

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Bring your neighbors!
	10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship
Tues.	6:00 p.m.	Scrappy Quilters
Wed.	6:00 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thurs.	6:00 p.m.	Knit Wits Too
Sat.	7-10 p.m.	(TNT) Teen Night in FLC

### JANUARY

30	1-7 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive in Fellowship Hall
31	8:00 a.m.	Area Ministers Breakfast Meeting in FLC
	9:00 a.m.	Tote Bag Ministry in Library
	6:00 p.m.	8 Habits of a Successful Marriage in FH

### FEBRUARY

1	6:00 p.m.	Habitat for Humanity Mtg. In Fellowship Hall
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>PPR Committee in LIBRARY</b>
2	7-9 p.m.	Special Olympics Party in FLC
3	7-10 p.m.	TNT in FLC
4	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Souper Bowl Luncheon in FLC</b>
6	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Worship Committee in Library</b>
7	9:00 a.m.	Tote Bag Ministry in Library
	12 noon	Civitan's in Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m.	8 Habits of a Successful Marriage
8	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Trustees Mtg. In Prayer Room</b>
9	6-8 p.m.	Game Night in Fellowship Hall
10	7-10 p.m.	TNT in FLC
11	7:00 a.m.	UMM Breakfast and Meeting
12	6:00 p.m.	Children's Council
13	6:00 p.m.	Verna Balogh Circle at Savage's (bus trip)
14	10:00 a.m.	Otta Bond Circle UMW
15	6:00 p.m.	County Wide UMM in FLC
	6:00 p.m.	Civitan's in Fellowship Hall
17	9:00 a.m.	Linus Blanket Work Day in FLC
	7-10 p.m.	TNT in FLC
20	7-10 a.m.	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast
	9:30 a.m.	Gautier Sr. Citizen's Meeting
21	9:00 a.m.	Tote Bag Ministry in Library
	11:30 a.m.	Gautier Sr. Citizen's Luncheon in Fellowship Hall
22	6:00 p.m.	PPR Meeting
24	7-10 p.m.	TNT in FLC
27	1-7 p.m.	American Red Cross in Fellowship Hall
28	10:00 a.m.	Otta Bond Circle UMW

**Whew!** February is a busy month!!! It's usually a dreary month so plan to attend as many things as you can to keep the doldrums away.

# GOOD NEWS

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:12

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### HOW'S YOUR GREEK? ...TRY "ANTILEMPSEIS"

"Helps" is mentioned only once in the Bible...I Corinthians 12:28...and the Greek work "antilempselis" occurs only there. It means protector or assistant and probably refers to the ability to perform helpful works in a gracious manner. Instead of the Greek word (which none could pronounce), we are going to call our recently formed service group simply "Helping Hands". A core group meeting of Helping Hands was held Sunday evening. A mission statement is being drawn up and Pat McDonald & Larry Brewster volunteered to be our co-coordinators.

In essence we will be calling on those who signed up to be part of this ministry to provide small but important services to church members in need. These services include (but are not limited to) running errands, providing transportation, minor household maintenance, i.e., changing ceiling light bulbs, replacing batteries in smoke alarms, doing whatever it takes to give care-givers some time off, writing letters, reading or just keeping a homebound person company. The list goes on and on. Of course there will be things we are unable to do, major repairs, etc., but our goal is to provide as much service as we are able.

You'll be receiving more information as this group kicks into high gear. In the meantime, if you need help as mentioned above, call Pat at 497-9793 and if you did not sign the sheet and feel you have skills (great or small) to use in this ministry, let Pat or Larry know. God has no hands but our hands. Submitted by Beverly Siegrist



### SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON IS SUNDAY

We will have our Souper Bowl Luncheon this Sunday morning, **Feb. 4** immediately following the Morning

Worship Service. All donations will go to help rebuild Seashore Mission. Please plan to attend and bring a pot of soup, breads or dessert

## UNITED METHODIST MEN

Men of the church, grab your planners, and mark the date (15 FEB @ 6pm) for the UMM County Wide meeting that we are hosting here at First UMC of Gautier! If every man in the church attended this event, we just might earn the Attendance Award (who knows, we might even make it into Ripley's Believe It Or Not)...not to mention, have a great time fellowshiping with our brother UMM groups. The invitation is extended to all men to attend, or even better yet, come help us prepare and serve. For more info, come to the UMM Breakfast at 7am on Sunday 11 FEB. See you there, Denny. President UMM

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee will meet February 6, 2007, at 7 p.m. This will be our first meeting of the year, so we will have many items to discuss. Anyone having suggestions about worship is welcome to share them with any member of this committee.

## SHROVE TUESDAY

Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday which is the first day of Lent. It's a day of penitence and a day of celebration as the last chance to feast before Lent. So...come and feast at a pancake breakfast in the Fellowship Hall on Shrove Tuesday, February 20, from 7 a.m. until 10 a.m. Lent is a time of abstinence, of giving things up. But on this Shrove Tuesday you can eat as many pancakes as you want...no one will be counting.

