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Our church campus is located at 4000 Moores Lane on the north side of Texarkana. Moores Lane is north of I-30 between Summerhill and Richmond roads.

We invite you to worship with us. Our services are Christ-centered, Biblically grounded, and culturally relevant. The words, music, and means of grace are all designed to empower you to grow in your relationship with God and in ministry to the world.

You are also invited to belong to the faith community. We enter into the family of Christ through baptism. We recognize God's action in baptisms in other faith communities; you do not have to be re-baptized to belong to Williams. If you have not been baptized, we will be honored to baptize you.

We offer the sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of each month in the Sanctuary at both the 8:15 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. service. On the third Sunday of the month, we offer Communion during the Xperience service in Wesley Hall. We encourage all people to respond to God's grace in receiving the sacrament. We practice open communion, which means you do not have to be a member of Williams or any church to receive from the Lord's table. We offer God's love freely to all persons.

As a faith community we believe every member is in ministry. Your baptism is your authority as a member of God's family. No one can take that away from you. We are all individually gifted and called

to service. We live out that calling within the community.

Our goal is to be like Jesus Christ in this world. We are constantly growing in grace; we have not arrived. We grow through worship, prayer, and study of God's Word. Through large meetings, small groups, and discipleship, we are changed from our old selves to our new selves.

As you pray to God, we hope you will consider belonging to the Williams' faith community. As you respond to God's grace, please talk to one of the pastors at the end of any worship service, and they will be honored to assist you in belonging at Williams.

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Abundance

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:6-8 NRSV)

In Paul's letter to the Church at Corinth he describes two very different attitudes which result in very different results, "the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

God blesses us in abundant ways and yet many people live in constant fear of loss. We fear economic downturns, high energy costs, and nuclear fallout. Some of our fears may be different from the Corinthians but the human situation is the same today as in Bible times. The farmer who sows sparingly lives in fear of loss and thus puts very little seed into the ground. The harvest is guaranteed to be poor. We can live differently than this way.

A farmer who puts a lot of seed into the ground can anticipate a huge harvest. It may not happen. The wind may blow away the seed or the rains may not fall, but the farmer plants in gratitude and hope knowing this is the only way for the harvest to be bountiful.

Our Church has abundance from God's blessings and just like farming, we can go about living in two very different ways. Our Church gives beyond itself to those who have need in our community. I see Church members all over town volunteering and giving of their time to make Texarkana a better place. We also give beyond our community for the transformation of the world.

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Continue to live generously instead of the other way, a spiritual fear which causes us to give sparingly and hoard what we have.

Paul lays out the path of how to do it:

1. "Give as you made up your mind" - Use good decision making and be intentional about your giving.
2. "Not reluctantly or under compulsion" - Be whole hearted in what you do because you choose to do it. Do not feel like someone is making you give, not even God makes you give.
3. "Cheerful giver" - A new TV show called "The Secret Millionaire" shows people deciding to give some of their wealth away to those who are doing good in their community. The result is an overwhelming sense of joy on the part of the one who is giving. The recipients are happy as well, but the giver is really impacted by their own generosity.

Live in a sense of abundance. Through the decades of our Church's life many people have given generously to make ministry happen. Please make a decision to continue so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

See you in worship.



Danny Wayman-Senior Pastor

May Sermons

05.1.11

"Through Believing You Have Life"

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

05.8.11

"Genuine Mutual Love"

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

05.15.11

"Fellowship With the Apostles"

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

05.22.11

"A Spiritual house"

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

Joh 14:1-14

05.29.11

"Can We Know God?"

