

First United Methodist Church

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How do people choose a church? Not by the preacher they haven't heard, and not by the choir they haven't heard either. In part people choose a church by the program it offers for their children and youth. But people primarily choose a church by neighbors and friends who say "Come and go with me." It is said that approximately 50% of the people in America do not have a church home, and of this number, half have said they would go to church if someone invited them. Why not invite a friend or neighbor to church this Sunday.

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“Making a Difference in the Heart of Troy”

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FRESH GROUNDED FAITH Women’s Conference

Warm Your Heart, Awaken Your Spirit

Featuring Jennifer Rothschild

Speaker, Best-selling Author and Bible Study Teacher

Special Guests

Stormie Omartian: author of *The Power of a Praying Woman*

Abby Rike: from NBC’s *The Biggest Loser*

Michael O’Brien: Musical Guest, former lead singer of Newsong

October 15-16, 2010

Friday: 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. • Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Hillcrest Baptist Church • Pensacola, Florida

Conference Tickets

Early Bird Special: \$34 Individual, \$29 Groups 10+

After Early Bird Special: \$39 Individual, \$34 Groups 10+

Premier Section (limited, reserved section): \$49 Individual, \$44 Groups 10+

At the Door: \$59 Individual

Please email the church office (secretary4fumc@hotmail.com) or

Candy Shaughnessy (choward@troy.edu) by August 10th

if you are interested in attending this conference.

Within Our Church Family

Remember in Prayer

Willetta Hatcher, Sidney Starling, Leia Allen, Kermit Lewis, Stanley Boutwell, Virginia Hasteley, Roy Baker, Carol Peters, Drew Carleton, Jim Call, Joe Grinstead, Ron Sutton, Carolyn Cash, Gary and Cindy Hogman, Joel Murphree, Sally Sanders, Joe Walters, Mary Lou Faulkner, Bill Granstaff, Patty Sadler, Lyra Crapps, Gary Guthrie, Gianna Guthrie, Wyatt Walters, Jim Drinkard, Rosetta Walton, Gail Johnston, Becky Wallace, Angela Smith, Phyllis Rollins, Dale Griffin, Joe Fagiolo, Burton Green, E.B. Johnson, Johnny Stroud, Jeannie Marie Sanders, Nina Kieras, Amy Spurlock, George Bennett, Riley Stewart, Stacy Smith, Dena Rogers, Alex Morgan, our nation and leaders.

Words of Appreciation

To the Encouragers, Ann Love and First Methodist Members: Elaine Blair and I share a wonderful granddaughter as my daughter and her son are married. I had surgery for pancreatic cancer and want to thank you for your thoughts and prayers as they work! May God bless you all. Jim Call

Dear Rev. McVay: FUMC church members collected and donated canned food items for individuals served through our adult protective service program. As well, Pat Porter's Encouragers donated \$25.00 and a check for \$105 was received from your congregation. Thank you again for choosing to partner with us here at Pike County DHR to serve some of our most vulnerable community members! Florence Mitchell, Director

Dear FUMC,

Thank you so much for your prayers and card that you sent me. You don't know how much it means to be so loved and thought of during this time in my life. Your prayers are working as I am on the road to recovery. Please continue to pray for my patience and strength as I need them desperately.

Sincerely,

Brynn Nix Howell

(Granddaughter of Mae Penn)

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the nice luncheon and Study Bible you gave me for graduation. I will enjoy using the Bible during my college years. Also, thank you for many lessons and memories I have had here at First United Methodist. Sincerely, Grant Gilbert

It's A Girl!

Congratulations to Paul and Elizabeth Hudson on the birth of their granddaughter, Anna Elizabeth Hudson, on July 9, 2010. Anna is the daughter of Will and Christina Hudson. Her great-grandparents are Joe and Alice Walters and Sue Hudson.

August Birthdays

1st	Paul Watkins	12th	Elizabeth Stallworth	21st	Dana Calvert
4th	Karen Watson	13th	Sherry Starling	26th	Ramona Spurlin
	Jim Rolling	14th	Lyra Crapps		Coleby Roberts
6th	Jack Rainey	15th	Carl Ware II	28th	Judy Creek
7th	Charlene Jordan	16th	Jane Segars	29th	Jim Colley
	Jana Jackson	18th	Elly Reeves	31st	Alex Jackson
	Brett Stallworth	19th	Wes Sullivan		

Church Council Highlights

The Administrative Council met Sunday, July 11th. John Dew presided. Rev. David McVay opened with prayer. Attending the meeting were David McVay, Edith Smith, Alice Phillips, Grady Post, Jess Loving, Gary Spurlin, Cindy Boswell, Sandra Smith, Judy Creek, Wilton McRae, John Dew, and Jo Harvell. The minutes were approved.

•Jo Harvell reported on the property business. We need to get an environmental study on the old cleaners building. This will take some money, about \$1000. Wilton moved that we approve this expenditure. The motion was seconded and passed.

•Day Care interium director Jessica Faulkner has been hired permanently. We are looking for an additional employee.

•We had a successful Vacation Bible School; we averaged about 60 students a day.

•The Capital Fund Campaign was the subject of an intense discussion. An anonymous donor has paid for the van and the van has been ordered. We need CDL approved drivers. Rev. McVay suggested we have an emphasis on the campaign drive during August. Various members promised to talk it up in their Sunday school classes. We will also have a one-minute update each Sunday in August from the pulpit.

•Rev. McVay reported that the response to the study of *Treasures of the Transformed Life* has been good. Several Sunday school classes have picked it up as a study. The six-weeks course will begin the first Sunday after Labor Day.

➤ Just a reminder to bring your book bags and school supplies for our DHR's foster care and open protective services program to the Round Room by August 2nd.

➤ For the month of August we will be providing non-perishable food items and paper products for the food pantry at DHR. This project is sponsored by the Annie B. Greene Class. Collection boxes are located in the Fellowship Hall and the Annie B. Greene Classroom.

Opportunities to Serve

Sunday, August 1

Informal Cokesbury Service	8:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Refreshments	10:40 a.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	10:40 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service	10:55 a.m.
Children's Council Meeting (Conference Room)	4:00 p.m.
SPR Committee Meeting (New Covenant Classroom)	5:00 p.m.
Jr. and Sr. High MYF	5:30 p.m.
The Common Meal	6:30 p.m.

Monday, August 2

Boy Scouts (Youth Room)	6:30 p.m.
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Tuesday, August 3

Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	6:15 a.m.
Juvenile Redirection Program (Youth Room)	6:00 p.m.
Cotton Rose Quilters (Fellowship Hall)	6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 4

Helping Hands Ministry	6:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 5

Alcoholics Anonymous (Youth Room)	7:00 p.m.
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Just a Reminder...

Sunday, August 1

Nursery: Kerry Loflin
Preschool Volunteer: Mary Starling
K-2nd Grade: Jessica Tatum
3rd-5th Grade: Leigh Anne Windham
Children's Church: Florence Mitchell/Sherry Starling

Sunday, August 8

Nursery: Amy Spurlock
Preschool Volunteer: Volunteer Needed
K-2nd Grade: Elly Reeves
3rd- 5th Grade: Trish McVay
Children's Church: Jennifer Dunn/Jennifer Giles

