

The Harmony Grit

Robert Fletcher Hardy, IV, Pastor

October, 2007

Happy 80th Birthday!

The year was 1926. The local residents gathered at a brush arbor revival meeting conducted by Methodist Minister M. O. (Buddy) Harvell. The Holy Spirit was surely present during the event. The following spring a concerned group of worshipers decided to open a church in their community. They purchased 2/3 acre of land for \$1 from a compassionate land owner. Then they bought an old school building, disassembled it, transported the materials and reassembled it into our present day sanctuary. Harmony first opened its doors in 1927, eighty years ago. October 7th is the date of our Homecoming Festivities and Birthday Bash. The festivities will begin at 9:45 a.m. with an hour of Special Music and remembrances. Our worship service will begin at 11. Former Danville District Superintendent Bob McAden will be our speaker. The sermon is entitled "Oh God Our Help in Ages Past." And who can forget the covered dish meal and fellowship that will follow? We hope you will be able to join us on this very Special Day at Harmony!

Little Life Walk

On Saturday, September 29th, Harmony members traveled to Ballou Park for the 11 a.m. "Walk For Life 2007". This annual fundraiser is held to support the Little Life Pregnancy Medical Center. Our Thursday night Contemporary Service raised money to help buy t-shirts for the hundreds of walkers at the event. The shirts featured Little Life information on the front and the four sponsoring churches on the back. Over 30 Harmony members took part in the event. Our Stronghold band provided musical entertainment at the "after the walk" festivities. Faye Smith coordinated our participation. Thanks to all who participated and/or sponsored this cause.

Harmony Revival This Month

Fall is the traditional time for a church revival, even as far back as the 1920's. Harmony will hold our revival Sunday, October 28th through Wednesday, October 31st. The speaker will be Rev. Sallye Hardy of Berea Christian Church (UCC). Sallye is the daughter of Fletcher and Ann Hardy and the sister of our pastor, Robert Hardy. She earned her BA degree from Asbury College and her Masters from Duke Divinity School. Make plans now to attend an inspirational event with lots of singing, special music and Bible inspired sermons.

Harmony Web Site is Up and Running!

Another advance has occurred in communications at Harmony. To begin with, our message was distributed by word of mouth. Then the Harmony Grit began in the 1980's. Next came recording our Sunday Worship Service onto CD's and distributing them to shut-ins. Last year we began e-mailing the Grit and e-mailing MP3 files of church services. Our church, as of September 19, 2007, has an official web site -- harmonyumchurch.org. Visit the page to download a copy of the Harmony Grit, to request an MP3 file of a worship service, to view our monthly calendar of events, to read more about our revival, to contact our church for any reason. The site is changing daily, so come visit often!

Come join us on this Special Day at Harmony UMC as we celebrate our 80th Birthday (founded in 1927). Our offering will be used to pay on our Building Addition mortgage.

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Here are some dates for your October Calendar!

Monday, October 1 @ 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 3 @ 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 6 @ 8 a.m.

Sunday, October 7 @ 9:45 & 11 a.m.

Wednesday, October 10 @ 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 14 @ 8 a.m.

Sunday, October 21 @ 11 a.m.

Wednesday, October 24 @ 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 27 (6 a.m. to 8 a.m.)

Sunday - Wednesday, Oct. 28 - 31

Children's Ministry Meeting.

Youth Ministry Meeting.

Church Clean Up Day.

Homecoming Song Service, Worship Service & Meal.

Ladies Fellowship Meeting in Fellowship Hall.

Evangelism Committee Meeting in Church Office.

Faithful Few Men's Crew breakfast and meeting.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday.

Harmony Choir Practice.

All Saints Celebration.

Fall Revival (Rev. Sallye Hardy, Speaker).

These events are in addition to the regular 7 p.m. Sunday Night Bible Study and the 7 p.m. meal and 7:30 p.m. Thursday Night Contemporary Worship Services.

October Birthdays: 4th Clay Hardy 5th Ben Griffith 6th Johnny Williams 12th Frankie Betterton II
16th Nicholas Whitley & Bobby Hardy 17th Lucas Griffith 22nd Iris Denny & Robert Hardy
24th Susan Buckner & Jackie Mosteller 27th Amanda Walker 29th Kortni Darnell

October Anniversaries: 3rd N. P. & Tonya Hyler 10th Leon and Judy Griffith

Want your Grit via e-mail? How about a mp3 audio file of a Sunday Service? Send a note or request information to jrfinney99@yahoo.com, or visit our web site at www.harmonyumchurch.org.

Harmony Homecoming Sunday, October 7th 80th Birthday.

Music Service 9:45 a.m.

Led by John Finney

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Robert Hardy, Pastor

Rev. Bob McAden, Speaker

Meal and Fellowship 12:30



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