### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BELLA VISTA



# **The Good News**

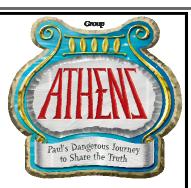
JUNE

# **SUMMER BRINGS FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

2013

# FAMILY BIBLE CAMP

A Multi-Generational Event



JUNE 16 - 20 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Join one of the family units (up to 10 people), each named after one of the early churches Paul visited. Stay with your family unit for the whole week as you Escape to Athens with Paul!

Imagine leaving a life of privilege and power to face angry mobs, painful imprisonment, and chain-breaking earthquakes—all to spread the life-changing truth of God's love. Learn the jaw-dropping story of the Apostle Paul straight from Paul himself! In an ancient "anything goes" culture, Paul will inspire all of us to share the truth of God's immeasurable love today.

Daily itinerary will include singing, worship, Paul's Adventures, games, and connecting.

Sign up in the church office today! Children (age 3) to Adult

Nursery available by reservation.

# **Seersucker Social And Dessert Auction**

June 23, 5pm Becker Hall

Wear your favorite seersucker (or the closest thing to it)

\$3 will get you Hot Dogs with all the trimmings, chips, and a drink and

Concert presented by the Contemporary Praise Band, and Sing-a-longs for young and old and

a chance to bid on a dessert made especially for this Fundraiser to help raise money to upgrade the Contemporary sound equipment.

### **Dessert Auction**

Who makes the best-ever pie, cake, yummy dessert?? We'll find out June 23 when members of the congregation bring their best dessert to be auctioned off by auctioneer, "Bubba" Jaimie J. Alexander!

# Please notify the office if you will bring a dessert.

Bid on the best dessert you can find, then take it home or share it at your table.

### **Games for Children**,

with a chance to win a (new or gently used) summer reading book.



# FAITH WALK

### With Brother Jaimie Alexander

In 1963 Nat King Cole released a song that said...."Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer". But I have to tell you there is nothing lazy about the hazy, crazy days of

summer at FUMC Bella Vista! We are excited about many events you will want to be a part of that will make your summer a season full of blessings. I want to just share a few of those events with you.

**Summer Sermon Series** "Summer Camp-Biblical Survival Skills For Life", July 16<sup>th</sup> thru August 3<sup>rd</sup> in all Sunday Worship Services. Together, we will be exploring the camping accounts found in scripture and determine what we can learn from these passages about living out our Christian faith.

**Annual Conference** is a state wide gathering of United Methodist Pastors and Laity from all over Arkansas. This year it is being held in Little Rock from June 9 through June 12 at the State House Convention Center. There will be inspiring worship services, fellowship times, services of retirement (27 retirees), remembering, and ordination, as well as daily business meetings. Pastor Lee Myane will be ordained as a pastor in the Arkansas Conference on Tuesday evening, June 11, at the 7:30 pm worship service with a reception to follow. The conference will be lead by Arkansas Bishop Gary Mueller. Some of the conference preachers will be Dr. Billy Abraham, Rev. Philip Hathcock, Bishop Bickerton, and Rev. Grace Imathiu. Those attending as delegates from the FUMC congregation will be Owen Jones, Maryann Johnson( FUMC Delegates), Jan Lowe and Trey Mardis ( Northwest District Delegates), Pastor Lee and myself. I have heard that others from the church family will be attending to witness Pastor Lee's ordination. Anyone is invited to attend the worship services or be a guest for the business sessions.

The Theme of Family Bible Camp for all ages is "Athens: Paul's Dangerous Journey to Share the Truth" and will be held June 16-20 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. Adults are invited to attend a Bible Class of Paul's missionary journeys lead by Pastor Albert Fisher, or be a part of a multigenerational hands-on learning experience with children, youth, and adults of all ages. There will be a marketplace of shops to experience, opening and closing celebrations, times with energetic worship, refreshments, and many opportunities to develop new friendships. Everyone is welcome to attend! This is a special needs friendly camp as well. There is NO age limit!!!! Please invite persons who do not have a church family to attend with you! Sign up in the church office or on-line at www.lovelearnlead/ camp2013. For more information contact the office or Jessica Mendoza.

