



South Ashland United  
Methodist Church

# South Winds

Sharing the love, hope and  
healing of Jesus Christ through  
the power of the Holy Spirit!

## December 2021

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The Spiritual Life in Ashland (SLA) Team met on November 8th with both church's Administrative Councils to share their thinking about combining Centenary and South Ashland UMC's. Then on November 20<sup>th</sup>, the SLA team met to continue to develop the idea and to dream about how combining the two churches into one ministry could further God's Kingdom. This was a very productive meeting where we reflected on the questions and conversations that arose in our Administrative Council Meetings on November 8th.

Both Administrative Councils had a positive response to the work that has been done so far and they helped develop a list of questions to be answered, but the team was encouraged to continue the work of planning for a combined ministry in the two churches.

Some significant realities of our ministries have been discovered in our work. Between the two churches, we have \$65,000 in financial redundancies, (facility upkeep, insurance, etc.) that could be reallocated to strengthen existing and new ministries.

We have 2 pastors that are currently fulfilling similar roles, where in a combined ministry, their efforts would be diversified to better meet the needs of the congregation and community. We envision a system where Pastor Keith could support and equip mission and ministry work and Pastor John could support and equip discipleship and small group ministries. This diversification would lean upon the strengths of both pastors creating a more fruitful and vibrant ministry. Centenary and South Ashland are already living into combined ministry in the area of youth ministry effectively led by Genée, who will continue to lead our children and youth ministry programs.

We believe that it is time to broaden the conversation about the work that we have been doing as the SLA team. Therefore, we have scheduled a congregational information meeting on Wednesday, January 5th at 6:30 pm during our normal Bible Study time. Everyone who is a part of these two churches is encouraged to attend. South Ashland will meet in their Family Life Center and Centenary will meet in their Chapel. Please be in prayer for this meeting for each congregation.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact one of our SLA Team members. The team members are Pastor Keith, Pastor John, David Bolen, Mike Corwin, Cynthia Daniel, Charlene Harshbarger, Lisa Hammond, Lou Shytle, and our coach, Greg Survant (from Spiritual Leadership Incorporated).

How can you be a part of this wonderful, worshipful work? We invite you to pray, dream, explore, and pray more with us in regards to the Spiritual Life in Ashland and how, together, we can make a greater impact in Jesus Christ for the transformation of Ashland, Kentucky and beyond.

The SLA Team

## Honors & Memorials

### Budget

*In Memory of Nita Nunley*  
Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

### Costa Rica Farm

*In Honor of Mary Woods*  
Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

*In Memory of Drew Hepler*  
Given by Steve & Darlene Meyers

*In Honor of Ashley Ambrosino's birthday*  
Given by Don & Gloria Neikirk

### Carpet Campaign

*In Memory of MSGT Ernest Watson, Sr.*  
*In Memory of Major Robert Hacker*  
*In Honor of Jerry & Shelly Mounce*  
Given by Harold & Jared Watson

*In Memory of Loretta Stuart*  
*In Honor of Ed & Cheryl Spears*  
Given by Harold Watson

Dear Friends at SAUMC,

Thank you so much for remembering us during this Thanksgiving season. Toby and I have enjoyed the "goodie bag", and all the cards and the Upper Room. You are so nice to us, and we appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Love and prayers, Toby Williams & Tootsie Baldock

Many thanks for each of our church family and friends. We loved the cards, also the crackers, mints, and most of all the Upper Room. I keep them, so glad to have a new one. We love and miss everyone. We are still in doctors care but doing fine!

Happy Thanksgiving! We are going to be with our son, Randy's family.  
Jack & Betty Nuckols

Thank you for the cards and candy! It was very sweet!  
Lois Early



## THANK YOU

Zane and I would like to thank our church family for your outpouring of generosity regarding our ba-bee on the way. We feel extremely loved and supported by you.

LOVE, GENÉE & ZANE

# South Ashland UMC Treasurer's Report - October 2021

Current Month	Budget Items	Specials	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$58,230.41	\$26,743.82	\$84,974.23
Receipts	\$44,119.92	\$5,798.83	\$49,918.75
Disbursements	(\$36,613.30)	(\$1,781.62)	(\$38,394.92)
Transfer	\$770.43	\$0.00	\$770.43
Closing Balance	\$66,507.46	\$30,761.03	\$97,268.49
<b>Year-to-Date</b>			
Balance 12/31/2020	\$41,064.97	\$123,454.78	\$164,519.75
Receipts	\$392,984.90	\$71,953.81	\$464,938.71
Disbursements	(\$376,728.19)	(\$164,822.56)	(\$541,550.75)
Transfer	\$9,185.78	\$175.00	\$9,360.78
Closing Balance	\$66,507.46	\$30,761.03	\$97,268.49

## Oh Baby!

Come celebrate as we anticipate  
the arrival of a Baby Girl!

