



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

The Good News

AUGUST 2024



*It's Time for the Rummage Sale! Come get some of our famous orange rolls & cinnamon rolls! Enjoy a sloppy joe lunch, a brownie dessert, & SHOP 'til you drop! All proceeds go to UWF mission efforts. *Cash & checks accepted. Credit cards accepted thru PayPal (you must have a PayPal account).*

Saturday, AUGUST 3, 8:00am-1:00pm

We need volunteers to tear-down tables after the sale on Saturday at 1:30.

A LOOK AT HOW HARD THE UWF WORKS TO GET THE RUMMAGE SALE UP & RUNNING (these only show some of the ladies & a fraction of what they do):



Verna Bottjen, the force behind the Rummage Sale



Linda Hyde & Jeneda Mickelson pause for a pose.



Judy Bilyeu, Carol Cheek, & Cheryl Campbell are all smiles.



Becky Collier & Mabel Ashline having a good time.



Miriam Stocks holds a tray matching her heart of gold.



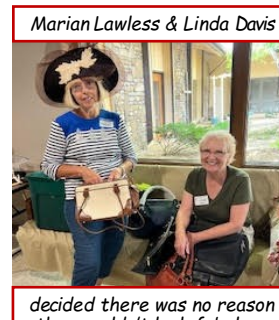
Pat Fox doing what she does



Even surgery couldn't keep



The ladies aren't baking until after publication, so here's



Marian Lawless & Linda Davis



Denise Waller coordinated her outfit with the waffle bowl maker she's working with.



Noreen Poor's smile is as sparkly as the jewelry!



Newcomer, Lani Hylsop, is even getting in on the action.



Jill Hale wears a smile even while organizing some books.



Some of the items already out for the Rummage Sale



Another sneak peek of the goods that will be for sale



August: Attitude Month

Rev. Ron Hayes



August is a good month to approach each day with the right attitude. Let's call it an August Attitude.

August, the month for vacations in Europe and for many in the United States. It's a "back-to-school" month for most of the students in Arkansas. My mother's and my mother-in-law's birthdays were in August, so it has always been a month filled with presents and birthday cake in those homes! For the record, in 46 BCE, Julius Caesar **added two days** to the existing month of August, giving it its modern length of 31 days. It must be nice to be the Emperor of Rome and to be able to add days to a month.

We all know that we really can't *add* days to a month or to a year. Scripture calls us to see and know God is the Creator and wonderfully makes each day as a new and glorious one for each of us when we rise and worship Him.

"So, teach us to count our days so that we may gain a wise heart. Satisfy us each the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days." Psalm 90:12 & 14

As we arise each day, may our hearts be filled with gratitude and praise on our lips. That sounds good but so often is hard to do when your mind is

spinning with the to-do lists and the anxieties and pressures of simply trying to keep up with the demands on each of us. Good personal living habits require attention, a lot of hard work, repetition, and usually a self-kept priority to make the new and improved habit part of our daily and ongoing approach to life – discipleship.

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

Fortunately, repetition is found in the Book of Psalms to help us as we journey towards being more Christ-like. We can use the month of August to establish and to improve our hearts, minds, and souls so we can stay centered on wisdom, gratitude, joy, and praise. Each day, we will work together to raise and solidify our August Attitude so it will be *second nature* come September, October, and on into the winter months. Those around us will be encouraged as we reach out in more positive, beneficial, and productive ways for all. Together, we will **make a God-sized difference and be the change** needed in the world as we share Christ-like love each day.

Peace and blessings,

Pastor Ron



Power of One

The concept is really quite simple. Fold a one-dollar bill lengthwise like the pics at left 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 tool for local missions.



What's the (Hi)Story?

Jill Hale, FUMC Historian



Summer is flying by, and here comes August. This month, we are excited to read about Ed and Barbara (Barb) Jenner and how they came to be involved with First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista. The following is in their own words:

Ed was raised in a small rural farming community in North Dakota until he was 10 years old. He attended both "congregational" and Lutheran churches (mostly Sunday School) and came to appreciate both Bible stories and hymns which he took pride in memorizing. In the late 1940's, his family moved to California and, there sadly, rarely attended church.

At age 17, Ed joined the Navy and again returned to attending religious services offered by the USN Chaplain service. During his Navy service, he met and fell in love with Barbara, who was also a member of the Navy. They married, and Barbara left the service, while Ed remained until he retired in 1975. They were blessed with two sons, who are both married and have children of their own. During their time in the Navy, they moved often; consequently, they never did get established in any specific church or denomination.

