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Long Cane Currents

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UNITED CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES OF ABBEVILLE COUNTY (UCMAC)

Thank you for your continued support of UCMAC. Our contributions of food and money to the brown bag campaign were greatly appreciated. The brown bag campaign overall was very successful. The member churches in the Abbeville community as well as the Rotary Club and others were generous with their contributions. That being said, the need for food is always there. September is our regular quarterly food drive month. I hope you will be willing to help again this month. We're trying something a little different this time.

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR EACH WEEK:

SEPTEMBER 5— DRIED BEANS, PEAS, OR RICE

SEPTEMBER 12—PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY

SEPTEMBER 19—CANNED MEAT OR CANNED
VEGETABLES

SEPTEMBER 26—MAC & CHEESE OR
SPAGHETTI NOODLES & SAUCE

Let's see which Sunday brings in the most suggested items!

Thank you again for your generosity and God Bless.

Helen Biggerstaff

NOMINATING COMMITTEE ISSUES ELDER BALLOTS

The Nominating Committee will mail a letter to all active members of Upper Long Cane this month with a membership list and ballot. Please carefully and prayerfully select your nominees for the Elder Class of 2013. Bring or mail your ballots to the church by Sunday, September 26. The Elder Election will be at the congregational meeting on Sunday, October 10.

*Rally Day
and Teacher Appreciation
Sunday, September 12
During the Sunday School Hour
in the Fellowship Hall
Refreshments Following*



Presbyterian Women

Marsha Patterson, Moderator

The Presbyterian Women had a salad supper on Tuesday, August 17. Diane Hamrick from Little Mountain PC is our new Cluster Leader for District 1, and she conducted the installation of our officers for the new year.

Moderator - Marsha Patterson,
Vice Moderator - Betty Uldrick
Secretary - Sara Clark
Treasurer - Mary Wolfe
Global Awareness - Esse Ericksen
Together in Service - Mandy Price
Spiritual Enrichment - Edna Faggart
Community Service - Barbara Jones
Historian - Sybil Mullikin
Moderator of Search Com. - Helen Biggerstaff
Bereavement - Sybil Mullikin.

Presbyterian Women sold ornaments for our Chrismon Tree. We will be adding around 20 new ornaments this year. Thanks to all who made this possible.

The Bible study for Presbyterian Women this year will be "Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today". Six people attended the Bible study and Leadership training at Camp Fellowship on Saturday, August 21.

MEN OF THE CHURCH

The Men of the Church will meet Wednesday, September 8 at 7:00 pm. Please join us for Christian fellowship and great food. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. ALL MEN ARE INVITED. Meal is \$5/person.

Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to

. . . the family of Virginia Culbreth for her death on Friday, August 13 at her home.

. . . the family of Paul Ericksen for his death on Saturday, August 14 at The Hospice House in Greenwood.

2010 FLOWER CALENDAR

Upcoming available dates are: September 12,19.
October 10, 24, 31.

We need members to choose a Sunday to place flowers in church to beautify our sanctuary. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway, or call Helen Biggerstaff (446-8506) or the church office (366-4340) to reserve a Sunday.

Upper Long Cane Church Congregation

A note of thanks for your participation in Brown Bag Sunday and your continued support of the UCMAC Food Pantry. The pantry is a blessing to our community. Please remember us in your prayers and may God bless you.

Yours in Christ

Nancy Barlow, Pantry Manager

CIRCLE MEETINGS:

#2—Wed., Sept. 8 at 7:00 pm at the church

JOURNEYS THROUGH REVELATION—

this year's Bible study for Presbyterian Women—began on Wednesday, September 1 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Everyone was invited to attend this introductory session led by Dr. John.

MEMORIALS

FOR	FUND	GIVEN BY
Virginia Culbreth	GF	Laurita Wilson
Paul Ericksen	BF	Gene & Shirley Ware
	"	Frank & Betty Uldrick
	"	Nita & Harry Berard
	GF	Nell & Lucy McKee
	"	Men of the Church
	BF	Wayne & Vivki Evans
	"	Wayne & Marsha Patterson
	"	Martha & Richard Havird
	"	Sybil Mullikin
	"	Ray & Wilma Crawford
	"	Gene Pruitt
	GF	Margaret McIlwain
	BF	R. A. & Bertie Mae Hagen
	"	Chrysanthemum Garden Club
	"	Weldon & Susan Crider
	"	Margaret Frances Young
	"	Doris Richey
	GF	Ladies SS Class

**'DON'T TELL GOD HOW BIG YOUR
STORM IS, TELL YOUR STORM
HOW BIG OUR GOD IS'**

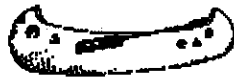
UPPER LONG CANE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Financial Statement JULY 2010

	GENERAL FUND	BUILDING & MAINT. FUND	DESIGNATED FUND	LIBRARY FUND	TOTAL
BEG. BALANCE	\$10,166.48	\$4,244.60	\$890.86	\$1,283.52	\$16,585.46
INCOME	\$7,070.02	\$1,136.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,206.02
SUB-TOTAL	\$17,236.50	\$5,380.60	\$890.86	\$1,283.52	\$24,791.48
EXPENDITURES	\$9,480.59	\$1,380.19	\$266.30	\$0.00	\$11,127.08
TRANSFERS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
END BALANCE	\$7,755.91	\$4,000.41	\$624.56	\$1,283.52	\$13,664.40

BF: Manse Repair Bal.	\$ 157.74
ENDOWMENT FUNDS:	\$ 6,194.00
GF MONEY MARKET ACCT	\$27,039.44
DESIGNATED FUNDS:	
Evangelism	\$ 624.56

Up The Creek

with Dr. John



Here's a question (and the answer!) for the next time you play *Trivial Pursuit*...

