

FOCUS

First United Methodist Church

Covington, Tennessee

Rev. Tim Carpenter - Pastor

September 21, 2010

FACEBOOK PAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

We have a Facebook page for the "Young Adult Sunday School Class", called "Beyond Sunday School – First United Methodist Church Covington TN". We will be doing our Sunday school lessons on Facebook and connecting with one another no matter where we are. We would like to invite all young adults who are in college, working, or who are just searching for a new way to study the Bible to connect with us. A new young adult class began on Sunday, September 12th, on the 2nd floor of the Fellowship hall at the regular Sunday school hour. Phillip and Angela Mathis and George Patton are the leaders and we would like to invite anyone who is in town to attend. Thank you.

After you sign on to Facebook, the link is below:

<http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100000670624311#!/pages/Covington-TN/Beyond-Sunday-School-First-United-Methodist-Church-Covington-TN/146319098722489?ref=sgm&a=5&ajaxpipe=1>

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Staff Mission Statement

"The staff of First UMC is dedicated to aid the congregation in carrying out its mission while welcoming persons in the church with respect, care, and concern, and upholding the ideals of Jesus Christ."



You are invited to a
BABY SHOWER
for Bradley & Rachel Harrell

Sunday, October 3, 2010
at 2:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall at First United Methodist Church

Given by the ladies of the church staff, choir, handbell choir and praise band. Bradley and Rachel have baby items registered at Target and The Freckled Frog in Covington.

Regrets only 476-9694 (Holley, Sheila or Grace).

GO GETTERS

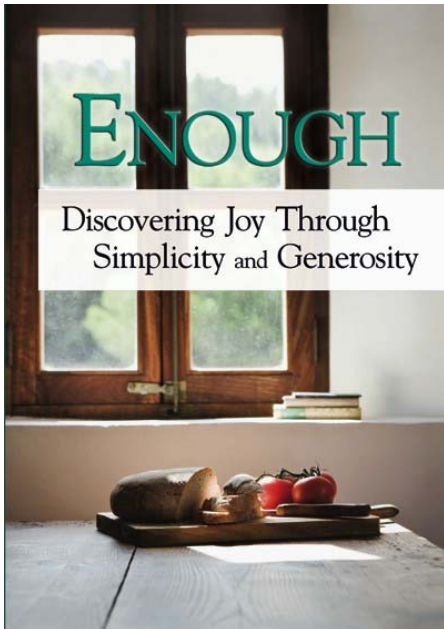
You are invited to our next Go Getters meeting and meal. Monday, October 4 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m., we will enjoy a pot-luck meal. The guest speaker for the evening will be Mr. Zuhellen, the principal at Covington Alternative Learning School. He will explain about the school's mission for our community here in Covington. Please make your plans now to attend our meal and program. We look forward to seeing you there!

THE COMMUNITY WALL OF SUPPORT FOR TCCA ~ 2010

It is that time again when the Tipton County Commission on Aging begins promoting their 15th Annual Kaleidoscope, the Health & Lifestyle Event for Seniors, Caregivers and their families as well as their fall fund raiser. First United Methodist Church has been actively raising funds for TCCA for the past 15 years. Last year we donated \$ 750.00. I hope this year all Sunday School classes and individuals will help me in raising at least this amount for 2010. The Health & Lifestyle Event will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2010 from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the Brighton Middle School Gym. This is located on Highway 51 South. All donations, large or small, will help provide funding for services and programs that promote the independence, wellness and advocacy for seniors, caregivers, grandparents raising grandchildren, and their families that are served by TCCA. Please make checks payable to FUMC and have your donations into the church office no later than October 1st.



Thanks for your support,
Shirley Bready



COMING IN OCTOBER—ENOUGH . . .

Stress. Anxiety. Fear. These words capture well the state of mind of many of us in America today. We have witnessed dramatic market losses, the collapse of the world's largest insurance company, and many bankruptcies and mergers. Every day seems to bring another piece of economic uncertainty. A recent survey found that over three in four Americans are stressed about the economy and their personal finances. Half were worried about providing for their family's basic needs. Over half of respondents reported feeling angry and irritable, and reported laying awake at night worried about this. The report concludes that, "The declining state of the nation's economy is taking a physical and emotional toll on people nationwide." *CNN.com 10.17.08*

Join us in worship beginning in October for a sermon series entitled ***Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity.***

Our nation is experiencing what many have described as the "American Nightmare." Increasing consumer debt, declines in savings, lower income growth, and a volatile stock market are all a part of our economic insecurity. We have lived in a society that tell us "you deserve it now," whether or not we can afford it or really even need it.