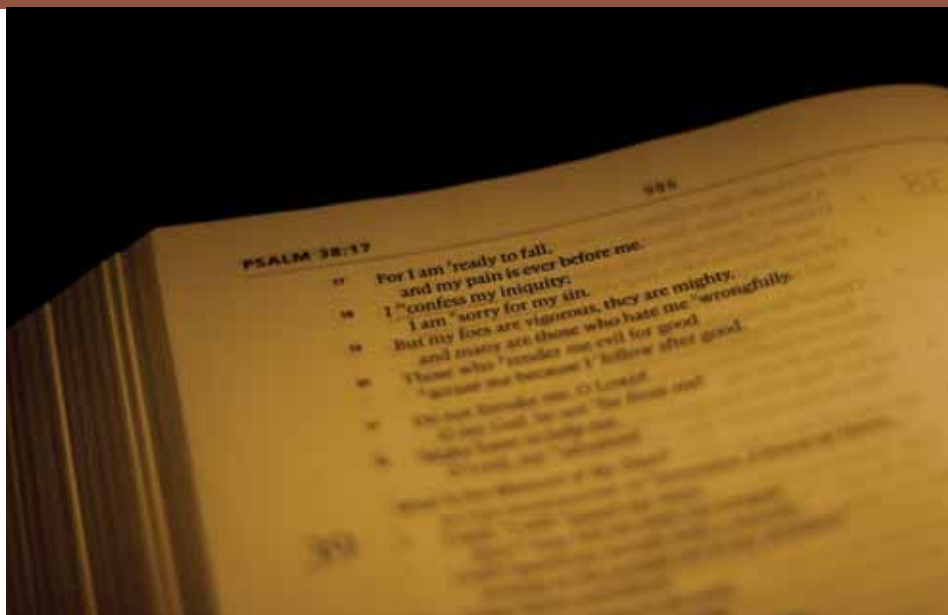
Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

Strengthen Your Faith



Outside of worship, how do you strengthen your faith? Are you trying to do it on your own under your own strength? Are you being “Intentional” in your “Faith Development?” Where is “Intentional Faith Development” mentioned in the Bible? We read about it in Acts 2:42; “They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” In this text, we learn that there are two things necessary for us to grow in our faith; learning and community.

Even though the exact words are not found in the Bible, Jesus disciples were very intentional in developing their faith. They spent time listening to Jesus stories, they broke bread together, they travelled together, they witnessed miracles together, and they spent time in the synagogue together. They came together as a community, held each other accountable, loved and supported each other, and learned as a community more about God and what God’s will was for their lives.

We can’t learn about love, mercy, forgiveness, and grace alone. It can only come about through faithful participation in the christian community. Sunday school, Bible studies, vacation Bible school, church camp, mission trips, youth group

activities, and other Bible based activities bring us together, help us build and maintain friendships, hold us accountable, and draw us closer to Christ. Take advantage of our wonderful Sunday school classes, Bible studies, youth activities, mission projects, mission trips, and other Bible based activities, and you’ll not only make new friendships as you learn, but you will also learn more about God’s will for your life.

In Christian love;

Tommy Earl Burton



About the Cover



This month’s cover features the 2011 Confirmation Class.

Pictured : Jake Smith, Spencer McCarty, Will Hlavinka, Michael DoBell, Hannah Hayes, Amy Oliver, Carley Goff, Connor Crawford, Mary Claire Paddock, and Emily McMillan

Sunday Schedule

- 8:15 Early Worship in Sanctuary**
- 9:00 Gathering Time**
- 9:15 Sunday School**
- 10:15 Gathering Time**
- 10:30 Xperience Worship in Wesley Hall**
- 10:30 Sanctuary Worship in Sanctuary**
- 3:30 Youth Band**
- 4:00 Cornerstone Worship**
- 5:00 Alive @ 5**
- 5:00 U.M.Y.F.**

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Music and Fine Arts



Sherri Waters- Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministry

Divorce Care Recovery

Many of us schedule our fall events during this spring season of the year. Dr. Gregory Montoya and I will offer DivorceCare again this fall. The workshop will begin Tuesday, September 6, at 6:00-7:30 p.m. It is a 13 week study for persons who are divorced or going through divorce. Child care will be provided.

The divorce process is a difficult experience for all involved. This is a Christian way to approach the challenges. It is important to know that you are not alone. You are in a caring Christian community. This is a confidential group, so we honor your trust.

Concert Series and Fine Arts Camp

Watch for news of special concerts during the summer season. This summer will have Fine Arts offerings scattered through out the season. We will do our best to keep things interesting and offer places for both service and fun.