In 2000, they moved to Bella Vista and looked for a church they could call their own. The first and, strangely, only church they initially attended was FUMCBV! They were greeted warmly on the first day by Reverend Larry Williams and the associate pastor, Joyce Bernholdt, along with other members, including the Nebrig and Alford families. It also helped that Barbara had grown up in Nebraska in a family who were members of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, which merged with the Methodist Church to become the United Methodists.

Since becoming members of FUMCBV in 2000, they have grown to love the church and

its members. They have been heavily involved in all types of church activities, especially the men's and women's' clubs. They have also been involved in many church mission activities, including trips in support of UMCOR.

In the last few years, they have cut back on their involvement in activities, but still look forward to attending not only regular services, but other future events that involve our church and its members.

Thank you, Ed and Barbara! We are looking for church member stories for the rest of the year. Again, 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.

Jill Hale,
Historian





Praise Team Starts Prison Ministry

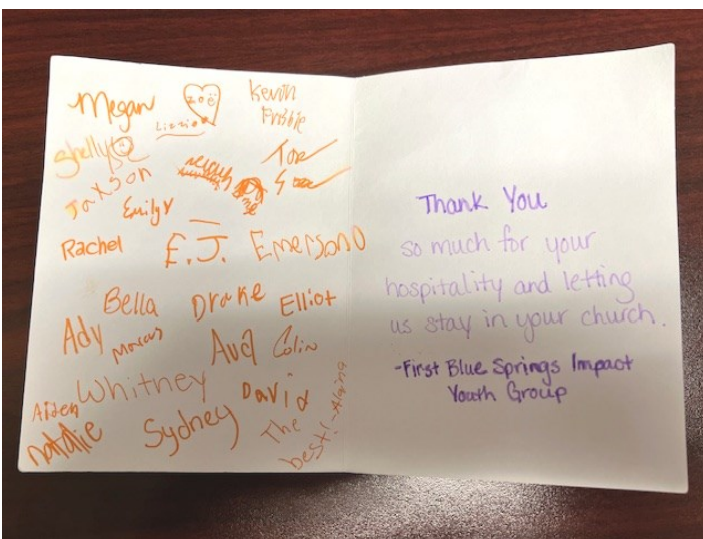
At the Russellville Saving Grace Addiction Recovery home for the first time, Rick & Gloria Atha, Artie Lawless, and Bary Gills sang, shared testimonies, and other words of encouragement and resolve. It was amazing! Ninety minutes of worship and praise with the Holy Spirit present. The women (pictured with the Praise Team) sang along on virtually every song! The ladies even sang a song of their own as an offering back to the Praise Band. It was an amazing time with lots of hugs and planning for the next one.



The Praise Band is working to schedule several of these each month at various homes around northwest Arkansas and detention facilities in Oklahoma & Kansas. They are in search of a van to haul equipment and the band more efficiently. Let them know if you are aware of someone ready to sell a dependable road vehicle at a 'great' price.

YOUNG [AT] HEART
 MEETS
SATURDAY, 8/10
AT 8:15AM AT
ACROPOLIS

Agape Shepherd Group
 meets **Saturday,**
8/10, at 10:00am
 at **Rosita's** at
1889 Bella Vista Way.



The Impact Youth Group from FUMC Blue Springs in MO that stayed here the last week of June and the sweet thank-you card they all signed and sent after they returned home. What a nice bunch of kids!



Women's Chorus resumes regular practices on **Monday, August 19**, at **12:30pm** in the **Music Room**.



Celebration of Life Service for

JACK & NONA STORCK

Friday, August 9, at 2:00pm in the **Sanctuary**

A reception will follow the service in Becker Hall.



MISSIONS TEAM MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, AT 3:00PM IN THE PARLOR



Wesley Shepherd Group Members

WHAT: Rain or Shine, our Picnic is on!

WHEN: Friday, August 23 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE: Augspurger's Air-Conditioned Home
85 Mayfair Drive 72715**

WHO: Wesley Shepherd Group Members

**WHY: Food, Fellowship, Fun
(What will Cynthia come up with this year?)**

**MENU: Bring what you want to grill & eat
(We will grill for you, if desired)
Brewed Unsweetened Tea & Water Provided
Or you can bring your own beverage of choice
Augspurgers - Napkins, Plates, Flatware, Cups**

**You bring a side dish to share
(Let Cynthia know so we don't have duplicates.)**

Jump in the Lake, if you wish. Towels provided.

