

**GENESIS NEWSLETTER**  
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*Thanksgiving Message  
from  
Pastor Kip*



**“Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Phil. 4:5-7**

Her name was Marlene. She was always filled with laughter and joy. She had the ability to handle difficult situations with great peace and confidence. Her spirit was gentle and generous.

Where did this passionate, Christ-like character come from? Her prayer life was part of the answer. She once told me a story of a prayer experience she had. Marlene liked to walk and pray. When she took her prayer walks she would always pray out loud, real loud. This was so she could be sure God would hear her and know that it was indeed her.

Marlene believed that prayers should consist mostly of expressing her thankfulness for what God had done in her life and for what God was about to do, things she was not aware of just yet. So down the street she would go; arms waving in the air, prayers of thanksgiving being shouted towards heaven and

intermixed with songs of praise and adoration to her God. I’m sure this was a sight to behold; she was truly a very free spirit.

One day, on a long and desolate street near their home, Marlene was out for a prayer walk. She had walked quite a distance and had prayed very joyfully and very loudly. She suddenly had the feeling she was not alone. She knew God was always with her; yet on this day she felt the presence of another person. She felt the person was near to her, but this did not silence her song and prayer fest.

After a few minutes she nonchalantly looked over her shoulder. She was surprised to see that the other person was a small boy on a bike, following her at a safe distance. She stopped and spoke to the boy while he kept his distance. He was polite enough at first, but when he sensed the time was right he darted ahead of her and quickly rode away. He never looked back; he just peddled away from her as fast as he could.

After giving this strange happening some thought, Marlene remembered the terrified look on the boy's face. She suddenly realized that what she experienced as a joy-filled prayerful experience, the young boy experienced as a terrifying encounter with a crazy lady yelling and singing to herself as she walked down the road.

In reality, what the young boy had experienced was Marlene bringing Paul's words from Philippians 4 to life. She was simply pouring her faith into the text. As she did this, the scripture impacted her life. The Holy Spirit had the ability and the opportunity to touch her life and turn it from one of anxiousness and fretting to one of God-guarded divine peace. The free spirit others saw in Marlene was really the release of the Holy Spirit within her.

This month we will all celebrate Thanksgiving. Will we celebrate it in a manner in which we offer our thanks to God and then continue to fret and worry? Will we thank God for the blessings in our lives and then begin to be anxious about the unknowns of tomorrow? Paul's teaching explains that such a habit is not really being thankful in the way God desires.

Paul might well say we are only going part way. We are willing to say thanks for what we know God has done, and yet we are wary of really trusting our tomorrows to him. It's as if we can only give thanks after the fact, because God cannot be trusted for our future trials and concerns.

Paul says to let our requests be known to God although God already knows our requests. The reason Paul says to let them be known is so we can offer them to God in phrases of thankfulness for what he has done

and what he will do. Paul then tells us that God's resulting peace is beyond our comprehension, a God-given peace that will guard our hearts. It's the part about being beyond our comprehension that causes a problem. If we could comprehend the vastness of his peace, we might be more willing to trust God with our concerns of today and tomorrow. But comprehending in this way would remove the element of faith.

Faith is what our relationship with God is all about. His gift of faith in our lives allows us to experience the peace that surpasses all comprehension. I like the idea of God's peace guarding my heart and directing my life. I may not walk down the road shouting and singing out loud with great thanksgiving but praise and thanksgiving are active in my heart.

I hope the thanksgiving that brings God's peace is in your heart as well. Wrap the things that concern you in thanksgiving to God, expressing your faith as you trust beyond your understanding. Let God's past workings in your life be the evidence of his promised future workings. Let your requests be known by God, wrapped in thanksgiving, and discover the wonder of God's peace.

God Bless – Pastor Kip



# RELIGIOUS Education

by Kay Bast



I know the congregation attending the 9:30 service enjoy seeing the children. I want to thank Laurie Painter for stepping in when Kip is not available to do the children's chat. It's obvious the children love to come up front and it's so important for them to feel comfortable in the Sanctuary. Our volunteers who are responsible for the children's Christian education on Sunday deserve our grateful thanks. So to Laurie Painter, Sharon Miller, and Wayne & Krissy Brown, **THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU** for all the love and caring you show our young people.

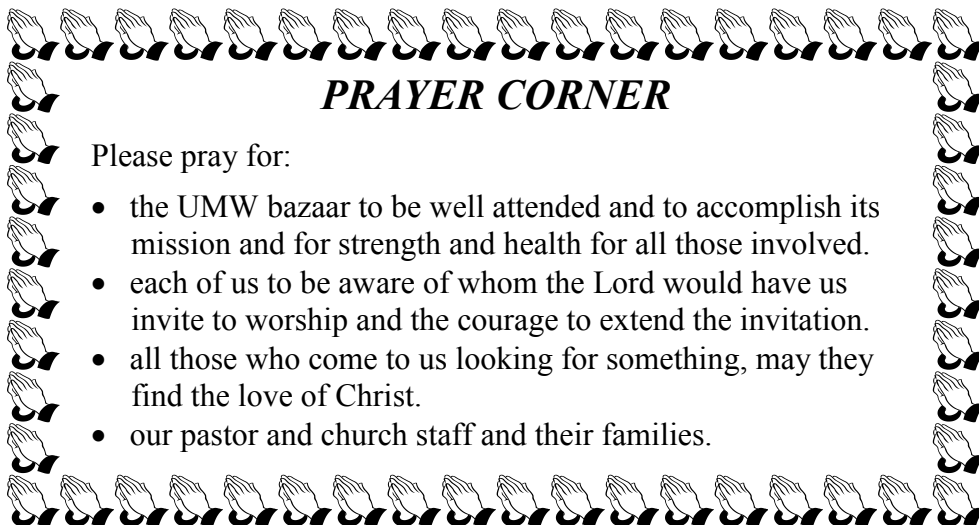
We have several opportunities for Bible study available now, if you have any questions please ask me. I keep hearing that some people just don't know where to find

information about Bible studies. All are listed in the weekly bulletin and if you want more specific information please just pick up the phone and call me @ 628-4083. I am here Monday thru Thursday. Or you can email me at [umcchristianed@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:umcchristianed@tampabay.rr.com)

We are planning a special night for the beginning of Advent. On Friday evening - December 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering an evening at "The Bethlehem INN." A light supper and a interactive evening with a cast to include the Inn Keeper, his family and help, and many other surprises for the evening. There will be NO COST - however, you must have a ticket which will be available before the evening. It will be a wonderful way to begin the Christmas season.

