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This Sunday, our church was truly blessed. We were filled up to the balcony with family and friends, all dressed in their Easter best. Bright colors matched smiling faces, and Facebook has rightly exploded with pictures. Together, we proclaimed and sang the good news. The world put Christ to death, but God raised him to life. The world put him in a tomb, but God has raised him to heaven, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

It was a joy to celebrate such good news with such good company. As your pastors, we were humbled and grateful for the opportunity to stand before you and proclaim that great truth which has been handed down to us. The truth of Easter Sunday, known as the “mystery of the faith.”

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

But Easter is not just a Sunday in the church calendar. It is a season. Easter Sunday is more like the first day of spring. Over the next 50 days, our prayer is that you will carry this good news of God’s resurrection into your lives, and continue to chew on it. Let it work on you. Look at the places of your lives that need resurrection: that are in need of hope and new life. Look at them, and do not be afraid. Look out beyond your life to the needs of your homes, your towns, even our world. Look and do not be afraid.

Easter reminds us that even death is not beyond God’s power to resurrect. Neither are you, or those you love, or those who you can’t figure out how to love. This Easter, we are not able to proclaim that the world has been fixed. We cannot claim that everything has been set right.

But we can proclaim with certainty this world’s future.

God has claimed for his own every corner of our sinful lives. He is resurrecting us, and he will start now if we will let him. So, here this announcement once more. Christ has died, but he has been raised from the grave. And he will return, to make this broken world into his heavenly feast.

Easter is 50 days. It began filled with family, friends, and bright smiles. It began with joy. Our prayer is that it will bring more of the same, as God’s resurrection power, even now, begins to raise the dead to life.

He is risen! He is risen indeed!

And, because sometimes it helps to *see* things, here’s a video about reacting to the resurrection:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EjT7OvQMIQg>

STUDENT BOX MINISTRY

IT WILL SOON BE EXAM TIME FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS. PLEASE LOOK ON BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALL AND CHOOSE A STUDENT. SEND THEM A BOX OF GOODIES, OR GIFT CARDS FOR FOOD OR GAS ALONG WITH A NOTE REMINDING THEM THAT THE SCPC IS THINKING OF THEM, WISHING THEM GOOD LUCK ON EXAMS AND PRAYING FOR THEIR FUTURE.

**Regular Sunday School classes and Youth
will resume as normal
Sunday April 3rd**



Congratulations Youth for an EXCEPTIONAL Job in Raising money at their 24 Hour Famine on Good Friday. They were able to work together and raise a total of \$1,588 for the Guatemala Hot Lunch Program!!

AMAZING!

Prayers of the People:

Shelia Amos, Mary Jo Bradford, Strobby Stewart; David Patrick; Des Noble; Jim Holmes; Judy Hood, Christine Miller, Andy and June Vaughn, Rex Parris, Mike Lee, Viki Harrell, Miriah Penick, Angie Feldwich, June Stripling, Alison McCracken, James Bowman, Christy, Jane Radon, Kelli Newman, Gene Marable Jr., Denise and Todd Holdridge, James Colus, Roy Hall, Marlyn Hagen and Family, Elaine Johnson, Shawn Bray, Cindy Vaughn, Family of James Wirght, Ivy Bridges Blue, John Hendrix, Leatha Grindstaff and others in our thoughts and prayers from Sunday, March 27th.

If you have a name to add to the prayer list please use the Christian pads in the pews and drop it in the offering plate Sunday morning. You may also email them to: scottsborocpc@gmail.com.



Mark Your Calendars:

Deacon Meeting

Sunday April 10th

Immediately Following Worship

Session Spiritual Gifts Retreat

Sunday April 17th immediately
following worship.

Session Elders, please make plans to attend.

Session Meeting

Tuesday April 19th

5PM

Lunch with the Ladies

Noon April 11th at Stevarinos



Food for Thought

will meet this week

Wednesday March 30th

at 2:45PM

There is a group of 11 adults from SCPC that will be going to Guatemala July 9 -16. Part of the group will work in a CP medical clinic in Guatemala City, tending to teeth and eyes. The other part of the group will work with the CP Hot Lunch Program, feeding and teaching children. This team will go on behalf of SCPC, and they will feed kids, tend to medical problems, teach Bible lessons, play games, and share God's love to children and families. As a global denomination, it is important that we remember that we have Cumberland Presbyterian medical clinics and missionaries already there. We also have several churches who are in the process of becoming CP. They are our brothers and sisters in Christ, and they are a part of our CP family. We are very excited to be going this summer, and we are grateful for your church support. Please keep this team and all our preparations in your prayers.



