



# Cokesbury United Methodist Church

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## Mission Statement

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

*Matthew 28:19-*

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Through Cokesbury Windows

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## Why Go To Church?

(If you're spiritually alive, you're going to love this!  
If you're spiritually dead, you won't want to read it.  
If you're spiritually curious, there is still hope!)

A church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. "I've gone for 30 years now," he wrote, "and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the preachers and priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all." This started a real controversy in the *Letter to the Editor* column.

Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: they nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today.

Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"  
When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible, and receives the impossible!

If you cannot see God in all, you cannot see God at all!  
B.I.B.L.E. simply means: Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth!  
When you are about to share this with others, the devil will discourage you.

Submitted by Dot Hailey  
Author Unknown



- Dan & Kay Dumas, Floyd & Irma Fike, and Sarah Kalish gave gifts to the Memorial Fund in memory of **Henry Justice**.
- Margie Forrest gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Henry Justice**.
- Mary Freeman gave a gift to the Music Fund in memory of **Henry Justice**.
- Mitchell & Judy Hagler gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of

### **Missy Fogle and Henry Justice.**

- Robert Kennedy gave a gift to the Music Fund in honor of **Marty and the Choir**.
- Deanna Reed gave a gift to the Missions Fund in memory of **Henry Justice**.
- Flo Sowell gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Louise Harpootlian and all mothers in her life**.



By Sara Joines

We will have regular UMYF on all Wednesday nights in May from 6:00-7:30 p.m. If you would like to cook for one of these meetings, please contact Ann Lake at [geneannlake@bellsouth.net](mailto:geneannlake@bellsouth.net).

If you can help to sponsor a youth to go on our summer mission trip, please see Sara Joines by May 22. The total cost to sponsor is \$150. This can be done by an individual, Sunday School class, or any group within the church.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the UMYF Mother's Day flower fundraiser. We made \$120 that will go toward our summer mission trip.

### **Vacation Bible School**

By Sara Joines

Vacation Bible School will be **June 13-17 from 5:30-8:00 p.m.** We need volunteers. If you can help, please fill out a volunteer form found in your church bulletin or on the table in the narthex.

### **Cokesbury Walkers**

By Sara Joines

We have moved the time for our walk to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday mornings due to the temperature getting warmer. Hope to see you soon!



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Come spend a great weekend with your church family **September 3-5** at Camp Tekoa in Hendersonville. You can do anything from sitting and rocking on the porch to zip lining across the beautiful lake. Fun will be had by all. Pick up a registration form from the table in the narthex.