one of the mission kids by providing a "campership," that will enable them to attend Aldersgate, please make checks payable to Hillcrest-Bruce Mission and write "campership" on the memo. Checks may be mailed to 1819 Eloise St., Ashland, KY 41101.

Secondly, all golfers please mark your calendars! The Hillcrest-Bruce Mission Golf Scramble will be at Riverbend Golf Club in Greenup, KY on Saturday, July 26. If you would like to receive a registration form please call the mission at 324-5723. We are also looking for door prize donors and hole sponsors. Please pray for Hillcrest-Bruce Mission and our clients. The current economic climate has been very difficult especially for the poor. Your prayer support is greatly appreciated as we minister to those in need.

***Graduates***

**Alicia Dove Fuller Warnock** received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

**Candiss JoEllen Ward** (daughter of Kerri & Joe Elam) received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and Biblical Studies from Kentucky Christian University.



## Library News



Happy Springtime!!!! Just wanted to say that to remind us that it really is springtime and not the middle of winter, again. The weather lately has seemed more like winter than spring, hasn't it? My father called this weather season, Dogwood Winter. Whatever it is, it is cold and I am still comfortable in my sweatshirts.

Which means it's a good time to stay at home, where it's warm, and read a book or two. Our library is full of good books. When I am there on Sunday mornings, I have an opportunity to peruse the books and kind of read through some of them. I know for a lot of them, I find it hard to put them down when the bell is rung. And

I have not even started at the beginning! I have simply started at some random page and read a small part of the book.

There are also historical books. Historical fiction and historical as regards characters of the Bible. I just read parts of the book **THE DREAMER**, a book about Joseph and his twelve brothers. There is also a book about Deborah, one of the judges of the Children of Israel. We don't know much about her; so it is wonderful to have a book written about her to give us some insight as what her life must have been like.

Of course we have books of non-fiction. Books that may help you in your Sunday School classes, books of biography that are stunning in their clarity. There is a story about a young missionary couple who went to a third world country to serve their Lord. Her husband was shot and killed there. The story is about her faith and how she lived through that terrible ordeal and came through stronger in the Lord than before. Read it! You won't be sorry.

Then, of course, we have the children's books and the videos. The videos are great for Sunday School lessons, or taking home and watching with your own child or children. The books we have are wonderful. Come and see for yourself.

In short, you have an amazing library. I don't believe you realize what an amazing library you do have or maybe you have had it for so long you take it for granted. It happens. But come and really see what your library has to offer you, as an individual and as a church community. I promise you, you won't be sorry and you may be surprised.

In the Christ Spirit  
Georgia

# Children's

# C O R N E R

The Children's Council is making plans for the Summer & Fall. Those serving are: Anita & Junior Fitzpatrick, Faye DeHart, Jennifer Galloway, Joe & Kerri Elam, Skippy Simmerman, Candy Lett, Madonna & Rob Ratliff, and Stephanie Profit. These council members represent many dedicated volunteers in Children's Ministries. We encourage you to come to us with your ideas for serving our children.

Vacation Bible School has a steering committee composed of Joe Elam-director, Bev Moore-music/drama, Jennifer Galloway-children's manager, Sherry Hackworth-youth (teen) manager, and Charlotte "*the tool woman*" Dunnigan-set construction. This is a fantastic team of leaders for a VBS that will be a springboard for children's ministries throughout the remainder of the year!

Children's Ministries will continue in the Summer with a Wednesday evening program. This program will include special events. Sunday's will include Sunday School, Children's Church (2<sup>nd</sup> service), and Sunday evening. Be looking for details for these programs in the worship bulletin on Sunday's. We may also use written or other communication to inform of events or changes in scheduling.

In the Fall, we have a Confirmation Class scheduled to be taught by our pastor, Lance Cambell and *Value-Packed Parenting*, by Dr. Kevin Leman, will be facilitated by Joe Elam. These will be coordinated with SAMSS.

## **DATES:**

### **JUNE 9-14**

**ELEMENTARY CAMP 1 FOR RISING 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS AT ALDRERSGATE CAMP.** SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE. VAN TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CAMP WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH.

### **JULY 7-13**

**VBS-VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL- PIRATES OF THE "I DON'T CARE"-IBBEAN-** a kids' musical about storing up treasures in heaven.



**Monday through Friday 6:00P.M. TO 8:00P.M.**  
**Saturday 10:00 A.M.-2:00P.M. Dress rehearsal & lunch party.**  
**Sunday MUSICAL PRESENTATION.**

**COME...GROW with CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

Sincerely,  
Joe Elam, Director