



# The Good News

MAY 2024

A NUMBER OF REFURBISHMENT, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED IN AND AROUND THE CHURCH. THERE ARE EVEN MORE TASKS ON THE HORIZON WE PLAN TO UNDERTAKE. *BIG THANK-YOU'S TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO MAKE ALL OF THESE ENDEAVORS POSSIBLE!*





## ***“Shifting our Brilliance - Ministry in Action”*** **Rev. Ron Hayes**

As we launch into the month of May, I cherish how the last weekend of the month of April ended. The last Sunday afternoon of April I found myself in a room filled with eighteen new members and several others considering membership. The positive energy and robust conversations accelerated the need to have clearly defined goals for the next few months. The group was acknowledging the great things already happening. Logically, there were inquiries into the “what are the next priorities” in ministry. It’s time to discuss those.

There is an excellent book on organizational (business) approaches to increasing productivity and net results, “Shift Your Brilliance,” by Simon T. Bailey. I feel the core message and fundamental steps apply to us in our current setting even though the context is very different.

It opens with “Why **Shift** and Why **Now?**” The initial active steps open with “seeing differently” and “understanding what your strengths are to be harnessed and magnified.” Simon T. (as he likes to be called) goes on to say these three strategies are to be used to harness your power:

- 1) **Believe** in your worth
- 2) Think **Inside** the box
- 3) Distinguish **Thyself**

In other words, be confident, use what you have, and trust yourself (the strength of Christ in you). For humble Christians, the last one is often the hardest. We try to be meek and mild and hope others take the lead.

To backtrack a bit, the summer months, we all agree we need a more meaningful ministry for young children and students. These are very critical areas on our priority list. But recognizing our “here and now” needs for May and through the summer months to focus on our own Christian education and discipleship. We need to adhere to Simon T.’s advice and “Take the Wheel” and “Engage Our Gears” in new Bible studies, Scripture Conversation groups, and covenant prayer groups.

We have an abundance of materials, available rooms, space in the church’s daily calendars, and most importantly, people that would be fantastic facilitators. The God-given gifts of our congregation need to be utilized here to lead groups that pray together (or over Zoom), coordinate

a conversation group or two, and some are truly equipped to lead a Bible Study as the materials needed would be supplied for them. As he puts it so well:

*“Every once in a while, a car battery dies and needs to be recharged. Maybe the engine hasn’t run in a while, or the weather has played a role. Or maybe it’s not a problem with the battery. Maybe we’re temporarily stalled in traffic or have taken our foot off the clutch a little too soon. There are seasons in our lives, or temporary jams, which require us to restart our own internal batteries, or restart our engines. Maybe we sometimes lose our courage, and, like a battery or engine block, we freeze up. For a while, we try to ignore the issues blocking us. Now, I thank God for the new opportunities. I embrace them as it forces me to accelerate my efforts to be the best I can be.”<sup>1</sup>*

I see that each of us needs to be our best in order to do better for others. You and your God-given talents are needed to shift us, all of us, into a new place of brilliance by becoming a part of ministry in action so God’s love and grace will be stronger in each of us as we go out into the world to share with others. Let’s talk – soon – and get these group fired up and going . . . now. “Why **Shift** and Why **Now?**” It’s for others.

Peace and blessings,

<sup>1</sup> Simon T. Bailey, Shift Your Brilliance: Harness the Power of You, Inc., (Shippensburg, PA: Sound Wisdom, 2014), 143.

### *Lectio* DIVINA

*Time of Reflection: the Grief Journey*

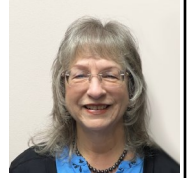
**Join Pastor Ron on Monday, May 20, at 2:00pm in the Chapel for a special time of reflection, meditation, sharing, and prayer.**

**Lectio Divina is a practice of scriptural reading, meditation, and prayer intended to promote communion with God.**



## What's the (Hi)Story?

Jill Hale, FUMC Historian



We hope you had a blessed Easter. It was a very busy time for those involved in music ministry, as I am sure it was for others serving in various ministries in our church. This month, we will recapture some of the events that occurred in 2002.

In regard to our building facility, the following improvements were made:

- A Coke machine was installed in the hallway outside of Becker Hall.
- The steeple was cleaned.
- A new ice machine was purchased.
- The parking lot was resurfaced.
- A refrigerator was added to the Sacristy for use during communion.
- New air conditioning was installed.
- A new church bus was purchased to replace "Old Blue."

