

GENESIS NEWSLETTER
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From the Pastor's Desk

Summer is here, and typically that means things slow down a bit. I haven't seen that just yet, but that's what folks say.

I know that most of our northern friends have headed for up north where it is still cold and sometimes snowy. We pray that they have all arrived safely. Some left with health concerns, and we pray these will be taken care of once they are back home. We do look forward to their return in the fall.

So what about us—the folks who live here year round? Our “charge” is to continue to do the ministry of the Lord's church. Just as our northern friends will become engaged in the ministries of their northern home churches, we too must stay engaged here. There are great ministry needs here year round, and these are our responsibility.

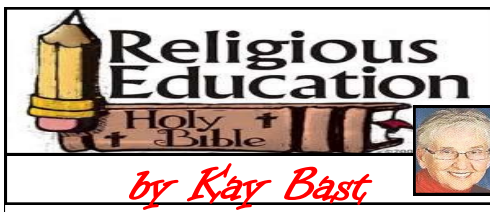
One of the ways we will do this is by keeping the 11:00 a.m. service active throughout the summer rather than going to two services. Several committees have worked hard to arrive at this decision. When all these committees met together recently there was a general consensus that we should not stop the 11:00 service.

One of the summer concerns of this service is the drop in

attendance. It drops more than the other two. Knowing this is the trend, we can prepare for it and plan to do things in worship which will help us avoid the sense of “emptiness” when this happens. Some of these things are very simple. For example, when the numbers decrease, I will encourage folks to sit in the middle two sections of the sanctuary. Doing so will help us feel a closeness to each other through worship even though our numbers have lessened.

Another idea for the 11:00 service is to “market” it as aggressively as possible. We would do this with things such as the weekly ad in the paper highlighting the 11:00 service. We can use the sign out front to advertise this service. Now that Krissy is taking such great care of our Face Book page, we could use that as well. Then there is also our web site to utilize. The best means of marketing is always the personal contact, where folks simply invite others to come to their church. My hope is to teach and encourage folks of every service to be more inviting and especially those in the 11:00 service. When you think about it, none of our services should drop in attendance so much during the summer. There are plenty of folks living in our community who do not attend church, enough to not only fill our three services but to also start another service. They are out there, and my belief has always been

<p>that they are simply waiting to be invited.</p> <p>I think there is a lot we can and should do and are planning to do during the summer months to enhance our 11:00 a.m. worship. The summer months will give us opportunity to try a few things and see how they go. If they work out, great; if they do not work out, then we'll regroup and reconsider. I look</p>	<p>forward to seeing how things go, and I hope you will also. 3</p> <p>Before we know it, summer will be here and gone. I hope that everyone who travels for summer vacations will have a great time and stay safe. My prayer is that when the summer comes to a close, we will all be back together—safe, sound, and healthy. Have a blessed summer. Pastor Kip</p>
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Writing an article with meaning a month in advance is a difficult task, now we are looking at 3 months! (whew), but here goes.

I would like to say thank you for the many who have chosen to share their God given gifts by volunteering to “Do More”. I realize many of you already “do” a lot and I am encouraged by your response. I have recently finished a very good book I found in my closet, I don’t know who purchased it, but it is filled with wisdom. I would like to share some of that with you. The title of the book is *Shoulder to Shoulder* by Dan Reiland. As you might surmise by the title it has to do with relationships, especially the Pastor/ Congregation relationship. So here are some of the passages I found very powerful.

“God’s plan is for you to be

an integral part in the process of building His church. God’s purpose for you is to make a difference in this world. Like your pastor, you cannot make a lasting impact of eternal value alone. But together, with God’s blessing, there is nothing you and your pastor cannot accomplish.”

“God teaches us in Ephesians 4:12 that the pastor’s primary role is to equip the *people in the church* to do the ministry. That’s right! The pastor is the recruiter, motivator, and equipper, and the people are the real ministers.”

A story found in Exodus 17:8-13 is a wonderful example of God’s idea of support. “God gave us a beautiful picture of support. Will you lift the arms of your pastor? He truly needs your help. When you do so, God is pleased with the spirit of unity and teamwork, the pastor is encouraged, and your church realizes growth.”

Food for thought, Have a wonderful summer.

Kay

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MIND, BODY & SOUL HEALTH FAIR

FIFTH ANNUAL

**Free Door Prizes!
Free Gifts and Promotional Items!**

Over 50 local business & health organizations will be there providing health screenings and valuable information on services available to you in your local community.

Join us

Thursday, June 6, 2013

From

9 A.M. until 12 P.M.

It is time again for the annual Mind, Body & Soul Health Fair at our church. We will have some of our usual vendors, but there will be some new and exciting ones as well. There will be volunteer opportunities, entertainment, special interest vendors, education, as well as health screenings and health related facilities. The clowns will be busy helping set up and getting into trouble as well. The Life South bloodmobile will be there, and after you give blood you can check out the beautiful and unique cars that will be on display in the parking lot. Mark your calendar! There should be something of interest for everyone.

SEE YOU THERE!



CATARACTS

More than 22 million Americans have cataracts. Cataracts are a leading cause of blindness in those over 80. They can sometimes be found in younger people as well as newborn babies, but ninety-five percent are considered age related.

What exactly is a cataract? It is the clouding of the normally clear lens of the eye which blocks or changes the passage of light into the eye. In the normal eye, light passes through the lens to the retina where it is changed into signals which are then sent to the brain. If the retina does not receive sharp and clear images, vision will be blurred. The eye works like a camera; if the lens is dirty or cloudy the camera cannot take a clear picture. A cataract can occur in one or both eyes, but does not spread from one to the other.

Although the exact cause of cataracts is not known there are thought to be several risk factors involved: intense heat or long-term exposure to UV sun rays, diabetes, heredity, German measles in a pregnant woman, eye injuries or inflammation, smoking, or long term steroid use. Most commonly, cataracts are formed as we age when old cells build up on the lens as our bodies create new cells.

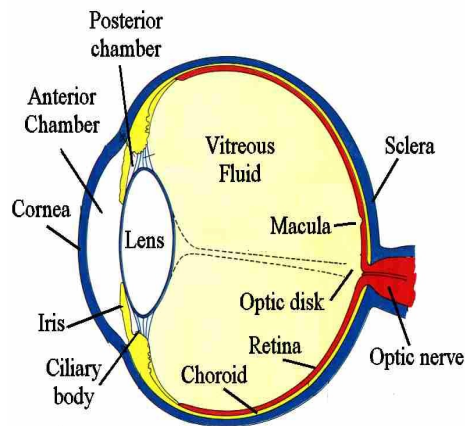
If you have a cataract you should not experience pain or redness. You may experience blurred or double vision, ghost images, faded colors, glare from bright lights, poor night vision, or the sensation of having a film

over your eye. You may also see a milky or yellowish spot in the pupil of the eye. Light may seem too dim for close work or you might be overwhelmed by bright light.

It is extremely important to have a complete and comprehensive vision exam every one to two years. During this exam, where pupils are dilated, your doctor will be able to check for glaucoma, macular degeneration, and other disorders. Early treatment may save your vision.

Early treatment for cataracts may include new glasses, better lighting, anti-glare sunglasses or magnifying glasses. If these measures do not help and vision loss begins to interfere with normal activities of daily living, surgery may be indicated. Surgery involves removing the lens and replacing it with an artificial one which becomes permanent and requires no special care.

