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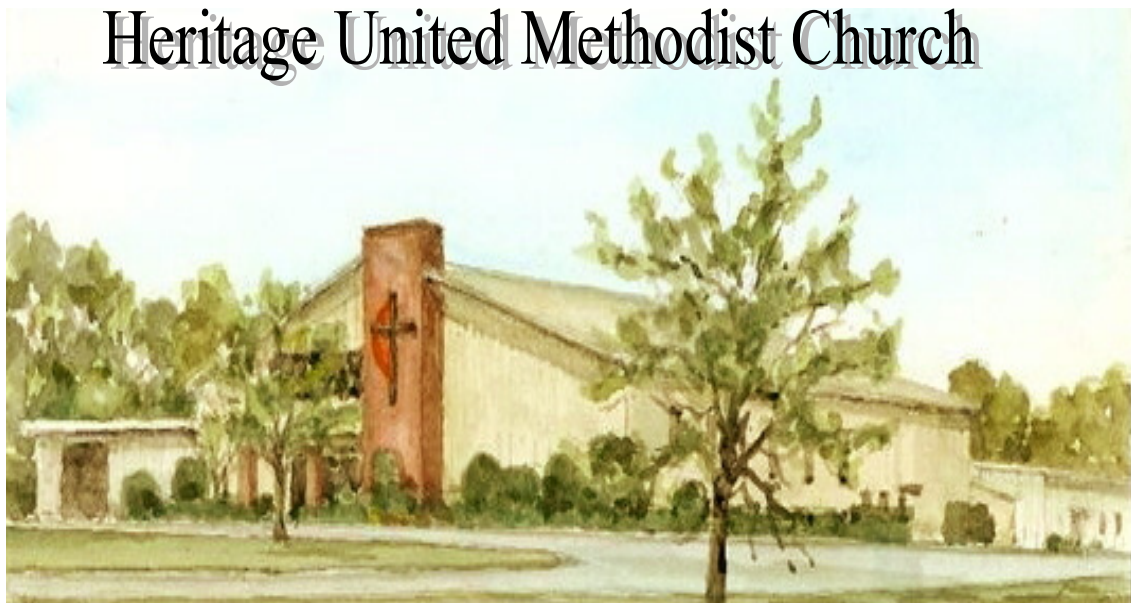
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“At the intersection of God’s Grace, and Your Needs”

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Pastor Doodles June 2009

June promises to be a very interesting month around Heritage. Annual Conference this year is on a weekend so Lay Speakers are filling in for the pastors in all the churches around Mississippi on June 14th. Tom Butler and Dave Perry will be the preachers here at Heritage that day and Shelia Gilles will be the preacher at Cedar Lake. We have been asked to bring a door decorated to represent our ministry here at Heritage to display at Annual Conference. We are taking a door frame instead of a door. It has arrows pointing in for Katrina Recovery, The Food Pantry, Noah’s Ark, UMYF, KFC, UM Men, UM Women, and Active Adults and arrows pointing out for our outreach such as IHN, Seashore Mission, Revival UMC, in Russia, and our Recovery trips to Indiana and Texas. We chose a frame instead of a door because we have become a 24/7 church in the last few years with our doors always open.

Let me take this opportunity to squelch a rumor before it has a chance to begin. I will be gone the two Sundays after Annual Conference. While it is always possible that changes in the appointments can occur right up to the last minutes of Annual Conference, as far as we know now I will be coming back. On those two Sundays I will be worshipping along with 4 of our youth and 5 adults in our sister church, Revival UMC in Latnaya, Russia. The pastor there, Rev. Galina Kolesnikova, has worshipped with us several times over the last few years. We are looking forward to meeting the congregation there, worshipping and possibly sleeping in the house church that we helped the church purchase, and checking on the progress of the new church we are helping to build. Who knows, I may even get to ride in the car we helped purchase several years back to help Rev. Galina minister to the church.

As we get ready for our trip to Russia I am amazed again at how wonderful God's grace really is. Born in the mid 1950s most of my life was spent in what we have come to call the "Cold War" era. The United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic were pitted against each other and we all lived with the imminent threat of nuclear devastation. Who would have ever believed that two small congregations, one in each of these great superpowers would one day have the chance to gather together for worship? It reminds us once again that nothing is impossible with God. As you know I like to joke around a bit and sometimes when God solves a problem for us I say, "With God's help we do the difficult immediately, but the impossible sometimes takes a bit longer."

I wonder how many opportunities we miss in life because we forget that nothing is impossible with God. How many times has God called us to make a difference and we give up too quickly because we cannot find a solution that seems possible? For us it may be impossible, but nothing is impossible for God.

