

Living In Love



Millie Stivers Returns

When her husband died, Millie Stivers decided to return to Oxford where her son lived. She was also drawn by the church she had

loved the most ever since living here the first time. This move was the 32d time she had moved since her birth in Nicaragua. When asked what sets St. Andrew's apart from all the other churches she has known, Millie quickly responded, "The people are friendly; they welcome outsiders."

Prior to her own retirement, she worked for eleven years, managing the office of the Sun City Community Association, a retirement community in Florida. Through it all, she developed a great sense of humor.

An Attitude of Gratitude

The Evangelism team thanks its partner, Oby's restaurant, for participating in our Welcome Visitor ministry.



St. Andrew's Is Blessed Unto The Third Generation



Front row: son-in-law Kevin Patterson, Toula Kakales, her husband George, daughter-inlaw Beth Kakales

Back row: son John Kakales, his son John and his daughter Mary Elizabeth, her friend Blake Schreiber, Libbie Kakales Patterson, Michael Patterson, and Alex Patterson

In 1969, George and Toula Kakales emigrated from Greece to seek a new and better life. With hard work, they soon became part of Oxford's history and "foodie" culture. They bought and operated Dino's Pizza for twenty-one years, making it one of the first "ethnic" restaurants in town.

Among the Kakales generations, George and Toula count five Ole Miss graduates and one current undergrad.

St. Andrew's Closes Its Books On A Momentous Year



In 2018, donations for the operating budget surpassed expenditures by \$7,350. "It's good to be in the black," happily asserted the pastor. A dedicated and hard-working congregation spent ninety-eight percent of its budget in carrying out our many ministries and missions. In addition:

- we retired a million dollar-plus mortgage debt five years early
- 24 members of the congregation participated in the St. Croix mission at no cost to the church budget
- designated and endowment funds, totaling \$60,206, include the following:
- \bullet \$37,422 on hand for the purchase of a new van
- •\$9,552 on hand for installing a new sound system

Both the finance committee and the church council have approved our 2019 budget. The overall total, \$363,126, represents roughly a three percent increase over last year's operating budget. Your pledges received so far, \$198,000, cover half that amount.

Charles Veazey has stepped down as chair of finance after many years of service. The church is profoundly grateful for the wisdom, experience and expertise he has shown in guiding us through many difficult and complex situations. Brett Lampton will succeed him as chair of finance.

Our Annual Sweetheart Banquet brought to you by the Men's Club Friday, Feb. 15 Fellowship Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sign up on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall for this feast fit for kings and queens followed by musical entertainment

MENU: CHICKEN OR CATFISH
SIDES
DESSERT
LARRY TYLER at the keyboard
TICKETS: Single ladies of the church
are guests of the Men's Club
Single gentlemen \$15 Couples \$30

Men Of St. Andrew's Ramp Up Local Ministry Outreach



Larry Mardis, Billy Owen, Bryan White, Brad Westbrook, and Mike Windham have been spending their week ends improving the homes of needy people with mobility issues. They have installed ramps that facilitate access to the homes, as well as greater safety. It's also a great way for volunteers to develop carpentry skills. You too can follow in the footsteps of Jesus, "the carpenter's son."