



# The Good News

July, 2012

**OPERATION OVERBOARD**

FAITH IS THE REALITY OF WHAT WE HOPE FOR,  
THE PROOF OF WHAT WE DON'T SEE. HEBREWS 11:1-12:2

**DEPEND ON GOD**

**DARE TO CARE**

**CLAIM JESUS**

**CHOOSE TO FOLLOW**

**CHANGE THE WORLD**

## In God We Trust



Speech

Want



Worship

Worship



Fear

Want



Fear

Worship

## Four Freedoms

July Sermon Series	
Freedom of Speech	July 1st
Freedom of Worship	July 8th
Freedom from Want	July 15th
Freedom from Fear	July 22nd

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**July 22—26**  
 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
 3 years old through 6th Grade  
 Register online at [lovelearnlead.com](http://lovelearnlead.com)  
 ~ Volunteers would be greatly appreciated ~



## FAITH WALK

With  
Bro. Jaimie J. Alexander



“When He saw the crowds He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.’” Matthew 9:36-38

June 10th through 16th we were blessed to house 80 youth and adults from the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. They were part of 2,100 people from the Central Texas Conference who were in Arkansas and South Missouri doing mission work. They came from many different United Methodist Churches, they were different ages, and they had different skill levels, but together they impacted lives, churches, and communities. The Central Texas Conference Bishop Mike Lowery was even part of a mission team that did mission work in Ft. Smith. He was part of a team that called Grace Community Church, a United Methodist Congregation, home for the week.

In our community and church, the mission team completed 40 projects. They built a trail at the Bella Vista Animal Shelter, painted the inside of the Sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Sulfur Springs, removed brush from our church property, built two picnic tables for us to enjoy, and worked on people's homes in Bella Vista and in Gravette. They spent \$5,700 on materials. So many people have shared how meaningful the experience was for them. We have received phone calls and thank you notes expressing appreciation and praise for the mission team's work and respect that they demonstrated to people. It has been a blessing to hear the stories of how they brought smiles to so many faces and truly were the hands of Christ in our community.

I personally want to thank our church family for all you did to help host the group. You opened your hearts to youth and adults by supporting their efforts through washing towels for them, providing meals for them, visiting with them, working beside them, and in so many other ways. The mission team and adults were so grateful for the way you made them feel welcome and a part of our church family during the week.

Sadly, they were unable to get to very person's home that had requested help. They have left opportunities for us to fulfill if we are able. If you are willing to help wash windows, do minor yard work, and tasks at homes that they were unable to get to, will you please contact me or Trustee Chair Ed Fischer. We would like to be able to continue the ministry that they shared with the community and experience the blessings they received in sharing the Love of Jesus Christ with others. Please pray and ask God to direct you on what you can do to help share His love as a worker in harvest!

Don't just come to church but be the Church!

God is faithful! *Bro. Jaimie*



### Do You Volunteer?

If you volunteer at Helping Hands, AARP Recycling Center, NWA Children's Shelter, Village House, Concordia, Habitat for Humanity or any other community service activity, please contact **Sandy Fitch** at **479-426-5361** or email **sanfitch@yahoo.com**.

We report our volunteer hours to the Conference Office on a weekly basis. We **know** we have more outreach than we report.



## *OFF AND RUNNING*

with  
Rev. Lee Myane



The heat of summer is upon us, and those of us with children are scrambling with our schedules. With my family, we often seem to be in a race to enjoy our time together and still manage our household. Camps, sports, vacations, family, church, exercise, yard work... lists of activities and preparations for those things buzz through my mind. Summer can be my favorite time of year. Daylight lasts till nearly 9:00pm, making golf and other activities last till nearly bedtime. But with almost limitless daylight it's easy to get distracted from my discipleship and God's calling to part of life as a whole, not just Sunday mornings or Wednesday classes.

In an effort to stay focused on who I am as a United Methodist Pastor and who we are as disciples of Jesus Christ, I want to provide an opportunity for learning and discipleship this summer that will fit within all our diverse schedules. For six weeks beginning July 22nd, I will facilitate conversations and reflections on my blog website: <http://leemyane.wordpress.com/>. This site is currently empty of any posts. I'll post questions and comments that will take us through a six week curriculum that we are using to understand what it means to be a disciple in the Wesleyan tradition. The curriculum is "A Disciple's Path: Deepening Your Relationship With Christ and the Church" by James A. Harnish. Any of you who participated in this class during the Spring are welcome to join the online group.

