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**Celebrating The Wethington's
65th Wedding Anniversary**

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Staff

- Pastor—Martha McLean
- Student Associate
Pastor—Katie B. Anthony
- Organist—Jeff Hammack
- Nursery Attendant—
Felecia Griffin
- Administrative
Assistant—Marie Phelps
- Preschool Director—
Nancy Odom
- Custodian—Tommie
McDowell

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VISION STATEMENT

**As the Body of Christ, Asbury United Methodist Church
reaches out to all people
through the power, presence and love of God**

Newsletter of Asbury UMC

JANUARY 2011

**BAPTISMS AND PROFESSIONS OF FAITH AT ASBURY!
WE WELCOME LIAM, DENISE, MICHAEL AND MOLLY!**



DONATIONS AND/OR MEMORIALS

Evelyn Overby

Opportunities for stewardship at Asbury include Building Fund, Dickerson Scholarship Fund, and Bruce Overby Memorial Preschool Scholarship Fund.

Suggestion: remember a deceased loved one's birthday by making a gift in their memory to one of the above funds.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Steve Miller

Total Budget for 2010	\$ 263,997.00
<i>Needed weekly to fund budget</i>	\$ 5,076.87
<i>Needed through 11-21-10</i>	\$ 213,305.41
Contributions through 10-24-10	\$ 196,498.31
Contributions from Preschool to date	\$ 13,500.00
Building Fund Contributions to date	\$ 3,900.00

ATTENDANCE

Average Sunday School	62
Average Worship	103



FOOD PANTRY AND MISSION NEEDS

Asbury's food pantry items for the month include cereals, beans, and rice. If you would like to donate or volunteer at the mission on the first Tuesday of each month, please contact the church office. Food may be dropped off at any time; the food cart collects food during the morning worship service on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Asbury volunteers assist with the preparation of breakfast at the mission on the 3rd Sunday of each month.

**Discipleship Reminder
A Call to Financial Giving**

We cannot out give God; God always gives more, yet our giving is a grateful response to God.

Giving of ourselves is an expression of and a means of grace. In our membership vows we make a covenant with God and one other to support Christ's church at the local church level—specifically at Asbury United Methodist Church.

As members of Christ's church we pledge to faithfully participate in the ministry of the church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January

- 01 Kathy Elkins, Debra Hinton
- 02 Jean Vickers
- 09 Ethan Lozuke
- 13 John Elkins, Sharon Ellison, Mary Radford
- 18 Harrison McKaig
- 23 Margaret Grady
- 24 Virginia Lozuke
- 25 Sasha Shaykevich

Acolytes

Marie Herrington & Morgan Newman

Nursery Parents

- 01-02-11 Evelyn Ham
 - 01-09-11 Gail Johnson
 - 01-16-11 Linda Miller
 - 01-23-11 Virginia Lozuke
 - 01-30-11 Claire Boykin
- (If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday, please contact Cookie Bell.)*

Greeters

- 01-02-11 Connie Simpson & Evelyn Ham
 - 01-09-11 Grover Glymph & Sonny Morris
 - 01-16-11 Linda Hunt & Arnetta Herrington
 - 01-23-11 Sonny & Judy Morris
 - 01-30-11 Joe & Patsy Hemmerle
- (Greeters should be in the narthex at 10:30 am.)*

Lay Readers

- 01-02-11 Marie Herrington
- 01-09-11 Tommy Hunt
- 01-16-11 Don Utley
- 01-23-11 Evelyn Ham
- 01-30-11 Hank Woods

Ushers

- 01-02-11 Jack Dailey, Clarence Hill, Bobby Wingate, Delona Lloyd, Don Utley, Steve Miller
- 01-09-11 Jimmy Pulley, John Elkins, David Radford, Grover Glymph, Sonny Morris, Bill McCray
- 01-16-11 Ginger Mann, Evelyn Overby, Cookie Bell, Evelyn Ham, Linda Miller, Sharon Ellison
- 01-23-11 Joe & Claire Boykin, Glenn & Virginia Lozuke, Todd & Kate Herrington
- 01-30-11 Bobby Wingate, Hank Woods, Jack Dailey, Sonny Morris, Jimmly Pulley, Clarence Hill

IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN BEING AN USHER, PLEASE CALL JACKIE WINGATE \OR LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Sound System Technician

- 01-02-11 TBD
- 01-09-11 TBD
- 01-16-11 TBD
- 01-23-11 TBD
- 01-30-11 TBD

Ronald McDonald

Volunteers

(Mondays)

- 01-03-11 Jim Force & Chris Boyer
- 01-10-11 Gail Johnson & Sandra Way
- 01-17-11 Joe & Claire Boykin
- 01-24-11 Mary Lou Johnson & Debra Hinton
- 01-31-11 Bobby & Jackie Wingate

Urban Ministries Volunteers

01-04-11 – 1:30-4 p.m.
Vince Williams, Loretta Pulley, Marie Kinney, & Ginny Parker

TID BITS AND REMINDERS

- **Choir practice every Wednesday, at 7 pm**
- **Finance Meeting on Tuesday, December 14 at 7 pm**
- **Church Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 18 at 7 pm**
- **Trustee Meeting on Tuesday, January 4 at 7 pm**
- **Preschool Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 12 at 4:30 pm**



Help Us Mug Our Visitors!

Please make a donation to our new Mug Ministry! These coffee mugs have a picture of Asbury United Methodist Church, as well as our Vision Statement.

We are filling these mugs with candy and other goodies, as well as a listing of our available ministries here at Asbury.

ASBURY GREETERS AND USHERS PLEASE NOTE: We need your help to distribute these mugs to our visitors.

Please bring your donations of candy, bookmarks, or other small gifts to the library and place in the red basket marked **MUG MINISTRY**. Evelyn Overby and Ralph Mitchell Sunday School class are now the coordinators for this important ministry.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to all church members for your support with everything that was so generously given in both time and money to make the sanctuary so lovely for this Christmas season.

Blessings and Peace for a Happy New Year! The Asbury Altar Guild