



**REVIVAL**



Rev. Tom Atkins will be preaching our Revival at PSFUMC, February 11-14. He will preach at both morning services on February 11, and again each night at 7:00 pm.

We will have a Prayer Vigil for Revival on Saturday, February 10 from 6:00 am until 6:00 pm. Please contact Renee' Manley at 770.943.1880 for more information.

We invite everyone to supper on Sunday, February 11 at 5:30 pm. Soup and salad will be provided. Please bring a dessert to share.

The Men's Club will have a Chili Cook-Off before Revival on Wednesday, February 14 at 5:30 pm.

The Men's Club is a service organization that is designed to help minister to the men of our church and community, as well as provide service to those I need. The Men's Club will meet Sunday, February 11 at 8:30 am. All men are invited to join us for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

All ladies are invited to the Sister's In Christ Women's Conference Saturday, February 24. This is a FREE conference spotlighting several speakers and musicians. The conference is from 8:30 - 4p.m. at First Baptist Church of Douglasville. A catered lunch is available for \$6.50 and must be prepaid online, by mail ,or phone (770-562-9668) by FEB. 9th. The menu for lunch is chicken salad on croissant, pasta salad, chips, brownie and bottled water. Go to [www.SistersInChrist.com](http://www.SistersInChrist.com) for all the details.

Let's join together for a day of fun & fellowship! We will meet at the church @ 7:20 and carpool over. The doors open @ 8 a.m. and coffee is available there at the Sister's Cafe. Join us all day or just part of the day. Please let Brenda Smith know if you will be attending. 770-425-2665 or [stevenbrenda5@comcast.net](mailto:stevenbrenda5@comcast.net). Hope to see you! Brenda Smith

**How many children can we wrap with our love?**

Please join our UMW in making BLANKETS OF LOVE to be donated to Project Linus. Your heart will be warmed each time you think about a child being wrapped in a blanket full of your prayers and your love.



These blankets can be fleece, quilted, crocheted, knitted. They just need to be washable. We believe this effort of providing love and security to our children would be a wonderful mission addition to our monthly packages of food, supplies, love and support to our military serving overseas. **HOW MANY BLANKETS OF LOVE CAN WE MAKE BY MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 28, 2007?**

Please contact Bobbie Bennett at 770.222.0469 or Gay Lynn Toth at 678.567.1175 or any UMW member for further details.

## Join the TEAM!

"We're Going To Win!" armbands are being sold by the Youth to benefit Katherine.

They are available at the Welcome Center and in the Church Office. A minimum donation of \$1.00 is requested per bracelet. All proceeds will benefit KJ and her family.



Katherine's CaringBridge site is <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/katherinearnold01>.

We are asking everyone to send a Valentine to Katherine....

Let's cover her up with love!!! Her address is: Katherine Arnold; 512 Caselton Court; Franklin TN 37069

## Fasting on Thursdays!

Join us in fasting and praying for Katherine Jane!

**WHAT IS FASTING?** Traditionally, fasting is abstinence from food or drink or both for a spiritual purpose and for a set period of time. Many religious groups and cultures practice fasting. For Christians fasting is a spiritual discipline. There are several different types of fasts: partial, total, and absolute. A partial fast is abstaining from selected food or drink as Daniel and his companions abstained from bread, meat, and wine to eat only vegetables and water for three weeks (Dan. 1:12 ff.). Many Christians practice partial fasts during the season of Lent (with the exception of Sundays). The desert fathers and mothers engaged in long partial fasts, eating bread and water only. Total fasts are abstinence from all food and drinking only water, as when Jesus fasted for forty days in the wilderness (Matt. 4:2). Absolute fasts are usually very short periods, such as Esther's three-day fast (Esther 4:16). Often a total fast may run from sunrise to sunset or for a full day (sunset to sunset), as on the Day of Atonement (Lev. 23:27-32).