To protect your vision now remember to wear sunglasses and a hat to block ultraviolet rays, stop smoking, and eat green leafy vegetables, fruit and other foods with antioxidants. Get regular eye exams!



Kimber, D.C., C.E. Gray and C.E. Shoemaker, (1966). Anatomy and Physiology. MacMillan Co., NY, pg. 325.



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
 Individual Bible Study Groups
 Men's Serendipity
 PAWS
 Saturday Sisters
 Women's Serendipity

Support Groups

Alzheimer's Support
Diabetes Support
Memory Lane Respite
Stroke Support

Discipleship Classes

(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.

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Friday,
AUGUST 2
For SEPTEMBER



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 opportunity to join the church in 2013 will begin on September 28th.**

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.

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.



THE WAYS OF THE KINGDOM

by Jan Wise

This man is my chosen instrument....I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.

(Acts 9:15)

Did you ever audit a class? Why did you choose to listen rather than actively participate?

Perhaps you wanted to accumulate information without the responsibility of contributing or taking tests that measured your understanding.

Many Christians choose to audit the Christian life, thinking to avoid the suffering involved with testing. But like Paul, we are called to actively engage in the battle between God's Word and Satan's lies.

When God called Paul, he was clear about the cost. In 2 Corinthians 11, Paul describes some of his physical sufferings—imprisoned, flogged, shipwrecked, always moving, in constant danger.

Paul's physical difficulties formed "arenas" within which he battled the temptation to sin. An arena suggests a contest. Any difficulty Christians face invites a spiritual battle. Satan will oppose us, fueling our fleshly desires with a need for self preservation. *But* God will be there for us, offering the power of his Holy Spirit to refuse the temptation to sin. The choice is ours—to side with our flesh or with the Holy Spirit's leading. The struggle may be fierce, as it was for Jesus in the Garden, or it may be less obvious as when we must choose between retaliation or forgiveness.

The denial of our fleshly desires will cause suffering; our self-

centered ego does not like being thwarted. For instance, Jesus tells us "do not worry." Having been raised in a worry-filled environment, whenever I encountered a problem arena I would worry my way through it. Then one day the Lord told me to stop "auditing" his teaching about worry and become actively engaged in the spiritual battle of denying worry a place in my difficulties.

No longer could I sit in my spiritual armchair, worrying my way through possible solutions. I rationalized—"every Christian I know worries so why should I change, what will I think about if I don't worry, things are different now—even Jesus would worry in today's world." How scared I felt learning to refuse worry, trusting God to bring me through a problem *his* way, and how amazed I was at the outcome. I lost some battles, but the ones where I tasted victory brought an exhilarating sense of his power. I am no longer in bondage to worry, but still fight the recurring temptation. However, I've discovered the joy of recognizing trouble arenas as opportunities for scoring a spiritual victory.

Hebrews 2:18 says, "Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted." In the flesh, Jesus could have retaliated against his enemies, but his Father taught him to pray, "Forgive them for they don't know what they are doing."

If we're willing to actively enter the arena of spiritual warfare, we will discover joy in the suffering and power for the battle. How about leaving your spiritual armchair and embracing the challenge?

MISSING PERSONS LIST

The powers to be are out and about looking for the “missing persons”! They could be any age and live anywhere close by, but all will have the urge to lend a hand in the Plant & Garden Shoppe at the Holiday Bazaar on November 1st and 2nd.

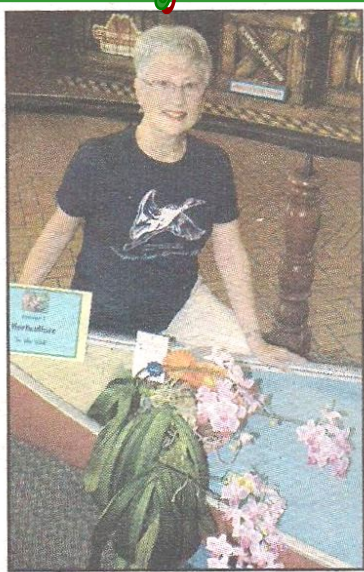
There are plants that have already been donated! There are garden and yard decorations that have been given as well. We just need to have several ladies to join together in coordinating these donations and setting them up for the sale.



IS THAT YOU?

Please call Pat Blake 628-6602, or Priscilla Frederick 382-0422.

GREAT JOB DEE!



BERNADETTE CARITHERS/
For the Beacon

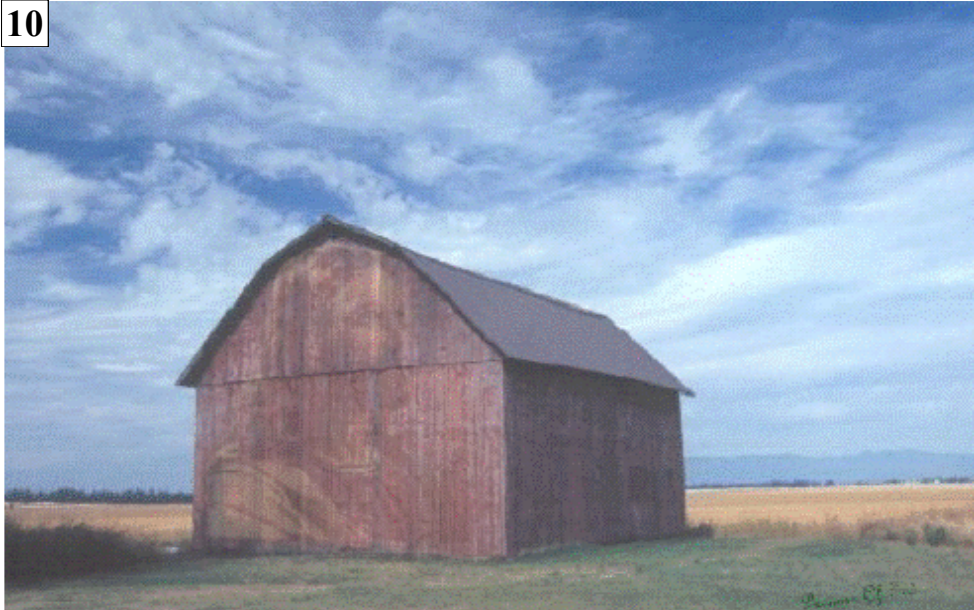
Garden club member Dee Green won an award of merit for her beautiful orchid during the annual Homosassa River Garden Club Flower Show at the Wildlife Parks' Visitors Center.

COLLECTING FOR UMW TRASH & TREASURE SALE

Have you started your Spring/Summer Cleaning? Your trash may be a hidden treasure for someone else. The Faith Hope Circle of United Methodist Women will be having a Hidden Treasures table at the annual Holiday Bazaar November 1st and 2nd.

If you have items that can be sold at this table such as small appliances, bake ware, paintings, dishes, glassware, jewelry, games, knick knacks, etc., please call Helen Lefave (352) 628-1380 or Pat Blake (352) 628-6602 anytime, and we will make arrangements to pick up the items at the church so that they can be safely stored until the date of the sale.

We appreciate all help with this project and look forward to hearing from you!



Every time I am asked to pray, I think of the old fellow who always prayed, 'Lord, prop us up on our leanin' side'. After hearing him pray that prayer many times, someone asked him why he prayed that prayer so fervently.