To participate, please make a request via phone, email or in person with the church office to purchase the curriculum books. There are two books, a daily workbook and a reading guide. Both books together cost less than \$15. Please order your books early. The online conversations will begin July 23rd and continue to September 1st.

I'm excited to get started interacting online. With the growth of social media and online learning, the internet can be a very valuable tool in building community. With our large congregation and multiple worship services, online groups can expand our relationships and help us find common bonds within our faith. As we learn together we will find connections that will pull us together and out into our community in mission and ministry.

Please feel free to email or call me with questions or comments. This is a new thing for everyone including me. I'm sure we will adjust and adapt as we go along. My cell phone number is (479) 531-6065, email [lee@lovelearnlead.com](mailto:lee@lovelearnlead.com).

Faithfully in Christ.

*Pastor Lee*



**SUNDAY, JULY 15**  
**9:30 a.m. until the last car is washed!**  
**All proceeds benefiting**  
**Methodist Family Health's**  
**Annual Walk Across the Bridge for Children**





## UMW



**UMW RUMMAGE SALE**  
**SATURDAY**  
**AUGUST 4**  
**8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**  
**DONATION DAYS**  
**July 31 -August 3**

Starting in July, we will accept donations on Thursday mornings from 9:00 am till noon. Kitchen wares, appliances, books, sporting goods, toys, tools, furniture, anything in good shape and in working order that doesn't exceed 50lbs will greatly be appreciated. We will have a "boutique" area for clothing and accessories in like "new" condition. Drop off will be in the back of the church by the ramp to the lower level.

If you would like to help with the rummage sale, sign up sheets are on the UMW bulletin board in Becker Hall. Thank you in advance for your help in making this sale as successful as the previous sales. If you have any questions please call Katie Anderson at 586-4430.

### UMW Reading Program Reminder

Remember when you turn in your Reading Program forms (in the shoebox in the library) you will need to add Category V (Leadership Development). This is the first year Category V has been on the form. All forms MUST be in the library no later than August 5th. Any questions feel free to call Diane Verville @ 876-1676

### The UNITED METHODIST MEN

UMM will meet for dinner Wednesday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. in Becker Hall. Carmen Phillips will present a program on his trip to China. If you need to make/change/cancel your reservation, please contact Stan Tague (876-2301) no later than Sunday, July 8.

## FINANCE CORNER

Month to date (as of 5/31/12)		
Budgeted Expenses:		\$ 50,806
Month to date (as of 5/31/12)		
Actual Receipts:		\$ 41,601
Year to date		
Budgeted Expenses:		\$254,029
Year to date		
Actual Receipts:		\$236,777
Year to date		
Actual Expenses:		\$244,518

### Examine your heart.

This is something no one else can do for you.

Nobody knows the combination to your private vault.

Only you can probe the contents by asking the hard questions:

Do I really believe God's promises on giving generously?

Am I responding as I do because I care or because I feel guilty?

Is my giving proportionate to my income?

Have I prayed, or is my giving impulsive?

Am I a consistent giver or more hot'n cold?



## OUR FAMILY

Each month, this space will be used to tell you about the people who are part of our church family. If you know of a birthday, anniversary, graduation, hole in one, community recognition, someone moving away or moving in, whatever the rest of the church might like to know to keep up with folks, let me know so I can include the information in these pages. Send your information to me, Jan Lowe at [jan@lovelearnlead.com](mailto:jan@lovelearnlead.com), or call me at the church, 855-1158 or 531-0381.

### New Members



**BETTE CUMMINGS** has been a regular attendee of our church since she and Earl Cummings married in 2008. We worried that she would persuade Earl to move to Nebraska, where her family lived. And for a while they lived on the road between the

two states. Eventually, she was won over by the people of our church and the community overall. And now, she is ready to make her connection with our church "official."

Bette was born in Auburn, Nebraska, and has spent all of her life in that state till moving here as Earl's wife. She owned her own hair salon for twenty years and retired when she married Earl. But she still provides counseling to friends, the same as she did with her salon customers. Bette has a collection of dolls, and miniature tea sets.

She has two grown daughters, each have two children. She inherited three of Earl's children and four more grandchildren.

Earl and Bette are a couple of the nicest people you will meet and because of that they serve as perfect hosts for various church functions. They frequently help in the kitchen for small and large events, and are quick to volunteer when any job needs to be done.

