



## WELCOME, NICK WILSON!

As most of you know, Soddy UMC recently hired a part-time youth leader to work with our current and upcoming young people. The Pastor Parish Relations Committee, under the leadership of Cindy Cunyningham, reviewed resumes and conducted interviews in May. We're excited that Nick Wilson, grandson of Carlos and Barbara Wilson, has been with us since the beginning of June.

Nick has been leading the youth Sunday school class (although the summer has kept the numbers low). When his class has been empty, he's been sitting in on the Seeker's Sunday school class. As we prepare for our regular Wednesday evening activities to resume, Nick will be leading the youth at 6:30 PM for a time of relaxed fun, fellowship and devotion.

The 'Tweens Sunday school class, taught with joy and love by Karen Yeatts, will join with the older youth once a month on Sunday mornings. This will give the 'tweens an opportunity to interact with the junior and senior high youth, in preparation for their eventual promotion. Nick and Karen have also been discussing other events and activities that 'tweens and older youth can do together.

I'm excited about what God has in store for our young people! Please join me in praying that Nick's ministry with and among us will bear much fruit to the glory of God, and that his relationships with the youth will deepen and be blessed.

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*From Pastor Todd, continued*

Here's a little bit from Nick:



I have been the Youth Pastor at Soddy United Methodist Church for about 4 months now, and from the very first day I have felt that this is where I belong. From the overwhelming support to the God-lead conversations I have had with many of the congregation, I feel that I have always been a part of this family.

Since starting, I have helped the Youth learn how to be more engaged with the Bible, the Church, and their faith. I've tried to focus more on studying the Bible since I believe the concepts of getting in the right mindset, praying, not being scared to ask, and to read the full picture are not only important for a Christian starting their walk in faith, but also they are just important for anyone in life.

Some of the events and retreats that we plan to go on in the next couple of months include Nexus, a middle and high school retreat at Camp Ocoee Ridge from November 1st-3rd, and Resurrection, a middle and high school retreat in Pigeon Forge from January 24th-26th. Both of these attract the entire Holston Conference and will have speakers and activities that will touch on the struggle and power of growing in faith. I am also going to plan some more get-togethers with just our youth group to build relationships and teamwork. This could be anything from a bowling night to a team building retreat.

Overall, I have been really appreciative of the Youth and the Church.

Thank you for everything.

—Nick Wilson  
(423) 580-7299



The North Hamilton Mission Network charge conference will be held on Sunday, October 13th, at 2:00 PM. The Committee on Lay Leadership, PPR and Finance will need to meet in the coming weeks.

*All reports and paperwork must be turned in to Pastor Todd no later than Sunday, October 6th!*



## September Birthdays

- 2 Bailey Nelson
- 8 Roger Graham  
Brandi Powell
- 11 John Bramlett
- 13 Samara Jolly  
Emily Gallaher
- 16 Marcy Woodall
- 17 Victor Rogers
- 19 Michael Musgrave
- 21 Patrick Mulkey
- 25 Trish Jordan
- 27 Cindy Cunnyingham



## September Anniversaries

- 1 Carlos & Barbara Wilson
- 3 Mike & Carla Anderson
- 16 Mitch & Suzie Weber
- 20 Carl & Carole McLaughlin
- 21 Frank & Jimmie Lou Mulkey



## October Birthdays

- 7 Katie Wood
- 10 Kelsey Jones
- 11 Sylvia Williams
- 12 Doug Yeatts  
Barbara Hendron
- 15 Jessica Lyon  
Thomas Hendron  
Barbara Musgrave
- 18 Scott Musgrave
- 22 Kathryn Mullins  
Gideon Musgrave
- 25 Rachel Musgrave
- 30 Janet Pelfrey Sneed  
Gena Bain



## October Anniversaries

- 7 Mike & Stephanie Parrott
- 20 Roger & Donna Graham  
Art & Marylu McDonald
- 21 Todd & Felicia Kingrea



# WE NEED DONATIONS FOR THE FALL FESTIVAL. PLEASE BRING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS...

- 1 PRIZES for Bingo—small, yard-sale type items
- 2 CAKES and BAKED GOODS—for the cake walk
- 3 2-LITRE BOTTLES OF SODA
- 4 BAGS OF INDIVIDUALLY-WRAPPED CANDY
- 5 TREAT BAGS

