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JENKINS CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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LARRY GUIN, PASTOR SAM SUDDARTH, MUSIC LEADER JULIE BIRDSONG, MUSIC DIRECTOR TERESA SHULER, WORSHIP LEADER 8:00 AM LEWIS JUSTIS, WORSHIP LEADER 10:15 AM MELANIE STAUDT, PIANIST

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

JANUARY 2, 2004 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS COLOR: WHITE

Our purpose is to glorify God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by sharing Jesus, as Savior and Lord and helping people trust Him through WORSHIP, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, OUTREACH, FELLOWSHIP, and SERVICE TO OTHERS.

WE GATHER IN JESUS NAME

PRELUDE, LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

"WE ENTER INTO GOD'S GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

AND INTO HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE" from Psalms 100

WE SHARE COMMON CONCERNS

WELCOME, RECOGNIZING FIRST TIME VISTORS

*ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEE BULLETIN INSERTS

*RITUAL OF REGISTRATION -

Please sign the attendance register and pass it to other people in the pew with you.

PRAYER/PRAISE REQUESTS

(Write on pew card AND place in offering plate to be added to insert next week)

WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER BEFORE WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP OF GOD (PLEASE BOW YOUR HEADS)

"WE OFFER PRAISE TO GOD"

CHORAL OPENING (10:15)

"Emmanuel"

CALL TO WORSHIP

(We are here to give glory and honor and praise to God our heavenly Father and Jesus our Savior through song, prayer, giving, speaking, hearing and responding.)

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein"

People: For great is God's steadfast love toward us;

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Leader: Praise the LORD!.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "O for a Thousand Tongues" No. 76

*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER UNISON

HYMN "We Three Kings" No. 166

WE EXPRESS OUR FAITH IN GOD

STATEMENT OF FAITH--IN UNISON "The Apostles' Creed" No. 716
GLORIA PATRI No. 622

SPECIAL MUSIC "His Eye is on the Sparrow" solo by David Crispin

CHILDREN'S TIME (10:15)

Andrea Barnes

(No Children's Church -Children will remain in sanctuary on Communion Sunday)

WE EXPRESS THANKS TO GOD

OFFERTORY SENTENCE Psalms 50:14

NIV

"Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High"

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY (No. 625) and PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 1:10-14 NIV SERMON "What God Did for Us" Larry Guin, Pastor

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION INVITATION TO THE TABLE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OFFERING THE BREAD & CUP COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORDS

*HYMN "Under His Wings" No. 356

WE GO FORTH SERVING GOD

*BENEDICTION – (Blessing)
*CHORUS (10:15) No.156

"Child of Love"

*PASSING THE BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND WHERE THIS MARK APPEARS

**EVERYONE PLEASE REGISTER, PLEASE PASS PAD TO LATE COMERS AND ASK THEM TO REGISTER. PLEASE MAKE SURE ANY NEWCOMERS SIGN THE LIST.

WELCOME ** A very SPECIAL WELCOME is extended to each of you who are visiting with us today. We appreciate you being here. We trust this will be a meaningful experience for you. Do come again.

10:15 am – We have childcare available for Infants to age 2 and Toddlers 2 to 4.

We also have Children's Church for 5th grade and younger. (Children remain in sanctuary through the children's message.) Children stay in regular worship on Sundays when we do not have Children's Church, such as when we celebrate communion or on days we have special programs.

INFANT / TODDLER NURSERY:

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE: Worship: 8am – 43; 10:15 – 76 Sunday School – 52

DUTY ELDER FOR THIS WEEK: January 2 – 8 - ** John Rippy DUTY ELDER FOR NEXT WEEK: January 9 – 15 ** James Sharpton

THIS WEEK JANUARY 2, 2005

TODAY 8:00 & 10:15 Worship Services - Communion

9:00 am Sunday School 5:00 pm Jr. High Meeting 5:30 pm Choir Practice

7:00 pm Sr. High

MONDAY 7:00 pm Aerobics
TUESDAY 6:00 am Men at Prayer

9:00 am-2 pm Mother's Day Out

WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm Bible Study

7:00 pm CPWM Meeting

THURSDAY 9:00 am-2 pm Mother's Day Out NEXT SUNDAY 8:00 am Worship Services

9:00 am Sunday School

10:15 am Worship Services - Ordination/Installation of Elders

4:00 pm Elder Dinner & Meeting

5:00 pm Kids for Christ

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY TO: P.J. Francescon on the 4th; Carole Guin and Jessica Cammuse on the 5th; Louise Russell on the 6th; Michael Turko on the 7th