She is both sincere and funny. We are so glad she made this step in her spiritual journey. Oh, Earl is her "First Friend."

### July Wedding Anniversaries

1	Mark & Michelle Goss
4	William & Dana Rhodes
23	Roger & Bonita Vrieze
25	Ed & Barbara Jenner
27	William & Robin Scheiderer

### July Birthdays

1	Rebecca Scheiderer
5	Sandy Fitch
6	Marcelline (Marcie) Mershon
7	Lucile Roberts
8	Dennis Berk
10	Layne Anderson
11	Leota (Lee) Rowilson)
15	Merle Lantz
20	Silas Mayne
20	Mary Ann Zietlow
25	Barbara Humphreville
27	Katrina Putnam
29	Connor Gurganus
30	Ivaleen Seward

#### DO WE HAVE YOUR IMPORTANT DATES?

If you have been here for a while, there is a good chance we do not have your wedding anniversary or your birthdate. We'd like to include you on our list each month. We've modified the yellow card found in the pews or the office so you can add birthdates and anniversary dates for your whole family.

Your year will not be shown on our report, but the pastors want to know if it is a significant anniversary or birthday year, so please include the year as well. Also, the computer will not add the information to our records without a year

Place the card in the offering plate during church or put in the box in the office, so Marge can add the information to the church records.





# ALL-CHURCH WORK DAY ~ June 9



Roy Lange



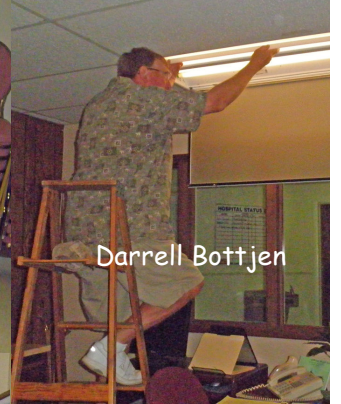
Sawyer Myane



Arlene Alford



Jan Boblenz



Darrell Bottjen



Joe Bowen



Juanita Dittmer & Sandy Larsen



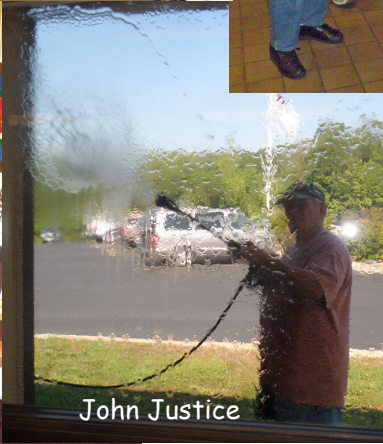
Ralph & Mona Johnson



Betty Lange



Peggy Dewitt



John Justice



Wayne Calhoun



Sonnie Andersen



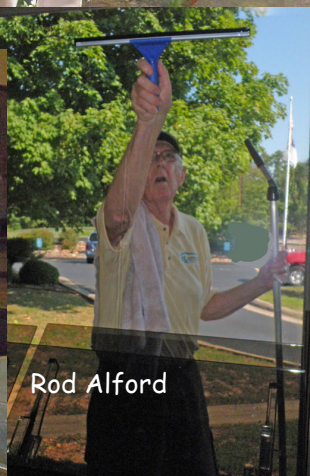
Sue Nebrig & Judy Knadle



Barb Jenner & Marge Smith



Maryann Johnson



Rod Alford



Tom Walton





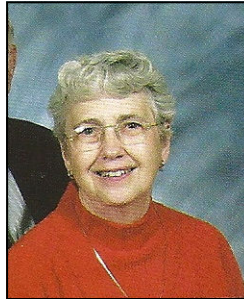
## OUR FAMILY

### Prayer Shawls



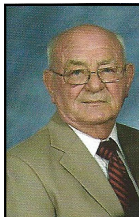
Bro. Jaimie presented **Judy Ireland** with a Prayer Shawl on Sunday, June 10, as she attended her last worship service before leaving that evening to travel with daughter, Maureen Pockett to live in California. We will miss Judy.

Bro. Jaimie took a Prayer Shawl to **Mabel Ashline**, who was taken to Mercy Medical Center in early-June with an unknown, serious illness. Finally she was diagnosed with suffering from a tick bite. She is home now, but recovery will be slow.

