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Dear friends,

I hope to see you in worship this Sunday, July 31, to say "God be with you 'til we meet again."

These two years have flown by and there are many memories to cherish and many trials we have been through together. I will cherish the good and have take-away lessons from the difficult. God is with us in all things, and it all serves to better equip us for the lifetimes of service we have ahead.

I cannot praise enough the staff and leaders you have here, as well as many folks who work behind the scenes and do not often get credit. God bless you all!

John, Dad and I value the times spent with you, and are thankful for your kindness and friendship. Continue to grow in faith and to share that faith in the community and our world.

May the love and peace of God remain with you always,

Leigh

"We love because God first loved us." 1 John 4:19



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

August 7 Rev. John Robinson
 August 14 Mission Sunday
 August 21 Rev. John Pilutti
 August 28 TBD

ELDERS

Aug. 2 Linda Brown
 Aug. 9 James Spicer
 Aug. 16 Borden Parker
 Aug. 23 Gary Patterson
 Aug. 30 Troy Pate

DEACONS

Leslie Hunter
 Will Spicer
 Eddie Radford
 Steve Jara
 Kim Brogden

USHERS

Deacon in charge: Wiley Leonard
Ushers: John Dees, Charlie Dees,
 Jimmy Huffman, Michael Jordan,
 Ellen Jordan

Chancel Guild

Barbara Bradshaw
 Gail Shearin



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✓ MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Sundays** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
10:00 Worship
- Tuesdays** 4:00 p.m. Open Gym (August 7 and 21)
9:00 a.m. Troubleshooters
5:30 p.m. Personnel Meeting (August 2)
7:00 p.m. Committee Meetings (August 2)
7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting (August 9)
7:00 p.m. Session (August 16)
- Wednesdays** 6:30 a.m. Ironmen Meet (August 3 and 17)
5:00 p.m. Bulletin Article Deadline
- Thursday** 5:00 p.m. Newsletter Deadline (August 25)
- Fridays** 8:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study



AUGUST



1	Mrs. Becky Bolduc Hunter Wilson Mr. C. V. Sutton, Jr. Dr. Oz Wilder	11	Mr. Mickey Nance	23	Sarah Gibson
4	Mrs. Connie Scott	13	Mrs. Sarah Casey Mrs. Frankie Farfour	25	Mr. Fred Lomax, III Tanya Hawkins Ms. Lauren McArthur
5	Mr. Paul Hunter	17	Mrs. Leslie Ricker Mr. Michael Wilson	26	Mrs. Catherine Parker Mr. Dan Blackshear
6	Mrs. Joyce Pate Mrs. Jane Richter	18	Mr. Phil Eubanks	28	Mrs. Susan McCall
7	Mrs. Betty Wampler	19	Mr. Brad Graham Ellie James	29	Brook Albertson
9	Mr. Jack Best Virginia K. Best	20	Mrs. Megan Suddarth	30	Ms. Mary Hinson Paul Richter Katie Gibson
10	Mrs. Ava White Mr. Bill Warren	21	Sarah Best Anna Wisniewski	31	Mrs. Jane Phillips Mrs. Sandy Jeffreys
		22	Mr. Tommy Franklin		
		22	Emily Benton		

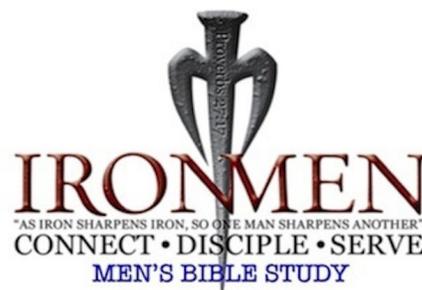


Operating Budget Financial Report As Of June, 2016

Budget Line Item	June 2016	Total 2016	Budget 2016	% of Budget
Receipts				
Pledges	\$21,972	\$151,921	\$391,628	39%
Non-Pledge Offering	\$4,152	\$26,622	\$73,693	36%
Sunday School Offering	\$37	\$204	\$450	45%
Plate Cash Offering	\$213	\$2,364	\$6,500	36%
Miscellaneous Income	\$175	\$14,189	\$8,000	177%
Total Operating Receipts	\$26,549	\$195,300	\$480,271	41%
Foundation *		\$137,100		
Total Receipts	\$26,549	\$332,400		
*includes 10,000 for operating budget missions				
Expenses				
Benevolences *	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	84%
*to be disbursed \$10,000 from foundation and \$7405 from 5th Sunday offerings and fundraising				
Program Budget	\$1,253	\$3,250	\$10,150	32%
Operations Budget	\$9,959	\$60,572	\$126,155	48%
Salaries & Benefits	\$27,175	\$163,931	\$337,966	49%
Total Operating Expense	\$43,387	\$232,753	\$480,271	48%
Foundation		\$137,100		
Total Expenses	\$43,387	\$369,853		
Net Income/(Loss)	(\$16,838)	(\$37,453)		

Attention All Men!