HAPPY JANUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO: Dave and Jo England on the 6th

Events for Jenkins C. P. Youth

Sunday, January 2 5:00 pm Jr. High – Movie Night

7:00 pm Sr. High – Bible Study

Sunday, January 9 5:00 pm Jr. High – Finish Murals

7:00 pm Sr. High – Bible Study

Wednesday, January 12 6:00 pm Dinner

6:30 pm Youth

Attention Youth Parents: Parent Meeting Sunday, January 9th at 4:45pm (only fifteen minutes!) Information will be shared as well as an opportunity to sign-up to volunteer in the year 2005!

Mark your Calendar - Jr. High trip to Laguna Beach, Florida ** April 14 - 17, 2005.

THANKS to Mr. David Crispin for bringing us the special music during this mornings worship services. David is the friend of Gail Winnett and is visiting from Maine.

Ephesians 1:10-14 NIV

reached their fulfillment-to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.

¹¹In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹²in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

READER: THE WORD OF GOD - FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

PEOPLE: PRAISE BE TO GOD

GOALS TO STRIVE FOR IN 2005

Like Enouch, I will strive to walk with God daily. (Genesis 5)

Like Abraham, I will trust God to lead me into the future, though I may not know where I am going. (Genesis 12)

Like Joseph, I will strive to turn away from all evil advances and temptations. (Genesis 30)

Like Moses, I will follow God's instructions, which may, at times, be difficult. (Exodus 3)

Like Gideon, I will advance into the battle for the Lord even when it seems I am up against great odds. (Judges 7)

Like Job, I will be patient and faithful to God whatever may come my way. (Job 13:15)

Like David, I will seek God's help daily. (Psalm 121)

Like Andrew, I will try to win others to Christ. (John 1:35-41)

Like Timothy, I will study God's Word so that I may be a better workman for God. (II Timothy 2:14-15)

List names on cards in pews and place in the offering plate. In order to keep our Prayer List current, we will leave names on for four weeks at a time. If a name has been removed and you wish to add them back on, please feel free to contact the office and/or list names(s) on cards in pews and place in offering plate.

11/28 Joyce Thomas Family of Terri Day's Dad 12/05 Mr. Bvrd (Dad of coworker of Susan Dornan)

Family of Ruth Loader (Mother of Teresa Bell)

Joe Reid Chip Duncan Bill Tucker

(father of Randy Tucker)

Lori (Robertson) Ed & Marie Fugua

(Ed Fugua's Parents)

Bill Crook

(Brother-in- law of Carole

Guin) Ella Raines

(Grandmother of Pam Baker)

Mandy England

Keith, Zannie & new baby

Katlen Martin

12/12 Josh, Tiffany & new baby Benjamin Clemons

Larry James

(friend of Mike Bryan)

Family of Mary Hurt Harrell (friends of Mike Bryan)

Val Kirby

(friend of Amy Bowers-Bryan)

Joyce Barnes

(Mother of Larry Barnes)

Those Traveling Albert Justice

(cousin of Shuler's)

Dale Wilev

(Louise Russell's brother)

Martha Sweetman

Alva Ray Marty

(friend of Suddarths)

12/19 Jake Knott

(cousin of Lisa Rippy)

Baby Miles

(friends of Rippys)

Wendell Harris (England's Son-in-laws' father)

John Leeper

Newlyweds Heather &

Kris Donegan (Kirk &

Peggy Donegan's son)

Marissa, Joel & new baby Wyatt Donald Geary.

Carl Fugua

(uncle of Ed Fugua)

12/26/04 *Karen Hawkins Family of Arlene Berry

(sister of Bobbye Vaughn)

Yaroslav, Svetta & Amelia Yatsky

Kenny Webb

(friend of Mike Bryan) Michael Burgette

(friend of Mike Bryan) Elise Marable

Doranelle Marable

(aunts of Mary Jo Bryan)

David Dew (brother-in law of Bill & Debbi Martin)

Families of victims.

survivors, helpers in seven countries in Asia and Africa from devastation

caused by tsunami. 12/30

Family of John Sanford

Remember those who are homebound or in Nursing Homes Remember in prayer Our Nation, Our Leaders, and Our Loved Ones

Continue to remember all those serving our country and their families.

