



## From The Deacon's Corner

We are re-instating the Food Ministry Program and we need a few people to assist with this important effort. If you can help, please see or call Martha Winton for details.

We also want to establish a program that will bring some organization to our efforts to assist people with their needs when in the hospital or shut-in at home or are experiencing problems where in they could use some help. We do a pretty good job of this as individuals but we could probably do a better job with some concerted efforts. The objective is to "be there" for all that need our help. If you can help with this project, please let one of the Deacons or Martha know.

We also want to report that we had 48 Souls in attendance at Wednesday night services this week. We are very excited about that and want to encourage everyone to help us continue to grow all Services at Central Pike.

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**Fellowship Lunch (bring a dish)**—Please join us for a Fellowship lunch on Easter Sunday after the morning service. We will have an Easter egg hunt for the children.



## FOR YOUR PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION

**Judy Nix**—cancer

**Barbara Lewis**—under the care of Alive Hospice and requesting prayers

**Robert Dennis**—heart attack and will have open heart surgery in a few weeks

**Diane Pryor**—home recovering from brain surgery

**Nancy Fite**—recovering from a bone marrow transplant

**Burbon Lewis**—recovering from gallbladder surgery

**Angela Michelle Elhussein**—home recovering after being in hospital

**Carol Allison**—congestive heart failure

**Emily Wholford**—in need of a liver transplant

**David Hicks**—back problems

**William O'Malley**—alzheimers

**Todd Mullins**—throat cancer

**Mary McMurtry**—health issues

**Joyce Horvath**—back issues

**Steve Condra**—knee replacement surgery

**Charles Brown**—Guidance

**Nadina Oldfield Crowe**—heart problems

**John Horvath**—rheumatoid arthritis

**Lee Hukill**—to find a permanent job

**Maria Del Mar Rodriguez**—pregnancy

**Theresa Mitchell, children & children's father**—return to God

**Peggy Atkins**—daughters going through hard times

**Mitchell Family**—personal and financial issues

**Charles Bledsoe Family**—death of Charles Bledsoe Sr., father of Charles Bledsoe

### LONG TERM ILLNESS:

**Peggy Baker, Wayne Wooley, Joe & Barbara Fields, James Brown, Dale Summers, Francis Kemp.**

## I Know The Shepherd

The story is told of a Shakespearean actor who was known everywhere for his one-man shows of readings and recitations from the classics. He would always end his performance with a reading of Psalm 23.

Each night, without exception, as the actor began his recitation .... ***"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want"***.... the crowd would listen attentively. And then, at the conclusion of the psalm, they would rise in thunderous applause in appreciation of the actor's incredible ability to bring the verse to life.

But one night, just before the actor was to offer his customary recital of Psalm 23, a young man from the audience spoke up. "Sir, do you mind if tonight I recite Psalm 23?"

The actor was quite taken aback by this unusual request, but he allowed the young man to come forward and stand front and center on the stage to recite the psalm, knowing that the ability of this unskilled youth would be no match for his own talent.

With a soft voice, the young man began to recite the words of the psalm. When he was finished, there was no applause. There was no standing ovation as on other nights. All that could be heard was the sound of weeping. The audience had been so moved by the young man's recitation that every eye was full of tears.

Amazed by what he had heard, the actor said to the youth, "I don't understand. I have been performing Psalm 23 for years. I have a lifetime of experience and training, but I have never been able to move an audience as you have tonight. Tell me, what is your secret?"

The young man quietly replied, "Well sir, you know the Psalm. I know the Shepherd."

—*Unknown Author*

### READ & RETURN

If you have the book ***Muscle and a Shovel***, please read **ASAP** and return to the table in the auditorium. People are waiting.

### Teacher's Needed

We are seeking men who would be willing to help fill the Wednesday evening teacher position on a rotating basis. Also, women who are willing to be an aide or a substitute to help with teaching responsibilities of the children also to be done on a rotating basis.

Nashville Inner City Ministry  
Fundraising Catfish Dinner  
Thursday, April 2—6:30 pm  
Tennessee State Fairgrounds

The Catfish Dinner is a fund raising dinner to benefit children from within our inner city. Through **YOUR** participation children are able to attend Summer Leadership Development Camp and learn about Jesus through summer programs. Information and sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.



### Suggestion Box

A suggestion box is located on the table in back of the auditorium for any ideas or suggestions you would like to be considered at CPCC..



### Nursery Volunteers

We have a shortage of volunteers to help in the nursery on Sunday mornings. If you would like to assist with the children, please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer or let Martha know.



Today is the 5th Sunday and we will be sending a check to Partners For Africa for the M.O.M. project (making orphan meals.) Please bring your contributions and help provide the children, elderly and homeless with a nutritious meal.