



January 26, 2016

The Spire

This Sunday, January 31st • Morning Worship • Clay Stauffer, preaching
Sermon: "The Power of Words" • Scripture: James 3:1-18

THE BOOK OF JAMES FAITH IN ACTION

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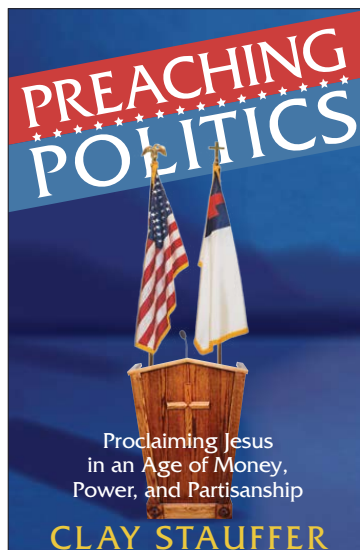
- Mission and Outreach
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- Relationships and Connection

Core Values

Welcoming
Outstanding worship
Outreach
Different traditions
Mission and ministry
On the move
Nurturing
Transforming

Mission Statement

Growing Disciples of Christ by
Seeking God,
Sharing Love,
and
Serving Others.



**Sunday, February 14th at
10:30 a.m. in the
Gathering Hall**

**Reception and Book Signing
Celebrating the Pre-Release of
Clay Stauffer's New Book**

***Preaching Politics
Proclaiming Jesus in an Age of
Money, Power and Partisanship***



WOODMONT'S SUPERBOWL PARTY

Snacks, a huge screen, big sound & activities for all!
Sunday February 7th at 5:15 p.m. in Drowota Hall



ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 10TH • 6:30 P.M.

**CLAY STAUFFER, PREACHING
"A SEASON OF SOUL SEARCHING"
MATTHEW 7:1-5 & JAMES 3:13-18**



On Saturday night, January 23rd, our church and our city lost a pillar in Clayton McWhorter. For me, he was much more than a church member. He was a mentor, a friend, a confidant, and a father figure in many ways. He took me in when I came to Nashville at 27 years old to lead Woodmont into its next chapter. He taught me things about life and leadership that I will never forget. Nashville owes Clayton a debt of gratitude for all he has done and for the many lives he has touched and changed.

He was born September 27, 1933 - the youngest of four children in Chattanooga, TN. When Clayton was two years old his parents separated and later divorced, and his mother moved with the four children to Lafayette, GA, raising them on her own. They were dirt poor and didn't have electricity, indoor plumbing, or even locks on the doors. But the values his mother taught them lasted a lifetime – telling the truth, giving back, being respectful, working hard, being frugal, supporting the church, and believing that you can be anything you want to be. Clayton took those words to heart and they always stuck with him. He graduated from Samford University (then called Howard College) with a pharmacy degree and went on to have an incredibly successful career in the health care industry. He helped turn Nashville into the international healthcare hub that it now is. He was a hospital administrator before joining HCA in 1970. He climbed the ranks and became CEO from 1985-1987. That same year, he founded Health-Trust where he served as CEO until the Columbia/HCA merger in 1995. Clayton was a giant in the healthcare world and his accomplishments are too many to mention. Just last year, he was inducted as a part of the inaugural class of the Tennessee Healthcare Hall of Fame. In 1996, he founded Clayton Associates, a venture capital firm, and he has remained committed to mentoring, connecting, investing in businesses, and giving back. While many might have gone to the beach to retire and take it easy, Clayton was just getting started when he founded Clayton Associates. Up until his illness, he went to the office every day at 82.



Clayton McWhorter

In the eight and a half years that I have served Woodmont, Clayton has taught me many things about life, faith, and leadership. Allow me to list a few:

1. Faith is to be lived out – It's one thing to say you have faith, but it's another thing to put that faith into action. The faith that his mother taught him growing up extremely poor in rural Georgia was real, and it got him through the ups and downs of life. His faith also taught him to look out for the little guy and the less fortunate. For many years after coming to Nashville, he continued to support his mother's church in GA because he knew how much it had meant to her and to his family.

2. Life is about giving back – Clayton was one of the most generous people I have ever met. He gave away over half of his net worth to causes and institutions he believed in. Whether it was the church, universities, scholarship funds, endowments, or local philanthropies, Clayton's spirit of generosity was simply amazing and inspiring. And he always challenged others who have been financially blessed to do the same. He would refer to this as "paying it forward." He would always say "You can't take it with you when you die." He also loved to say "What you give away you never really lose," and he believed that with all his heart.