Good Treasures

Bookstore and Coffee Shop

The Good Treasures Bookstore has a large variety of new items just in time for Spring Decorating, Mother's Day, Graduation and Confirmation. This is in addition to our usual handmade jewelry and clothing, music, and collectible items. Come in to the Good Treasures Bookstore and see what's in store.

Summer Hours

Monday- Friday

8am-5:30pm

Sunday

8am-noon



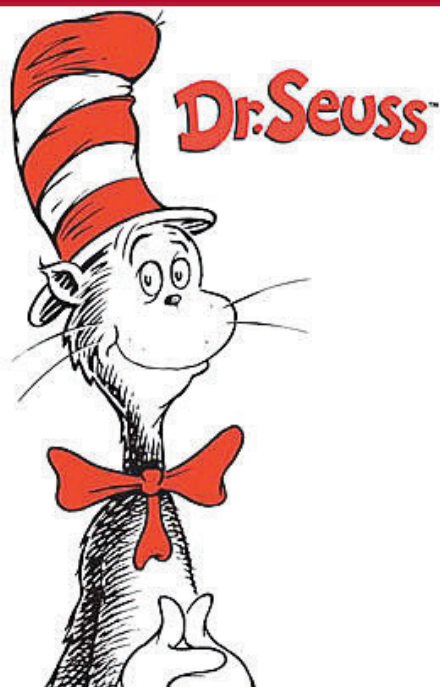
Silver and Stone by Suzi is just one example of the gifts available.



June Special

Free Cappuccino with every purchase of \$10 or more.

Williams School



Williams School Celebrates The Birthday Of Dr. Seuss

Literacy is an important part of our curriculum at Williams School. We integrated many books by Dr. Seuss as part of our celebration of his birthday.

Theodore Seuss Geisel, was born March 2, 1904. Dr. Seuss was not a doctor, but he wrote many famous children's books. He wrote "The Cat in the Hat" in 1957, and it was his



thirteenth children's book. "The Cat in the Hat" was an immediate hit selling almost a million copies by the end of 1960. "To Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street" was his first written in 1937.

When a publisher bet him that he could not make a book using fifty or fewer different words, Dr. Seuss wrote "Green Eggs and Ham". The book is his best-selling title. "The Cat in the Hat" is in second place followed by two more beginner

books which are "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" in 1960 and "Hop on Pop" in 1963.

In addition to reading books by Dr. Seuss, we also celebrated by having a crazy sock day, crazy hat day, and Wacky Wednesday. Ms. Devon also cooked with each class, and the children all enjoyed green eggs and ham. Please enjoy the pictures of our special week.

Ms. Paula, Director



Williams News



Confirmation Sunday May 1st

On May 1st 10 students will be confirmed at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We will all be celebrating this important time in the lives of each family as the confirmands are welcomed into full membership. Listed below are the confirmands:

Emily McMillan, Mary Claire Paddock, Carley Goff, Spencer McCarty, Jake Smith, Hannah Hayes, Michael DoBell, Will Hlavinka, Amy Oliver, and Conner Crawford

This has been an exciting year. These students have prepared for their confirmation through weekly classes, trips to worship with other denominations, a retreat, mission

projects, feeding Randy Sams, and Junior Youth Fellowship on Sunday nights.

We would like to say a special thank you to all who have helped make this Confirmation class possible. Thank you to Roger and Susan Waldrep for being such great teachers. Thank you to the Bunchs for hosting our Confirmation retreat, and to the Fellowship Class for serving the Confirmation dinner. Special thank you to Suzi Mercy for making our stolls, and to Allen Riley for framing the certificates.

The Confirmands will become a part of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship for seventh through twelfth grades on Sunday, May 15th.



Summer Bible Study

Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy by Beth Moore

Starting Tuesday, June 7th at 10:00 a.m. Sign-up sheet in Welcome Center.

Join Beth Moore in a faith-building study of prophecy and learn how to live with integrity in today's self-absorbed society. Daniel

faced unbelievable pressures to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and to confront temptations and threats. We believers today face many of the same trials as Daniel

If you have participated in any of Beth Moore's Studies before, you know that she will make you laugh, cry, think and enjoying learning about God's word.