Kitchen Gadget Plus \$1 Shower

Sunday April 3rd at 2PM

Honoring Alison Wright, Bride of Austin Wright

Hosted by:

Scottsboro Cumberland Presbyterian Church



Brian Tanck's Ordination Service

Saturday April 9th at 1PM at SCPC

A reception will immediately follow in the Fellowship Hall
All are invited to attend the service and reception to celebrate
Brian's Ordination

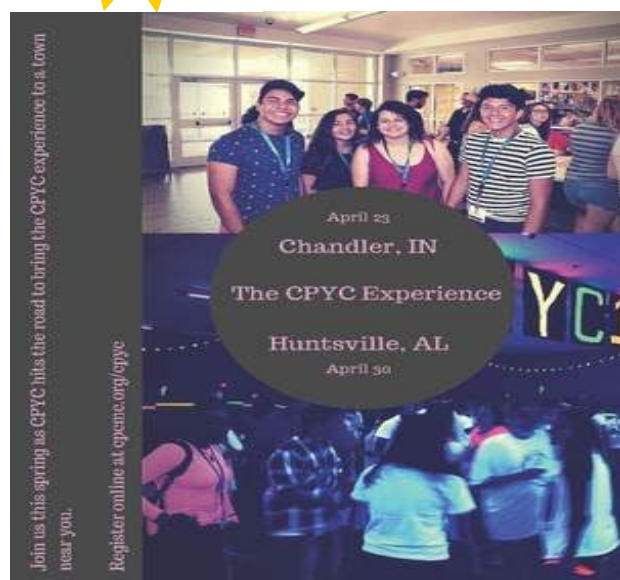
Griffin Webb, his Sunday School teachers and music leader, spread Palm Sunday greetings to some of the Adult Sunday School Classes on Palm Sunday morning



Mark your Calendars for this years

Vacation Bible School

May 23rd—May 27th



<p>Chandler, IN Saturday, April 23 1PM-8:30PM Chandler Cumberland Presbyterian Church 338 S. State. St Chandler, IN 47610</p>	<p>Huntsville, AL Saturday, April 30 1PM-8:30PM Church Street Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America 228 Church Street Northwest Huntsville, AL 35801</p>
<p>Register for both one-day events online at cpcmc.org/cpyc</p>	
	<p>And don't forget to register for CPYC June 26-July 1 at Bethel University</p>

Final Update for Room In The Inn

I wish to express my sincere thanks to everyone who provided support/service for our Room In The Inn mission this year, our second season to serve as a Host Church for the needy in our community.

The Board of Directors for the Jackson County Ministry Mission invites our Pastors and anyone who helped with this ministry, our wonderful Volunteers to a **Volunteer Fellowship, Saturday April 16th, 2016** from 11am –1pm at Greater St. Paul AME Church, 602 N. Houston St., Scottsboro. Rev Peppers is providing the gathering spot. All you need to do is bring yourself and a dish to share. Drinks, plates, utensils, etc. will be provided.

This will be a very informal gathering. It will be great to come together as Christians and people of good will to give thanks for the blessings we received from working in this Ministry and for the blessings the Guests received. We share the common bond of believing in and acting upon the Christian calling to seek and find the forgotten, lonely and deprived so that we can bring them comfort and God's love. It will be so good to meet those we don't know yet who share that bond.