3. Family is essential – Clayton loved his family and the people he considered family. Family life is not always easy; it can be complicated, but we must make the most of the family we have. We must love them, care for them, spend time with them, and appreciate them. If things go wrong, we must make amends and not put it off. He did all these things on a regular basis. Ours is a world where family is often overlooked and taken for granted.

4. There's a difference between real friends and acquaintances – Clayton and I would often talk about the difference between these two. Real friends are there for you regardless of what you have or don't have, what you've done or haven't done. Clayton had all kinds of friends – rich friends, poor friends, old friends, young friends, new friends. And he didn't differentiate based on status or connections. He befriended a 27 year old preacher and gave me guidance and support to lead a large church. I will always be grateful.

5. Money can buy lots of things but it can't buy meaning and fulfillment. – Clayton was financially blessed, but he never let that change who he was. He knew that regardless of how much money you have or don't have, your values and character are what matter most. This is what he learned from his mother growing up. Clayton used his success as a means to give back. He never let his business success go to his head. He stayed grounded and true to who he was. He lived his life in a way that brought meaning and joy to others. He showed both passion and compassion.

6. Be a mentor – Clayton believed that mentoring is essential, and he was committed to empowering the next generation of leaders. He did that and encouraged others to do the same. Wisdom that is learned in life should be passed down from generation to generation. He made an intentional effort to do that.

I could go on and on about this remarkable man who has meant so much to me. In the ministry, we are called to take care of many people, but he ministered to me. Clayton was not afraid to die because he lived well. He didn't take a single day for granted. Instead, he did everything he could to give back and to make a difference. There will be a visitation this Wednesday evening, January 27th from 4-7 pm in our Gathering Hall. The funeral service will be on Thursday, January 28th at Belmont's McAfee Hall at 2 pm.

We all have people who come into our lives and bless us in ways we could never imagine. I just lost one of mine. Farewell, Clayton McWhorter. Godspeed. Thank you for your friendship, your leadership, and for impacting so many lives.

Blessings,



All of My Heroes Stand Less Than Five Feet Tall

by Justin Gung



What does a superhero look like? How do you know when you see one? Of course, some superheroes wear capes, while others have masks. Some sling webs, while others fly through the air. Some have green skin, while others wear iron suits. Most people, if you asked them, would respond that superheroes are tall

in stature with rippling muscles. Yet all of my heroes stand less than five feet tall.

On Friday, January 15, several children of the church, along with their parents, hosted Room In the Inn. You know, before the end, this could be a really bad winter. In fact, Super-storm Jonas just swept through the country, leaving countless communities decimated. Can you imagine living outside in this weather? I can't. Nor do I want to. Yet those who are homeless do just that and, in the city of Nashville, the homeless population is increasingly composed of families with young children.

Yet not even a super-storm is a match for the superheroes of our church. Like the X-Men or Justice League, our families banded together to work for good. The Reynolds and Walker families arrived early to set-up. The Amrhein, Farmer, Galyon, Pitts, Pratt, and Smith families created a mouthwatering meal. The McConnell family brought homemade dessert. The Williams family cleaned-up and stayed overnight. The Holscher family prepared bag lunches for our guests to take with them.

Whole and Holy Hearts

by Tallu Quinn

At Clay's urging, my family and I set up a mini church service on our living room floor this past Sunday morning. We lit a candle, said a prayer, sang a song, wrestled our two young children to try to stay with us for this brief little ritual, and read aloud James, chapter 3. We got a good 8-9 minutes in :) and called it a success!

I feel this passage of scripture from James is a little unusual to interpret, but is essentially a cautionary reminder to us of the enormous responsibility we have in using our voices, especially those of us in any position of authority (parents, teachers, bosses, church leaders, all of us, really). Who among us doesn't feel the many contradictions we

I was particularly proud of the children. Jack and Tyler set tables. Abby and Hannah colored placemats. Davis Amrhein literally did the heavy lifting. Corrine Smith cared for the very young children who came through the door as guests. I could go on and on and on, but the point is this: Each person used his or her God-given ability to help those in real and dire need. They may as well have worn capes because all of them were heroes!