All of us have struggled with these issues at one time or another. They are important issues that we cannot ignore. This is why we will be inviting the church to a study and worship emphasis called ***Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity.*** During this time we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management through corporate worship and small group study. We'll hear expert advice and stories about what others have learned by working through financial challenges. Each week, we will provide you with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation. At the conclusion of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will consecrate these commitment in the worship service on two consecutive Sundays. We hope you will join us in these worship and study experiences as we look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience simplicity, generosity and joy.

UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Sept. 26	<u>Morning Song Service</u> Bob Hensley Shirley Hensley	<u>Traditional Service</u> Rhonda Patton Nancy Peeler Phyllis Richmond
Oct. 3	<u>Morning Song Service</u> Ellen Clark Kathy Wallace	<u>Traditional Service</u> Catherine Phelps John Wallace

NEW ARRIVAL

John Hayes Havercamp was born on **Saturday, September 11**. Allison and husband John Havercamp have a new baby boy! He weighed 7 lbs. and 5 ounces and he was welcomed by his brother Edward (7) and his sister Elise (5). The Havercamps live at 22 Windover Rd. in Jackson, TN 38305. Roger and Gail Ganier are the proud grandparents. Whose address is 1132 Greer in Covington.

CONDOLENCES

Louise Cooley died Friday, September 10. Her FUMC family includes their daughter, Anita (and Barry) Myers, 223 West Sherrod Avenue, Covington, 38019 and son, Jeff (and Melanie) Cooley, 704 South Main, Covington, 38019. Sandra and Lynn's address is 9253 Hillman Way Drive, Memphis 38133. The grandchildren are Laurie Anna Cooley, Will Cooley, Craig (Jennifer) Myers, Gerrit (Marnie) and Barkley Sanders. Their great grandchildren are Landon Myers, Lane Myers and Mackenzie Myers.

Nannie Lear Rhodes Wren, Carolyn Turner's step mother passed away Friday, September 17. Mrs. Wren would have celebrated her 97th birthday in November. Carolyn and Ted's home address is 653 Leigh's Chapel Road, Covington 38019. Their FUMC family include their sons, Mike and Charles and their families. Mike and Jody's home address is 138 Downing Road, Covington 38019; Mike and Jody's children are Will and Allan. Mike's daughter is Holli Turner Ray. Holli and Eric's home address is 5625 Hwy 179, Covington, 38019. Their sons are Cameron (2) and Cayden (1). Charles and Becky's home address is 186 Kincaid Drive, Munford 38058. Their son is Josh.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