June Sermons

6.5.11

"Jesus is Carried Into Heaven"

Acts 1:1-11

Psalms 47

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

6.12.11

"Let Anyone Who is Thirsty Come to Me"

Acts 2:1-21

Psalms 104:24-35, 35b

I Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 7:37-39

6.19.11

"Father, Son and Holy Spirit"

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalms 8

II Corinthians 28:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

6.26.11

"Listen Closely"

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalms 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

Adult Ministries



Williams Book Club

Come to the Children's Library on May 9th, at 12:00 pm, and join in the discussion of the book Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls. If you enjoy reading, you are welcome to become a member of our group. While at church pick up a copy of our book selection for June in the Good Treasurer's Bookstore and join us on June 13th, for our discussion.

UMW Thursday Bridge

Our ladies bridge club meets each month on the 1st Thursday at 1:00 p.m. to share dessert and a few rounds of bridge. We either meet in the Church Parlor or at Cornerstone. The Bridge Group always welcomes new members, and needs substitutes, if you can't commit to play on a regular basis.

W2LEO

(Widows & Widowers Let Eat Out)

We meet twice a month at local restaurants to share a meal and fellowship. If you are interested in joining our group call Larry Walker at 903 832-8129.

XYZ

(Senior Adults that enjoy playing games)

We meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month at 9:30 am in Wesley Hall. Playing games, having fun, sharing lunch and adding eXtra Years of Zest to our lives is what we do.



Spiritual Life

(Bible Study)

This Bible study is led by Kitty Harrington on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the game room at Cornerstone. Please come join our group as we complete the study of John.

UMW Princesses

(Ladies in their 20's, 30's & 40's)

The UMW Princesses will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm at a local restaurant to enjoy a good meal and great fun. If you would like to join our group contact Sue Camp at suecamp@cablone.net.

Disciple I

Disciple I Bible Study is winding down. It started last September and runs through May 2nd.

We have ten people that dedicated each Monday night (and many

additional hours of reading and study) each week to become disciples of Jesus Christ through this Bible Study. They studied the Bible in depth for 34 weeks, beginning with creation going to the New Jerusalem.

Lenore Wyrick and Joe Bunting led this class of eight enthusiastic students including: Alyce Bunting, Jesse and Marliese Stone, Judy and Carl Conley, Joanie Thompson, Ilse Callies and Beverly McDowell.

These students were nourished each week by this transforming Bible Study. They will be recognized in a worship service soon with certificates of recognition and pens. Anyone of these will tell you this was a life changing Bible study.

We will offer other Disciple Bible studies this fall, watch for them in the Insight and on the Bulletin Board in the Welcome Center.



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A Volunteer Thank You



Sunday morning volunteer Kerrie James picks up Sunday School books and enters attendance. (Photo Jerry Hatfield)

By Vee Daniels

In Webster Dictionary a volunteer is defined as an unpaid helper. Our volunteers at the Welcome desk are so much more. It is true they receive no compensation for the work.

Even with no pay each volunteer takes their job very seriously, always offering a smile and a helping hand to everyone that calls or comes to WMUMC.

They answer the phones, respond to questions that are sometimes difficult, give directions to newcomers, hand out groceries to the needy and accept applications for people needing assistance.

On Sunday mornings they pick up the Sunday School books and record the numbers, collect the money each Sunday from all SS classes, enter attendance for Sunday School and Worship Services.

They also help staff members, and offer their assistance in many other areas. Unpaid Helper just does not do justice to these special people.

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Some of our willing volunteers at the Welcome desk are: Lisa Ledwell, Amy Schulz, Lois Ann Burgess, Nellie Thomas, Dorothy Hood, Kathy Elam, Camille Williams, Patsy Thornton, Joanie Thompson, Andi Kirby, Grace Cardwell, Bobbie Ogden, Jo Hatfield, Dyanne Forward, Allen Riley, Dave Weatherby, Joe Morriss and Kerrie James.

Some are new volunteers; others have been dedicated for a longer time like Karrie James, who has volunteered on Sunday mornings for over seven years.

When you see these volunteers, tell them how very much we appreciate their dedication. This church could not run without all its volunteers.

If you have a couple of hours or a day that you could spare each week to help with God's work call and volunteer. No pay, but big rewards will come your way.