Of course, this should come as no surprise to those who love Scripture. The pages of Scripture are replete with examples that God chooses little people to do great big things. It's how God builds his kingdom! David was the youngest of his brothers, but slew the giant and became king of his nation. Though Jeremiah protested at first, citing his young age, God turned him into one of Israel's most important prophets. Young Timothy became the most trusted associate of the apostle Paul. Time and time again, God, in his sovereign plan, "chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong" (1 Cor. 1:27).

So, my friends, the next time you want to see a hero, don't open a comic book or turn on the T.V. Don't watch a cartoon or pay for a movie ticket. Come to Woodmont Christian Church and go straight to the Kids Commons. There you'll see all sorts of heroes. They may not sling webs or fly through the air, but they're heroes all the same. Just remember: When you look for them, make sure you look beneath eye-level. Because all of my heroes stand less than five feet tall.

experience in wanting whole and holy hearts, but inhabiting human bodies, holding human grudges, and heaping human judgment on others around us? James' description of the fresh and brackish waters flowing off of the same tongue especially resonated. How often have the words I profess been sullied by the anger in my heart? What am I actively doing, not only to control my tongue, but to transform my own heart?

Coincidentally, Henri Nouwen's offering for the same day—January 24—in his daily devotional guide *Bread for the Journey* was also about how our human shortcomings keep us from the kind of forgiveness and love that can

transform our lives. He writes, "As people who have hearts that long for perfect love, we have to forgive one another for not being able to give or receive that perfect love in our everyday lives. Our many needs constantly interfere with our desire to be there for the other unconditionally. Our love is always limited by spoken and unspoken conditions."

As I try to remove the conditions from my heart and the judgment from my mind, I find my hope in God's enormous

love and presence in my life, and give thanks that God is willing to give me—today and every day—another chance to be the blessing he created me to be.

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God. Romans 12:2

Grace and peace, tallu

Special Wednesday Evening at Woodmont February 3rd in Drowota Hall

5:35 p.m. - A Delicious 5 Star Dinner with our Habitat Family

The meal will be prepared and served by The Nashville Food Project. While there is no set fee, a donation of \$8.00 per person is suggested to support TNFP's mission and work. When donating, make checks out to TNFP or use cash or cards. **RSVP by noon on February 1st: online - www.bit.ly/2016dinners, by phone: (615-297-8563), or on Sunday's Connection Card.**

Menu: Paella (with chicken & shrimp) ~ Mixed green salad tossed with lemon vinaigrette ~ Chocolate chip brownies

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY! Meet our Habitat Family at 5 Star Dinner - in addition to a fabulous meal by TNFP, we are honored to have Abuadam Eisa and Riha Elmutalib - our Habitat family as our guests.



A little bit about our future homeowners: Abuadam and Riha are both from Sudan. Abuadam was conscripted to fight in the Sudanese civil war and in 2002 he moved to Cairo as a refugee and applied for resettlement in the U.S. He relocated to Nashville in 2006 and found employment with the Bun Company where he still works today. He is also studying at TSU in pursuit of a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. In 2009 he returned to Sudan briefly and married Riha. She joined him in 2012 in Nashville and they had their daughter, Omniya, now three. The family needed a more stable and safe living environment and found Habitat for Humanity. The family is grateful for this opportunity to share the American dream of homeownership. When asked how he feels about the sponsors like Woodmont, Abuadam states how blessed he feels. "When someone helps you like this and supports you in achieving your dream, 'thank you' simply isn't enough. May God bless you all and your families."

Save the Dates for this year's Habitat Build - March 5th and 6th and 12th and 13th

5 Star Dinner is followed by.....

6:30 p.m. - Open Lecture as Part of Clay's "Left, Right, Christian" Class in Drowota Hall - open to everyone!

Topic: Understanding Islam, ISIS, and the Migration Crisis - an Overview of the Rise of ISIS and the Loss of Religious Diversity in Iraq and Syria

with speaker Richard McGregor, Associate Professor of Religion and Islamic Studies at Vanderbilt.

Online Ordering for Lilies Now Open!

Woodmont has a tradition of filling the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning with lilies. A special booklet is given out Easter Sunday at morning worship featuring the names of those who purchased lilies in honor and/or memory of, and the names of those honored and/or remembered.

Please consider placing your order online this year - doing so saves time and paper during this busy season. Please note that you do not have to pay online even if you order online - you can use a check marked 'lilies' and mail it to Woodmont or drop it in the offering plate. Order lilies at <http://bit.ly/lilies4easter>. Paper order forms will be available soon in future bulletins and newsletters.