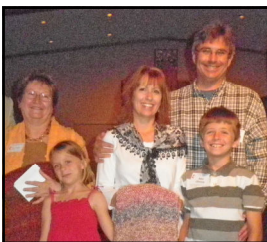


Jan Lowe took a Prayer Shawl to **Lavon Fryer**, who had broken her leg about a month earlier, but had only recently returned home. She is able to come to church, with some difficulty.

Bro. Jaimie took a prayer shawl to **Dennis Berk** who was admitted to Mercy Medical Center with a cancer diagnosis June 16. He has since been able to come home.



**James and Amy Gilmore** and children, **Alec** and **Jenna**, along with Amy's mom, **Wanda Williams**, received prayer shawls, as they moved to North Carolina for James' promotion. We will miss all of them.



### 2012 Confirmation Class

#### Front Row

**Tiffany May**, granddaughter of Brandt and Nita May

**Jessica Patterson**, daughter of Jill Patterson, granddaughter of J.R. and Layne Anderson

**Mark Anderson**, son of Mark and Katie Anderson

#### Back Row

**Emma Kell**, daughter of Robert and Carrie Kell, granddaughter of Diane Verville

**Erica Baldwin**, Daughter of Jason and Missy Baldwin

**Dalton Dale**, son of Marcus and Kim Dale

**Connor Gurganus**, son of Butch and Shelli Gurganus

**Silas Myane**, son of Lee and Andrea Myane

The above youth were confirmed on May 20, after successfully completing a 15-week confirmation class. We wish each of these young people the very best as they join the church and transition into the Crossword Youth program.



## Texas Youth Leave Arkansas Better Than When They Came

The youth from Texas have come and gone, leaving a wake of good deeds and fellowship in their path. In just one week they touched so many lives with the work they did for individuals, many from our church, and for organizations such as the Animal Shelter and a Baptist Church in Gravette.

The people of our church came together to show our support and appreciation by rearranging meeting rooms, laundering their towels, and providing a better than ever potluck. Our youth hosted a cookout and swim. The Methodist Men fed them a great pancake breakfast as they headed out Saturday morning. Ed Fischer was right in the middle of the crews to clear the brush and trees from the area around our church bordering the road. He oversaw nine trips to the stump dump with load after load of limbs and brush.

We were impressed with them and their leadership team, for sure. They were impressed with the hospitality they received and with how many of our people offered to help and came to celebrate with them at the potluck. Those fifty kids will probably never forget this experience of "being Jesus" in Bella Vista. Our folks can rest easier knowing that today's youth "get it!"

Dear Bro. Jaimie,

Many thanks and kudos to the youth from Texas. They cleaned my flower bed down to the last weed and blade of grass. The man with them -didn't get his name - noticed how packed and dirty the gutters were and asked if I would like them cleaned. Of course I said "Yes!" and they look like new!!! Five teens and two adults were so friendly and accomplished a lot in two hours. Let's have them back!! I'm so grateful to have work done that I can't do any more.

*Peg Johnson*

 The Wesley Series of Bella Vista First United Methodist Church presents

*Pianists.*  
*Utako Tanigawa*  
*and David Fountain*

Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m.  
First United  
Methodist Church  
20 Boyce Drive  
Bella Vista, AR

Featuring  
the Music of  
Haydn  
Schubert  
Beethoven  
Schumann  
Chopin  
Debussy &  
Liszt




Admission is free ~ For information: Dr. Lawrence Zehring 855-1158





## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

### SANCTIFIED CLASSIFIEDS

Please give some thought to volunteering to help with the coffee ministry on Sunday mornings. It is such a great way to meet people and make everyone feel welcome. Positions needed:

**Coffee Set-Up** - Come at 7:00 a.m. to make coffee, one Sunday a month for 12 months. You will be assigned the 1st, 2nd, or 4th Sundays of each month. Two people can easily do this job in less than an hour and be on time for the 8:00 a.m. service.

**Coffee Servers for 8:00 a.m., 9:30, and 10:45 a.m. services.** Contact Jan Lowe for details on any of the services. Some current volunteers are ready for a break. Won't you take a turn?

Another area needing help:

**Host Leader (9:30 a.m.) Contemporary service** Four times a year, (every third month), oversee the Host workers, ensure candles, attendance pads, offering, etc. Replace workers when someone is absent. Come 15 minutes early, stay 15 minutes late.