To volunteer contact the church office at 903.832.8663 or email jolenahays@gmail.com

Even with no pay each volunteer takes their job very seriously, always offering a smile and a helping hand to everyone that calls or comes to WMUMC.

Congratulations Seniors

Class of



Clifton Petty



Jason Day



Ben Booker



Jake Pearlman



Allison Morriss



Cody McGee

2011



Alex Seames



Alex Borrell



Anna Ward



Michael Ward



Hunter Green



Catie Crenshaw

Children's Ministries



Children's Ministries Opportunity to Serve

This summer we are looking for some volunteers to help teach Sunday School. Teachers take time to prepare for the lesson and then teach on Sunday mornings. Even if you may miss a few weeks for summer vacation you can still invest in the lives of these children while you are here.

Teachers Needed:

1st and 2nd Grade (Jun. 5 – Aug 14)

3rd – 5th Grade (Jun. 5 – Aug 14)

Yes, you can miss a few weeks to go out of town.

Teachers are also needed for 5th/6th grade Sunday School this fall .

If you can help, please email Suecamp@cableone.net or come by her office.



Alive @ Five

End of the year party

Everyone Welcome

Big Toys, Food, and Fun all on the Church
Front Lawn

Date: Sunday May 1st

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Please stay with your child and enjoy this
event for the whole family

JYF Raises Money for Meagan Mauldin



Thank you so much for supporting the JYF Hamburger and Hotdog fundraiser held March 20th.

The JYF raised \$1400.00 for Meagan Mauldin. Thank you for your support. The children did a great job and had fun at the same time. Please keep Meagan in your daily prayers!



The Gift of a Lifetime



If there was one word you could use to describe Clara Mae and Bob Cheatham, it would be generous.

For this article I sat down with some people who knew them best. They shared stories of being in the old church together, sharing good times. They talked about fun times at church socials, and teaching Sunday School. But the one thing that kept coming up was how much they gave, of themselves.

Hank Johnson recalls how he first got to know the Cheathams.

"We met at the church. Clara Mae was teaching a womens class in the old education building, and I was the church school superintendent for years. I was familiar with Bob from the Men's Bible class, which Judge Williams taught."

Later on Hank and Bob were both in the choir, that is where Hank first appreciated the great talent Bob had for singing, and leading.



"Bob sang bass in the choir, and at that time Gwen Yokum was the Organist and Choir Director. Bob would help her show the other members of the choir how their parts went. He was amazing and he was very knowledgeable in music."

Oneco Johnson remembered the little things that Clara Mae did that made a big impact.

"Any time we had a luncheon or bridge, she always wanted to have everything just right, maybe a center piece or something to make it very special."

"One time when she was a hostess for my birthday she had a shirt with hearts and love on it, and had all the girls sign their name on the back of it," Oneco held up her hands a little apart and said, "It was about this sized, but I still have it."

"She was a very gracious person, she was very generous, an excellent bridge player, and I think of her as having alot of strength and faith. She was loving, giving... like The Giving Tree", said Oneco

It is obvious that the Cheathams had a huge impact, by doing small things all the time.

"I'm sure there are a lot of things they contributed to that no body ever knew about." said Faye Hicks.

She then went on and recalled one of her favorite memories.

"We had one of our dinner theaters, to raise money for the youth, and we

were at the old church on Reading Avenue. Clara Mae and Bob did that song, 'Do You Remember.' She was dressed in an old timey dress and a bonnett. Everyone loved it."

Clara Mae was active in Sunday School and taught the Martha Women's Class. She was also church Sunday School Secretary around 1979 and was active in two church circles in both day and evening meetings.

Bob attended the Men's Bible Class and also sang in the church choir contributing a beautiful bass voice. Additionally, Bob was a member of William's Sanctuary Building Committee in 1966.

You may have never met Clara Mae or Bob Cheatham, but the effect they had on Williams Memorial United Methodist Church is visible every day.

The Cheathams also gave many tangible gifts to the church. A set of festival trumpets for the organ, were given in honor of Bob who passed away in 1983. A keyboard was also given to be used in the Chapel.

