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Greetings Brothers and Sisters of Jordan Memorial UMC,

This has been a crazy start to the new year with snow and cold temperatures. It has me longing for warm spring days already. But we are not there yet. We find ourselves in a season of waiting for the hope that comes with spring. I, for one, am not very good at waiting. There is a lot I want to get done and my fault is trying to rush in and do too much at one time. This delayed start to the new year has me feeling like I have missed opportunities to get a head start on the goals for this new year. But what if this time is exactly what I and we needed? What if instead of charging out of the gates we needed some time to stop, relax, and breathe before rushing into all that is ahead in the coming year. We know it will be a busy year. We know that we will have all of our usual activities plus hopefully getting some more started. We have faith that the pandemic will lessen, and we can resume small groups and other activities that are vital to the life of the church. We have hope in the spring that is coming because we are people of hope. So yes, we are excited about all that is ahead, but we need to be careful not to rush in or exhaust our energy before the marathon begins. Perhaps these snow days and cold days are days God is giving us to prepare both spiritually and mentally for what is ahead. I want to encourage you to take time in February to pray and recharge for whatever lies ahead in the coming months. This is a great time to practice *Lectio Divina*, taking a scripture passage and reading it, meditating on it, praying on it, and then contemplating what it means for you in that moment. This is a great tool to use when you are struggling to know what to study. If you are wondering how to better use this tool you can google *Lectio Divina* and there are many guides as to how to use it effectively. Take this time to reconnect spiritually so that when the time comes to reconnect with our community our foundation is solid!

In the meantime, I also wanted to give you something to occupy your time and challenge your brains. Below is a paragraph that contains 30 books of the Bible hidden amongst the text, can you find them all? Some will be easy, some you will have to look hard, but they are all there. I have bolded one as an example, the other 29 are up to you! I will be curious to see how you do, let me know how many you can find, or if you find all 30! (Answers will follow in the March Link)

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pray for our Homebound**

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Memorials and Honorariums

**In Honor of Toni Marley's
100th Birthday**

Doris & Max Baldwin
David & Celia Harris
Billy & Jamie Poole
Larry & Crandall Ellison
Emily Johnson
John & Priscilla Allen
Wayne & Ann Hutchins
Lou & Perry Stout
Susan & Fred Whinery
Marie Ann Moran

In Honor of Betty Jo Armfield

Grey Graham
Toni Marley

In Honor of Celia Harris

Grey Graham

In Memory of Sarah Gilmore

Mont Gilmore
Billy & Jamie Poole
Robert & Denise Yow

In Honor of Mont Gilmore

Billy & Jamie Poole
Robert & Denise Yow

**In Honor of Larry & Crandall
Ellison**

Bob & Betty Jo Armfield
Billy & Jamie Poole

In Memory of Beverly Stout

Roger Stout

In Honor of Toni Marley

Bob & Betty Jo Armfield

In Honor of Celeste Byrnes

Billy & Jamie Poole

In Honor of Betty Dorsett

Billy & Jamie Poole

In Honor of Betty Shackelford

Billy & Jamie Poole
Mont Gilmore

In Honor of Bob & Martha

Thomas

Billy & Jamie Poole

In Honor of Rob Roberts

Mont Gilmore

In Honor of Jerry Boyd

Mont Gilmore
Betty Shackelford

In Honor of Emily Johnson

Mont Gilmore
Billy & Jamie Poole
Robert & Jo Brooks

In Memory of Eddie Luck

Betty Dorsett



With Sincere Condolences....

We, the members of Jordan Memorial send our condolences to the families of Harold Edward (Eddie) Luck, Jr. and Olivia Ruth Hill, both of whom passed away in December, 2021. These two persons touched our lives in many ways and we send our love and prayers to their families.

General Information

AA Group

Jordan Memorial is hosting an open discussion **AA Group** on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6:30pm in the conference room. Please be in prayer for this important ministry.



Live Worship Service

Tune in to our website (www.JordanMemorial.org/live-worship/) on Sunday mornings at 11am as we broadcast our service live!


