

# The Messenger



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## Servant Leadership Team

**Dr. Barry Scott**  
*Minister*

**Mrs. Karen Melson**  
*Administrative Assistant*

**Mrs. Ondra Farmer**  
*Adult Choir Director*

**Mrs. Betsy Porter**  
*Organist*

**Debbie Butler**  
*Nursery Coordinator*

Reelfoot Rural Missions is a ministry located in Northwest Tennessee to serve those in need in the area. Among their ministries are a daycare center, home repair, senior care and medical/dental services.

On July 26, the Missions Team is organizing a day trip to their campus in Tiptonville. The scheduled departure from the church is 8:00 a.m., and we will return by 5:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided at Reelfoot. We will collect \$2.00 per person to pay for fuel for the bus.

Tentative plans are to work in the Thrift Store constructing some storage shelves and also in the food pantry sorting food or preparing monthly mailings. There will be opportunities available for all age and skill levels.

Please sign up in the hallway if you plan to attend or contact Reggie Buckley for more information.



## Bonnie Faye Circle Meets

This month the Bonnie Faye Circle will be eating out on July 21st. We will meet at 11:00 a.m. at Dumplin's. If you currently are not in a UMW Circle, please consider joining us for lunch.

## Young Adult Swim Party and Cookout

The Young Adult Sunday School Class is planning a swim party and cookout at Bro. Barry and Teresa's home on Saturday, August 2nd. All young adults of the church are invited. Watch your newsletters and bulletins for further details.

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### Sermon

*"How Firm a Foundation"*  
*Matthew 7:24-29*



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## What's Happening at Aldersgate

### Sunday, July 20

Sign up for your church directory portrait  
9:00 a.m. Prayer Group (Library)  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service  
12:15 p.m. Church Council Meeting (FH)

### Monday, July 21

11:00 a.m. Bonnie Faye Circle meets at Dumplin's  
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting (AC)  
1:00 p.m. USDA Food Qualifying (FP)  
6:00 p.m. Zumba (AC)  
7:00 p.m. Visioning Team Meeting (FH)

### Tuesday, July 22

11:00 a.m. Book of Daniel Bible Study  
8:00 p.m. AA Serenity Group (AC)

### Wednesday, July 23

6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)  
9:00 a.m. Summer Fun Day trip to Venture River Water Park

### Thursday, July 24

12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting (AC)  
6:00 p.m. Zumba (AC)

### Friday, July 25

8:00 p.m. AA Open Meeting (AC)

### Saturday, July 26

8:00 a.m. Mission Trip to Reelfoot Rural Ministries  
9:00 a.m. Prayer Group (HR)  
11:30 a.m. Al-Anon (AC)

### Sunday, July 27

Sign up for your church directory portrait  
5:30 p.m. Outdoor Worship Service

Very few things in life are "always" and "never." Your wife doesn't *always* tell you how to drive. Your pastor isn't *always* asking for money. It's not like your kids *never* do a thing you say. But when it comes to God, there are some always and nevers you can take to the bank. God is "always at his work" (*John 5:17*), never dozing off or growing tired of meeting your needs. He is "always righteous" (*Jeremiah 12:1*), never changing to accommodate the times. Jesus "always lives" to pray for you (*Hebrews 7:25*), to continually insure that your sins are forgiven, if you've trusted Him for salvation. He is a rock of refuge to which you can "always go" (*Psalms 71:3*). God will "never stop doing good" to you (*Jeremiah 32:40*), always supplying you with all you really need. He tells us not to worry about money or the future, because He has promised, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you" (*Hebrews 13:5*). His years "will never end" (*Hebrews 1:12*). He has "set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed" (*Daniel 2:44*). "Heaven and earth will pass away," Jesus said, "but my words will never pass away" (*Luke 21:33*).



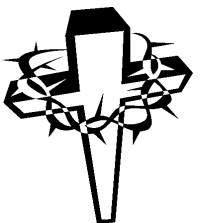
Others will often let us down, but not God. Even when it seems He has let us down rest assured you will see He has not. Life may seem a tangled mess of empty words and broken promises. But when your trust is in God, you're on the most solid footing of all. Blessed is the man who "always fears the Lord" (*Proverbs 28:14*).

In Christ,

Bro. Barry

## Outdoor Worship Service

Aldersgate's next Outdoor Worship Service will be held on Sunday, July 27, at 5:30 p.m. The evening will begin at the pavilion with supper. On the menu will be fried chicken and watermelon. Following supper, we will proceed to the outdoor worship area and Jacob Hamilton and his family will lead us in the service.



Please remember to invite a friend and also bring your lawn chairs.

## We Support Our Church

**Sunday, July 13, 2014**

### By Our Presence

Church School ..... 74  
Worship ..... 140

### By Our Gifts

Budget for 2014.....\$343,947.00  
Needed each week..... \$6,614.36  
Tithes and offerings..... \$3,383.50

**Sunday, July 20, 2014**

### By Our Service

**Liturgist**..... Michael Duke  
**Ushers**... Tom Carr, Reggie Buckley  
Gerald Wardlow, Toby Leigh  
**Nursery Worker** ..... Ann Eichler  
**Greeter**..... Jerry Ervin  
**Money Counters** ..... Cissy Carr and  
Teresa Frommel

**Wednesday, July 23, 2014**

Newsletter.....need a volunteer



### Transitional Care

Jim Drescher #109

### JMCGH

Dorothy Tipton #882

## Visioning Team will Meet

The Visioning Team will have a dream session on Monday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m. If you are a member of this team, will hope you will be present.

## Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

Thanks for all your prayers, friendship and acts of kindness during my recent illness and surgery.

My recovery has been much quicker because of all your prayers!

—Patti Harris

## Summer Fun Days!!!

The last Summer Fun Day of the season will be Wednesday, July 23. We will be going to Venture River Water Park located in Eddyville, Kentucky. The church bus will leave the parking lot at 8 a.m. The cost of the park is \$15 per child with the church group rate. We will reserve a covered pavilion inside the park and food and drinks for lunch will be provided. Each child needs to bring at least \$5 for extra food sold in the park, swimsuit, sunscreen and a towel. We will be home by late, late afternoon.

Pre-school children should have an adult family member going on the trip. Parents, grandparents and older siblings are always welcome to come along to help chaperone and enjoy the fun. Bro. Barry will need at least one adult committed to going on each trip, but extra help is always great. We need commitments on how many will be going by Monday evening before the event.

Once again, we are opening up our summer fun days to children and parents from the Dream Center. Participation in the 2013 Summer Fun Day events meant a lot to the Dream Center moms and children. We are asking our church members to sponsor the participants from the Dream Center to make it possible for them to go without cost or very minimal cost. All the summer fun outings will average about \$70 per participant.

We may need additional transportation so as many people can attend as possible. Please speak with Bro. Barry if you would like to be involved in this last Summer Fun Day of the season. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway near the pastor's office or for additional information or to volunteer in any way please call Bro. Barry at 731-803-9901 or 427-4887.

## Activity Pictures Needed!

Pictures that represent all activities and ages of our church are needed for the new photo directory. If you have pictures of this type and would like to submit them for consideration, please place them, disc or actual photos in an envelope with your name on it and bring them to the church office or give them to either Gail or Lindsey White or Jane or Huck Huckabee. Also remember online sign up will continue for the next three weeks and physical sign up will be at the church for the next three Sundays.

## Your Picture is Important

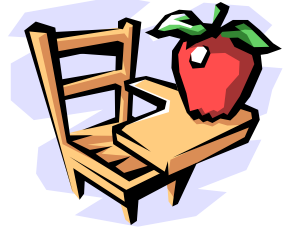
This Sunday, July 20, sign up for the new church directory pictures continues in the narthex of the church before Sunday school, between Sunday school and church and immediately after church. Please take a moment to sign up so our new directory will be complete. Other Sunday sign-up dates are July 27 and August 3. If you have already signed up online, please stop and verify your current phone number and e-mail address. Each family will be able to have two phone numbers and one email listed in the roster section of the directory.

## Please Pray for...

- Bro. Barry and his family
- Aldersgate UMC and staff
- Children and Youth ministries at Aldersgate
- Diane Abbott
- Wayne Allen and family
- Lois Baker (Beth May's mom)
- Betty Binon
- Peggy Black
- Dolores Blackmon
- Ellen Boykin
- Dessie and Payton Boykin
- Linda Brasket and family
- Laura Bridges and family
- Mike Brower
- Jim and Darlene Butler
- Jean Clark
- Ryan Cleek and family
- Grace Collins and family
- Jim and June Drescher
- Diane Fisher and family
- Teresa Frommel
- Karen, Mark, Stephen and Amy Grace
- Cindy Helton and family
- Mary Lee Hill
- Helen Hight
- John Hogins
- David Hollis and family
- Karen Leonard and family
- Linda Lunsford
- Billy and Liz Johnson
- Evelyn Meriwether
- Bob and Kathryn Morford
- Jamie Neal
- Mary Nichols
- Dortha Phillips (Ann Bell's mother)
- Frances Phillips
- Dan Porter
- Susan Prince and family
- Elaine Reiners
- Shani Ruffell and family
- Evelyn Sheppard
- Nancy Stephenson and family
- Family of Richard Talley
- Wayne Timby
- Dorothy Tipton
- Dan Weathersbee
- Ted Wilkinson
- Those in the military
- Praise for our choir

## Reelfoot Rural Ministries School Supply Needs 2014 — 2015

1 1/2—2, & 3 inch notebook binders  
Big Pink Erasers  
Calculator (scientific)  
Composition Notebook  
Expo Dry-Erase Markers (fine point)  
Expo Dry Erase Erasers  
Plastic folders with Pockets and brads  
Plastic folders with pockets  
Pencil pouch 1/3 holes  
Small bottles of hand sanitizer  
Zip-lock Bags (quart and gallon size)  
Dividers (5 & 8 tabs w/pockets)  
Glue (bottles & sticks)  
Red ink pens  
Coloring pencils  
Washable markers  
Post it notes  
Scissors (Fiskar)  
Baby Wipes  
Sheet protectors  
Pencil top erasers  
Graph paper  
Flash Drive (1GB)



We are once again collecting school supplies for Reelfoot Rural Ministries. Listed above are the supplies that are needed. Please bring them to the church and place them in the collection box located near the double doors entering the educational wing of the building. They will be taken to RRM on Saturday, July 26.

—Katherine Wardlow, RRM Representative



There will be a meeting of the Church Council immediately following the morning worship service on July 20. A light lunch will be provided. If you are a member of the Council, please make plans to attend.

## Web Links that Might Interest You!

Here is a link for this month's Circuit Writer, the conference newspaper. Contained in it is an article about our church prayer box and an article about a piano that is special to Cindy Wagster's mother.

<https://memphis.brapp.com/files/fileslibrary/2014circuitwriterjulyaugust.pdf>

Also, anyone who wants to can sign up to receive weekly e-news from the conference office. Here's the link for that.

<http://www.memphis-umc.net/freeweeklynews>