



# PARK MEMORIAL United Methodist Church

Fellowship ❖ Community ❖ Service

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Committed to serving the community through a Christ-centered fellowship.

January 2012

## Our Spiritual Resources

Dr. Bill Bright of *Campus Crusade for Christ* used to tell the following story of a famous oil field called Yates Pool:

During the depression this field was a sheep ranch owned by a man named Yates. Mr. Yates was not able to make enough on his ranching operation to pay the principal and interest on the mortgage, so he was in danger of losing his ranch. With little money for clothes or food, his family (like many others) had to live on government subsidy.

Day after day, as he grazed his sheep over those rolling west Texas hills, he was no doubt greatly troubled about how he would pay his bills. Then a seismographic crew from an oil company came into the area and told him there might be oil on his land. They asked permission to drill a wildcat well, and he signed a lease contract.

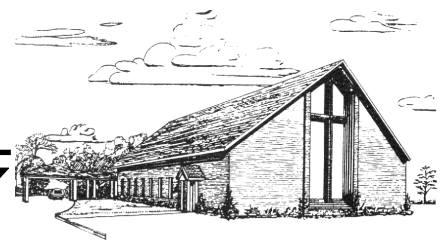
At 1,115 feet, they struck a huge oil reserve. The first well came in at 80,000 barrels a day. Many subsequent wells were more than twice as large. In fact, 30 years after the discovery, a government test of one of the wells showed it still had the potential flow of 125,000 barrels of oil a day.

And Mr. Yates owned it all. Yet, he had been living on relief. A multimillionaire living in poverty. The problem? He did not know the oil was there even though he owned it.

Many Christians are in a similar situation; they live in virtual spiritual poverty even though they are children of the King. They are entitled to all the gifts of the Holy Spirit and His energizing power in their lives, but they are seemingly unaware of this birthright. As we begin a new year together, let us remember who we are. We are followers of Jesus Christ, and He has given to us His Holy Spirit. Let us be determined to live this year in the full understanding of who we are as sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father.

I look forward to seeing you in church on Sunday!

Danny



# THE VISIONARY

Monthly Newsletter

[www.parkmemorialumc.org](http://www.parkmemorialumc.org)

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Children's Choir RESUMES, SUNDAY, JANUARY 22ND  
 3 year olds – 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Sundays, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Kids Klub RESUMES WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18TH  
 3 year olds – 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Wednesdays, 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm



## WARRIOR PRINCE ACADEMY

Boys 4-8 yrs old will discover how to conquer their fears by becoming strong in the Lord.  
 10 week class starts Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011 4:00 -5:00 pm

*"Once upon a real time there lived a boy named Luke. He dreamed of being a mighty warrior who was brave and courageous. But there was just one problem. He was afraid..."*

In a lively story about baseball, camping, and facing your fears, author Kelly Chapman helps readers see that, no matter what they are afraid of, they can be strong in the Lord and in God's mighty power. A *Warrior Prince for God* is all about finding out that a warrior prince is a Christian who lives a life worthy of his calling and enters into battles only when he is called, and then relying on God's strength and not his own.

# ATTENTION: 4th-6th graders

We have another amazing weekend in store for Elementary Winter Retreat 2012! This year we will discover the Secrets of the Universe with our special guests The Lads. Winter Retreat is a great chance to check out camp for the first time or get your Blue Lake fix before the summer comes around again. **Cost per child is only \$55.** Registrations forms at the Welcome Center - **Due by Jan. 8th 2012!!**

## Winter Retreat 2012 February 10-12



*Featuring: The Lads!*

# Youth News



### Sunday Schedule

(MG & Youth will not meet on Sunday, January 1st - Regular schedule Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29)  
 Middle Ground 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Youth 7<sup>th</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade Sundays, 6:00 pm

### Wednesday Schedule

MG and Youth will meet every Wednesday in January  
 Middle Ground 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Youth 7<sup>th</sup> grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade Wednesdays, 6:00 pm