Pray for us. Pray for Rev. Galina and the congregation of Revival UMC, they are in the middle of a task that I am sure some of them thought was impossible until God touched our hearts and we adopted them as our sister church.

Sorry for any confusion that may occur from my absence, but after 6 years you are probably due a break from me in the pulpit. Enjoy it while you can.

God Bless,
Bro. David



June Birthdays



1	Wade Reeder	8	Scott Ellis
	Melody Fletcher		Kyle Miller
2	Frankie Ellsworth	9	Bill Hendren
3	Ashley Harmon		Juanita Harmon
		10	Skye Wilkinson
4	Cindy Williamson	16	Dottie Moore
5	Emily Weiland	21	Julene Anderson
6	Bill Lee, Sr.	22	Lena Loeding
7	Jean Parker		Parker Butler
	Bill Lee, Jr.	25	Elena Lacoste



Bible Trivia

In each of the next Three (3) issues of the newsletter there will be a series of questions about The Bible, along with the answers to the previous month's set of questions. We will keep track of your answers, and the person with the most correct answers will win a prize. The questions will range from easy to difficult so that everyone can participate. In case of a tie, we will have a tie-breaker set of questions. You can submit answers by:

1. Send via E-mail to heritageumc2@cablone.net
2. Send via E-mail to leewp@cablone.net
3. Send via U.S. mail to the church
4. Hand deliver to the church office
5. Hand deliver to Bill Lee

Please make sure that you identify yourself on the answer sheet so that we can keep a tally of the correct answers.

Good Luck.

1. How did David happen to be in the army camp when he heard the taunting of Goliath?
2. On what group of people did Jeremiah ask God to "pour out His fury"?
3. Which THREE of the following list did Paul say could NOT separate us from the love of God??

1. The sins of our fathers	5. This earthly flesh
2. Angels	6. Death
3. The enemies of God	7. Bullet-proof glass
4. Things to come	
4. Paul warned the Colossians not to be cheated (beguiled) out of their reward by people who practice what two things?
5. Peter warns that the devil can be compared to what animal?



June Calendar of Events

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| ◆ June 7 Holy Communion | ◆ June 18 Finance Committee Mtg 6:30 p.m. |
| ◆ June 9 Morning Glories Circle 9:30 a.m. | ◆ June 20 UMM Breakfast 7 a.m. |
| ◆ June 13 UMW Study 9 a.m. | ◆ June 23 Heritage "U" 6:30 p.m. |
| ◆ June 15 NACCC Board Mtg 6 p.m. | ◆ June 28 Fellowship Dinner 6 p.m. |
| ◆ June 18 Genesis Circle 6 p.m. | ◆ June 28 Agape Circle 12 p.m. |

MORNING GLORIES: The monthly meeting will be at the church at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 9. If you have any questions please call Dot Ellis at 392-2586. There will be a covered dish following in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to participate.



GENESIS CIRCLE: Genesis' mission is collecting items for the Free Clinic. If you would like to donate any medical and First Aid items please contact Jo Ann Tarrant at 392-1649. Meetings are on the third Thursday of every month. The next meeting is Thursday, June 18th at 6 p.m. at Linda Nigg's home.

AGAPE: Will meet on June 28th at 12 p.m. The main mission of the Agape Circle is feeding the families of the Fisher House on Keesler AFB.

UMM News

UMM BREAKFAST: All are invited to attend the UMM Breakfast Saturday, June 20th at 7 a.m. Good food, good fellowship, short meeting. Join us



FELLOWSHIP DINNER: June's Fellowship dinner will be held on June 28th starting at 6 p.m. This month's dinner is being hosted by Debbie Reid. Entertainment will be provided by the children of the church. It's Pot Luck so bring a dish to share. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending for an evening full of good food, great fun, and outstanding fellowship!

Father's Day in the United States of America falls on the third Sunday of June and is celebrated with a lot of fanfare. On this particular day, children pay homage to their father and pamper him with loads of treats and gifts. The matchless popularity of Father's Day in the USA is due to the fact that it is here that it got its first recognition. Father's Day was first celebrated in 1909 by Ms. Sonora Smart Dodd to honor her single dad, Mr. William Jackson Smart. It was in 1972 that President Nixon established Father's Day as a permanent national day of observance in America. Eventually, the day came to be observed in many parts of the world. Thus, celebrating Father's Day is entrenched in the tradition of America.

