



Pastor's Corner

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As the Disciples Bible Study class was coming to a close, I was surprised at the depth of relationship that the participants had felt. Loving tears were flowing and embraces were rich in love. The study of the scriptures for a school year had been a **powerful experience for all. Christ's love was present. There are times in the life of the church when there is no question that God is at work in people's lives. For this I give thanks.**

Note #1: Often in life, the depth of our experience is a reflection of the effort we have made. A sport takes a lot of practice. Training for a job takes study and practice. Singing in a choir or playing an instrument takes practice. A rich prayer life takes regular practice. Going on a mission trip involves preparations and prayer and the cultivation of a servant spirit. When we prepare well, the results can be powerful.

I am reminded of the parable of the ten maidens in Matthew 25. It tells us to be people who are living ready, expectant of what God is about to do. Five maidens were ready for the groom to come with oil filled lamps. When the groom came they were able to move with him. Five were not, and when they finally filled their lamps with oil he was already gone. The moment of opportunity had passed them by. Keep your hearts ready, my friends. Be on the lookout. Prepare yourself for the presence of Christ by prayer, study and service.

Note #2: We have much to be thankful for at Oak Creek Church. We have vital lay leaders, wonderful music and praise of God, we have missions of outreach near and far that touch many souls and a host of people willing to give that extra hand to get something done. I give thanks for the Sunday School teachers who give of their time, the people who help the office each week with data entry, folding bulletins and newsletters, those who take time to organize events such as the recent **Women's retreat or how about the mission trips. Then there** are a large number of people who tend the facility and grounds. It takes a lot of people to give life to this church. I am especially thankful for the staff with whom I share the honor of serving Christ and our community. Altogether we are a highly dedicated and caring team who are seeking to share an attitude of gratitude to God. I pray that we can continue working together to praise God, overcome differences, and rejoice in the Lord always.

Pastor Paul

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Services
8:00 a.m. Traditional
9:30 a.m. Contemporary
11:00 a.m. Traditional

Summer Worship Hours
Starting May 30 thru
September 5
8:00 a.m. Traditional
10:00 a.m. Blended

Services Available
Nursery Care
Elevator

Important Upcoming Dates

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CONFIRMANDS

On May 23 six young people professed faith and confirmed their baptism into the family of Christ. We celebrate with Kasey , Mason , Jenna , Robert , David & Shannon as they have completed the two year confirmation program, affirmed their faith and are now full professing members with all rights and responsibilities. May they each find a way of serv-



Congratulations
Confirmands

ing Christ that fulfills them and brings hope and peace to those around them. A special thank you goes to the Confirmation teachers: Clinton , Pastor Armstrong and a special thank you to Tony who, after teaching confirmation for 10 years is now stepping aside to serve Christ in new ventures.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE June 13-16

Every June our Wisconsin Annual Conference holds a large meeting. One thousand people from all the United Methodist congregations in Wisconsin gather for worship, service and business meetings. There are displays and speakers, food and fellowship and times for spiritual reflection on the ministries and direction of the United Methodist Church. There is a seven million dollar budget for programs and ministries that is reviewed and revised in light of priorities and economic realities. The budget is then apportioned out to the congregations. Included in apportionments are support for missions projects and missionaries, camp & retreat support, training events, pension and health insurance support for retired clergy, training events, youth events and training, college campus ministry support, clergy recruitment and screening costs, communications, salaries for conference staff and more. The theme for the conference is Live, Give, Love Beyond All Expectation – Give Wholeheartedly. This year there will be an extended conversation on Christian faith and homosexuality. This year we send as lay delegates Connie and Gordon along with both your pastors. Please keep them in prayer as they represent us at the conference being held in Lacrosse.

MEN'S RETREAT – mark it on your calendar October 15-17

A men's retreat is being planned for the weekend of October 15-17 at Lake Lucerne Camp and Retreat facility located a ½ hour west of Oshkosh. All men are invited to this weekend. We will be staying in fine cabins that have showers, two beds per room, meeting space and more. Food will be provided. There will be activities, opportunity to stretch some muscles, a service project, time for prayer, reflection, study, worship and fun. More information will be coming in your next newsletters.