In addition to the above items, plans were made for updating the sound system in Becker Hall. The old components were utilized, plus new equipment was added. Dr. Larry Zehring advised the Board of Trustees that the money for the needed changes had been donated.

Work began on a Five-Year Plan to determine the present condition of all church structures, to look into the future and set goals as to where the church should be at the end of the five years, and to determine what physical changes would be necessary. By August, the first report was submitted regarding needed improvements to the facility. These included electrical and general maintenance updates and repairs, for starters.

During the year, the Board of Trustees set a policy that no political meetings would be allowed on the property.

Members and guests were given the opportunity to learn Spanish and to participate in Tai Chi with weekly classes that started in August. Other activities included the annual Easter Egg Hunt in March, the UMM Spring Pancake Feed in May, the Annual Watermelon Feed in August, the Third Annual FUMC Golf Tournament in September, and a Wesley Series piano concert in October.

Bill Detlefsen, in his "A History of First United Methodist Church, Bella Vista from 1976 to 2003," listed continuing mission ministries. These included: entering into a "Covenant Relationship" with Rev. Daniel Godwin and his family, who were serving in Ecuador; continuing "Financial Commitment Covenants" with the Whitfields in Africa and Ramiro Lizcano in Rogers; the Shoebox Ministry, which provided 3,133 shoeboxes "during the past year;" and assisting with the building of a Habitat for Humanity house in Rogers.

This month's installment may be a bit shorter than usual. In June, we will look at one more year provided in the Detlefsen history. After that, we will take a look at the Shoebox Ministry in more depth, and then we will return to congregational stories. PLEASE consider sharing your story with us. Contact me by phone at 479-344-6074 or 928-710-3612 or by email to [rjhale68@cox.net](mailto:rjhale68@cox.net).

Jill Hale,  
Historian



### Power of One

**Pastor Ron has been talking about the "Power of One" from the pulpit. It's really quite simple. Fold a one-dollar bill lengthwise like in the pics above and place it in the offering plate. The bill's unique fold will signal the Finance team that it is meant to be used for local missions only. Because \$1 is just \$1 until it's added to a bunch of others, then it becomes a real benefit to local missions.**





## Look Who Made The Weekly Vista on April 17!

### NWA Women's Chorus to present spring concert



The Northwest Arkansas Women's Chorus will present its spring concert, themed "It's About Time," at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 21. First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista, located at 20 Boyce Drive, is hosting this concert.

At the spring concert, the chorus will be accompanied by its pianist, Denise Richards, along with guest cellist Mary Stewart. The music selected for this concert relates to the theme of time, whether focusing on clocks, calendars, seasons, the changes the passage of time bring, and other temporal issues.

The chorus, originally named the Bella Vista Women's Chorus, has been performing since 1975. Director Larry Zehring, who earned a doctorate in vocal musical performance, choral conducting, and musicology, has led the chorus since

1987.

The singers enjoy performing numbers across a variety of musical genres, including Broadway, spiritual, seasonal, classical, pop and jazz songs. They provide entertainment for community and veterans' groups, in retirement homes and educational settings, and look forward to singing the National Anthem this summer at another Northwest Arkansas Naturals baseball game.

The director, singers and musicians welcome the public to this event.

### Andante plans programs for National Music Week

Andante Music Club of Bella Vista is planning a lineup of programs and activities for National Music Week, May 5-12. The National Federation of Music Clubs' 2024 theme is "Music is ... Yours, Mine, Ours!"

Elen Wright and Ann Pope, National Music Week chairs of Andante, have arranged music programs for each day of the week. The featured concert, organized by Martha Sheets, will be in Mildred B. Cooper Memorial Chapel on Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend the free music program.

The Andante committee is adding musical events at retirement and care facilities and parks in the Northwest Arkansas area. Performers, locations and times are to be announced soon. Public libraries in Bella Vista, Bentonville and Gra-

vette are creating National Music Week displays with storybooks of a musical theme, a coloring page to color (as seen in the photo) and free bookmarks with the National Music Week logo.

The Northwest Arkansas Community College Music Department will provide an enlarged 20" x 30" National Music Week poster for students to enjoy coloring during the week of finals and adjudications, along with concerts on campus.

National Music Week was first observed in 1924, with 452 cities and towns participating. Various music club members, including Mrs. John F. Lyons, then president of National Federation of Music Clubs, served on the first National Music Week Committee in 1924.