THANKS TO ALL OUR 2004 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committees for 2005

Prayerfully consider where YOU can help in the coming New Year. This is your opportunity to express your interest in serving on one of the church Ministry teams for 2005. Below you will find the eleven committees. The "team leaders" will soon be in the process of securing the team memberships. Indicate your committee choice, sign your name AND place in offering plate. 2004 Committees are on wall outside of office.

The eleven committees are:

Building & Grounds Finance Kitchen Sunshine

Christian Education Worship Nursery Recreation & Fellowship

Evangelism & Missionary Education Outreach Mother's Day Out

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - DATES TO NOTE

WELCOME ALL WOMEN TO CPWM Monthly Meeting- Wednesday, January 5th at 7:00 p.m. – Start 2005 in a fun way with your sisters in Christ--if you've never attended a meeting before, we'd love you to visit us. Make plans to attend & bring a friend with you!

The Ordination and Installation Service of our newly elected Elders is scheduled for next Sunday, January 9, 2005 at the 10:15am morning worship service. At the Congregational meeting December 12th, Paul Campbell, Teresa Justis, and Charles Strasser were elected to a 3-year term on the Session.

First Planning <u>Session</u> Meeting for 2005 ** January 9 We will have supper at 4:00pm and planning meeting following.

Kids for Christ ** All kids age 5 through 5^{th} grade are welcome to join us next Sunday, the 9^{th} , at 5:00 pm. We will be making hemp necklaces and/or bracelets as we get ready for the New Year and a new Start!

Retirees' Outing Wednesday, January 12. For more information call Kathleen Waggoner.

Touch the Future **Don't Miss This!

Wednesday January 12, 2005 at 6:45 *** Plan to be present to hear Rev. Tommy Jobe introduce a process to help us discern God's will for Jenkins Church through Bible Study & Prayer. Supper will be available at 6:00 p.m. Please make reservations if you plan to eat.

REVIVAL on **Saturday**, **January 22 and Sunday**, **January 23** with Reverend George Estes preaching. Please begin now to earnestly pray for this weekend.

Conferences/Workshops

January 22nd "Rotating with Style" Workshop Rotation Regional Conference Anyone interested in the Workshop Rotation Model for children's Sunday school is invited to attend. Morning and afternoon workshops and lunch are offered. *Registration deadline is January 10.*

February 27th "Faith in a Nutshell" Congregational Training Miniversity.

Brochures are available in the church office. See Julie Bomar for more information or to register.

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The Youth Sponsored Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for **Saturday, April 2, 2005** beginning at 8:00 am at Henry Horton Golf Course.

You are invited to join the Ministry of Music at Jenkins! Just come to our first rehearsal of the New Year on January 2 at 5:30 to see what a blessing you receive from sharing the gospel through music. Work on Easter music will begin soon. See you tonight!

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FOR THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT

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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8 & 10:15

January 2, both worship services.

SESSION PLANNING MEETING

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9 a.m.

COMMUNION SUNDAY

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

4 p.m. Sunday, January 9

YOUTH SUNDAY

BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 30

Sunday, January 30

At call of the chairmen

www.jenkinscp.org E-MAIL: Church: jenkinscp@yahoo.com Pastor: lguin43@hotmail.com

January 2005 Newsletter

From the Pastor:

MORE

Would you say that you did MORE in 2004 for The Kingdom Of God than you did in 2003? Or did you become MORE like the master?

Reflect on what you accomplished for Jesus in 2004. Thank Him for inviting you to be a part of his eternal kingdom.

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ALIVE

Did you hear Andrea Barnes challenge the children present for the

Children's Time on Sunday to BE ALIVE IN 2005? I thought that was a great challenge, not just for children, but for all of us. BE ALIVE with Jesus in 2005! BE ALIVE for Jesus in 2005! BE ALIVE in 2005. The Apostle Paul stated it, "for me to live is Christ." Think about it. Pray about it. Think about, "How can I be alive for Jesus, or more alive for Him." Consider, "What can I do to show that I am alive for Jesus?"