If you are interested in helping with the production as a participant please call me. I promise it will be a rewarding experience and a lot of good Christian fun.

Kay



**PRAYER CORNER**

Please pray for:

- the UMW bazaar to be well attended and to accomplish its mission and for strength and health for all those involved.
- each of us to be aware of whom the Lord would have us invite to worship and the courage to extend the invitation.
- all those who come to us looking for something, may they find the love of Christ.
- our pastor and church staff and their families.



pigment which the body perceives as foreign material. **5**

**Tattoos, Permanent Make-up and Temporary Tattoos  
 How safe are they?**

Permanent tattoos are those where needles are used to inject colored ink into the skin. Permanent make-up is considered a permanent tattoo that resembles the look of eyebrow pencil, lip liner, eyeliner or blush. They are even used in breast reconstruction following mastectomies.

The FDA does not traditionally regulate the inks and pigments used for tattoos and permanent make-up. They are generally considered as cosmetics and covered under the FDA Cosmetic Act. The actual practice of tattooing is overseen by state and local authorities.

Anyone considering a tattoo or permanent make-up should consider the risks involved.

**Infection:** Unsterilized or poorly sterilized tattooing equipment and needles can transmit diseases such as: HIV, hepatitis as well as skin infections caused by staphylococcus aureus (“staph”) and other bacteria.

**Allergies:** There have been various allergic reactions to the ink and pigments used in both permanent and temporary tattoos. These can occur up to several weeks after getting the tattoo.

**Scarring:** This may occur during the process of either getting or removing a tattoo.

**Granulomas:** These are the nodules or small lumps or knots that may develop around the particles of

**Keloid formation:** These are scars that grow beyond the normal boundaries.

**MRI complications:** There have been complaints of temporary burning and swelling in the tattoo area after an MRI due to the iron oxide in some inks.

One of the biggest problems with tattoos is future dissatisfaction with them. This comes from time, body changes with aging, and styles of the time. Sometimes tattoos become “blurred” when the pigments are injected too deep and they travel beyond the intended area. Removal is most commonly done by laser and is time consuming, expensive and does not always work. The removal should only be considered after talking to a health care provider and never at a tattoo parlor.

Temporary tattoos are those that last from several days to several weeks. They are applied to the skin with moistened cotton. The coloring used is marketed as “henna”. It has been used historically to color hair, silk, and wool as well a means to decorate the body for cultural celebrations. The problem is that “black henna” being used in some of the temporary tattoos contains PPD (p-phenylenediamine). This ingredient may cause skin reactions resulting in blisters, redness, red weeping lesions, loss of skin pigmentation, and/or permanent scarring.

The FDA has coined the slogan:  
**“Think before you ink”**  
 Wise advise!



### **Need to update your records!**

If you have changed any of your contact information, please call Nicole after 12:30 p.m. in the church office at 628-4083. Not a member yet but attend regularly? We want you to be included in our Circle of Friends list. Please use the pew pad on Sunday to record your contact information (name, address, & phone number). Please print clearly and include your email. All of this information is vital and will help connect us to each other as the body of Christ. Provide your information with confidence—we will never distribute, sell, or otherwise use your information for anything other than church business.

### **Weekly Email**

Pastor Kip sends out a weekly email every Friday which includes important announcements, information about the coming week's scripture, and usually some things to think about as you prepare for worship on Sunday. If you want to receive this weekly email, please email Theresa in the office at: [\*\*theresa@lumc.org\*\*](mailto:theresa@lumc.org)



### **New Member Classes**

New member classes will be taught by Pastor Kip Younger, 3 times a year, for anyone who is considering becoming a member of First United Methodist Church or would like to learn more about our Methodist beliefs. The membership classes will be four - 1 hour sessions, on Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. in room 306. We will receive our new members on the following Sunday. The next class opportunities to join the church will be announced at a later date.

### **Membership Transfers**

Membership transfers for people who want to transfer their membership from another Methodist church will be held the fourth Sunday of every month. If you are transferring from another denomination or any other church, you are encouraged to attend the new member classes.

If you are interested in exploring membership, or have any questions about which category to join, please contact Pastor Kip, Theresa in the church office at 628-4083, or indicate "wish to join" on the pew pad on Sundays.



## CHURCH MINISTRIES

### Within the Church

Attendance Tracking  
 Audio-Video Ministry  
 Biblical Travel Ministry  
 Christian Education  
 Communion Stewards  
 Counters  
 Disaster Relief Programs  
 Flower Arranging Ministry  
 Folding & Mailing Committees  
 Funeral Receptions  
 Genesis Newsletter  
 Greeters  
 Holiday Prison Ministry  
 Lenten Soup Suppers  
 Library  
 Monday Work Crew  
 Music Ministries  
 Online Picture Directory  
 Parish Nurse Ministry  
 Prayer Ministry  
 Stewardship  
 United Methodist Women  
 UMW Circles  
 Ushers  
 Visitation Care Group  
 Wednesday Night Dinners  
 Youth Ministry

### Outreach Ministries

Bus Ministry  
 Disaster Relief & Response Team  
 God's Clods (Clown Ministry)  
 Health Related Workshops



Hugs for Soldiers  
 Local Travel Ministry  
 Men's Wed. Morning Prayer Breakfast  
 Missionaries to Siberia  
 Nursing Home Ministries  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 Shut-In Visitation  
 Stephen Ministry  
 Thrift Shop  
 Tuned To Revival Quartet  
 Vacation Bible School  
 Welcome Bags

### Small Groups

Cancer Survivors  
 Memory Lane Respite  
 Men's Serendipity  
 Saturday Sisters  
 Women's Serendipity

### Support Groups

Alzheimer's Support  
 Cancer Support  
 Diabetes Support

### Bible Study Groups

(various classes & times)

### Benevolences

CROP Walk  
 Equipment for Handicapped  
 Food Pantry  
 Methodist Children's Home  
 Salvation Army  
 SHINE  
 The Path

### Community Outreach

Blood Bank  
 Camp-E-Nini-Hassee  
 Hunger & Homeless Outreach.