As a final gift Clara Mae gave \$500,000 to Williams Memorial United Methodist Church. Part of this donation has already been used for some of our building upgrades to enhance the church property.

The Trustees and Finance Committee are working hard to determine how the remaining money can be best used to honor the life and legacy of Clara Mae and Bob Cheatham.

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College and Young Adults

Get Unplugged

When I was in college I struggled to get my weekly 10 chapters read, projects finished, research papers written, and outside of that have somewhat of a normal social life. As much as I wanted to participate in Bible studies, diligently read my Bible on my own, and reflect daily on what God's word was doing for me, I just didn't seem to have the time to devote as much of myself as I should have.

Life gets really busy in college, and it doesn't look like that's going to change much when college is over and careers, partners, and babies get thrown into the mix one day. So how do we make time to develop our faith and spend time in God's word?

In my experience it's pretty dang hard to do it alone. Just like I need a partner to go to the gym and make healthy choices with me, I need a partner that will always encourage me to get into God's word and someone who will have thought provoking conversations with me about faith and love. Matthew 18:20 says, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."



In addition to our Monday night Bible Study, Williams College and Young Adults will be kicking off our new worship service, Unplugged, on Wednesday June 1st. Unplugged will be a service with acoustic worship music, a message, and discussion. It will be a chance for you to unplug from the stress of the week, relax, and worship the Lord our God. Unplugged will be the first Wednesday of every month at 7 P.M. in the Courtyard or in the Chapel when the weather is bad.

Kaitlin McMichael



Kaitlin McMichael- Director College and Young Adult Ministry

Upcoming Events

We meet in the Good Treasures Bookstore at Williams Memorial UMC

Monday, May 2nd
College Bible Study
6p.m. in the Bookstore

Tuesday, May 3rd –
Ride for World Health
6:30p.m. in the Youth Center

Monday, May 9th –
College Bible Study
6p.m. in the Bookstore

May 22nd - 28th
College U.M. Army
Conroe, TX

Wednesday, June 1st
Unplugged Worship
7p.m. in the Courtyard

Become a fan on facebook
at www.facebook.com/WMCYA



Tuesday, May 3rd
6:30 P.M.
in the Youth Center

Come find out about why hundreds of med students are riding across the country to raise funds and awareness about international health care issues.

There will be a drawing for a \$25 Target gift card

For more information about this cause visit
www.rideforworldhealth.org or
facebook.com/WMCYA

Media Workshop Series

May 4th, 11th, & 18th

Ever feel like you're out of the social networking, ultra technological loop? Wonder how all that mumbo jumbo could possibly make your life easier? Or are you up on the times, but want learn new tools to improve your media skills?

If you see yourself in one of these categories, then we have a 3 week Media Workshop just for you. The Workshop will be held on Wednesday nights on May 4th, May 11th, and May 18th from 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Here's a run down of what you'll be applying to your everyday life in no time.

Wednesday, May 4th

So facebook is more than a profile picture and a way to catch up with old friends? Learn about how social networks such as facebook, twitter and linkedin give you the tools to advertise your business, special events and so much more.

Wednesday, May 11th

Always been curious about what it takes to get the Xperience service up and running on Sunday morning? Come to Wesley Hall to learn about stage lighting, sound board and screen operation, and what to look forward to in media use in our Xperience service.

Wednesday, May 18th

With todays technology it's easy for everyone to look like a professional photographer. Learn about cheap and easy techniques to improve your photography and home video skills without taking up a new career in the arts!

R.S.V.P. to Kaitlin McMichael at kaitlin.mcmichael@gmail.com or Russell Martin at rgmmusic@gmail.com.

Youth Ministries



Weekly Events

Sundays at Williams

Every Sunday morning all students, grades 7 through 12 meet in the Youth Center at 9:15. We eat, discuss upcoming events and then break into the junior and senior high rooms for a Sunday school lesson from LINC.

Sunday nights the youth meet for United Methodist Youth Fellowship (U.M.Y.F.) from 5-7 p.m. in the Youth Center for food, fun & fellowship. After U.M.Y.F. all youth are invited and encouraged to stay for a student-led worship service, Overflow, from 7:15-8.

