

# The Russell Report

Russell Memorial United Methodist Church

*A Family Rooted in Christ and Reaching Out in Love*



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## A Word From Our Friends at Sager Brown (Our Mission Trip Site)

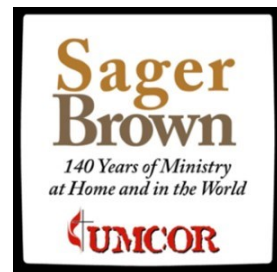
Greetings from Sager Brown,

Hurricane Ida was predicted to head straight for us (St Mary Parish) on Saturday, then turned eastward and missed us. The Sager Brown's campus has not received any damage. Sager Brown's staff/families and homes were also unaffected. Unfortunately, our neighbors east of us were devastated by significant wind and flood damage. Please keep everyone affected by Hurricane Ida in your thoughts and prayers.

In the days ahead, the depot will be very busy responding to kit requests as affected people begin to clean up in the aftermath of Ida. The Louisiana Conference has not had the opportunity to assess the needs yet. We are waiting for the requests for cleaning kits to come in so that we can begin meeting needs.

Monetary donations always allow us to purchase what we need when we need it. If you would like to assist in aiding Hurricane Ida relief, your gift will provide substantial assistance to our neighbors in need. To give by check (put Hurricane Ida Relief in the memo), please send checks payable to UMCOR Sager Brown to:

UMCOR Sager Brown  
PO Box 850  
Baldwin, LA 70514



Dear Pastor Cartwright and Congregants,

On behalf of the friends, colleagues, former students and family of Coach Theo “Cotton” Miles we, the organizers of his 97th birthday party would like to thank you so very much for allowing us to host his event in your beautiful fellowship hall. Five generations of Coach Miles’ life were represented in this space on his birthday. There were colleagues of his from the 1960s—our vintage! - Students from five decades and at least four schools, Coach’s son, daughter and granddaughter and friends from all over the state of Texas. The setting was such a perfect place to welcome Coach’s admirers and beloveds. There was a constant line of admirers waiting to speak with him and he never had a moment to take a bite of food, which he didn’t realize until after he returned home. We are so thankful to you, the membership, for your generosity. Coach was celebrated by sixty-something guests, your kitchen is spectacularly outfitted with every convenience we could have wished for . A special word of thanks to Nancy McDonald and her husband, Phil. Without them, the party would not have been nearly as smoothly conducted, nor as freely for those of us who sponsored the day. They worked tirelessly, helping with the last-minute preparations, keeping the tables supplied and, of course, the clean-up.

As we left the church, we noticed your perpetual pantry on the side of the building. Perhaps this small contribution will help supply the needs of your community. On behalf of the Woodrow Wilson Wildcats fortunate to have been students or members of Coach’s teams, thank you kindly for your willingness to share your beautiful church. May God shower each of you with blessings.

Most sincerely yours,

DeAnn Smith Caylor—Woodrow Wilson Class of 1970

## For Your Safety

The Safety Team of the church would like to express gratitude for your cooperation during the recent fire drill on Sunday morning. It may have been an unusual ending to worship, but the exercise was beneficial. First, the members of the safety team had the benefit of practicing their responsibilities during an emergency event. Hours of conversation and planning had gone before the actual fire drill in hopes that every reasonable measure of safety would be met. The drill allowed us to test our preparation in hopes

that any oversights would come to light. Second, you as the congregation have experienced what we request that you do in case of an actual fire. Obviously a fire could happen in any of our buildings. Regardless of location, our request would be to 1) move to the nearest exit, being mindful of direction from safety team members, 2) move across Orville Street and gather in the parking lot, and 3) wait together until the safety team can determine that all people are safely out of the building. Hopefully we will not have to implement these measures because of a real emergency. If the occasion does arise, you can encourage others to follow these simple steps for the safety of all present.



## Church Polos

Do you have a RMUMC church polo shirt? Would you like one? Do you need a new one? If so, please let us know. We don't have exact prices because it will depend on how much shipping costs (went up drastically and will affect final cost). They should cost \$20-\$27 depending on size (Mens S-3X tall, Ladies S-3X, Youth S-XL). The primary colors available are black (church shirt), dark gray, dark green, dark purple, navy blue, and royal blue, but we can request other colors. We'd like to submit an order next week (orders due by September 7) with payment due on receipt. You can contact Sherri Rowe with orders (email [sherrirowe62@gmail.com](mailto:sherrirowe62@gmail.com) or phone 214.563.4695).