Thanks Andrea.

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December Attendance

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

| | 12/5 | 12/12 | 12/19 | 12/26 |
|-----------------------|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sunday School | 83+ 6 | 112 | 96 | 52 |
| 8:00 a.m. Worship | 67 | 79 | 70 | 43 |
| 10:15 a.m. Worship | 70+ 6 | 104 | 90 | 76 |

Offerings in December

| | Regular | Special | Building |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Offering | Offering | Fund |
| 12/5 | 3264.65 | 243.00 | 530.00 |
| 12/12 | 3582.00 | 76.00 | 175.00 |
| 12/19 | 3237.00 | 1418.72 | 1810.00 |
| 12/26 | 2806.00 | 362.18 | 3225.00 |
| Budget /week | 3532.00 | | 730.00 |

Praise God for your faithfulness in attendance and giving.

Welcome

Karen Hawkins joined Jenkins Church on transfer of membership during the 8:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, December 26. We at Jenkins welcome Karen into our church family.

Elder Ordination

The Ordination and Installation Service of our newly elected Elders is scheduled for January 9, 2005, at the 10:15 a.m. morning worship service.

At the Congregational meeting held on December 12th, Paul Campbell, Teresa Justis, and Charles Strasser were elected to a 3-year term on the Session, replacing the outgoing Class of 2004 – Julie Bomar, John Rippy and James Sharpton. Other active elders are:

Class of 2005 - Jaime Groce, Diane Riggs, and John Waggoner Class of 2006 - Steve Allemore, Pete Francescon, and Richard Sullivan

Touch the Future A Personal and Group Study of this Church

Calling active elders, inactive elders, committee members, teachers, students, ALL church people. Please be present on Wednesday January 12, 2005, at 6:45 p.m. to hear Rev. Tommy Jobe introduce a process to help us discern God's will for Jenkins Church through Bible Study & Prayer. Supper will be available at 6:00 p.m. Please make reservations if you plan to eat.

Revival

We are planning revival services on Saturday evening, January 22 and Sunday morning, January 23 with Reverend George Estes preaching. Please plan to attend and begin now to earnestly pray for this weekend.

Outreach

Christmas cheer!

On behalf of Jenkins CP, we delivered 15 gift bags of Christmas cheer to local church family and friends. Thanks to the CPWM, our ladies who purchased and assembled the bags. Thanks also: to the KFC children who made sun catchers; to the individuals who purchased additional gift items; and to those church members who made the visits and deliveries. May you be blessed as you have given blessings.

Love Loaf collection exceeds expectations!

Our Love Loaf collection in November brought in \$493.86 for World Vision international outreach to Myanmar; \$246.93 to CP denominational outreach; and \$246.93 for our own outreach fund to local folks. Please pray that these funds, which you so generously gave, will be blessed as they spread out from Jenkins Church to do God's work in the world.

Pillow Talk

Lisa Rippy has taken on a personal mission of making distinctive pillowcases for families whose loved ones are being treated in area hospitals. Lisa is doing this in honor of her aunt who has cancer. She got the idea from a ladies' group at her aunt's church, which has sent 100 pillows to St. Jude's. Lisa has completed 90 pillowcases and plans to take them either to the Ronald McDonald House or Vanderbilt Children's Hospital.

We would like to help her with the purchase of the pillows. If you wish to participate in this outreach project, we have several options: Purchase a new travel-size pillow (available for \$2.50 at Wal-Mart) and leave it in the collection box in the gym OR make a donation toward the purchase of pillows by indicating on your check and leaving your donation in the offering plate or church office.

Let's see how many pillows we can purchase this month!

Volunteers Wanted:

Sunday School Workshop Leaders – Do you have a talent you'd like to share with children? We need adults who would like to lead Sunday School Workshops in Art, Drama, Games, Cooking, Audio/Visual, Computers or Storytelling. You only need to commit for three Sundays AND you do the same lesson each to those weeks with a different age group. Upcoming lessons include: The Boy Jesus at the Temple, The Good Samaritan, The Entry into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday), The Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, The Life of Moses, The Exodus, The Ten Commandments. See Julie Bomar if you are interested in leading any of the workshops OR if you would like to create lesson plans for them. Thanks to all of you for your support of our Children's Sunday School.