# 9 SQUARE IN THE AIR

**Friday, January 20th @ 6:00 PM**

**YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS GAME NIGHT!!!**



# What We're Doing

# January

WEEK OF	JANUARY 1	JANUARY 8	JANUARY 15	JANUARY 22	JANUARY 29
ACOLYTE	Griffin McCrary	Cody Paramore	Trey Vardaman	Brax Barron	Serena Goldstein
VISITATION TEAM	No Visitation	Randy Hale	Amanda Challancin Lynn Melton	Tom Cain Mary Jim Cain	Circle of Hope
FLOWERS	In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Gruber by David & Jean Liberte.	TBD-Contact the church office if you would like to provide flowers for worship in honor or memory of a loved one.	TBD-Contact the church office if you would like to provide flowers for worship in honor or memory of a loved one.	TBD-Contact the church office if you would like to provide flowers for worship in honor or memory of a loved one.	TBD-Contact the church office if you would like to provide flowers for worship in honor or memory of a loved one.
NURSERY	Kristie Reaves Sara Hatfield	Amanda Challancin Victoria Kaye Johnson	Jan Hendricks Gilda Belcher	Mildred Finlay Kathryn Kelly	Emily Wise Nedetria Talbot

	<i>For the month of January...</i>
USHERS	Steve Cooke, Joey Holley, Mike Johnson, Danny Lee
SECURITY TRUSTEES	Lynn Melton, Mac Pullen, Margie Treadwell



weekly events

**SUNDAYS**

- 8:30 A.M. ....Praise & Worship Service
- 9:45 A.M. ....Sunday School
- 9:45 A.M. . COME ALIVE @ 9:45 Worship
- 11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship Service
- 5:00 P.M. .... Children's Choir (1/22)
- 6:00 P.M. Middle Ground & Youth (1/8)

**WEDNESDAYS**

- 3:30 P.M. .... Kids Klub(1/18)
- 6:00 P.M. Middle Ground & Youth (1/4)
- 6:30 P.M. .... Chancel Choir Practice

dates to remember

**JANUARY 3**

Church Offices Re-open

**JANUARY 4**

Circle of Assurance @ The Pines, 9:00 A.M.

**JANUARY 9**

- Circle of Benevolence, Park Memorial Fellowship Hall, 6:00P.M.
- Circle of Hope, 6:30 P.M. @ Village Coffee

**JANUARY 16**

Church offices closed - MLK Holiday

**JANUARY 17**

Church Council Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

**JANUARY 20**

Youth '9 SQUARE IN THE AIR', 6:00 P.M.

**JANUARY 22**

Men's Club Meeting, 7:30 A.M.

**JANUARY 29**

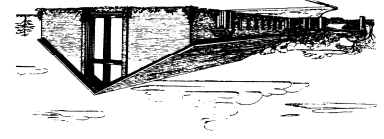
- 5th Sunday Lunch at NOON
- District Lay Leadership Academy
- Aldersgate-Montgomery 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.



# Requested Return Service

P. O. Box 1291  
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*Park Memorial United Methodist Church*



**BULK RATE**  
U. S. Postage Paid  
Permit #109  
Troy, AL 36081

## remember in your prayers Special Needs



### MILITARY

Tyler Austin  
Michael Brooks  
Donald Dunbar, Jr.  
Joshua Morgan Folmar  
Edward Holcombe  
Trey Ingram  
Josh Joseph  
Michael Key  
Cody Mathews  
Carmon Michel  
Nathaniel Muller  
Pat Page  
Kenny Pinckard  
Tripp Roddy  
Timothy Rottman  
Jarred Senn  
Amanda Wall  
Robbie Wertz