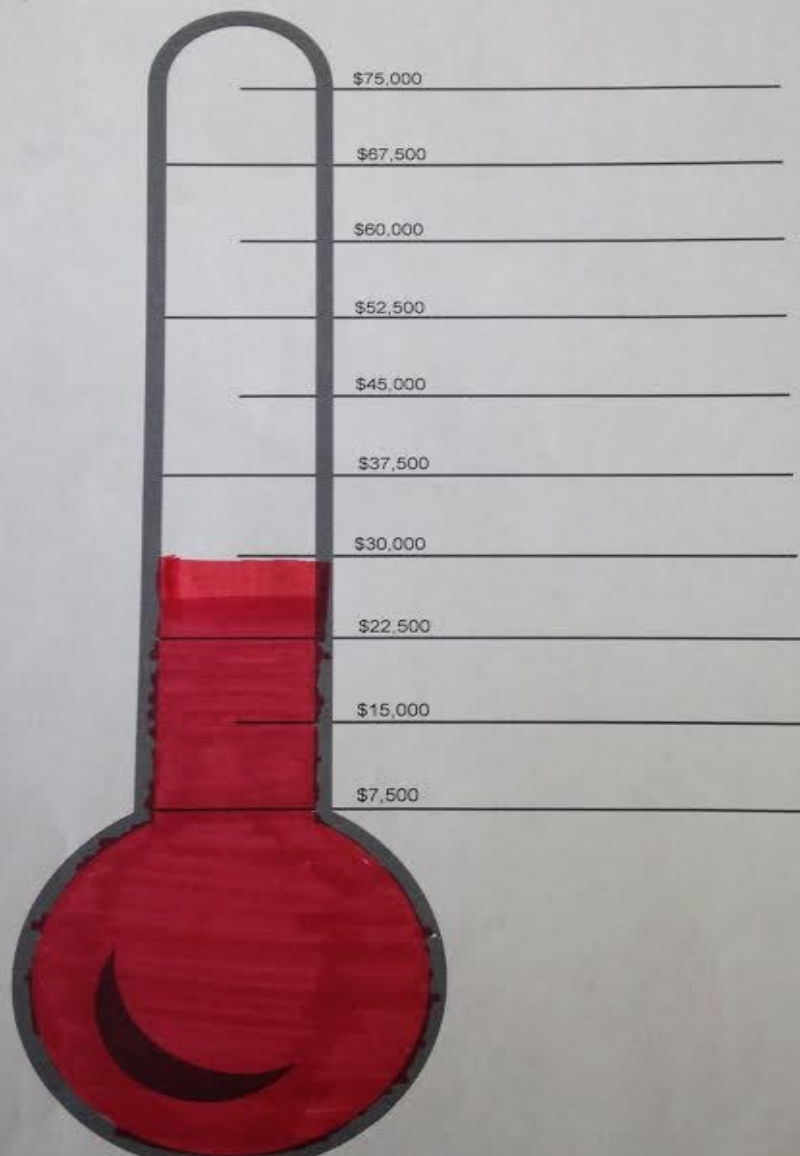
If you think you might attend, please let the office know or contact Lil Noble before April 12th so they will have an estimate of how many from our volunteer group are likely to attend.

Some of you may remember the young family, mother, father, son and baby, who stayed with us. RITI is trying to help and asking all host churches to help. They need household items to get this family settled in a place of their own; therefore, they are looking for donations of different "Slightly/gently used" items. Please see list for needed items. This is posted on the bulletin outside the pastor's office. If you can help, please sign up as an angel before April 17th. Please note what you have to donate along with your name and phone number. RITI coordinators will then sort through the sheets from the different churches, merge the information for any duplications and then contact the angels to see when they can pick up the item/items. Note that the items are not needed right away, just that you have them and will donate them for the family.

As always, I express my most sincere thanks for the support of my church family for all that you do everyday to help others. It is in giving that we receive.

THIS WEEK, a crew from Tolar Construction will begin the prep work for the new administrative building. We are excited that this build project is beginning. Please remember that to successfully complete our goal of building the new building AND renovating our existing space, we still need to raise at least \$45,000! We are so grateful to all who have donated and to all who continue to donate money. As the building begins to take shape, remember that it is only through our donations that the completion of these projects will be possible. Please help us reach our goal!

Fundraising Goals



2016

General Fund

March 27th offering: \$3,993.25

Total Offering to date: \$ 83,223.65

Budget Requirements

Giving Required per Sunday: \$6,747.40

Required to meet budget to date: \$ 87,716.00

Attendance for:
Maundy Thursday: 73
Good Friday: 49
Easter Sunday: 238

Worship Aids for Sunday

Pastor: Micaiah Tanck

Worship Leader : Wylie Webb

Flowers: Martha Hastings

If you cannot serve, please find someone who will replace you.

If you need something please call the Church office If no answer please call Micaiah, (205) 478-5985; Brian (630) 730-1577 . Your concerns and needs are important to us.

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