Tele-Connect Meeting Sunday January 31st

Tele-Connect Ministry reaches out to folks who have limited communication with others because of illness, birth of a child, depression, recent loss of a friend/loved one, immobility, or fear of leaving the home. Join us at 4:00 p.m. in the Boardroom Sunday, January 31st for an planning and informational meeting. Everyone is invited to participate in this vital ministry!

"It's good to hear your voice"



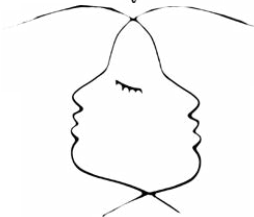
CWF General Meeting and Luncheon

Have you heard the true story of Tarra the elephant and the little stray dog she adopted as a beloved friend? Did you know that Tarra, along with 24 other retired circus and zoo elephants, peaceably roamed right here in Heonwald Tennessee at the Elephant Sanctuary?

The Elephant Sanctuary is the largest natural habitat refuge in the nation, specifically for African and Asian elephants in need of a home. Sanctuary volunteer Rosanne Sietins will share the elephants' heartwarming stories and explain how these remarkable animals are receiving care and living out their lives in a safe haven.

Our meeting is Tuesday, February 2nd 11:00 a.m. in Room 105 for our program. Lunch will follow in Drowota Hall at 12:00 p.m. and is \$8 per person. Please make your reservations through your Circle by 1/29/ or by calling 615-297-8563. Child care will be provided. Visitors are welcome! The CWF Board will meet at 10:00 a.m. in Room 100.

Growing in the presence of Christ and each other.



Sunday School Classes

9:30 a.m.

Disciples Class in Room 105 led by Roy Stauffer. This is a lecture and discussion class focused on the Scriptures and how they speak to our lives today. This class is led by Roy Stauffer, who has nearly 40 years of experience in ministry and theology.

Challenge Class in Room 200 led by Paul Hardin. <http://wcc-challengeclass.com/>. This class discusses contemporary issues from a Christian perspective using a variety of formats.

Young Adults in the Boardroom led by Dr. Rob Quinn. Note: start time is 9:45 a.m. This is a one-hour class focused on the Bible attended by many young adults between the ages of 26 and 35. This class offers an open forum for in-depth reading and discussion of scripture.

Spiritual Journeys for Women in the Bay Room led by Anne Alexander Stauffer. "Twelve Steps for Us All". The miraculous life-transforming power of these teachings never ceases to amaze me. They are a practical design for a new life in Christ. Spiritual Journeys for Women is privileged to again offer this series for the New Year!



Spiritual Journeys for Women Class

A Warm Winter Welcome for All Women! Looking for Community and Belonging in a Sunday School Class? Please Visit the Spiritual Journeys Program meeting 9:30 in the Bay Room each Sunday.

11:00 a.m.

Reflections Sunday School Series in Room 200 led by Kathy Patten - "REFRESH" What better goal for 2016 is there than to grow our spiritual lives as individuals and as a church? Who doesn't have "junk" that needs clearing or problems we would like to send away? Who doesn't get in the way with "helping" God in our own way rather than His? Join us for a 6-8 week Bible Study/Discussion Group including the book *Refresh: the Road to Revival* (available in The Spire Bookstore or through Amazon). The book is arranged for five daily devotionals each week followed by a Sunday summary.

Spiritual Journeys Class (2nd Hour co-ed) in The Bay Room led by Anne Alexander Stauffer. A coed confidential group dedicated to sharing its "experience, strength, and hope" based upon the twelve steps of life in Christ and spiritual principles for more abundant living. Participants find the class a safe and uplifting way to build community and process life's challenges in a solution-oriented format.

Pathways Class in the Boardroom led by Laura Dovan and Christy Brown. Throughout the year we will watch video lessons and host speakers who share their insight on the challenges facing today's Christian family including marriage, prayer, and growing faith. **February 7th we welcome Karen Lassen Oliver, author of *Passing it On - How to Nurture Your Children's Faith*.**

Points of View Class in Room 105 - based on the book *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian McLaren. The class will involve a series of discussions led by Randy Smith with the objective of exploring what a difference an honest, living, growing faith can make in our world today.

College/University Aged Young Adults in Room 107 led by Thom Schuyler. This is a one-hour class focused on the Bible attended by many young adults between the ages of 19 and 25. This class offers an open forum for in-depth reading and discussion of scripture.