**Host (9:30 a.m.) Contemporary service** Usually scheduled for a month of Sundays, every other month, or every three months if we can get more volunteers. Hand out bulletins and welcome guests, take up the offering, etc. Come 15 minutes early and stay 15 minutes late.

**Fellowship Hall Coordinator** Someone to be over all the Church events and potlucks. Will secure Team Leaders to be over various events at the church. Will work with church staff in coordinating information. Please contact Jan Lowe.

**Wedding Coordinator** One or two people needed to represent the church in coordinating weddings, rehearsals, and receptions. Training will be provided. This is a "pay per wedding" position. Contact Jan Lowe or Bro. Jaimie for more information.

### Pre-K thru 6th Grade Sunday School Teaching Teams Needed

How many of you remember a person that changed your life? How many of them were Sunday school teachers?

We are looking to build four teams of three people each for the Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School Classes. This will allow us flexibility with personal schedules and, if we have full teams, you may only have to teach every third week. Please look in your heart, and if God has put it on you to be a teacher, contact Carrie Drish at 426-5361.

### AUTO ANGELS

What is an "Auto Angel"? We are FUMC members who are available to help other members get to medical appointments and treatments. Sometimes it is better to have someone else drive you to these appointments and if a family member or neighbor is not available, we try to fill in. The earlier we know of the need, the easier it is to find a volunteer who is available that day, but if a need arises at the last minute, we will do our best to find someone who has the time to drive. Please call Judy Bilyeu at 876-2345 or her cell phone at 721-9460 for assistance.

### CHURCH-WIDE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Our 2008 directory is way out of date. Maryann Johnson will serve as coordinator to work with the professional organization that we choose in coordinating our new directory for the first of 2013. Maryann's tentative plans are to begin having photos taken in early September, to be done in time for holiday gifts.

If you are willing to help, contact Maryann Johnson to see what jobs are needed.



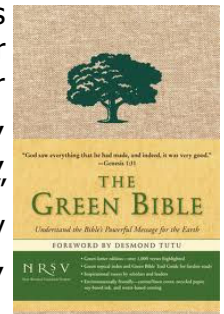
## The Green Church Project

Finding ways to be better stewards of all of our resources

- ◆ Can you see light around any of your doors? If so, you are heating and/or cooling the great outdoors. Install weather stripping to stop leaks and save money.
- ◆ It's Farmer's Market time! Enjoy local produce.
- ◆ Do you own more than one car? Use the more energy-efficient one for most trips.
- ◆ Buy and use rechargeable batteries and compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs). Replace as many incandescent light bulbs as you can. They use much more energy than CFLs.
- ◆ Going on vacation this summer?
  - Raise your thermostat setting to between 82-85 degrees.
  - Unplug electrical appliances such as televisions, computers, programmable coffee makers, alarm clocks. These use electricity even when turned off.
  - Turn off water heater.

There have been no new projects in the past month or so. We are always ready for suggestions and input from the congregation. The electric bill continues to be lower than budgeted. There are some recycling containers that are new. Please look for them. Members of both United Methodist Men and United Methodist Women are helping out some at the recycling center. I am disappointed that neither the UMC nor UMW Arkansas Conferences have taken an initiative on environmental stewardship. The UMW does have a board position, but more to Women's Division than leadership to the districts or local units.

I want to share another quote from the Green Bible. "Clearly if our thinking extends beyond "me, myself, and I" to our neighbors (human and nonhuman) as the gospel teaches us, we will realize that our neighbors downstream will suffer from our water pollution, downwind from our air pollution, and downhill from our erosion." "We start thinking differently about our children, grandchildren, and more distant descendants."



## Every Member in Ministry Schedules for Last Half of the Year are Ready

The schedules for those who have signed up for Sunday work during the last six months of 2012 are completed and distributed. If you are a Sunday volunteer and have not yet received your schedule, please contact Jan Lowe.

A couple of volunteer slots remained blank as we went to print. Read Sanctified Classifieds to see if there are any jobs you would be willing to add to your list of things to do.

I know there are a few people who would love to take a year off, but don't feel they can until others volunteer. Call Jan Lowe for more information.

## A New Grief Recovery Class. . . .

. . . .will begin on Wednesday, July 11 and continue for 8 weeks through August 29, from 10am to 11:30am in the Chapel. Rev. Doris Schlessman will lead the group. If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, or another life-altering event and need to be with others who have experienced similar loss, please come to the introductory meeting on July 11.