Q: How much of the earth's surface is covered by water?

A: 70%

Here's another one for you (and at no additional charge!)

Q: How much of the adult human body is composed of water?

A: 50-60% (depending on various factors—and where you get your information!)

Besides the air we must breathe in order to survive, water is the most essential of substances.

I once read a story about this family who owned an old house supplied by an old well. The well was fed by an underground spring. No matter how dry the weather might become, the well never stopped providing the water needed by this family. All the time they lived there, it was a completely dependable water supply. Then the family decided to move out of the old house. The moving process included placing a wooden cover over the old well. The spring-fed well that had served the family so reliably went unused for years. One day, a family member returned to check on the old house. He uncovered the well and expected to find it full of cool, clear water—just the way it always had been. To the man's surprise, he discovered that the old well was now bone dry! How had this happened? The underground spring that supplied the well was fed by tiny rivulets running through a layer of rock. As long as the well was constantly being used, the water in those rivulets continued to flow. After years of going unused, the rivulets stopped feeding water into the old well.

God is something like the old well that never runs dry. No matter how many times we go to the well and draw water, the well always provides a dependable supply of water. And we're not talking about regular drinking water, even if it's the coolest, clearest and most refreshing water you've ever tasted. No, we're talking about "living water." This comparison isn't perfect, of course. In our story, the old well does run dry after years of going unused. That never happens with God. We can stay away from God for a long time, maybe for years. And we can neglect dipping our spiritual buckets into the well filled with living water. God will always be there waiting for our return...and God sends Jesus to keep the waters flowing (John 7:37-38):

[Jesus] cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'"

Grace and peace,

High Five!!!



~ To Mr. J. L. Nickles who celebrates his 98th birthday on Saturday, September 4.

(Now you have an opportunity to recognize folks on a monthly basis. All you have to do is let us know by giving us the necessary information. There is an envelope on the table in the Sunday School hall as you enter the sanctuary where you can give us this information. You may remain anonymous or give us your name for publication, too.)

NEW ADDRESS

Mr. J. L. Nickles has moved and his new address is:

R. M. Campbell Veterans Nursing Home
J. L. Nickles Wing 604 Rm. 400-A
4605 Belton Hwy.
Anderson, SC 29621

I HAVE MOVED!!!!!!

Can't remember if I told you all, but: I have moved out from 1 Beggars Alley, located at 2 Poverty Lane at the corner of Bleak and Buster Circle. As of today, I have a brand new home.

My new address is: Living Well on Abundance Drive, located at the corner of Blessings Street and Prosperity Peak. No longer will I allow my self to travel on the Begging Peter to pay Paul route, located at an intersection called I Don't Have, it connects with Borrowers Junction.

I no longer hang out at Failure's Place, near Excuses Avenue, next to Procrastination Point. I've moved on to an Upscale community called Higher Heights with unlimited potential and opportunities for me to succeed.

Look at me. Each day that I'm awake, I am thankful to be a product of my new environment. All my clothes are tailor made. I'm dressed in life's finest. Let me introduce you to all of them: Divine Favor, Conceive, Believe, Act on Faith, Be Persistent, and Always be Prepared to Achieve.

Life is good because God is good! Care to change your address? There are many vacancies!

The Long Canites

by Margaret Frances Young, Secretary

The Long Canites met on Tuesday, August 17 in the fellowship hall for a covered dish lunch. Sybil Mullikin, president, welcomed everyone and announced those with August birthdays. We were happy to have Bob and Edna Faggart as new members. There were twenty-five attending. Dr. John asked the blessing and we enjoyed a delicious lunch on lovely decorated tables, thanks to Bob and Carolyn Kost.

Max Suber gave an interesting devotion entitled "One Day at a Time" which named many things we could (or should) do to make life happier. Wish all of you could have heard it.

Helen Biggerstaff volunteered to represent the Long Canites for the church Nominating Committee.

Charles Magaha gave his treasurer's report.

There was a discussion about taking a one day trip in the fall. Sybil named some places she thought we would enjoy seeing. Call Sybil (366-2610) if you have a suggestion of an interesting place to visit.

Our next meeting will be a covered dish lunch at the church on Tuesday, September 21.

My family and I want to thank our church family for their caring and support during Paul's illness and death. Thank you for the many prayers, for the cards, the telephone calls, the gifts of food and memorials. All these expressions of love and sympathy are very much appreciated. Continue to keep us in your prayers.

*God's blessings on you all,
Esse Ericksen and family*

Matthew 25:40

Thank you for your many cards, telephone calls and especially your prayers during the illness and death of my sister, Virginia Culbreth.

*Sincerely,
Margaret McIlwain*