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WEEKEND OR AFTER-HOUR HEALTH
EMERGENCIES: 205-914-3121

VHUMC will not publish the names and/or concerns of persons known by VHUMC to be minors (18 years of age or younger) without the permission of said minor's legal guardian.

Prayer Requests

Cammie Atkins	Betty Thompson
Frances Hardwick	Julie Carroll
Courtenay Renneker	Jean Morton
Ruth Bartow	Jim Thompson
Guy Harrison	Brenda Correll
Sandra Sims	Dan Peace
Judy Bates	John Watkins
Melissa Holt	Jamie DeMarco
Jennifer Skipper	Hank Patterson
Lodema Bean	Dot Walker
Mary Anne Hooper	Larry Edwards
Reagan Smith	Emily Phillips
Lloyd Beard	Dan Wise
Earl Hortberg	Dennis Flowers
Alice Spearman	Marion Phillips
Judy Billmeier	Steve Yates
Evelyn Johnson	Elizabeth Hamby
Gary Spearman	Norman Putman
Patti Braswell	
Sue Malone	
Julia Stowe	
Lilla Brown	
Steve Marmurek	
John Taylor	
Sunny Campbell	
Ed McTyre	

GLOBAL PRAYER REQUEST

- All of the Health Industry Workers
- All of our First Responders
- All who are struggling in these challenging times

We also continue to offer prayers of healing and comfort for all of the families impacted with the coronavirus. *In an effort to keep the prayer request list current, names will be listed for two weeks unless we are otherwise notified. Thank you. Please let us know of your immediate family members serving in the military. Contact VHUMC (769.0109) with prayer request information.*

Resources

	Actual	Variance
Donations last week	\$53,676	-\$31,044
July 2021 - Jan. 2022		
Donations	\$2,489,680	+\$99,662
Other Income	\$81,920	-\$4,065
Total Income	\$2,571,600	+\$95,597

(+) Better or (-) worse for the church than our target
 * Includes COA, Summer Days, VDS, and Vestavia Dance

- Maundy Thursday Service | April 14 at 7:00 pm
- Good Friday Service | April 15 at 7:00 pm
- Easter Sunday | April 17 at 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am

Easter Flowers

In celebration of Easter, the Flower and Altar Guilds will be adorning the worship services with both fresh cut and potted flowers. You can participate by donating flowers in memory or honor of a loved one for \$20. There will be a few potted plants available to be picked up after the 11:00 am services. The Gardening Committee will place any unclaimed potted plants in the church gardens as a living tribute. If you wish to donate flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one, you must contact Margaret Flowers (mflowers@vhumc.org / 769-0112) before Monday, April 4, at 11:00 am. Order forms will also be available in binders in the church office.

Holy Week Lunches

Please join us for our Holy Week Worship Services and lunches on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week, April 11, 12, and 13. We have three gifted lay speakers this year who will share a time in their life where God moved in a powerful way. The worship services will be in Tyson Hall at noon with lunch available immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. For those who cannot be present physically, the worship services will be live streamed. We hope you will join us as we move through this most holy week together. Please visit vhumc.org/easter to reserve your spot for lunch.

Growing To Help Our Church

There are so many ways that our members help our church and further God's Kingdom both here in Vestavia Hills and around the world. For many years Dot and Courtenay Renneker with help from Jarry and Janet Taylor have given leadership (and countless hours of hard work) to our Gardening Ministry. Their team, which also involves several other members, has planted, nurtured, and watered countless flowers, roses, and other plants to beautify our church grounds and courtyards. They have made the church more attractive for all of us to enjoy. Thank You!

Recently the leadership of the Gardening Ministry has been turned over to Wendy Henry and Andy and Joletta Dean. This new crew lost no time in planning a landscape renovation of the area from our office door to the Chapel/breezeway entrance. Once the Trustees approved the plan, the Deans and other helpful members began extracting the old plants and soon they will have new plants and a new irrigation system to keep it all green and healthy. We want to also express our thanks to this new team and we can't wait to see what else they plan to plant.

We always need more Gardening Ministry helpers. If gardening is a passion you share, contact Wendy Henry (WendyHenry0325@gmail.com) for ways you might become involved.

