




**BUMC CIRCUIT RIDER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND FACILITATORS**


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<p><a href="#">Byrd Baggett</a></p>  <p><a href="http://www.byrdbaggett.com">www.byrdbaggett.com</a></p>	<p><a href="mailto:byrdbaggett3@gmail.com">byrdbaggett3@gmail.com</a></p>	<p>Byrd has been helping organizations develop authentic leaders and passionately engaged teams since 1990. His corporate experience includes sales and management careers with two Fortune 500 companies.</p> <p>He is the creator of the True Growth™ brand and a partner in the world-class True Growth™ Academy leader development experience that has served more than 5,000 governmental, civilian and military leaders since 2007.</p> <p>Byrd is the author of 15 books on the topics of sales, customer service, leadership and motivation. A former All American sprinter at the University of Texas at Austin, Byrd is also a Certified Speaking Professional (CSP), the highest earned designation presented by the National Speakers Association.</p>	<p><b>Legacy Leading™ - The Power of YOUR Story</b></p> <p>To live a good story is the deepest cry of every human heart. In this high-energy presentation, Byrd shares insights and strategies that will help individuals live lives of personal and professional significance. If you're looking to take your life to the next level, this message is for you!</p>	<p align="center">1</p>	<p>LCD Projector / Screen</p>
<p>Byrd Baggett 251-716-3630</p>	<p><a href="mailto:byrdbaggett3@gmail.com">byrdbaggett3@gmail.com</a></p>		<p><b>Can You Trust Me?</b> Simple Insights on How to Live and Lead with Integrity</p>	<p align="center">1</p>	<p>LCD Projector / Screen</p>
<p>Judith Bone</p> 	<p><a href="mailto:jhbone@comcast.net">jhbone@comcast.net</a></p>		<p><b>Three Simple Rules A Wesleyan Way of Living</b></p>	<p align="center">4</p>	<p>Board / Flip Chart</p>
<p>Judith Bone 615 324-7258</p>	<p><a href="mailto:jhbone@comcast.net">jhbone@comcast.net</a></p>		<p><b>Every Bush is Burning</b></p>	<p align="center">2</p>	<p>Board / Flip Chart</p>

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Judith Bone 615 324-7258	<a href="mailto:jbone@bumc.net">jbone@bumc.net</a>		Love, Surrender and Obedience	3	
Judith Bone 615 324-7258	<a href="mailto:jbone@bumc.net">jbone@bumc.net</a>		The Prodigal Son	2	
 Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>	<p>When Mary and Jim Costner and their family moved to Nashville and joined Brentwood United Methodist church, they were newlyweds and Bob Spain was the pastor. Shortly thereafter, they joined a new Disciple Bible Study Group led by Don Choate.</p> <p>About one year later, Jim was asked to help form and to teach the New Horizons Sunday School Class, a class for newlyweds. Jim taught that class for more than 12 years. Since then, he has served as a circuit rider and as a leader of several Disciple Bible Study groups.</p> <p>Jim has served on several boards and committees at BUMC including, most recently, the Board of Trustees.</p>	Stories of Jesus		
Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>		Stories About Jesus		
Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>		What are we talking about when we talk about following Jesus?		
Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>		What do we really know about the historical person Jesus?		
Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>		When did Jesus become Christ? What difference does it make?		
Jim Costner 615 371-1086	<a href="mailto:james@jamescostner.com">james@jamescostner.com</a>		So whom do we trust? St. Paul. He never knew Jesus. He did not always teach what Jesus or the gospel writers taught.		