Happy February Birthdays!

1 Janice Murphey Quinn Johnson	6 Pam Thompson Barby White	10 John Carpenter	Justine Hart	Lillian Howell - (Tammi & Pat's daughter)	Julie Janes	Eric Johnson
2 Kandall Hill Bethany Burks Dale Herrick Sandra Dickerson Melanie McMahan	Cole Crider Eva Pratt Luke Smith	11 Elner Hamner	Lindsey Hysmith	Lilly Howell - (Pat and Gretchen's daughter)	21 Robert Howell	25 Mattie-Ann Harwell
3 Al Richardson Corinne Hartong	Liz Smith Gerard Stranch	12 Jack Malone Trish Barnard Tom Hamner Meg Jarratt	Luke Kinman	Holly Ahlbin	George Keith Forrest King III	26 Tim Warnock Nathan Williams
4 Barb Best	7 Liz Smith Gerard Stranch	13 Hope Walker Clayton Stauffer	15 Keeley McHugh Sara deBettencourt	18 Debra LaForge	Kalli Kinman John Steele	28 Marsha Bailey Michael Miccioli Melanie McConnell
5 David Malone (dad)	8 LuAnn Brent Earl Eckert	14 Melissa Knapp Ted Wilson	16 Julia Ann Hawkins Gary Thompson Brooks Jones Jeff Kinman	19 Park Owen Casey Close Ryland Close	22 Betty Williams Catherine Caffey Scott Dever	
	9 Parker McMahan Madelyn McConnell Ava MacAllister		17 Cindy Johnson Brian Bugg Benjamin Lee	20 Diane Perry Ellis Stokes	23 Kelly Norton	
					24 Sara Norton	

Leadership Nominations Being Accepted Through January 31st, 2016

For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. Romans 12:4-5

Woodmont believes strongly in the ministry of lay people. Annually, the congregation is asked to nominate fellow church members to serve in lay leadership positions. This year we are accepting nominations for the following leadership positions: Chair Elect (1), Board Members at Large (3), Elders (6), and Deacons (30).

Qualifications to Consider when Nominating:

Leaders must be active in the Congregation's life and seek to grow in their own understanding and practice of a Christian life. Consider the following in the selection of persons for leadership positions in the congregation.

Does the nominee:

- continually serve Woodmont with faithful devotion, seek and share opportunities for spiritual growth with others, give of his/her time, talent, and treasure, regularly attend worship services, sustain active involvement in a Small Group or Sunday School class, possess the ability to lead from a Christ centered and compassionate heart without judgement, exhibit commitment to living generously and changing lives, live a mission-centered life that Seeks God, Shares Love, and Serves Others.

Place your nominations using the online form: <http://bit.ly/wccnominees>.

You may also email a member of the Nominating Committee.

Your nominations go to the Nominating Committee - a group of nine individuals appointed by Woodmont's Board of Directors who are Elders or Deacons, and/or Woodmont members that demonstrate exceptional interest and engagement in church life.

2016 Nominating Committee Members

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The Nominating Committee has a very challenging task ahead. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers, there are always more candidates than available positions. If you have questions about the responsibilities of a specific leadership role, please contact a Committee member or review the Charter and By-Laws by visiting Woodmont's website: www.woodmontchristian.org under About Us - Charter and By Laws. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and nomination(s).

A Thank You from Linda Whitson

Dear Woodmont Friends,
Cliché as it may sound....there really are no words to express my appreciation for all of your kindnesses as my time with Woodmont came to an end. The calls, cards, gifts, lunches, office visits and face-to-face well wishes will always be remembered. The reception in my honor on December 6 was quite overwhelming! The gifts from the congregation - a diamond cross necklace, a framed print and a generous monetary gift - were also very unexpected! You are an amazing congregation with a heart for all people and I greatly enjoyed serving on your church staff. I will continue to pray for this ministry and know that good things are in store. Thank you from the bottom of my heart - I will miss you all!

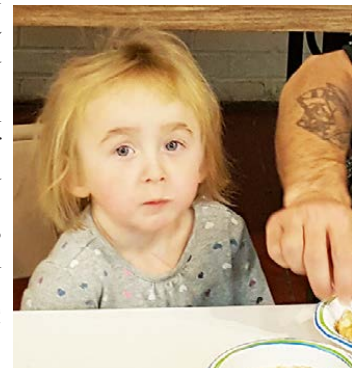
Love,
Linda Whitson

Woodmont's Outpouring of Love for RITI

Your support for the Room In The Inn ministry this winter has been amazing!