You talk about a fun and crazy time! That is what the Summer Seersucker Social and Dessert **Auction** is going to be on June 23 at 5:00pm in Becker Hall, and you will not want to miss out!!!! There will be a Hot Dog Bar, a Concert by "The Well" Praise Team, Games for Children, and the Best "Live" Dessert Auction you have ever attended because the wonderful bakers of FUMC will be donating pies, cakes, cookies, and other delicious treats for auction to benefit the purchase of needed sound equipment in Becker Hall. You will have the opportunity to bid on desserts throughout the evening so bring you cash and checkbooks. You will want to take a dessert home or eat it at the social! We are depending on you to bring your finest dessert creations to donate for auction, so begin thinking about what you will make for this fun event! For more information contact Jan Lowe

**Summer Vacation Bible School** is a fun, exciting time for all ages. This July 21-25 (Sunday thru Thursday) from 6-8pm) we will combine with

# OFF AND RUNNING with Pastor Lee Myane

With summer coming very soon, so are changes to our youth and children's ministries along with our facilities. If you have been downstairs lately you may have seen some changes and improvements. In May, the room that previously housed our preschool was painted and the floors redone. By the time you read this article the Shoebox ministry will have moved there to make room for changes to our youth and children's classrooms.

We still have a lot of work to do over the summer but with the changes of location for the preschool, shoebox ministry and bazaar storage, we now have some additional space for classrooms accommodate our growing ministries with children and youth. Our first new addition will be the renovation of what was an office into a nursery for infants. This is the first room you see when entering our Youth and Children's wing. With all the windows and easy access to the elevator and stairway, this room will provide a great place to help families feel comfortable and secure when visiting our church and participating in our many ministries. The room we currently use for our nursery will transition into a toddler room.

Our current youth room was originally sized as three classrooms. With this in mind our youth will be getting a new space at the end of the hallway that was previously occupied by the shoebox ministry and the bazaar, along with one existing children's classroom. These rooms will need to be remodeled and connected to function as an activity room and classrooms for our jr. high students and our sr. high students. Currently they meet as one group on Sunday mornings. With our renovations they will be able to meet separately.

Room 23 or the "Golden Links" room will continue to be a multi-functional space to hold meetings and classes, but will also function as a children or youth classroom as needed. Currently our downstairs decor is a little dated and many of the furnishings

are of poor quality. During our renovations we will be seeking quality furnishings for storage and decor. Our intent is to create a professional but also home like atmosphere for our youth and children. We

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have been gathering photos of our congregation in worship and ministry to frame and display on our walls.

Everyone has been extremely supportive of all the changes that have taken place and will continue to happen. I particularly want to thank the men and women of our UMW, UMM, preschool and Shoebox ministries for all their cooperation and help with these transitions. Our Board of Directors has been working tirelessly to improve our facilities and provide new spaces for mission and ministry. I can't say enough about the willingness of everyone to help. Please be in prayer for all that is happening within our church and particularly for families that now call Bella Vista home.

Faithfully, Pastor Lee



The church has received over \$2,600 so far for the clean-up and re-building of the city of Moore, OK. You may continue to give by making checks payable to FUMC BV, and in the Memo section, write UMCOR Relief Fund, OK.



# **CHILDREN and YOUTH**

#### Bro. Jaimie, cont'd from pg 2.

Highlands UMC to hold VBS at Highlands UMC.

We are in need of 20 persons to serve as crew leaders (a group leader) and station leaders (teachers). Youth and Adult Helpers are needed. We will be running a shuttle from FUMC to Highlands nightly to help children and adults get to VBS. The shuttle stop will be under the front canopy of the church. We need you to also help spread the news about "Kingdom Rocks" VBS and invite children to attend. There will be leader's meetings on June 25, July 2,9,16 at 6:00pm at the Highlands Church for those interested in helping. To sign up to help, please call or stop by the church office! For more information, contact Bro. Jaimie

Over the summer the downstairs level will be getting a new look as we try to utilize all the space to expand the children's and youth spaces. We have set a goal of August to have the needed work complete. This summer, I am looking forward to introducing you to new staff persons who will serve as Nursery Director, Director of Ministry to Children, and Director of Ministry to Youth.

So see, you cannot use the word "lazy" when you talk about the ministry of FUMC this summer! I hope you will take part in these events as well as many other things that will be happening at FUMC this summer. Please make attending Worship a priority in your summer schedule.

God is Faithful!

