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Thoughts from... the Pastor's Study

Rev. Jason Carpierto, Carlisle United Methodist

A couple of weeks ago, before school started, we went on a three day vacation to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. This is nothing unusual for us because it is our favorite place to vacation. There is just something about getting on the mountain setting that allows you to escape to another time and place so that even though you are in the midst of all of the tourist attractions you can get away from it all so to speak.

On this particular trip we took my youngest daughter because she is the oldest child and she would attend band camp instead of going on vacation. Since we were on a child less on this particular trip we decided to go to Dollywood. This decision was based on several factors including the fact that we got a good deal on the room and some cheap tickets to the theme park. So we set off on the adventure of the summer.

All was well and the park had already started. This made for easy entrance to the rides and attractions. There were so many things to do that my nine year old

had never been there. It was all so exciting for her. There was one ride that she was interested in but didn't know anything about it. This particular roller coaster had three loops in it but didn't put the enthusiasm of my daughter. No, she was all excited about getting on the ride. That is until we were almost ready to actually get on the ride. But she was still anxious even though she was getting a little scared about riding it.

As most roller coasters begin we started out by being pulled to the top of the track by a rattling chain inching us upward. When we got to the top I looked and could see quite a distance of us. This is the hard lesson that Peter learned that day and it is a hard lesson for us to learn. The only thing that we can do is to try bringing some of those mountaintop experiences back down with us and we are called life. It is not as scary, but for a brief moment in time and there we can have that mountaintop experience that makes it all worth it.

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jah. In Luke 9:33 Peter tells Jesus that "It is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." Peter experienced something for them on Corbin that day. He experienced the glory of the presence of God in his life. He made commitments that they could stay there on the mountain. We cannot always stay on the mountaintop.

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Ms. Alberta Glass attended a birthday party given by Josh and Lindsay Fryman at their home on Sunday afternoon for their son Corbin who was one year old.

Mr. Gene Kelly read scripture for their son Corbin at Johnson Matthers Health Care in the absence of the scheduled minister.

The Ervingsville Baptist Church gave the 3:00 o'clock service. They are always there on the third Sunday of the month. Ms. Julie Strout sang a solo.

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children and families. Also while her Bob, Aleta and son visited Mr. and Mrs. David Doyle, Pendexter, and visited at her home, his sister, Sharon and Wil-Doyle "Wanda" was among 14 who retired from the schools. They each received a check from the school and a Ky. Colonel Award in nice form, and someone gave a special talk about each one. Wanda had worked 31 years, and had already been honored twice just before the school year ended in May, receiving gifts, including a large Thomas Kincaid painting of the entire basement. Some of them also hold offices, now the lawn, can the church, etc. They and their children comprise about half the church. The July 19th service there were around 44 in all for worship service.

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Nicholas Co. Bookworms newest review

By Melissa Mitchell melissam@carlislemercury.com

Members of the Nicholas County Bookworms read a novel by James Still called River of Earth. The group is finding that it is learning different styles of writing, format, and new things about different parts of Kentucky and the surrounding areas.

James Still was born in 1906 in Alabama, he moved to Knott County, Ky. in 1931 and made it his home until his death in the spring of 2001.

His publishing career spanned 70 years and included the novel River of Earth, story collections such as Pattern of a Man, children's books, collections of mountain lore and sayings, poetry collections such as The Wolfpen Notebooks, A Record of Appalachian Life, James Still's River of Earth is a portrait of one of Kentucky's most distinguished and honored writers as well as an introduction to his work. It also gives students insight into the history and culture of the Appalachian region from which that work sprang.

This novel was published in 1940; it is both a poignant and at times heart-breaking look at hard times in the Eastern Kentucky hills and a celebration of the enduring beauty of these hills and their people.

Every one of the members found that they had learned new meanings of some words and were able to understand the ways of the lives of the family in the novel.

Right off the page

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Fatal Kidnapping by Tracy R. Evans

Have you ever thought about the greatest fear of all? The fear of losing a child and then not knowing where they are. The book by Tracy B. Evans, Fatal Kidnapping, is a novel that is a suspense mystery thriller.

The novel is a heavy dialogue. The novel is one that will keep you guessing on who is the murderer. While reading the novel I found myself wondering which one it was.

It will keep you trying to figure out who done it. While reading the novel that it about Katie Stone as she grew up you find she feared that someone was watching her. A day never went by without her calling her father at least once but one day she did not call. She and her friend Caleb agreed to meet up for dinner, but she didn't show up.

she is a sheriff for help and the whole town helps search for Katie.