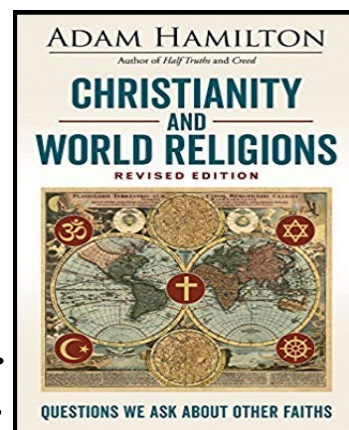


## Beginning Tuesday, October 1st, Pastor Todd will be leading **CHRISTIANITY AND WORLD RELIGIONS** Bible study

This video-based series explores Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism and Christianity. *United Methodist pastor Rev. Adam Hamilton deals openly and honestly with questions people ask about other religions, including why we should believe the claims of Christianity over those of other faiths.*

**PARTICIPANT GUIDES ARE \$10.00 EACH.**

All guides are large - print. Please see Pastor Todd for your copy.



*The United Methodist Women invite all ladies of the church to participate in our group! We meet on the third Thursday of each month, and enjoy excellent programs and refreshments. We'd love to welcome you to this wonderful fellowship and mission arm of Soddy United Methodist Church.*



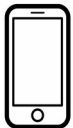
**The Scenic South district conference will be held Sunday,  
September 22nd, at 3:30 PM at Red Bank United Methodist Church.**



We'd like to express our appreciation to Mike Anderson and the Trustees for their hard work in getting the church landscaping taken care of. Following the flood in October, we were overwhelmed with weeds and erosion, not to mention the regular maintenance and upkeep of the grounds. Thanks go to Alan Gram for trimming the shrubs and cleaning out the gutters. A local landscaping company will be redoing all the ground work in the next few weeks. So once again, **THANK YOU, Trustees!**

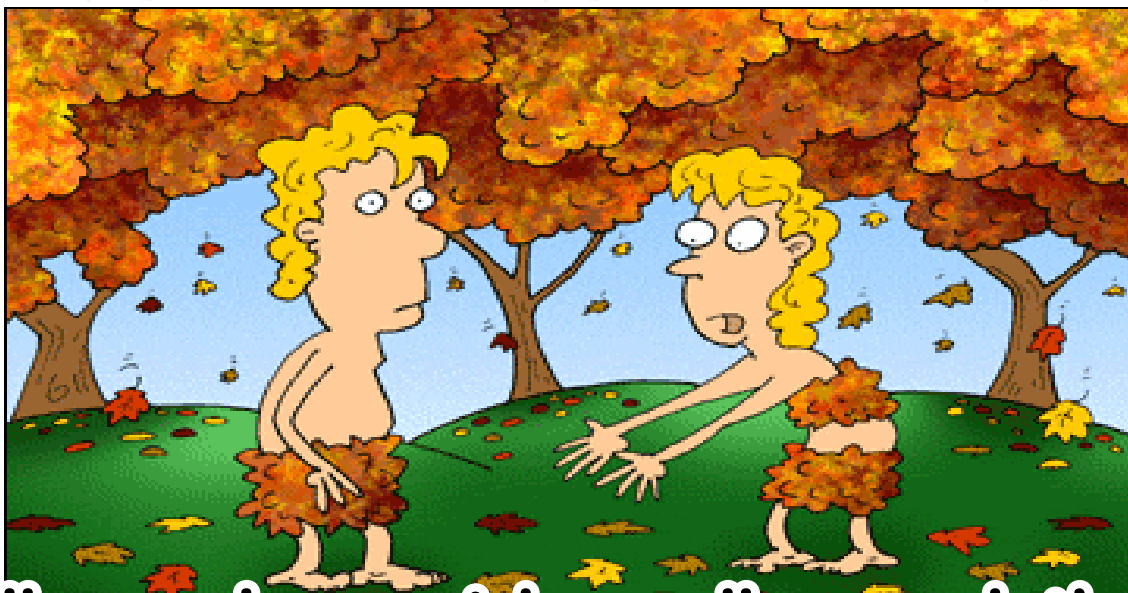


The Trustees have also arranged for the hallways and fellowship hall to be repainted in the coming weeks.. We're grateful to have the money as a church to take care of these needs, and for the generosity of those who've given to make it possible.

