

FELLOWSHIP FAMILY NEWS

February 2015

**Don't forget
to share with
your neigh-
bors!**

The food basket
needs as many dona-
tions in February as
they do during the
holidays.



Notes

I had a very nice personal visit with Pastor Tubb today. He is a very kind and thoughtful person and really cares about all the people who attend the church.

I very much appreciated the visit and he explained so much about the church and why and how it was established. That meant so much to me.

I feel very thankful for finding the church and all the people there. They have enriched our lives in the short time we have attended.

God bless all, and may the love of Christ enrich all who belong to the church.

Sharran and Jeff Quick

The Invisible Closet

Member Care sees a need for health aids (arm braces, shower chairs, walkers, crutches, canes, wheel chair, etc) but we have a storage problem. What we'd like to do is assemble a list of health aid items that YOU members store in your closets and are no longer using. Then, when the need arises, the person who needs a health item could contact the Member Care Committee and request to borrow the item. We can then match that person with the member willing to share the health aid item (or put out a request for the item if it isn't on the list). If you have a health care item that you are not using but are willing to share, please contact either **Chris Steiger** or **Lynn Kelsh**, and we'll add you to the Invisible Loan Closet list.

Thanks for thinking of others' needs,
Chris Steiger and Lynn Kelsh, Member Care Committee

Ushers

Feb. 15: George Hove and John-Carl Laidler

Feb. 22: Lynn Kelsh and Rowan Laidler

Mar. 1: Lori and Cayden Sabella

Mar. 8: Don and Mary Young

Acolytes

Feb. 15: Libby and Lauren Barnes

Feb. 22: JL and Peggy Hickman

Mar. 1: Madison and Gabe McGinnis

Mar. 8: Pat Black and Mike Fisher

Greeters

Feb. 15: Barbara Flip-pin and Arlene Fischer

Feb. 22: Roy and Jo-Ann Gould

Mar. 1: Al and Carol Cookson

Mar. 8: Bruce and Harriette Heiserman

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Andy Marts 3-2
 Annetta Hoverstein 3-2
 Lindsey Barnes 3-18
 Donna Weaver 3-21
 Chris Steiger 3-24
 Olivia Fisher 3-25
 Arlene Fischer 3-28
 Ellen MacKercher 3-28

Kale MacKercher-May 3-28
 Max and Jo Cheney 3-29
 Charlotte Zimmerman 3-30



Nursery

Feb. 15: JL and Peggy Hickman

Feb. 22: Terry King and Christy Hancock

Mar. 1: Jerry Jones and Lindsey Barnes

Mar. 8: Terry King and Christy Hancock

Summary of Actions of Our Session

By Andy Marts, Stated Clerk of Session

The Session of the Fellowship (Baxter) Cumberland Presbyterian Church met in regular session on Wednesday January 28, 2015 at 7:15 pm in the Hudson Fellowship Hall. Present were the following Elders: Pat Black, Lynn Kelsh, Chris Steiger, George Hove, Tammy Marts, Barbara Flippin, and Al Cookson. Also present were Moderator Gary Tubb and Stated Clerk Andy Marts. Mike Risk and Kathy Amos were absent. Tammy Marts opened the meeting with a devotion followed by prayer.

The minutes for the December regular meeting and January 4th worship meeting were approved.

The final treasurer's report for 2014 was accepted and it was approved to cash the remaining balance of about \$1700.00 on a maturing scholarship CD and putting the funds in the scholarship account.

Mike Risk and Kathy Amos were excused.

Al Cookson was elected as delegate to presbytery with Mike Risk as first alternate and Tammy Marts as second alternate.

The 2014 congregational report was approved.

It was approved to place an anonymous donation of \$2500.00 in the special offering account with use to be determined later.

Pastor Gary Tubb's vacation plans for April 6th thru 14th were approved.

It was approved to have Gideon speaker Arnie Burke on March 1st.

Participation in the Youth Alliance Super Bowl party on Feb 1st, FUSE event April 24th & 25th, and float trip tentatively planned for June were all approved.

Gary Tubb closed the meeting in prayer.

Next meeting will be Wednesday February 25, 2015 in the Hudson Fellowship Hall.

Don't Miss It!

March 21 at 6:00 PM, the Southern Gospel **Highway 22** will make a return visit to our church. There will not be a supper this year. Invite your friends and neighbors as well as those from other churches.

As I See It

As I compose this month's article, we are just a few days shy of **Super Bowl XLIX**. This is an event which captures America and other people from around the globe. It grabs us for various reasons. Even if football is not your 'cup of tea,' many of us will watch it for the commercials which cost approximately 2.4 million dollars for a 30 second slot.

The **football game** will be played by those who are highly skilled in their positions. The two teams represent those players who have had a combination of events which came together over a season. Some of the games showed spectacular blocks, runs, passes, catches, tackles, interceptions, fumbles, fumble recoveries, racking the ball out of another players' hands, penalties of various sorts, and an inordinate number of replay decisions (we do not always agree with final outcome of the replay decision).

The players do not get to try the same play over again because the conditions will always be slightly different. The situations vary from play to play because the personnel will change because of fatigue, weather conditions, **'inflation of the ball,'** position of the players and referees, and response of the players to what is happening before them.

Sometimes one misjudgment by player or referee will make the difference of who wins and who does not. **One cannot predict the outcome.** One may have a reasonable feeling for what will happen, but until the game is completed, the outcome is not certain.

The **commercials support a different venue of thought.** The commercials create a script which will be practiced and practiced until it has reached the 'perfection' required by the director and his support staff. They have a message to convey and an enticement to lure each of us into their dens to capture us. Sometimes the allurements of the product will cause us to seek it out.