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<p>Sharon Cox</p>  <p>615 371-8375</p>	<p><a href="mailto:esharoncox@aol.com">esharoncox@aol.com</a></p>	<p>Sharon is a nurse by background and has been a Circuit Rider for the last several years. She enjoys facilitating discussions around personal balance and renewal as well as dealing with change and transitions. She uses humor and story-telling and often shares tips and tools that make her topics memorable.</p> <p>Sharon has her own consulting business, Cox and Associates, for the last 25 years in the field of organizational development and leadership training for healthcare. She is a nationally known speaker and author with an entertaining and thought provoking style. She and her husband Jim (who sings in the chancel choir) are active members of BUMC and in their semi-retirement enjoy golf and fly fishing. They have two grown children.</p>	<p><b>Transitions: Dealing with Change from the Inside Out</b>                      We all know that change is one of the few constants in life as we deal with non-stop change at work and any number of personal changes that life brings us. With all the external changes we face this program offers insight into an internal road map to better understand our psychological adjustment to change. Helping ourselves and others as we cope with the transitions involved in change is the focus for this two part program. Based on the work of William Bridges (Transitions: Making Sense of Life's Changes) tips are offered to let go of old patterns with a homework assignment between the two sessions.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>
<p>Sharon Cox 615 371-8375</p>	<p><a href="mailto:esharoncox@aol.com">esharoncox@aol.com</a></p>		<p><b>Renewal, Replenishing, and Refreshing the Spirit Within</b>                      Given the stresses of life and the ease with which we all lose sight of our need for self care and balance this program offers practical ways to keep ourselves in a better place emotionally. Areas of discussion include spiritual disciplines, the healing power of nature, mindfulness and the importance of gratitude. The intent is to offer ideas for next day use and ways to sustain personal change.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>

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Lane Davis  615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:ldavis@bumc.net">ldavis@bumc.net</a>	Lane Davis is the new Pastor of Discipleship at BUMC. He is a native of Alabama and a lifelong United Methodist. He holds a BA from Huntingdon College and an MDiv from Harvard Divinity School. Prior to joining the staff at Brentwood, Lane was in ministry at Covenant UMC in Dothan, AL and Dunwoody UMC in Atlanta, GA. He enjoys teaching on American religious history, Wesleyan theology and faith and technology.	<b>United Methodist Doctrine and Discipline</b> What do we believe as Methodists? What is church doctrine and what does it mean for our faith and our Church?	1 - 2	TV or Projector
Lane Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:ldavis@bumc.net">ldavis@bumc.net</a>		<b>Faith as Wesley Lived It</b> A class on John Wesley's life and theology.	2 - 2	TV or Projector
Lane Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:ldavis@bumc.net">ldavis@bumc.net</a>		<b>Believing is Doing: Creating a Faith that Lasts</b> A class on the power of worship and ritual for children, youth, and adults; especially pertinent for parents and grandparents.	1	TV or Projector
Mike Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:mdavisgroup@outlook.com">mdavisgroup@outlook.com</a>		<b>Where are the Lost Tribes of Israel today?</b>	1	
Mike Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:mdavisgroup@outlook.com">mdavisgroup@outlook.com</a>		<b>Faith walk – from Judaism to Christianity</b> My personal Journey		
Mike Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:mdavisgroup@outlook.com">mdavisgroup@outlook.com</a>		<b>The Founding of our Nation and Judeo Christian Principles</b>		
Mike Davis 615 324-7244	<a href="mailto:mdavisgroup@outlook.com">mdavisgroup@outlook.com</a>		<b>Christian Persecution today to Have you heard?</b>		


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<p>Dr. John Fite</p>  <p>615-337-6975</p>	<p><a href="mailto:drjohnfite@gmail.com">drjohnfite@gmail.com</a></p>	<p>I am a licensed counseling psychologist and have worked helping people particularly in the area of relationships. I have an extensive background in the area of addictions recovery and trauma but have also worked in a variety of settings with children, adolescents and adults doing therapy and testing.</p> <p>I have worked in hospitals, prisons, a chronic pain clinic, a biofeedback clinic and delivery therapy and testing for the public schools in most of the schools in Williamson County. In addition, I ran a sixteen bed halfway house for adolescent boys with addiction problems for six years. Half my work is with couples and the balance is with teenagers and their families and individuals with anxiety, depression or addiction.</p> <p>My wife and I live in Franklin and have been married thirty years with one son who is a researcher for Facebook. I have worked with the Counseling Center at Brentwood Methodist for eight years and consult with the clergy on the psychological needs of parishioners. I am a former professor and my goal is to offer education that is fun and relevant.</p>	<p>I have taught a variety of classes including divorce recovery, couples enrichment, and addiction</p>		