He answered, 'Well sir, you see, it's like this.... I got an old barn out back and it's been there a long time; it's withstood a lot of weather; it's gone through a lot of storms, and it's stood for many years. It's still standing. But one day I noticed it was leanin' to one side a bit, so I went and got some pine poles and propped it up on its leanin' side so it wouldn't fall.

But I find myself leanin' to one side too. Then I got to thinking about that and how much I was like that old barn. I've been around a long time. I've withstood a lot of life's storms. I've withstood a lot of bad weather in life, I've withstood a lot of hard times, and I'm still leanin' from time to time, so I like to ask the Lord to prop us up on our leanin' side, 'cause I figure a lot of us get to leanin' at times.

Sometimes we get to leanin' toward anger, leanin' toward bitterness, leanin' toward hatred, leanin' toward cussing, leanin' toward a lot of things that we shouldn't. So we need to pray:

'Lord, prop us up on our leanin' side, so we will stand straight and tall again, to glorify the Lord.'

Can you see our Lord in the old barn?

~UMW NEWS~

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

NOV 1: 9a.m. to 3 p.m.

NOV 2: 9a.m. to 2 p.m.

The FUMC UMW is looking forward to having another successful bazaar and we welcome all! We are in need of someone to coordinate the CRAFT table, and I would greatly appreciate your help. You may call me at 352-628-6602. I am also inviting those of you who use your own creative talents to donate some of your special crafts.

We have had many changes this year with many different programs and entertainments. As usual, I am offering an invitation to all the ladies of the church to join us for any of our events. We meet monthly on the 3rd Tuesday with social hour and coffee at 9:30 a.m. with our program starting at 10 a.m. followed by our business meeting. We presently have four circles which meet at various times, and we welcome new members at any time. We will not be meeting June, July and August, however the circles do plan special activities throughout the summer months.

We will begin planning our fall and winter programs, as well as preparing for our bazaar. Help is always needed for this event which is our biggest fund raiser for the year. Our funds are used for mission projects, and I would like to thank all those who have helped in the past and we look forward to your help in the future. I await hearing from you.

Thank you, Pat Blake, President UMW

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CORRECTION

I am sorry for listing the incorrect date of death of Vern Downey in the May issue of Genesis.

The correct date of Vern's death was Tuesday, April 2, 2013.

I truly regret the error on my part.

Mary Lee Millikin
Editor of Genesis

Thank You

This past month we experienced the truth of the song, "I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God."

Tom and I want to say a heartfelt thank you to our "family"—for the prayers, the cards, the calls and the knowing that we were held in your love.

Jan and Tom Wise

Thank You

Judy and I want to thank all the Prayer Warriors, and everyone else who prayed for me during my two bouts of MRSA this winter and spring. These well wishes were in the form of cards, phone calls, visits, and prayers.

I'm sorry that I can't thank each of you personally, but we felt the prayers in our hearts and felt the wonderful results. This Church and its congregation is truly GOD blessed.

We thank you again.
Bob & Judy Bunting



I want to thank everyone who sent cards and get-well wishes during my recent illness.

I also know that the prayers that were said for me have kept me strong and believing in our Lord.

God bless you all,
Nancy Pearo

THIS STINKS !

The largest flower on earth, growing to 3 feet and weighing 24 lb, *Rafflesia arnoldii*, is beautiful! But you don't want it in your garden: the flower smells of decaying flesh to attract pollinating flies. It is endemic to the rain forests of Indonesia and is actually quite rare to find.



Curiously, the plant produces no leaves, stems or roots. It can only be seen when it is ready to reproduce. Living as a parasite on the roots of a tropical vine, *Rafflesia* sends out thread like tissues that penetrate the host.

from Barry/Cincinnati



<u>1</u> Helen Dresback Tom Smith Barbara Stoneman	<u>10</u> Bernhard Diedrich Roger Evans	<u>21</u> Roger Johnson Phyllis Nevins William Stocker
<u>2</u> Marie Chapman Carole Deyo-Fahl	<u>11</u> Howard Watson	<u>22</u> Verna Strout
<u>3</u> Ann Eckman Marge Frazier Jim Green Ed James	<u>12</u> Albert Carlson Sr. Priscilla Frederick	<u>23</u> Krissy Brown Katherine Cornelius Mike Haddigan
<u>4</u> Sheldon LaMountain Steffany Skelly Steve Skelly	<u>13</u> Joan Clanfield	<u>24</u> Mildred Beechman Robert Leaming
<u>6</u> Walter Dilling Wilbourn Fowler Jeannine Love Sharon Miller Richard Stanard	<u>14</u> Venia Blankenbeckler Judy Evans Joyce Hesketh Barbara Kuhl Donald Wither	<u>27</u> Kari Amundson
<u>7</u> Michael Rodgers Jr. Ruth Samuda	<u>15</u> Wanda Chapman Terry Cornelius Janet Wheeler	<u>28</u> Lorraine Angus Nelson Bell Bob Burkhardt Arden Sheaffer
<u>8</u> George Black Jr.	<u>16</u> Arthur Stuckey Barbara Fearney	<u>29</u> Helen Hansen Virginia Pazian Judy Roberts
<u>9</u> Faye Honderich Shirley Hunter	<u>17</u> Jeanette Cole Lois Schoch Robert Schwebes	<u>30</u> Carl Alexander Deborah Hargis Clara Speary
	<u>18</u> Mert Davis Dorothy Kelly Sharon Palmer	<u>31</u> Joanne Hepner Shirley Holland Branson Redding.

*May God hear every birthday prayer that's said today for you... and may
His grace and loving care go with you all year through.
Have a wonderful birthday!*

Thursday 1

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
2:00 Green Team

Friday 2**GENESIS DEADLINE**

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

Saturday 3

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
9:30 ZUMBA
10:30 God's Clods
3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

Sunday 4**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 5

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

Tuesday 6

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:30 Sephen Ministers
3:00 Serendipity Bible
3:00 Sephen Ministers
5:30 Weight Watchers
7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 7

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
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 8

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

Friday 9

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

Saturday 10

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

Sunday 11**Discretionary Sunday**

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 12

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

Tuesday 13

10:00 Staff Meeting
3:00 Serendipity Bible
5:30 Weight Watchers
6:00 Diabetic Support
6:30 WOW
7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 14

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
1:00 Shawl Ministry
3:00 Creative Worship
5:15 Music
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Choir
7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 15

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
3:00 Missions
3:30 Trustees

Friday 16

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
10:00 Wise Bible
12:00 Rotary Setup
7:00 Inv. NT

Saturday 17

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

Sunday 18**PANTRY SUNDAY**

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 19

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 20

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

JULY 2013 BIRTHDAYS

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1 Judith Busby Henry Sandlas	9 Bev Mulder Yvonne Zagorac	17 Priscilla Lehman Don Snedeker Todd Workman	23 Nancy Pearo Ruby Raymond
2 Lois Diedrich Dick Kern	10 Dorothy Collister	18 Bonnie Knapp	24 Ryan Selby
3 Mel Gordy Juliann Harry Janet Magamoll	11 Marion Hamilton Helen LaBeau Joan Miller	19 Sue Price Marie Vainio	25 Sunderland
4 Juanita Sobolak	12 Eileen Brown	20 Joe Crawley	26 Harley Lawrence
6 Robert Birkholz	13 Dessa Clark	21 Cleta Knapp	27 Irene Roelfsema
7 Wyndell Fordham	14 Norwood Speary Mary Tarorick	22 Joan Spencer	28 Vernon Tidswell
8 Ann Sandstrom	15 Donna Bell	23 Jackie LaMountain	29 Ed Masek
9 Elizabeth Olson	16 James Veronesi	24 Derek Benthussen	30 Doris Feldmann
Allen Millikin	Joyce Ann Skelly	25 David Lambert	31 Nancy Sheaffer
		26 Joy Winder	Marylou Fisher
		27 Jean Kirschner	Shirley Burkhardt.



