



st. thomas episcopal church somer ville, tennessee

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MISSION COUNCIL NEWS

Highlights of the August 15th Mission Council meeting:

- The Fayette County Long-Term Relief Organization is a faith-based group being organized to work with FEMA after a disaster to help pick up the pieces after the emergency agencies leave. It will assist with repairs, food pantry and clean up. (See article elsewhere in the newsletter.)
- A commitment was made to contribute \$2500 to Gather At The River, a faith-based convention that is bringing attention to the Mississippi River basin. (See article elsewhere in the newsletter.)

FAYETTE COUNTY LONG TERM RELIEF ORGANIZATION

Ron Maley, Mission Council member, is involving St. Thomas in the Fayette County Long-Term Relief Organization. The mission statement of this newly organized group describes the Fayette County Long Term Relief Organization as providing spiritual, emotional and physical resources to those affected by disaster, regardless of race, creed, color, gender, disability or religious preference. It seeks to respond to the needs not met by relief systems such as FEMA, TEMA, Red Cross, Small Business Administration and other disaster recovery programs. Stay tuned for more.

FOOD PANTRY KUDOS!

At the Mid-South Food Bank's Annual Conference in August the Moscow Food Pantry received the Outstanding Performance Award. The Moscow Food Pantry was chosen for this honor from among 206 agencies from West Tennessee, North Mississippi, and Eastern Arkansas. The agencies included food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, youth programs, rehabilitation centers, residential programs, senior programs, and daycares.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Furthermore:

For August, the Moscow Food Pantry fed 225 families: 301 adults and 128 children.

Bishop of West Tennessee: The Right
Reverend Don Johnson
Senior Warden: Jim Wiles
Junior Warden: Doyle Laird

GATHER AT THE RIVER

Honoring & Preserving the Mississippi River

Gather at the River is the creation of a group of caring people of faith who cherish the Mississippi River as a sacred trust and want to equip each of us to address the issues challenging the river.

On Friday & Saturday, September 24th & 25th, 2010 over 300 people from communities of faith along the Mississippi will come together in Memphis to learn about how we can all protect and preserve our River.

When people leave the conference they will...

- Honor and cherish the Mississippi River as a sacred trust.
- Have the knowledge and specific direction to do something to address issues facing the river.
- Know who the decision makers are and how to reach/influence them.
- Be aware of the river as a local economic force.

St. Thomas will be represented at the conference. If you would like to participate contact Nancy Boatwright or Jim Wiles or go to <http://www.gatherattheriver.org/> for more information.

Any announcements, articles or items of interest for the newsletter should be sent to Nancy Boatwright at jehlnp@bellsouth.net or 1530 Hewlett Drive, Rossville, TN, 38066

JOIN THE COTTON PICKIN' FUN!

Register for the Saturday, September 11th Cotton Pickin' 5k & 1k at www.fayettecares.org. Enjoy a heart-pumping Jazzercise warm-up with top 40 hits, an invigorating race with hundreds of friends and neighbors, and an awards ceremony at the Cotton Festival stage on the Square. Proceeds benefit Fayette Cares. For information call (901) 465-3802 ext 221 or visit www.fayettecares.org.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following in your prayers: Steven, Sharon, Taylor, Brian, Hugh, Frances, Harold, Lon, Monica, Bill and the McDaniel family.

To add, make a correction, or remove someone from the prayer list please contact Anita Ozier at aozier@comcast.net or 901-465-3526. Please note that names will be left on the prayer list for one month unless a request is made to remove a name. After one month, names will be removed unless a request is made to leave a name on for an additional month.

BOOKS FROM BIRTH FUNDRAISER

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library will celebrate its 7th year with a fish fry and art auction fundraiser, "Where the Wild Things Art," on Saturday, September 25th at 6 p.m. at Mike and Jan Jaeger's barn, 392 Arena Drive, Moscow. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a pre-school literacy program providing free monthly books to 1,770 of Fayette County's children between birth and five years of age. Contact Sandy (901-497-0716) or Katie (901-233-2013) for information. Tickets are \$30 and should be purchased by September 20th with checks made payable to Fayette County Literacy Council, P.O. Box 310, Somerville, TN, 38068. If unable to attend, please consider making a donation.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Best wishes to Mike Jaeger and Ellen McGowan who have birthdays this month.

WEST TENNESSEE DIOCESE EVENTS

September 9-12 Martyrs Weekend

St. Mary's Cathedral invites the community to share in events remembering the Martyrs of Memphis who, during the terrible yellow fever epidemic of 1878, ministered to the sick, dying and orphaned in this city where more than 2,000 died between August and October that year. Each year on Sept. 9th, The Episcopal Church honors Constance and Her Companions, the Martyrs of Memphis, by remembering them on The Episcopal Church calendar. On Thursday, Sept. 9, there will be a free concert at 7:00 pm in the cathedral featuring "Voci dell'Anima" (voices of the soul), an ensemble specializing in music of the 16th-18th Centuries, followed by a reception in the parish hall. At 7:00 pm on Friday, Sept. 10, Saint John's Episcopal Church will host an icon workshop presented by the Rev. Brother Tobias S. Haller, BSG, vicar of St. James Church, Fordham, New York, and a director of Fessenden House, Yonkers, NY. On Saturday, Sept. 11, there will be a Eucharist in the Sisters' Chapel at St. Mary's Cathedral, where several of the sisters of the Community of St. Mary at Sewanee (Constance's order). This will be followed by a tour of Elmwood Cemetery and visits to the Martyrs' graves and a box lunch in the Elmwood Chapel. Reservations for lunch should be made by calling the cathedral office, 901-527-3361 or emailing memphiscarol@yahoo.com. The cost is \$10. At 6:00 that evening, there will be an Evensong at All Saints Church, White Station at Quince. On Sunday, Sept. 12, St. Mary's Cathedral will host Brother Tobias and the Sisters at the 10:00 am Christian Formation time. A festive Choral Eucharist at 11:00 am will conclude the weekend.

Sept 11 Recovery Repertory Theater

Everyone touched by recovery is invited to continue a tradition with the Addiction and Recovery Commission for a performance by the Recovery Repertory Theater on Friday, Sept 10, at 7:00 pm at Grace-St. Luke's. A reception will follow to honor the cast and allow the audience to meet the stars of the evening. For more information, contact Lucy Owens, 272-7425, or Shannon Tucker, 281-0785.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER & PART OF OCTOBER 2010

September 5 th	Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Reverend Jim Boyd Server: Barbara Seawright Lector: Jim Wiles Prayers: Amy Coolidge
September 12 th	Morning Prayer Rite II Officiant: Jan Jaeger Lector: Barbara Seawright Prayers: Gerri Endicott
September 19 th	Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Reverend Jim Boyd Server: Anita Ozier Lector: Cheryl Rike Prayers: Nancy Boatwright
September 26 th	Morning Prayer Rite II Officiant: Nancy Boatwright Lector: Elizabeth White Prayers: Molly McCarty
October 3 rd	Morning Prayer Rite II Officiant: Molly McCarley Lector: Ronnie McCarty Prayers: Jim Wiles
October 10 th	Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Reverend Jim Boyd Server: Gerri Endicott Lector: Mary Laird Prayers: Anita Ozier

All worship services begin at 10 a.m.

SCHEDULE OF COLEMAN HALL EVENTS:

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Sundays after worship

Sunday Study led by Jim Wiles
Fellowship served up with food and fun

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