## Metfield Methodist Shepherd Group

MMs will meet at 8:30am on Monday, July 9 at Papa Mike's for breakfast.





## MISSIONS



**Northwest Arkansas Women's Shelter**  
Crisis Hotline Answered 24 Hours a Day  
**1-800-775-9011 or 479-246-9999**

### July MISSION of the MONTH **Building Lives Free of Violence**

The Northwest Arkansas Women's Shelter is committed to serving victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and empowering them to build lives free of violence. We provide a 24-hour crisis phone line, emergency shelter, support services, court advocacy, children's advocacy and programming, community education, and outreach services in Northwest Arkansas.



### HARVEST TABLE IS BACK!

You may have noticed that the Harvest Table is back in business. Generous members of our congregation are sharing fresh produce from their gardens each Sunday. Take what you can use and leave a donation in the basket. Funds raised from this project go to our Covenant Missionary Partner Rev. Diane Wimberly in Bolivia.

### Concordia & Village House Worship Services

Our church is responsible for the Concordia worship service on Sunday, July 8 at 3:00pm and the Village House service on Monday, July 9 at 10:00am. We encourage members to join in these services. Please call the office and let us know if you would be willing to provide cookies for fellowship time following the services.

### PAK A SAK

Sunday, July 15 is PAK A SAK collection day. We will be donating the collection of food to Care & Share in Gravette to help with the increased need during the summer. With school out and children not receiving two meals a day at school, request for food assistance increases. All types of food are needed, especially cereal, fruit, pasta, sauce, & soups.

### STOP HUNGER NOW!



Bishop Crutchfield takes a break while helping to pack meals for Stop Hunger Now. 44,000 meals were packed by 100 volunteers in four hours at Annual Conference.

Missions Steward, Sandy Fitch, traveled to Ft. Smith to help with this conference mission project.

FUMCBV collected \$502 toward this project, providing 1008 meals!

*God bless our congregation!*





## BOOK NOOK



### NON-FICTION:

**DECISION POINT** by George W. Bush (920)  
In this candid and gripping account, President George W. Bush describes the critical decisions that shaped his presidency and personal life.

**STRONG WAS HER FAITH** by Kalas J. Ellsworth (225.9)

This book focuses on several women of great faith who were crucial to the story of the New Testament.

**THE TOP TEN LIST FOR CHRISTIANS** by James W. Moore (248.4)

A "contemporary" top ten list of important things for Christians to remember as we make our way through life's journey.

### FICTION:

**SMALL TOWN GIRL** by LaVyrle Spencer  
She embraced fame but fled from love...Story chronicles the passionate awakening of a country music mega-star.

**SEEK ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART** by Beth Wiseman

What would cause the Amish to move to Colorado, leaving family and friends behind?

**DELIVER US FROM EVIL** by Robin Carroll  
A search and rescue helicopter pilot must save a U.S. Marshal and the donor heart he is transporting when a blizzard causes his helicopter to crash.

**SEASIDE LETTERS** by Denise Hunter  
Book 3 in the series "A Nantucket Love Story".

**A COWBOY'S TOUCH** by Denise Hunter  
Abigail is just in Moose Creek, Montana for the summer to care for her Aunt but a tender-hearted cowboy wants her to stay.

**ANGEL SONG** by Sheila Walsh  
Angels eagerly watch over Ann Fletcher's every move. She just doesn't know it yet.

**THE LIGHTKEEPER'S BALL** by Colleen Coble  
At the elegant Mercy Falls masquerade ball, Olivia's hidden identity will be revealed.

### LARGE-PRINT FICTION:

**THE LUCKY DOG MATCHMAKING SERVICE** by Beth Kendrick  
Lara has a gift of helping people find their canine soul mates.

**THE FIRST WARM EVENING OF THE YEAR** by Jamie M. Saul

An emotional novel about a man whose future has been altered by an unthinkable tragedy.

**THE BEST OF ME** by Nicholas Sparks  
Read this book to find out what happens when two small-town high school sweethearts meet again after years of separation.

**THE LOST YEARS** by Mary Higgins Clark  
Biblical scholar Dr. Jonathan Lyons is murdered after discovering a parchment he believed to be a letter written by Jesus Christ.