Carlos Botts  
Veleta Waltman  
Bobbie Green  
Betty Sunday  
Mary Jim Cain  
Mark Perkins  
Annette Richburg  
Ross Kennedy  
Joel Burris  
Rex Grant  
Fred Baker  
Jean Tulli  
Mike Fountain  
Ruth Lee  
Lee Armstrong  
Betty Sheffield  
Carol Peters  
Sheila Allen  
Mary Blair  
Peggy Culverhouse  
Agnes Johnson  
Allison Downs Moody  
Peggy Davis  
Carola Jeter  
Jimmy Norman  
Patti Sadler  
Deanne Hughes

Joe Dexter Flinn  
Barbara Johnson  
Reid Hiatt  
George Johnson  
Jeff Holmes  
Kyle Westbrook  
Betty Phillips  
Mae Penn  
Kolby Dyess  
Mark Lewis  
Nora & Emlynn Clark  
Jerrie Hollis  
Micky Goldsmith  
Joel McMillon  
Jeff Richards  
Margie Dawson  
Benjamin Jones  
Beulah Smith  
Hillis Gardner  
Benjamin Pomeroy  
Austin Prescott  
Philip Morgan  
Daniel Allen  
Tennie Jarrell  
Tammy Powell  
Bobby Branum  
Clifton Hassett

Aaron Simmons  
Wyman Hamm  
Lisa Mosely  
Paul Laliberte  
Sue Barnette  
Drew Wakefield  
Mary Jean Wilkins  
Hal Messersmith  
Scott Chancellor  
Burton Green  
Robert & Jessi Hebert  
Joan & Robert Price  
Brittany Robinson  
E. L. Moncrief  
Marge Thornton  
Bill Key  
Steadman Peed  
Peggy Scott  
Pauline Mills  
Jo Blount  
Mike Reed  
Dr. Scott McDaniel  
Rebecca O'Grady  
Inez Spivey  
Jim Drinkard  
Kathy Kuntz  
Alex Hanson

James Shipman  
Linda Bishop  
Judy Melo  
Ellen Bobo  
Hilda Linton  
Jane Wilson  
Tom Gillen  
Bobbie Nix  
Robert Hiatt  
Ann Messick  
Allen Adler  
Larita Mitchell  
Betty Renfroe  
Karlie Gill  
T. J. Simmons  
Bert Fridlin  
Margaret Balmer  
Shirley Ritchey  
Hank Jones

**Hospital/Surgery**  
Barrett Foster (Rehab)  
Marsha Tjarks (Rehab/ATL)  
Kyle Hidle  
Ed Armstrong  
Bee Gamble  
Eugene Harrison  
Lloyd Harrison

### *and remember our homebound...*

Hilma Baggett, Flossie Bishop, Emily Brabham, Johnny Brabham, Betty Carter, Eleanor Dozier, Kathrynne Dunn, Jane Hightower, Velma Hightower, Dot King, Wanda Leader, Bertha McLendon, Eula Mitchell, Helen Mitchell, Mercedes Moore, Corinne Pinckard, Annette Scarbrough, John Henry Stroud, Mildred Vance, Nell Whitman.

## honorariums & memorials

In honor of:  
ALEX MARSHALL DELONEY  
*Frank & Nedetria Talbot*

In loving memory of:  
TRICIA PATTERSON  
*Frank & Nedetria Talbot*

In loving memory of:  
BOBBY SEXTON  
*David & Cindy Miller  
Mac & Jean Pullen*


In loving memory of:  
JERRY SNIDER  
*Ricky & Linda Bishop  
Carolyn Gibson  
Luther & Kathleen McGaughy  
Randy & Sheila Newman*

In loving memory of:  
E J SPIVEY  
*Inez Spivey*



## We need Acolytes to serve in Worship

If you are the parent of a 2nd—5th Grader who would like to serve as an Acolyte, please contact the church office. We will have a training session soon.




## Choir Notes...

January is a great time to join the choir! If you enjoy singing, why not join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 P.M.  
*Hope to see you there!*



## 5th Sunday Potluck

**Sunday, January 29th**  
*After 11:00 am Worship.*



The Church Offices will be closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of the Dr. Martin Luther King holiday.

