

# Heaven's A Lot Like Kentucky

**EARLY FRONTIER TEACHERS**  
The first frontier school-teachers among the early settlers of northeastern Kentucky were William Suddath, William McKinney and Thomas Parvin.

Parvin and Suddath each taught the children of John Strode's and David Mecher's stations. Suddath taught in 1783/84 and Parvin taught in 1784/85. McKinney began teaching in Lexington in 1785. McKinney was severely wounded a decade earlier during the 1774 Battle of Point Pleasant.

Part of one of his hands was shot off and several of his were broken. He always wore a leather glove over the injured hand, but had no use of it. He was additionally wounded when he confronted a wildcat that invaded his schoolhouse more than a decade later.

When men from Lexington finally entered the Kentucky schoolhouse, they found McKinney and the wildcat lying together on the floor.

Neither moved. Some women also gathered, and upon seeing that McKinney lifted his hand and said, "Don't worry ladies, it's just a little cat."

He taught school while there. He returned east and brought his family to Kentucky in 1785.

He buried his youngest brother Benjamin, who died of fever shortly after the Suddath family arrived in Mayville by Flatboat. He later lost the leg before fleeing. Another warrior shot at Mrs. Constant, with the bullet striking the cabin doorframe only an inch from her face.

On August 11, 1787, the first issue of the Kentucky Gazette newspaper, rolled off the press in Lexington. It was the first newspaper to be printed in Kentucky. The publisher was John Bradford and he had employed his brother, Field, on a year to year basis.

Although it is believed that some time to get used to a new town and new people and for the people to get used to someone new as well, Jesus said in Luke 10 that when you go into a new town to minister to the people that you should bid them peace and if they accept you then you carry out your duties if they don't accept you then among you just sit a while and shake the dust off of your feet as you leave as a testimony against that town.

Several of the Parvin children and many of the Strode's children and many of the Mecher's and were in bed. The warries killed two of Parvin children and multi-

## Thoughts from... the Ministerial Association Rev. Jason Carpentiro

As we enter the month of June I am thankful to be here with you. For those who aren't familiar with the Methodist way of changing pastors I will try to explain it in brief. The United Methodist Church appoints its pastors on a year to year basis. If we move, it is in June. If we don't move then we can be thankful depending on the circumstances. I am not moving this year and will be at this church for another year. So I am thankful for that.

Finishing up my first full year here I have learned that some time to get used to a new town and new people and for the people to get used to someone new as well, Jesus said in Luke 10 that when you go into a new town to minister to the people that you should bid them peace and if they accept you then you carry out your duties if they don't accept you then among you just sit a while and shake the dust off of your feet as you leave as a testimony against that town.

## A SOCIAL MIXER ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE

Some teens are mixing drugs because they think it will help them get high. Many youth don't understand the dangers of combining prescription drugs with alcohol or illicit drugs. Mixing some of these drugs can slow the heart and respiration—and lead to death. Most unintentional poisoning deaths result from the abuse of prescription and illegal drugs.

Today's teens abuse prescription drugs to get high more than any illicit drug except marijuana. Even more troubling? Teens who abuse prescription drugs are far more likely to be using other substances as well: Of those teens who abuse prescription painkillers, 81% have also used alcohol and 58% have used marijuana.

Parents can help protect teens by setting firm rules of no drug use of any kind and stressing the serious risks of mixing any drugs.

**What to do?**  
Safeguard all prescription drugs and alcohol at home. Monitor quantities and control access.

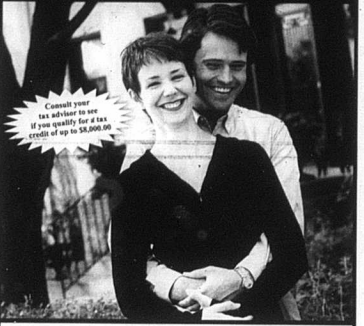
Set clear rules about alcohol and drug use, including marijuana, and consequences for breaking them.

Be a good role model by not sharing prescription medicines and if you choose to drink, use alcohol in moderation.

Properly conceal and dispose of old or unused prescription drugs in the trash.

Ask friends and family to safeguard their prescription drugs and alcohol as well

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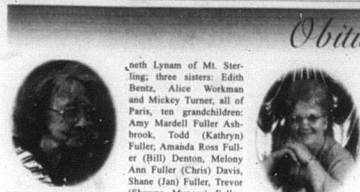


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**Geneva Lynam Fuller**  
1924-2009

Geneva Lynam Fuller, 85, widow of Ermine Fuller, passed away on Thursday, May 28, 2009, at Harrison Memorial Hospital. She was born on May 12, 1924, in Nicholas County to the late Holman and Minnie Snapp Lynam, was a retired employee of Bluegrass Industries and a member of Carlisle United Methodist Church. She was a devoted mother and grandmother and enjoyed spending time with her family and reading her Bible.

Survivors include six sons: Ermine S. "John" (Genevieve) Fuller, Jr. of Lakewood, Washington; James F. (Peggy) Fuller of Washington, D.C.; O.D. Fuller, Michael H. (Reva) Fuller, Douglas L. Fuller and Dana Bruce Fuller all of Carlisle, a brother, Kenneth Lynam of Mt. Sterling, three sisters: Edith Benz, Alice Workman and Mickey Turner, all of Paris, ten grandchildren: Amy Marell Fuller Ashbrook, Todd (Kathryn) Fuller, Amanda Ross Fuller (Bill) Denton, Melony Ann Fuller (Chris) Davis, Shane (Jan) Fuller, Trevor (Shawna Myrae) Fuller, April Lynn (Tony) Buckler, Jon-Sammuel Hayden Fuller, Douglas Lee Fuller, Jr. and Luis Narvaez Fuller; seven great-grandchildren: Joe Derek Ashbrook, Joshua Todd Ashbrook, Jacob Calvin Denton, Kayla Elizabeth Buckler, Hannah Lauren Fuller, Jordan Myrae and Mikayla Myrae; and two sisters: Mary Jane McLean and Betty Sanderson.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2009 at Mathers-Gunne Funeral Home by the Rev. Julian Hammonds and Rev. James Gue. Burial followed in Carlisle Cemetery, O.D. Fuller Memorial contributions suggested to the Kentucky Methodist Children's Home, Versailles.



**Pamela Wills Winstead Jones**  
1949-2009

Pamela Wills Winstead Jones, 59, of Carlisle and formerly of Bath County, passed away on Saturday May 30, 2009 at Johnson-Mathers Health Care of Carlisle after an extended illness. Born on July 21, 1949 in Bath County, she was the daughter of the late Lawrence E. and Margaret Christine Hunt Wills. She was a former insurance agent for Liberty Life Insurance Co. and attended the Northside Church of God in Ovingville.

Survivors include two daughters: Wendy Anderson E. and Margaret Christine Hunt Wills; two sons: Charles Day and Chris Becraft, both of Bath; two sisters: Martha Montgomery of Paris, Sbb (Jay) Mitchell of Paris, Sbb (Jay) Mitchell of Paris, Beverly (Rosa) Montgomery of Paris, Wanda (Avery) Thornburg of Carlisle, and Irene (John) Mitchell of Paris; and several nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at Powell Funeral Home in Sals Lick with the Rev. Jim Crum officiating. Interment followed in the Wills Cemetery in Sals Lick.

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