9/16/13



everyone is welcome

all voices are needed

no experience  
is necessary  
to sing!

**JOIN  
THE  
CHOIR TODAY!**



## THE WAYS OF THE KINGDOM

by Jan Wise

I read an interesting thought in Dr. Jeremiah's book, *I Never Thought I'd See the Day*. He explains three types of thinking—rational, irrational, and transrational.

Rational thinking is about the way I think—and the way others ought to think in relation to what I think. This is like the “why don't you get your head on straight” question we looked at in last month's column. “Getting my head on straight” means I need to think the same as the one questioning my thinking!

Irrational thinking (to me) is the way the person who doesn't agree with me is thinking. Haven't you ever wondered about another's opinion, “How can he/she believe that; it's totally irrational”?

Rational and irrational thinking is in the realm of human reasoning. As we look at the politicians' arguments these days, we are quick to decide who is rational and irrational—according to *our* idea of the way things should be.

Dr. Jeremiah suggests there is another way of thinking he calls “transrational.” This thought process is above human reasoning; it is the way God thinks about things. We often hear the question, “What does God think about that,” answered by man's rational reasoning—“Nobody can know what God thinks; he gave us a brain to figure it out for ourselves.”

But Paul tells us differently: As it is written (from Isaiah 64:4) “No eye

has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.”

**But God** has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. (1 Corinthians 2:9-10, 12)

Paul writes that Spirit-indwelt Christians can know what God thinks about many things. His indwelling Spirit will reveal it to us through the Word, prayer, fellowship with believers and sometimes just through the thought processes of our minds.

Paul wrote to the Romans (12:2), “Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve of what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” God's Word tells us to praise him even in difficult circumstances, to bless and do good for our enemies—transrational thinking leading to transactional behavior. We are called to think and act differently than the world.

God has made it possible for those who have his Spirit to think above the rational/irrational approach to things.



As a believer, have you studied the Word, willing to give up *your* way of thinking to learn how God thinks? God invites us to rise above our opinionated rational/irrational level of understanding and see what he sees, learning to think as he thinks.


**Are we willing to make his way of thinking our way of thinking?**








# With Sympathy

 **WILLIAM (BILL) LITTLE 86.** went with our Lord 9/15/13 and is survived by Syble, his wife of 65 years, and 3 children. His memorial service was 9/21/13 in SC. 

 **CHARLES BLAIR 81,** went with our Lord 9/23/13 and is survived by Loreita “Rita”, his wife of 37 years, and 4 children. His memorial service was 9/26/13 in Lecanto.

**L. ARCHER WALKER 91,** went with our Lord 10/4/13 and is survived by Emily, his wife of 66 years, and a son and daughter. His memorial service was 10/12/13 at 1:00 p.m. at FUMC. 

 **ROBERTA LITTLE 77,** went with our Lord 10/5/13. May she rest in peace with our Lord.

**ELEANOR (Ellie) HOEFFLER 87,** went with our Lord 10/13/13, and is survived by Charles, her husband of 64 years, a sister Lori, and three daughters. Her memorial service was 10/19/13, at 1:00 p.m. at Wilder Funeral Home, Homosassa FL with Pastor Kip officiating. 

*God of power and mercy, you have made death itself the gateway to eternal life. Look with love on our deceased friends, and make them one with Your Son in His suffering and death, that, sealed with the blood of Christ, they may come before you free from sin. Amen.*



## BUS TRIP TO SPRING HILL!

We will have a free tour the Nature Coast Botanical Gardens, followed by lunch at the Boston Cooker.

**Date: Wednesday, November 13**

Time: 9:30 a.m. from church parking lot  
Lunch: beverage, salad, and choice of beef, Poultry, or fish

**Cost: \$16.00 – includes bus, lunch, tax and gratuity**  
Call Ann Morrison at 382-2923 for more information.

**GIVE THANKS FOR OUR  
WONDERFUL CHURCH LIBRARY**

The following selections are samples of some fine authors and books that we have on our Library shelves:

**“Elsewhere”** by Gabrielle Zevin, a funny, fast-paced and fascinating novel. Welcome to Elsewhere. It is usually warm with a breeze; the sun and the stars shine brightly and it’s quiet and peaceful here. And you can’t get sick or any older. It’s where fifteen-year-old Liz Hall ends up after she has died. It is a place so like Earth, yet completely different from it. Here Liz will age backward from the day of her death until she becomes a baby again and returns to Earth. But Liz wants to turn sixteen, not fourteen (again). She wants to get her driver’s license, go to college, fall in love. Instead, she is being forced to live a life she doesn’t want with a grandmother she has only just met, and it is not going well. Is it possible that a life lived in reverse is no different from a life lived forward?

**“Letters in the Attic”** by DeAnna Julie Dodson, one of Annie’s Attic Mysteries. Annie Dawson and the members of the Hook and Needle Club of Stony Point, Maine track down mysteries connected with the contents found in the attic of Annie’s ancestral home, Grey Gables. There will be danger, adventures and heartwarming discoveries in the secrets Annie unearths – secrets about her own family as well as the citizens of this charming seacoast town in central Maine.

**“Sweet Sanctuary”**, a novel by Sheila Walsh and Cindy Martinusen Coloma. Sheila Walsh is a featured speaker with Women of Faith. In tiny Cottage Cove on the coast of Maine,

Wren Evans, a single Mom, is raising her gifted son, Charlie. She wants to give him a stable, secure home life but when a prestigious music academy in Boston expresses interest in Charlie’s talent, Wren is willing to move again to make his dreams come true. But Wren doesn’t know that Charlie has been praying for her, and the answer to his prayers will change both of their lives. Wren’s grandmother, Ruth, arrives unexpectedly and wants the family gathered together one last time at the summer home where long ago an accident shattered Wren’s peaceful childhood. She is about to find sanctuary in the last place she ever expected.

**“Gold of Kings”**, a Storm Syrrrell adventure, by author Davis Bunn. Investigating the murder of her grandfather, Storm Syrrrell discovers that his arts and antiques business served as a front for secret international dealings. Not only did her grandfather know of his impending death but he also left her the responsibility for his lifetime quest. With the help of Harry Bennett, a professional treasure hunter just released from jail, and Emma Webb, a U.S. Treasury agent with links to Interpol, their trail leads ever deeper into danger. A vital clue is discovered within the Copper Scroll of Qumran that can lead to a fortune in gold. These treasures represent a vital connection to an ancient faith. Will her quest include a personal transformation as well?