Bro. Jaimie

# Don't just come to church, Be the Church!

## **Children's Advisory Council**

With the anticipation of reaching more children and families through our church, the Children's Advisory Council is establishing the vision and purpose of the FUMC's Children's ministry.

The Children's Advisory Council shall be responsible for planning, visioning and advocating for children within the congregation, the community and the world. The benefits of growing the children's ministry will be seen throughout the church by enhancing spiritual growth of families children, facilitating intergenerational experiences, increasing membership and feeding other ministries of the church through more participation. Increased support of our families through fellowship and spiritual growth is our pathway into the hearts and minds of all children.

The council has identified 9 key areas in children's ministry that we can affect. For each area, we are identifying the purpose and key guidelines so that it can be developed within the church's overall purpose of Loving others, Learning about God and Leading others to Christ. The ministry areas are:





# **FELLOWSHIP**

### **Youth Ministry Continues to Grow**

Pastor Lee Mayne continues to oversee the youth ministry while we search for a Director of Youth Ministries. In June, Pastor Lee plans to involve the youth in a number of local mission efforts, so they can experience reaching out to help others in our own community. Projects at Concordia Retirement Community, the AARP Recycling Center, and the Bella Vista Animal Shelter are just a few of the places they will visit and volunteer. Other activities for Youth activities will continue throughout the summer on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Junior High and High School youth are encouraged to stay in touch with friends through the many activities available through the church. Of course, we always encourage the kids to give us their input as we make the plans for how we will work together.

# **Aaron's Hands:** A Special Needs Ministry of FUMC Bella Vista

Aaron's Hands is a new special needs ministry of FUMC Bella Vista that seeks to involve all people and abilities in meaningful worship, creating a place of love and support where all can be successfully present. We seek to achieve this by training and equipping volunteers to be Sunday School Buddies for children with special needs and creating sensory friendly family services on a regular basis.

We are currently working on creating a respite night/ afternoon for the parents/caregivers of children with special needs and their siblings. If you are interested in serving on the leadership team or helping with this ministry or any of those listed above, please contact Andrea Myane at myanefamily@rocketmail.com or 531-0103.

### Summer Intern - Trey Mardis

Hello my name is Trey Mardis and I will be the summer intern under Senior Pastor Jaimie Alexander. I will be exploring all aspects of the church to help me determine the possibility of going



into ministry. A little about me: I was born in Fayetteville, AR but, raised in Rogers. I have just finished my freshman year at the University of Central Arkansas located in Conway, AR. I have become highly active at the Wesley Foundation on campus; still some hobbies of mine are hanging out with friends and family and playing golf when I get a chance.

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE



The Arkansas Conference for the United Methodist Church will be held in Little Rock, AR on June 9-12. FUMC Bella Vista will have a total of six representatives: Senior Pastor Jaimie Alexander, Associate Pastor Lee Mayne, Lay delegates Owen Jones, Trey Mardis, Jan Lowe and Maryann

Johnson. This is Maryann's first time as a lay delegate and she feels this is an honor for her to represent the church she loves so much. Ms. Johnson feels that going to Annual Conference will strengthen the communication between representatives of FUMC Bella Vista and will provide us all with a solid foundation of goals and a specific purpose for our church. Ms. Johnson is extremely enthusiastic to witness Pastor Lee be ordained on June 11. She also looks forward to hearing from newly appointed Arkansas Bishop Gary E. Mueller and to hear his plans for the future of the Arkansas Conference for the United Methodist Church.



# **OUR FAMILY**



Richard and Peggy Henault joined our church on May 26 at the 3rd service. J.J. and Lynn Johns are their first friends. Dee and Suzann Wresche will also help them to get acquainted in the church. Thev sometimes come to the 1st service as well. The Henaults' moved to Bella

Vista from New Braunfels, TX. They both lived many years at various communities in Texas. Temple Texas is home for Peggy. Richard hails from Woonsocket, RI.

Richard served 4 years in the U.S. Navy, and then retired from Wal-Mart. You will have to ask him about the years in between.

Peggy graduated from Scott & White Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in 1966. She retired in 2008.

Richard has a daughter, Ruth Ann and one sister. Peggy has a son (Mike Watts). Richard has come to the perfect place to enjoy his golfing and woodworking. Peggy spends her leisure time gardening and doing handiwork. (Bazaar worker???) Help me in welcoming Richard and Peggy to our church family.

