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NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY An opportunity to have your picture taken with no obligation to purchase.

You will receive a free 8x10 portrait
and a free directory.

Registration for pictures will now be done only in the
Narthex on May 20, May 27 and June 3
following all 3 services
or you may call the church office
during the week at 972.298-6121.

Picture dates are
June 18, 19, 20 and
July 26, 27, and 28.

Pictures and selections are made at the same time.
Harmony Hall

Prayer box made with caring hands



Handcrafted with surplus
wood from the ceiling in
the sanctuary, Don
Deffebach made this beautiful
prayer box to be placed
in the Narthex of the
Sanctuary.

If you have special concerns
and need prayers, just fill
out a card and drop it in the
box and our ministerial staff
will handle your requests
with care.

Vacation Bible School where God Is My Pilot



We are inviting all children to be a part of the
excitement at our Vacation Bible School,

LIFT OFF! SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS WITH GOD.

With this hot air balloon-theme, your children will become
Sky Scouts and learn about the sport of hot air ballooning as
well as connect what they learn about reaching new heights
with God.

The Bible stories presented illustrate the Flight Plans and encourage further exploration into the Bible. Your children and grandchildren will extend their learning through every activity making their own special memories in Pilot Projects, singing fun tunes at Sky Songs, participating in recreational activities at Rip Line Rec, eat snacks provided at the Cloud Cafe, and Launch Into Action with mission projects.

June 18 (Monday) through June 21 (Thursday) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. No Fees

COME ENJOY THE HIGH-FLYING ADVENTURE

VBS Hot Dog Kickoff – Sunday June 17th at 5:00 p.m. for Kids & families.



FUMC Night at the DHS Ballpark

The Family Ministries Committee of FUMC is sponsoring **A Night Under the Lights** for our members to enjoy the Duncanville Deputies Summer Collegiate Baseball Team. This is a wood bat league made up of aspiring young men who are on the track to becoming professionals. Scouts from the majors are in attendance to watch these exciting games.

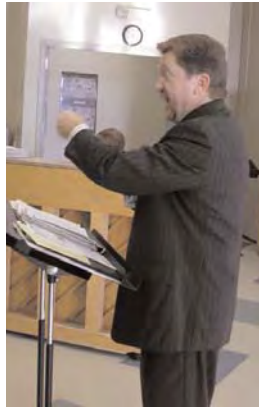
On Tuesday, June 12 at 7:35pm, we will yell for and support our Duncanville Deputies as they play Wichita Falls and for only \$1.00 instead of the usual \$5.00.

**Mini-Bat Night for the 1st 100 in attendance.
Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex on June 3rd and 10th.**

Legacy Choir Sings



Director Steve Sobczak along with volunteer accompanist Mona Barbee, warm up the Legacy Choir for the Sunday morning performances. Their hard work has been very much appreciated.



If you see Steve Sobczak running across campus on Sunday mornings, he is going from one rehearsal to the next. At 7:45 on Sunday he met Praise, at 8:00 The Youth Choir and at 8:15 the Legacy Choir. Three rehearsals, and church hadn't even started. Thanks Steve for all your hard work and dedication.



This Sunday, May 20, is Senior Sunday. The FUMC graduating seniors will be honored during the 11am service and served lunch in Aldersgate following the service.

There has been a change of plans

The Senior High Mission Trip to Mexico has been changed to San Marcos River Work Camp. The dates are still June 24-30. It was felt that for safety reasons, this change needed to be made.



Sr. High Mission Trip

To register, please contact Janet Dempsey at 972.298-6121 or janet@fumcd.com.

This is a very worthwhile and organized mission opportunity for our youth to not only enjoy the company of each other but to serve others in need.

Youth Events Mark Your Calendar

- Senior Sunday** **May 20**
- Choir Tour** **June 8-16**
- Vacation Bible School** **June 18-22**
- Senior High Mission Trip** **June 24-30**
- Senior High Camp** **July 2-7**
- Junior High Mission Trip** **July 22-27**

Be aware of deadlines and proper paperwork.

**Contact Janet with questions
972.298-6121 or janet@fumcd.com**

With a deep and full heart, I would like to thank members who voted for me for Duncanville ISD School Board Trustee. I will prayerfully consider all tasks set before me and again thank you for your prayers, support and confidence.

Marlies Peregory.



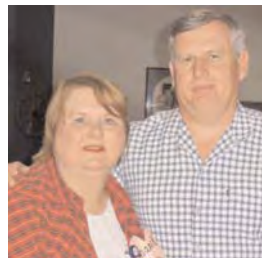
May Smiles to...

Marlies Peregory who was elected to the Duncanville ISD School Board and is a very active member of our church. Marlies is also in charge of VBS for 2007.

Cynthia Werner who was also elected to the Duncanville ISD School Board.

Dr. Clyde Yancy who is the medical director of the Baylor Heart and Vascular Institute at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas.