**“Sommerfeld Trilogy”** by Kim Vogel Sawyer includes three bestselling Mennonite novels in one volume. They include “Bygones”, “Beginnings” and “Blessings”. Three contemporary women seek a home and acceptance among a Kansas Mennonite

community. Each book has its own story and is a touching family saga.

**“Tempest in a Teapot”**, a tale from Grace Chapel Inn, written by Judy Baer. Sisters Jane, Louise and Alice run the Grace Chapel Inn, a gracious Victorian house that is now a bed-and-breakfast. The town of Acorn Hill is divided because an out-of-state developer wants to drain Fairy Pond and build a gas station over the site. There is a storm of protest over destroying such an idyllic spot while some businesspeople would like the added commerce a gas station would bring. With the Mayor indisposed, who will champion the cause of saving this natural wonder? Could a recluse who lives near the pond have the answer? And is it true that Louise was once in love with this hermit of Fairy Pond?

**“Who’s That Girl?”** by Carol Cox is a Mystery and the Minister’s Wife book. Kate Hanlon and her husband Paul move to the charming town of Copper Mill, Tennessee, nestled in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains. They soon discover that small-town life is anything but boring. For instance, when Kate gets a call from the local hospital requesting that she identify a young woman who asked for her by name, she discovers that she’s never laid eyes on the comatose patient before. She tries to find out how the woman ended up in the hospital in the first place. Kate uses her quick mind and the help of her dear friends to figure out the answers and realizes that spreading a little faith might be all that she needs to do to crack the case wide open.

**“Treasuring Emma”** a Middlefield Family novel, written by Kathleen Fuller, is a story of Emma

who always puts the needs of others ahead of her own. Adam was her first love and best friend. And when he left to experience the freedom of living in the English world, Emma was heartbroken. Now Adam is back in Middlefield and Emma is determined to guard her heart. When a newcomer arrives in town and shows an interest in Emma, she dismisses Adam’s insistence that she be cautious. Emma doesn’t quite know to accept this attention. Emma knows her Heavenly Father treasures her, but will her new beau?

**“Sarah’s Garden”**, A Patch of Heaven novel, by Kelly Long. The author writes that in researching this novel, she discovered that Amish communities differ from one another in simple to larger-life activities. Though the Amish may appear to live “the simple life”, their differences provide a rich culture for both fact and fiction. There is a glossary of Pennsylvania Dutch words and phrases in the beginning of the book. The story is about Sarah King who has been nurturing a garden for years. She lives in the Pennsylvania Allegheny Mountains. Duty calls her away from her garden and she meets Grant Williams, a handsome young veterinarian. As their feelings grow for one another, Sarah insists they can never be together because she would be uprooted from her home, her family and her community. Sarah wonders if anything lasting can blossom from a love that’s forbidden?

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**  
from Barbara Jackson,  
Helen Lefave, Ann Ice,  
and Pat Barton





## Georgia in the Spring— Again!

Yes, again next Spring, Rev. Richard Evans will lead a motor coach tour to Georgia. (Remember last March when a group of 27 people from FUMCH traveled to LaGrange GA and had a wonderful time?) Well, Dick Evans and Jess Mackey (J & L Travel) have teamed up again and this time they are planning a trip to St. Simons Island and Savannah, March 18-21, 2014.

Here is an overview:

- A 4-day/3-night tour with lodging and meals at Epworth by the Sea United Methodist Conference Center on St. Simons Island.
- A day in Savannah with a tour of this historic city and following in the footsteps of John and Charles Wesley who came to the Georgia colony in 1737-38.
- A tour of St. Simons Island including Ft. Frederica, Christ

Church, and the museum at Epworth by the Sea—learning more about the Wesley brothers in Georgia.

- A glimpse into the Gullah-Geechee Afro-American culture still preserved along the coastal islands from the Carolinas to north Florida. And, on the way home, a stop at one of the premier factory outlet malls for several hours to shop (or until you drop).

At the time this article is being written, the final price is yet to be determined. However, it is expected to be in the \$350 range (pp. double occupancy). That includes 3 nights in hotel accommodations; all meals (except lunch on the way home); all programs, admissions, tours, and tips (except the gratuity for the bus driver). A \$100 deposit will hold your place with the balance payable by February 28th.

Watch for more information in next month's *Genesis*. Contact the church office to place your name, address, and phone number on our list—and to get a flyer that contains all of the information. Then register with J & L Travel. And be sure to invite family members and friends to join you.

**All are welcome!**





(as of 10/9/13)

**BRENTWOOD**

Joyce Minnicks

**CEDAR CREEK**

Lois Schoch

**CR HEALTH/REHAB**

Nancy Pearo

**CYPRESS COVE**

Elly Case

**SUGARMILL MANOR**

Marge Dilling

Grace Payne

**SUNFLOWER SPRINGS**

Hazel & Conrad Keniston

Helen Labeau

Joan & Jack Ness

Helen Vaught

Catherine Wischart

**SUNSHINE GARDENS**

Pete Magamoll

**SUPERIOR RESIDENCE**

Hank Pouderoyn

**TIMBER PINES RESID.**

Abbye Jean Richner

**WOODLAND TERRACE**

Barbara Sunderland.