Fasting is generally an individual spiritual discipline, but there are many scriptural accounts of communal fasts called in times of war, drought, sickness, national mourning, or commemoration of a calamity. Fasting as a sign of penitence is often connected in the scriptures with putting on sackcloth and ashes. This bodily form of prayer says, "I am penitent and humble myself. Do not afflict me, but restore me and forgive me." It may also confirm dependence upon God, affirming that God is the source of sustenance beyond food. Therefore, fasting is closely connected to the discipline of mortification. However, Jesus teaches (Matt. 6:16-18) that one should not make a show of being afflicted during the time of fasting. As a general rule, fasting is a spiritual discipline that requires regular, systematic practice to experience its spiritual benefits. Today practitioners usually combine it with prayer and service. Early Methodists connected fasting with a time of prayer and giving to the poor what would have been spent on food.

For more information, see the chapter on fasting in **Richard J. Foster's *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth***. (If interested, you can see *Jasmine* in the Church Office to check out this resource. You can also get it at any Christian bookstore and most mainline book stores.)

-- Cynthia I. Zirlott "Fasting" The Upper Room Dictionary of Christian Spirituality From The Upper Room Dictionary of Christian Spirituality, edited by Keith Beasley-Topliffe. Copyright © 2003 by Upper Room Books. Used with permission. All Rights Reserved.

### ***Dates to Remember***

Due to the Revival, the Genealogy Club will not meet on February 13.

Please join us for dinner Wednesday, February 21. The UMW will serve Lasagna, Salad, Bread & Dessert. On February 28, the Preschool Board will serve Chicken Casserole with Rice, Green Beans & Dessert.

SPRC will meet February 25 immediately following the 10:55 am service in Room 101. A light lunch will be provided. They will discuss job descriptions and other necessary business.

### ***Announcements***

Prayer Power—A wonderful new booklet from our Prayer Force is available outside the Sanctuary! Pick up your copy today!

All 'Good News'! Are you a person who believes that the media only tells you "bad" news? Well, here's something you can do about it. Subscribe to the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, the official newspaper of Georgia United Methodism, and read Good News. For \$25 a year—\$23 for senior citizens—you can subscribe to the Advocate's print edition, which is mailed to your home twice a month. To subscribe, place a check made out to our church in the offering plate. Or if you prefer to read news on-line, subscribe for \$15 per year at [www.wcadvocate.org](http://www.wcadvocate.org). Some families prefer to receive both editions, which you also can subscribe to online, for \$30 per year.

Prayer is part of everyday life—real people praying for real people. Has prayer touched your life? Would you be willing to share a brief testimony about its power in your life for an upcoming Praise Team presentation? Please see Virginia Wheeler or Tom Race.

Attention Junior Choir Parents: The Praise Team is working on a new musical about prayer, which will be presented on Sunday, May 20 at both worship services. The song, "**Pray for Me**", includes the Junior Choir. We would like to use a photo collage of each child during this song. We need a picture of your child as an infant and on their first day of school. Please have your child bring the pictures to Stacey by Wednesday, February 14. You will receive your pictures back.

Beauty & the Beast will be at McEachern High School Wednesday, February 14 – Saturday, February 17 at 7:00 pm. The show is free, and tickets are available at the door.

PSFUMC Preschool is now registering children for the 2007-2008 school year. They are offering a new class for 2007-2008 school year for 2 year olds that will be 3 years old by December 31 and potty trained. Please tell your family and friends. Please call 770.439.6145 with any questions or visit [www.powderspringsfumc.org](http://www.powderspringsfumc.org) for information.

Attention Allies Sunday School Class: If you need a nursery for the Allies bowling outing on Sunday, February 18, please call Jill Marks at 770.792.8009. We will eat lunch first and then bowl. Exact time for bowling is not set yet.

Ballroom dancing classes will be held at McEachern Memorial United Methodist Church beginning on Tuesday, February 20. For more information, please contact Kathy Casper at 678.517.3412.

### ***Children's Ministry***

Our John 3:16 party is Sunday, February 11, from 12:15 until 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a sandwich lunch and do some crafts while we learn about God's boundless love. All children of the church, Kindergarten through Fifth grade, are invited to join in the fun!

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 14.