## CDs Available!

Get your very own CD featuring Dr. Bob Gilbreth, Vic Jordan, and Fritz Gilbreth! This CD has 24 songs, all of your favorites are included. It can be yours for a donation that will go to the "Dr. Bob Gilbreth Scholarship Fund". Do not miss this opportunity! CDs are available at the church office, or, pick it up Sunday morning.

## I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream!

Mark your calendar for the First Annual Ice Cream Churn-Off!

Do you have a favorite or unique home-made ice cream? Gather your ingredients and get it churned.

Come fellowship with us on September 19, 5:00 p.m. at the Deen Building.

Games galore (inside & outside), the crowning of the winner of the Churn-Off, and hot dogs.



# Calendar of Events for September

## Dates to Remember for September



- Saturday, September 11, 10:00 a.m. Safety Team Meeting
- Sunday, September 12, 5:00 p.m. Youth meeting at Deen Building
- Saturday, September 18, 9:00 a.m. Crafting with Christ
- Sunday, September 19, 5:00 p.m. Ice Cream Churn-Off (Youth will meet at same time)
- Sunday, September 26, 5:00 p.m. Youth Meeting (Place TBD)

### Happy Birthday!

Sandra Smith	9/1	Danny Brown	9/23
Robert Greenwald	9/3	Karl Lybrand	9/23
Don Hollister	9/6	Natalie Sue Hullum	9/23
Petra Marley	9/8	Tim Goodson	9/24
Damon Davis	9/14	Johnny Bates	9/24
Bret Wortham	9/14	Eliot Nychka	9/26
Kerin Wortham	9/14	Luke Rowland	9/27
Shane McBride	9/15	Patsy Aulich	9/27
Mackenzie Roberts	9/16		
Will Dennis	9/17		
Mike Lang	9/19		
Brody Fritchman	9/21		



### Crafting with Christ

Grab your scrapbooking, quilting, crocheting, knitting, cross stitch, sewing or whatever-you-craft supplies and join us Saturday, Sept. 18, from 9:00 am until ??? in the Deen Building for a day of crafting, chatting and chomping with your fellow Christian crafters. Feel free to pass this info on to your fellow crafters so they can join the fun. Hope to see you soon! This is open to everyone!

### Our Presence and Our Gifts

	<u>August 1</u>	<u>August 8</u>	<u>August 15</u>	<u>August 22</u>	<u>August 29</u>
Worship	94	88	71	89	72
Giving	\$6,513.00	\$7,133.00	\$4,316.50	\$2,947.00	\$3,767.00

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
			1 6:00pm Ladies Hand Bells 7:15pm Choir Practice	2	3	4
5 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service	6	7	8 6:00pm Ladies Hand Bells 7:15pm Choir Practice	9	10 Football team in George Hall	11 10:00 am Safety Team
12 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 5:00pm Youth Group	13 5:00pm Day School 6:00pm Finance	14	15 6:00pm Ladies Hand Bells 7:15pm Choir Practice	16	17	18 9:00 am Crafting with Christ (in George Hall)
19 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 5:00pm Ice Cream Churn Off and Youth Group	20	21	22 6:00pm Ladies Hand Bells 7:15pm Choir Practice	23	24	25
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## Food Giveaway in Wills Point

Looking for the perfect opportunity to volunteer?!

Well, look no further. Bread for the Hungry is working with the East Texas Food Bank in our area. They are handing out food on Fridays from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

If that time doesn't work for you, they load the food bags on Fridays from 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (You aren't required to stay the entire time, work what's best for you).

They also need help on Saturday mornings loading a truck to deliver to Myrtle Springs and Rolling Oaks (just loading trucks, not delivering). Contact Nancy Roberts, 214-354-6780, for details and to sign up.