HOP ON THE BUS!
AUGUST 29TH

BUS LEAVES CHURCH AT 10:30 A.M.

Get your tickets in the church office/payment is required with reservation! For information, contact Ed Loper, Bill Gilbert, or Jack Schrock.

\$42.00 per person

BATTER UP!



Monday 1

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

Tuesday 2

10:00 Staff Meeting
 1:30 Stephen Ministers
 3:00 Serendipity Bible
 3:00 Stephen Ministers
 5:30 Weight Watchers
 7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 3

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
 9:30 Weight Watchers
 10:00 LaMountain Bible
 10:00 Siegel Bible
 6:30 Youth Group
 7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 4

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
 2:00 Green Team

Friday 5

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

Saturday 6

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
 9:30 ZUMBA
 10:30 God's Clods
 3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

Sunday 7

COMMUNION SUNDAY
7:45 BLOODMOBILE
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 8

8:00 Work Crew
 8:30 SHINE
 8:30 Tracking Committee
 9:30 Visitation Committee
 10:00 Sacred Hour
 1:00 ML Respite
 1:00 Alzheimer Support
 4:00 Health Team

Tuesday 9

10:00 Staff Meeting
 3:00 Serendipity Bible
 5:30 Weight Watchers
 6:00 Diabetic Support
 6:30 WOW
 7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 10

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
 9:30 Weight Watchers
 10:00 LaMountain Bible
 10:00 Siegel Bible
 3:00 Creative Worship
 6:30 Youth Group
 7:00 WOMEN'S Bible

Thursday 11

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

Sunday 14

Discretionary Sunday
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 15

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

Tuesday 16

10:00 Staff Meeting
 10:00 SHINE
 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 17

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
 9:30 Weight Watchers
 10:00 LaMountain Bible
 10:00 SHINE
 10:00 Siegel Bible
 1:30 Transfer Orientation
 2:00 Staff/Parish Relations
 6:30 Youth Group
 7:00 Choir
 7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 18

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
 3:00 Missions
 3:30 Trustees

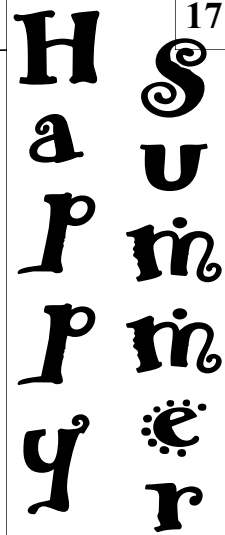
Friday 19

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

Saturday 20

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

JUNE 2013 BIRTHDAYS



2
Emma Christensen
Jeanne Comfort
3
Bruce Backhurst
Dermot Samuda
Alma Zimmerman
4
Doris Newcomer
5
Claudette Kirby
6
Richard Dulaney
Helga Squires
Leon Wells
7
John Gibbs
Eugene Spuhler
8
Ray Fisher
9
Carolyn Custer
Eleanor Hoeffler
Janet Lee Leslie
Virginia Mangels
Nancy Nehring
11
Michael Collier
12
Jim Love
13
William Parks
14
Wayne Brown
Linda Gordy
Phyllis Peters
Esther Stobierski
15
Althea Stuckey

16
Charles Blair
Robert Bosley
Marleigh Gordon
John Lawrey
Stan Zawacki
17
Patience Nave
Patrick O’Gorman
Alex Stevens
18
Robert Bellcase
Lucille Meewes
Regina Parks
19
Lavonne Brennan
Paul Herr
Larry Vainio
Charlie Wade
20
Grace Lam-Sheikh
21
Miriam Currier
Charlotte Ohlhorst
22
Helen Kulick
Floyd Sims
23
Yvonne Beck
Gene Harry
Jimmi Reichard
Ralph Siegel
24
Angie Gordon
25
Maria Briggs
Rosalie Haynes
Ronald Hesketh
Cranie Koellhoffer
26
Lee Bast
Tom Phillips
Jeffrey Post

27
Diane Gibbs
Dick Haydon
Frank Rayne
Jynetha
Montgomery
28
William Brobst
Andrea Pirkle
30
Bob Bunting
Fred Small.

IN OUR PRAYERS

(as of 5/15/2013)

BRENTWOOD

Joyce Minnicks

CEDAR CREEK

Wilbourn Fowler

Lois Schoch

SUGARMILL MANOR

Marge Dilling

Grace Payne

SUNFLOWER SPRINGS

Ruth Eaton

Helen Labeau

Joan & Jack Ness

Helen Vaught

Catherine Wisehart

SUNSHINE GARDENS

Pete Magamoll

SUPERIOR RESIDENCE

Hank Pouderoyne

TIMBER PINES RESID.

Abbye Jean Richner.

Saturday 1

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
 9:30 ZUMBA
 10:30 Gods Clods
 3:00 A/Video Rehearsal

Sunday 2

COMMUNION SUNDAY
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 3

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

Tuesday 4

10:00 Staff Meeting
 1:30 Stephen Ministers
 3:00 Serendipity Bible
 3:00 Stephen Ministers
 5:30 Weight Watchers
 7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 5

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
 8:00 Heath Fair setup
 9:30 Weight Watchers
 10:00 LaMountain Bible
 10:00 Siegel Bible
 5:15 Music
 6:30 New Member Class
 6:30 Youth Group
 7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 6

9:00 HEALTH FAIR
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
 1:30 Serendipity
 2:00 Green Team

Friday 7

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

Saturday 8

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

Sunday 9

DISCRETIONARY SUNDAY
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 10

8:00 Work Crew
 8:30 SHINE
 8:30 Tracking Committee
 9:30 Visitation Committee
 10:00 Sacred Hour
 1:00 ML Respite
 1:00 Alzheimer Support
 4:00 Health Team

Tuesday 11

10:00 Staff Meeting
 3:00 Serendipity Bible
 5:30 Weight Watchers
 6:00 Diabetic Support
 6:30 WOW
 7:00 Guy Bible Study

Wednesday 12

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
 9:30 Weight Watchers
 10:00 LaMountain Bible
 10:00 Siegel Bible
 3:00 Creative Worship
 6:30 New Member Class
 6:30 Youth Group
 7:00 WOMEN'S Bible

Thursday 13

ANNUAL CONFERENCE
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

Friday 14

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

Saturday 15

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

Sunday 16

ANNUAL CONFERENCE
PANTRY SUNDAY
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 17

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 18

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 19

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
1:30 Transfer Orientation
2:00 Staff/Parish Relations
6:30 New Member Class
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 20

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
1:30 Serendipity
3:00 Missions
3:30 Trustees