Reserve the week of June 25-29 for VBS! Any persons interested in helping can contact Gay Lynn Toth at 678.567.1175 or [meowsician@yahoo.com](mailto:meowsician@yahoo.com) or contact Julie Banks 678.567.2693 or [tiggersjule@bellsouth.net](mailto:tiggersjule@bellsouth.net). Much more information to come!

### ***Christian Education***

"The Power to Change Your Life" - Most people can think of different areas in their lives they'd like to change. But actually changing them? That's the problem. The good news is God is all about changing lives. In this study, Rick Warren gives practical principles from God's Word for change and growth in our lives. Call Julie Banks at 404.229.2057 for more information.

Men's bible studies - Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm upstairs in the Old Sanctuary and Saturday mornings beginning February 10 at 7:00 am. For information on the Wednesday night study, please contact Curtis Marks at 678.770.0642. For information on the Saturday morning study, please contact Scott Cupp at 678.618.1610. Please let Curtis know if you will need nursery services for either timeslot as soon as possible.

Ladies, please feel free to join us on any Wednesday night for Bible study in Room 104, Christianity 102 at 7:00 pm. This study (Genesis through Deuteronomy) will last until Summer 2007. So, anytime you are available on a Wednesday evening, please join us. Please contact Julie Oestreich 678.567.5942 or Virginia Cauthen 770.456.9972.

**Dear Church Family,**

*On behalf of my family and myself, I would like to thank everyone who helped make the memorial service of Les Guthrie so very special. I cannot begin to thank all the many prayers, hugs, love, cards, food, support and blessings my church family has given me, it is often overwhelming. God is so good and seen me through Les' illness and death by placing angels by me always. Thank you with all my heart. Barbara Guthrie*

**Mission**

Sweetwater Valley C.A.M.P. is in need of bar soap. Please place your donations in the marked boxes near the welcome table.  
*Thanks, Anne Moore*

*Thanks to your participation and support of our Annual Christmas Toy Program, we were able to help 336 children with a blessed and happy Christmastime. The gift bags were beautifully made and we appreciate your love and efforts! We thank you and your members for your community service; it truly makes all the difference to have your faithful support! Sincerely, Irene Blanchard, Program Director, Special Programs, Sweetwater Valley C.A.M.P.*

We are so blessed and we need to share our blessings with those who are away from home. The UMW sends a We Care package to our military every month. Our package this month will be sent to SSgt Michael J. Dunn. He is 30 years old and has been in the Marines for 11 years. He is part of Bravo Company 1st Battalion 24th Marines based out of Saginaw, Michigan. He is the Company Gunny and is responsible for logistical needs of "his" Marines...a group who work hard every day trying to make the streets of Fallujah safe for the Iraqi people. He says anything we would like to send would be great but the items he (and his buddies) could use most are every day items such as baby wipes, powder drink mixes, green t-shirts and some microwavable items such as soups that can be made quickly to help warm them up. He also requested letters from "folks back home". Said they meant more to all of them than we could ever imagine. Here's his address for anyone who would like to send a note, card or letter. **SSgt Michael J. Dunn; 1st Bn 24th Mar ; Unit 43590; FPO AP 96426-3590.** A donation box is in the Atrium. Please contact me at 770.222.0469 for information. *Bobbie Bennett*

**UMYF**

- There will be no Youth Praise Band or UMYF Sunday, February 11 due to Revival.
- Life Groups will not meet on Wednesday, February 14 due to Revival.

**Defibrillate Now! Jump Start the Heart! ARE YOU READY TO WORSHIP ALONG SIDE OF 500 STUDENTS AND EXPERIENCE REAL BIBLE STUDY IN A SMALL GROUP ALL WHILE HANDING OUT WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND MEETING NEW PEOPLE? IF THE ANSWER IS YES YOU NEED TO SIGN UP TO COME TO DISCIPLE NOW 2007! When:** March 2-4! **Where:** Powder Springs FUMC! Register online at [psfumc.org/youth](http://psfumc.org/youth) or pick-up a form outside the Church Office.

**Women's Ministries**

- The Mary & Martha Circle will meet Thursday, February 15 at 2:00 pm in Room 104.
- The Susanna Wesley Circle will meet Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- The UMW Unit Meeting will be Saturday, February 24 at 12:15 pm in Room 104.