## Parents to be Tara & Joe Lambert

Sunday, December 5, 2021  
2:00 - 4:00 pm

South Ashland United Methodist  
Family Life Center  
2203 29<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ashland, KY

Given by:  
Becky Gehringer - 606-615-5572  
Bev Moore - 606-465-2965  
Martha Rice - 606-922-6870

Tara is registered at Amazon and Target



This year's Operation Christmas Child Packing Party was amazing!! **Thank you, thank you, thank you,** to all of you who came to help pack boxes, donated gifts, used your talents to give handmade one-of-a-kind gifts, sorted items, folded boxes, cleaned up, gave donations for shipping, and most importantly, praying for each child who will receive these boxes!!! We packed and shipped 165 boxes! What a blessing each of you are!! One day we may know how many children came to Christ all because of a shoe box! I am looking forward to next year's party and packing over 200 boxes!

Thank you for sharing the love of Christ!  
Karen Morgan



In November, Senior Adults met at IHOP for a meal and socializing. There will be no dinner in Ashland in December.

The December activity will be a road-trip to visit the Christmas Cave in Minford, Ohio on December 4. If you are interested in going, please call the church by Wednesday, December 1 for more details. There is no fee for touring the cave, but donations are appreciated.

The Christmas Cave is a self-guided light display presented uniquely in the beautiful and mysterious passageways of an underground mine, more than a mile in walking distance. The terrain inside is gravel. There are benches throughout for guests that need a break. This is not handicap accessible.

After the cave tour, the group will stop in Ohio at Fred's for a meal before coming back. So if you consider yourself a senior adult, please join us for a leisurely afternoon with friends as you are reminded of what this season is all about.



## CARPET CAMPAIGN

**AMAZING!!** God's blessings continue to overflow on SAUMC! Carpeting for the upper level of the Education Building is PAID IN FULL!!  
The dates for installation are  
January 17-21, 2022.

This campaign will continue to accumulate for carpeting the sanctuary. Currently, we have \$1,100 toward this next phase.

We appreciate very much all the gifts we have received. We could not do this without you! If you would like to give toward this project, please mark your envelope, "Carpeting".  
Thank you for your help!

## Special Called Charge Conference

DEC. 5

5:30 PM

SANCTUARY

To vote on BSA Settlement Proposal

# SPECIAL DELIVERY BABY

SAUMC Puppet Ministry  
6:00 PM  
Christmas Eve Service



## Christmas Caroling

**Wednesday,  
December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Stewardship & Missions would like to invite you to Christmas carol with us! We'll meet at church and drive to select locations. Please contact Genée if you're interested in caroling and/or willing to be a driver if carpooling is needed.



## POINSETTIAS

*We will be ordering poinsettias for you to purchase at a cost of \$7.00. You may request the flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one.*

*Please contact the church office by December 12th to place your order, or find an order form in the Sunday bulletin.*



## Christmas Cards for Our Senior Members and Friends

Let's spread our love for our senior members and friends with many cards to let them know we are thinking of them. In the church foyer, you will find a box to place addressed cards for them. These need to be dropped off at the church no later than December 8.

Kaelyn Wellman	Opal Clarke
Tootsie Baldock	Maxine Toney
Stella Pennington	Sue Williams
Mona Leibee	Dr. Malcom King
Dot Ellington	Faye DeHart
Tish Crawford	Drexel & Sonnie Blanton
Margaret Hanks	Harry Wurts
Maxine Romick	Mary Wheeler
Bob Wheeler	Pat Consiglio
Toby Williams	Teddy Cole
Bill Turner/Donna Barber	Lois Early
Aileen Caines	Jack & Betty Nuckols
Bill & Linda Meyers	Garnet Riffe
Mike Yazdandoust	Dan & Ann Cooksey
Jean Duncan	Shirley Dixon
Ray McCann	Faye Lenning
Billie Brown	

# Youth & Children's

## NEWS AND EVENTS

Waiting and expectation lead to lots of excitement during the season of Advent. I think of what joy we have in being able to freely celebrate Christ's birth without fear of persecution, yet I don't think that fear is keeping people from celebrating. I believe Christians around the world look forward to this celebration of Light coming into the world, regardless of negative—and sometimes deadly—attitudes toward them. I hope that as we celebrate this Christmas, we keep in mind those who are persecuted for the sake of the Gospel and recognize that is the true reason we celebrate.