Friday 21

COUNCIL REPORTS DUE

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

Saturday 22

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

Sunday 23

New Member/Transfer

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 24

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

Tuesday 25

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

Wednesday 26

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 27

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
7:00 COUNCIL

Friday 28

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

Saturday 29

8:00 Saturday Sisters Bible
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
9:30 ZUMBA
2:30 T-NCCB
3:00 A/Video Rehearsal
6:00 SCOUTS

Sunday 30

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

**WEEKLY YMCA CLASSES
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Mondays

9:30 Cardio
10:30 Stab/Strength

Wednesdays

9:30 Pilates
10:30 Stab/Strength

Fridays

9:30 Cardio
10:30 Stab/Strength

NOTICE

**Make this issue a
"centerfold"
pullout!**

**1st, pull out this
page that has the
June calendar on it
to put it near your
regular calendar!
Be sure to note the
information on the
backside as well.**

**Then do the same
with the July
calendar, then
August as well.**

**This can also be
done with the
monthly issues....it
will keep all your
important dates
together.**

**Hope it works for
you; have a great
summer! Mary Lee**



20

1
Marie & Ron Witham
 ~ 17 years ~

2
Juanita & Stan Sobolak
 ~ 31 years ~

3
Marie & Ted Archambault
 ~ 63 years ~

Bunny & Charlie Wade
 ~ 64 years ~

4
Marion & Paul Herr
 ~ 7 years ~

Joyce & Ron Hesketh
 ~ 53 years ~

6
Angie & Charles Gordon
 ~ 19 years ~

Syble & William Little
 ~ 65 years ~

7
Jane & Jimmy Hamilton
 ~ 16 years ~

Bev & Jack Mulder
 ~ 55 years ~

Phyllis & Charles Peters
 ~ 27 years ~

Andrea & David Pirke
 ~ 50 years ~

7
Irene & Garrett Roelfsema
 ~ 55 years ~

8
Sue & Thomas Cloyd
 ~ 68 years ~

9
Pat & Merlyn Hoar
 ~ 57 years ~

12
Shelby & Julian Weingarten
 ~ 55 years ~

15
Clara & Norwood Speary
 ~ 68 years ~

16
Annie & Art Carl
 ~ 62 years ~

17
Gloria & David Marquis
 ~ 18 years ~

Marian & Henry Sandlas
 ~ 63 years ~

18
Mary Ellen & Frank Wais
 ~ 53 years ~

BOLD = 50+ years



19
Rusty & Gene Harry
 ~ 47 years ~

Marilyn & Leon Wells
 ~ 49 years ~

20
JoAnn & John Guthrie
 ~ 54 years ~

Barbara & Richard Hartley
 ~ 64 years ~

21
Marylou & Ray Fisher
 ~ 11 years ~

Joan & Jack Ness
 ~ 61 years ~

22
Marcia & Richard Bader
 ~ 61 years ~

Beverly & Edward Calkins
 ~ 28 years ~

Myrna & Richard Evans
 ~ 56 years ~

24
Charlene & William Murray
 ~ 25 years ~

Sandra & Gary Partin
 ~ 35 years ~

25
Gene & Burnie McGee
 ~ 55 years ~

29
Barbara & Robert Birkholz
 ~ 55 years ~

Sunday 21

TRANSFER SUNDAY
8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 22

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

Tuesday 23

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

Wednesday 24

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 25

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

Friday 26

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

Saturday 27

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

Sunday 28

TRANSFER SUNDAY

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 29

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

Tuesday 30

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

Wednesday 31

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
5:15 Music
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Choir
7:00 Women's Bible.

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10:30 Stab/Strength

Wednesdays

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9:30 Cardio

10:30 Stab/Strength



Betty Downey
11 Dahoon Court
Homosassa, FL 34446
352-382-4042

Transfer from: Galion, OH
Presbyterian Church



I received an email recently from Sandy, our church bookkeeper, that Life Touch made a donation to our food pantry in the amount of \$146.00.

Mary Lee

**22 Anniversary
Wishes**
JULY 2013



<u>3</u> Carolee & Mike Gettings ~ 54 years ~	<u>15</u> Sharon & Rodney Palmer ~ 32 years ~
<u>4</u> Krissy & Wayne Brown ~ 15 years ~	<u>17</u> Rita & Tony Hren ~ 42 years ~
<u>6</u> Theresa & Michael Collier ~ 50 years ~	<u>19</u> Linda & Kent Kester ~ 33 years ~
<u>7</u> Carolyn & Joe Crawley ~ 43 years ~	<u>20</u> Pamela & Paul Patton ~ 29 years ~
<u>7</u> Carolyn & Jim Roth ~ 51 years ~	<u>22</u> Jeanne & Dene Balmer ~ 13 years ~
<u>8</u> Dorothy & Jack Graham ~ 46 years ~	Carol & Floyd Sims ~ 52 years ~
Hazel & Conrad Keniston ~ 8 years ~	23 Jeanne & Willard Pickrel ~ 20 years ~
<u>9</u> Shirley & Bob Burkhardt ~ 58 years ~	<u>26</u> Maureen & William Guthrie ~ 54 years ~
<u>10</u> Lisa & Bob Specht ~ 19 years	<u>27</u> Carroll & John Lunceford ~ 56 years ~
<u>11</u> Alice & Ed Carnahan 57 years	<u>28</u> Doris & Julius Kertesz ~ 57 years ~
Mary Lee & Allen Millikin ~ 54 years ~	<u>31</u> Nancy & Karl Amundson ~ 31 years ~
<u>13</u> Kim & Allen Bennett ~ 22 years ~	Janet & Howard Watson ~ 48 years ~.
Lucille & Delmar Meewes ~ 61 years ~	

BOLD = 50+ years

(as of 5/15/2013)

<u>BRENTWOOD</u> Joyce Minnicks
<u>CEDAR CREEK</u> Wilbourn Fowler Lois Schoch
<u>SUGARMILL MANOR</u> Marge Dilling Grace Payne
<u>SUNFLOWER SPRINGS</u> Ruth Eaton Helen Labeau Joan & Jack Ness Helen Vaught Catherine Wischart
<u>SUNSHINE GARDENS</u> Pete Magamoll
<u>SUPERIOR RESIDENCE</u> Hank Pouderoyne
<u>TIMBER PINES RESID.</u> Abbye Jean Richner.

Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved!

Wednesday 21

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
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 22

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

Friday 23

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

Saturday 24

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

Sunday 25

TRANSFER SUNDAY

8:00 Traditional Worship
9:30 Sunday School (all)
9:30 Traditional Worship
11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday 26

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

Tuesday 27

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

Wednesday 28

7:00 Men's Prayer Group
9:30 Weight Watchers
10:00 LaMountain Bible
10:00 Siegel Bible
1:00 Shawl Ministry
5:15 Music
6:00 Bells
6:30 New Member Class
6:30 Youth Group
7:00 Choir
7:00 Women's Bible

Thursday 29

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)
10:30 Baseball Bus Trip

Friday 30

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

Saturday 31

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

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as of 5/15/2013)

BRENTWOOD

Joyce Minnicks

CEDAR CREEK

Wilbourn Fowler
Lois Schoch

**SUGARMILL
MANOR**

Marge Dilling
Grace Payne

**SUNFLOWER
SPRINGS**

Ruth Eaton
Helen Labeau
Joan & Jack Ness
Helen Vaught
Catherine Wischart

**SUNSHINE
GARDENS**

Pete Magamoll

**SUPERIOR
RESIDENCE**

Hank Pouderoyrn

**TIMBER PINES
RESIDENCES**

Abbye Jean Richner.