**Please be in prayer for:**

America, our President, Military Personnel, National, State and Local Leaders, our Church, Kendall Abbott, Brenda Adams, Tom Adams & Family, Katherine Arnold and Family, Susan Atkins, Charles Beem, Dave & Julie and Libby Beem, Richard & Tate Berkan, Tyler Blevins and Family, Cindy Bodiford, Bob Burkette, Brandon Byers, Pam Chastain, Carmen Cobb, Brody Cole, Wilson Cole, Joy Collum, Ann Connally, George Crusselle, Chuck Cupp, Murphy Davis, Lottie Day, Terry Ellerbee, Martha Elliott, Rev. Jimmy Ford, Adela Garate, Nancy Garry, The Family of Lester Guthrie, Roy & Elaine Harcourt, Myrtle Harrison, Movel Hatcher, Marsha Haynes, Jeanne Hewitt, Allison Hogan, Shelby Howreton, Dick Huber, Sheila Idol, Opal Isley, Mildred Kellett, Sandi Kessloff & Family, Cathy Keyes, Jim Kirkman, David & Christina Kristynik, Jon Mach, Princess Mach, Russ McConnell, Chip Moore, Drew Moore, Judy Morehouse, Michelle Morehouse, Larry Nash, Bradley Norton, Ivy Norton, Bonnie Obrecht, Margaret Pulk, Jan Quarles and Family, Willie & Betty Robinson, Leslie Shannon, Diane Shallenberger, Mallory Smith, Adam Stokes, Denise & Tim Turpin, Jean Watson, John Wells, Alan & Dot Williams, Nan Williams, Logan Woodall.

**Sunday, February 11, 2007**  
 8:30 AM - Worship Service  
 8:30 AM - Men's Club  
 9:30 AM - Confirmation Class  
 9:45 AM - Sunday School  
 10:55 AM - Worship Service  
 12:15 PM - John 3:16 Party  
 4:00 PM - Youth Council  
 5:30 PM - Supper  
 7:00 PM - Revival  
 No Youth Praise Band or UMYF

**February 12 & 13, 2007**  
 7:00 PM - Revival

**Wednesday, February 14, 2007**  
 9:30 AM - Visitation  
 5:30 PM - Supper  
 7:00 PM - Revival

**Thursday, February 15, 2007**  
 2:00 PM - UMW Daytime Circle  
 6:00 PM - Youth Diversion  
 6:30 PM - Stephens Ministry  
 7:00 PM - Scout Planning

**Saturday, February 17, 2007**  
 7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study

**Sunday, February 18, 2007**  
 9:30 AM - Confirmation Class  
 3:30 PM - Youth Praise Band  
 5:00 PM - UMYF

**February 19 & 20, 2007**  
 ANP & Preschool Closed

**Tuesday, February 20, 2007**  
 No Scouts  
 7:00 PM - Preschool Board

**Wednesday, February 21, 2007**  
 9:30 AM - Visitation  
 5:30 PM - Wednesday Supper  
**6:30 PM - Ash Wednesday Service**

**Thursday, February 22, 2007**  
 7:00 PM - UMW Nighttime Circle

**Saturday, February 24, 2007**  
 7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study  
 12:15 PM - UMW Unit Meeting

**Sunday, February 25, 2007**  
 9:30 AM - Confirmation Class  
 3:30 PM - Youth Praise Band  
 4:00 PM - Grace Notes  
 5:00 PM - Adult Handbells  
 5:00 PM - UMYF

**Tuesday, February 27, 2007**  
 7:00 PM - Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, February 28, 2007**  
 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Visitation  
 5:30 PM - Wednesday Supper  
 6:00 PM - Adult Bible Study  
 6:00 PM - Men's Bible Study  
 6:15 PM - Angel Choir  
 6:15 PM - Junior Choir  
 6:15 PM - Prayer Force  
 6:15 PM - Youth Choir  
 6:45 PM - Parables  
 7:00 PM - Adult Choir  
 7:00 PM - Life Groups  
 7:00 PM - Junior Bell Choir  
 7:00 PM - Women's Bible Study