### Memorials

In memory of  
Bonnie George  
Given by

Preston Pierce, Mammie McCasland,  
Wynne & Wynne, Fritz Gilbreth,  
Tommy & Linda Malone, GR & Judy Culpepper,  
Jim & Betty Briggs, Robert & Linda Greenwald,  
Jim & Carolyn Hawkins, Susan Crow,  
Philip & Sharon Tinker, Rita LeCroy,  
Judy Powers, Lena & George Deen,  
Cathy McCormick, Larry & Theresa Turner,  
Dorothy Bruster, Patsy Vanmeter,  
And Molly Brittain.

In memory of  
Mack Waller  
Given by  
Mammie McCasland, Cathy McCormick.

In memory of  
Phyllis Mayo  
Given by  
Jack & Debbie Walker, Susan Crow.

In memory of  
Bennie McBride  
Given by  
Molly Brittain.

In memory of  
Dr. Bob Gilbreth  
Given by  
Molly Brittain.

In memory of  
Thomas Butt  
Given by  
Molly Brittain, Russell & Rene Chumbley,  
Bob & Nancy Fortson, Larry Butts,  
Larry & Theresa Turner, Jerold & Judith Cordell,  
Jim & Carolyn Hawkins, FG & Becky Hardy,  
Tommy & Linda Malone, Fritz Gilbreth,  
Jim & Betty Briggs, Sammy & Donna Gunter,  
and  
Roscoe & Jamie Clay.

## Remember in Prayer:

Family of Thomas Butts  
Family of Jerry Gee  
Family of Walter Cook, Sr  
Family of Bonnie George  
Family of Mack Waller  
Family of Rob Groover  
Family of James Hooks  
Family of Bennie McBride  
Family of Linda King  
Cartwright Family  
Gilbreth Family  
Barb & Marty Mitchell  
Alana Simpson  
Art Galope Jr  
Andy Anderson  
Aneya Williams  
Betty Manning  
Billie Cade  
Bobby Petillo  
Brandon Trail (McDermott's  
Grandson)  
Bruce Lacy

Buck Blasingame  
Carl Fulton  
Caroline Edwards  
Cheryl Bradley  
Christy (Culpepper's  
granddaughter)  
Crestwood Nursing &  
Assisted Living  
Dan & Martha Todd  
Dana Hullum  
Darin Richardson  
Dave Edwards  
Dianne Deen James  
Dianna Perry  
Doris High  
Emily Cockerham  
Eric Johns  
Eyal Family  
Gloria Scott  
Harrison Mayone  
Hunter Haney  
Isaac Bullard  
Jared McDonald  
Judy Powers  
Justin Baas

Kathleen Bobbitt  
Kay & Benny Mitchell  
Laura Bates  
Linda Greenwald  
Liz Ellis  
Marigrace & Mike Lang  
Mark Brown  
Matlock Family  
Matt James  
Maxine Page  
Military, Afghanistan  
Naomi Scott  
Nell Carter  
Paul Cain  
Roger & Jan Moore  
Sara Bullard  
Students, Teachers, &  
Administrators  
Sunday School & Church  
Truck Driver (Killed being a  
good Samaritan)  
Victor Pearson  
Virginia Cockerham  
Wayne Rhodes  
Wendi & Byron Prescott

## Thank You

Dear Russell Memorial UMC—Prayer Shawl  
Ministry

Thank you to all the shawl makers and all those  
who pray over them for the beautiful prayer  
shawl that I was blessed to receive. It has been  
such a comfort while in the hospital and at home  
as I continue my recovery from a recent stroke.

Gloria Scott  
(Robin Scott Berry's Mother)

Dear Russell Memorial UMC

We want to thank you for your donation of com-  
position notebooks to our 10th Annual Back to  
School Fair. Every act of your generosity helps  
us further our mission to provide school supplies  
to those students who might otherwise go with-  
out.

This year we had another record-breaking year,  
providing over 700 WPISD students with sup-  
plies. Your support of the Back to School Fair is  
greatly appreciated. Because of you our students  
will be equipped to do great things this year!

Sincerely,  
Amanda Johns and Mary Keller

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Rev. David Cartwright, Pastor  
Fritz Gilbreth, Organist  
Kelli Huff, K6 Kids Coordinator  
Jackie Cockerham, Financial Administrator

Nancy McDonald, Office Administrator  
Theresa Turner, Ladies Hand Bells Director  
Kristy Adams, Pianist  
Jerry Don Huff, Youth Director

Join us Sunday Morning!

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday

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