From the desk of Pastor Ann...

From the desk of Pastor Ann,

May 7 & 8 I had the privilege of leading a group of 35 women on a retreat to Pine Lake United Methodist Camp. These women took time off of the busyness in their lives to come and renew themselves. All were coming for different reasons but we all had one thing in common, we were all sisters in Christ.

John Wesley always asked, "how is it with your soul?". Well sometimes our souls need to be refreshed to be able to see God's power in our own lives. If we do not take this time, we lose sight of the path.

Included in this newsletter are some of the pictures from that weekend. If you look closely, you will see the love that abounded the weekend. From the relaxation of the massages, the energy of the Nia exercises, the uplifting messages from our conversations and the laughter.

I ask all of you to take some time to refresh and renew your faith in whatever way you can and when you are asked the question, "how is it with your soul?" you may respond that your soul is filled with the spirit of Christ.



HALLELUJAH MOMENTS

First-Time Women's Retreat at Pine Lake United Methodist Camp A Success: Hallelujah to Oak Creek Community United Church Women and Pastor Ann for leading one of the largest first time Women's Retreats ever held at Pine Lake United Methodist Camps! (Article from ENews).



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Because We Care

We are reminding you that baby food, formula and diapers are needed more than ever at the Salvation Army. Please bring your donations and place them next to the basket for the layette items. I will pick them up from there. Any questions, please call Jean .

OCCUMC Men's Group

The Men's Group meets the 3rd Saturday morning of each month at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast at Perkins Restaurant on Ryan Rd. All men of the church are welcome to join us! Questions? Contact Larry **or check out the Men's Group website at** http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OCC_UMC_Men/. Our next meeting will be held June 19 at 7:30 a.m. **Remember the Men's Group 3rd Sunday Food Drive! Every month we will** be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable items on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Items collected will help stock our own food pantry and enable OCCUMC to be more effective in our local community mission work.

Food Pantry

Let's care for each other, too. If you know of someone in the church family who would benefit from the kindness of our dedicated committees or may need a few groceries from our food pantry, please call the church office (762-4600).

Clip & Save!!

NO PAGE LEFT UNTURNED

All discussions take place at 9:00 a.m. on their respective Saturday mornings at the church.

June 26, 2010

Hothouse Flower and the Nine Plants of Desire *by Margot Berwin*

For more information you may contact Mary Ann .



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Parents with Young Children (The current age of children of the families who attend regularly range from birth to approximately 8 years old.)

Join us the *First Saturday of Each Month* for a potluck and playdate:

Some months we meet at members' homes or a park and other months we meet at church. When we meet at church, please come to the lower parking lot entrance as that is the only door we unlock during our gatherings. If you have questions, please contact Jane . These potlucks are a great way to connect with others, make friends and relax in a **supportive atmosphere.** Think of it as **YOUR 'support group' with parents in similar situations** as your own.

PWYC small group is more than monthly potlucks. We also provide time each week for parents to unload some stress, share in fellowship, and connect with other adults while their children attend Sunday School or are in the nursery. Join us every Sunday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. downstairs in room L 27. Generally, parents that attend have children that range in age from newborns up to 8 year olds, but all parents are welcome to share their stories about family, life, and what they are struggling with as parents.



United Methodist Women

Sarah Circle

Thanks to all who have donated items for Sarah Circle's layette project. We completed 19 layettes in May and off they went to St. Francis and Children's Hospitals. With your help, we will put together more in June or July.

We need all the items necessary for our layettes which include sleepers, onesies, hats quilts/blankets and receiving blankets. Sizes are 3 - 6 mos. Again, a big thank you to all of you who help make this project a big success.

The United Methodist Women are asking for donations of baby yarn, (for example, Bernat Softee Baby yarn) to be used for hats for our layette project. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Any questions, call Dona .

We Need Your Help!