RSVP AUGUST 14

Cynthia will send out info about who is coming and what each is bringing after RSVP date



**We're going to a ballgame!
Friday, August 30
Meet at the gate: 6:00pm
Arvest Ballpark Springdale
Tickets \$10**

Sign up to attend by August 22.

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY																																											
4	9:00 Classic Service - Sanctuary 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's Sunday School - LL 11:00 Casual Service - BH 12:15 Nominations Team - Parlor	5	10:30 Staff Mtg - Rm 6 1:00 Frances H Bridge Grp-Parlor 2:00 Grief Support Grp - Rm 6 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	6	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 9:50 UM Men's Golf - Berksdale 10:00 Wrestling w/Doubt Study-Chap 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Sanctuary 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm	7	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Room 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Room 4:00 Chancel Choir - Music Room	8	8:00 UM Men's Golf - Kingswood 9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH 5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	9	Office Closed 11:30 BVPS Board Meeting - Room 28 2:00 Storck Celebration of Life 3:00 Storck Reception - Becker Hall	10	8:15 Young@Heart - Acropolis 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28 10:00 Agape Shepherd - Rosita's 12:00 Helping Hands Workday - HH	11	9:00 Classic Service - Sanctuary 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's Sunday School-LL 11:00 Casual Service - BH	12	9:00 DAR - Parlor 10:30 Staff Mtg - Rm 6 1:00 Frances H Bridge Grp-Parlor 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	13	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 10:00 Wrestling w/Doubt Study-Chap 9:45 UM Men's Golf - BV Ctry Club 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room	14	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Room 10:00 Caring Friends - Becker Hall 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Room 4:00 Chancel Choir - Music Room	15	8:00 UM Men's Golf - Dogwood 9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH 5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	16	Office Closed 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28	17	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28	18	9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's Sunday School-LL 11:00 Casual Service - BH 12:15 Nominations Team - Parlor 1:30 CCM Meeting - Parlor	19	10:30 Staff Mtg - Rm 6 12:30 Women's Chorus - Music Rm 1:00 Frances H Bridge Grp-Parlor 2:00 Grief Support Grp - Parlor 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:00 HealingStrong - Room 6 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	20	8:40 UM Men's Golf - Highlands 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 3:00 Missions Team Mtg - Parlor 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room	21	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Room 9:30 Chapter CX PEO Meeting-Parlor 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Room 4:00 Chancel Choir - Music Room	22	9:00 UM Men's Golf - Highlands 9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH 5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	23	Office Closed 8:00 UWF Cooking - Kitchen/BH	24	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28	25	9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's Sunday School-LL 11:00 Casual Service - BH 3:00 Men's Chorus Concert - BV Community Church	26	BVPS School Year Begins! 10:30 Staff Mtg - Rm 6 12:30 Women's Chorus - Music Rm 1:00 Frances H Bridge Grp-Parlor 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28	27	9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 10:00 UM Men's Golf - Highlands 11:30 SOLOS Lunch - Rosita's 6:00 Scouts - Quilt/BH/LL/Rm6/Parlor 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Sanctuary 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Room	28	9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Room 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Room 4:00 Chancel Choir - Music Room	29	8:00 UM Men's Golf - Scotsdale 9:00 UWF Bazaar Workshop-Qlt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 2:00 Praise Team Practice - BH 5:00 Rotary Club Meeting - Parlor	30	Office Closed 6:00 Naturals Game - Arvest Ballpark <i>Meet at the gate</i>	31	8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28





AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



8/04 Weldon & Linda Hyde 8/06 Earl & Mary Ann Kennedy 8/23 Jim & Judy Bilyeu
 8/06 Chet & Cheryl Campbell 8/14 Chris & Elaine Klein



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



8/02 Artie Lawless	8/11 Paula Phillips	8/15 Alec Gilmore
8/03 Peggy Gamble	8/11 Kolby Williams	8/18 James Phillips
8/06 Barb Jenner	8/13 Joe Jackson	8/20 Florence Hill
8/06 Gene Leonard	8/13 Ted Lasher	8/26 Julia Forst
8/08 Carolyn Roach	8/13 Hope Markley	8/29 Friskey Kennedy
8/11 Lois McMahon	8/15 Loretta Tidwell	8/29 Steve Terry

August 2024 Newsletter Financial Data information as of June 30, 2024

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget
Month of June Contributions (Income*)	\$ 46,602.67	\$ 32,586.13
Month of June Expenses	\$ 36,805.62	\$ 35,644.93
Difference	\$ 9,797.05	\$ (3,058.80)
Year to Date Income Contributions Only	\$ 461,005.96	\$ 391,034.00
Year to Date Expenses	\$ 415,712.35	\$ 426,640.00
Difference	\$ 45,293.61	\$ (35,606.00)

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

S.O.L.O.S. meet again!

