

PRAYER CONCERNS

MARIAN JARVIS
RICK PENDLETON
SHARON PENDLETON

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

JANA DUGGAN-diagnosed with lung cancer. Sister-in-law of David and Karen Duggan.
ANNA EASTER-heart issues
CYNTHIA HAYWORTH-health issues
BILL THOMPSON
RAY BLACK-esophageal cancer, friend of Rick Pendleton
SHIRLEY MANLEY-former member has been diagnosed with cancer and heart problems.
ALL AFFECTED BY HURRICANE HARVEY & IRMA
ALL AFFECTED BY FIRES IN California, Montana, Oregon and Washington
FRANKIE SQUIRES-diagnosed with cancer, friend of Sandy Broyles
BOB PATTERSON-Lisa Langford's father
PAULA WHITE-hospital in Ft. Worth
SHANE SHOCKLEY-health issues
CRYSTAL GARCIA-diagnosed with cancer. Friend of Lynn Richardson.
DOLORES EVERS-dialysis, sister-in-law of Charles and Elaine Evers
JENNIFER BROWN-step-daughter of Kathryn Hart's sister, Sheryl
JOSH ALLEN-son of Sherry Copeland Duggan.
NANCY KARL-health issues
DONNA GANDY ROGERS
BILLY PATTESON-lung cancer, husband of Kathy Duncan Patteson, brother-in-law of Charlette Duncan.
SHEILA BREWSTER-sister-in-law of Sheila and Roger Tonne
MAVIS MITCHELL-dialysis, Sue Lodor's sister-in-law
JACK ROGERS-great-great-nephew of Sue Lodor
COBY MEINZER-cousin of Juana Ash, diagnosed with ALS
BONNYE ISENHOWER-friend of Sharon Toland

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY

MARTYE UNDERWOOD-01
NICOLE RAMSEY-02
BARBARA SHIELDS-03
GINGER DITTMAR-04
RICK PENDLETON-05
GUYLA WHITE-06
JERRY BROWN-08
BOB DONNELL-08
DEREK KARL-10
KOLE TRAMMEL-12
SANDY ROGERS-14
NATHAN TONNE-14
CHARLETTE DUNCAN-16
GLYNN COAPLAND-18
COLEMYN McClymond-18
DONNA JENSON-20
KASE RENFRO-20
MAGGIE BATES-21
C.J. HART-22
ADELE JONES-22
MONTY CLEVELAND-24
BRET LOCKHART-24
MIRANDA McINTIRE-27
AMANDA CLEVINGER-28
RUSSELL CARTER-29
MIKE COLBERT-29
BERNADETTE
LITTLEFIELD-29

OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

BRECK BATES-San Diego, son of Cheri Bates, grandson of Sandy Broyles.
AUSTIN BURKHALTER-grandson of Larry and Jinger Mahan
MICAH CLAY- son of J.R. and Julia Clay.
NICK CORDOVA- S. Korea, son of Ray and Merry Pendleton.
GUY CRAIG- son of Connie and Bob Meason, grandson of Ruth and Bob Green and nephew of Guyla and Wayne White.
JASON GRAHAM-Fort Hood, cousin of Melissa Trammel.
ARIC HOLLEY- Afghanistan, son of Sherry Strickland
ZACHARY KARL-Fort Hood, son of Perry and Debbie Karl and grandson of Elaine and Bobby Goswick.
ADAM HAYWORTH-Hawaii, son of Patti Hayworth Reid.
Grandson of Jean Hayworth.
MAJOR JEFF MATSLER

**COUNTRY STORE AND BAKE SALE
ITEMS ARE NEEDED**



It's time to get started baking and gathering up all those crafts you have been creating this year and plan to bring them to the church on Wednesday and Thursday, November 15-16th for our Country Store and Bake Sale.

Pull out that special recipe you know everyone loves...or that new recipe you have been anxiously waiting for a chance to try. Now is the time to let your creative juices flow in order to fill up our Country Store and Bake Sale with delectable and irresistible items to help all our shoppers get ready for Christmas!

Dear Friends at FUMC,

Thank you all so much for your prayers and support during our latest crisis. That's what sustains us through each day. A special thank you to the Hoffman's, Connie Allen and Sue Lodor for the delicious food you brought. It's such a help when you get home from the hospital.

We love you all and thank you again for everything.
Rick and Sharon Pendleton

OPEN DOOR BANQUET

The Open Door Ministry invites you to enjoy a night of inspiration, good food, and Christian fellowship on Tuesday, November 14, at the Gregory Simmons Memorial Airport in Cisco, TX. That evening you will hear David and Jason Benham, twin brothers, share about their lives and their Christian Faith. Seating for the banquet will begin at 6:00 pm and the dinner will begin at 7:00 pm. This is The Open Door Ministry's annual fund raising banquet so reservations are required. Individual seating is \$75.00. If you would like to go, contact 254-442-3000 and let the church office know. We could all ride together if you want.

The Breckenridge Ministerial Alliance invites you to come together for a community wide Thanksgiving Worship service Sunday evening November 19th at Bethany Baptist Church. Our time of worship will begin at 6:00 pm. Our Ministerial Alliance funds many projects in our community in addition to helping those who are in need. Our funds are running low, however, and we need everyone to attend and give generously. Reserve this date, plan to come, and invite your friends to join you in the wonderful singing and preaching on this special Sunday evening service.

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FROM THE PASTOR

On Thursday, November 16, we will once again host our annual Turkey Dinner like we have for so many years in the past. I love the way so many people look forward to this meal and the opportunity it affords for folks to meet their friends and fellowship together. People not connected with our church in any way greatly anticipate eating lunch with their co-workers and visiting with their other friends in the community. What a rich and pleasant tradition our Turkey Dinner has in our community. Turkey Dinner provides some good food and we pray that those who come not only enjoy the good food but also the love of Christ which we try to share with them. There are many other benefits for our church in hosting Turkey Dinner. But I was challenged the other day while reading the first chapter in the book our Church Council is reading entitled *GET THEIR NAME – Grow Your Church By Building New Relationships*. After reading the first chapter about sharing one's faith through ministries of service, I asked myself, "How could I make this year's Turkey Dinner an opportunity for relational evangelism?"

The author pointed out that while we may be very good at providing much needed service to the people of our community, rarely will the persons served connect with Christ or our church as a result of just service alone. Relational evangelism adds the Word of God to the good deed making it a ministry of relational evangelism. In order to illustrate the difference between service alone and relational evangelism, the author shares the following example.

Instead of just handing out the water bottles from a booth marked "Shady Creek UMC," each water bottle will have a simple card attached by a rubber band. The card communicates two important messages. The first message might read, "This bottle of cold water is a free gift from your friends at Shady Creek UMC. This is our way of sharing with you and showing you God's love, because God's love is always free and is available all the time to everyone, including you." The second message might read, "Just like we know that in order to live we need water, we also know that to live fully and deeply, we need to be connected to God who loves us. So, if you'd like to experience more of God's love in your life, we would like to invite you to join us in a celebration of God's love in worship this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. at Shady Creek UMC. Come celebrate God's love with us this Sunday?"

Relational evangelism includes a clear invitation to connect with God and with our church. Relational evangelism through service is connecting service to a clear written communication of the Good News of God's love. Relational evangelism doesn't even require people to articulate their faith. It simply requires them to demonstrate it by their service. The card on the water bottle does the proclaiming. I invite you to join with me in prayer asking how we might make our Turkey Dinner a relational evangelism ministry this year. Looking forward to hearing your ideas.
See you Sunday,

