The Steeple: October 2024

Prayer Requests

Lois Stephens Nancy Stephens Tony Barron Jay Rice Alice Cox Angie Conner Jeanette Lamar Jimmy Meggs Kerra Cheatham Melissa Cheatham Pam Aseff Joan Murray Ed Schamel Melba Brown Judy Evans Kelly Conn Melinda Holmes Candice Burge and family Doris Gray George Mahan Pastor Sarah Goodwin Bradley Hidges Rochelle and Joel Bendall

Please help us pray for those on the prayer list, and for our congregation, local, state, and federal governments, US military their families, and our church staff and leadership.

October Birthdays

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10/01 Marie Mitchell 10/18 Pastor Taylor Goodwin 10/18 Sue Etheridge 10/21 Cindy Harding 10/23 Joshua Deng 10/27 Minnie Coates 10/28 Lois Stephens 10/28 Nancy Stephens 10/30 Harold Jacobs

TMC Quilting

Taylorville Methodist Church Quilters will meet on October 5th and October 19th at 9AM. The ladies are making quilts for the boys and girls at Freedom Farms along with Brent's quilters. If you would like more information contact Peggy Snider at 574-707-5743.

Fall Craft Bazaar

Taylorville Methodist Church is having a Fall Craft Bazaar on November 16, 2024. We need vendors! We would like for them to be home crafted items. The cost to rent a space is \$35.00 You can call the church office for all the information and sign up at 205-248-2721. Help us make this event wonderful!

Pastor's Letter:

Dear TMC Family and Friends,

Even though the weather is still warm, we are now fully into the fall season! From now till the end of the year, Taylorville Methodist has a full calendar of worship, fellowship, and events.

This coming Sunday, October 6th, we'll begin a brand new sermon series called "Starting Points." This new sermon series will be entirely focused on understanding and articulating the Gospel. Specifically, we'll spend five weeks exploring how the Good News of Jesus Christ has more width and depth than we may have ever imagined!

As we enter the early stages of October, fellowship and event opportunities will begin to populate quickly by the end of the month. Some things to be ready for:

> *"Trunk or Treat": Last year our Trunk or Treat provided a family friendly and safe alternative to Halloween for hundreds of families in our community. We would love to offer the same this year! We need at least 15 trunks and lots of candy donations. With your help and participation we can make this the best Trunk or Treat yet!!

*All Saints Sunday: On November 3rd, we'll celebrate "All Saints Day." In this service, we'll thank God for His work of grace in the lives of our Christian loved ones who went before us and fought the good fight of faith. If you have a Christian loved one who went on to glory this past year and want them remembered in worship, please provide Michelle their name by October 30th.

*Community Fall Bazaar: On November 16th, from 8am-2pm, we'll have our biennial fall bazaar in the gym. This should be a great day of fellowship as we host a diverse group of home crafters and commercial vendors. There will also be an outstanding sausage and pancake break fast provided in the morning. We hope to see you there!

*Church Birthday Party: On November 24th, our 100th year birthday celebration will begin with worship as usual and then transition into a time of food fellowship and memory sharing. We want to display your favorite pictures, videos, records, artifacts, and mementos from your time at TMC through the years. You can begin turning in those special memory anchors to Michelle in the office. We assure you, you'll get them back!

*Standby: Standby for more information on our annual "Gifts from God" giving campaign, our Musical Christmas Special in Advent, and ways you can help support the Hurricane Helene disaster relief efforts.

I eagerly look forward to seeing you in worship, in discipleship, and in fellowship in the coming weeks. I always stand ready to serve you as your pastor. My prayers are continually with you!

In Christ, Pastor Taylor

Taylorville Methodist Woman
The ladies of Taylorville Methodist Women hosted a bridal shower for Robin Smith, daughter of Terry and Delores Smith. TMW is planning for their next meeting on October 28th to be touring and learning about Freedom Farms. The ladies will meet at the church and car pool or following each other out to Coker at 9:30AM. They also discussed the fall bazaar. They will have a "Country Store" with bake goods and other miscellaneous items. The ladies will gather for a time of fellowship and assembling shoe boxes on October 5th at 9Am in the Grove. The shoe boxes will be processed in Atlanta, GA and then shipped overseas for Christmas. Susan Jacobs and Diane Allen will be representing TMW in the annual Trunk-or-Treat. Everyone should come out and enjoy the fellowship and the community. Mark your calendar: TMW Christmas Party is at Olive Garden at 11:30AM on December 7th. The ladies will do a \$10.00 "dirty santa" gift exchange. This is always so much fun! Prayer shawls, quilts, Christmas ornaments, and octopi were blessed and distributed to Hospice of West Alabama and to Northport DCH NICU. If you would like more information about TMW please contact Joan Hannah at 205-242-4444.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts has been given in memory of Candice Burge's mom, Linda Wilson by: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Spiller and Mr. and Mrs. Buster McMillan. Gifts has been given in memory of Ms. Flora Taylor by BG Watkins Construction Co., INC.

October Calendar of Events		
10/01	10AM	Shoe Boxes Due
10/02	7PM	NO Choir Practice
10/03	9AM-2PM	Church Office Closed-Michelle Out
10/05	9AM	TMC Quilting
10/05	9Am	TMW assembling shoe boxes
10/09	9AM-2PM	Church Office Closed-Michelle Out
10/15	10AM	Mexican Train
10/19	9AM	TMC Quilting
10/24	9AM-2PM	Church Office Closed-Michelle Out
10/28	10AM	TMW
10/30	9AM-2PM	Church Office Closed-Michelle Out
10/31	6PM-7PM	Trunk-or-Treat

Weekly Activities

Sunday: 9:00 AM 10:00 AM Contemporary Service Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Service

Wednesday:

5:45PM Pastor Taylor's Study Group

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Online Giving

It's now possible to set up your giving online! Simply go to https://taylorville-umc.churchcenter.com/giving, select whether you want to give a one-time gift or a recurring donation, enter the info, and click submit.

September Average Attendance

In-Person- 47 Online – 2

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