Summer Mission Trip Participants

Cost Rican Mission Trip

On May 29 a group brought together through our church will be leaving for Carillos, Costa Rica to assist in the construction of a church dining hall and bathrooms. We will be staying in the modest education building next door to the construction site. The group has a **young adult emphasis with most being in their 20's. We ask for your prayers as we make our final preparations for the trip.** Those going are: Emily , Mallory , Kimberly , Jordan , Greg , Autumn , David , Ashley , Gina , Pastor Armstrong, Michael (a Michigan home builder), Lindsay and Dan of Illinois. We will be returning on June 8 with stories to tell of the experience of serving Christ and the church at Carillos. Special thanks goes to the Mission Committee for their assistance in helping this trip take place.

Adult Peru Mission Trip

Judy , Jean , Suzy , Harold & Alicia .

Sr. Hi Youth

Sara , Selena , Tamara , Andrea , Andy , Taylor , Rhett , Theresa , Billy , Molly , Lauren , Simone , Danelle , Jordyn , Nina , Emily , David , Elizabeth , Ryan (Danelle's friend), Adrianna . Adults are: Ann , Lisa , Burton , Michelle , Dave .

Jr. Hi Youth

Evan , Kaitlin , Casey , Jenna , Megan , Matt , Tyler , Alex , Kaila , Dexter , Ryan , Shannon , Haley . Adults are: John , Brian , Laetitia and Clinton .

CALENDAR

Finance News

A Message from Your Finance Committee

Thinking About Our Apportionment Commitment

You may recall that our church has a \$38,460 commitment in 2010 to the Wisconsin Annual Conference for Apportionments.

You may ask, “What exactly are Apportionments?” The following hopefully will help you better understand Apportionments and the importance they play in the overall purpose of Christ’s church.

As a church, we are missional, evangelical, connectional and global. We are more than just a place to go to on Sunday morning. As mentioned in the 2008 Book of Discipline, our purposes are “to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world,” “to proclaim the good news of God’s grace” and “to exemplify Jesus’ command to love God and neighbor.” Continuing from the Book of Discipline, “As United Methodists, we are called to identify the needs of both individuals and of society and to address those needs out of resources of the Christian faith in a way that is clear, convincing and effective.” Through our Apportionments, we help the Wisconsin Annual Conference identify and meet those in need. Some of the benefits from Apportionment giving include: needy families receiving safe and comfortable housing, support and aid for abused women and children, meals and clothing provided to those without, aid for flood victims, books and supplies for children living in poverty, aid to Haiti, ministries to those damaged by addictions, providing resources and training to clergy and laity, educational support, for camping and retreat experiences, providing the infrastructure costs for Volunteers in Mission, and the list goes on.

So you can see that Apportionments are not something we do; they reflect who we are. Thus, it is important that we meet our Apportionment obligation every year so that the needs mentioned above and others can be met.

Through the end of April, our Apportionment giving is \$6,000 behind for the year. We need to average approximately \$3,200 per month to meet our commitment. We have been averaging \$1,700. I think you will agree that Apportionments are an important part of our ministerial outreach. Please make sure your monthly commitment to the church is up to date. It will be especially important during the summer months. In addition, if you can make a special contribution to our Apportionment commitment, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Your Finance Committee



Let's Recycle!

God's Green Earth

Are you interested in the environment and being a good steward of God's creation? Do you want to help OCCUMC go green? Do you just want to do your part to make the world a better place for future generations? If so, why not help us get a new group going? **If this sounds like it's for you, please email Chris .**

Aluminum cans wanted !!

The Jr. & Sr. Hi Youth have an ongoing fundraiser collecting aluminum cans to help defray cost for their mission trips.

Please drop your cans off at the church office.

If you have any questions at all about this fundraiser please contact Michelle 45.

Thank you for your cans!

Bring in your
batteries!

Battery Recycle Program

Batteries that can be recycled are:

- o Alkaline batteries (i.e. AA, AAA, C, D 9-volt, etc.)
- o NiCad (Nickel Cadmium)
- o Ni-MH (Nickel Metal Hydride)
- o Magnesium Carbon
- o Mercuric Oxide
- o Silver Oxide

Batteries that will not be accepted are:

- o Lead Acid (car, motorcycle, etc.)
- o Lithium (common in cell phones, digital cameras, watches, small electronic devices)



Please make use of this program and help take care of God's Green Earth.

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Phone: 414-762-4600

Members are encouraged to bring in their used household batteries and place them in the 5-gallon pail outside of Doyle Hall (next to the ink cartridge recycling container).

