THE CIRCUIT RIDER



October 2023

I just got off the phone with AnaMarie. She's holed up in her room in Starkville fighting off Strep Throat. Her roommates have banished her to the confines of her room and conversations are having to take place between closed doors. Have you ever felt like that? Have you ever felt iso-

lated and separated because of the brokenness inside you?

The good news for you today is that you don't have to live like that. Jesus came and died so that we can be healed from all the brokenness that separates us. His atoning sacrifice is enough for us to be restored to one another and to a God who loves us. We just have to ask in faith and allow God to do what God does.

AnaMarie is dutifully taking her antibiotics and limiting herself to the confines of her room until she is no longer contagious. As I was speaking with her this morning, I reminded her that there will be some necessary work to be done after she is feeling better. She will need to launder her bed linens and clothing, as well as thoroughly clean and disinfect both her room and the common areas in the apartment so that others are not infected, or she is not reinfected.

Discipleship is much like the follow up work we do after an illness. The cure costs us nothing but the aftercare requires us to be proactive in our faith. We need to be active in both public and private worship, we need to surround ourselves with other believers, and we need to pray and study scripture in order to keep the author of our brokenness at bay. Healthy lives are the result of healthy living. Spiritually healthy lives are the result of spiritually healthy living.

I'll see you in church, It's good for your health!

Blessings.

Bro. Cecil



VISITATION

Brother Cecil visited Carol Egan in her home recently. Upon Carol's request, Miss Catherine Tiner tagged along. Carol and Catherine are two of the FABULOUS FIVE as they called themselves. They were members of the Hallie Love Sunday School Class until COVID attacked. Since, this class has not met. Other members were Joyce Brown (deceased), Marjorie Sisson (living with her daughter in Baton Rouge), and Shirley Brown. If you are aware of someone needing a home visit, please notify Brother Cecil or the office.

GREENLEAVES

Mary Beverly and Mary Elizabeth Richardson provided the meal for Greenleaves on Tuesday, September 19th. Guest speaker Robin Stafford presented an informative talk on hearing aids. Next months gathering will be held a week earlier on October 10th due to the WPFF. Jane Johnson will provide the meal.







MINI-METHODIST

Our children are busy practicing for their Christmas Program, studying the Bible, and having fun. Recently they enjoyed a chalk trail in town.

PIECEMAKERS IN ACTION











MEN'S BREAKFAST RETURNS

Following a summer break, Men's Breakfast is back. Plan to attend on Sunday, October 1st at 7:00 a.m. Guest speaker is the 2022 Washington Parish Free Fair Queen, McKenna Rushing.

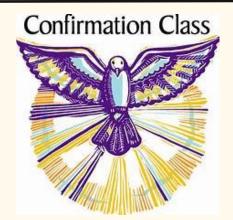
YOUTH NEWS

The youth have been busy lately. We have repainted the youth room and put up some new curtains and youth created artwork. There are still some lighting repairs going on but come on up and take a look at our newly refreshed space! Each week the youth come together to dive into the Word and have a little fun. Everything from learning to be prepared and playing Spoons to learning about Joseph's life and how we can apply the lessons learned to our daily lives. Sometimes you may catch us just playing a silly game as we enjoy some youth fellowship. Currently there's a little competition going on as we play Bible Jeopardy to reinforce what we've learned. There's even a snack or two consumed. So, if you know someone ages 12-18 ($6^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade) let them know that they are welcome to join us on Sundays at 2:00 p.m.









Brother Cecil began leading a class on Sunday, September 24th, to prepare three of our youth for confirmation. They are meeting on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour. Classes will continue for about 12 weeks. Attending the class is Fielder Bahm, Emma Matise, and Mattie McCormick.



Centenary will work the Membership Booth at the Fair on Friday night from 6-8 p.m. Wear your blue T-Shirt and come enjoy the fun.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MERCER BRUMFIELD

Mercer will be recognized at the WPFF as THE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!

