



## MARCH 2015

### Important Dates:

- Mar 7 Christian Concert
- Mar 8 Daylight Savings Time
- Mar 15 Session Meets
- Mar 21 Cumberland Presbytery
- Mar 29 Palm Sunday
- April 5 EASTER

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### *From the Pastor*

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5, and Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake; I can wait.'" Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!" I smile every time I see this printed somewhere. It is so typical for children to say things like this. As churches prepare to share the crucifixion story, most of us do not question its validity. The bible lays out the actual, the historic account of Jesus Christ's death. The bible also gives us significant details about the final days of his life. It tells us of His final Passover meal with His disciples in an upper room in Jerusalem. We know that one of His own followers colluded with some of the religious hierarchy to have Him arrested and eventually put to death. We know that Jesus was under an unbelievable amount of pressure. He believed in and spent much time in prayer. He was actually arrested in a garden called Gethsemane, where He had just spent time agonizing and praying over a decision to lay down His life for the sins of the world. Very gruesome and specific details are given us in all four of the gospels concerning Jesus' arrest, torture, and eventual crucifixion. In all of this, Jesus never sinned in word, thought, or action. He was the perfect Savior, Son of God, and Redeemer. His purpose for coming to this earth was to pay for the sins for the human race; to allow us to become sons and daughters of God Almighty – the Creator of the world. There is **ONLY ONE WAY** to reach heaven. Acts 4:12 says, "And there is salvation in no one else; For there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved." AMEN and AMEN !!!

*-Bro. Rodney*



# SESSION NOTES

MINUTES OF

## REGULARLY STATED SESSION MEETING – FEBRUARY 18, 2015

The stated meeting of the Session was called to order on February 18, 2015 by Moderator, Rev. Rodney Harris, with a quorum declared at 12:00 p.m.

Elders present: Laura Kaelin, Michele O'Meara, Steve Skipper, Janet Turner, and Steve Young.

Elder excused: Dick Gregory

Steve Skipper gave the opening prayer.

The called Meeting Minutes of December 23 were read and approved by vote.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### Building & Grounds Committee–

A verbal review of the church plant needs were shared with norecommendations.

Finance Committee - A set of financial statements were reviewed and approved by vote along with one recommendation.

Recommendation one:

To approve borrowing \$6,000 to help cover budget expenses for the first quarter of 2015.

Other Notes:

- Reviewed our November and December financial statements and year end statements for 2014. Noted our monthly offerings were less than the amount spent for both months and that were in the red for \$7,142 for the year 2014.

#### Christian Education Committee–

Steve Young shared an update with no recommendations.

Other Notes:

- An update on our Thursday night program was given.
- Steve Skipper and Laura Kaelin will be the Co-Directors
- Our midweek WINTER schedule for is as follows

Each Thursday: 5 PM – Youth and Kids; 6 PM – Meal; 6:30 PM – Young and older Adults; Choir Practice at 7:30 PM

- All adults are invited to join the Adult Sunday School class any Sunday at 9:30 AM.
- Steve Skipper's Youth S.S. Class is viewing the DVD series "Heaven: It's Not What You Think" by Chip Ingram.

#### Committee on Worship, Missions, & Christian Fellowship

Report was given by Elder Steve Young with two recommendations.

Recommendation # 1: That we send to the Session for approval a budget for 2015 of \$ 4,600.

Recommendation # 2: That we purchase a new wiring system (snake) for the sanctuary allowing up to \$500 to be spent.

Other Notes:

- Mrs. Patsy R. Meeks, our new Musician / Choir Director, has begun meeting with the choir and leading in our Sunday morning worship services.

- Approved new Budget for 2105

- Reviewed church ministry calendar with target dates being set for the following:

Gift To the King (January 11)

Denomination Day (February 1 - 205 Years) with Communion served; Potluck meal with a program afterwards (Carol will oversee it);

Palm Sunday (March 29); Doris will purchase the palms and lapel palms this year;

Easter Sunrise service (April 5) is set for 8 AM with breakfast to follow at 8:30 AM; Patsy will be working with the choir on an Easter Cantata;

Mother-Daughter Lunch (May 9 at 11 AM); Mary Ann Robinson, Mandy Champa, Janet Turner, Darlene Vaughn, and Carol

Hawkins will coordinate the event.