Message From Our Faith & Fellowship Coordinator

I have shared over a few months information gathered in the Evangelism Seminar that I attended with Pastor Paul and Janet . I'd like to share some more of the teachings, some of which might challenge us to think hard about what we do individually and as a church.

A “Big Issue” that is a recurring theme from my notes on this seminar is that United Methodists view their faith and their relationship with God as “personal and private.” According to the leader, 76% say “they don’t think it is their responsibility to share their faith with others.” So if it is a private thing, do we discuss our relationship with God at home? Do we teach our children how to pray?



According to the seminar: Whose Responsibility is it to invite people to church?

- ◆ 35% say it is the Church’s responsibility. But who is the church? The staff? The members? The building itself as an inviting place to see?
- ◆ 30% believe it is the Pastor’s responsibility. The leader says this is failed logic. Even if the pastor draws visitors into the church, they need the connections with others to stay.
- ◆ 27% say it is the Evangelism Committee’s responsibility. Wow! What a big task for the 8 members of that group.
- ◆ 8% believe it is their personal responsibility to invite others. Many churches do a “drive” and have “Bring a Friend to church” one Sunday. However, studies show that this does not translate well. People need to come to church for their own benefit. For the “Bring a Friend” campaigns, the people come to benefit the church.

When was the last time you invited someone to church? Of those studied, 48% said they NEVER invited someone to church. Woa! What a scary thought, especially when it has been proven that personal invitations work in drawing people in! 37% of people said it was more than a year ago since they invited someone and most of those invited were family members. It is not a regular occurrence to invite people and we are twice as likely to invite people to a social event than to a spiritual event.

GO!

“Go make disciples of Jesus Christ.” That is an active command, not a passive suggestion. While talking with others, you should make it a safe thing for them. Make it ok for others to tell you, “I’m not sure if I believe.” And you need to feel comfortable in the church to go out of the church to share your faith.

The last question that was asked that I will discuss in this month’s article is “How often are you encouraged to share your faith by the leaders and teachers in your church?” How would you answer that question? 61% say never while only 1 % say weekly. 34% say occasionally/regularly/often. The leader says that clergy have the assumption that we should just know to and know how to so they don’t need to teach it. While 9% of parishioners say they need more training on how to share their faith. If this is an area you feel called to serve, please talk to me or to Pastor Ann or Pastor Paul about getting more comfortable to invite others to worship, to share your faith and love for Jesus Christ, and to be comfortable doing so!

All of the statistics and quotes were based on the studies conducted by the leader of the seminar. I can share my notes if anyone is interested.

Mission News

Loose Change for Missions

The Sr. and Jr. High Youth are asking that you help support their upcoming mission trips by putting any loose change you have in a bucket out in the Friendship Room on Sundays.

Now through the month of July they will be raising loose pocket change. A chart on the wall in the narthex will show our progress.

We are hoping to raise \$1,000. Every penny will make a difference for our youth and the lives of people they touch on their trips.

WERE GOING TO A



BALL GAME!

Interfaith Day at Miller Park

To celebrate the 25th anniversary of CROP Hunger Walk and the 40th anniversaries of the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee and of the

Milwaukee Brewers, Interfaith will have a first-ever Interfaith Day at Miller Park on Tuesday evening, July 27.

To order tickets or for more information, contact Interfaith at 414-276-9050 or email office@interfaithconference.org.

SIGN, Sign, Everywhere a sign.....(with apologies to Five Man Electrical Band)

Well not really, but, there are (2) additional signs you may have noticed at each of the parking lot driveways to/from Puetz Road and 13th Street.

As part of the Preschool Sign Renovation Project, directional signs were added at these locations.

These directional signs say “CHURCH ENTRANCE” and include the United Methodist Cross and Flame Logo.

Watch for an additional (directional) sign – coming soon -- for the Office adjacent to the office entrance on the upper/north side of the building.

Announcing a New Addition

A spinet organ has been donated to the church by Pat , and will be placed in Doyle Hall.

We anticipate using this organ for both Worship and non-Worship events.