**CALICO JOE** by John Grisham  
At long last, America's favorite storyteller takes on America's favorite pastime.

**THE WITNESS** by Nora Roberts  
This book is pulse-pounding, page-turning, impossible to put down...or forget.

### LARGE-PRINT NON-FICTION:

**GIANT GEORGE** by Dave Nasser (636.08)  
Meet George, the world's tallest dog, in this delightful chronicle of how the former runt of his litter grew into a goofy giant who still loves to play, but remains scared of water and dogs half his size.

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your contribution to One Book Foundation. This has gone to the operating funds for the Rev. & Mrs. Charles Wiggins and John Wiggins' mission in Tanzania. May God smile on your church as you have smiled on others.

*Gordon Allison, One Book Foundation*





## CROSSWORDS YOUTH

CrossWord Youth welcomed eight upcoming seventh graders to our ministry on June 1 with an Amazing Race. We had six teams competing for first, second, and third place. First place went to Team Purple – Devon Pressley and Kara Updike with driver, Dixie Young. Second place went to Team Tie Dye – Bradley Evans, Kamryn Baker, and Morgan Drish with driver, Jackie Evans. Third place went to Team Lime Green – Erica Baldwin and Tiffany May with driver, Missy Baldwin. Thank you to all the adults and parents who helped either drive or run a stop/challenge for the Race.

We had a successful picnic and swimming for the Texas group on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all the youth, parents, and adults who came out to help. It was appreciated!

We are gearing up for our Mission Days over the summer with the first two taking place on June 26 serving lunch at the Samaritan House in Rogers, and on July 10 working with children at the Benton County Children's Shelter. We will be assisting in VBS, as usual, again this year. We are excited for all these activities.

Don't forget our CARWASH on Sunday, July 15. We will be set up to wash cars starting at 9:30 a.m. and end later when we run out of business. We will be using the proceeds to contribute for the Walk Across the Bridge for Children benefiting Methodist Family Health. Please come out and help us wash and dry cars, or bring us your cars to wash and donate! Thanks so much!!!

*In Christ*  
*Danette Baker*  
*Crossword Youth*



## CHILDREN

Fireworks, Cookouts and Camping, oh my! VBS, Mission Trip and Sunday School, oh my! In the children's Ministry we have been, and will continue to be, very busy. We will have VBS July 22- 27. We will be transforming our church for our under-the-seas theme, and will be having decoration parties in July. I will have more information soon - just watch the bulletin for dates and times. If you would still like to help with VBS, call me.

We are making our changes downstairs. The door between the our Toddler Nursery and our Pre K class to make room for the Preschool is completed with much more to come. Please be patient as we get all of our adjustments and moves done. Soon, we will be done and everything will be set.

By the time you read this newsletter we will have been on our mission trip to Pine Bluff. I will have pictures and more information in the next newsletter.

*Carrie Drish, Children's Ministry*  
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## THANK YOU

Thank you to a very special church family for your PRAYERS, cards, food, visits and phone calls. Thank you to Jan Lowe, Pastor Lee, and Bro. Jaime for their visits, encouraging words, and prayers. A special thank you to our "auto angel" group lead by Judy Bilyeu, Vern Bladen who took me to my doctor appointment, and James & Vicki Forrest who brought me home from the hospital. I am pain free and humbled to know that there are so many people who truly love and care for me. God is so Good! *Blessings, Diane Cox*

*Thank you all so much for the prayers, kind words, and cards as we begin our next life adventure in South Carolina. This church has meant so much to our whole family and I am so grateful that God led us to you when we first moved to Bentonville. I appreciate the opportunity and patience you had with me when I became the Treasurer. I truly enjoyed working with and getting to know some of you better. Our prayer shawls traveled close to us on our road trip and will continue to offer us comfort as we make the transition in Lexington.*

*Much love, Amy, James, Alec, & Jenna Gilmore and Wanda Williams*

Thank you so much for our breakfast treats! It was such a nice surprise to get out bag of goodies with a delicious breakfast bar, cutie orange, and nice trave coffee mug. It's so nice to know you are thinking of us. Thank You!

*Cooper 1st Grade Team*

Thank you so much for supplying breakfast for our testing. Your church's support is very appreciated!

*Cooper Elementary School 3rd grade*

Please thank the youth for their generous gift from their "Souper Bowl Sunday. Thank you, Members, for the mountain of food (71 cases) - you outdid yourselves.