Charles M. Tremaine first conceived of the idea of a National

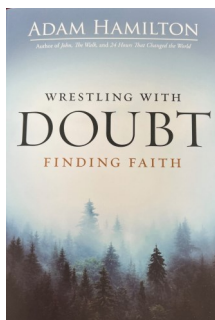
Music Week and formed his dream into reality. May 4-10, 1924, Tremaine guided the first synchronized celebration. From 1924 to 1947, he formulated the program, carried on the executive work and made National Music Week internationally famous.

Andante Music Club is an affiliate of the National Federation of Music Clubs and the Arkansas Federation of Music Clubs. For more information visit [andantemusicclub.org](http://andantemusicclub.org) or email [cynthia.augspurger@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.augspurger@gmail.com).





## NEW BIBLE STUDY LED BY AMY GILMORE TO START TUESDAY, JULY 2



The study will focus on Wrestling With Doubt, Finding Faith by Adam Hamilton and the class will meet every Tuesday at 10:00am in the Parlor for six weeks. You can purchase your book online from Amazon, Cokesbury, etc. There will be a sign-up sheet in the office soon if you'd like to attend the class. For more info or if you have questions, call Amy in the office at (479) 855-1158.

## S.O.L.O.S. is back!

**SOLOS** is a group that gives single ladies the opportunity to go out to eat and fellowship every so often. Their next meeting will be on Thursday, 5/23, at 11:30am at Bella's Table in Bella Vista. Please RSVP by May 20 so we can ensure enough seating for everyone. If you are a single woman and would like to join this group for lunch, please email either Loretta Tidwell at [jimtidwell2@gmail.com](mailto:jimtidwell2@gmail.com) or Nancy Spangler at [nanlew3215@att.net](mailto:nanlew3215@att.net). Anyone is welcome! You do not have to be a church member to participate.



**OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE: NEW SHOEBOX MINISTRY LEADERSHIP NEEDED**

Through the Shoebox Ministry, we supply & deliver Shoeboxes filled with toiletries and other items to those who have very little (many of whom are also homeless) via the Salvation Army locations in Fayetteville and Bentonville, and also 7-Hills. For the past 20+ years, Karen Roenfeld, Cheryl Campbell, & Maryann Johnson have led this ministry, but it's time for **SOMEONE ELSE** to step up and take it on. If you are interested in this amazing and important ministry, please contact Karen Roenfeld at 712-249-2521 & she will be happy to give you more details.



## Blessing Box Food Collection

**KEEP THOSE DONATIONS COMING, PEOPLE!** We can always use: jars of PEANUT BUTTER, CANNED MEATS (chicken, tuna, etc.), MEALS, CEREAL, SHELF-STABLE MILK (Parmalat). **WE STILL HAVE A SURPLUS OF BOXED MACARONI & CANNED VEGETABLES.** The medium-sized jars of peanut butter and boxes of cereal are best because they fit in the

Blessing Box. Drop off your donations in Room 5, the Blessing Box Room, or the office. As always, **PLEASE NO EXPIRED, DENTED, OPENED, or UNLABELED CANS.**