2013
AUGUST
ANNIVERSARIES

2

Barbara & Larry
Sunderland
~ 10 years ~

6

Mary Kay & Ed
Messenger
~ 21 years ~

7

Shirley & Allan Hunter
~ 20 years ~

Jean & Tom Kirschner
~ 37 years ~

8

Nancy & Dick Haydon
~ 44 years ~

9

Paula & George Black
~ 2 years ~

11

Holli & David Benthusen
~ 29 years ~

Janet & Don Wheeler
~ 46 years ~

12

Marilyn & Robert Bosley
~ 18 years ~

Mary & Robert
Severance
~ 58 years ~

12

Joan & Jim West
~ 46 years ~

14

Judy & Patrick
O'Gorman
~ 48 years ~

Vicky & Jeffrey Post
~ 8 years ~

16

Tamara & Dennis Borrás
~ 29 years ~

17

Nancy & Arden
Sheaffer
~ 56 years ~

19

Alice & Bill Williamson
~ 57 years ~

21

Pat & William Schuessler
~ 42 years ~

22

Pat & Harold Layman
~ 45 years ~

24

Betty & Robert
Boekholder
~ 45 years ~

Sandra & John Dewart
~ 36 years ~

Lois & Ralph Pohlman
~ 56 years ~

***BOLD = 50**
YEARS AND OVER

25

Donna & Frank Rayne
~ 29 years ~

Melanie & Jason Sheriff
~ 2 years ~

27

Judy & James Roberts
~ 29 years ~

Helen & Robert
Schwebes
~ 58 years ~

Maria & Robert Spence
~ 58 years ~

28

Carol & Bob MacKenzie
~ 48 years ~

29

Carolyn & Rolland
Custer
~ 54 years ~

Theresa & Randy Weber
~ 15 years ~

Iris & Mark Whittaker
~ 43 years ~

30

Pat & Dick Kern
~ 31 years ~

Janet & Fred Small
~ 56 years ~

31

Sue & Jim Price
~ 56 years ~

Ruth & Phillip Rittgers
~ 56 years ~ .

*May the celebration of your anniversary be
a source of great Joy and blessings.*

SUMMERTIME

25

Summertime stress slowing you down?

We think of summer as being a relaxing, enjoyable time. But hurts, struggles, crises, and problems don't take a vacation. Many times our difficulties seem even worse during the summer because everyone else seems to be enjoying life while you are feeling down. If you are experiencing a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally you don't have to handle it alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you. We provide one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Its free, and its **confidential**. It will make a difference in your life.

Stephen Ministers **DO NOT** take the summers off we are always available....

To find out more about our Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, talk to one of our Stephen Leaders, or a Stephen Minister wearing a blue name tag. We don't take the summer off.

Call - Carol 382-8926, Karen 382-7263, Kay 382-4908, or the church office 628-4083 to get in touch.



BE A WATCHDOG

The church campus is as vulnerable to theft and vandalism as any regular business. We need everyone to make a conscious effort to **turn off all lights and lock all doors** when leaving the buildings. **Please do not assume** someone else will take care of it; they are thinking the same thing!

~ WITH SORROW ~

Hilda Seagren went with our Lord Saturday, April 20, 2013.
Visitation was held in 8/27/13 in Auburndale, FL.



WITH SORROW

Louise Brechka went with our Lord Friday, April 26, 2013. Services and interment will be in Kentucky at a later date. Wilder Funeral Home. Published in Citrus County Chronicle on May 2, 2013

To Get Results, You Gotta Advertise!

Are you planning an exciting special event? Got an important meeting coming up? Need extra volunteers? Starting a new Bible study series? Be sure everyone in the church knows about it! **There are lots of ways to get the word out:**

- **Kip's Weekly Email** - Ask Pastor Kip to consider a mention in his weekly email letter.
- **Sunday Bulletin** - Give the information to Nicole Furtado in the church office, so she can print it in the Sunday bulletin. Her email is secretary@lumc.org or drop off a written note at the office. Nicole prepares bulletins on Monday afternoons, so be sure to get your information in by Monday for the upcoming Sunday. Bulletin announcements are also included in the video screen announcements that run before services start.
- **Sunday Video Screen** - Bulletin announcements are also included in the video screen announcements that run before services start. If you'd like a video screen announcement to run for awhile, let Sharon Cooley know. You can send her an email at sierra14charlie@aol.com or put a written note in the A/V Tech mailbox.
- **1UMC Website** - Ask Neil Kline to add your notice to the church website. You might even get a 'homepage' spot! A photo will get a lot more attention here. Neil's email is ngkline@tampabay.rr.com
- **GENESIS** - Our monthly newsletter gets to all those who are included in our church membership, as well as friends of the church. Just email your article or notice to genesisfumc@tampabay.rr.com and remember that the deadline is the 1st Friday of each month (except for vacation in June & July). You may also drop it off at the church office.

For all announcements, be sure to include your name and phone number. There are so many activities within our church; be sure everyone knows!

Sharon Cooley, A/V Tech



tour and meeting with staff and children, Gibson remarked, "I was impressed with the campus. It made me think of what a great opportunity the children have to heal and grow".

While reporting on the Children's Home in this issue, I feel like the Christmas angels, "Behold I bring you good tidings of Great Joy".

Rev. Mearle Griffith recently stated that in all his 30+ years involved with children's home ministries throughout the United Methodist denomination, "no children's home ministry has a stronger reputation than FUMCH."

FIRST: In a letter dated April 23, 2013 from Dr. Mearle Griffith, Vice-President of Development for FUMCH, he is thanking you for your contribution of \$3,238 so far for this year. He writes: "Because of your generosity the children are able to feel safe and loved, and they are also able to experience that sense of hope and joy that Jesus Christ shares with all of us."

And my friends, you are a part of that reputation. As you give through the year, and/or on our 5th Sundays as God has blessed you, you bless the children. I am proud to be part of this caring church. Our goal is \$9,600 and we have \$6,400 to meet and surpass that goal.

Our next 5th Sunday Offering will be June 23, 2013. Donations may be given any time, but this is our concentrated effort which is done 4-5 times a year.

Can we do \$2,400 by June 23, 2013? We have a 5th Sunday on September 29, 2013, and another on December 29, 2013. Please pray about what you can do.

Thank you so much for your turnout on May 8th for our "Pot Luck" dinner with Rev. Stephen Hartsfield from FUMCH. We had a wonderful time and were able to view FUMCH in action. The little gifts brought were a big surprise and are already thrilling the children at FUMCH. **WAY TO GO!**

Don Bates, LCR

Recently Zackery Gibson, Florida's Chief Child Advocate and the Director of the Governor's Office of Adoption and Child Protection, was on the FUMCH



Here are some selections that may interest you:

“Something Borrowed”, a Patchwork Mysteries book by Camy Tang. Sarah Hart is at it again, tracking down a stolen wedding heirloom quilt that belongs to her daughter. In the midst of Sarah’s busy days preparing for her own wedding to Liam, the quilt has disappeared from the church. Sarah has a knack for piecing together mysteries and looks for clues as to why someone would want this piece of family history.

