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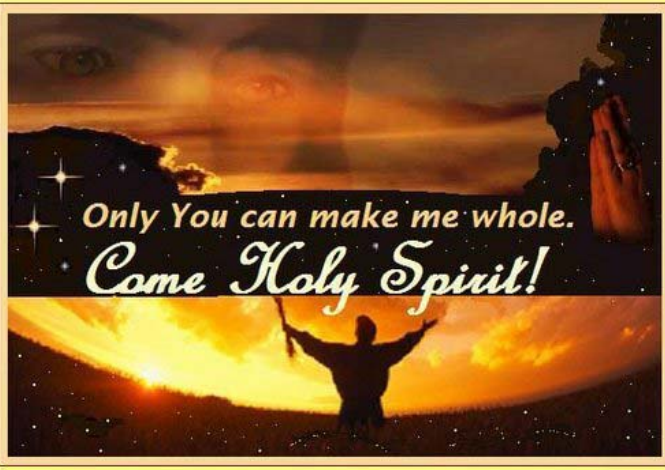


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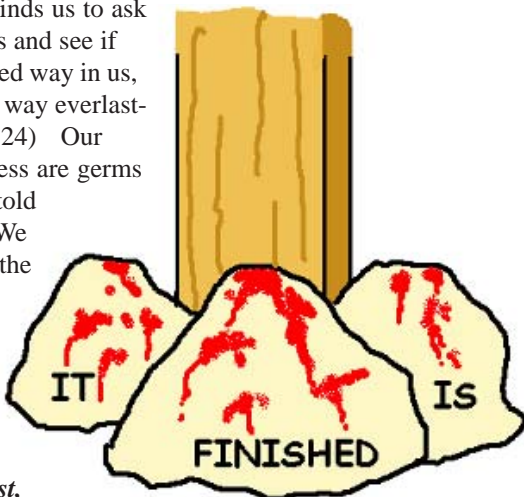
One of my duties as a pastor is to visit hospitals, retirement homes, and skilled nursing centers. These facilities house many of the most vulnerable people in our communities. Families trust these places to take of their loved ones, because, for one reason or the other, it is not practical for them to receive care at home.

Supervisors and caregivers of these homes make a special effort to keep the environment surrounding their patients safe and secure. On many occasions, I will see posters and signs asking visitors to refrain from coming, especially during flu season. Those responsible for the care of people in these facilities know that germs can spread like wildfire, threatening the health of every individual.



When I walk into one of these facilities, I notice hand washing stations on every corner or before every room I enter. A person is directed to spread the disinfectant on their hands and thus inhibit the spread of bacteria from the outside or from one patient to another.

The Psalmist reminds us to ask God to "Search us and see if there be any wicked way in us, and lead us to the way everlasting." (Psalm 139:24) Our sins and wickedness are germs that can cause untold harm and chaos. We can be washed in the blood of Christ that cleanses and prepares us to minister to others.



*Yours in Christ,
 Jerry*

Bazaar 2009

Can you believe it will soon be time for our 2009 Bazaar? I know most of you will soon be doing your "spring cleaning". Please think of us, and put your discarded items aside. We are blessed again to have a storage place for anything you would like to donate. I can be reached at 473-5905 for storing these items.

Committee chairpersons are being contacted. More information will be coming, once we get our plans in place.

With your prayers and the help of everyone, we can have another successful bazaar in 2009!

Carol Meekins, Chairman



BIG NEWS!!

Be on the look-out! God has ordered up a new delivery for the Nissley home in about seven months!