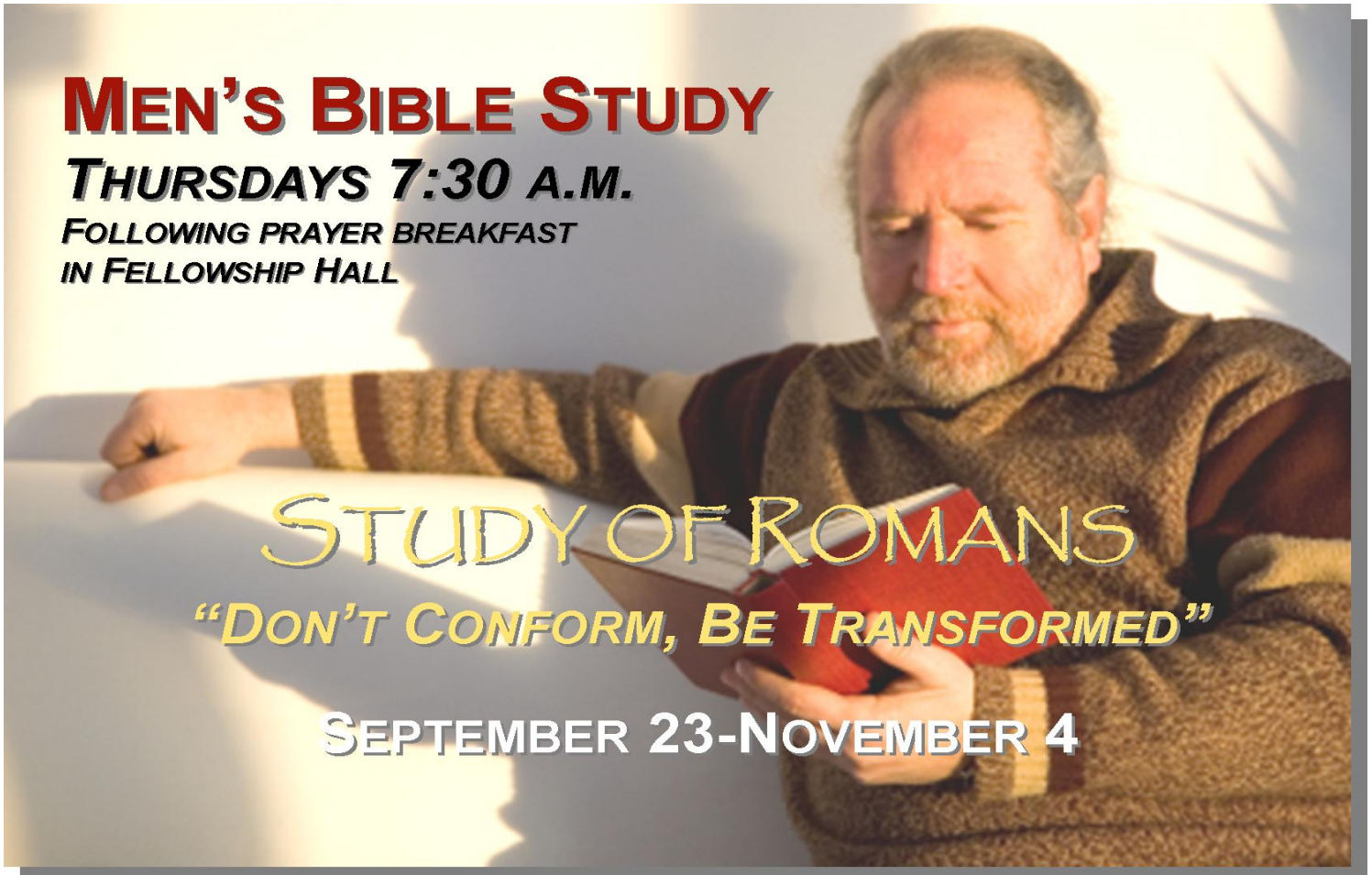
THURSDAYS 7:30 A.M.

**FOLLOWING PRAYER BREAKFAST
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL**

STUDY OF ROMANS

"DON'T CONFORM, BE TRANSFORMED"

SEPTEMBER 23-NOVEMBER 4



TRIBUTES RECEIVED AS OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2010

(DESIGNATED TO THE FAMILY LIFE BUILDING FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Horace Cooley by Waymon and Naomi McDade; In memory of Clarence "Bud" Smith by Waymon and Naomi McDade.

(DESIGNATED TO THE MEMORIAL FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Duke Brasfield by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Gene Butler by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Horace Cooley by The Friendship Sunday School Class; In memory of Horace F. Cooley, Jr. by Steven and Martha McCleskey; In memory of Horace and Louise Cooley by Hunt and Elizabeth and Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Louise Cooley by Friendship Class of FUMC, Rebecca May; In memory of Leslie Culver by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of L.D. Eliston by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Linda Gatlin by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Sue Hensley by Tommy and Susan Cheairs; In memory of Andy Knight by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of James Paul Layne by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Geoffrey Max by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Marie McDivitt by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Clarence (Bud) Smith by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Mike Thornton by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Albert Uttz by Ed and Marie Timberlake; In memory of Leo Wingate by Ed and Marie Timberlake.