Debbie Macomber fans will want to read her latest book, **“A Turn in the Road”**. It tells of three women driving across America and could be a trip that changes all of their lives. There is Bethanne Hamlin who is pondering a decision about reconciling with Grant, her children’s father, now that his second marriage has failed. Bethanne’s daughter, Annie, is with her on the trip. Annie is out to prove to her onetime boyfriend that she can live a brilliant life without him! The third woman is Ruth, former mother-in-law of Bethanne. She is going to Florida for her 50th high school reunion. A longtime widow, Ruth would like to reconnect with Royce, the love of her teenage life. She’s heard he’s alone, too so she’s curious and maybe even hopeful. However, sometimes where you think you’re going isn’t where you end up.

“Twelve Extraordinary Women” by John MacArthur tells how God shaped women of the Bible and what he wants to do with you. Besides learning fascinating information about these women, you’ll discover the unmistakable chronology of God’s redemptive work in history through their lives. Beginning with Eve, you will meet Sarah, Rahab, Ruth, Hannah, Mary, Anna, The Samaritan Woman, sisters Martha and Mary, Mary Magdalene and Lydia. The struggles and temptations of the Bible’s most faithful women are similar to those faced by believers of all ages and God continues to mold and use ordinary people today.

“The Writing on the Wall” by Elizabeth Mattox. This is from the “Secrets of Mary’s Bookshop” series. The setting of the series is Ivy Bay at Cape Cod, a quaint coastal village flanked by marshes and beaches. where Mary Fisher has found the perfect place to retire and open Mary’s Mystery Bookshop. However, Mary soon discovers that this small town is full of secrets as in this story. When Mary and her sister Betty visit the Ivy Bay lighthouse with their friend Henry, they find a crude map drawn on the wall. Henry wonders if it might be connected to his ancestor, David, who was accused of stealing a large sum of money and a precious family heirloom. Mary decides to investigate but solving a crime

committed almost a century ago isn't easy and a surprising number of people don't want her to succeed. It's a mystery, isn't it?

Melody Carlson has written two new books about Anna Larson and her family. The first is **"River's Song"**. Following her mother's funeral and on the verge of her own midlife crisis, widow Anna Larson returns to the home of her youth to sort out her parents' belongings as well as her own turbulent life. For the first time since childhood, Anna embraces her native heritage despite the disdain of her vicious mother-in-law. She transforms her old family home on the banks of Oregon's Siuslaw River into The Inn at Shining Waters. She hopes to create a place of healing, a place of peace, grace and new beginnings for her guests, and also her own family.

Her next book is **"River's Call"** and focuses on Anna Larson's daughter, Lauren, who is confused, brokenhearted and misguided. It's the turbulent 1960s and she feels alienated from her mother. She chooses to stay with her paternal grandmother but is soon repelled by the woman's manipulative and spiteful ways and returns to her mother, the river and The Inn at Shining Waters. As time passes, Lauren is a mother to her own defiant teenager and faces a new crisis – one that puts the entire family at risk.

Amy Clipston has written some books in the Kauffman Amish

Bakery Series. **"A Promise of Hope"** is a novel about Sarah Troyer who lost her husband Peter in a fire and is left to raise infant twins alone. She lives with her parents in the Amish community of Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania. She is taken by surprise when a stranger arrives, claiming connections to Peter's past. Peter had told her that he was an orphan with no family. She learns of her husband's secret life - that could change her life. Her parents are encouraging her to marry again but she feels trapped. This story is filled with surprising twists that will grip the reader to the very last words.

Another Amy Clipston novel is **"A Place of Peace"**, a novel about Miriam Lapp who had left the Amish community four years ago and had broken her engagement to Timothy Kauffman. She returns to the community when her mother dies suddenly and again faces the rift with her family and the break-up with Timothy. Her emotional wounds are reopened also when her family rejects her once again and she finds Timothy in a relationship with someone else. Miriam returns home, questioning her place in the Amish community and her faith in God. Will her life continue to unravel? Will she find the love and sense of belonging she craves?

**Happy Summer Reading To All
from Your Library Staff –
Barbara Jackson, Helen Lefave,
Ann Ice, and Pat Barton**

30 ~ IN THE WORD ~

A Bible study complete in one lesson - by Don Bates, M.A.

For our second study we remain in 1Peter looking at chapter 2.

STOP

Just as a refresher, go back and look quickly over our first lesson in last month's issue of *Genesis*. Please note there are two lessons in this issue to cover the summer hiatus of *Genesis*.

From our 3 part outline:

..Part 1 - The salvation of the Believers

..Part 2 - The Submission of Believers (this lesson)

..Part 3 - The Suffering of Believers

We don't usually think of Christ as a stone, yet we sing, "On Christ the solid rock I stand all other ground is sinking sand..." Christ was the stone thrown away yet chosen by God.

STOP

Try and think of yourself as a stone to be used in a building. Where would you best be used? In verse 11 Peter tells us we are aliens and strangers in the world. Does that make you uneasy?

Peter calls Christians by various names in this chapter. Read over the list and select the one that you believe fits you best.

CHALLENGE: Share your choices with some one else and get their opinion. Submission has been

abused for a long time. These scriptures need to be discussed outside the realm of marriage. As a member of this church, one question you were asked was if you would **submit** to the authority and discipline of the church? In the military you are required to submit to those having a higher rank than you. What Peter is calling our attention to is that being Christ-like is not easy.

STOP

If life here was so wonderful, we might not appreciate Heaven!

~ IN THE WORD ~

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After looking at chapters one and two of 1Peter, we come to the longest section of the outline,

..Part 3: The Suffering of Believers.

I suggest that if you are married, you read Chapter 3 together with your spouse. Sometimes hurtful experiences from a marriage infiltrate our minds and cause us to focus on that event all over again, (therefore not really forgiven), or we read only those things that apply to the other partner.

STOP

Some denominations insist on simple clothing and/or plain colors

as a way of following Peter's teaching. Although nothing is wrong in doing that, I'm not sure it follows the teaching of the beauty and value of the inner self. Do you follow? How does drab clothing create the "beauty of a gentle and quite spirit"? I am of the impression that Peter did not mean diminish the outside and the inside will shine. Maybe he meant take better care of your heart, soul, and mind than you do of your shoes, dress, and hat! I would be guilty of false teaching if I did not emphasize 1 Peter 3:7.

STOP

"so that nothing will hinder your prayers". Guys, that's pretty direct with very little room for interpretation. Yes, there may be a fog or a barrier over your prayers related to how you treat your wives. Jesus equated His relationship to His church (us) as a bridegroom to the bride. Don't allow our modern culture to diminish God's Word.

The last fourteen verses of this chapter probably should be read at least once a month if not weekly. "Turn from evil and do good." "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have." "But in your hearts, set Christ as Lord."

STOP

Examine the words "Christ" and "Lord". Compare and contrast.



FREEDOM ISN'T FREE

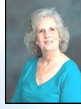
I watched the flag pass by one day.
It fluttered in the breeze
A young soldier saluted it, then..
He stood at ease.
I looked at him in uniform
So young, so tall, so proud
With hair cut square and eyes alert
He'd stand out in any crowd.

I thought how many men like him
Had fallen through the years.
How many died on foreign soil?
How many mothers' tears?
How many planes shot down?
How many foxholes were soldiers'
graves?
No Freedom isn't free!