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**Contribution made in memory of:**

**Mr. Lester Guthrie**  
*Mr. & Mrs. Gene Buice - Vision*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Manning Hatcher - Vision*  
*Ms. Maglean Oglesby - Vision*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Reid - Budget*

**Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Vick**  
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Vick - Vision*

**Blaine Woodall**  
*Ms. Peggy Chastain - Budget*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Jack Frady - Vision*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Jim King - Vision*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Matt Manely - Budget*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Reid - Vision*

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**Birthdays**  
 2/10: Mary Honiker  
 Ryan Smith  
 Judy Westmoreland  
 2/12: Raquel Luna  
 2/13: Jake Kessloff  
 2/14: Wil Pitts  
 2/15: Linda Crusselle  
 2/16: Austin Briggs  
 2/17: Tyler Freeman  
 2/18: Linton Spratlin  
 2/19: Heather Arnold  
 Susanne Collins  
 Angela Martin  
 Jill Richardson

2/20: Toni Long  
 2/23: Doris Davis  
 Brett Dunn  
 2/24: Brian Cowan  
 George Nieuwstraten  
 2/24: Caleb Pritchett  
 Jason Pritchett  
 2/25: Kayla Pulley  
 Diane Wells  
 Scott Winn  
 2/26: Ray Harmon  
 Sam Winn  
 2/27: Peggy Chastain  
 Walter Ford  
 Joshilyn Winn

**Anniversaries**  
 2/9: Steve & Shari Standridge  
 2/10: Tony & Gay Lynn Toth  
 2/11: Greg & Liz Mabry  
 2/12: Brian Belcher & Raquel Luna  
 2/19: Jay & Kim Shadeck  
 2/20: Gerad & Vicky Simpson  
 2/24: Ken & Linda Allison  
 2/27: Gene & Lynda Buice

**OUR CHURCH STAFF**

Dr. Jim Howell, Pastor  
Jasmine Smothers, Youth Pastor  
Stacey Wood, Director of Music  
Ed Elliott, Asst. Dir. of Music  
Robbie Ooten, Angel Music Director  
Virginia Wheeler, Pianist  
Jennifer Graham, Admin. Assistant  
Heather Westmoreland, Office Assistant  
Kristine Bowman, Angel's Nest Director  
Vicki Martin, Preschool Director  
Willie and Betty Robinson, Custodians

**Attention PSFUMC!** Do we have your correct information? Please email the Church Office with birthdates, anniversaries and any address or email changes.

**Announcements for Sunday's bulletin must be received by Wednesday morning.**

**Video announcements**, including all media required for projection screens, must be received by noon on Tuesday. Please send video announcements to: [sound@powderspringsfumc.org](mailto:sound@powderspringsfumc.org)

**SERVANTS February 11-17**

Scott Winn..... Trustee 2/12-18  
Trustee's Phone.....770.439.6367  
Jack Frady, Carolyn Piper..... 8:30 Ushers  
Mike Dae, Kevin Dae ..... 10:55 Ushers  
Dale & Judy Westmoreland..... 10:55 Ushers  
Roxy Cupp ..... 8:30 Audio/Video  
Dave Beem, Brandon Adams..... 10:55 Audio/Video  
Julie Oestreich ..... Heavenly Helpers  
June Rainwater, Brenda Smith ..... Counters

**SERVANTS February 18-24**

Steve Piper ..... Trustee 2/19-25  
Trustee's Phone.....770.222.9640  
Gay Lynn Toth ..... 8:30 Liturgist  
Jasmine Smothers ..... 10:55 Liturgist  
Jack Frady, David Hodges ..... 8:30 Ushers  
Billy Dunn, Todd Freeman ..... 10:55 Ushers  
Matt Manley, Grant Rainwater ..... 10:55 Ushers  
Ron Adams ..... 8:30 Audio/Video  
Tom Adams, Matthew Cauthen..... 10:55 Audio/Video  
Dot Lott ..... Heavenly Helper  
June Rainwater, Shelby Morris ..... Counters  
The Cauthens ..... UMYF Dinner

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Thursday, February 8, 2007



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