- 4 Rita & Bruce Backhurst ~ 47 years  
**Ann & Jack Fasnacht ~ 63 years**
- 6 **Barbara & Gene Lantz ~ 59 years**
- 7 **Marge & Walter Dilling ~ 55 years**
- 8 **Shirley & William Dunkle ~ 55 years**
- 11 Joan & Robert Clanfield ~ 7 years
- 13 **Edythe & Richard Shaffer ~ 59 years**
- 16 Pat & Jim Archer ~ 9 years  
**Helen & Albert Lefave ~ 62 years**
- 20 **Jeanne & Harvey Comfort ~ 68 years**  
Dana & Ed James ~ 26 years
- 23 Mary Joy & Earl Speicher ~ 45 years
- 24 Elaine & Glenn Harwood ~ 48 years  
**Ann & John Mayles ~ 63 years**
- 26 **Anna & John Cooley ~ 60 years**
- 27 Sally & Dean Moore ~ 37 years  
Joy & Jim Potts ~ 20 years
- 28 **Pat & Ed Morgan ~ 60 years.**

\* **BOLD = 50+ YEARS**



**GENESIS  
DEADLINE**

**FRIDAY,  
NOVEMBER 1  
FOR  
DECEMBER**



**Friday 1****GENESIS DEADLINE**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

**9:00-3:00 BAZAAR**

10:00 Wise Bible

7:00 Inv. NT

**Saturday 2****8:00 CPR CLASS**

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

**9:00-2:00 BAZAAR**

9:30 ZUMBA

10:30 God's Clods

**1:00 CPR CLASS**

3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**6:00 GOSPEL SING****Sunday 3****COMMUNION SUNDAY****7:45 BLOODMOBILE****8:00 Traditional Worship****9:20 Discovery Class****9:30 Sunday School (all)****9:30 Traditional Worship****10:45 New Beginnings****11:00 Traditional Worship****Monday 4**

8:00 Work Crew

8:30 SHINE

8:30 Tracking Committee

9:30 Visitation Committee

10:00 Sacred Hour

1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 5**

10:00 Staff Meeting

**10:00 UMW EXEC. MTG.**

1:30 Stephen Ministers

**2:00 AFTERNOON TEA**

2:00 Budget Committee

3:00 Serendipity Bible

3:00 Stephen Ministers

5:30 Weight Watchers

7:00 Guy Bible Study

**Wednesday 6**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group

**9:30 "Come See"**

9:30 Weight Watchers

10:00 LaMountain Bible

10:00 Siegel Bible

5:15 Music

6:00 Bells

6:30 Youth Group

7:00 Choir

7:00 Women's Bible

**Thursday 7**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

1:30 Serendipity Women

2:00 Green Team

6:30 Sugarmill Chorale

**Friday 8**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

10:00 Wise Bible

2:00 Cancer Support

**4:00 KIWANIS SETUP**

7:00 Inv. NT

**Saturday 9****8:00 KIWANIS Pancakes**

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

9:30 ZUMBA

3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Sunday 10****Discretionary Sunday****8:00 Traditional Worship****9:20 Discovery Class****9:30 Sunday School (all)****9:30 Traditional Worship****10:45 New Beginnings****11:00 Traditional Worship****12:00 CHARGE CONF.****Monday 11****VETERANS'****DAY**

8:00 Work Crew

8:30 SHINE

8:30 Tracking Committee

9:30 Visitation Committee

10:00 Sacred Hour

10:30 Fight Team

1:00 Caregivers Support

1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 12**

9:30 Helping Hands Circle

10:00 Staff Meeting

1:00 Dorcas Circle

3:00 Serendipity Bible

5:30 Weight Watchers

6:00 Diabetic Support

6:30 WOW

7:00 Guy Bible Study

**Wednesday 13**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group

9:30 Weight Watchers

**9:30 "Come See"**

10:00 LaMountain Bible

10:00 Siegel Bible

1:00 Shawl Ministry

3:00 Creative Worship

5:15 Music

6:00 Bells

6:30 Youth Group

7:00 Choir

7:00 Women's Bible

**Thursday 14**

9:00 Backpackers

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

9:15 Ruth Circle

6:30 Sugarmill Chorale

**Friday 15****COUNCIL REPORTS DUE**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

10:00 Wise Bible

7:00 Inv. NT.

**Saturday 16**

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 ZUMBA  
3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Sunday 17**

**Pantry Sunday**

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:20 Discovery Class**  
**9:30 Sunday School (all)**  
**9:30 Traditional Worship**  
**10:45 New Beginnings**  
**11:00 Traditional Worship**  
**12:00 CONCERT**

**Monday 18**

8:00 Work Crew  
8:30 SHINE  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
1:00 ML Respite  
6:30 Girl Scout Leaders

**Tuesday 19**

**9:00 SAFE Driver Class**  
**9:30 UMW Unit meeting**  
10:00 Staff Meeting  
1:30 Stephen Ministers  
2:00 Finance Committee  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
3:00 Stephen Ministers  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Guy Bible Study

**Wednesday 20**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
**9:00 SAFE Driver Class**  
**9:30 "Come See"**  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
10:00 LaMountain Bible  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
**1:30 Transfer Orientation**  
2:00 Staff/Parish Relations  
5:15 Music  
6:00 Bells  
6:30 Youth Group  
7:00 Choir  
7:00 Women's Bible

**Thursday 21**

9:00 LABEL MAIL  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
1:30 Serendipity Women  
3:00 Missions Committee  
3:30 Trustees Committee  
6:30 Sugarmill Chorale

**Friday 22**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:00 Wise Bible  
7:00 Inv. NT.

**Saturday 23**

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 ZUMBA  
3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Sunday 24**

**TRANSFER SUNDAY**  
**UM STUDENT SUNDAY**

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:20 Discovery Class**  
**9:30 Sunday School (all)**  
**9:30 Traditional Worship**  
**10:45 New Beginnings**  
**11:00 Traditional Worship**  
**1:00 BUS OUT**

**Monday 25**

8:00 Work Crew  
8:30 SHINE  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 26**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Guy Bible Study

**Wednesday 27**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
**9:00 TURKEY PREP**  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
10:00 LaMountain Bible  
10:00 Siegel Bible

1:00 Shawl Ministry  
5:15 Music  
6:00 Bells  
6:30 Youth Group  
7:00 Choir  
7:00 WOMEN'S Bible

**Thursday 28**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
**12:00 TURKEY DINNER**  
6:30 Sugarmill Chorale



**Friday 29**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00 Thrift Store  
10:00 Wise Bible

**Saturday 30**

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 ZUMBA  
3:00 A/Video Rehearsal.