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
		9:00 Classic Service - Sanctuary	10:30 Staff Mtg. - Rm 6	7	8:30 UM Men's Golf - Country Club	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	Office Closed	Office Closed	7:00 UMM Pancake Day/Car Show
		10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor	12:30 Women's Chorus - IMR	8:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Caring Friends Respite Care-BH	9:30 UWF Board Meeting	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	11:30 BVPS Board Meeting - Rm 28	Office Closed	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28
10:00 Children's Sunday School - LL	5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor	3:00 Missions Team Meeting - Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6	3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm	3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm	12:30 Caregivers' Support Grp-Parlor	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	Office Closed	2:00 Don McMahon Celebration of Life Service - Sanctuary	
11:00 Casual Service - BH	6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Sanctuary	6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm/Parlor	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	Office Closed	2:45 Reception to follow - BH	
12:15 Finance Meeting - Parlor		6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm/Parlor		6:00 Church Council Meeting - Parlor	6:00 Church Council Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Evening Circle - Youth Room	6:00 Evening Circle - Youth Room	6:00 Evening Circle - Youth Room	6:00 Evening Circle - Youth Room	6:00 Evening Circle - Youth Room	Office Closed		
12	<b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>	13	14	15	15	16	16	16	16	17	Office Closed	18	8:15 Young@Heart - Acropolis
9:00 Classic Service - Sanctuary	9:00 DAR - Parlor	8:10 UM Men's Golf - Berktsdale	8:10 UM Men's Golf - Berktsdale	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	Office Closed	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28	
10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor	10:30 Staff Mtg. - Rm 6	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Chapter CX PEO Meeting-Parlor	9:30 Chapter CX PEO Meeting-Parlor	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	Office Closed		
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11:00 Casual Service - BH	1:00 Frances H Bridge Grp-Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	Office Closed		
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19	<b>GRADUATE CELEBRATION/ PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>	20	21	22	22	23	23	23	23	24	Office Closed	25	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28
9:00 Classic Service	10:30 Martha Circle-Quilt	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	Office Closed		
10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor	10:30 Staff Mtg. - Rm 6	9:50 UM Men's Golf - Kingswood	9:50 UM Men's Golf - Kingswood	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	4:00 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall	Office Closed		
10:00 Children's Sunday School-LL	12:30 Women's Chorus - IMR	1:30 Naomi Circle - Parlor	1:30 Naomi Circle - Parlor			11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Bella's Table	11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Bella's Table	11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Bella's Table	11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Bella's Table	11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Bella's Table	Office Closed		
11:00 Casual Service - BH	2:00 Time of Reflection - Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor			2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	Office Closed		
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	6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room	6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room								Office Closed		
26	27	28	28	29	29	30	30	30	30	31	Office Closed		
9:00 Unified Song Service	<b>MEMORIAL DAY CHURCH CLOSED</b>	9:00 UM Men's Golf - Scotsdale	9:00 UM Men's Golf - Scotsdale	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm	Office Closed		
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		6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor	6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor			2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH	Office Closed		
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		6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room	6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room								Office Closed		



**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

5/04 Lou & Judy Kaufmann	5/22 Artie & Marian Lawless
5/04 Johnny & Charlene Rayburn	5/24 Rex & Denise Waller
5/08 Darrell & Verna Bottjen	5/26 Tommy & Lynn Runnels
5/16 James & Amy Gilmore	5/27 Terry & Cynthia Augspurger
5/19 Billy & Sandra Beverage	5/28 Glenn & Carolyn Roach
5/19 Jon & Frances Holman	5/31 Harry & Kandi Mount

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

5/02 Becky Minke	5/09 Rick Mayes	5/20 Cheryl Campbell
5/02 Kathy Easterling	5/09 Glenn Roach	5/21 John Justice
5/04 Jon Holman	5/10 Lynden Forst	5/23 Lara Sandusky
5/08 Jenna Gilmore	5/11 Keagan Magee	5/23 Galen Thiele
5/08 Arlyn Richardson	5/11 Genie Schupp	5/25 Denise Waller
5/08 Phyllis Widle	5/15 Jessica Mendoza	5/27 Evelyn Weigel
5/09 Ashley Antoine	5/15 Nancy Spangler	5/28 Jeneda Mickelson
5/09 Jon Baker	5/16 Mary Hixson	5/30 Charlene Marshall
5/09 David Frisby	5/18 Marian Lawless	5/31 Larry Marshall
5/09 Jean Justice	5/19 Roy Vogel	

**May 2024 Newsletter Financial Data**  
*information as of March 31, 2024*

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget
Month of March Contributions (Income*)	\$ 46,044.43	\$ 32,586.17
Month of March Expenses	\$ 35,106.35	\$ 35,345.01
Difference	\$ 10,938.08	\$ (2,758.84)
Year to Date Income Contributions Only	\$ 344,247.49	\$ 293,275.53
Year to Date Expenses	\$ 307,855.05	\$ 320,305.09
Difference	\$ 36,392.45	\$ (27,029.56)

*\*Income does not include Missions or Endowment Interest (Fiscal Year started July 1.)*





# IN GRATITUDE

## Thank You

Thank you for all the cards, condolences, and prayers so many of you shared upon the passing of our brother, Charles Boblenz.

*Sincerely, Janice Lang & Janet Boblenz*

## Thank You

Thank you for all of your cards and visits during Jim's recent health issues and hospital stays. We truly appreciate your prayers as well.

*Jim & Paula Phillips*

## Thank You

to the Wesley Shepherd Group for putting together our recent New Member Luncheon. We had such a great turn out and everyone enjoyed themselves and the food!

~ Pastor Roh

*In Loving Memory*  
**Suzanne Shoemaker**



## Thank You

Verle Shoemaker donated a really nice keyboard and stool for the Chapel in memory of Suzanne. Thank you so much for this special gift, Verle. We truly appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity.