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Jonathan Harrell  615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>	Married to Christy and we have Samuel 14 and Rachel 12. I am currently earning a Master's degree in Biblical Studies from Moody Bible Institute. By day I practice the art and science of Physical Therapy.	"Who do you say that I am?" Mark 8:29	1 to 4	
Jonathan Harrell 615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>		<b>World views about Jesus</b>		
Jonathan Harrell 615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>		<b>Bible study about Exodus</b> (Chap. 1 to 20)		
Jonathan Harrell 615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>		<b>Why I am not an atheist</b>		
Jonathan Harrell 615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>		<b>Is it reasonable to believe that the Bible is God's inspired word or is it full of myths and mistakes?</b>		
Jonathan Harrell 615 352-8403	<a href="mailto:cjhrus@juno.com">cjhrus@juno.com</a>		<b>A good God and suffering - how can this be?</b>		
Brandon Hulette 615 591-3133	<a href="mailto:rbhulette@gmail.com">rbhulette@gmail.com</a>		<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>	4 - 5	
Brandon Hulette 615 591-3133	<a href="mailto:rbhulette@gmail.com">rbhulette@gmail.com</a>		<b>By Water and the Spirit</b> (Baptism)	3 - 4	
Brandon Hulette 615 591-3133	<a href="mailto:rbhulette@gmail.com">rbhulette@gmail.com</a>		<b>This Holy Mystery</b> (Methodism Communion)	3 - 4	

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<p>John Gregory</p>  <p>615 804-5109</p>	<p><a href="mailto:jwgregcbt@aol.com">jwgregcbt@aol.com</a></p>	<p>My family is at least six generation Methodist. I have taught Sunday School classes for over 30 years. My father and mother were teachers and I have found teaching to be an excellent way for me to study the bible and explore various theological views along my faith journey.</p> <p>My wife ,Olivia, and I live in Franklin and enjoy worshiping at BUMC. My career is in banking and I work as an officer of Renasant Bank on West End Avenue in Nashville. Olivia and I are members of the Crossroads class.</p> <p>I ascribe to Wesley's quadrilateral: scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. I believe God is love and is best understood through the incarnation. The compassion of Jesus , his servanthood and ultimate sacrifice for all lead me as a disciple.</p> <p>"The grace of God means something like : Here is your life. You might never have been, but you are because the party wouldn't been complete without you." Frederick Buechner</p>	<p><b>God Isn't Angry- Part One</b> (Seeking God)</p> <p>What is our understanding of God? What shaped it? Discussion of the Wesleyan view of creation, harmony, separation, redemption and restoration. Emphasis is on God's grace and love and the desire for relationship with all people. Drawing on scripture and the writings of Buechner , Rohr, Taylor, and Bell.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>

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John Gregory 615 804-5109	<a href="mailto:jwgregcbt@aol.com">jwgregcbt@aol.com</a>		<p><b>The Lord's Prayer</b> (From Charles Allen's best seller, "God's Psychiatry ")</p> <p>How is Jesus' teaching of this model prayer for his disciples relevant for today? Each line of the prayer with Dr. Allen's interpretation will be presented. This will an excellent opportunity to take a deeper dive into Jesus' suggestion of a prayer methodology.</p>	1	Flip Chart




