



January 25th, 2019

Brother David's sermon last week and our pre Warmth IN Winter lesson were both on spiritual gifts. One thing I love about the spiritual gift assessment is that most people are usually a little surprised about at least one or two of their results. Last week at youth we shared the gifts that we saw in ourselves and our friends shared the gifts they see in us. No one in the group told us they were a good spiritual writer and no one chose a writer as a gift they thought their friends were gifted with. However, this week was the deadline for a youth scholarship that involved writing poetry and it seemed like a gift we needed to share. The youth were simply asked to write a God inspired poem. We hope that you will enjoy these.

Always

By Emmaline Whitt

Always watching over us,
Always looking out,
He's always there for us
Even when we doubt.

No matter what we do,
No matter what we say,
He will still love us,
Each and everyday.

Whenever we are worried,
Whenever we are scared,
We can pray to the Lord above,
Who will always be prepared

What God Does for Us

by Katelyn Revett

God is my everything
He helps me make it through
He watches over us all
I know his love is true

He sent his only son to Earth
To die for all of our sins
Me put nails through his wrists
Tearing through our savior's skin

My Hero

By Adam Revett

My Greatest and favorite hero,
The almighty hero in the clouds above,

Firm and strong he is my savior,
No matter how good or bad my behavior,
When my life gets colder, I feel his love,
Like in the story of Noah, except without a dove,
My savior, my God, is my king and my hero,
Without him in my life, I would be a zero

All the stress
and life's mess
you make it less.

All the tears
and pressure from peers
you hear.

How could the talk
and friends mock
compare to my rock?

What could compare
to my saviors care?

Call me a dreamer
but I trust in my redeemer

By Charlotte Nance

Jump up the stairs

Across the floor

Into my bed

I wait until their all out of sight

Until I pray to the Lord goodnight

By Kami Shupp

***In case of inclement weather,
stay tuned to Facebook,
Twitter and email for updates on
church services and activities.***



Prayer Requests

Giving Statements: Your end of the Year 2018 Contribution Statements are now available for pick up. The statements will be in the church lobby this Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 615-893-0347.

- **Bro. David and Sarah**, travel mercies on their trip from January 21st.-30th.
- **Jerry Andrews**, friend of Margaret Brogdon, lung cancer

Urgent Need for Stepping Stones: We are in urgent need of an overnight host (female) for Stepping Stones ministry. We have one man and one woman and we have to have one more female host for overnight. Can you help? The date will be Sunday night, January 27th. If you can do this, please sign up in the narthex/lobby this Sunday.

Our Annual Chili/Soup Fundraiser is coming up January 26th. See the flyer below for details.

Bakers: We are needing bread makers or buyers for our Welcome ministry. There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex if you would like to help with specifics on what is needed.

Welcoming Team: All of us are warm and welcoming...OK, well most of us! We need volunteers for the Welcoming Team. Please prayerfully consider signing up if only for one service a year. All you have to do is be here with a smile on your face and a kind word of welcome. Sign up sheet is in the narthex for your convenience.

Pastoral Care: If you are in need of pastoral care while Bro. David is away, please contact the church office and we will make sure to address your needs.

Sing along at Rutherford: The next sing along is today, Friday, January 25th at Rutherford Assisted Living, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Save the date

Tuesday March 12th Community Event

We will be hosting a town hall meeting on Opioids. This meeting is an information meeting for everyone in our community. We will have guest speakers and a special Narcan training for those interested. Please make plans to attend and invite your neighbors. Dinner will be served at this meeting. More information will be posted in the weeks ahead. If you are interested in volunteering for this event please email Chandra @ youth@blackmanumc.com