(DESIGNATED TO THE SAMARITIAN FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Louise Cooley by Chris and Sara Gangaware;

(DESIGNATED TO THE UMW CANDLEBURNING FUND OF FUMC)

In honor of Carliss Chastain by Carol Daniel.

(DESIGNATED TO THE WORSHIP AND CHOIR FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Horace and Louise Cooley by Eddie and Carol Daniel; In memory of Clarence "Bud" Smith by The Chancel Choir of FUMC; In memory of Charles Eugene (Gene) Butler by Eddie and Carol Daniel.

FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS, AREA 8

The first annual Golf Tournament for Special Olympics, Area 8 will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2010 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Forest Hills Golf Course located in Drummonds, Tennessee. The Special Olympics of Tennessee is sponsored by individuals like you.

Special Olympic Area 8 is announcing a fun time with competition, fundraising, and developing friendships with the Special Olympics golf program. We have been growing in our program and we are in need of finances to allow our athletes to golf at five tournaments throughout Tennessee and we have two athletes who will be attending the National Games of Special Olympics in Lincoln, Nebraska. Mr. Scott Seagrave is a participant in these games.

We have a goal of raising \$ 5,000 for the 2010 golf season. We are looking for people who would like to sponsor our event, as well as play in the tournament. We will highlight your business in each situation.

1. Prize Sponsorship. The top three place winners.
2. Sponsor a hole with a sign advertising your business. \$ 100.00 per hole and \$ 175.00 for two holes.
3. Prize Sponsorship for longest drive and closest to the hole.

There will be aids for your golf game such as:

\$ 5.00 Mulligans (4 per player maximum)

\$ 5.00 for Red Tee Shot (1 per side - 2 total)

\$ 5.00 Putting Contest (Split the pot)

The Mulligan and Red Tee Shot cannot be used on the longest drive and closest to the hole.

To play in the tournament, the cost is \$ 65.00. Contact the church office for other specifics at 476.9694 or David Seagrave at 475.6842. Thank you!



Scheduled Events for September 22 through October 6, 2010

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. Fall Bible Studies
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Class
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 23, 2010

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Tim Carpenter - Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Cockrill Gift
 1-3:00 p.m. Altar Guild-Sanctuary/Cockrill Gift
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Classroom

Saturday, September 25, 2010

9:00 a.m. Brighton Food Pantry

Sunday, September 26, 2010

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 1:00 p.m. Delayed broadcast of traditional worship service, KBJ
 3:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
 5:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

Monday, September 27, 2010

6:00 p.m. Rebroadcast of Morning Song worship service KBJ
 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting - Conference Room

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

10:30 a.m. UMW Executive Committee Meeting - Cockrill Gift Classroom
 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting - Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary

6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Classroom
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 30, 2010

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Tim Carpenter - Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Cockrill Gift Class
 1-3:00 p.m. Altar Guild-Sanctuary/Cockrill Gift
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Saturday, October 2, 2010

9:00 a.m. Covington Food Pantry

Sunday, October 3, 2010

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 1:00 p.m. Delayed broadcast of traditional worship service, KBJ
 2:00 p.m. Rachel Harrell's Baby Shower - Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

5:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

Monday, October 4, 2010

6:00 p.m. Go Getters Meeting and Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Rebroadcast of Morning Song worship service KBJ

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting - Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Wednesday, October 6, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. Fall Bible Studies
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Class
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

September 12, 2010

MorningSong -	100
Sunday School -	126
Traditional Worship -	169
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 1,641.00
Traditional Worship Offering -	\$ 9,955.00

September 19, 2010

MorningSong -	99
Sunday School -	131
Traditional Worship -	152
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 3,411.00
Traditional Worship Offering -	\$ 3,540.86

UPCOMING MENUS FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Make your reservations no later than Monday at 4:00 p.m. for the meal. You may contact the church office at 476.9694 or email: hmorris_fumc@bellsouth.net Thank you! "Standing" reservations are encouraged!