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Phil Jamieson  615 295-9926	<a href="mailto:phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org">phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org</a>	Phil, an elder in the United Methodist Church, is a member of the East Ohio Annual Conference. He has been the pastor of churches and taught in a seminary. He holds degrees from Taylor University, Asbury Theological Seminary, and Boston College. Currently he is the President of the United Methodist Foundation for the Memphis and Tennessee Annual Conferences. Phil is the coauthor (with his wife, Janet) of <i>Ministry and Money: A Practical Guide for Pastors</i> (Westminster/John Knox, 2009) and the author of <i>Facing Christ: A Pastoral Theology of Shame and Redemption</i> (IVP Academic, 2016). He is married to Janet and they have two grown children, Bethany and Mark.	<b>Say Thank-You.</b> The importance of gratitude for living the Christian life.	2	Flip Chart
Phil Jamieson 615 295-9926	<a href="mailto:phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org">phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org</a>		<b>Why is it so hard to Forgive?</b> One of the great challenges that we face: accepting and offering forgiveness. This class will help develop a theology of Christ's forgiveness of us, enabling us to forgive others.	4	Flip Chart
Phil Jamieson 615 295-9926	<a href="mailto:phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org">phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org</a>		<b>The Blood of the Martyrs.</b> An introduction to the plight of many of our brothers and sisters throughout the world. What we may learn from them and how we may help.	2	Flip Chart
Phil Jamieson 615 295-9926	<a href="mailto:phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org">phil.jamieson@umfmtc.org</a>		<b>The Power of Money.</b> This class will help us examine our relationship to money and how it influences our relationship with God and neighbor.	3	Flip Chart
Sue Perez (Johnson) 615 337-6374	<a href="mailto:sadiejo@bellsouth.net">sadiejo@bellsouth.net</a>		<b>Confronting the Controversies</b> (Adam Hamilton) <b>When Christians Get It Wrong</b> (Adam Hamilton)	4 to 6	DVD

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<p>Frank Lane</p>  <p>615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>	<p>Frank Lane is a retired teacher from Metro Schools. He has been a presenter at national teaching conferences for best practices in the classroom. Frank has been a Naval Officer, serving on Submarines, and in the Pentagon. He has more than 30 years of extremely successful international experience as a Chief Executive Officer with multi-national companies. Frank is an avid golfer, a certified Executive Chef, and a published author.</p> <p>Frank believes the uniqueness of the adult Sunday School class can and should be a place where adults interact with Scripture and with each other. He is a discussion centered teacher, with a Socratic approach to the Adult Discipleship classes. Frank's teaching style is to use engaging teaching methods such as discussion, paraphrasing, inductive Bible study, questioning our lives with spiritual encouragement.</p>	<p><b>Women of the Bible</b> Heroic (and often misunderstood)</p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	
<p>Frank Lane 615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>		<p><b>Contemporary Religious Issues</b></p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	
<p>Frank Lane 615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>		<p><b>Difficult and Troublesome Bible Passages</b></p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	
<p>Frank Lane 615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>		<p><b>Constantine's Sword</b> (John Carroll's book)</p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	
<p>Frank Lane 615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>		<p><b>The Gospels of Mary Magdellan &amp; Thomas</b> Recent translations from the Nag Hamani Library</p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	
<p>Frank Lane 615 331-2179</p>	<p><a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a></p>		<p><b>The Gospels of Paul &amp; John</b></p>	<p>1 - 3</p>	


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Frank Lane 615 331-2179	<a href="mailto:wflane2@bellsouth.net">wflane2@bellsouth.net</a>		<b>The Bible as a Guide to Resolve Difficult Issues</b>	1 - 3	
<p>Al McCree</p>  <p>615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)</p>	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>	<p>Al McCree is a long time Sunday School Circuit Rider.</p> <p>Al is the CEO and Owner of Musical Concepts Inc. and the Comedy with Class Network. In that role, he is an artist manager, concert promoter and content distributor. He is also a retired Air Force fighter pilot. He is a graduate of the US Air Force Academy and has a Masters in Systems Management from St. Mary's University in San Antonio.</p> <p>He is married to Peg, an Assistant Professor at MTSU. They have two adult children and two grandchildren.</p> <p>In 2003, Al founded the Madrick Ministry. Madrich is the Hebrew word for Study Leader. In 2008, the name was changed to the Sunday School Circuit Riders.</p> <p>Al's mission is to facilitate the spiritual growth of others. His programs are always discussion based and thought provoking. He typically includes music in his facilitations.</p>	<b>Celebrating Your Natural Gifts</b> How to achieve personal and professional satisfaction by using inborn aptitudes	1	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Forgiveness</b> Perhaps the hardest thing we are called to do as Christians	1	