Harold (<u>Hal</u>) Shope and wife, Marianne Zotti joined our church as Affiliate Members at The Well service on May 26. Ed & Barbara Jenner are their First Friends. Hal is originally from Dayton, Ohio, and Marianne is from Iowa.

Hal worked as a Marketing Manager for a variety of companies,



and he was the Lutheran Disaster Coordinator. Marianne worked as a nurse and Epidemiologist—she worked in public health academia and the last 14 years at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). She is retired now.

They both continue to have an interest and participate in Disaster Ministry. They are the cofounders and directors of <u>All Things New Ministry</u>. They were both baptized as Lutherans as babes, and spent many years in the Lutheran church.

Please take time to personally welcome them to our church family, and ask them to tell you about their passion for ministry in times of disaster.

Stanley (Stan) & Phyllis Robinson became

members of our church at the 8am service on May 26. They are transferring from the St. Paul UMC in Fort Smith, AR.

Evie Faulkenberry is Phyllis' mother, and she will be attending our church along with her daughter and son-in-law. She will continue her membership at the Poteau Baptist Church, in OK.



The Robinsons call Poteau, OK home, but lived in Ft. Smith for 30 years. They have lived in Ft. Smith, Tulsa, OK, and NWA. They currently reside in Bentonville.

Their son, Jeff lives with wife Alisse and 2 girls in Baton Rouge, LA. Their daughter, Stephanie and husband Josh and 3 children live in Bentonville.

Stan is retired from the IRS and Phyllis from direct sales and administration at Northside High School in Ft. Smith. In their retirement, both work in daughter, Stephanie's business, The Baby's Room in Rogers, AR.



# **OUR FAMILY**

Besides his part time job, Stan enjoys his grandchildren, fishing, and yard work. Phyllis enjoys grandchildren, music, sewing and cooking. Bro. Jaimie claims that Phyllis is the best ever cook—especially when it comes to cinnamon rolls. And, he said, she can run a kitchen like a pro.

You didn't even have to add the last part for us to want to vigorously welcome Stan and Phyllis Robinson, and Evie Faulkenberry to our church family.

### **PRAYER SHAWLS**

Ten prayer shawls were given in May.

**Bob Dittmer** received a prayer shawl from Bro. Jaimie when he went to the hospital and then to Circle of Life Hospice. He was able to return home to Concordia Care Center soon after but within weeks died. We all grieve with Juanita and their children in the loss of their husband and father.





Jessie Bradley was given a prayer shawl by Bro. Jaimie when she was hospitalized after sustaining a fall at home. Nothing was broken but complications have kept her in rehab for weeks. We hope she will soon be released to go home.

Five prayer shawls were given by our Prayer Shawl Ministry to be taken to the **Annual Conference for 2013.** they will be given to the spouses of deceased pastors during a special recognition service at the conference.

Three of our youth graduated from high school this May. Bro. Jaimie gave each of them prayer shawls as a symbol of our pride in who they are and what they will become. grads—Madeline, Morgan, Kolby



Morgan Drish

Kolby Williams

Madeline Scheiderer

### **SOARING SOLOS**

The Soaring Solos is a group of single seniors in the church who come together for socializing, fun, and support. Currently, we have a "Friday Night Out", coordinated by Dawn Thompson. The group chooses a place to go the week before and then car-pools to a restaurant for an evening of fun and food.

In June, we will have a pot-luck at someone's home and we will set aside some time then to plan some summer activities. One of them will be a trip to Eureka Springs for the Passion Play. We will decide whether we will do it as a day trip or an overnight. Currently, we have about 20 women and one man from our church and the Highlands church. We would sure like to have some more single men join our group.

To have your name added to the contact roster, contact Jan Lowe at church or at 531-0381. Most contact is done by e-mail. Watch for your e-mail and the church bulletin telling about the June potluck.

If your home is a size that can accommodate about 20 people comfortably and you are willing to volunteer to host one of our gatherings, please let Jan know.