Every Sunday 3-3:55 p.m. Youth Choir
 Every Sunday 4-6 p.m. UMYF
 Every Saturday 10 a.m. Volleyball Practice
 (Unless otherwise stated)

June 1	Happy Birthday, Wade Reeder
June 2	Happy Birthday, Frankie
June 3-5	MYAC @ Timbercreek Camp
June 4	Missionfest ends
June 7/11 a.m.	Children's Church by Youth
June 8/10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Service Project – Paint shed for Teresa Harris
June 11-14	Annual Conference
June 14	Worship Activities
June 17-30	Senior High Mission trip to Russia
June 18/6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Mtg – Tyler Sanders & Orin Harris attend
June 21	Happy Father's Day
June 28	NO UMYF

YOUTH NEWS:

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH (GRADES 7-12): The youth will be practicing VOLLEYBALL on Saturdays at 10 a.m. starting June 6, 2009. If interested in being a part of the Heritage Team come join us for practice. We plan to continue to dominate at the Convo 2009 volleyball championships!



ATTENTION YOUTH (entering 10th grade – College Freshmen): Convo 2009 will be held at Seashore Assembly July 17-19, 2009. Anyone interested in attending must complete a registration form which is due June 14. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Nancy at 424-0043 or Andy at 662-803-9832.

Each Sunday, before and after worship there will be a "Change for Change" jar sitting in the foyer. Please save your loose change during the week and put it in the jar on Sunday. These funds will be given to the Youth Service Fund (YSF).

The YOUTH have a 'can corral' beside the dormitory. Please bring your aluminum cans for recycling. These funds will go to the Youth Service Fund (YSF)



Announcing Camp children will

E.D.G.E. – where you and your

Experience and Discover God Everywhere!

This year’s Vacation Bible School has been set for Sunday, July 5th through Friday, July 10th. Each night our “campers” will go on an extreme Bible Trek, where they will journey to a different Bible destination. Your children will meet new friends, learn great songs, make fun crafts, explore God in science, and enjoy camp snacks.

Be thinking about how **YOU** would like to participate, and look for the Camp E.D.G.E signup poster in the foyer of the church. We have jobs available for craft leaders, music leaders, science leaders, story leaders, and helpers of all kinds. If you are unavailable that week, but would still like to help, we will ask for snack donations later, and for now we are requesting **LOTS** of prayers!

One of the most important things we need, though, is participation. We have a great program planned; we just need your help to bring in the “campers” to enjoy it and learn from it. Please help us get the word out to friends, relatives, and neighbors. This year’s VBS at Camp E.D.G.E. promises to be both a blessing **AND** an adventure! ☺

Positions to be filled: (openings for youth & adults)

Teachers & Helpers for ages 3 – 12

Camp Stations:

Canteen (snacks)
Arts & Crafts

Music Max
Science Lab

Extreme Bible Trek (Bible storytelling)

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



ATTENTION PARENTS: Summer Camps are available for upper Elementary and Junior High students at Seashore United Methodist Assembly (Camp SUMA) and Camp Wesley Pines. For additional information contact Andy at 662-803-9832 and check out the website <http://www.seashoreassembly.org/summercamp.html>.

HERITAGE “U”: Meets on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Our speaker for June is Linda Darphin (better known to you as Bob & Dot Ellis’ daughter). She is a renowned Physical Therapist and will be sharing her expertise with us. This is an outreach ministry of Heritage so spread the word to co workers, neighbors, friends, and family to attend. If there is a topic you would like to see presented, contact Nancy Gentry at 424-0043 or leave your suggestion with Linda in the office.

ATTENTION ALL MUSICIANS OR ANYONE KNOWING A MUSICIAN: The Praise Band has need of a drummer. If interested, contact Brother David through the church office at 392-4288 for an audition.



HERITAGE HEROES: Heritage Excellence Rewards Others with Exceptional Service is a program to recognize those ‘angels’ & ‘unsung heroes’ that keep Heritage running and looking good. Nomination forms are available on the table in the foyer next to the “HEROES” deposit box. Please take time to nominate the person that you know goes above and beyond over and over and over again!! And, be sure to check out the HEROES Bulletin Board in the hall next to the white mailboxes.

HEY KIDS & PARENTS: Kids for Christ (KFC) is on summer break for June & July; however, there will be a monthly outing so continue to read the bulletin for details.



FOOD PANTRY: The first Sunday is Communion Sunday. Don’t forget to bring your donations for the food pantry. Items needed are: rice, beans, cereal, canned vegetables and meats, peanut butter and jelly. The need is great! Your donations are greatly appreciated.