Adult Menu for September 29

Barbeque Chicken
Black Eyed Peas
Corn on the Cob
Rolls

Children's Menu

Fish Sticks
French Fries
Macaroni & Cheese

Dessert

Apple & Banana
Slices with Caramel
& Chocolate Sauces



Adult Menu for October 6

Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Green peas
Cornbread

Children's Menu

Hot Dogs
Macaroni & Cheese

Dessert

Cookies



CHURCH SERVICES LIVE ON THE INTERNET



FUMC is pleased to now be providing a link on our website that enables the user to watch our 11:00 a.m. service live on the internet. In addition, there is another link that enables the user to view archived recordings of our services for several weeks after they take place. This has already proven to be a wonderful ministry, enabling interested parties to be a part of our church who don't have access to the cable TV or radio ministries. For instance, our college students, members who have moved away, military in other parts of the world, and even our own members while they are traveling can still be a part of our services. Check out our website and note the two links at the bottom of the home page and please help us to notify people who would benefit from this new ministry.

SAMARITAN FUND REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 5 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 17

50 households received goods from the Brighton food pantry.

79 household received goods from the Covington food pantry.

1 individual received transportation home (paid to Greyhound \$65.00)

1 household received one hot meal

1 individual was urged to contact the Salvation Army Rehab Program for short term (6 months) residency along with working opportunities and addiction concerns. This program is open only to men.

1 household is receiving several gifts of furniture, appliances and miscellaneous items after their home burned.

Thank you to everyone who has responded with monetary gifts to the fund this week along with the prayers of everyone.

The current balance of the Samaritan Fund is a \$629.24.

FOOD PANTRY PICTURES



“Thanks to the young men and women and their Scout leaders of Venture Crew #1420 who work bag take-out at all Covington food pantry days. This is the scout troop which meets in our education building each week.”

Happy Birthday to EVERYONE!

Birthdays...



September 24 through October 6

September 24 - Wilbur Cash, Storm Smith

September 25 - Judy McDowell, Walter McIntosh,
Roy Wrather

September 27 - April Fisher

September 28 - Liz Glass, Billy Greggs

September 29 - Eddie Daniel, Chelsea David,
Frank Poole

September 30 - Larry Anderson, Don Clark

October 2 - Haley Henderson, Rodney Hughes,
David Seagrave

October 3 - Carole Barham

October 5 - Alexander Mitchell

October 6 - Halle Childers, Phillip Mathis



We would like to send special birthday wishes out to Wilbur Cash. He will celebrate his 93rd birthday on Friday, September 24. Congratulations!!

CANNED FRUIT NEEDED...

There was no canned fruit available on this week's shopping list. Fruit is a staple in our food boxes since it very nutritious and most children will eat it readily. **We need 260 cans of fruit prior to Saturday, September 25** so that we may have fruit as a part of our grocery bags at the Brighton food pantry on that day. If you would like to donate some fruit, large cardboard boxes are available in the hallway going into the sanctuary and there will also be a box available at Morning-song worship on Sunday as well. You can also drop cans of fruit by the church office any weekday. Thanks for your support of the Bread of Life Food Pantry!



“Mattie Byrd and Barbara David hard at work on the bagging team at the Covington food pantry on Saturday, September 18th.”

VOLUNTEER HOSPICE TRAINING

Just a few hours each month can help ease the loneliness, fear, and isolation of a person with a terminal illness. If you can listen to life stories, hold a hand, read, sing, bake cookies, play a musical instrument, or just want to help, there's someone who needs your friendship. Give the gift of gratitude. Become a volunteer!

The next training class for Crossroads Hospice of Tennessee will be Saturday, October 16 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

If you are interested, please contact the Volunteer Coordinators, Emily or Sandy at 382.9292. Thank you.

\$74.00 per

IGNITION FALL RETREAT 2010

October
22-24



IGNITION
STUDENT MINISTRIES

ACTIVITIES

We will have....

Worship

Bible Study

Prayer Activities

Bone fire

Small Groups

Disc golf

And many more fun and amazing things!

We are going to Lakeshore for our Fall of 2010 youth retreat. This retreat is for both Jr. and Sr. High. We will leave Friday around 5 p.m. and will arrive back at the church on Sunday around 2 p.m. So make plans to come with us on this amazing one of a kind Fall retreat.

\$74.00 is due by October 13th.

If you have any questions about the retreat or if you need help with the cost of the trip feel free to call me or email me.

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'Leading people to Christ; Learning to be disciples; Loving through service'