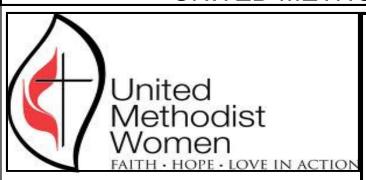


# **OUR FAMILY**

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01	John & Gladys Jutte	10 Juanita Clark
01	Roy & Jan Vogel	11 Jerre Barron
02	Chris and Melinda Murphy	12 Ralph Johnson
03	Bill & Aggie Danenhauer	12 Oliver Kiesel
03	Lee & Andrea Myane	12 Angie Radeer
04	Albert & Bonnie Snider	12 Suzanne Shoemaker
08	Larry & Charlene Marshall	12 Miriam Stocks
10	Jack & Jan Kolbe	13 Jean Hendrix
15	Patrick & Kim Norton	14 Lynda Berk
16	Tom & Molly Harris	14 Pat Cooper
16	Carroll & Juanita Prior	·
17	Ivan & Virginia Poeschl	14 Shirley Hofmann
23	Noah & Pamela Pittman	15 Mark Allen Anderson (14)
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01	Ron Rakow	16 Jim Belcoff
02	Doug Adamson	17 Peggy DeWitt
02	Dennis Cox	17 Tim Harris
02	Austin Roath (16)	20 Marjorie Plunk
03	Bill Danenhauer	22 Carrie Drish
03	Hal Shope	23 Velda Berning
03	Carol Tomlinson	23 Melinda Murphy
04	Ron Paullin	23 Robin Scheiderer
05	Vern Bladon	23 Ryan Swanson (4)
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05	Janie Koonce	25 Owen Jones
06	Marilyn Adamson	27 Christy Harris
06	Dixie Young	28 Jim Abbott
08	Marcia Bohn	28 Abby Hamrin (8)
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09	Zach Mendoza (2)	29 Destiney Christian (8)
09	Tiffany Sampson	29 Steve Sandusky



# UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



### **BAZAAR NEWS**

Thanks everyone for the light bulbs! We have enough now. But we could still use more items for the gift baskets such as small kitchen utensils, potholders or any small gift item. And of course, the ½ pint and wide mouth quart jars are always accepted. Sue Nebrig needs large mouth jar rings - the metal part. Just leave items in the office or downstairs in the quilting room. A label on the donations is helpful. We are lining up chairmen for the various departments and are in need of someone to organize the Garden Center. It involves pricing and arranging donated plants for sale with the help of several other ladies. Please see Verna Bottjen 876 -1392.

P.S. We still have sewing projects available for home work.

### **RUMMAGE SALE**

A short reminder to continue setting aside your items for the rummage sale. The sale is scheduled for Saturday, August 3. Help will be needed the week prior to the sale July 28 thru Aug. 2nd. One day, one hour whatever you could volunteer would be much appreciated. Watch the bulletin and the bulletin boards for sign up sheets in July. We are planning to have a boutique area again. Like new or gently used women's and children's clothing will be accepted. Also shoes, accessories and men's polo purses, shirts. Please call if you have questions or an idea. Co Ellen Sterwald 479 721 2902

### UMW SUNDAY

Sunday, June 9, is designated as United Methodist Women's Sunday in our church. Jan Lowe will be our speaker and a women's choir will present the anthem. A cookie reception will be held in Becker Hall following each service.

## UMW FAMILY DINNER AND CAKE DECORATING

The UMW June Quarterly Meeting will be Wednesday, June 26 starting at 6:30 p.m. The evening meeting,



set to accommodate younger and working families, will feature a demonstration by Tiffany's Bakery on the art of "Cake Decorating". Chicken Pasta Salad, Fruit Combo, Rolls, and dessert will be served. The theme for the event is "12 MONTHS OF BIRTHDAY'S" with each table decoration representing a certain month of the year.

Tickets for the event will be \$7, and will be sold following worship services during June. Tickets may also be purchased in the church office.

**DEADLINE** for purchasing tickets is Sunday, June 23.

CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED by reservation. Children should have their meal before coming.



# **EDUCATION**

# Sunday School Makes a Difference

Many people that I know in church have made a profession of faith to accept Christ into their lives. They attend church regularly, tithe faithfully but never go to Sunday school, being of the opinion that Sunday School is only for children. Nothing could be further from the truth. Sunday School provides an important place for many things in the lives of adult believers.

### **Sunday School Provides a Place of Strength**

"We must also consider how to encourage each other to show love and to do good things. We should not stop gathering together with other believers, as some of you are doing. Instead, we must continue to encourage each other even more as we see the day of the Lord coming" (Hebrews 10:24-25, GW).

The writer of Hebrews knew the importance of believers gathering together and staying in close touch with one another - not only for worship, but also to encourage one another in lifestyle. The first-century Christians needed the strength, encouragement, and sense of belonging that comes from being part of the group.