SOLOS gives single ladies the opportunity to go out to eat and socialize. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 8/27, at 11:30am at Rosita's in their new location at 1889 Bella Vista Way. Please RSVP by August 25 to either Sue Nebrig at 479-372-7247 or Pat Fox at 479-619-7145 so they can make sure everyone has a seat. If you are a single lady and would like to join this group, let one of them know. You do not have to be a church member to participate.





Blessing Box Food Collection

Let's keep the Blessing Box room shelves **FULL!** Kids are still out of school, so **CEREAL, SHELF-STABLE MILK (Parmalat), PEANUT BUTTER, CUPS OF MAC & CHEESE (so they can make it for themselves), & CANNED MEAT (chicken, tuna, etc.)** are needed, Medium-sized jars of peanut butter & boxes of cereal are best as they fit in the Blessing Box. Drop off your donations in Room 5, the Blessing Box Room, or the office. **PLEASE NO EXPIRED, DENTED, OPENED, OR UNLABELED CANS.**

Congregational Care Ministry Meeting

**Sunday, 8/18,
at 1:30pm
in the Parlor**



Nominations Committee Meetings



This month:
**Sunday, 8/4, &
Sunday, 8/18,
at 12:15pm in
Room 6.**



Helping Hands Work Day

Are you looking for a "hands-on" mission project? Our church is scheduled to work at the **Helping Hands Resale Shop** in Bentonville on **Saturday, August 10**. The indoor work is from **12:00pm to 4:00pm** and includes cashiering, bagging the customer's purchases, or roaming the sales floor to clean and tidy or perhaps put items out. (It's a great way to do a little shopping at the same time - at half price!) If you're feeling strong, they can always use help out back receiving donations either in the morning or afternoon. For questions, speak to Verna Bottjen, 876-1392.

Men's Chorus Concert

The Bella Vista Men's Chorus which includes a bunch of our guys, will perform at Bella Vista Community Church on Sunday, August 25, at 3:00pm.





MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



ANNE KELLY:

Anne Kelly joined FUMCBV on Sunday, July 7, when she transferred from another area church. She is retired and lives in Bella Vista. Anne has expressed interest in possibly volunteering in the office as an Office Angel. We look forward to getting to know her better. We're happy to have you here, Anne!



KAY ACLIN:

Kay became part of the FUMCBV family on Sunday, July 14, when she transferred from FUMC Fort Smith. She is a retired actuary. Kay is a mother to four grown children, grandmother to 8, and great grandmother to 2. She enjoys visiting all of them, as well as reading and painting. Kay is still new to the area and is looking for new things to do in this part of the state. She would like to get plugged into the United Women of Faith and Bible studies. Welcome to the family, Kay!

Thank You

I AM OVERWHELMED BY ALL THE GET WELL WISHES AND CARDS THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE SENT ME SINCE MY SURGERY. I AM DOING OKAY AND GETTING BETTER DAILY. I LOOK FORWARD TO BEING BACK SOON.

~ Sue Nebrig

**MANY THANKS
TO MY CHURCH FAMILY
FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND
CARDS IN MEMORY OF MY
DAUGHTER, LINDA. IT WAS
VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.**

~ BOB KENNEDY



United Women in Faith

GREETINGS FROM UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH!

As we enter August, all of the ladies of UWF are looking forward to our Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 3, from 8am till 1pm. Everyone who wishes to donate items for our rummage sale can bring them to the church on Monday, July 29, thru Thursday, August 1, from 9am till 4pm. Starting that same Monday, we will also need many hands to sort and

price items, and set up for the sale on Saturday. On Sunday, July 28, after the Casual service, guys, we will need help setting up all the tables, and on the day of the sale after 1:30pm, we'll need help packing up, loading items for Care and Share, and setting up Becker Hall for services on Sunday. We will have Orange and Cinnamon Rolls available for purchase. Anyone wishing to order rolls early, call the church office. For lunch, we will be serving Sloppy Joes, chips, drinks, and brownies.

