

NEWS FROM FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DOC)

October 1, 2016

PRAYER REQUEST

Jack Gilbert, Connie Santee, Nancy Shelley, Jim Bailey, family of Sue Boyer, Dave Defrehn, Ray Cook, Dale Underwood, Sue Ray, Cheryl Carrington, Linda Markham, Marge Posten, Tom Bodie, Hal Coar, Margie Jo Wallace, Wanda Doleshall, John Roth, Jeff Henson, James L., Andre McCartney, Steve Lyons, Sabrina, Dorothea, Selma Devich, Pat & Charles Brackett, Robert, Jean Hunt, Nancy Tappe, Charlie, Chuck & Ida Bassi, Lynn Robinson, Joan Stuckart, Nicole Brackett (Ray Cook's granddaughter-in-law), Mike Kler, Connie Moomjy, Clara Benfield, Sally Clayton, Dot Rucker, Zack and Paige Herron (Campus Ministries in Philippines), upcoming 2016 elections and always remember to pray for your Church Family, Pastor Sotello and Dee Long, our Christian brothers and sisters who are traveling, all those in our public safety services, military services and our country's leaders.

Forgiveness to New Life Update

The "Forgiveness to New Life" walk is a mission rallying various communities' in a spirit of unity to rebuild Glover Grove Missionary Baptist Church from the ashes ravaged by fire!

The walk/pilgrimage will commence on the steps of Mother Emanuel AME Church, - the site marked by forgiveness - 110 Calhoun Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401 at 12:30pm on Sunday, October 16. It will conclude with worship at the Glover Grove Missionary Baptist Church, - the site for new life - 331 Project Rd Warrenton, SC 29851 at 2pm on Sunday, October 23. It will be a week-long pilgrimage of some 140 miles led by Pastor Bob Byrne, former Pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Aiken SC. He along with others whom the Spirit calls will walk portions or perhaps the entire route. There will be designated stops along the route of Highway 78 from Charleston to Aiken for rest and community greetings to launch each day's segment of the walk.

We are invited to join the walk from "Forgiveness to New Life!" We can join by (1) praying for the walk (2) contributing to the walk and/or (3) walking all or a segment of the walk.

Praying: Pray for the God's protection for the walkers. Pray for the witness of unity as persons from all walks of life demonstrate their compassion and support. Plans are in the works for our congregation to walk the last mile to the Glover Grove Missionary Baptist Church – the place of "New Life."

Contributing: There are several ways to contribute to the effort. (A) You can sponsor a lead walker, Pastor Bob Byrne, or a walker of your own. (B) You can get a T-Shirt for the Walk. T-Shirts Sizes S - 5X are \$12. Daisy yellow shirt, with red phoenix bird logo and royal blue lettering. Make checks payable to "Glover Grove Phoenix Project." Deliver to Margaret Logan or leave it with the Church Office secretary. T-shirts may be ordered now until October 9. (C) You can make a general donation as you feel led.

Walking: We are planning for members and friends to participate in a segment of the last mile of the walk on October 23rd as we approach Glover Grove Missionary Baptist Church. There will be the opening service of celebration and worship.

DWF Shout out!

I great big shout out to the DWF and all who supported the Trash to Treasure Community Event. Special appreciation to the prime movers and shakers who led the way – Susan Poster Ullmann and Frances Finrock.

HELP THE CUMBEE CENTER

You can support The Cumbee Center, which helps abused women and children, by linking your Kroger card to this organization. Kroger will then donate a percentage of your purchases to the Center. For more information, please contact Margaret Logan.

DWF NEWS

The DWF Annual "Trash and Treasures Sale" was held on September 24th. It was a huge success! Final numbers are still out.

WALK TO STAMP OUT PARKINSON'S 2016

Lisa Cottongim invites the church to join this year's Walk scheduled for Saturday, October 8th, in Augusta, GA. Please contact Lisa for more information at 803-514-6064.

2016 ACTS CHRISTMAS STORE

The ACTS Christmas Store will be open December 5th-10th at the Center for African-American History, Art, and Culture. Registration will be held at ACTS on October 3rd, 4th, and 8th. There is a need for volunteers to assist with store set up, with customers during store hours and tear down/clean up.

The Christmas Store provides new toys, clothes, and gifts for low income parents to purchase for their children. Please call ACTS if you would like to volunteer.

2016 Community Christmas Store

Registration at ACTS

340 Park Ave., SW

Aiken, SC

Monday, October 3rd ~ 9 am to 12 noon

Tuesday, October 4th ~ 3 pm to 7 pm

Saturday, October 8th ~ 10 am to 2 pm

Christmas Store at

Center for African-American

History, Art, and Culture

120 York St., NE

Aiken, SC

Monday, December 5th ~ 3 pm to 7 pm

Tuesday, December 6th ~ 9 am to 12 noon

Wednesday, December 7th ~ 3 pm to 7 pm

Thursday, December 8th ~ 9 am to 12 noon

Saturday, December 10th ~ 10 am to 2 pm

CORRECTIONS TO THE 2016 DIRECTORY

Please note the correct spelling of Earnestine Goggans name and that her birthday is July 8th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall, Fridays at 9-10 AM and Thursdays at 5:30 PM

Cropping Group, Thursdays at 10 AM in library

Choir Practice, Thursdays at 4 PM in Sanctuary

DWF Meeting Thursday, October 6th at 10 AM in Fellowship Hall

DMF Meeting, Saturday October 8th at 8 AM in Fellowship Hall

Carry In, October 9th following Worship Service in Fellowship Hall

FCC Elders Meeting, Tuesday, October 11th at 5:15 PM in Pastor's Office

Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 11th at 6 PM in Fellowship Hall

District DMF Meeting, Thursday October 20th at 8AM in Columbia

ACTS is requesting donations of pasta sauce for the month of October