*Sandy Bugner, Care & Share*

I've always referred to my "Church Family" and no time was that more completely true than when my husband Lee died.

I don't know how non-Christians survive without the knowledge of eternal life or without a church family to help them deal with the loss of a loved one! I can't name all those who helped me and are still helping me, but I must mention specifically the following individuals. Brother Jaimie Alexander who visited Lee and helped me plan his service. Pastor Lee Myane who was in the emergency room several times with Lee & me as well as other visits to the hospital room. Jan Lowe who visited in the hospital and passed on information to staff and church members. Troy Jorgenson who recorded music and pictures for Lee's service. Dr. Larry Ziering, Jim Bilyeu, Jack Colby and Nona Storck for the music selections shared at the service. J.D. Jutte for speaking at Lee's service which meant a lot to me. Marilyn Hertel for being a prayer warrior and passing the need for prayer on to other prayer warriors. Shepherd Group One and my Evening Circle Group for planning and providing refreshments after the service as well as a delicious meal for the family that evening.

As you can tell I have many, many to thank and I couldn't list everyone, but know you, as a member of my church family, are also thanked for prayers, cards, hugs and best wishes!

*God bless each of you greatly.*

*Maryann Johnson*

To the Prayer Shawl Group;



The prayer shawl you sent me is so soft and warm. It reminds me of the many prayers sent up on my behalf, and I am so grateful. I'm doing even better than the doctors predicted. It looks so pretty on my chair!

*Lovingly, LaVon Fryer*

A great thank you is extended to Pat Jenkins, who offered Memorial monies received on behalf of her husband, Cliff, to purchase stainless steel flatware service for 200 to be used by the church for special occasions. The flatware was greatly discounted for only \$7 per place setting, through a local Restaurant Wholesale company.



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SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
<b>1</b>	BPX between services 7:30 Praise Team rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service	<b>2</b>	10:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 Men's Golf	<b>3</b>	7:00 Men's Golf 10:30 Concordia Bible			<b>5</b>	8:00 Men's Chorus 9:00 Bazaar Works hop 10:49 Men's Golf	<b>6</b>	7:00 Utako Tanigawa David Fountain Concert	<b>7</b>	10:00 Safe Sanctuary Training
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<b>15</b>	<b>PAK-A-SAK</b> 7:30 Praise Team rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Youth Car Wash 10:45 Traditional Service 1:00 Band Rehearsal	<b>16</b>	8:00 Care & Share Trlr 8:00 Men's Golf 10:00 Staff Meeting	<b>17</b>	10:30 Concordia Bible 11:06 Men's Golf 1:00 BV Book Club 3:30 Endowment Cmtee	<b>18</b>	8:30 Bible Study 9:00 Quilters 10:00 Grief Recovery 6:00 Prayer Service	<b>19</b>	8:00 Men's Chorus 9:00 Bazaar Works hop 10:00 Grief Support 10:49 Men's Golf 2:00 Sons of Rev	<b>20</b>		<b>21</b>	
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<b>29</b>	<b>RUMMAGE</b> 7:30 Praise Team rehrs 8:00 Traditional Service 9:30 "The Well" Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Service 2:00 Rummage Setup	<b>30</b>	<b>SALE</b> 10:00 Staff Meeting 10:58 Men's Golf	<b>31</b>	<b>SETUP</b> 7:00 Men's Golf 10:30 Concordia Bible			<b>AUGUST 4th RUMMAGE SALE</b>					

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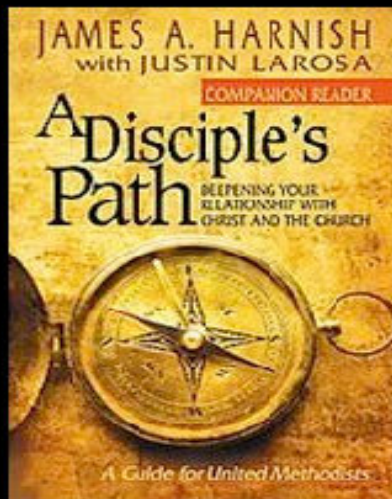
## **Welcome to the 21st Century!**

**Is your schedule full?**

**Would you like to find out more about being a United Methodist?**

**Do you want to be a better disciple of Jesus Christ?**

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If you answered yes to any of these questions, now is your chance. Beginning July 23rd you will have the opportunity to study and discuss **online** what it means to be a disciple in the Wesleyan tradition.

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