When they find Katie, everyone is shocked to find that she was supposedly kidnapped by a man who had been dead for years. Sheriff Day investigates Katie's kidnapping, he believes that he uncovered the truth. Or, did he?

This novel is a good read, and I would recommend that everyone who enjoys mysteries, thrillers and suspense novels to read it. It is a book that will take you a ride on a roller coaster that you will never forget. You can get a copy at the local library and at the school library. Until the next review have fun reading.

novel and send us back your review of the novel. You can pick up the novel, River of Earth by James Still in the library. The next novel that the club is reading is, Passing for Black The Life and Careers of Mae Street Kidd by Wade Hall. Hall lives in Louisville, Kentucky and the novel on Mae Street Kidd is about a little girl from Millersburg, Kentucky.

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OBITS

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McClanahan died Saturday, August 16, 2008 at Harrison Memorial Hospital. She was born December 18, 1929 in Nicholas County, KY. She was married to the late Earl and Minnie Vaughn Detcher, was a member of the Carlisle Christian Church, a member of the Homemakers and was retired from Jockey International.

Survivors include a son, Marty (Nancy) McClanahan, Butler; daughter, Linda (Charles) Marshall, Burlington; three brothers,

Eugene Letcher, Carlisle; Earl Letcher, Louisville; and William T. Letcher, Jeffersonville, IN. Three sisters, Marie Crawford, Carlisle; Mary Della Gillespie, Bourbon County and Faye Letcher, Carlisle; a grandson, Craig (Lori) Marshall, Cincinnati; a granddaughter, Dana (Matt) Lowandowski, Cadwell, MI; and another grandson, Matt Hughes. Memorial contributions suggested to Carlisle Christian Church. Arrangements by Mathers-Gaughey Funeral Home.

Services were held Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 11:00 a.m.

Carlie Christian Church by Rev. Steve Smith with burial in the Carlisle Cemetery.asketbearers were Jimmy, Jeff, Pat and Greg Letcher, Gary Crawford and Stephen Gillespie.

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PUBLIC HEARING In accordance with the provisions of HB44 enacted by the 1978 Kentucky General Assembly a public hearing has been set by the Nicholas County Public Library Board of Trustees for September 3, 2008 at 12:45 at the Nicholas County Public Library. The purpose of the hearing is to inform the public that the Nicholas County Public Library District is proposing the 0.046 cent tax rate with anticipated revenue of \$36,534. This tax rate reflects a 4% increase in anticipated revenue. The tax rate for the preceding year was 0.043 cents with anticipated revenue of \$37,341.

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ABSOLUTE AUCTION 252 Acre Bath/Nicholas County Farm Saturday, September 6th at 10:30 AM LOCATION: Old Route 11 in Sharpburg. DIRECTIONS: From Mt. Sterling, follow Route 11 North through Sharpburg. Turn left on Old Route 11. Follow signs 1/4 mile to sale site. Call for directions if travelling from other locations. DESCRIPTION: 252 Acres with 3 large ponds, tenant house and 3 barns. Very private location with entry to rear of farm from Willow Lane. Ideal for pasture or hay production. Average good exterior fencing with beautiful building site off Old Route 11. Largest tobacco barn has 8 bents. City water available. Ponds have trees adjacent, ideal shade for livestock and overall enhancement of the natural beauty of the farm. Soil predominantly Boonewood, Lowell and Nicholson silt loam. This is truly a "Farmer's Farm" with many possibilities. INSPECTION: Saturday, August 30th from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Call selling agency for more information and viewing by appointment. TERMS: 10% down day after sale, balance due within 30 days. All inspections must be completed prior to sale day. Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed or verbal advertising. Seller: Moreland Family Sale conducted by: Rector Hayden Realtors Agent Charles Nichols (859) 707-7988 & CASWELL PREWITT REALTY, INC. Auctioneers - Omar Prewitt, Tim Lyons, Howard Stone, Leonard Guy 859-498-0208 • 101 North Mayville St. • Mt. Sterling, KY Please visit www.caswellprewittrealty.com for additional details.

Benefit Supper for the Victory Chapel Building Fund Please join Tommy and Lydia Crouch for Food, Gospel Music, Raffles, Games and Lots of Fun! SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 Located on the Corner of Route 11 and Hwy. 36, Moorefield Road SUNDAY DRIVE Southern Gospel/Bluegrass/Praise & Worship J.R. AND LINDA STIDAM Contemporary/Praise & Worship ANONYMOUS Contemporary/Praise & Worship/Drama CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD JASON PERRY Drama Team Southern Gospel Fish Fry will begin at 5 p.m. (donation only) Come on out and Play Horseshoes or Cornhole and listen to some Good Gospel Music Everyone Welcome