I heard the sound of taps one night,
When everything was still.
I listened to the bugler play
And felt a sudden chill.
I wondered just how many times
That taps had meant "Amen"
When a flag had draped a coffin
Of a brother or a friend.

I thought of all the children,
Of the mothers and the wives,
Of fathers, sons and husbands
With interrupted lives.
I thought about a graveyard at the
bottom of the sea
Of unmarked graves in Arlington..
No -- Freedom isn't free!!

~ Cadet Major Kelly Strong
Air Force Junior ROTC



Clutter

Is your mind cluttered?

I must admit my mind is often cluttered – cluttered with a list of “to do’s” or “things I didn’t do.” Sometimes it’s just cluttered with noise.

I find myself wondering if that clutter does something for us. After all if we allow it to remain, there must be a reason. Does it do anything for you?

For some of us, those lists give us the illusion of being in control. Now control is a pervasive thing because we tend to think it’s a good thing. The world tells us in so many ways that we need to be in control. Ultimately, do we want to be in control or do we want to acknowledge God is in control of our lives and join Him going in the same direction?

It’s good to plan ahead, to

have a purpose – a goal. Would it be better to be sure that goal lines up with His plan and purpose for our life?

It’s good to have a schedule, but what if there is an interruption? Are we willing (really willing) to set aside our schedule for the sake of the interruption or the person who is the interruption? That person may need our time.

There is a point to all this! If our mind is cluttered, how can we hear God? And if we can’t hear God, how will we know in which direction He would have us go? How will we know if our goals line up with His plan and purpose for our life? And how will we know if an interruption is one which God would have us take time for?

Maybe during the summer months when we may be a little less busy, it might be a good time to step back and look and see if our lives and/or our minds are cluttered – so cluttered that it’s hard to hear from God.

May you each have a safe and blessed summer.

Marilyn

~ PICTURE DIRECTORY NEWS ~

To keep you informed about the expected delivery of our new directories, I want to let you know that I mailed the necessary paperwork etc. back to Lifetouch on 5/14 - 6 days before our deadline.

When they receive our info they will process the rough copy and return it to us for final proofing. If all goes as planned, we were originally informed to expect the delivery of the finished directories by or near 7/30. I ask God to look over those working on it. Mary Lee

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for:

- each of us to be aware of whom the Lord would have us invite to worship and the courage to extend the invitation.
- our pastor and church staff.
- each of those who will be traveling -- for safety and a time of refreshing.
- all of us as we continue our time of transition.
- the health fair – that those who come with questions will find the answers they seek from the wisdom and service of the vendors; that the businesses of the vendors who come will grow due to the excellence of the services they provide; and that it will be well attended.

HOLLAND IN HAYMARKET, VA!



Tucked between a somewhat narrow strip of land between U.S. 15 and the back of a subdivision near Haymarket is the most surprising, beautiful and colorful explosion of spring – 100,000 tulips, all planted by hand.

Burnside Farms' Festival of Tulips was delayed a week or so by Mother Nature's delay of spring, but visitors felt it was worth the wait.

"I was in my glory walking in the middle of the tulips," said Melanie Reed of Gainesville, who came out to the festival last week with her friend Stacy Brady of Woodbridge.

"It's charming to see this in the middle of suburbia," Brady said.

(This is a little nostalgia that was found in your editor's "back home" newspaper recently! If you have a "short and unique story" from your home town - email it to Genesis. I will try to fit it in.)

From Kevin & Laura

He is Risen – He is Risen Indeed!!!

You've read this correctly and NO I, (Laura) haven't forgotten that Easter was months ago. So, why are we writing about Easter again so late in the year??? As we write this update, it's actually the first week of May and in Russia this year it happens to be the day they're celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus! What a great time to return and celebrate with our 'family' in Siberia! Several folks from the fellowship from the next village also joined us. It was a wonderful time of praise and one young man shared his testimony of how his life has radically changed over the past year. Our pastor shared an amazing message and we were honored to see three people make decisions to live their lives for the Lord! We ended the afternoon with great food and fellowship. It gives us such joy to be a small part of this work and our prayer is that it gives our Father even more joy than we can imagine!

Luke 15:10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

What has changed since we left in November? There are almost always obvious changes when we return to the village. This time was

no exception as the village now has a new auto parts store that has a great selection of parts and other car related items for sale. There are brand new street lights on the main road that runs through town – they have yet to turn them on; most likely because our days are already very long and it stays light out until almost 10 PM! We look forward to having the streets lit up this winter when it gets dark outside around 4pm!! We also noticed many new homes being built on the edge of town and colorful new roofs that were much needed on some older homes. The most exciting changes for us – hearing from the fellowship of how a young girl who was considering suicide just four months ago is now encouraging others to seek help in the Word and to *talk* with someone when troubles come. She has been a great blessing to one of the other gals and we see immense spiritual growth and understanding! We also see new spiritual growth in a man Kevin and our fellow worker have spent many hours over the last years working with and discipling. He's learning how to be a better husband and father and has recently found work; this is a HUGE answer to prayer! Of course we still have an abundance of kids and are presently in need of prayer for someone to step up and take over the children's ministry.

Summer in Siberia is extremely busy and believe it or not ...can be very hot! The temperatures

<p>have been as high as 100F, but usually run around 80 – 85 during the day and high 60’s at night. (A side note for Floridians...Last summer we had a team visit from Florida and one of the teenagers remarked, “My coldest winter ever was the summer I spent in Siberia!”) What can we say...we do have extreme temperatures! We say this is the busiest time because of all the work that gets done. Gardens are planted and cared for, wood is gathered and dried before it’s cut, any painting, repairs or building you are in need of, is done now. This is also when we work on major projects like the windows and cutting wood for the widows/elderly. This year we were blessed with the finances to buy a new chainsaw! It should cut its way through the village, one woodpile at a time 😊 and will surely bless many with wood for the winter! It’s also a great time for swimming</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">35</p> <p>in the rivers, riding bikes, and picking berries in the woods that surround our village. There’s always an open invitation if you’re looking for something different to do – so come on over and join us for a summer in Siberia!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Final Words.... these are words of thanks! Your faithfulness over the years in prayers and support has been a tremendous blessing; not only to us, but also to the many lives we’ve had the opportunity to reach for HIS glory! Without your partnership in this work it would be harder for us to always ‘press on’ like Paul wrote to the Philippians 3:14; “I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THANK YOU!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May your summer months be blessed and filled with HIS love,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kevin & Laura</p>
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“Remember Me”

<p><i>To the living, I am gone. To the sorrowful, I will never return. To the angry, I was cheated. But to the happy, I am at peace, and to the faithful I have never left. I cannot be seen, but I can be heard. So as you stand upon a shore, gazing at a beautiful sea -- remember me.</i></p>	<p><i>As you look in awe at a mighty forest and its grand majesty -- remember me. As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity -- remember me. Remember me in your heart, your thoughts, and your memories of the times we loved, the times we cried, the times we fought, the times we laughed.</i></p>
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For if you always think of me, I will have never gone.

“This poem was found among Cecelia Woodward’s personal items and read by her loving husband George,, at her service. He asked that this be inserted in Genesis after various friends requested a copy.”

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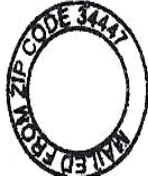
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