**WEEKLY YMCA CLASSES**

**(352) 637-0132**

**Mondays**

**9:30 Cardio**  
**10:30 Stab/Strength**

**Wednesdays**

**9:30 Pilates**  
**10:30 Stab/Strength**

**Fridays**

**9:30 Cardio**  
**10:30 Stab/Strength**

 <b>NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS</b>		
16	11	19
Judy Bunting	Jeanne Balmer	Geraldine Frentz
Jan Wise	12	Ruth Rittgers
2	Gunter Fahl	20
Robert Severance	Gloria Megos	Roger Kirby
Catherine Wisehart	James O'Hara	Carol Sims
3	13	Helen West
Bob Specht	Adam Will	21
4	14	Stacey Justice
Marion Herr	Jim Behuniak	22
6	15	Nancy Ellis
Hershel Fogleman	Martha Dorrell	Charles McCreery
Oriole Turnbull	Joan Eyster	Angie Watson
Frank Wais	Ann Mayles	Lowanda Wells
7	Don McDonald	25
Dorothy Aberle	James West	Marcia Bader
Lorraine Johnson	16	26
Shirley Phillips	Velma Mason	Anna Cooley
Gary Plymale	Dan Nygaard	27
9	17	Betsy Dulaney
Dottie Baker	Wes Harris	Lyle Lee
Robert Berch	Joan Ness	Diane Paul
Fern McWilliams	18	28
Jo Ann Ryan	Beverly Calkins	John Dewart
	Joan Danzey	William Miller
	Sue Norman	30
		Charles McWilliams.

### **DID YOU GET YOUR MAMO YET?**



With October having been breast cancer awareness month it's not too late to increase awareness of the disease. While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same.

We have made a lot of progress but still have a long way to go and need your help! The best way to fight breast cancer is to have a plan that helps you detect the disease in its early stages. Create your Early Detection Plan to receive reminders to do breast self-exams, and schedule your clinical breast exams and mammograms based on your age and health history.







### *“Spiritual”*

There are a lot of things being called “spiritual” which have nothing to do with Christian spiritual formation or our Christian faith, and which on the surface may seem enticing.

Many people seem to be searching for some kind of experience and many of the places they search lead them further and further away from our Lord. “Spiritual” may sound good, but most things with this label do not have anything to do with our Christian beliefs. One of the hopes of those involved in spiritual formation is that by embracing the spiritual part of our faith, people will not feel a need to look for something elsewhere.

What people are really seeking is an experience with the living Christ. This will not be found in something labeled “spiritual” which is apart from the body of Christ and contrary to what is said in the Bible. It can be found through a personal experiential relationship with Jesus Christ which is nurtured through spiritual practices like worship, prayer, personal Bible study, and Christian fellowship.

The Apostle Paul warned against being led astray by anyone preaching something other than the

gospel which he preached (Galatians 1:6-9). In 1John 4:1-2 we are told to test the spirits to see if they are from God. The only guidance we as Christians are to seek is from our Lord Jesus Christ. So if you see something labeled “spiritual” or offering to tell you the future, please test the spirits. Ask our Lord if it is of Him. If you are unsure or have questions, please talk with someone here at the church whom you know to be a mature Christian. I am sure Pastor Kip, Kay, or a trusted Sunday school teacher would be glad to talk with you.

One of the wonderful things about Christian fellowship especially in a small group is the ability to share openly the joys of our personal experiential relationship with Christ. It can be a place where we feel free to talk about our relationship with Christ and the difference He is making in our lives. We can also encourage one another as we mature in our faith and learn to share that faith with others.

*Marilyn Watson*



## HERNANDO HARMONIZERS



### DO YOU REMEMBER THE BARBERSHOP HARMONY CHORUS THAT SANG HERE IN OUR CHURCH THIS SUMMER?

**Hernando Harmonizers** are celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Barbershop Harmony Society! Yes, they are Florida's "Most Improved Chorus" in Sunshine District competition. *This is their 12th Annual Barbershop Extravaganza!*

Their show theme, "**Celebrate Harmony**", is a walk through musical history as we recall 75 years of a true American art form--Four-part harmony sung a cappella, a musical story of Barbershop's humble beginning to an International Society of 25,000 men! Great Chorus and Quartet Barbershop Harmony from beginning to end!

The date and location (a short drive away) for this performance is:

**Saturday, November 16, 2013**  
**Springstead High School Theatre**  
**330 Mariner Boulevard - Spring Hill, FL 34606**

Tickets in advance are **\$12 for adults** - \$8 for students or **\$15 at the door for adults** and \$12 for students. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Please call **Bob Spence** (a member of our church choir) at (352) **382-0336** or e-mail him at: [flspence@earthlink.net](mailto:flspence@earthlink.net) for **tickets**, and come to a fabulous show!

*The Barbershop Harmony Society and it's affiliated Chapters are non-profit organizations as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Tax code. Federal tax ID # is 010157932.*

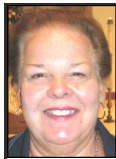


My sincerest thanks and appreciation to everyone (especially the Visitation and Care Committee and Serendipity Men's Bible Study Group) for your prayers, visits, beautiful cards and food during Dave's recent illness and passing.

What a comfort it was to feel the warmth and love of our church family.

Faye Honderich

# WELCOME **9/29/13** new members

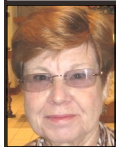
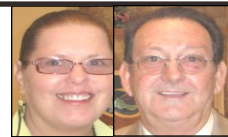


### JUDY FUNK

7009 W. Bedfordshire Loop, Homosassa FL 34446 (352) 503-9280  
Judy was born 3/27, and transferred from New Covenant UMC, Hamilton, NJ. Her sister is Janet McVeigh listed below.

### BETH & STEVIE JOHNS

6515 W. Seven Rivers Dr., Crystal River FL 34429  
(352) 795-3626 Beth was born 3/8 and Stevie 5/7. They were married 4/20/85, and transferred from Crystal River UMC.

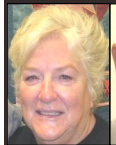


### HELEN KULICK

3404 W. Kevin Lane, Lecanto FL 34461 (352) 746-2729  
Helen was born June 22, and transferred from Hernando UMC.

### STACI (Janet) McVEIGH

7020 W. Wilshire Lane, Homosassa FL 34446  
(352) 601-5168 Staci was born 1/23, and transferred from Trinity UMC, Ewing, NJ. Her sister is Judy Funk (above).



### ALICE & JIM TRUSLEY

2 Stokesia Ct N, Homosassa FL 34446 (352) 382-7232  
Alice was born 6/23 and Jim 4/9. They were married 12/27/69, and transferred from Crystal River UMC.