**PLEASE BE ADVISED:  
WE CAN NO LONGER  
ACCEPT YOUR DISCARDED  
BATTERIES BECAUSE WE DO  
NOT HAVE A FACILITY THAT  
WILL ACCEPT THEM.**



**Agape Shepherd Group meets Saturday, 5/11, at Rosita's at 10:00am.**

## YOUNG [AT] HEART



**MEETS SATURDAY, 5/11 AT 8:15AM AT ACROPOLIS**





# MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS



## DALE MORRISETT & ROBIN LIVINGSTON:

Father and daughter duo, Dale & Robin, joined the FUMCBV family on Sunday, April 21. Dale is a retired Civil Engineer and Robin is a Registered Nurse. They found themselves at our church thanks to Rick and Gloria Atha, our Praise Team leaders, and they both enjoy the Casual Service. Dale keeps himself busy reading, cooking, gardening, and working out. When she's not working, Robin can be found at the gym, lounging at home, or eating. They are both Bella Vista residents. We look forward to getting to know both of them better! :)



## RANDY & BECKY MINCKE:

Randy and Becky visited our church after moving to Bella Vista from Rogers. Randy recently retired as a bus driver. He enjoys riding his bike. Becky likes to spend her days playing bridge. They both enjoy eating out as well. You can find them in the Classic Service. We are very happy they've chosen to call FUMCBV home! Be sure to give them the warm welcome we're famous for around here! :)

***\*Next month, we'll meet Andy Jackson and Gene Leonard who joined April 28!\****



*On Sunday, April 28, we invited our new members, frequent visitors, & prospects to have lunch with Pastor Ron and some of our team leaders. Wesley Shepherd Group hosted the lunch and served pizza. Almost everyone we invited attended and we all had a terrific time fellowshiping!*





# United Women in Faith

## GREETINGS FROM UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH!

As we are approaching May and enjoying all the beautiful flowers and trees (but not the pollen), we are all thankful for all the Natural Beauty we enjoy here in NW Arkansas.

Our weekly Bazaar Workshops every Thursday from 9 AM to 2 PM are going well. It is a great time for fellowship and for making items for our Bazaar the proceeds of which help Women, Children, and Youth in Benton County.

A friendly reminder, we are looking for items for our rummage sale on the first Saturday in August. When you are doing your spring cleaning, put aside things for the sale. If you cannot hold them until the end of July, call Verna and she will help find a place to store them until Rummage Sale time.

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR BAZAAR WORKSHOP:

- Large-mouth Pint and 1/2 Pint jars
- Small Spice Bottles for our special Seasoning Salt

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

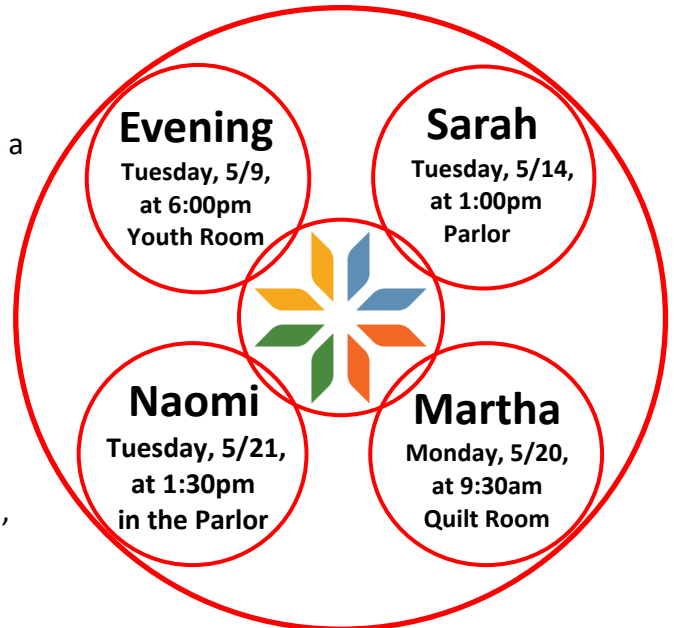
- May 4<sup>th</sup>** UMM Pancake Breakfast/Car Show--UWF will have a table with items to sell.
- June 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>** AR UMC Annual Conference
- June 26<sup>th</sup>** UWF Unit Meeting & Luncheon--the program will be "How to Be More Green."