Congratulations to Cathy



Cathy Hendricks celebrated her retirement after 33 years of teaching with her husband Terry. She was honored with "Cathy Hendricks Day" at Bilhartz Elementary with a reception and a special speaker, our own Janice Vieira.



Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
9:00 a.m. to noon
Sunday
9:00 a.m. to noon

Volunteers important



Roy Fouts, longtime member of FUMC, assisted Mike at the 8:30 service with the invocation and litany.

Pathfinders' Picnic

Come meet the Pathfinders and be a part of this fun and faithful group!

Sunday, May 20
12:00 p.m.
Armstrong Park - Kidsville

The Pathfinders is a FUMC Sunday School class made up of late 20s, 30s, and 40s couples and single adults! Wear your shorts and bring your lawn chair and kids, if you've got them!

Picnic food and drinks provided.
Please RSVP to Dana Luna at bd_luna@email.com or 972.299-9506.

Crossroads

Where Your Life Intersects with the Cross

Crossroads excitement continues to grow and meet the needs of many visitors and members. With praise music, great and exciting sermons, over 200 enjoyed Sheri Hollingsworth's message on Sunday.



Music is an integral part of **Crossroads**. The Youth Choir, Praise, and ensembles provide the special music for the service.

There are praise songs sung by the congregation with words projected on the large screens.

Communion was served on the first Sunday of May and will continue to be provided monthly. Offering is taken and goes into the general budget of the church as do the offerings of the other two services. Special donations have been made to **Crossroads** but these are above and beyond the pledges that have been made.

8:45 Coffee
9:00 - 9:45 Worship

cares and concerns

Brantlee Sontag	Mary Morriss
Grace Brandenburg	Charlie Rawle
Mary Dabiere	Bill Edwards on the death of
Sandy Courville	his father
Jon Kinslow	Our military
Martha Leewright	Our firefighters and police
David Knox	
Owenda Douglass	

Let the church office know if you, a family member or a friend of FUMC are going into the hospital.

Christian One Liners

God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.

memorials and honorariums

in memory of

Alan Powell
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 Lou Fain

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Class Notes

CUP & SAUCER

We are still studying the book of Revelation. Our scripture today was from Rev. 21: 1-8 "The Eternal Home." Worthie continues to teach informative and inspiring lessons. He reminded the class that the book of Revelation never ends in "s". We are blessed to have Worthie and other teachers to help us understand the scripture. Beulah Strong gave the morning prayer & Millie played the piano.

Our sick list includes Charlie Rawle, Mary Morriss, Gene Welborn and Doris' brother & sister-in-law.

Reta Carver was back in class after successful eye surgery. Also Mary Morriss

was back in class Sunday but still has more surgery.

Betty Greenlee's grandson Conner finally has a top tooth! Attendance May 6 was 40. Today May 13 was 33 .

The subject of our lesson May 20 is *Living In Our New Home* Rev. 21:9-22:5 and will be taught by Worthie Usher .

New Horizons

Our lesson was led today by Carole Deffebach entitled "The Eternal Home." David Gregory led us in prayer and Carolyn Babb played the piano to open the class.

It was a Happy Mother's Day for many ladies around the country!!!

The luau is scheduled for May 18th (that's this com-

ing Friday night), beginning at 6:00pm, at the Michalski's. Meet at the Church parking lot at 5:45 pm and car pool to the Michalski's. Corky will be waiting at the drive to show you the way into the property. Don't forget to bring whatever you signed up to bring.

Joys go to David Babb, Catherine Sewell, James, and Larry Yost.

Please keep the following in your prayers; Larry and Willa Yost, David Babb, Jim Rogers, Charles Cason, Gene Welborn, Bonnie, Amanda, McCann family, Gary Ashcraft, Sandra Coyle, Lillie Ashcraft, Joanna Nelson, Carol, Lori & James Waldrup, Martha Williamson, Cami Leigh

Crews, Rev. Bill Stephenson, Billy, Mary Ann Lee, Shane, Chuck Weems, Ruby Edgar, Mavis Mathis, Ada Hart, Gordon Guinn, Karen Roberts, Karen Kelly, and Kathleen Godwin.

On May 20th, our lesson will be "Living in Our New Home" taught by Bob Hastings. This lesson is the third in Unit 3, *Living in God's New World*. The scripture background for the lesson is Revelation 21:9-22:5, so read your Bible this week and we will see you Friday night at the luau. Also, see you Sunday morning

UNITED CLASS

Mary C. started the lesson and Marie got her breath

and made Revelation seem more understandable.

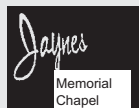
Barbara B. brought us some CD's of Gary's pictures during our class trip to the Arboretum.

On May 12 Sheri continued our series from Revelation and involved the class in developing the promise of "all things will be made new" as God is amongst us

Thanks to our very gifted teachers.

Ray asked the class to send some prayers to Iowa for Gene "Cowboy" Helmig where bone cancer was discovered this week.

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