## OUTREACH MINISTRY

Put this very important date on your calendar...Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This will be a **Linus Blanket Workday**. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. If you can iron, lay-out, pin, tape, thread a needle or sew this day is for you. We will be making tied quilts, fleece blankets, etc. There are jobs for everyone and it is lots and lots of fun.

## VERNA BALOGH CIRCLE

The next meeting of the Verna Balogh Circle will be February 13, 2007. This is going to be a special event as we will be meeting at the home of Carole and Jim Savage. The church bus will leave the church at 6 p.m. Linda Hyland will continue our study of Children of the Bible. Our mission project will be to bring personal care items for lady inmates of the Jackson County Adult Detention Center. As we prepare for our Call to Prayer and Self Denial program in March, Rose Marie Luke has prepared a fun project for us that we'll find out about on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

## SMILE ON:

- ☺ Barbara Schrink for polishing our candlelighter's that the Acolytes use. And to John Schrink for continually un-clogging and replacing the wicks. Two of those jobs that goes un-noticed by most of us.
- ☺ Pat McDonald and Larry Brewster for heading up the new Helping Hands Ministry.
- ☺ Beverly Siegrist for taking over the secretarial duties of the Administrative

Council.

- ☺ Our choir for the wonderful spirited special on Sunday morning. Way to go!

## OUR FAITHFULNESS

January 28, 2007

Sunday School:	68	Sunday School Offering	\$18.50
Worship:	152	Worship Offering	\$2,524.50
		Building Fund Total:	\$ 1,067.00

## BUILDING FUND GIFTS:

In honor of Joe and Bonnie Godwin.

In memory of Bettie Meadows Hicks by Dianne and Bud Burns.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Dianne Burns at the death of her step mother, Betty Hicks. Please keep Dianne and her family in your prayers.

## ONGOING PRAYERS FOR:

Wallace Gill, Robin Jackson, John & Helen Lewis, Ina Goff, Holly Rosen, Peter Stine Janine & Eve Devereaux, Michelle Hardy, Viola Nixon, Marian Pierson, Ruby Flynt Wayne Thorton, Nerva McCaskey, Burnice Rasmussin, Chuck Neely, Bill Pressley John & Judy Cleaves, Betty Gomillion, Steve Belcher, Wayburn Smith, Cotton Pearce \*\*Jim Marshall & Winnie, Frances Langley & T John, World leaders, Service personnel and their families.

## PRAYERS FOR:

Kermit Jordan, Jim Shamburger & Woody Gammel family by Emma S.

Don Martin, Sherry, Garrett & Donna by Betty K.

\*John Mowrey (on life support), Gladys McDonald & Sue Crawford by Patti M.

Blake Rushing, Bill Hayes

James Duvall by Cindy D.

Emilie Rose, & Unspoken by Erylne G.

Mavis Cliett by Karen T.

Larry Case & Bobby Hayes by Deborah C.

Angelia Rice by Janice D.

Carol Leggett & Unspoken by Barbara W.

Allen Ward by Betty H.

\*Richard Cousins by Todd E.

Diane Butler by Beverly S.

Boni Burrel, Jane Shrimp, Coralee Kull by JoAnne W.

Lillian Krebs by Donald K.

Harold Campbell by Doris O.

\*Lorrie Fountain by Sabrina B.

Cathy Hembree & Caleb Trigg by Connie G.

Havard family by Teri R.

Judy Bray, Roxanne & Holland Rainey by Barbara S.

Allison Gautier's mother

Bob & Sandra Briggs by Cheryl H.

\*Don Farris by Nancy G.

Hollie Engle by Denny E.

Family of Maggie Tolar

Marlin by Destiny M.

Bobby Taylor by Nellie K.

Anne Mansfield & Larry Cofield by Janine B.

Frances Young by Donna R.

Janet Shows & Martha Lewis by Lester S.

Brenda Fricker & boys

Al & Ken Muller by Betty F.

Polly Furr by Judi M.

Anna Claire Flynt by Cynthia W.

Pearl Mercer by Ken T.

Dakota Cockrell, Jerry & Buita Redmond by Betty K.

Van Limerick by Mike S.

Teddy & Ginger Lay, Helene Danaher by Janet R.

Janet Rasmussin by Martha P.

Diane Burns & family by Helen L.

Walter Lindsay by Jim C.

Kim Cunningham by Connie W.

Leslie Mathis by Audis S.

Family of Nancy Griffin and Alva Bryan

Terry Wimmitt by Mike S.

Vivian Kimble by Susan A.

Clyde Parrish by Edwina G.

Dianna Myers by Janet S.

Twyla Stone by Bambi B.

Mary Jane Brewster by Larry B.

Christine Brooks by Betty F.

Sandy Hulbert by Glenn H.

Horace Savage by Jim S.