ISN'T IT NICE TO HAVE  
SOMEONE WELCOME YOU  
AT THE DOOR?

TRY BEING A GREETER!

Greeters

Please contact Yvonne Zagorac  
at 382-5374 to sign up. Thanks!

30th Annual  
Florida Conference  
Women's Retreats

TREASURED



## WOMEN'S RETREAT

January 31 -  
February 2,  
2014

Keynote Speaker, Geraldine McClellan  
Bible Leader, Denise Carpenter  
Music Leader, Sue Sommer

We would like to get a group of women together to have this amazing retreat experience. Complete information is available on the bulletin board near the offices and at [www.flumcwomensretreats.org](http://www.flumcwomensretreats.org) or contact Marilyn Watson.

## Faith Community Nurse Happenings

YMCA's Diabetic Prevention Program  
Information Session

**October 29<sup>th</sup> 1-2p.m. to learn how to prevent type 2 diabetes**

Prediabetes means your blood sugar is higher than normal, but not yet high enough to be considered diabetes. Learn how you can take action to improve your health now.

Call 628-4083 to register

Oak Hill Hospital Community Education Series  
Advances in General Surgery: Vision at Oak Hill Hospital  
Dr. Santosh Potdar, MD, FACS presenter

**Tuesday October 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30 to 7:00p.m. ~ call 352-628-6060 to register:**

**FREE: Hot Meal provided**

**CPR-First Aid-AED, November 2<sup>nd</sup> Room 114**

**Classes 8:00-12:00a.m. & 1:00-5:00p.m.**

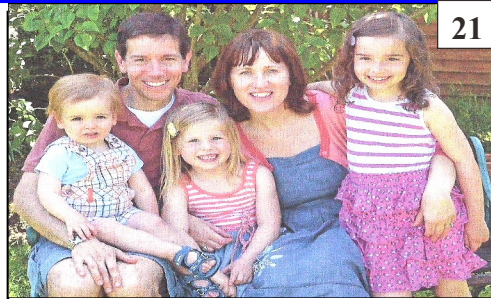
**Cost: \$30. Call 628-4083 to register**



**Britt and Alison Gilmore**

who reside in Belfast, Ireland  
with their three children -  
Ellie, Emily, and Jake.

Britt is an Associate Pastor of a  
small Methodist Church and Alison  
is a mental health counselor. They  
were married in August of 2003.



<http://gilmoresinbelfast.com>

**Watch for their official intro in  
next month's Genesis.**

**Have You Been to Emmaus?**

Have you been on a Walk to Emmaus,  
Cursillo, Tres Dias, or other similar three-  
day experience? If you have, please  
contact Suzanne Raines at 503-2169 or  
Marilyn Watson.



**Mark your calendars!** The  
Suncoast Harmony Chorus of  
Sweet Adelines including our  
own Maria Spence, will  
be presenting a concert....  
**in our Fellowship Hall  
on Sunday, December 8  
at 3 p.m.**



*Suncoast Harmony Chorus*  
Hudson, Florida area

**You don't want to miss it.....more details later!**



# PUZZLE

## *Be thankful for everything*

When we're faithful, we see that God provides all we need.

Use the list of vowels below to complete the words of Ephesians 5:19-20, NIV.

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ph\_\_s\_\_ns 5:19-20, N\_\_V



Answer:  
Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks  
to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
(Ephesians 5:19-20, NIV)



Hello there!

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I forgot in last month's article to thank Theresa and Randy Weber for taking GodSquad (Morgan, Kayla, Alex, and Paul) out on their boat during normal Youth Group time toward the end of August. We hope to schedule a longer boating and swimming outing on an upcoming Saturday sometime soon, weather permitting.

GodSquad went to Universal Studios Rock the Universe on Saturday, September 7, 2013. We left the church in 2 vehicles shortly after 11:00 am and returned to church about 2:00 am on Sunday, September 8, 2013. I believe the 4 GodSquad (Branden, Alex, Paul, and Joey) members and 4 adults (Randy Weber, Diane Paul, Krissy Brown and Wayne Brown) all had a great time. I enjoyed myself, even though my electric wheelchair got so damp from the rain, it quit working from early that Saturday evening until Monday when it finally dried out. Thanks to Sandy Dewart for help with some last minute ticket issues, Randy Weber for "upgrading" GodSquad tickets to unlimited FastPass, and to GodSquad members for pushing me in my dead electric wheelchair all the way from inside Universal Studios back to our van in the parking garage at the end of the evening.

We continued to have 1 GodSquad member, Branden, attend and help serve at the Serendipity Men's Pancake Breakfast on the second Saturday (September 14, 2013) morning. We all ate well and worked hard.

Krissy and I attended Rooted (a Youth Leader Conference) in Leesburg at Warren Willis Camp site from Monday, September 16, 2013 at 9:00 am until Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 5:00 pm. We attended many separate presentations by many people from both the UMC Conference and churches from around the State. Krissy and I will compare notes and tweak some of our Sunday School and GodSquad Bible Studies and activities. We will be sharing information with church leadership that we learned there too.

We wish to give a special thank you to Women of Worship (WOW) for their generous donation to GodSquad. We continue to thank everyone for putting their paper and cardboard into the recycle bin, and for placing their used ink cartridges (along with cell phones and small electronics) into the plastic tub under the staff mailboxes. We just sent in 140 items in 3 boxes to be recycled. Your generous donations and recycling efforts continue to fund GodSquad activities and are greatly appreciated by all GodSquad members.

The 2014 wall and pocket calendars are here, and GodSquad will be selling them to raise funds at Wonderful Wednesday on October 23, 2013, on Sunday, October 27, 2013 after all 3 services, and at the UMW Bazaar on November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013. We may have some other Sunday dates too. The prices for the calendars are the same as last year ~ \$6.00 each.

God Bless you all and thanks to everyone in our church for their continued support of our GodSquad Youth Group.

Wayne Brown, Youth Programs Coordinator,  
and Krissy Brown, Youth Leader Assistant

Greetings dear family of FUMCH! Can you believe it's November already?!? Although the folks in Russia don't celebrate Thanksgiving, we always try to have a special meal with close friends so that we can give thanks for ALL that He has done over the past year! Our prayer is that you will be surrounded with family and friends and remembering ALL that He has given you this past year with thanksgiving and praise!