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Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Making Good Decisions</b> Practical methods to improve personal, professional and spirual decisions	1	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Ecclesiastes</b> An in depth study of one of the intriguing books of the Bible	3	Bibles
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Homosexuality and Christianity</b> Learn about and discuss one of the most devisive issues in Christianity today	3	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Politics and Religion</b> Where does the Methodist Church stand on political issues?	3	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Sex and the Bible</b> There is lots about sex in the Bible. If we can't talk about in Sunday School, where can we?	4	Bibles
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Social Principles of the UMC</b> Where does the Church stand on many comtemporary issues from the environment to abortion?	6	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>The Book <u>With, Reimagining the Way You Relate to God.</u></b> An in depth look at our true relationship with God	4 - 5	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>The 7 Experiment</b> Teaming with Amy Coggins - A beautiful and challenging Lenten study	7	
Al McCree 615-460-7000 (o) 615-243-0965 (m)	<a href="mailto:al@almccree.com">al@almccree.com</a>		<b>Witnessing: How To....</b> How to witness and not be embarrassed about it.	1	


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<p>Monicah Muhomba</p> 	<p><a href="mailto:mmuho40@icloud.com">mmuho40@icloud.com</a></p>	<p>Monicah Muhomba is a Licensed Psychologist and Training Director at Vanderbilt University Psychological &amp; Counseling Center. She is also Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She is originally from Zimbabwe, Africa. Monicah has a passion for teaching that is drawn from her background in both Psychology and Theology; she obtained a PhD in Counseling Psychology from the University of Kentucky and a Masters Degree in Counseling from Asbury Theological Seminary, in Kentucky.</p>	<p>Doing God's Will Through Mindfulness and Radical Acceptance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A closer look at examples in scriptures where Jesus practiced Mindfulness and Radical acceptance</li> <li>• The definition of Mindfulness—The “awareness that arises by paying attention, to the present moment, in a particular way, on purpose, without judgment”( Jon Kabat Zin)</li> <li>• and purpose of mindfulness and how it relates</li> <li>• The Purpose of Mindfulness and Acceptance</li> <li>• How to practice Mindfulness in day to day life in a world full of distractions</li> </ul>	<p>2 - 3</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>
<p>Monicah Muhomba</p>	<p><a href="mailto:mmuho40@icloud.com">mmuho40@icloud.com</a></p>		<p>Becoming A More Forgiving Christian</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A discussion of Scriptures related to Forgiveness in the Old &amp; New Testament- Jesus' messages about forgiveness Working definitions of forgiveness and the Process of forgiveness</li> <li>• A look at research on Forgiveness</li> <li>• Types of forgiveness</li> <li>• Barriers to Forgiveness</li> <li>• Benefits of Forgiveness</li> <li>• Differences and similarities between Forgiveness of Self vs. forgiveness of others</li> </ul>	<p>3 - 4</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>
<p>Monicah Muhomba</p>	<p><a href="mailto:mmuho40@icloud.com">mmuho40@icloud.com</a></p>		<p>Prayer and Faith Journey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A look at What the scriptures say about Prayer and faith</li> <li>• John Wesley on Prayer as the “most important Means of Grace”</li> <li>• Discussion of writings on prayer by such authors and Richard Rohr and Marjorie Thompson</li> <li>• Prayer as a form of Mindfulness</li> <li>• Leading a prayerful life in a distracting world</li> </ul>	<p>2 - 3</p>	<p>Flip Chart</p>

