

# NELSON MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"To exalt the Risen Christ in worship, and to equip the body of Christ for service"

January 25, 2009

8:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

Seasonal Color: Green

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Informal Moments (Please sign Attendance Pads found in each row) Liturgist

Prelude Nancy Ward

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\* Hymn of Praise "Morning Has Broken" Hymnal #145

\* An Affirmation of Faith (...from I Timothy 2:5-6; 1:15; 3:16) Hymnal #889

\* Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!  
As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be;  
World without end, Amen, Amen.* Hymnal #70

## A TIME FOR GIVING THANKS

### Offering of God's Tithes and Our Gifts

Offertory Sentence Liturgist

Offertory Music Nancy Ward

\* Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.* Hymnal #95

\* Offertory Prayer Pastor Elmer

\* Hymn of Preparation "He Is Lord" Hymnal #177

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastor's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

\* The Written Word Mark 1:14-20 Pew Bible pg. NT 35

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Organist  
Liturgist  
Ushers  
Chancel Choir Director  
Parish Nurses

Elmer D. McClafin  
Nancy Ward  
Ricky Powell  
Sharon Mellor & Mark Mellor  
Debby K. Davis  
Jan DeGraffenreid, Sandy Halford

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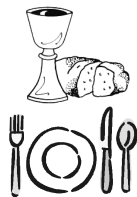
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(Acolytes Attend to the Altar Table During the Playing of the Prelude)

Introit "He Came Down" Chancel Choir

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## KIDS HOPE USA Presentation

Sheri Phillips

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Choral Anthem "Stand Up, Rejoice, and Sing" Chancel Choir

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## KIDS HOPE USA RECOGNITION SUNDAY

## Attention All High School Seniors

The Juanita Scott scholarship application is now available. These applications must be returned to the Church office no later than **March 1**, 2009. To receive an application, please contact Lucy Farrell at 882-2470, Sandy Halford at 882-3940, or John Ward at 882-6784.

## Haiti Mission Trip

We are making plans to return to Port-au-Prince, Haiti in March to participate in various ministry opportunities including a medical mission. If you think you might be interested in joining our team, please contact Larry Long (882-6462) for details.

## Opportunity Available...

Would you like to teach young children about Jesus? If so, we have an opportunity for you. We are still in need of volunteers for children's church for the months of March, April and May. There must be two adults per month and the curriculum and materials are provided. Children's church is for children ages 5 years old through the 3rd grade. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary or call the church office (882-6223).

## Volunteers Needed

Trustees is looking for a volunteer(s) to assist with opening all of the church doors on Sunday mornings prior 7:30 a.m., then making sure they are all locked after the last service around 11:45 a.m. This could be handled by one person, or two. One to open, and one for securing them. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Tom Halford, 882-3940.

## PRAYER LIST

January 25, 2009

*Mindful of my need to pray and the great opportunity, which exists when people of faith pray together, I will lift up the following in prayer:*

### NEW ADDITIONS

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Family of Dwight Holthusen, Jr. (*grief*)  
(Father of Sheri Phillips)

### CONTINUED PRAYER

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Ruth Coleman (*health*)

Debi Comegys (*health*)

Family of Jordan Craig (*grief*)

Jean Haller (*health*)

Roy Humphreys (*health*)

Carl Ludlam (*health*)

ClayBelle Morris (*health*)

Family of Gloria Mortimer (*grief*)

Alma Remley (*health*)

Gertrude Simmons (*health*)

Family of Velma Todd (*grief*)

Opal Wiseman (*health*)

### Prayers for Government, Armed Forces, and Disaster Relief Personnel

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LT senior grade Jimmy Fuemmeler  
(stationed at Naval Air Station Oceana,  
Virginia Beach, VA, EA18G Growler training)

Covenant Church of Gondola,  
(Mozambique)

Major Jeremy Gettings  
(attending the Air Command and Staff College  
in Montgomery, AL)

Robert Mike Grissum  
(deployed to Iraq)

Brigadier General Larry Kay  
(deployed to Kosovo)

Aaron Von Engeln  
(stationed at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina)

President of the United States  
Men & Women of our Armed Forces  
Leaders of the World

Please use the Prayer Request Card found in the pews or call the church office to add or remove a prayer concern from the prayer list. Names will remain on the Prayer List for one month. Requests may be made to continue special prayers for a longer period.

# TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Work Day at the Church

There will be a work day at the church on Saturday **January 31st** from 9:00 a.m. - noon. We would like to open it up to any man in the church. We will be securing some pews, as well as fixing some of the Bible and hymnal holders that have protruding nails and screws. Thanks for whatever you can do.

*Tim Von Engeln*

## Youth Mission Team Fundraiser

Please join our Youth Mission Team on Sunday, **February 1**, 2009 for Souper Bowl Sunday. Not only will the Youth Mission Team provide a wonderful dinner of Soup & Sandwiches but we will also be collecting canned goods and non-perishable items for our local food bank. Boxes will be placed in the vestibule, in the east wing hallway, outside the office and in Fellowship Hall to collect the items for the food bank. Dinner includes Soup, Sandwiches, Salad, Dessert, and Drinks. The cost will be \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 for 5 to 10 year olds. We are so blessed and appreciative to be a part of such a wonderful church family. Thank you for your love, prayers and financial support as we prepare to head to Galveston, TX and help with hurricane relief.

## Kids Hope USA Valentine's Day Party

Kids Hope will be having their Valentine's Day party, Friday, **February 6th**, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The Kids Hope children and their parents are invited to attend, as well as the mentors.

## 2009 Boonslick Community Prayer Breakfast

This years Prayer Breakfast will take place at the Knights of Columbus at 7AM on Thursday **12 February**. Due to the notoriety of the speaker the tickets are limited. Our speaker is Mrs. Gracia Burnham who in 2002 was held hostage for a year by terrorist in the Southern Philippines. When she was rescued her husband Martin was shot and killed. Her testimony and expression of faith are riveting. If interested please see Tom Maxwell (882-8073).

## Safe Sanctuary

For those who still need to complete the Safe Sanctuary Certification, we will have a training session on Tuesday, **February 24**, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The web site needed to complete your paperwork, or complete the certification online, is [www.moumethodist.org/safesanctuaries](http://www.moumethodist.org/safesanctuaries). Contact [SSanctuaries@moumethodist.org](mailto:SSanctuaries@moumethodist.org) or call Karma Haller at 660-834-3344 if you have questions. The cost is \$20.00 per person to complete the paperwork for the Safe Sanctuary Training. This is considered a tax deduction so please be sure and keep your receipt in order to be reimbursed. Thank you for your willingness to participate in the lives of the children and youth who are associated with our church family. You are truly appreciated and we are very blessed to have so many loving people involved in the lives of these very important parts of our church.

## KIDS HOPE USA "Story of the Week"

"I have spent two years with Sharon. The one hour a week I spend with this beautiful, smart, and amazing little girl is by far one of the greatest investments and gifts of my life.

When I met Sharon, her greatest struggles were reading and self-esteem. Sharon completed this school year on the AB Honor Roll. At the end of the year, she stood in front of every second grade student, teachers, school administrators and parents and got to be proud of herself. I don't believe that there was one other child in that room who smiled quite like she did when she received that certificate of recognition."

- Our Mission -

*KIDS HOPE USA builds caring relationships...  
one child, one hour, one church, one school.*