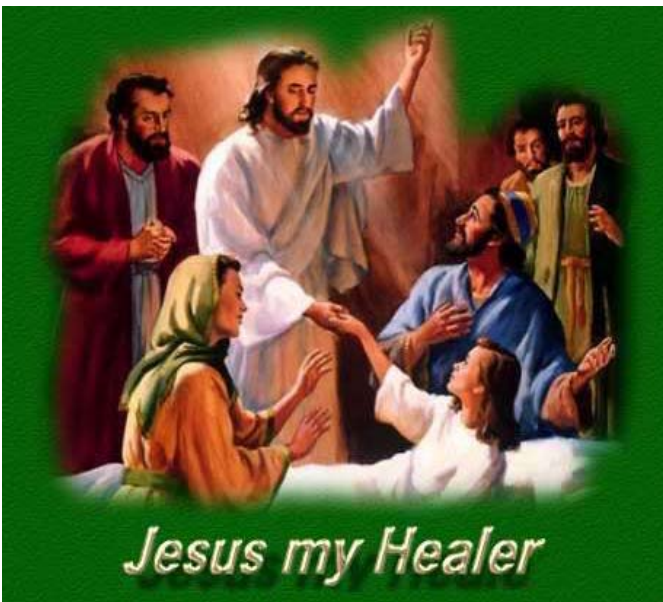
Youth

Hello Everyone,

First, thank you for all your prayers, emails, cards, and visits during my recent wisdom teeth removal. I was overwhelmed by the amount of love I received from my family here at Mt Olivet. While I was in Plymouth with my parents recuperating, I had the chance to attend my home church. While sitting in church that Sunday morning, I looked around and then closed my eyes and said a prayer for the services at Mt Olivet. At that moment, I truly missed my church family here at Mt Olivet. Thank you for making me feel at home.

A few days after my wisdom teeth removal, I had a check up visit with my oral surgeon. It was then I heard the two words that no one ever wants to hear. I was told that I had two dry sockets. These dry sockets would be the most painful things I had ever endured. While I was at home in Plymouth trying to overcome and make it through the pain, I thought a lot about dry sockets.

Many go through life with dry sockets. They suffer from emotional dry sockets. They walk around life suffering from intense pain. Thankfully, time has allowed my oral dry sockets to heal, but as the hands and feet of Christ, we are called to lead these hurting people to the only medication that can heal their heart: JESUS! He can heal broken families, lives, and hearts. Are you looking for those who suffer from emotional dry sockets and leading them to the cross?



UMYF Update: Summer is quickly approaching. Remember to read the bulletin each week for updates on what is going on with the youth at Mt Olivet. Also, I will be sending a parent letter home soon to inform you of our summer plans.

Parents: Do you have an email address? If you do, please send me your most up-to-date address to dhortelano@mountolivetumc.org. This will help me to communicate with you more effectively.

Mission Trip: July 13 – 18 – This weekend can be life changing, but you can't benefit from it if you don't go. Please take time to sign up your youth for this trip. Also, we are looking for a few adults to head out with us, as well. The cost for this trip is \$350, but we will be doing fundraisers to help with the cost.



Worship

MAY ALTAR GUILD

Maxine Thomasson, Chair: Kathryn Bottjen, Janice O'Neal, Rita Shaffer, Celia Meekins

Co-Chair: Maxine Thomasson 473-2234
Margaret Daniels 473-3534

MAY GREETERS

Chip, Jenn, Tripp & Sarah Phillips

Chair: Lynda Midgett 473-2774

MAY USHERS

8:30 George & Linda Cheeseman

11:00 Richard & Jane Wright

Chair: Lynda Midgett 473-2774

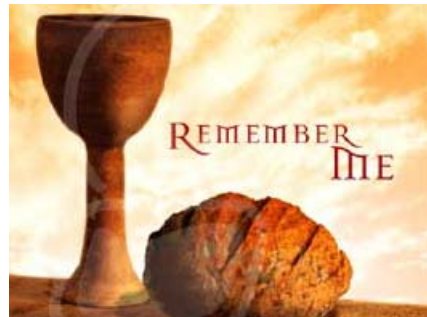
MAY COMMUNION SERVERS

8:30 Melinda Long & Nancy Marty

Kevin & Aletia Goudy

11:00 Marjalene & Hunt Thomas

Communion Stewards,
Charlie and Helen Petty 473-3456



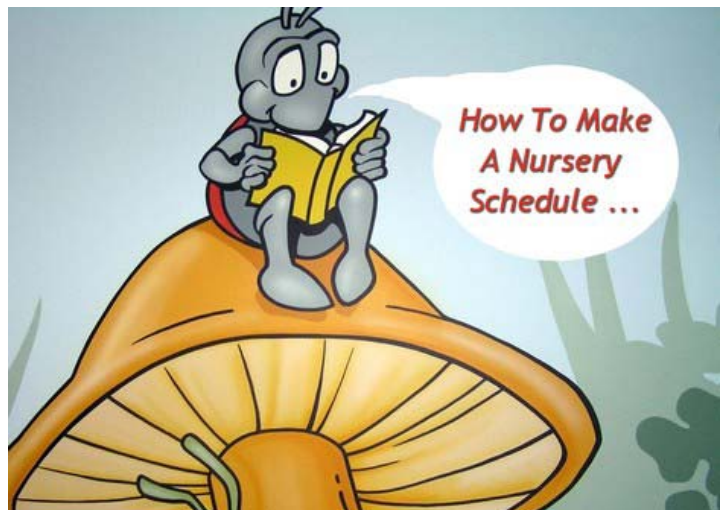
Thank you volunteers for all you do to serve Him.