**To Keep in Your Prayers:** Near the end of November, the youth distributed flyers to Hillcrest Bruce apartments inviting youth and children to our weekly programs. Please pray that new faces and souls will find a place of belonging in the church community.

**To Consider:** We are planning to send our youth to Winter Blitz this coming January, and drivers/chaperones are needed! If you are willing/interested in driving a van/chaperoning our students for this weekend of fellowship, community-building, speakers, and worship, please contact Genée.

**To Play:** Joseph's donkey is traveling again, but this time it's not just our hooved friend on the move! Harkening back to the "Joseph, Where's Your Donkey?!" Advent adventure of 2020, Advent 2021 will take on a similar experience. Every Sunday of Advent, you will receive two clues found on South Ashland UMC's Facebook page: one clue will lead to a house address in town, and the second clue will hint as to what piece of the Nativity you'll be searching for. Once you determine answers to these two clues, hop out of your vehicle and take a photo with the character—don't worry, owners of the yards/porches have gladly opened up their space for you to do so! Each week you'll see the previous week's Nativity member set up on the lawn at church until the full Holy Family, along with a couple additional characters, are present on Christmas Eve. We hope you'll participate in this fun adventure!



**Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**—Stewardship & Missions would like to invite you to Christmas carol with us! We'll meet at church at **5:30 pm**, drive to select locations, and return to church by **7:30**. Please contact Genée if you're interested in caroling and/or willing to be a driver if carpooling is needed.



**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**—We plan to partner with Good News Club volunteers for a children's Christmas party from **5:30-7:30 pm**. A meal will be served, a special lesson will be taught, a Christmas craft will be made, and a birthday cake for Jesus will surely be devoured! Please spread the word—open to all elementary students!



**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**—Youth Christmas party at Zane and Genée's house. Meet at church at **4:30 pm** for a van ride to the Johns-Morrison farm for Christmas treats, games, devotion time, and gift-giving (and perhaps a look at the chickens, goats, and dogs before it gets dark!). We plan to have youth back at church around **7:30** so those whose younger siblings are attending the children's Christmas party can be picked up at the same time. All middle and high school students welcome!



**Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**—Puppets is having a special children's/family service at **6:00 pm** on Christmas Eve for anyone who would like to attend. Some of our youth will be puppeteers!

**\*\*Special Note:** In preparation for Genée's maternity leave, sign-up sheets will soon be available for those willing to bring and serve a Sunday evening meal for children/youth, teachers/helpers for Sunday evening youth small groups, helpers for Sunday evening God's Gang, and teachers for youth Sunday School in the coming weeks. Thank you so much for your willingness to support our youth and children's programs in this way.

*"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." -3 John 1:4*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I pray that all of you and your families had a very blessed Thanksgiving Day. I know we all have so much to be thankful for. I also want to wish you a blessed Christmas season, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. I so love Christmas!

I know our church was honored and blessed by Pastor Jerry Russell's visit and preaching on Sunday November 14. The ones that were not able to attend missed a very powerful message about missions. Jerry is very instrumental not only to the work in Costa Rica but many other mission fields. He is the president of Samaritan Hands.

On December 2, 2021 Mary Woods's items will be loaded for transport back to the Huntsville, Alabama area. Her son and daughter both live in that area. Please continue to pray for her. This transition is very difficult for her.

I received pictures from our feeding program in Pital from Natalia. As you know she and her husband Martin are the directors of this program. They fed 65 children on Saturday November 6, 2021. The pictures are attached. This program also needs you prayers and financial support.

We have learned that Paul Priest, a man from Jerry Russell's church will likely be appointed as director for the center in Quesada to replace Mary. (Well that is not correct, no one can replace Mary.) We will find out more about this in the coming weeks.