- **Carla Decker**, friend of Margaret Brogdon, breast cancer
- **Charles Andrews**, friend of Margaret Brogdon, severe digestion issue
- **Robert Norris**, Boy Scout Trp. 374 Scoutmaster
- **Grant Reed**, friend of Connie Howell, cancer
- **Jim Keisman**, Alzheimer, uncle to Connie Howell and Carmen Keisman
- **Norman Runk**, cousin of Harry Hoover, cancer
- **Ivan Benningfield**, Kay Slocum's father, health concerns
- **Stacy Soules**, for blessings as she ministers in Germany
- **Kerrie Greer**, mother of Nicole Greer, health issues
- **Dick Stidom**, recovery from heart procedure
- **Judy Johnson**, sister of Tamara Harris, health concerns
- **Carl Shipley**, brother-in-law of Patricia Shipley, serious illness
- **Carol Matisak**, friend of Nance family, stage 4 cancer
- **Lorie Stiles**, friend of Wayne Bradford, complications with MS
- **Steve Gansel**, prayers for nerve pain
- **Nicole Pankey**, friend of Jenny Peck, Pancreatic cancer – going thru chemo
- **Angelina**, mother of Saru, healing from stroke
- **Lee Roy Pannell**, health concerns
- **John Sloan**, continued healing for stage 4 liver cancer

BINGO –

Chili & Soup Cook-Off

Sat. January 26th, 5-7 pm

Blackman UMC Fellowship Hall



Benefit for:
Stepping Stones
NO COST
Donations Accepted
(Make checks to BUMC)

Instructions
*Bring Soup or Chili by 4 pm
(In Crockpot w/Ladle)
Desserts needed.
*Judging at 4:30 pm
*Eating at 5 pm
*BINGO after Eating
(Bring BINGO prizes to share)

Suggested Donations
Paper Towels 33 Gal. Trash Bags
Toilet Paper Laundry Detergent
Pillows Dryer Sheets
File Folders Lysol Spray
Copy Paper Cleaning Supplies
Food: Any canned food items

(This event is being sponsored by
The Sisters Sunday School Class)

This was so fun last year...don't miss it!
Come join us this Saturday at 5 pm!



You are invited for breakfast! Come and join us!

The Blackman United Methodist Men's group would like to invite all the men of the church to come and enjoy some wonderful breakfast and fellowship. The men's group meets on the first Saturday of every month in the Fellowship Hall.

The next breakfast will be,
Saturday, February 2, at 8am.

You are hereby invited! Please save the date and join us!

General Conference Information Session

On Tuesday, February 5th @ 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall we will gather for a time of information and discussion on the upcoming United Methodist Church General Conference (February 19-21 in St. Louis, MO).

Calling all Acolytes! We need you!
Would you like to be an Acolyte for BUMC? Here is a link for you to sign up for future Sundays.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FAAAF2FA7F85-bumc4>



Youth Calendar

August 2018-2019 Calendar:

<http://blackmanumc.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/20182019-Calendar-Blackman-UMC-Youth.pdf>

Please note that there will not be a youth meeting Sunday, Feb. 3rd., when the youth return from Warmth in Winter.

Warmth in Winter is upon us!

Warmth in Winter 2019 will be February 1-3rd at Gaylord Opryland Hotel. This event has always been a blessing to our youth. If you would like to make a donation toward the costs for Warmth in Winter; please make a check out to BUMC and put Warmth in Winter in the memo

line. We are needing donations to help cover our food and extra van rental. We have a group of 30 youth and adults going. You may put your donation in the offering plate on Sunday. Please keep our youth and all the leaders in your prayers for this very special event



If you enjoy cooking we have two great volunteer opportunities coming up. January 31st and March 21st. Blackman UMC will provide the meal for the students before Thursday night worship time at The MTSU Wesley

Foundation. We will need meats, vegetables, rolls and desserts for about 40 people. There is a sign up in the Narthex for your convenience. Thank you, Chandra.]



BUMC Volunteer Opportunities:

- January 31- Feed the college students at the MTSU Wesley Foundation**
- February 15 - Special Needs Valentine's Party for Possibility Place**
- Sundays- provide meal for youth group**
- Sunday or Wednesday musician mentors for youth**

Please see Chandra Inglis on Sunday if you are interested in being a BUMC volunteer for the above activities.

Leaders in Worship for January 27th

Nehemiah 8:1-10
I Corinthians 12:12-31a

8:30 am:

Phillip Glass, Worship Leader,
Grace & Payton Towle, Acolytes
Sherry Tidwell, Lay Reader
Mike Rose, Sound Tech, Adam Revett, Multimedia Tech

10:45 am:

Brandon Whitt, Worship Leader,
Emmaline & M.C. Whitt, Acolytes
Mitchell Mote, Lay Reader
Mark Spears, Sound Tech, Alex Campbell, Multimedia Tech

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