## Volunteers Needed

Volunteer schedules for Flowers, Ushers and Nursery Workers for 2012 are available at the Welcome Center. Please stop by and sign up if you would like to serve in one of these areas.

**Alabama-West Florida Montgomery-Opelika District Lay Leadership Academy**  
Sunday, January 29, 2012  
3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
Aldersgate UMC-Montgomery

## Note of Thanks

*Our sincere thanks to the entire Park Memorial Church Family for your gifts and expressions of love and support during this Christmas season and throughout the year.*

*We are blessed and honored to serve alongside such a loving and generous church family.*  
-Your Park Memorial Staff

## meetings

- The **Circle of Assurance** will meet on Wednesday, January 4, at 9:00 A.M. at the Pines.
- The **Circle of Benevolence** meeting will be Monday, January 9th, at 6:00 P.M. at Park Memorial UMC Fellowship Hall.
- The **Circle of Hope** will hold its first meeting for 2012 at Village Coffee on Monday, January 9th at 6:30 P.M.
- The **Church Council** will meet on Tuesday, January 17th, at 7:00 P.M.
- The **Men's Club Breakfast meeting** will be Sunday, January 22nd, at 7:30 A.M.

## offerings & attendance

	12/4/11	12/11/11	12/18/11	12/25/11
SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	70	55	TBA	N/A
8:30 / 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	44/161	34/165	TBA	TBA
COME ALIVE @ 9:45 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	44	144	TBA	N/A
OFFERING	\$16,511.51	\$7,919.26	TBA	TBA

## Park UMC 2012 Church Officers

Chair of Church Council	Kaye Jinright
Pastor	Danny Arnold
Director of Children's Ministries	Kathy Kirkpatrick
Director of Youth Ministries	Jerrid Olmstead
Director of Preschool Ministry	Robin Sparrow
Lay Leader	James Sparrow
Lay Delegate	Henry Curtis
Alternate Lay Delegate	Mac Pullen
Disaster Response Coordinator	Mark Challancin
Sunday School Superintendent	Alice Arnold
Nursery Coordinator	Sabrina McWhorter
Chair of Preschool Board	Kathy Kirkpatrick
Recording Secretary	Mariann Day
Hospitality Chair	Sandie Garrett
Communications Coordinator	Sally Sonnenburg
Chair of PPRC	Jay Kyzar
Ushers Coordinator	Jimmy Barron
Membership Secretary	Dot Law
Chair of Finance	Frank Talbot
Treasurer	Johnny Law
Chair of Trustees	Randy Hale
Visitation Coordinator	Randy Hale
President of UMM	Jerry Deloney
PALS Coordinator	Allene Snider
Financial Secretary	Sherry Mitchell

**Church Council** (*Leadership Team*) – Danny Arnold, Jimmy Barron, Tom Cain, Mark Challancin, Ken Chance, Henry Curtis, Verbie Curtis, Mariann Day, Vic DeBruyne, Jerry Deloney, John Deloney, June Ducote, Jade Fleming, Mashone Fleming, Mack Flowers, Sandie Garrett, Carla Guthrie, Gary Guthrie, Randy Hale, Margrette Hughes, Max Hughes, Hank Jones, Kaye Jinright, Kathy Kirkpatrick, Jay Kyzar, Dave Laliberte, Jean Laliberte, Dot Law, Johnny Law, Raymond Messick, Sherry Mitchell, Eric Mizell, Randy Newman, Robert Newman, Sheila Newman, Mac Pullen, Mike Smith, Allene Snider, Sally Sonnenburg, James Sparrow, Robin Sparrow, David Sunday, Edith Synco, Thomas Synco, Frank Talbot, Nedetria Talbot, John Treadwell, Jennifer Wilson

### Honorary Members

Hilma Baggett, Velma Hightower, Corinne Pinckard, Annette Scarbrough, John Henry Stroud, Mildred Vance