Worship Chair,
Edna Black

Nursery

May Nursery Volunteers

	8:30	Sunday School	11:00
3-May	Anna Barrett Smith 473-2359	Lisa Fry 475-1717	Cribb Family 473-2088
10-May	Lauren Craddock 473-1971	Nancy Austin 473-2389	Christine Walker 473-4788
17-May	Beth Twyne 473-4899	Paula Donaghy 480-1844	Amy Dixon 473-1605
24-May	Becky Austin 473-5694	Dotsy Davis 473-3995	Volunteer Needed
31-May	Michelle Barnes 473-6327	Valerie Wright 473-1094	Kathy Seawell 473-2056



The church nursery can always use volunteers! If you are not on the schedule, but would like to volunteer in the nursery ministry, please give me a call!

Stacey Gregory
475-1545

Danielle Hortelano
Director of Youth Ministry

Children's Ministry

We believe each talent and each little quirk is our own; these things define us and are what make us "different". In reality, all these things that define us belong to God. HE is our God, the one who makes us different, not of this world. God is our creator, the artist that breathes life in the figures he molded. In all that we do, we should give to HIM. That is the message of our summer camps this year. Children often define themselves by the things they enjoy doing and the things in which they excel. When they define themselves by actions, they spend so much time trying to sharpen their skills they forget how these talents connect them to God. By not making this connection, it is sometimes hard for them to identify how their talents were created to serve God. This summer, we will use two all-day camps to focus on how kids can serve and worship HIM.

ALL DAY SUMMER CAMPS-

Both camps will be **8:30am-3pm** and all kids must bring their lunches. **Cost per child is \$50**, unless the parent is a volunteer. Children must have **completed 1st – 5th grade**. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Each camp will be limited to 40 students, excluding those whose parents are volunteers.

Creations Art Camp- July 6-10 at the church

A special opportunity to be instructed by some of the best Christian artist and teachers in the area. This camp will offer watercolors, missions art, drama, music, mosaic art, and much more.

Mega-Sports Camp

- August 3-7 at the Dare County Rec. Center

Christian coaches come together to show kids how they can serve God with all they've got! Come as they learn all the ways God can use them on the field. Sports offered: Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, and Karate.

Registration forms can be found on the website and at the church office. We still need volunteers for each of these camps. Please pray, and ask God how He would want you to utilize your given talents to guide the children in learning the importance of how each talent was created by God to glorify and serve Him in the body of Christ. Call 473-2089 ext.25

Vacation Bible School Extreme Camp- 20th-24th 9am-12pm For 4-year-olds through those who have completed 5th grade

CAMP E.D.G.E. VBS is not your typical stroll through the woods. It's an action-packed, adrenaline-filled expedition that teaches kids their strengths and might come from God. Through rockin' contemporary music, larger-than-life recreation games, mind-boggling science activities, extreme sports videos, and cool, challenging crafts, we'll show your kids how to live on the E.D.G.E. in their faith.

IWANNA FAITH – Ends May 13th

Wednesdays 2:45- 4:30 (when school is in session)

S.U.R.G.E. Will meet **May 17th** at 5pm in the 3rd-5th grade Sunday School class for scripture study and fellowship. (Don't be confused if you heard it met May 10- it was changed due to Mother's Day!)

Roller Skating at the Arc- **May 17th** Tweens will go skating at the Arc. Contact Jan Culpepper at 252-473-2089 ext.25 for permission forms.

Recycling 4 Green Fundraiser-

The Children's Ministry will raise funds and awareness with the Recycling 4 Green Fundraiser. The ministry will be collecting used and/or broken cell phones, batteries, laptops, GPS devices, MP3 players/ IPODS, CDs, DVDs, inkjet cartridges, and digital

camcorders so that they might be disposed of properly. Recycling Bins are located at Island Pharmacy, Farm Bureau, and Mount Olivet UMC.

