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A few weeks ago, one of the lectionary texts was Isaiah 43.

These verses stood out:

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you.

When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, and the flam shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, Your Savior. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you."

The New Year started, and with it the memories of 2015 began to fade. But, this year didn't start only with sunshine and butterflies. For some, family members got sick. For others, loved ones passed away. For some, jobs got stressful. For others, the normal routine of life kicked back in.

Some of you need to hear that the waters that you are wading through will not overwhelm you. Some of you need to be reminded that when you walk through the fires of life, you will not be burned.

Our Lord, Our God is with us. Our Lord, Our God, is our Savior. And we, his children, are precious in his sight.

If reading these verses from Isaiah isn't doing it for you, look up this song:

"You are Mine" by Enter the Worship Circle. You can find it on ITunes and YouTube. Here's a link to make it easy: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NGJhxfzgNR0</u>

For me, that song perfectly captures this text in Isaiah. Hopefully it will inspire you. Here are the lyrics:

"Maybe I don't have the strength. Maybe I don't have the faith. You brought me here in 40 years. I know this trip should take a week.

I've shed my tears and shed my blood. Been held ransom by the flood. The winter steals my soul away. In all of this I've come undone.

When you walk through the water, I will be with you. When you pass through the river, the waves will not overtake you. When you walk on the fire, the flames they will not touch you. You are mine, you are mine.

I've been a child; I've been a slave. I've grown bitter and learned to pray. Packed my bags and started back. The cost was just too high to pay."

Enjoy these inspiring words, written by someone far more poetic than I.



Carillons Practice Wednesdays at 6 PM

Choir Practice Wednesdays at 7 PM

On behalf of the Boykin family I would like to thank this church for the wonderful love and support our family has felt during my sister's, Julie Merwin, illness and long battle with cancer. We have felt the love of this church many times, but none more than this past year.

> Grace and Peace, Buddy Boykin

Room In The Inn [RITI] Date Change!! Next Host date will be January 29th

The sign up sheets for Friday January 29th. are posted in the hall just outside the Pastor's office. Please sign up if you can help in any way. We really need more volunteer to lighten the load for all.

This Jackson County Homeless Ministry, Room In The Inn, needs your support. Please consider giving of yourself to help.

Food is needed for the Youth in up coming weeks!

Please see sign up sheet to volunteer, Thanks.

Prayers of the People:

Tim Allen, Shelia Amos, Mary Jo Bradford, Stroby Stewart; Erica Scott; The Passing of Bill Beigay-Judy Stiles Brother-in-law; David Patrick; The passing of Julie Merwin-Bert and Leah Boykins Daughter; Des Noble; Jim Holmes; Judy Hood, Christine Miller, Andy and June Vaughn, Rex Parris, Mike Lee, Michael Boring, Viki Harrell, Miriah Penick, Ivy Bridges, Don Falk, Tammy Holcomb, Angie Feldwich, June Stripling, Alison McCracken, Viki Harrell, Kathy Brooks, James Bowman and others in our thoughts and prayers from Sunday, January 17th.

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:

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

January 24th



9 AM



Leadership Council Meeting February 2nd at 6 PM

Please send a team representative to the meeting

Primetimers Jan. 29th at 11:30 will feature a program that is a combination of excitement, challenge, beauty, and courage. Each of us will enjoy sharing the adventure. Our Primetimers' callers will be contacting all who are on their 'to call' list. Do make plans to attend. Should you not receive a call, please add a note to the collection plate as it is passed this Sunday or next Sunday. You won't be disappointed with the program or the lunch!

Lunch with the Ladies: Noon, Monday February 8th-The Magnolia House



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner February 9th at 5:30 PM

Is Your Passport Current? Just a friendly reminder to those interested in the GUA Trip



February 10th at 6 PM

Rental Policy Per Session

Fellowship Hall Rental Policy for Members of SCPC

\$200 Deposit

\$50 Custodian Fee

A Contract must be signed for every event

NO Use of Kitchen Dishes, please bring your own.

Rental is for Fellowship Hall/Kitchen/Bathrooms ONLY!

MDO Rooms are off Limits!

Looking for a Nursery Worker

If interested or know someone who is, contact Hoyt Harbin from the Personnel Team or the main office.

Hours are Sundays from 9:15 am – 12:15 pm

Choctaw Support

Our Cumberland Presbyterian Choctaw Brothers and Sisters in Southeast Oklahoma have been using a ten passenger van purchased ten years ago through the generous support of C.P. Women's Ministry. One decade and over 150,000 miles of two lane roads spanning the presbytery and denomination for meetings, medical appointments, job interviews, plus shuttling persons to CPYC, YEC, General Assembly, and PAS classes has ushered the van into a state of vulnerability instead of dependability. Our Choctaw brothers and sisters need your support to replace their current vehicle with a late model SUV or minivan.

If you would like to support this project, make your donations our to SCPC with Choctaw Project in the subject line.

Valentine's Day Youth Fundraiser **Sunday February 14th** Valentines Day Lunch Immediately following worship Bring a date, your family, or a friend and let the youth serve you a delicious lunch All Donations will go to the Christian Education Budget, particularly towards the youth and children's ministries.

The Building Fund has hit the ground running thanks to all the generous donations!!

Please prayerfully consider donating to the building fund!

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-	\$67,500
	\$60,000
-	\$52,500
	\$45,000
1.00	\$37,500
	\$30,000
	\$22,500
	\$15,000
	\$7,500
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GUATEMALA MISSION





July 9th - 16th, 2016

- WHAT: A Trip to Guatemala City to work with the Hot Lunch Program (where we sent the Loaves and Fishes money).
- A trip like this will help us build a relationship with Cumberland Presbyterians in Guatemala, to learn from them, love on them, be tourists (and who hasn't wanted to worship in Spanish?!)
- WHO: 8-10 adults. We cold use both medical professionals AND other adults. Medical professionals would work with the kids doing health checks in relation to their specialty. Any other adults would work with the kids, teaching Bible Lessons, cooking meals, and playing games.
- WHEN: We would be flying out on Saturday, July 9th, and returning on Saturday, July 16th.
- **COST:** \$1000-\$1200/person (depending on plane tickets) IF you are interested in going on this trip, contact Pastor Micaiah by email. Also fill out an application, and start saving your money.
- DEADLINE: In order to reserve lodging and buy plane tickets, we need commitments by JANUARY 31st, with a \$200 deposit and an application. Another \$450 will be due March 1st. The remaining balance will be due May 15th.

*If you want to HELP but can't join us—you can help pay someone else's way!—make donations out to Scottsboro CPC with Guatemala Mission Trip as the subject line.

Applications Due January 31st!

If you would like to donate to the Guatemala team, make checks to the church with Guatemala as subject line.

General Fund

January 17th offering: \$4700.35

YTD Offering: \$17,895.40

Attendance for 1/17/16

Sunday School: 46 Worship: 109

Worship Aids for Sunday

Head Usher: Rodney Bell Pastor: Micaiah Tanck Worship Leader : Norman Johnson Greeter: Gavin and Amber Harrington

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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Budget Requirements

Budget Requires per Sunday: \$6,031.08 YTD Budget Requires: \$313,616.16

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