Hopefully some of the Organists in our fellowship will step forward and “serenade” us from time to time in Doyle Hall.

Also, we have an organ student that has asked to use the church organ for practice, and, we hope that there may be “unintended consequences” (and benefits) – we can derive from this instrument.



Welcome To.....

Please welcome the following new members to our church. They are a great group of people. Please make them feel welcome.

Patty

Patty is married to Michael. They have two children . Patty has expressed an interest in the Parents with Young Children group as well as doing some office volunteer work from home.



Mark & Jennifer

Mark & Jennifer have two kids .

Jennifer & Kevin

Kevin Works for Best Buy and Jennifer for United Healthcare. They are transferring membership from First United Methodist Church on 71st & Lapham. Jennifer has expressed an interest in joining Altar Choir and Joyful Ringers.



Kara

Kara has two children. She does home cleaning and has expressed an interest in volunteering at the church office stuffing bulletins.



Kari

Kari has 4 children . She works at Mount Carmel Nursing Home and has expressed an interest in joining adult Sunday School.



Kitchen Update

The Kitchen Project is continuing to make great progress! Thanks to 10 volunteers contributing 867 hours to date we have saved thousands of dollars in labor costs. To date our expenses on equipment and supplies have been \$ 9,910.92.

The remainder of the project is currently being reviewed based on City and State Health Code requirements for public food preparation. Surfaces and equipment must be of a type that is easily **cleaned. Look for info in the newsletter series “Know Your Kitchen”.**



KITCHEN Update

A group of 15 people from our congregation visited the Davis Associates food service representatives showroom this last month for a demonstration of cooking with a **convection oven. We thank the Davis’s for a complete meal cooking presentation, compliments of the Davis’s. This has generated great interest to obtain this item for our kitchen.**

Contractors are currently looking at pricing for the hood, plumbing, gas and electrical components. The committee will review these costs and make a recommendation on how to proceed.

We will be having some fund raising events to help move us forward in our Kitchen Project. Look for further announcements around the church and in the newsletter.

*Thank you for the support!
Your kitchen committee*

Show Off Your Magnetic Personality!

Sometimes it is hard to put a name to a face. Make it easy to meet other people and let others know who you are with our new magnetic name tags. These name tags are held in place with a magnetic backing. These stylish name tags are gold plated, oval shaped with the UMC logo. Cost is \$10. A non magnetic option is also available at the same price. For more information contact Eileen .

It costs about \$40.00 to mail the Reminder newsletter each month. We are looking for folks who are willing to help defray the cost of production. If you can sponsor the Reminder, please use the sign up sheet in the bulletin and someone from the office will contact you.

Thank you To Eric & Karen & John & Marilyn for sponsoring this months reminder.

Peru Mission 2010
July 29 – August 12, 2010
International Volunteers in Mission
North Central Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church

Oak Creek Community UMC is a congregation of *Volunteers in Mission*. Our mission teams reach out to serve not only in our local church and community, but nationally and internationally.

This will be the fourth mission to Peru that OCCUMC has supported. There are 26 people representing six states. The team will be working with the Korean Methodist Church of Peru in Ica and Pisco.

Ica and Pisco Peru was the site of an 8.4 earthquake in August, 2007. They are still in recovery and will be for many years. The economy of this area is poor. People **have no jobs, so they can't rebuild their homes and they struggle to have food on the table**. Many are still living in the one room houses that were supplied by the USA and **other countries after the earthquake. Pisco's hospital has structural damage and cannot be used**. The city is trying to rebuild, but it is difficult with little government help. Our construction team will be working on a church to build a community center for education and child care.

Each mission has been rewarding with new experiences and new friendships. With each visit we renew old friendships and become closer to our brothers and sisters in Christ. We worship and work together and learn more about the culture and the needs of the community.

All mission teams need our support and prayers. This summer six members of our church will take part in this construction, medical and Bible school mission. Five of our members will be returning to Peru. All members donate a specific amount of money to the projects and pay their own way. The total costs of the mission are supported by local donations, scholarships and fund raising.

Building materials and hired helpers are estimated and the team will donate their time and money to help build this needed community center. An example of **materials needed are bricks, cement and reinforcement bars.....\$5.00 can buy about 20 bricks or 2 bags of cement**. A ten foot reinforcement bar will cost about \$3.00.