With each commercial, we see a story which is told and does not vary in its message. We may not agree with it, but it is the same every time. Regardless of how many times it is played, it will not change. There are no variations; there are no missed calls; and there are no challenges or overturned calls. There is no human error in the production.

If we were to compare the football game and the commercials, we would find that the comparison is like a relation with Jesus. We can go it on our own (without Jesus) and find that we have no control of our outcome when we die. There has never been a guarantee that we would spend eternity with our Lord and Savior unless we **submit ourselves totally** to Him.

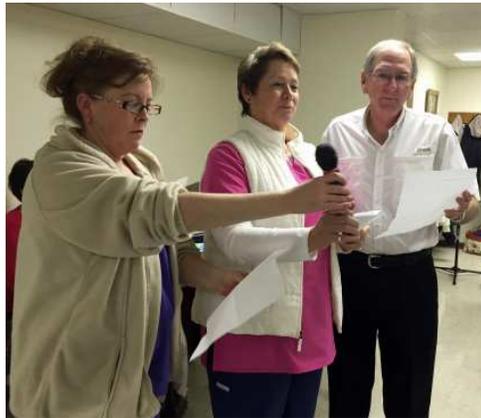
The **commercials have a plan.** The plan and the presentation remain the same every time we see them. There are no variations and according to the commercial the outcome is desirable for us. The **Plan of Salvation is always the same**, yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Jesus followed the script of the Father so that we would have the **opportunity of salvation** for eternity. Just like the script for the commercial, there is an order we must follow. The Plan of Salvation has a script that we must follow. We are to **accept, believe and confess** the Lord Jesus as our Savior. **When we place our souls in the hands of the Master, we have a 'game plan' which has no defeat!**

As for me and my house, we will follow the script of the Master planner!

Pastor Gary

Christmas Share Time

A FCPC tradition is to have a “share time” at our December fellowship supper. A big thank you goes to those who shared their time and talent for our entertainment.



Dana, Toni and Mike make a talented trio.



A duet from Kim and Madison



Ali displays her sweet gift.



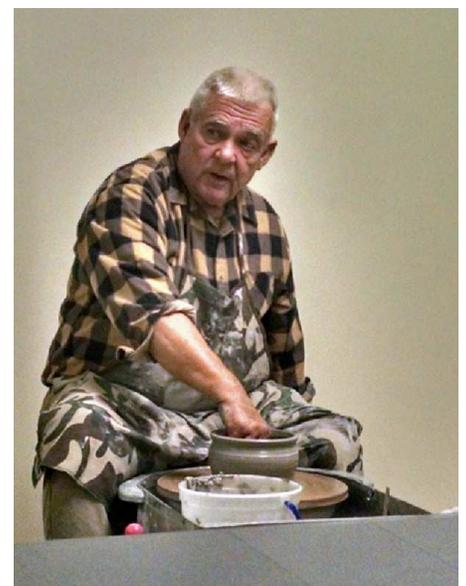
Lizzy performed in two duets: one singing with Ali, and one playing her clarinet for Tammy to sing.



Tammy sings for the children, and the rest of us, too!

The Potter and the Clay

Dave Boynton shared his talent with CPWM, as he explained some of the history of pottery and demonstrated how he uses a wheel to create his own pottery.



New Member Luncheon

We celebrated our members who joined us in 2014 with a luncheon sponsored by CPWM after church on February 1st. Each of the new members was introduced by an "old" member. These are all wonderful additions to our church family. Make sure you get to know them better.



Mary and John Martin were introduced by Terry King.



Tammy Marts introduced Donna Wallace who could not be with us.



Barbara Linde was introduced by June Arnold.



Al Cookson introduced his stepson John Cole.



Dave and Brenda Boynton were introduced by Marjie Jones

Let Us Worship

I can hear the angels singing
Each and every day.
I can feel them all around me and
I listen to what they say.
The wings of the angels
Flutter in my ears.
Thanks be to God, Whose words
I hold so dear.
They say God works in
Mysterious ways.
I thanks him for his love,
Each time that I pray.

We live our lives
Following the guiding light.
Our spirit are so beautiful,
And they shine so bright.

Let us worship God and
Love one another.
We are all God's children,
Sisters and brothers.

By Freddie Stepp

Send information for this newsletter to Marjie Jones, 946 Tipton Loop, Mountain Home, AR 72653 OR call me at 870-425-7190 OR email me at mjjones@suddenlink.net OR drop it in the newsletter box at the church.

We're on the Web!

<http://www.fellowshipcumberland.org/>

Upcoming Opportunities

- The choir has begun working on a simple **Easter cantata**. Anyone who would like to participate needs to see Tammy Marts.
- The CPWM will be serving a meal to the **Christian Clinic** on March 5th. If you would like to help with this see Chris Steiger or any member of the CPWM.
- We will once again be participating in the **"30 Pieces of Silver"** offering. Purple bags will be available on Sunday for you to use for a special offering to be collected on Palm Sunday. The donations will go to *One Great Hour of Sharing*.
- March 8 2:00 AM Beginning of Daylight Savings Time
- March 21 5:00 PM **Highway 22 (Southern Gospel Trio)**
- March 28 CPWM Regional Meeting at Trimble Campground
- March 29 Palm Sunday and Easter Cantata
- April 2 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday service
- April 5 Easter Sunday

Member Updates

Chris Marts is now living in Oklahoma City and working for Oklahoma Gas and Electric.

This is Chris Marts new address
127 NW 31st street #2
Oklahoma City, OK 73118

Ian Benz graduated from the University of Missouri Science & Technology in December with a bachelor of science degree in computer engineering. He relocated to Dallas Texas in January and is working at Maxim Integrated. His new address is:

15801 Artist Way
Apt 4406
Addison TX 75001



Zoey Ann is two months old. (Granddaughter of Mike and Katie Risk)

