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"A Caring Community of Faith"

#### **CHURCH EVENTS**

**Sunday, June 13** – 11am We will welcome Bill Russell to preach.

**Sunday, June 20** – 11am Rev. Steven Lee and his family will be here to lead worship, we will have a potluck dinner to follow.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Our US Military Our Schools Reba Finch Jewell Spivey Evelyn Goss** Laura Virgil **Nathan Widmer Hiawatha Arms** Tom & Nancy Venable **Katherine Johnson Tyler Stafford Ana Amat Butch Barlow Lori Davenport Shirley Hopkins Martha Moore Ricky Strong** Dale Dibble



I am so proud of our church!

I was recently given the honor of attending the Jackson County High School graduation service and presenting two of our members with scholarships. We are not the largest church in the county, but I believe we were the only church presenting scholarships. And unless I missed something, no local organization present that evening handed out more money than we did.

I believe that is something to be proud of. I celebrate the faithfulness of the members of this church to provide opportunities for a bright future for the children in this community. So that you may celebrate with me, below is the announcement that was read during the graduation service. Next time you see these students, congratulate them.

Gainesboro 1st United Methodist Church is proud to administer the United Methodist Doyene Anderson Scholarship Fund. These scholarships are given to students who meet the rigorous requirements. They are not only for the purpose of giving financial aid for student's collegiate endeavors, but we also hope that they will serve to remind the student throughout the time of their education that their church and community support them.

Our first student, in addition to other requirements, completed a rigorous and comprehensive six-part Christian apologetics program that also included three oral exams. In response to their efforts, and for their future education, we are proud to award a \$1000 scholarship to Joshua David Milton.

Our second scholarship goes to a high school senior that has excelled in the area of community service. In the past few years, they have served at numerous community events, performed hurricane relief duties in Panama City, completed numerous church projects, and worked hard to meet the audio video needs of our congregation. We are proud to award a \$1000 scholarship to Elizabeth Sherrill.

#### CONGRATULATIONS!!



Presenting Joshua David Milton with his scholarship at Mack Draper Staduim.



Presenting the Doyene Anderson Scholarship to Elizabeth Sherrill.

#### **ALWAYS THERE**

### **Margaret Anderson**

4343 Lebanon Road T-1114 Hermitage, TN 37076

#### **Reba Finch**

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#### **Ann Hart**

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#### **Katherine Johnson**

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### **Nancy Venable**

820 Quarles Hollow Road Gainesboro, TN 38562

#### **Martha Moore**

2105 Griffin Town Road Sparta, TN 38583

#### **Dale Dibble**

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#### **BIRTHDAYS**

#### June

2<sup>nd</sup> Joyce Draper 8<sup>th</sup> Caleb Sams 12<sup>th</sup> Viola Johnson 21<sup>st</sup> Susie McClendon 21<sup>st</sup> Mikayla Milton

### July

10<sup>th</sup> Tom Venable 11<sup>th</sup> Susan Huffines 19<sup>th</sup> Ann Hart 23<sup>rd</sup> Stella Cain 23<sup>rd</sup> Ann Hughes 31<sup>st</sup> Melissa Nelson





In Memory of

Landscape Fund James "Jim" Test

Jean Richardson

### What About Father's Day?

Do you ever wonder how Father's Day got started? It all started because a lady wanted to thank her father for all he had done for her and her family.

The first Father's Day in the United States was celebrated in Spokane Washington on June 19, 1910. It was proposed by Mrs. John B. Dodd in 1909. Her father, William Smart raised six children alone after his wife died in childbirth. He was also a civil war veteran. It wasn't until 1966 that Father's Day was declared a national holiday in the U.S., and it wasn't until 1972 that the special day happened every year.

Fathers are very special, so special that they are mentioned in the Bible. Since the Bible is like an instruction manual for us, it gives us instructions on how to treat our father.

Do any of you know what the ten commandments are? They were rules that God gave to Moses for all of us to follow. Each commandment is very important, and God gave each commandment for a reason. One of the commandments says: Honor your father and you mother, so that all may go well

for you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.

What does honor mean anyway? Honor can mean many things. When we listen, obey, love, appreciate, and forgive our dad that is how we honor him. That means when he asks you to do something you should do it right away without complaining.

When you show you love your dad by hugging him and telling him that you love him that's another way to honor him. You can also appreciate your dad by thanking him when he does things for you (driving you to soccer practice or music lessons, etc.).

Our dads won't be perfect all the time, we all make mistakes. So, we should forgive our dads when they make mistakes because God asks us to.

Some other verses in the Bible ask us to listen to our father's instruction and by doing this you will learn to have discipline and understanding. That means that when your dad gives you advice or warns you about something it's important to listen. Your dad was a kid once too and knows lots of stuff because he has lived longer than you.

So, if your dad asks you to hold his hand when you cross the street it's because he knows it can be dangerous because of all the cars. It's also why sometimes dads have to say "no" to things. If your parents always let you do everything you want you would never get any sleep and eat lots of candy, but our dads know that isn't healthy for you.

The last verse we're going to talk about today says: Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. I know that sometimes you don't always want to obey your parents but it's important that you obey them because it makes God happy!

One last thing. No matter how old you get your dad is your dad. Sometimes you might think that you can talk back to your parents or that you know more than them, but you don't. The Bible says to obey your parents always, not just when you're a kid. Your parents want the best for you and know what they're talking about.

Don't forget that we also have a heavenly father that cares and loves us no matter what. So, if you

don't have a father around all the time (or even if you do) God is the father of all fathers. He is there when your father can't be.