March Hilltoppers Meeting

Our next meeting is next Tuesday, March 15, at 10:30 am, in the Fellowship Hall. Jim Phillips, Alabama historian, will be joining us. For

information or to make a lunch reservation (\$6.00) call Margaret Flowers (769-0112/ mflowers@vhumc.org) no later than 11:00 am on Friday, March 11. Please note the price and, if possible, have correct change or an extra dollar bill.

Vestavia Hilltoppers is a VHUMC-sponsored organization for persons of retirement age, which meets each month for lunch and a program. They also sponsor trips and other activities that are publicized at meetings. Guests and new members are welcome.

Boomer & Beyond Workday

VHUMC Boomers & Beyond have a workday scheduled from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, at the Joe Rush Center in Midfield, on Saturday, May 21. We will be repairing and cleaning the facilities and getting them ready for summer campers that will be working in the community. You don't need any skills and all of your tools and cleaning supplies will be provided. We will stop for lunch on the way home. We will meet in the VHUMC West parking lot at 8:30 am and ride together on the church buses. If you plan on attending, please contact Jim Frazier (769-0126/ jfrazier@vhumc.org).

Support for Ukraine

UMCOR has a way to provide financial support and supplies for those in Ukraine with 100% of your donation going directly where it is needed most.

Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways: 1) Online at umcmmission.org, 2) By phone call: (888) 252-6174, 3) Checks made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with "Advance #982450-Ukraine" written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through VHUMC.

The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. Global Ministries is in touch with the church's leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.

Ongoing Outreach

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry needs spaghetti sauce, bags of coffee, and jelly. These are items we usually cannot get from the Food Bank. Thanks to all who helped unload a huge order from the Food Bank last week. We are so fortunate to be able to purchase from them at such a discounted price. Thanks also to Panera Bread and Publix for all of their donations of bread and bakery items every week.

they no longer need. Please let us know. Thank you!

OAK MOUNTAIN MISSION

Oak Mountain Missions needs boys clothing sizes up to 20. Also needed are boys shoes size 1 to 6. There are 3 bins around the church for these items. Thank you.

In addition, we could use another upright freezer if anyone has one

Congregational Care

HOSPITALS, REHAB & EXTENDED CARE

Jean Burford, Mike Harper, Emma Palmer, Leigh Smith, Stan Sims

SYMPATHY

To Melinda & Jack DiBenedetto in the death of Melinda's mother, Mary Ann Goodson, on February 16th.

To Sarah Corinne & David Glenn in the death of Sarah Corinne's father, Butch Shotts of Valdosta, GA, on February 18th.

To the family of Andrew (Jack) Barnacastle in his death on February 19th.

To Ernie, Grant & Ellie Benson in the death of long-time Vestavia Day School staff member, Ellen Benson, on February 25th.

To Allison & Jeremiah Stone in the death of Jeremiah's grandmother, Brenda Cash of Huffman, AL, on February 28th.

To Cheri & Tracy McCoy, Mary Katherine & Sarah Leos in the death of Tracy's mother, Emma (Sally) McCoy Bates, on March 1st.

To Kim, Abbie, Bradley, and Lilly Stockard in the death of Kim's mother, Martha Tucker of Vestavia Hills, on March 2nd.

To Sharon, Jim, Burch & Laura Grace Bullock, in the death of Sharon's father, Lee Comer of Birmingham, on March 5th.

To Leslie & Kevin Cooke in the death of Kevin's brother, Brian Cooke of Calera, AL, on March 6th.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Wendy & Pat Henry in the birth of their grandson, Truett Joseph Helms, on February 13th. Emma & Tucker Helms are the proud parents, and Julia Henry is the maternal great-grandmother.

To Sally & Jacob Garrison in the Baptism of their daughter, Frances Lynn Garrison, on February 13th at the 11:00am Worship Service.

To Andi & Joey Marquez in their joining our VHUMC church family, and upon the Baptisms of their daughter, Ellis Riley Marquez and son, Joseph Davis Marquez, who now join as Preparatory Members, all on February 13th at the 9:45am Worship Service.

To Julie & Steve Duffee in the birth of their grandson, Robert Taylor (Beau) Peterson, III, on February 27th. Mimi & Bobby Peterson are the proud parents.

To Carol & Charlie Reed in the birth of their grandson, Brice Harton Reed, on February 20th. Giselle & Stuart Reed, of Birmingham, are the proud parents.