Williams on Wednesdays

On Wednesdays the youth meet for Open Gym from 4-6 p.m. Dinner is served, homework is done and games are played! Bible Study is from 6-7 p.m.



Senior Sunday: Celebrating High School Seniors

We will celebrate the graduation of our high school seniors on Sunday, May 22 during the 10:30 a.m. worship services. A luncheon for the seniors and their families will be held in the Youth Center immediately following the services.

If your senior is interested in participating in these activities, please pick up a packet at the Welcome Center desk, fill out the information page and then return it to the church office by Sunday, May 8 at 7 p.m.

Please email all photos that you would like included in the slide show, which will be shown during lunch, to Kaitlin McMichael (kaitlin.mcmichael@gmail.com) by Sunday, May 8.



Thank You from the Youth

Mission Dinner

The youth would like to thank the Williams Memorial church family for supporting the Youth Group and our mission work. We raised over \$4000 at the Mission Dinner this year! This money will go towards the youth's summer mission trips.

Style Your Soul

Thank you to everyone who participated and donated money to the "Style Your Soul" Girls Day event. The young women had a great time painting TOMS shoes for themselves and for a group of the children at an orphanage in Lubumbashi. If you would like to view the shoes that will be sent to Africa you can find them on the youth facebook page.





Mark Your Calendars

Important Summer Events

June 9-12
District Youth Retreat
@ Williams "SYNC"

June 13 – June 19
Sr. High Mission Trip in
Port Arthur, TX

June 27 – July 1
Church Camp @
Lakeview

July 24 – July 28
Vacation Bible School

July 31 – August 5
Jr. High Mission Trip in
Port Arthur, TX

August 7 – August 12
UMCOR Mission Trip in
Baldwin, LA



Mission & Outreach Opportunities: "Change the World"

This summer the youth will be encouraged to participate in a variety of mission projects; including two trips to Port Arthur, TX, one trip to the UMCOR Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, LA, and a local mission event in conjunction with the District Youth Retreat.

For more information about costs and deadlines contact Tommy Earl Burton.



Youth Wish List...

The Youth spent some time during spring break cleaning out and reorganizing the Youth Center and as a result have created a wish list. If you have any of the following items or would like to donate money so that they may be purchased please contact the church office...

2 DVD Players, Wii Remotes, Large Microwave

Youth Calendar

Sunday, 5/1

UMYF: Alive @ 5 End of the Year Party

Wednesday, 5/4

Open Gym/Bible Study

Sunday, 5/8:

Mother's Day: NO YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, 5/11

Last Bible Study for the Spring Semester

Sunday, 5/15

District Youth Rally at Williams Memorial

Wednesday, 5/18

Randy Sam's (meet in Wesley Hall @ 4)