The need for the strength of fellowship is no different today. Being a member of a Sunday School Class/Bible Study Group can encourage believers in their relationship to Christ, but it also can increase the bond a believer has with other believers.

### **Sunday School Provides a Place of Knowledge**

"After breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?' 'Yes, Master, you know I love you.' Jesus said, 'Feed my lambs.'" (John 21:15, MSG).

Jesus questioned Peter three times to feed His sheep as an act of love. How important it is for all who wear the title "Christian" to live out what they believe. If we love the Lord, then we need to obey the Lord. To obey the Lord we need to know His Word for us. Studying the Bible - God's Word - is essential to faith. The more we understand that

Word for ourselves, the more confidently we can obey His commission to "feed" others. Being part of an active and vibrant Bible study class will challenge you to become more proficient in God's Word.

### **Sunday School Provides a Place of Belonging**

"Be devoted to each other like a loving family. Excel in showing respect for each other. Don't be lazy in showing your devotion. Use your energy to serve the Lord. Be happy in your confidence, be patient in trouble, and pray continually. Share what you have with God's people who are in need. Be hospitable" (Romans 12: 10-13, GW).

Paul reminds us that to follow Jesus is be joyful, patient, faithful, and to practice hospitality. He knew that believers needed fellowship with one another. When believers spend time together, they begin to know one another. Knowing people's names, their family members, and occupation will lead you to be more apt to pray and care for those families and encourage them in times of need.

### **Sunday School Provides a Place of Prayer**

"Make this your common practice: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed. The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with" (James 5:16 MSG).

Prayer is vital to a believer's life and corporate prayer within small group classes provides opportunities to gain great strength and comfort while witnessing that Christ still answers prayer in such a dramatic way.

Come visit on of our four Sunday School Classes or Small Bible Study Groups. Sunday School/ Small Bible Study Groups will make a difference in your life and the life of our church.

### Albert Fisher

For information about our current Sunday School and Bible Study classes, or to discuss other Christian Education opportunities contact Albert Fisher, Education Steward, at aefisher1@att.net





# **BOOK NOOK**

#### **LARGE-PRINT FICTION:**

STARTING NOW by Debbie Macomber Libby Morgan finds that getting laid off from her job doesn't have to be the end but could be a new beginning instead.

HAWKE'S COVE by Susan Wilson

You won't want to miss this romantic gem about two romances that span generations.

THE IMPOSSIBLE BRIDE by Nancy Richler Lily travels from post WWII Europe to Montreal to marry a man she's never met. But Sol Kramer changes his mind and Lily marries Sol's brother, Nathan instead. Will Lily's terrible deception doom their love?

#### **FICTION:**

WINTER GARDEN by Kristin Hannah

Two totally different sisters, a distant mother and the death of a loving father.... What secrets will be revealed?

UNLOCKED by Karen Kingsbury

They looked for a miracle and found it in a song.

#### **BOOKS IN A SERIES:**

STONEY RIDGE SEASONS by Suzanne Woods Fisher

Book 1. THE KEEPER

Book 2. THE HAVEN

Book 3. THE LESSON

THE RED GLOVES SERIES by Karen Kingsbury

Book 1. GIDEON'S GIFT

Book 2. MAGGIE'S MIRACLE

Book 3. SARAH'S SONG

Book 4. HANNAH'S HOPE

### **BIOGRAPHY:**

SO FAR by Kelsey Grammer

In this uncensored, uninhibited and totally irreverent memoir, Grammer puts the two sides of his personality together and explains his compelling but erratic life.

SKYWRITING by Jane Pauley

Jane Pauley tells a remarkable story of selfdiscovery and of an extraordinary life.

### **BOOK ON TAPE:**

CALICO JOE by John Grisham
This is a book on 4 CD's approximate running time of 4.5 hours.

#### **NON-FICTION:**

JESUS INTERRUPTED by Bart Ehrman (220.6) The New Testament is riddled with contradictory views about who Jesus was and the significance of His life. Ehrman explains why we don't know about them.

A SAVIOR FOR ALL SEASONS by William Barker (232.3)

When we recognize Jesus Christ as Lord of ALL of life, He gives us a new perspective on the difficult circumstances we face.

MEETING JESUS by William Sampson (232.9)

Experience the spirit of Christ through this intimate portrayal of His thoughts and feelings.