Sunday School Nursery Teacher—Full-time or substituting on a regular basis. If you are interested in working with little ones age 2 and under during the Sunday School hour, please contact Jim Baker, our Sunday School superintendent.

Newsletter Editor—We are looking for a volunteer to take over editing our Jenkins newsletter. If you are interested, and would like to know just what is involved, contact Larry Guin or Julie Bomar.

The Ministry of Music at Jenkins Needs You!!

- Positions Available: Singers and Instrumental Musicians
- Number of Positions Available: Limitless
- Qualifications: Must have a desire to serve the Lord through music. Successful candidates must come to choir practices as often as they can (no pressure to be there every single rehearsal...We understand everyone is stretched for time). No professional musical training necessary.
- **Compensation:** Boundless Joy!

Please come to our first rehearsal of the new year on Sunday, January 2 at 5:30! You will soon see what a blessing you receive from sharing the gospel through music. We will begin work on the Easter music (yes, Easter!) soon and we need you to come sing with us!

In His Love, Your Choir

Conferences/Workshops

"Rotating with Style" Workshop Rotation Regional Conference January 22, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville

Anyone interested in the Workshop Rotation Model for children's Sunday school is invited to attend. Morning and afternoon workshops and lunch are offered. Brochures are available in the church office. See Julie Bomar for more information or to register. Registration deadline is January 10.

Faith in a Nutshell – Enhancing Spiritual Development in the Congregation Congregational Training Miniversity 2:30 – 6:00 p.m., February 27 Brush Hill CP Church, Nashville

This event will explore the proposed catechism and demonstrate how it can be a tool of ongoing faith and spiritual development. Participants will also be introduced to the catechism study guide and ways in which children, youth, and adults can use it to explore their faith.

Brochures are available in the church office. For more information or to register, see Larry Guin or Julie Bomar. Registration deadline is February 13.

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Building & Grounds Finance
Kitchen Sunshine
Christian Education Worship

Nursery Recreation & Fellowship
Outreach Mother's Day Out

Evangelism & Missionary Education

Jenkins C.P. Youth

Attention Youth Parents:

Parent Meeting Sunday, January 9 at 4:45pm (only fifteen minutes!) Information will be shared as well as an opportunity to sign-up to volunteer in the year 2005!

Jr. High

Sundays 5 p.m.

January 2 - Movie Night at the Church

January 9 - Finish Murals

January 16 - Craft Night

January 23 - Practice for Youth Sunday

January 30 - Youth Sunday, no evening youth meeting

Wednesdays beginning January 12

6:00pm - Dinner

6:30pm - Youth "Joan of Arcadia"

Sr. High

Sundays 7:00pm - Bible Study

No youth January 30th - Youth Sunday

Wednesdays beginning January 12

6:00pm - Dinner

6:30pm - Youth

Golf Tournament



Mark your calendar now for the rescheduled 4 Person Scramble Golf Tournament.

Saturday, April 2 at 8:00am at Henry Horton Golf Course

\$60.00 per person, \$225.00 per team of four

Proceeds will go to help the youth on their mission trip next summer, July 24-30, to the Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home in Denton, Texas. Jenkins Youth will join other youth in Columbia Presbytery as we work for this

worthy cause.

Mark Your Calendars!

Women's Ministry

Join the women of Jenkins Church on Wednesday, January 5th at 7:00 p.m. for our monthly meeting.

Kids for Christ

All kids age 5 through 5th grade are welcome to join us on January 9 at 5 p.m. We will be making hemp necklaces and/or bracelets, as we get ready for the New Year and a new start!

Retirees' Outing

Wednesday, January 12. Call Kathleen Waggoner for details.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Will meet at 7:45 a.m. on Saturday, January 15.

Young Adults

We will start back on Tuesday, January 4 at 7:00 pm at the church. Bring a snack food. We've finished the study of James, and we will look at other studies that we would like to explore. If you consider yourself a young adult (18 - late 30's), please join us. For questions, contact Elizabeth Guin at 776-5232.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY TO: Holly Finley on the 1st; P.J. Francescon on the 4th; Carole Guin and Jessica Cammuse on the 5th; Louise Russell on the 6th; Michael Turko on the 7th; Matthew Conner and Lisa Rippy on the 10th; Larry Guin on the 11th; Fran Leeper and Debbi Martin on the 17th; Jaime Groce and Paul Campbell on the 18th; Sherry Windrow on the 20th; Brian Winnett and Michael Bottoms on the 21st; DeDee Davis on the 22nd; Jake Fuqua and Elizabeth Guin on the 23rd; Jacqueline Sullivan and Michael Haywood on the 28th; Amy Bowers Bryan on the 29th.