The 2022 mission team will be working in Quesada during the period of February 5-13, 2022. The team members are Keith, Alicia and Ben Katterheinrich, Larry and Teresa Kirkpatrick, Don and Gloria Neikirk, Matt and Kim Hart, Kathy Hughes, Shirley DeLong (Kathy Hughes' sister), Marcela Aparicio, Martha Rice and myself. We also have 3 people from Maryland: Martin and Pam Van Hemert and Caryn Dayhoff and two from Georgia: Daun and Terry Michaels. Last but not least, Mary Woods will be with us as well!!! We are all so thrilled that Mary will be a part of our team. We will have a good size group. Our plans are for construction work, VBS, feeding program, ladies' devotions/crafts and men's devotion. Please pray for the group as we travel and work as the hands and feet of Our Lord in Costa Rica.

I always hate to bring up money, but I feel led to do that. We so appreciate any donations that you make to the farm or feeding program. Every penny given goes directly to support the work there. Each team member pays their own travel expenses.

I came across this bible verse this morning as I was reading my bible. I am sure that I have read in the past but it hit me today. Then I received an email from Karen asking for newsletter articles. I thought this would be just right. *Hebrews 13:16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.* Amen is all that I know to say.

Thanks so much for your prayers and support of this mission. Nothing we do would happen without our Lord's blessing and your support.

In His Love  
and Service,

Eduardo



# Happy Birthday!

- |                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Shirley Dixon   | 11 Jack Daniel      |
| 3 John M. Hinkle  | 13 Susie Carter     |
| Ashley Ambrosino  | 14 Skippy Simmerman |
| 4 Ashley Crawford | 17 Russ Ryan        |
| 5 Hollie Payne    | Brandon Miller      |
| Candy Lett        | 22 Mark Meenach     |
| 7 Kent Mansfield  | 23 Linda VanHoose   |
| 8 Susan Hunt      | Valerie Highley     |
| 9 Josh Daniel     | 25 Carol Barnhorst  |
| 10 Lynda Cannon   | 31 John N. Cannon   |
| John Hinkle       |                     |
| David Bolen       |                     |
| Bri Williamson    |                     |

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# Happy Anniversary

- 5 Kenneth & Kay Bush  
 17 Frank & Cheri Sloan  
 22 Matt & Kim Hart  
 26 Greg & Arland White  
 27 Randy & Cynde Elkins  
 Mark & Paulette Meenach  
 Rodney & Erin Miller  
 29 Jim & Susan Ifert  
 31 Jack & Susie Daniel

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>December</b>			1 5:00 Handbells <a href="#">6:30 Adult Bible Study</a> 6:30 Kids Choir 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Stewardship/Missions	2 6:30 Praise Team	3	4  2:45 Senior Adult Trip to Minford, Ohio Christmas Cave
5 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 2:00 Tara Baby Shower 5:30 Youth & Kids Activities 5:30 Charge Conference	6	7 9:30 Staff Meeting 6:30 Cubs Scouts 7:00 Scouts	8 5:00 Handbells <a href="#">6:30 Adult Bible Study</a> 6:30 Kids Choir 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Stewardship/Missions	9 6:30 Praise Team	10	11
12 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 5:30 Youth Activities 5:30 God's Gang	13 6:00 Stephen Ministry	14 6:30 Trustees Meeting 6:30 Cubs Scouts 7:00 Scouts	15 5:00 Handbells 5:30 Christmas Caroling <a href="#">6:30 Adult Bible Study</a> 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Puppets	16 6:30 Praise Team	17 6:30 Emmaus Gathering  	18 1:00 Puppets Christmas Party  
19 9:00 Sanctuary & Drive-In 10:00 Sunday School 11:15 FLC & FB Live 4:30 Youth Christmas Party 5:30 Kids' Christmas Party	20 7:00 Youth Council	21 6:30 Finance Meeting 7:00 Admin Council   <small>www.GoodLightscraps.com</small>	22 5:00 Handbells <a href="#">6:30 Adult Bible Study</a> 6:30 Kids Choir 6:30 Chancel Choir 6:30 Puppets 6:30 Stewardship/Missions	23 6:30 Praise Team	24 6:00 Candlelight / Puppets 8:00 Candlelight 11:00 Candlelight  <b>Office Closed</b>	25 
26 10:00 Combined Service	27 6:00 Stephen Ministry  <b>Office Closed</b>	28 6:00 Loving Arms	29  <b>No Activities</b>	30 6:30 Praise Team	31  <b>Office Closed</b>	

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# December

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