Children's Church is offered during the 8:30am service and the 11am service. It is held in the upstairs Sunday School rooms. There are two classes: "Lil' K": preschool – K5 and "KIDMO": First – Fifth grade.

Be a Hero! Volunteer and be a huge influence in the spiritual growth of the little ones- Call Jan at 473-2089 ext.25 or sign up on the door of the children's director's office.

*Blessed to serve Him,
Jan Fletcher Culpepper
Children's Director
252-473-2089 ext 25*

MANTEO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Tuesday, May 12, 2009

8:30 – 11:30 and 12:30 – 2:30

Manteo Elementary School Library

Children must be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2009

Must bring: Child, Birth Certificate, Social Security Card, Immunization Record, Health Assessment (if possible), Parent proof of physical residence (driver's license, NC DMV identification, or voter registration card). It is helpful to have a copy of these documents.

There WILL NOT be a Health Assessment at Registration. You must arrange this with your child's health care provider. If you have this before May 12, please bring a copy.

ELEVATOR

CONSTRUCTION



The construction of the Mount Olivet United Methodist Church elevator has begun. Following a 16-month evolution of acquiring funding, construction planning, receiving of contractor bids, and pre-award processing, Renaissance Construction Company of Manteo, NC was selected and awarded the contract on March 27, 2009.

Preliminary work is in progress. Actual on-site construction will be initiated in late April 2009 with an anticipated construction schedule for completion in late July – early August 2009.

Every effort will be made for on-site construction to be as non – disruptive as possible to daily church activities. This will include night work, and/or Saturday work (when necessary) and accommodating specific work scheduling with special church events and activities (i.e. Vacation Bible School).

An elevator plan, portraying the location and construction particulars, is posted on the church library window. It is noted the elevator construction project is one phase of an endeavor to make Mount Olivet United Methodist Church a universally-accessible church. Other projects in this endeavor include the construction of the church parking lot and universally-accessible restrooms. Ramps are being planned, where needed.

To date, the church accomplishments in this endeavor have been largely possible through gracious contributions of Trust Fund funds, Duke Endowment Funds, and personal gifts and pledges.

*Bob Tugwell
Trustees Committee*

Music Ministry

The adult Easter musical, "I Will Follow Christ", was a wonderful, uplifting, and awesome experience that praised God through song. I want to thank the choir, praise team, the instrumentalists, Selah, Darlene Craddock, and Jeff Whitt for all the prayer, hard work, and time they put in to learning the music in order to share the power of the cross to all those who came to listen.

In preparation, we prayed for God to open our hearts and minds to learn and apply what God was teaching us through the songs and for God to prepare the lives of those who would come to hear His praises sung. God indeed answered our prayers.

I have done many concerts throughout the years, yet the compliments and comments I heard in regard to the musical were greater than any I had ever received. People shared how God encouraged them through the words of the songs during the performance. Others shared how God spoke to them through the words and they now read the lyrics written in the program as part of their devotions. One of the sweetest comments was when one lady explained how she was able to worship God as we sung the words and played the music.

There were many more testimonies and encouragements shared with me, and all I would ask you to do is praise God. It is a humbling and awesome feeling to know that God has used you to teach, bless, and encourage fellow believers of Jesus Christ.

The music ministry at Mount Olivet would like to say "thank you" for allowing us and giving us an opportunity to be used. May we continue to celebrate the power of the Cross long after the celebration of Jesus as our Passover Lamb has moved on. May our love and devotion continue to grow toward our Savior.

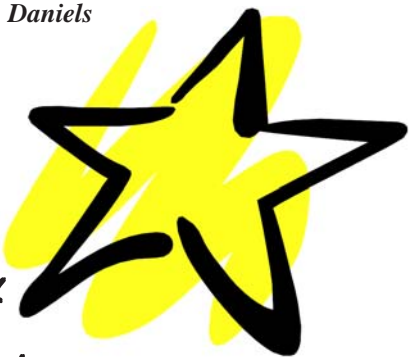
*In His Service,
Traci Nissley*

Thanks!