HAPPY JANUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO: Dave and Jo England on the 6th, Bill and Debbi Martin on the 9th

Congratulations to:

- Bill and Brenda Levin who celebrate their 20th anniversary on January 24.
- Ronnie and Sherry Windrow who celebrate their 30th anniversary on January 25.
- Heather and Kris Donegan who were married December 18, 2004 in Missouri. Kris is the son of Peggy and Kirk Donegan.
- Zannie and Keith Martin on the birth of their daughter, Katlin Annabelle, on December 9.
- Tiffany and Josh Clemons on the birth of their son, Benjamin Jude, on December 10. Benjamin is the grandson of Jane and Wade Clemons and the great-grandson of Margaret and James Sharpton.
- Marissa and Joel Geary on the birth of their son, Wyatt Donald, on December 18. Wyatt is the grandson of Sheila and Don Geary.

Condolences

We at Jenkins Church extend our Christian sympathy to those who have lost loved ones:

The family of Ruth Loader. Mrs. Loader was Theresa Bell's mother. She passed away on December 4. Funeral services were held on December 9 in Nashville.

The family of Frances Berry. Mrs. Berry was Bobbye Vaughan's sister. She passed away on December 23, and a memorial service was held December 30 in Lebanon.

We pray for God's comfort for these families at this time.

Thank You

Thank you all, classes and committee, for your help with food this year. Also thanks to Karen Tucker for sending cards and Teresa Francescon for taking care of the flowers. I appreciate you all. Please let me know if we need to delete or add anyone to the Sunshine Team.

Again Thanks!! Louise Russell, Chairperson.

A Button and A Ribbon

Jim Baker

So many times I have seen or heard something during everyday activities that makes me think, "Why didn't I think of that." Why is it I all too often don't make time or do something I should before it's too late and say "Why didn't I think of that?" This past weekend I saw the dedication section of our bulletin with the poinsettias and "in memory of" with so many loved ones and I thought of people on the list and said, well, you know what I said!

There was one name that stood out. That name is Linda Marable.

I didn't know Linda as well as I knew others in our Church family. I knew she was fighting cancer and was relying on God to do battle along side of her and that she had faith until the end. But, everyone knew that. I knew she was suffering during times no one knew she was ill except her. But, everyone knew that. I knew she was loved by her family and friends and they were suffering right along with her. But everyone knew that too! What I didn't know about her I learned at the funeral home. I saw pictures of her during happier times and definitely pictures of times when she was much healthier. I saw family and friends gathered together at the funeral home to honor Linda. I also saw a bowl full of buttons with a ribbon through each one. I was told Linda collected each and every one of them. I thought "What an odd thing to collect?" I've lost more buttons off my clothes than I care to remember and I have no idea the number of buttons I've stepped over and even more I probably never noticed.

Pam and I picked up a button and ribbon as a keepsake. I have mine in my car where it has been since my visit to the funeral home. I see it first thing when I open the car door as it hangs on the side of my steering wheel. Seeing it so often when I get in my car keeps my mind on more important things. Things like the small amount of time we have here on earth. The small amount of effort to tell someone you love them. Things such as my relationship with the Lord, how I treat others, and how I need to read my Bible more. All of these things enter my mind when I see something as simple as a button with a ribbon. Linda may not have had this effect in mind when she was collecting these things and probably never thought about them meaning anything to anyone else. I am honored to have a button. I see it often and remember her struggle, her faith and her example. I had to write this for the newsletter as I waited too late to dedicate a Poinsettia and had to read the list of names in the church bulletin and say, "Why didn't I think of that"?

Jenkins C.P. Church Larry Guin, Pastor 2501 York Rd., P. O. Box 518 Nolensville, TN 37135

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EARLY WORSHIP AT 8:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS AT 9:00 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP AT 10:15 AM