The Bazaar Workshop is every Thursday from 9 till 2pm. Just a reminder that anyone making items at home for the bazaar can drop them off any Thursday. Anyone making jams, jellies, salsas, etc., who needs jars, drop by on Thursdays to pick them up.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR BAZAAR WORKSHOP: Large-mouth Quart and Pint Jars, 1/2-Pint Jars, and Small Spice Bottles for our special Seasoning Salt


DATES TO REMEMBER:

August 3rd Rummage Sale 8:00am-1:00pm, **September 4th** Executive Board Meeting at 9:30am, **September 25th** UWF Unit Meeting & Luncheon in Becker Hall, & **October 5th** UWF Bazaar 9:00am-2:00pm

For questions or comments, call: UWF President Barbara Brooks at 876-5353, Verna Bottjen at 479-876-1392 about the Rummage Sale, or Judy Bilyeu at 479-721-9460 about the Bazaar.

You can become a member of UWF and make a difference in someone's life. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

REMINDER: NO Circle or Board Meetings in August! Here are September's Circle meetings:



September UWF Circle Meetings	Sarah Tuesday, 9/10, at 1:00pm in the Parlor Ingathering	Evening Thursday, 9/12, at 6:00pm in the Youth Room Ingathering	Martha Monday, 9/16, at 9:30am in the Quilt Room Ingathering	Naomi Tuesday, 9/17, at 1:30pm in the Parlor Ingathering
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United Women of Faith Mile of Pennies

Thanks to an idea sparked by Gerald Hatley and the jug of pennies he donated to the UWF, we are now collecting them for the UWF Conference and for the women and children of Benton County.

Put your pennies in the jug in the narthex.



The Atrium had a facelift!

Pastor Ron has taken to referring to Weldon Hyde and Jim Bilyeu as J & W Flooring since they saved us over \$5,000 by refinishing the floors themselves. Well, W & J Flooring has extended their area of expertise into the outdoors when they cleared out and cleaned up the Atrium. They did such a great job! It looks amazing! And they did it in mid-July when the temperatures were soaring! Thank you, Weldon and Jim! You guys are the best!



METHODIST MEN'S GOLF

EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING THRU OCTOBER

CALL CHET CAMPBELL TO PLAY TUESDAYS 479-876-5172

CALL DARRELL BOTTJEN TO PLAY THURSDAYS 479-876-1392



AUGUST TEE TIMES

- THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 8:00AM BV CTRY CLUB
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 9:50AM BERKSDALE
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 8:00AM KINGSWOOD
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 9:00AM BV CTRY CLUB
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 15 8:00AM DOGWOOD
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 20 8:50AM HIGHLANDS
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 8:00AM HIGHLANDS
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 27 10:00AM HIGHLANDS
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 8:00AM SCOTSDALE



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP (GSG) RETURNS

GSG will be meeting again the **1st & 3rd Mondays of each month**. The first meeting is **8/5 at 2:00pm in Room 6**. Facilitated by Pastor Ron.



First United Methodist Church
 20 Boyce Drive
 Bella Vista, AR 72715

We're Here to Serve You

Lead Pastor - Rev. Ron Hayes
 ron.hayes@arumc.org (479) 366-9725
 Church Administrator - Amy Gilmore
 Church Secretary - Andrea Fobes
 Music Ministries Director - Dr. Lawrence Zehring
 Organist/Accompanist - Lamar Puckett
 Praise Band Leaders - Rick & Gloria Atha

Phone: (479) 855-1158
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Office Hours:
 Monday-Thursday
 9:00am-4:00pm

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: MONDAY, AUGUST 19



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO GAVE BLOOD OR HELPED OUT BY HOSTING DURING THE BLOOD DRIVE LAST MONTH. YOUR PARTICIPATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE.



We have **Potluck & Games Night** every **Monday evening at 5:00pm** in the Parlor/Chapel. Join us for cards, board games, dominoes, etc. We will find a game for you or teach you a new one. Bring a dish to share & your table service. For questions, call Mabel Ashline: (563)505-6975.



A FEW WAYS WE SUPPORT EACH OTHER:



The next **Respite Care Ministry social engagement** is **Wednesday, 8/14, 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, August 19
 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



CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, AT 12:30 PM IN THE PARLOR
***RESPITE CARE PROVIDED**

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 or call him: **(479) 366-9725.**

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

Andrea, at: 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.