- This has been our first year to host families. Including Christmas, we have hosted families two times, including five toddlers and four older children.
- Monday night was our first night to host women, and Tuesday was our second. This is also the first year WCC has hosted women.
- We have met many people new to WCC that have gotten involved! Welcome to all of you!
- CWF's Circle 6 volunteered to host an extra night - before we even knew we might be hosting that night!
- We have had young people coming out to help serve our guests. The guests have absolutely loved meeting our youth. That's all they want to talk about!
- Many people that had never been in South Hall nor had ever been involved with RITI have been over these last two weeks!
- Several people have brought food more than once, and some have even prepared food for future nights!
- We've been provided sack lunches by some very artistic children! The masterpieces are a real joy for our guests!
- Richard Lowe and Richmond Williams not only spent the night with our guests, but also took it upon themselves to do all of the laundry the next day!
- Thanks to Sam Marsh, Jane Dyer and Wendall and Jenny Holder along with Ellie and Anna Kate, we had Football Night in South Hall. I believe it has been a long time since some of our guests have had so much fun!
- The Nashville Food Project has been very gracious to share their space, their refrigerators and freezers, and even provided RITI with a wonderful meal!
- We provided warm beds and warm, delicious food to over 130+ men, women and children - just in the last 2 weeks!

Winter isn't over yet, but God bless you WCC for your work and your support of this mission! You truly are a missional church!



Destiny - one of our younger guests

Woodmont's Elders Invite You to Join Them in Prayer for:

- Appreciation for our congregation with all their unique gifts.
- Those who have been harmed or displaced by the winter storms.
- The Nashville Food Project who feeds those in need daily.
- Room in the Inn who provides for the homeless in our community that are at risk by the cold weather, and for the many volunteers who work so hard to provide them food, clothing, a warm smile and a warm bed.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in Room in the Inn with the Children's Ministry. From setting up, to food preparation, to making place mats, to serving our guests and hosting them overnight - we couldn't have done it without you all. Thank you for your ministry.

Sunday February 7th
Pathway's Class
11:00 a.m. in the Boardroom

PARENTING SPEAKER:

Kara Lassen Oliver
Author of *Passing It On*



THIS MONTH IN CHRISTQUEST:

The Scripture Passage: Matthew 4:1-11

The Story: "The Temptation of Christ"

The Big Idea: Jesus was tempted just like we are, yet He remained without sin. He understands completely when we're tempted, and we can turn to Him and to the Bible for help.

The Memory Verse: Jesus answered, "It is written: Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:4)

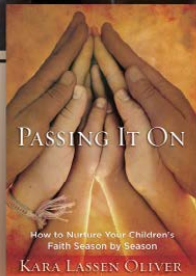
WEDNESDAY NIGHT/JYF REMINDER: Join us this Wednesday for dinner, games and activities, and Bible Study! This month, we will finish our current art and learning series on "Love Is..." If you can't make it to dinner beforehand, meet Miss Maddi and Mr. Justin in Drowota Hall at 6:30 p.m. for programming.



★★★★★

"This book is an answer to prayer for those parents who hope to guide their children toward loving God, neighbor, and self, but don't know where to start."

—REV. DR. MICHAEL WILLIAMS
Sr. Pastor, West End United Methodist Church



**you're
invited
to...**

WOODMONT'S SUPERBOWL PARTY

Snacks, a huge screen, big sound & activities for all!
Sunday February 7th at 5:15 p.m. in Drowota Hall



(in place of our regular Youth Group)



CABINET MEMBER MEETING: FEBRUARY 7TH AT NOON,
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SUNDAY SCHOOL. LUNCH PROVIDED.