Medication costs are difficult to predict as we can only estimate how many people will be seen at our temporary clinics. If possible, the team hopes to have enough medications that can be left for extended treatment of one or two months. The medical team is working with pharmaceutical resources to purchase at cost or receive donated medications. Many medications at cost can still be very expensive. For example: \$5.00 will buy enough vitamins for 33 children for one month or \$5.00 will treat only 2 children for parasites.

Please help us help others! Your donations can purchase needed medications or building materials for our brothers and sisters in Peru. Your checks or cash should be given to the PERU MISSION FUND –OCCUMC - ACCT.# 22. Please designate for medications or building materials.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS.
*Judy – Co leader; Suzanne ; Alicia and Harold &
Jean .*

Education News

Do your children know how to pray?

If you said to your child, "Talk to God" would your child know what to do? What is prayer? Does your child know how to thank God for the many things in their lives?

If you aren't sure how your child views prayer, please consider having your child participate in the **Children's Prayer Class Part 1** on Sunday, June 6, 9-10 a.m.

The children will gather in the Senior High Sunday School Classroom downstairs. Parents are encouraged to gather in Doyle Hall to chat about prayer, their children, or just parenting in general. This class is geared toward children 5-10 years old.

Please register your child in the bulletin sign up area so we can be adequately staffed.



Lord, Teach Me How To Pray

United Methodist 101: Q&A about the United Methodist Church

Are you interested in learning more about the United Methodist Church? Would you like to find out about the Social Principles that guide the church? Are you interested in discussing communion, lay leadership, and capital punishment?

Join our Faith & Fellowship Coordinator for one or both sessions to discuss two short books. We will read them together so no preparation is needed! We will read and discuss portions of the book or all of the books if time allows.

You can use the books for the discussion or if you want to purchase the books, you can do so at the end of the sessions.

Please sign up in the bulletin to be sure we have enough materials for everyone.

Family Camp!

The Wauwatosa Avenue UMC Family Camp week at Pine Lake is July 4 - 10 and OCCUMC is invited. People can call Megan for Information . There is flexible "booking" you can stay all week or just a couple of nights. It is a great week that includes family oriented activities such as a water carnival, a karaoke night, candy game night, a talent show, bible studies, cook-outs, canoeing, fishing, tie dying and more!

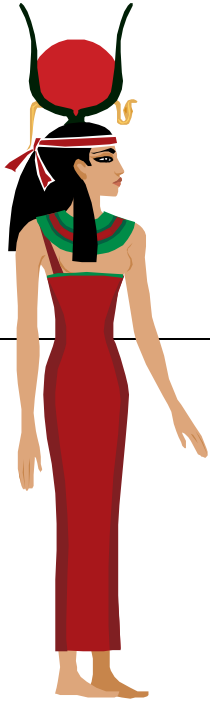


*Q&A about the UMC
will be covered on
Sunday, July 25, 9-10 a.m.
Social Principles
will be covered on
Sunday, August 29, 9-10 a.m.*

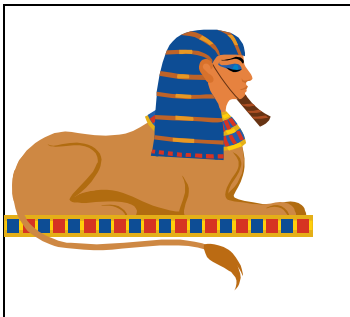
We will gather in the Senior High Sunday School Class downstairs for both classes.



Save the Date - August 9 -11
5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Oak Creek Community United
Methodist Church Invites you
to Journey with us to....