- A Letter from Missionary Nancy Boecker was read with a request for financial assistance requested as Nancy prepares to adopt a girl from China and move back to the states. This girl will need major surgery and our churches are being asked to help. Want to help and will wait until we have a more specific timeline for this move and her medical needs.
- Set our next meeting for Sunday, February 8.
- Carol Hawkins closed with prayer.

NEW BUSINESS

Reviewed our Elder Shepherding Ministry.

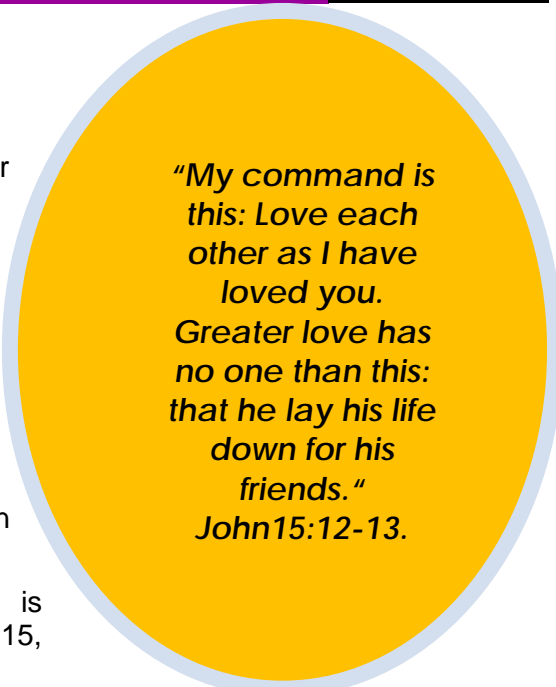
Our new payroll company, Ministry Works Payroll, will start in February.

Discussed ways to better welcome our visitors and to follow up with a letter or call.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting with Laura Kaelin offering the closing prayer.

The February Stated Meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2015 after church.

Session Clerk Laura Kaelin



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REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

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**Louisville, KY. 40214**  
**368-0590**

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**2593 Country Side Blvd. # 308**  
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<b>EASTER: April 5</b>	
<b>Sunrise Service:</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
<b>Breakfast:</b>	<b>8:45 AM</b>
<b>Worship, Communion, &amp;</b>	
<b>Choir Presentation</b>	<b>10:30AM</b>

March Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Ushers



- March 4 Scotty Bush
- March 6 Robbie Murray
- March 6 RomiadeSodja
- March 9 Maggie McGrath
- March 21 Rodger Davis
- March 22 Michael Zimmerman
- March 24 Nicholas Heil
- March 28 Robert Spivey
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- March 22 Michael Zimmerman
- March 24 Nicholas Heil
- March 28 Robert Spivey

March 1  
Liz Middleton & Loretta Woolf

**March 8**

Liz Middleton & Steve Young

**March 15**

Karen Faughender & Josh Richards

**March 22**

Steve Skipper and Caleb O'Meara

**March 29**

Laura Kaelin and Susie Dittmeier

**THURSDAY NIGHT ADULT STUDY**  
at 6:30 following our meal. We are using Chip Ingram's DVD series called HEAVEN: It's Not What You Think. Won't you come and sit in on this interesting study. This study will change the way you think about Heaven and the way we live our lives here. Won't you join us for this interesting topic

**USHERS NEEDED.** If you would like to serve as one of our USHERS, please let Michele O'Meara know. We could use your help.



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*Our Prayer Concerns*

CHURCH FAMILY

Nolen Allen (Hospice Care); Garvin Scott (P T - Home); Steve Young (Physical Therapy - Home); Marcella Line (Eye Surgery); Ann Rose (Elevated Eye Pressure); Dick Gregory; Mary Alice Gregory; Randi Murray (glaucoma in both eyes); Linda Zimmerman (Bone spur& Achilles tendon surgery – April 3).

RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Michael Zimmerman (Crohn’s Disease); Friends of Brenda Sorg (Bucky and Mrs. D.); Bill Vititoe (Marjorie’s Brother-in-law - Heart Stint); Tony Kaelin (Rotator Cuff Surgery Monday - Megan Kaelin’s grandfather); Shirley Sullivan (Liz Middleton’s Gr. Grandmother); Dylan Rose (Bob & Ann’s great grandson - Loss of Hearing); Theresa Cook (Bob & Ann Rose’s friend - Health); Sarah Bright (Laura Kaelin’s cousin - cancer); Susie Dittmeier’s sister-in-law (cancer);

MILITARY

Kyle Johnson; Kyle Lindsey; Matthew A. White; Marty Baldwin; Brandon McQueary;

SHUT-INS

Eloise Becker; Connie Petty; Dawny Porter

PRAYER LIST

If someone you know is ill, recovering from an illness, having surgery, struggling for life, etc., and needs prayer or attention, please, call the Church Office. If someone you know is on the prayer list that is doing better, please, call so we can correct and/or update the list.