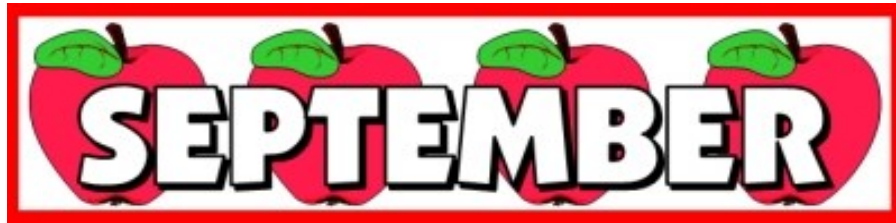


**PLEASE NOTE: The parsonage telephone number has changed.**

**\*\*\* The new number is (423) 541-7409 \*\*\***



**"Will you please pick up all your clothes?"**



**Sunday, September 1st**

**SERMON SERIES: INVITATIONS**

*"Come And Follow"*

**Monday, September 2nd.....LABOR DAY**

**Tuesday, September 3rd**

Marthas & Marys Bible study resumes;  
Girl Scout Troop #40430

**Sunday, September 8th**

**SERMON SERIES: INVITATIONS**

*"Come And Be With Me"*

**Tuesday, September 9th**

**Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominations)**

**Tuesday, September 10th**

Marthas & Marys Bible study;  
Girl Scout Troop #40430

**Wednesday, September 11th**

Fellowship dinner resumes; choir practice &  
youth resumes

**Sunday, September 15th**

**SERMON SERIES: INVITATIONS**

*"Remain In Me"*

**Tuesday, September 17th**

Marthas & Marys Bible study; AARP meeting;  
Girl Scout Troop #40430

**Wednesday, September 18th**

Fellowship dinner; choir practice; youth

**Thursday, September 19th**

United Methodist Women

**SEPTEMBER 17th—24th**

**Pastor Todd will be on vacation**

**Sunday, September 22nd**

Kathy Jones speaking and leading worship  
Scenic South District Conference (Red Bank UMC)

**Tuesday, September 24th**

Marthas & Marys Bible study;  
Girl Scout Troop #40430

**Wednesday, September 25th**

Fellowship dinner; choir practice; youth

**Sunday, September 29th**

***HYMN SING SUNDAY***



<b>Tuesday, October 1st</b>	Marthas & Marys Bible study; Girl Scout Troop #40430; <b>CHRISTIANITY &amp; WORLD RELIGIONS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 2nd</b>	Fellowship dinner; choir; youth
<b>Sunday, October 7th</b>	SERMON SERIES: TALKING ABOUT THE THINGS WE DON'T TALK ABOUT..... <i>"Deserts"</i> The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
<b>Tuesday, October 8th</b>	Marthas & Marys Bible study; Girl Scout Troop #40430; <b>CHRISTIANITY &amp; WORLD RELIGIONS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 9th</b>	Fellowship dinner; choir; youth
<b>Sunday, October 13th</b>	SERMON SERIES: TALKING ABOUT THE THINGS WE DON'T TALK ABOUT.... <i>"Doubts"</i> ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD meeting
<b>NORTH HAMILTON MISSION NETWORK CHARGE CONFERENCE</b>	
<b>Tuesday, October 15th</b>	Marthas & Marys Bible study; Girl Scout Troop #40430; <b>CHRISTIANITY &amp; WORLD RELIGIONS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 16th</b>	Fellowship dinner, choir, youth
<b>Thursday, October 17th</b>	United Methodist Women
<b>Sunday, October 20th</b>	SERMON SERIES: TALKING ABOUT THE THINGS WE DON'T TALK ABOUT..... <i>"Prayer"</i>
<b>Tuesday, October 22nd</b>	Marthas & Marys Bible study; Girl Scout Troop #40430; <b>CHRISTIANITY &amp; WORLD RELIGIONS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 23rd</b>	Fellowship dinner, choir, youth
<b>Sunday, October 27th</b>	UMW Sunday
<b>Tuesday, October 29th</b>	Marthas & Marys Bible study; Girl Scout Troop #40430; <b>CHRISTIANITY &amp; WORLD RELIGIONS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 30th</b>	<b>FALL FESTIVAL</b> <b>HALLOWEEN</b>
<b>Thursday, October 31st</b>	