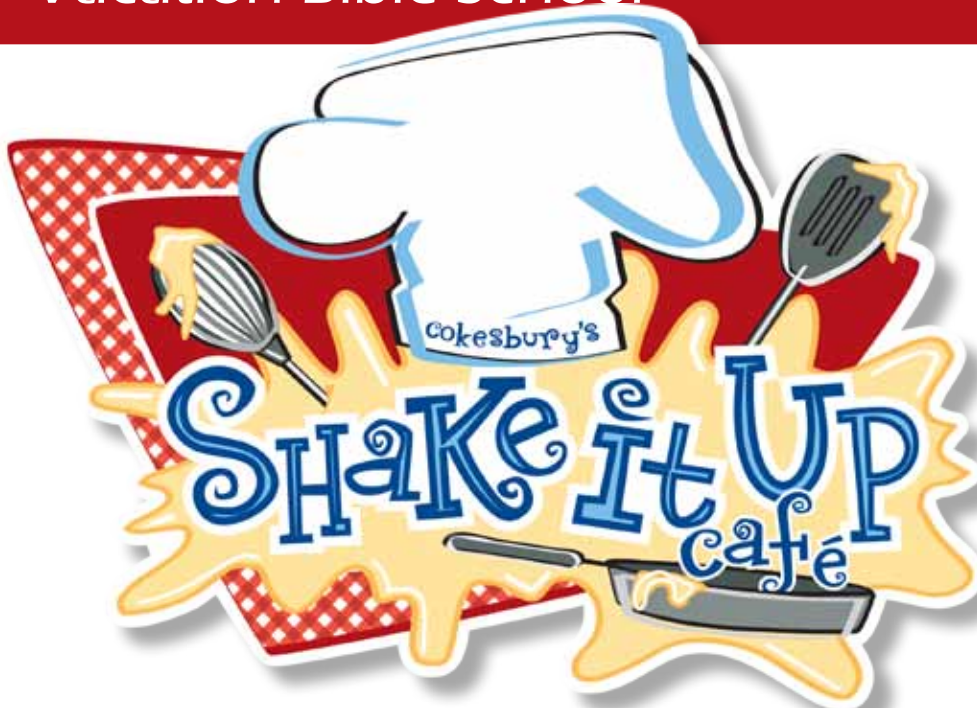
Sunday, May 22

"Don't Mess with Texas" End of the Year Party

Sunday, 5/29

5th Sunday Breakfast (meet in the Youth Center @ 8:20)

Vacation Bible School



Are You Ready for Vacation Bible School?

Vacation Bible School will be held this summer, July 24-July 28th at Williams Memorial United Methodist Church.

This year's theme "Shake it Up" is set in a cafe and uses a food theme to learn more about God.

"In this kid-friendly cafe full of chefs hats and aprons, pots and pans, checkered tablecoths, and chalkboard menus, kids explore the Bible as a cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's word. Through interactive lessons, that are easy for kids to apply to their lives today, boys and girls will celebrate Biblical festivals that reveal ingredients for being a follower of God."-Cokesbury

We are glad to welcome new directors Stephanie Read and Martha Dunbar to VBS this year, and they are ready for you to join them during this wonderful week.

Early registration for VBS will be Sunday morning May 15 and Sunday, June 12. All families who register between May 15 and June 15 will be entered into a drawing for a free family meal.

For more information about VBS visit our website at welcometowilliams.com/VBS11, contact the church office 903.832.8663 or email suecamp@cablone.net



Help Us Make VBS Possible

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner and will be here before you know it. Now is your opportunity to let us know where you will be helping this year.

We need teachers, helpers, cooks, decorators, registrars, sound operators, musicians, computer operators, photographers and more to help make this the best Vacation Bible School Ever. The theme this year is "Shake it UP" and we have the perfect recipe for a great time.

To sign up please take a moment to cut out this card, fill it out and bring it to the church office, or place it in the offering plate on Sunday morning. You may also email suecamp@cablone.net

SHAKE it UP 2011 Volunteers

Sunday, July 24th— Thursday, July 28th
9:00am—Noon

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I will help in the following ways:

Before VBS Begins:

___ Preparing props & decorations ___ Making Pre-craft items.
___ Helping with Pre-registration.

During VBS (9:00 am to noon):

___ Group Leader ___ Being a Helper

Please return card to church office, or Sue Camp

Glorify God, Inspire Others to Follow Christ, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ



Williams Memorial UMC
SHAKE it UP
VBS Registration Form
July 24th –28th 9–12



Please Print Legibly:

Child's Name:

Parent/Guardian Name: -----

Address: ----- City, State, Zip: -----

Email Address: ----- Work Phone: -----

Home Phone: ----- Cell Phone: -----

Date of Birth: ----- Age: ----- Grade as of Sep. 2010: -----

Home Church: WMUMC: ----- Other: -----

Allergies/Medical Information or Other Concerns: -----

Emergency Contacts:

Name: ----- Phone: -----

Name: ----- Phone: -----

Dismissal Information: (Please check one):

_____ My child will be picked up in Wesley Hall.

Persons who may pick up child from VBS each day:



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Upcoming Events

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| May 1 | Confirmation Sunday |
| | Alive @ 5 End of Year Party |
| May 3 | Ride for World Health Event |
| May 8 | Mother's Day |
| May 22 | Senior Sunday |
| May 22 | College UM ARMY Begins |
| June 1 | Unplugged Worship Service |
| June 7 | Beth Moore Study Begins |
| June 9-12 | District Youth Retreat |
| June 27-July 1 | District Camp |