*Shively Area Ministries*

SAM continues to need food to distribute to families in need. Please place nonperishable food in the food barrel in the foyer.

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April ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	<b>2</b>  7:30 Dartball @ Arcade Baptist	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	<b>6</b> SET YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR AT BEDTIME TOMORROW NIGHT	<b>7</b>  7 - Christian Music Roadshow at Freedom Hall
<b>8</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	<b>9</b>  7:30 Dartball @ Home vs St. Stephen UCC	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Noon – Session Meeting	<b>16</b>  7:30 Dartball Jamboree @ Ormsby Baptist		<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Travelling Thursday	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Cumberland Presbytery @ Greensburg, KY
<b>22</b> 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	<b>23</b>  6:30 Dartball Banquet @ Ormsby Baptist	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> PSALM SUNDAY  9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>EASTER: April 5</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>Sunrise Service</b> <b>8:45 AM</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> <b>Worship, Communion, &amp;</b> <b>Choir Presentation</b>			



**JOSE D. FAJARDO**

*November 9, 1913 - February 21, 2015*

Reverend Jose D. Fajardo, 101 passed away Saturday, February 21, 2015 in Waxahachie, Texas. He was born November 09, 1913 in San Antonio del Pescado, Colombia to the late Jesus and Anastasia Ardila Fajardo.

He was the first student of the original first annex of what become the Colegio Americano. Barely able to read or write when he began, he graduated with honors from the ninth grade (which was all there was at the time). He learned to speak English as perfect as a native speaker while in the United States. Jose was the first Colombian member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Colombia founded February 4, 1929. He was sixteen years old. He studied the ministry in Tennessee and received a Master of Theology and a Doctorate in Education. He was the masters par excellence of three generations. Later Jose found the land and directed the construction of the Colegio Americano and in 1946 he was the first Colombian principal of the Colegio Americano in Cali, Colombia and later encouraged the Church to purchase the campsite, El Coro, that was owned by a Swiss friend.



Jose married Fanny Vinasco on March 27, 1947 in Cali, Colombia, South America, she preceded him in death in December 2009.

In 1953 he helped organize the National Federation of Evangelical Churches in Colombia, consisting of 14 denominations and served as its first President for two years. During the sixties he was an interpreter for Billy Graham during his Latin American Campaign. Jose was Co-head of Upward Bound and professor at Southern Methodist University from 1968 to 1971. In 1969 he founded St. Timothy Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Bedford, Texas. In Colombia, along with his brother Martiniano, they founded approximately twenty churches and mission points. Along with each church founded, a school was also planted to ensure converts had an education along with the Gospel.

In 1976 he was the first foreign Moderator of the Cumberland Presbyterian General Assembly. Beginning in 1987, he was ordained by the Presbyterian USA Church and worked eight years building a new facility for Gethsemane, a bilingual church. He was invited as a guest speaker to numerous in Ireland, Switzerland, Korea, (spoke at the largest church there ) and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. At age 93, he authored and published his story, "From the Heights of the Andes to the Heights of Evangelism".

He will be dearly missed by his family and all that knew him and loved him. Survivors include his sons: George E. Fajardo of Duncan, SC and Joe D. Fajardo of Waxahachie, Texas; 2 Daughters: Martha L. Fajardo of Garland, Texas and Sonia F. Hill of East, Texas. 2 Sisters in Laws: Alicia Silva of Florida and Betty Garces of Cali, Colombia; 2 Nieces: Doris and Abida and 1 nephew: Omar Fajardo. 7 Grandchildren: Guillermo A. Rendon, Patricia L. Rendon, Jason Hill, Rachael A. Jajardo, Joshua H. Fajardo, Ashley L. Fajardo and Joseph J. Fajardo. 1 Great Grandchild: Joel Clark Murphy.

A Celebration of Life Service was held at Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Ovilla, Texas, February 24, 2015.