Centenary extends our congratulations to her.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS DURING THE FAIR

The office will be open on Monday & Tuesday, October 16th & 17th. Wednesday and Thursday, the office will close. If you need pastoral care during this time, call Faith at 515-0134 or Brother Cecil at 335-7662. See you at the Fair!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

Proceeds to benefit Kenya Uniform Drive and other missions.

\$10/Tickets can be purchased in the church office.

October Book Club: 'Someone Else's Shoes' by Jo Jo Moyes

SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT

September 3 SS-36 Worship-67
September 10 SS-37 Worship-88
September 17 SS-30 Worship-79
September 24 SS-37 Worship-77



KENYA UNIFORM DRIVE

Please take a bag from the Narthex of the church and collect your loose change and bills. This money goes to purchase the material for school uniforms. These children cannot attend school without a uniform. The bags will be collected on Sunday, October 29th.

JOIN THE MISSION



10/1 Yvonne Thomas

10/2 Claire Draper Barker

10/3 Clay Foreman

10/6 Robert Tilghman

10/7 Cheryl Brocato

10/7 Margie Dunnington

10/10 Cash Smith

10/12 Huey Beverly

10/12 Sofia Logan

10/12 Gabby Logan

10/12 Elizabeth Logan

10/14 Carol Egan

10/17 River Smith

10/18 Mary Kate Dykes

10/19 Kate Matise

10/20 Marilyn Richardson

10/21 Ed Lyles

10/26 Jimmy Burris

10/27 Murdock Brumfield

10/28 Connor McCain

10/29 Cynthy McCormick

10/29 Peggy Lyles

10/30 Jamie Matise

10/31 Amy Oyler

10/31 Lynne Logan

PRAYER LIST

Irvin Andre, Kathy Andre, Clara Jo Beaushaw, David Berlin, Don Bernard, Jay Beverly, Hallie Blalock, Greg Brooks, Jr., Haylee Brooks, Izzy Brooks, Al Bontrager, Lynn Bourgoyne, Stacey Breaux, Jewell Burch, Bob Burris, Sharon Bush, Steve Bush, Polly Carter, Roland Carter, Willie Chauvin, Kelli Darbonne, Amy Dudley, Lee Anna Dudley, Kathy Dykes, Donald Folse, Craig Forrest, Elaine Forrest, Mike Gill, Barrett Green, Charles Hamilton, Jessica Hornsby, Ryan Jenkins, Sue Johnson, Pat King, Melissa Lebo, Margerite Lipani, Donna Locke, Betty Logan, Peggy Lyles, David McBride, Bobby McInnis, Lylia McInnis, Margie McInnis, Jordan McKenzie, George L. Morris III, Lindsay O'Donnell, Mason Pepin, Tom & Rene Riggs, Myrna Schilling, Mike Sharp, Corey Thomas.

REMEMBER THESE FAMILIES

Dr. Jerry Thomas, Marcia Magee, Dennis Seal, Mike Henley, Nina Warren, Judy Rabuffo, Steve Wise, Margaret Holiday, David Hingle, Brandon Mulina, Beau Bowman.

TEDDY BEAR BABIES

Baby Bryant-Centenary Parents: John & Caitlyn Bryant, Centenary Siblings: Beau, Serena, & Jackson Bryant.

Baby Bryan: Parents: Keeley & Katelin Bryan, Centenary Great Aunt & Uncle: Brenda & Cecil Locke

Baby Bowen: Parents: Rev. Chad & Katie Bowen, Centenary Great Friends: Brenda & Cecil Locke.

OUR MILILTARY FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Gavin Berne, Carson Fontenot, Megan McCain, Kelly Reiss, Brody Schilling, Dr. Rebekah Schott, Lee McCain, Jackson Stewart, Chad Penny, T. J. Smith, Josh Magee, Andrew Darbonne, Gavin Brumfield.

IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT THE CHURCH DURING OFFICE HOURS CALL 985-839-3808. OTHERWISE 985-515-0134 OR 985-335-7662.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

10/3 Methodist Women

10/10 Greenleaves

10/16 Book Club

10/24 Piecemakers

10/26 Council Meeting

10/29 Chicken Dinner

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