Thanks to all the members of Mount Olivet United Methodist Church who have called, sent cards, and especially prayed for me during my recent health issues. While my healing has taken longer than I expected, my patience has grown. Your love and compassion is appreciated.

Karl & Debby Daniels

*Thank you-
Tommy and Ann-
for Ten Years of
Dedicated Service!*



A Certificate of Appreciation for 10 years of serving as organist (1999-2009) was presented to Tommy Midgett, along with a gift certificate to Owens restaurant. Flowers were also in his honor on Sunday, March 22.

A Certificate of Appreciation for 10 years of service (1998-2008) as Treasurer was presented to Ann Payne with a gift certificate to Owens.

Our heartfelt thanks-- from your Church Family!

Peggy Snead. Staff, Pastor, Parish Committee

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11



Trustees Purchase BUS!!!

It appears that the Board of Trustees' goal to purchase a new 15-passenger bus in time for use this summer will be achieved. The Mount Olivet UMC 2009 budget does not have a line item for the purchase of a bus. However, thanks to the generosity the 2007 Bazaar, the Preschool and an individual donor, just over half of the cost of the desired bus has been already committed.

The Administrative Board approved the Board of Trustees' request to proceed with the bus purchase using a pledges-backed bank loan for the balance needed for the bus purchase. The Board of Trustees requested pledges from several groups within our church with the goal to have the bus paid for by the end of 2010. The groups include the six adult Sunday school classes, the 2009 Bazaar, the United Methodist Men and the members who pledged this year to the stained-glass window restoration fund.

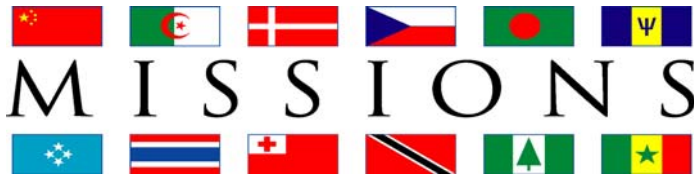
The response to the Board of Trustees' request for bus purchase pledges has been very favorable and appreciated. The new bus will be a great asset to our church's missions, youth and senior members programs. The Board of Trustees thanks all the church groups and members who have donated and pledged to the bus purchase.

Reuben Payne

Bicycles ??

As a part of the Summer Ministry Program for International Students, Keith Zillafro and a crew of our men are collecting and rehabilitating bicycles. It is our heart's desire to have a fully functioning bike for each student. If you have a bike to donate-- or skills to donate, please give Keith a call at 473-1522





Missions is very happy to report the FOOD PANTRY is in very good operational shape right now thanks to your generosity during the winter and early spring. We could always use a few more dedicated volunteers; so if you are interested please contact ANN or JIM DAVIS; the wonderful and dedicated FOOD PANTRY coordinators.

It seems like lately everywhere you look - you see ACRONYMS....you know were you take a word and make a message by using the first letter of that word.....so let's for fun look at MOUNT OLIVET MISSIONS in this way:

M - Meeting
 O - Others'
 U - Unfailing
 N - Needs
 T - Together

O - Operating in
 L - Love
 I - Inspired by
 V - Victory in Christ
 E - Encouraging
 T - Teamwork of

M - Many
 I - Individuals
 S - Sacrificing and
 S - Serving
 I - In
 O - Other
 N - Nations
 S - Steadfastly.

So, you can see by this acronym that Missions is more than just what we do here in our community. Matthew 28:19 instructs us to go to all Nations and make Disciples of Jesus Christ. We are to declare the Good News of the Saving Grace of Christ by helping those in need. (Ephesians 2:8-10). You see, it's really not an option for a Christian to be involved in Missions....it's our obligation -an obligation that is a natural reaction to the gift God has given us. God himself is entrusting his less fortunate children to our care! How awesome is this? We should shed the thought that we "have to do something for God" and realize we GET TO DO something for him and what a wonderful privilege that is.

It has been said many times but always bears repeating.....our missions committee prayerfully and humbly oversees the monies that you give as we represent this fine congregation in partnering with many organizations and individuals that are the hands and feet of Christ locally, nationally, and internationally.