WOODMONT Youth

Next Week's Calendar

Sunday, January 31

9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services, Sanctuary
 4:00 p.m. Tele-Connect Meeting
 5:15 p.m. The Bridge Worship, Drowota Hall
 6:15 p.m. Youth Group, Youth Wing

Monday, February 1

4:00 p.m. "Geezers" Men's Group, Boardroom
 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Drowota Hall
 6:00 p.m. Circle 5, Room 105

Tuesday, February 2

9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group, Campbell-Stone
 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Martha Galyon, 200
 10:00 a.m. CWF Board Meeting, 100
 11:00 a.m. CWF General Meeting, 105/DH
 6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Wednesday, February 3

6:15 a.m. Men's Small Group, Room 100
 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Room 105
 Younger Men's Bible Study, Boardroom
 5:35 p.m. 5 Star Dinner, Drowota Hall
 6:15 p.m. DivorceCare, Bay Room
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
 Passing it On: How to Nurture Your Child's Faith, 200
 Open Lecture *"Understanding Islam and ISIS"*,
 Drowota Hall Stephen Ministry
 Leadership Woodmont, 107

Thursday, February 4 Library Workday

Seek God, Share Love, Serve Others

There are schedules set up in order to provide some help with meals for Woodmont members Martha Hobby (CWF President) and Faye Tevebaugh (Woodmont Elder) - both are under the weather for the foreseeable future. To schedule a meal, visit www.takethemameal.com and enter the last name (Hobby or Tevebaugh) in the proper space on the site. The password for Martha's site is "shell", and the password for Faye's site is "gallery". Thank you for your care and compassion.

Prayers for Our Church Family

In the Hospital

Mary Jane Jones (Pam Groom's step mother), Louisville, KY
 LuAnn Brent, St. Thomas West

New Concerns

Pam Groom

Continuing Concerns

Hailey Wright

Will Keim

Clay Perry, son of Diane and Tim Perry, grandson of Betty and Bill Johnson, Seattle

Gary Jones, father of Pam Groom

Janice Cameron, WCPS teacher

Janet Tevebaugh, daughter in law of Hal and Faye Tevebaugh

Farrell Mason, on bed rest

George Shreeve. Keep George and Mary in your prayers.

Martha Hobby

Brad Gioa, Headmaster of MBA

Beverly McQueeney, mother of Deb LaForge

Penny Stelling

John Devoe, father of Elisa Clark

Military

Lt. Ryan Whitson, son of Linda Whitson - Middle-East

Toby Logsdon, friend of John & Sallye Galloway - Middle-East

Sympathy To

Michelle McWhorter (and family) on the loss of her husband Clayton McWhorter. Visitation will be held at Woodmont on January 27th from 4:00pm - 7:00pm. The funeral service will be held in McAfee Hall at Belmont University on Thursday, January 28th starting at 2:00pm.

Alan Sowell on the loss of his mother Anne Sowell. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Congratulations To

Port and Brookes Campany on the birth of their son David Porter Campany on Jan.11

By Our Presence and Our Gifts				Deacons Serving January 31, 2016			Elders Serving January 31, 2016
Date	Sun. School	Total Atd.	Operating	Communion Prep: Ellen Cochran Service Coordinator: 9:30 - Jonathan Farmer • 11:00 - Honey Hetzel Video Camera: 9:30 - Erik Milam • 11:00 - Christy Crider			9:30 a.m. Faye Tevebaugh and Anne-Marie Farmer
January 3	278	795	\$128,088				
January 10	411	896	\$52,659				
January 17	369	870	\$44,282				
January 24	SNOW DAY						
Worship Services - January 31, 2016							
Morning Worship • 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Dr. C. Roy Stauffer, Preaching Series: "The Book of James, Faith in Action" Sermon: "The Use and Misuse of Time" Scripture: James 4:1-4, 11-17				9:30 a.m. Billy Crawford Jerry Johnson Chad Greer Jennifer Ottinger Ellen Cochran Rob Cochran Talbot Ottinger Laura Stephan	11:00 a.m. Ray Dickerson Sandy Dickerson Sandra Kyne Stephen Quinn Barbara Sullivan Don Hart Selena Guilfooy Mike Wright	5:15 p.m. Jay Everett Tami Buchanan Kristen Newman Jamey Huling	11:00 a.m. Marcus Crider and Emmie Thomas Hospital - Pat Malone
The Bridge Worship 5:15 p.m. in Drowota Hall • Trey Flowers, Preaching Series: "Faith at Work" Sermon: "Faith at Work" • Scripture: Psalm 90:12-17							5:15 p.m. Mary Kiger

Staff Serving Woodmont

Dr. Clay Stauffer, Senior Minister

Dr. C. Roy Stauffer, Minister of Adult Education & Church Life

Rev. Justin Gung, Minister of Children & Congregational Care

Farrell Mason, Minister of Family Life & Pastoral Care

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