Our new camera is wonderful for streaming our worship service. Thank you John Waldon & Pastor Chris for installing the new equipment.

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This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much; he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his john boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo. Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so involving, she brews a cup of tea to help her nerves. There will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the book names are not necessarily capitalized. Truthfully, from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or a scholar to see some of them at the worst. Research has shown that something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in this paragraph. During a recent fund raising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha Delta Phi lemonade booth set a new record. The local paper, The Chronicle, surveyed over 200 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Daniel Humana humbly puts it, "The books are all right here in plain view hidden from sight." Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown. One revelation that may help is that books like Timothy and Samuel may occur without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal. A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mad exodus; there really are 30 books of the Bible lurking somewhere in this paragraph waiting to be found. God Bless.

Rev. Chris Smith

JORDAN MEMORIAL
SPONSORS A LADIES'
EXERCISE CLASS ON
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY
MORNINGS IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL AT 9AM.
EQUIPMENT IS PROVIDED
AND THERE IS NO FEE.
PLEASE JOIN US FOR
EXERCISE, FUN AND
FELLOWSHIP!



OPEN ON 1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY'S AT 5PM

Jordan's Closet

Free clothes for women, men, & children



What a night “**A Night of Joy**” was! The music was wondrous! It definitely helped to get everyone into the Christmas spirit. You can go to our YouTube channel (<https://youtu.be/IkBrXNG8igI>) and watch it again.

A big thank you to the Smith Family for such wondrous sounds!



Craft Circle Group

All Crafts Welcome. Every Thursday at
3pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Call Multiplier—Voice & Text Messages

The church office uses a system called Call Multiplier to relay information to our church community. If you are on the list and are not receiving the calls or texts: make sure these numbers are not blocked on your phone.

For voice messages, the call will come from number (405) 548-2251; for text messages, the text will come from number (336) 360-6414.

If you would like to be added to the list, contact the church office.

UMW

The UMW will meet February 6 at 2:30pm.

Church Council

The church council will meet February 6 at 6pm.

Vision Team

The Vision Team will meet Feb 9 at 7pm.

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Jordan closet open 5pm	2	3 AA Grp 6:30pm	4	5
6 UMW Mtg 2:30pm Church Council 6pm	7 AA Grp 6:30pm	8	9 Vision Team 7pm	10 AA Grp 6:30pm	11	12
13	14 Valentine's Day AA Grp 6:30pm	15 Jordan closet open 5pm Community Meal 5pm	16	17 AA Grp 6:30pm	18	19
20	21 President's Day AA Grp 6:30pm Office Closed	22	23	24 AA Grp 6:30pm	25	26
27	28 AA Grp 6:30pm					

The office will be closed on President's Day, Monday Feb 21st.

Ramseur Food Pantry: Peanut Butter & Jelly, Canned Sweet & White Potatoes.
We will need volunteers Feb 28—Mar 4.

February Birthdays

01-Grey Graham
03-Jack Embree, III
04-Brady Armfield
04-Karen Burgess McPherson
09-Doug Collins
09-Jane H. Anderson
09-Jimmy McPherson
11-Beth Lankford
11-Kelly W. Painter
12-Greg Chaffin
14-Jane Embree
14-Scott Leonard
15-Jason Leonard
15-Matthew Leonard
15-Kevin Ihme
20-Beth Ann Leonard Mace
21-Mary Miller

21-Andy Kirkman
22-Wayne Hutchins
24-Roxanna Smith Bryant
24-Michael Ray Albright
24-Emily Renee Albright
25-Robert E. Thomas
25-Kevin Shelton
25-Mary Jane Pelech
26-Mary Tate Moon
27-Dee Marley
28-J. Ray Albright
28 – Kelly Schlechtweg



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FEBRUARY 15, 2022 @ 5PM
THIS IS DRIVE THRU GRAB & GO BOX MEAL
JORDAN MEMORIAL UMC
1511 MAIN STREET RAMSEUR