## Committees

### Organization Teams

*Nominations Team* – Holly Stoltze (2012), Gary Guthrie (2012), Lisa Wise (2013), Allene Snider (2013), Cindy Barron (2014), Jack Byars (2014) and James Sparrow (Lay Leader)

*PPRC Team* – Tom Farrar (2012), Vic DeBruyne (2012), Max Hughes (2012), Jay Kyzar (2013), Holly Stoltze (2013), Ken Chance (2013), Gary Guthrie (2014), Allene Snider (2014), Marcus Paramore (2014) and Henry Curtis (Lay Delegate) and James Sparrow (Lay Leader)

*Trustees Team* – Randy Hale (2012), Anthony Kersey (2012), Russ Ferraro (2012), Mac Pullen (2013), Mike Smith (2013), Margie Treadwell (2013), Steve Brown (2014), Jerry Deloney (2014)

*Finance* – Mark Challancin, Henry Curtis, Jerry Deloney, Gary Guthrie, Hank Jones, Kaye Jinright, Jay Kyzar, Johnny Law, Sherry Mitchell, Eric Mizell, Ralph Richburg, Jim Sonnenburg, James Sparrow, Charles Synco, Frank Talbot

*Preschool Board* – Robin Sparrow (Director), Kathy Kirkpatrick (Chair), Randy Hale (Chair of Trustees), Amanda Challancin, Jennifer Wilson, Jennifer Deloney, Mark Head (Parent Representative)

### Witness Teams

*Mission/Disaster Response Team* – Mark Challancin, Jerry Deloney, Karen Farrar, Tom Farrar

*Evangelism Team* – Jerrid Olmstead, Mike Smith

## Park UMC 2012 Budget

1210000	Conf/Dist. Apportmnts	48,301
1220005	Chancel Choir	2,000
1220010	Children's Choir	500
1220015	Children's Ministry	10,000
1220020	Christian Education	8,500
1220035	Good Samaritan Fund	2,400
1220050	Missions	17,500
1220065	Preschool	0
1220070	Refreshments	2,000
1220075	Revival/Evangelism	10,000
1220095	Vacation Bible School	3,500
1220105	Youth Ministries	12,500
1230005	Accounting Services	1,000
1230010	Administrative Supplies	3,500
1230015	Bulletins/Worship Supp.	2,000
1230020	Capital Outlay Reserve	12,000
1230025	Church Mortgage	84,252
1230030	Insurance	16,000
1230035	Janitorial Supplies	3,000
1230040	Office Equipment	1,500
1230045	Postage	2,000
1230050	Lawn Services	6,000
1230055	Trustees Budget	6,000
1230060	Utilities	36,750
1240005	Church Secretary	26,700
1240010	Youth Director	34,000
1240015	Health Insurance	10,000
1240020	Janitor	16,600
1240025	Ministerial Package	68,132
1240030	Nursery	6,000
1240035	Organist	4,200
1240040	Payroll Taxes	10,000
1240045	Worship Ldr/8:30 & 9:45	8,000
1240050	Children's Director	22,660
1240055	Min. Housing All.	24,000
	Direct Bill, Pension	34,960
Total		556,455

## Committees

### Nurture Teams

*Prayer Team* – Amanda Challancin, Patty Cooke, Verbie Curtis, Susan Fountain Jan Hendricks, Sherry Helms, Cindy Mitchell

*Member Development Team* – Sonny Kirkpatrick, James Sparrow, Nedetria Talbot, Lisa Wise

*Worship Team Traditional Service* – Mariann Day, Steve Haug, Susan Haug, Sherry Helms, Margrette Hughes, Jean Laliberte, Faye Lunsford, Kim Kersey, Cindy Miller, Tiffany Mizell, Sheila Newman, Susan Outlaw, Lea Sunday, Karen Williamson

*Worship Team Come Alive Service* – Amanda Challancin, Mark Challancin, Patty Cooke, Beth Holley, Joey Holley, Jan Hendricks, Scott Hendricks, Bo Lankford, Jerrid Olmstead, Jay Wilson