EVERYDAY A FRIDAY by Joel Osteen (241.4)

How to be happier 7 days a week.

PRAYER WITH POWER by Lloyd Ogilvie (248.3)

What exactly is prayer? How does it work? And how can I do it better?

JESUS IS VICTOR by Corrie Ten Boom (248.4) How to find victory through Christ on the battlefields of life.

HOW THEN SHALL WE LIVE? By Wayne Muller (291.4)

Muller's book gently guides us to the place where we are already blessed with the wisdom we need to live a life of meaning, purpose and grace.

PEACE by Mahatma Gandhi (811)

The words and inspiration of Mahatma Gandhi FRAGILE MOMENTS by Guideposts (811) When God speaks in whispers.



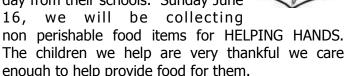


# **MISSIONS**

### **PAK A SAK**

SHOEBOX

With school out for the summer there is a greater need from families whose children usually receive assistance with up to two meals a day from their schools. Sunday June 16, we will be collecting



For those who prefer to give a donation to HELPING HANDS in cash/ or check for their pantry, please be aware they have sources where they are able to buy bulk food at 17 cents per pound. This will stretch the value of your PAK A SAK gift. Just note in the memo section of your check "for Pak A Sak".

### SHOEBOX MINISTRY

WE'VE MOVED!

By the time you receive this newsletter Shoebox will be settled in

our new room. It is beautiful.! We are so appreciative that the church has provided this new room for us. Thank you to all of the volunteers who painted, tore out old carpet, cabinets, and moved us. We are located in the old pre-school room. A spot has not been picked for the table that we use to drop off donations and pick up items to be delivered. Please leave all donations in the cabinet in Becker Hall.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY AND DELIVERIES "Thank you" to the volunteers who packed and delivered 33 Mother's Day gift bags to the moms at Havenwood, Benton County Women's Shelter and Restoration Village.

54 Sunshine Sacks were delivered to Cooper Elementary School in May. This will be the last delivery until school begins in August. 213 shoe boxes were delivered in May and miscellaneous items were taken to the Vista newspaper office to be sent to the troops overseas.

**The Shoebox Team Leaders** 

### **VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION**

The UMCOR Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, Louisiana is headquarters for



UMCOR's worldwide relief supply operations. Each year over \$4,000,000 worth of humanitarian supplies are shipped anywhere in the world where there is a legitimate need. And those areas of need are continuously growing!!

Building those emergency supply kits and packages is a task filled at Sager Brown by over 2000 United Methodist volunteers annually.

Since 2009, Bella Vista FUMC has been providing some of those volunteers. This year 14 members will be going to southern Louisiana from August 5 through the 10<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are expected to pay their own costs of \$210 per person for room and board which covers the whole stay at Sager Brown. Quarters and food are excellent.

As of May 1, there are still three openings. If you would like to become a participant in our VIM Program, contact Ed Jenner, (479) 876-2149 or call the FUMC Office at 855-1158.

Even if you can't go, you can be a big help by donating some funds to offset individual costs. Sponsoring a participant, either fully or partially, would be a blessing and highly appreciated. Just make out a check to FUMC Bella Vista and put VIM in the lower left corner. Bless you all, Ed Jenner

### **AMY O. FULTON**

Our own Amy O. was honored as the Benton County JDC Volunteer of the Year by the Benton County Juvenile Detention Center at the Arkansas Juvenile Detention Association annual



meeting in May for her outstanding service. Congratulations Amy O and thank you for sharing your talents with all of us!



### **MISSION SPOTLIGHT**

Ralph & Mona Johnson

Ralph and Mona **Johnson** have been involved with many missions programs for a number of years. Their most notable has been Mountain of Food which has helped eliminate some of the hunger problems in our community. Mountain of Food has been one of the



most highly successful projects that have brought not just food to many but a delivery of hope.

This year, Mountain of Food could exceed last year's all time high of 243 cases of food. With 2013 final numbers not in yet, we have already taken in over \$6,000 in donations from our congregation.