Our next meeting will be May 19 at 6 pm. If you have any questions or concerns; please see one of the following members of the Missions Committee. Kathy Seawell, Sandy Atkinson, Helen Petty, Margaret Daniels, Paul Midgett, Jerry and Michelle Cribb, Jennifer Gamiel, Nancy Gmitter, Carol Meekins, SC Basnight, Larry Thomasson; Janice O'Neal, Lynn Tugwell, Dotsy Davis, Marcia Danchise or Ann Davis.

Thanks!

We would like to thank God first for Charlie's ongoing recovery from open heart surgery. We also want to thank our brothers and sisters in Christ for the cards, phone calls, visits and great food. Most of all, we thank you for your prayers!!

We love you!
Charlie & Helen Petty



- 1 Jep Adams, Jay Burrus, Arvin Midgett, Wally Sprague
- 2 David Buckalew, Laura Cribb, John Warren Pearce
- 3 Charlene Heroux
- 4 Margaret Fearing, Stacey Gregory, Andrew Wescott
- 5 Jane Phillips, Joe Zoll
- 6 Kelsey Watts
- 7 Sarah Elizabeth McClearen, Argent Spake
- 8 Noah Tristan Adams
- 9 George Beaton, Leslie Lafferty, Ted Martin, Anna Allen Petty, Ashlie Nicole Walker
- 10 Todd Daniels, Nettie Midgett, Patti Morgan, Paul Schleizer
- 11 James Seth Fauth, Marjalene Thomas
- 13 Les Austin, Craig Fearing
- 14 Courtney Daniels, Melva Garrison, James Evans Miller, Sean Rock
- 16 Aletia Goudy, Siena Marie Bea Kelley, Amy Jones Snell, Bob Tugwell
- 17 Alan Quentin Bell, Bill Pearce
- 18 Lexie Etheridge
- 19 Jack Forest Basnight, Daniel Tugwell
- 20 Summer Wain Bell
- 21 Bobby Harrell
- 22 Halle Hunt
- 23 Amy Etheridge, Tina Marie Hadley, Morgan Midgett
- 24 Garrett Forest Basnight, Ralph Jones, Jr., Windy Rose
- 25 Camryn DiLeonardo, Pam McClure
- 26 Jenna Erpelding, Alex White, Lauren Whitfield
- 27 Jerry Cribb, Johnny Farrow, Pat Harrell,
- 27 Horace Midgett, Jr., Kimberly Susan Moore
- 28 Britney Anderson, Kadie Midgett,
- 29 Bernie Austin, Jr., Susan Henry
- 30 Robert Heroux, Abbey Reibel
- 31 Kevin Dozier, Mike Glover, Stanley Oliver, Scott Snead

From Lynn and Nathan

It was a great treat and honor to be a part of your "Mighty To Save" Revival! We truly enjoyed our time in Manteo. Thank you for all of your hospitality. It meant so much to us to be a part of such a powerful event.

Blessings,
Lynn Cross & Nathan Kilbourne

- 1 Roy & Louise Gray - 44 yrs.
- Arvin & Lynda Midgett - 45 yrs.
- Kevin & Traci Nissley - 10 yrs.
- 3 Tony & Beth Wilcox - 6 yrs.
- 4 Ben & Holly Presgrave - 8 yrs.
- 5 Jackie & Shirley Shannon - 52 yrs.
- 6 George & Lib Miller - 48 yrs.
- 9 Rufus & Jerri Hopkins - 50 yrs.
- 10 Buddy & Cathy Boyce - 12 yrs.
- 11 Jerald & Darlene Craddock - 25 yrs.
- 15 Tom & Colleen Blanchard - 5 yrs.
- 16 Ezra & Thelesa Fauth - 25 yrs.
- 17 Skip & Charlotte Dixon - 40 yrs.
- Terry & Valerie Wheeler - 29 yrs.
- 18 Miguel & Katherine Gomez - 7 yrs.
- 20 Richard & Jane Wright - 17 yrs.
- 21 Glen & Katherine Hopkins - 26 yrs.
- David & Elise Forrer - 10 yrs.
- 22 Kevin & Millicent Duprey - 10 yrs.
- 25 John & Sharon Collins - 41 yrs.
- 27 Ray & Ginger Midgett - 31 yrs.
- David & Betty Parker - 42 yrs.
- 28 Van & Anna Barrett Smith - 15 yrs.
- 31 Jed & Amy Dixon - 6 yrs.