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<p>Steve Schaffer</p>  <p>615 332-4205</p>	<p><a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p>Steve maintains a focus on examining how contemporary social issues sometimes compete with our Christian faith.</p> <p>The son of an Episcopal minister who was deeply engaged in the civil rights movement marching with Martin Luther King, Steve grew up heavily influenced by his father's passion for social justice, helping the disenfranchised, and working on behalf of the poor.</p> <p>For nearly 9 years Steve has mentored death row prisoners at the Riverbend Maximum Security Prison. His willingness to carefully approach 'hot-button' contemporary issues is one of his gifts and talents.</p> <p>Steve's professional experience comes from nearly 30 years as a studio musician (over 8,000 record albums) and producer, and his nearly 20 years in corporate / enterprise healthcare technology retiring from his position as Sr. Project Manager Enterprise Infrastructure.</p>	<p><b>Confronting the Controversies</b>                      AdamHamilton's series - Biblical perspectives on tough issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Death Penalty</li> <li>• Creation and Evolution in Public Schools</li> <li>• Euthanasia</li> <li>• Prayer in Public Schools</li> <li>• Abortion</li> <li>• Homosexuality</li> </ul>	<p>1 to 6</p>	<p>LCD Projector / Screen</p>
<p>Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205</p>	<p><a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a></p>		<p><b>Radicalization and Terrorism</b>                      **** (Presentation and Class Discussion) ****</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What conditions foster such behavior?</li> <li>• What part does religion play?</li> <li>• Why is all this happening now?</li> <li>• What can an individual do?</li> <li>• What should be our Christian response?</li> </ul>	<p>1</p>	<p>LCD Projector / Screen</p>

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Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<b>Moral Crossroads in Modern Medicine and Science</b> Taking a look at questions never before raised in human history. To even begin our search for answers, we must first understand the questions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating 'designer' babies</li> <li>• Clone a human and harvest its organs</li> <li>• Patenting genes – ownership of lifeforms</li> <li>• Holding for ransom cures for disease</li> </ul> Jesus would want us to courageously and prayerfully consider such questions. This class is about opening ourselves up spiritually to understand choices we may face that humanity has never before seen.	1	
Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<b>'Wonder Women' of the Bible</b> Take a closer look into the lives and impact of 5 old testament women and 5 new testament women – putting them in context of the times, showing the risks they faced, their faith and courage, and why they are important to us today.	2	LCD Projector / Screen




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Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<p><b>Understanding Hinduism &amp; Buddhism</b></p> <p>Compared to Christianity, these may appear mysterious or bizarre on the surface, but under closer scrutiny, they begin to look strangely familiar. Let's look under the hood at some of the differences and the even stranger similarities between these and Christianity. This can be a real eye opener!</p>		LCD Projector / Screen
Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<p><b>They believe WHAT...!?</b></p> <p>Looking closer at other religious communities and Christian denominations in America may help in understanding both our uniqueness and commonalities to bridge gaps. Ever wonder what these people believe?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scientology</li> <li>• Mormonism</li> <li>• Jehovah's Witnesses</li> <li>• Christian Scientists</li> <li>• Universalists / Unitarian</li> <li>• 7th Day Adventist ... and others</li> </ul> <p>A key to Jesus' command that we love our neighbor is first to understand our neighbor.</p>	1+	LCD Projector / Screen

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Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<p><b>Politics vs. Religion – or – Politics From Religion?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should Politics and Religion be kept separate?</li> <li>• How does separation of church and state apply?</li> <li>• What is the Church's role?</li> <li>• Do our political decisions accurately reflect our spiritual convictions?</li> </ul> <p>Not to persuade one way or another, but to raise awareness of where we might find guidance for personal choices in an increasingly political world. Did Jesus have an opinion on the topic?</p>	1	
Steve Schaffer 615 332-4205	<a href="mailto:s1548@hotmail.com">s1548@hotmail.com</a>		<p><b>The Life and Times of John Wesley</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who was this man that started Methodism?</li> <li>• The historical and religious context of his life and times</li> <li>• Wesley was simultaneously convicted and conflicted</li> <li>• What made Methodism different from Anglicanism?</li> </ul> <p>Based upon the popular biography by Stephen Tomkins</p>	3	LCD Projector / Screen
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<p>Andy Voyles 615-584-1057</p>	<p><a href="mailto:a_voyles@msn.com">a_voyles@msn.com</a></p>		<p><b>The Call</b>                      Adam Hamilton Study - An in-depth study of Paul and his journeys; exploring his fascinating trials, tribulations, and evangelical spirt.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>DVD</p>
<p>Dr. Phil Wenk 615 376-5170</p>	<p><a href="mailto:philwenk@deltadentaltn.com">philwenk@deltadentaltn.com</a></p>		<p><b>Specific Old Testament Books</b></p>		