**“Out of the mouths of babes”...**

Many of you will remember several months ago we wrote about how God can use anybody. The main part of that letter was about how a



six year old girl asked her grandparents the following question... ”Grandma, Grandpa, if you were to die would you be going to heaven?” Such an honest question asked by a little girl who loves Jesus. As you may remember from this question we had the opportunity to go to little Alena's grandparent's house and share with them about Jesus. The

meeting with them happened over a year ago...(seed planted) Her grandfather (Kolya) came to church last month and heard the gospel presentation again. He felt convicted from what he heard and accepted Jesus as his savior that very first Sunday he came to church. Please lift this man up in prayer; Satan has had a hold on him for almost 60 years. We know from past experience that the enemy will not like losing someone he had deceived for so long.

**Growth is always a good thing...**

well almost always. It is not a good thing when your waistband keeps growing! J...good thing that is not what we are talking about. What we are talking about is growth in a fellowship. We always want to be growing in our knowledge of Him. But that is not the growth we are talking about, we are talking about numerical growth...yes, people hearing the gospel message for the first time and committing their lives to Him. Over the past few months there have been 6 decisions to follow Jesus; six people who are now in need of growth, discipleship and above all your prayers. Many of the new believers have already plugged in and have begun to help out around the fellowship in ways such as cooking and cleaning in the kitchen to organizing a trip to the city for another fellowship's anniversary celebration. We have noticed over the years the faster a



person can “plug in,” the faster they will grow. We love to share the acronym of JOY with people. The acronym stands for J....Jesus, O... Others....Y...You. If we can remember that we need to concentrate first on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, secondly we need to focus on OTHERS... helping others, serving others etc... and thirdly ourselves... We need to focus on ourselves last. All fellowships would be healthier if everyone would put that acronym into place on a daily/weekly basis. That is what the people in the village church are being taught weekly as they study His Word.

#### **Baptism....**

It is our desire to see new believers take a public stance for their new decision in the faith. This year, the Father blessed the fellowship with six people, young and old, to make



their decisions public by baptism. In the past, the leaders of the fellowship had decided they would *never* do a baptism in late September again....well, it sounded

good. For reasons too numerous to write, it was decided that the end of the month was the best. This year was the coldest September in years...consider the commitment it takes to stand in a spring-fed river in around 50 degree weather! Now that is awesome to see for sure!

Please keep the folks in the village in prayer. Winters are long and difficult causing people to get discouraged and have ‘cabin fever’! We also pray that the fellowship would continue to grow in their faith and continue to share that faith with family and friends.

Many Blessings and a very Happy Thanksgiving!

*Kevin & Laura*

**“The pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts ... nevertheless, set aside a day of thanksgiving.”**

~ H.W. Westermayer



**“MONEY....can** buy the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; days of joy, but not peace and happiness.”

~ **Henrik Ibsen**



December 29, 2013 will be the next and last 5th Sunday Children's Offering for 2013. Usually what happens with the fifth Sunday so close to the end of the year, accounting logistics cause the funds to be delayed until January, 2014. So they miss our total donations for the year 2013. This has caused us to miss our conference set goal for that year. If it is possible for you to give your gift before the 5th Sunday, we can be sure to have all our funds counted before year's end. Simply designate your gift to FUMCH and it will be recorded. If you can, I would appreciate it.

If you wish to learn more about FUMCH, I am allowed to bring a few guests to the LCR training event being held Feb. 3, 2014 at Spring Hill UMC. The sessions will run from 6:30 pm. to about 8:30 pm. Others from the church will also be going as this is the Gulf Central District's training for all UMC committee members.

Commissary needs are the following: New Pillows, Hair Conditioner, Tooth Paste, Q-Tips, Dental Floss, Body Wash/Body Hand Lotion, Deodorant, and Disposable Razors. See Don Bates at any time for their collection.

The 2014 Children's Home Calendar will be completed soon. If you are a regular donor they will be mailed directly to you. If you want to be sure to receive one this year contact FUMCH at [allchildrenfirst.org](http://allchildrenfirst.org)

At this time of the year, FUMCH makes an appeal to churches and small groups inside churches to help with supplying Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner to one of the 10 homes on campus. The houseparents will do all the preparation for the dinner and Publix supplies the complete meal. Every home gets the same meal as all are treated equally. The cost of the meal is \$100. Checks can be sent directly to FUMCH or through the church. Please designate that the funds are for the dinner and not a donation to the general fund.



Work continues at the ranch in preparation for the soft opening in the Fall of 2014. Some small temporary buildings are operational and events have already been successful with others planned for the future. On October 12, 2013, the ranch hosted the GOOD NEWS MUSIC FESTIVAL, in which 9 musical groups performed for the nearly 300 in attendance. For information on future events contact Barbara Faircloth at (850) 443-1405.

## ANGELS

If only I had angels' wings  
I'd ride the rainbow's bend,  
And there, beyond the universe  
I'd meet the Lord, my Friend.

Angels walk among us  
In ways we do not know,  
To shelter us beneath their wings  
And set our hearts aglow.

In daylight or in darkness  
I have no need to fear;  
I know that I'm protected  
By angels hovering near.

Have you ever met an angel?  
You don't have to look too far,  
You probably see one every day  
No matter where you are!

## The Usher

An elderly woman walked into the local country church. The friendly usher greeted her at the door and helped her up the flight of steps. "Where would you like to sit?" he asked politely.

"The front row, please," she answered.

"You really don't want to do that," the usher said. "The pastor is really boring."

"Do you happen to know who I am?" the woman inquired. "No," he said.

"I'm the pastor's mother," she replied indignantly.

"Do you know who I am?" he asked.

"No," she said. "Good," he answered.

## THE PUZZLE

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A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle.

She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table.

He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster."

He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh ..... "Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."



*Do not regret  
Growing old.  
It is a  
Privilege  
denied  
to  
many.*

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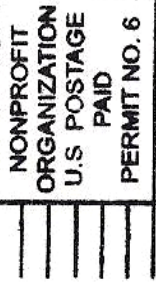
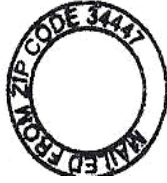
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