Call President, Barbara Brooks at 876-5353 for questions or comments.

You can become a member and do your part by helping to make a difference in someone's life. Our Unit is committed to helping local organizations in NW ARK. who help women, children, and youth.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

### May Circle Meetings



## MISSIONS TEAM MEETING

**TUESDAY, MAY 7,  
AT 3:00PM IN THE PARLOR**



*We're getting to work on Mission efforts. If you would like to help, come be a part of the team. We would love to have you!*





### Bella Vista First United Methodist Church Cars and Coffee and Pancakes!



**UMM** **SPRING PANCAKE DAY**  
SATURDAY, MAY 4  
7:00 – 10:00 AM



**PANCAKES, SAUSAGE & A DRINK**  
**FREEWILL DONATIONS WELCOME**

Pancake Breakfast proceeds go to support:

- \* NWA Childrens Shelter
- \* Scout Troop & Pack 3410 and 3410G
- \* NWA Women's Shelter
- \* Youth Snack-Pack Program and more

20 Boyce Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715

For additional information: Ted Lasher 810-360-7434 or Steve Terry 405-222-8727



The next **UMM** meeting is on **Wednesday, 5/15**. Dinner is at **5:30pm** in **Becker Hall**. The meeting will follow at **6:00pm**.



COMING SOON

*Ladies Night Out*

Look for details about next month's Ladies Night Out in the coming weeks!

## METHODIST MEN'S GOLF

EVERY TUESDAY MORNING THRU SUMMER

CALL CHET CAMPBELL TO PLAY  
479-876-5172



### MAY TEE TIMES

- TUESDAY, MAY 7  
8:30AM BV COUNTRY CLUB
- TUESDAY, MAY 14  
8:20AM BERKSDALE
- TUESDAY, MAY 21  
9:50AM KINGSWOOD
- TUESDAY, MAY 28  
9:10AM SCOTSDALE





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**We're Here to Serve You**

Lead Pastor - Rev. Ron Hayes  
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Office Hours:  
 Monday-Thursday  
 9:00am-4:00pm

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 20th**

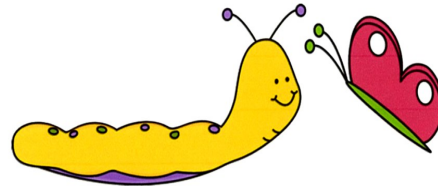
# Bella Vista PreSchool

**STILL**

## Seeking Volunteers!!

Help prepare students for lifelong success!

Volunteers spend 1-2 mornings a month playing, reading, and interacting with 3-5 year olds as well as assisting the classroom teacher



Interested? Call or text

Melanie Nichols at 479-531-1149

bvpreschool@gmail.com

Look for us on FaceBook!!

### A FEW WAYS WE SUPPORT EACH OTHER:



**CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 2,**  
**AT 12:30 PM IN THE PARLOR**  
**\*RESPITE CARE PROVIDED**

**CARING** friends

The next  
 Respite Care Ministry  
 social engagement is  
**Wednesday, 5/8,**  
**from 10:00am-2:00pm**  
**in Becker Hall.**

Natural Healing Education and Support Groups  
 Empowered by:



Are you ready to seek wisdom and gain understanding about your health?  
 Are you healing from cancer or any other disease?  
 Do you need encouragement and hope?  
 This group provides life-giving information on natural, non-toxic strategies to heal strong and stay strong.  
 We focus on food, detoxification, supplements, affirmations and prayers based on God's promises in His Word.

**WHEN: Monday, May 20**  
**LOCATION: FUMCBV Room 6**  
**TIME: 6:00PM-7:00PM**

*Absolutely no goods or services are sold at these meetings.*  
 Questions? Please contact: Lorre Faszholtz - 682-234-1645  
[www.healingstrong.org](http://www.healingstrong.org)

### PRAISE REPORTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

As a church family, we lift each other up in prayer for both our joys and our concerns. **Send your Praises and Prayer requests to**

**Pastor Ron** at his email: [ron.hayes@arumc.org](mailto:ron.hayes@arumc.org) or call him: **(479) 366-9725.**

You can also call the church office **(479) 855-1158**, email our secretary,

Andrea, at: [andrea@fumcbellavista.com](mailto:andrea@fumcbellavista.com) or stop by **20 Boyce Dr.**

You may also complete a **Prayer Request Card** in the Narthex or Becker Hall and drop them in the Prayer Boxes there. They are checked during office hours.