Ironmen Ministry, a faith-based men's group will meet every other Wednesday at FPC at 6:30 a.m. The next meeting will be August 3rd and 17th in the Conference Room. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend. If you have any questions, contact Bill Royall.



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**Every month the following
meets at 7 p.m.**

1st Tuesday	Committees
2nd Tuesday	Diaconate
3rd Tuesday	Session

**NewsLetter
DEADLINE**

August 25, 2016





The hallways upstairs at First Presbyterian Church were lined with colorful streamers from ceiling to floor during VBS. It was to remind children attending VBS that God is a God of colors, this year's theme. It is teaching the children about love and diversity to let them know that God is there for everybody, says Mary Taneti.



This year's God of Colors Bible School was a great week for children ages 3 through grade 5. Over the five days, there were 70 children who attended. The Vacation Bible School mission project raised money for four needy students at Elim School in Keya. Praise the Lord for His blessing of \$700.00 received during the week.



"All of it's fun. I've been learning about God and Jesus and been nice."

Ben Creech, 6



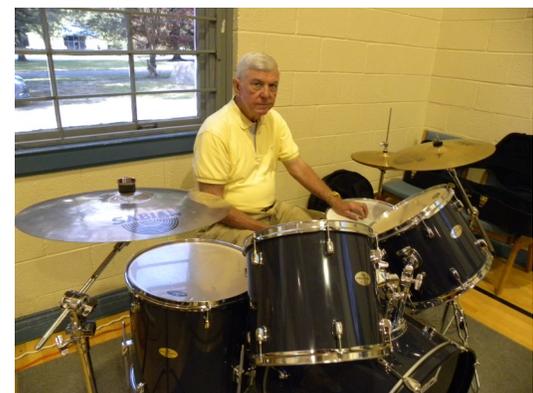
"I have been learning about being more like Jesus." At the end of each day, she can't wait to get home and tell her family."

Dehatiaj Woods, 9



"VBS is a fun place. I really like to make the international crafts because I get to make instruments from around the world."

Victor Vasquez, 11





My Montreat experience was awesome. I learned so much about God in keynote and in the sermons. I made new friends in my small group. And for my first year going, I loved it.



My Montreat experience was better than the previous year. I went in with an open mind and a goal. I was trying to make new friends, as many as I could and I would say I have made a few.



2016 Middle School Youth Conference



This year at Montreat has been my favorite so far. I made more friends this time, and I spoke more during small group. I was one of the few people (in my small group) who answered the questions and participated actively. The theme of the conference really stuck with me too: we are all a work in progress.

My Montreat experience was awesome. I learned a lot about myself and God. I made a lot of new friends. The sermons and keynotes were very informative and fun.



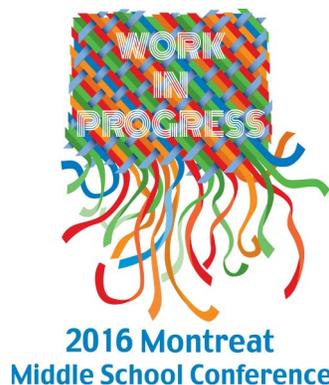
I went to Montreat camp and enjoyed myself with small group. I also loved what Aram Bae talked to us in keynote.

I enjoyed most of the things at Montreat, and look forward to going back next year!



I think this was probably my favorite Montreat conference I have been to. I loved my small group because everyone was so nice and welcoming. I also made a bunch of new friends and got to spend a lot of time with my best friend, Stella. The whole week I really understood everything they taught. The keynote was super good because Aram Bae knew how to get us to understand the scripture better. The sermons were also well said because I had my full attention on the sermon the whole time. I had a really wonderful time this year.

The Montreat trip this year was a life changing experience, for all who attended it. I mostly enjoyed getting to know my youth group members more, but also digging deeper into scriptures. The keynote speaker and the preacher really had a passion and a gift for connecting with young people. Just getting the opportunity to go was a blessing in itself, but getting to spend a whole week with my youth group was even more of a blessing.



**WE WILL BE
CLOSED ON
LABOR DAY**

Monday, September 5

Where did Labor Day come from?

Labor Day was created as a way to acknowledge and pay tribute to the workforce for all that they have done to make our country prosperous and strong.

The first Labor Day was celebrated in New York City, and other cities followed this example in the following years. It was in 1894 that Congress passed a law making the first Monday of September a legal holiday.

Now that you know... have a great Labor Day!