This will be Ralph and Mona's last year to oversee the Mountain of Food program. Those bulk boxes get heavier each year. However, they plan to continue to stay active in the FUMCBV Missions Ministry. They both agree, "This is the right time to let others fulfill this amazing and gratifying role in delivering food to the hungry." The Mountain of Food means many things to different individuals. Ralph Johnson likes to break it up in three distinctive parts: first, this is what he feels God has



called him to do, second the opportunity to eliminate hunger in the world, and third, the fulfillment one receives while participating in Mountain of Food.

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH**

# CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER BENTON COUNTY

Our Mission:

Empowering Children to find their voice

To provide a safe place for child abuse victims and their families to receive comprehensive services from dedicated professional interviewers, nurses, counselors and advocates in a child-friendly atmosphere through a coordinated team approach as well as provide education to the community.

The Children's Advocacy Center of Benton County (CAC) opened Jan 10,2000 to provide a safe place to serve sexually, and physically abused children in a supportive child friendly environment.

**At the CAC** abused children and their families can receive the support needed to deal with the abuse. **We are available** to serve all Benton County child

**We are available** to serve all Benton County child abuse victims under age 18 after a report has been made to the child abuse hotline.

#### We provide:

- A child-friendly and non-threatening environment
- Trained forensic interviewers (bilingual services available)
- Specialized Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner and an on-site medical exam room
- Child advocates to assess family needs and provide follow-up, support, and referral services
- On-site counselors available to meet with the child and non-offending family members
- All services at no charge to the family





# THANK YOU

Many thanks to the 18 willing volunteers who joined us on our work day at Helping Hands on May 11, including three young men working on a scouting badge. Our next work day is September 21, 2013. Thanks, **Julie Fischer** 

**Liz Scarff** found a unique way to say thank you to all those who prayed for her over the past year. She learned to make little angels out of chocolate candies and added a thank you note to the bottom. Others have been responsible for giving many of them out so if you've been missed, let us know and Liz will get busy making more. What a lovely way to say Thank You.

Many thanks are owed to our Board of Directors, who not only do a great job of managing the resources of the church, but have volunteered countless hours and skills in keeping costs down, caring for the grounds, re-assigning space in the church, painting, and whatever is needed for the good of the church. We appreciate you more than we ever say. Thank you—

Ed Fischer Keith Sterwald Ralph Wallace Roy Lange Jack Kolbe Martha Grant Carole Boyd Janelle Engle

Thank you, **Maryann Johnson and Troy Jorgensen** for the 'above and beyond' work you both did on the church directory. You both have the patience of Job and it was certainly needed for this project. Thanks again.

# CALENDAR ITEMS

The **2-Serve Shepherd Group** is scheduling a Picnic/Potluck for Friday June 7, at 5:00 p.m. a t the Lake Windsor Pavilion (boat ramp area). Please let us know whether you will attend or not no later than Wednesday, June 5. We are anticipating being able to try your favorite dish! We hope to see you all there!

The group also plans a picnic (not a potluck) and Band Concert at Blowing Springs Park for July 4, about 5:30 p.m. organized by Phyllis Widle. She will reserve tables for us, but you may want to bring more comfortable chairs for the concert. You can bring your own picnic meal or purchase one there. Phyllis plays in the band, so she will eat and then go serenade us. The concert starts at 7:00 p.m. In love, **Dick & Sonnie Andersen** 

### UMW CIRCLES MEETINGS FOR JUNE

Hope Thursday, June 13, 11:30am Lunch Out Martha Monday, June 17, 9am Carpool, Lunch Out Naomi Tuesday, June 17, 11:30am, Lunch Out Sarah, Tuesday, June 11, 1:00pm, Lunch Out Evening, Wednesday, June 12, 6:30pm, Potluck, hosted by Katrina Sparlin.

APRIL 2013	<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>		
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Month to date (as of 04/30/13)	Budgeted Receipts		\$48,360
Month to date (as of 04/30/13)	Actual Receipts	*	\$40,580
Month to date (as of 04/30/13)	Actual Expenses		\$47,474
Year to date	Budgeted Expenses		\$203,284
Year to date	Actual Receipts	*	\$196,551
Year to date	Actual Expenses		\$191,939

June 2013

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Handbell Director - Dawn Thompson
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Worship Leader - Garrett Greer
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To the Home of ...

ARUMC Annual Conference, 2013

Congratulations
Reverend Lee Myane,
Elder

Worship Service & Ordination
June 11, 2013
7:30 pm
Reception to Follow

Statehouse Convention Center Markham & Main Street Little Rock, AR