## SOME HUMOR TO ENJOY

### PUSHING THE OUTHOUSE

A young boy lived in the country. His family had to use an outhouse, which the young boy hated. It was hot in the summer, cold in the winter, and always smelly. The outhouse was located near the creek so the boy decided that he would push it into the water. After a spring rain, the creek swelled so the boy pushed it in.

Later that night his dad told him that he and the boy needed to make a trip to the woodshed. The boy knew this meant punishment. He asked his father why to which his dad replied, "Because someone pushed the outhouse into the creek and I think that someone was you. Was it?"

The boy responded that it was. Then he added, "Remember when George Washington's father asked him if he had chopped down the cherry tree? He didn't get into trouble because he told the truth."

"That is correct," the dad said, "but his father was not in the cherry tree when he cut it down."

### THE NEW GUY

There were four ladies in a nursing home one time that were sitting there talking, and the nurse brings in a new man to the facility. He was quite dapper for an older man, and one of the ladies asked him where he had been for so long.

He responded by saying he had been in prison for 25-years for killing his wife. One lady perked up, smiled, and said, "So, you're single then?"

### Sweet Revenge

Late one summer evening in Broken Bow, Nebraska, a weary truck driver pulled his rig into an all-night truck stop. The waitress had just served him when three tough looking, leather jacketed motorcyclists - of the Hell's Angels type - decided to give him a hard time. Not only did they verbally abuse him, one grabbed the hamburger off his plate, another took a handful of his french fries, and the third picked up his coffee and began to drink it. How would you respond? Well, this trucker did not respond as one might expect. Instead, he calmly rose, picked up his check, walked to the front of the room, put the check and his money on the cash register, and went out the door. The waitress followed him to put the money in the till and stood watching out the door as the big truck drove away into the night.

When she returned, one of the bikers said to her, "Well, he's not much of a man, is he?" She replied, "I don't know about that, but he sure ain't much of a truck driver. He just ran over three motorcycles on his way out of the parking lot."



## WE'LL STAY OUT OF THE WAY

The Call to Worship had just been pronounced starting Easter Sunday Morning service in an East Texas church. The choir started its processional, singing "Up from the Grave He Arose" as they marched in perfect step down the center aisle to the front of the church.

The last lady was wearing shoes with very slender heels. Without a thought for her fancy heels, she marched toward the grating that covered that hot air register in the middle of the aisle. Suddenly the heel of one shoe sank into the hole in the register grate.

In a flash she realized her predicament. Not wishing to hold up the whole processional, without missing a step, she slipped her foot out of her shoe and continued marching down the aisle.

There wasn't a hitch. The processional moved with clock-like precision. The first man after her spotted the situation and without losing a step, reached down and pulled up her shoe, but the entire grate came with it! Surprised, but still singing, the man kept on going down the aisle, holding in his hand the grate with the shoe attached.

Everything still moved like clockwork. Still in tune and still in step, the next man in line stepped into the open register and disappeared from sight. The service took on a special meaning that Sunday, for just as the choir ended with "Allelujah! Christ arose!" a voice was heard under the church shouting, "I hope all of you are out of the way 'cause I'm coming out now!"

The little girl closest to the aisle shouted, "Come on, Jesus! We'll stay out of the way."

3 Buddies were discussing death and one asked the group: What would you like people to say about you at your funeral?

- "He was a great humanitarian, who cared about his community."
- "He was a great husband and father, who was an example for many to follow."
- "Look, he's moving!!!"

"Busted !"

An elderly lady was asleep in her bed one night, when she was awakened by a strange noise from the living room. Cautiously, she walked in and discovered a burglar in the process of stealing the stereo. Overcome with fear, she whispered a desperate prayer, "Help me Jesus!" The burglar heard her and started towards her. Without a thought she put up her hand and shouted a favorite scripture reference: ACTS, 2:38! The burglar immediately froze. The lady dialed 911, and within minutes, police were on the scene, and took the burglar to the police station. As the police were questioning him, one of the detectives said, "I'm curious, you could have ran and got away, why did you stay frozen in that one spot?" The burglar answered, "Man, if you knew that old lady was packing an axe and two .38 revolvers, you would not have moved either!"



Our very own Cake Designer ... Loretta Woolf







The church and our 12 inch snow fall.





Patty Olson, Maggie McGrath, and Brenda Hatcher... Our faithful Dartball supporters



Eloise Becker ...  
One of First  
Church's loving  
Home bound  
members