Egypt VBS

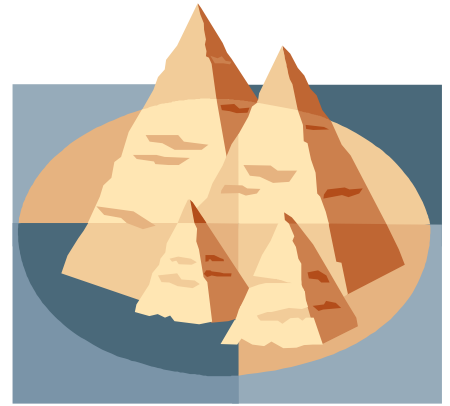


OCCUMC 2010 EGYPT ADVENTURE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
REGISTRATION, MEDICAL/ALLERGY, PERMISSION & FEE FORM

Registration*
Last Name: _____

Attendees: Child's First Name: _____ Age: _____

Adult's First Name: _____



Number of people attending (Check below):

Luncheon on 8/09 @ Noon _____
Dinner @ 5:30 p.m. on 8/10 _____
Dinner @ 5:30 p.m. on 8/11 _____

The Lord is my strength and my might!
Psalm 118:74A

Parent/Guardian of Minor(s) _____ Phone No.(s): _____

Emergency Contact during class (two phone numbers please)

Allergies/Medical Conditions? _____

*As part of this registration, I give my child permission to take part in activities – indoor and outdoor - (i.e., storytelling, skits, rope tug, water games and crafts w/wood, rocks, food, paint, etc).

Photo Consent

As the legal guardian/parent of the above-named child or children, I hereby consent that photos/videos taken at: OCCUMC *Egypt Adventure* Vacation Bible School (8/09, 10 & 11/2010), in which my child is pictured, can be displayed at church or in OCCUMC publications (i.e. Bulletin or Sunday School displays and pamphlets). I understand and trust that these pictures will not be used for any other publicity purpose without my further consent.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sorry, but I prefer that no pictures be taken of my child during this event.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Donation:

\$10 per attendee or \$30 maximum per family. Amount paid: \$_____.



YOUTH CELL PHONE COLLECTION FUNDRAISER

Please Donate Your Used Cell Phones

Dear Members,

Our Sr. and Jr. High Youth are starting this fundraiser to help raise money for their upcoming mission trips. There is an easy way for you to participate and that is by donating your extra inactive cell phones to our drive. Most households have at least a couple extra phones sitting in drawers they no longer use. These phones will be put to good use. The phones will raise much needed funds and 100% of the proceeds will go directly to our youth.



This drive will benefit your family, our youth, and the environment by keeping the harmful materials the **phones contain out of our landfills (lead, arsenic, beryllium, etc...)**. Also below is a Tax Deductible Receipt for your donation.

Just bring your cell phones to church with their batteries. No chargers or accessories are needed. There is a box in the narthex. Please help make our fundraiser a success. Ask friends, family members, neighbors, and co-workers to donate their used cell phones. Every phone helps!

Cut Along Line

Thank you! Your donation of cell phones may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax preparer for information and to calculate value of your donation. Keep this receipt for your tax records. The following information is required by the IRS for tax deductions of \$250 or less.

Date of Donation _____ Donated To _____

of Items Donated _____ Item Description _____

Donor's Name _____ Donation Value \$ _____

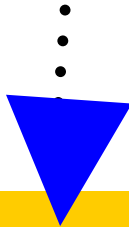
Donor's Address _____

Congratulations

Laura will be graduating in May from Alverno College with a BA in Professional Communication.

Ian will be graduating in May from UWMs Helen Bader School of Social Welfare with a BS in Criminal Justice.

Congratulations to Judy who successfully completed the required orientation/training in order to serve as an Individual Volunteer Missioner.



Please note that the July newsletter will be mailed out at the end of June.

*Stephen's Ministries
Dinner Fundraiser*

Reach Out to help others.

Stephen Ministries will host a dinner fundraiser on a Saturday in July to be determined.

Special Music will be provided by one of our Contemporary Music Groups, Reach Out.

Watch the bulletin for further details.

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Many thanks to everyone for their prayers for my healing after surgery, beautiful cards and words. A special thanks to Pastor Ann who has been with me every step of the way. Laetisha your spaghetti was yummy and a HUGE thanks for the visit with Pastor Ann. I'm healing and I will see everyone soon. God bless each and every one of you.

Chris

Thank you to all who donated food for or volunteered time to serve the women and children at the Cathedral Center homeless shelter in April and May.

Thank you to Richard **who donated \$500 in the name of Josephine to our Jr. Hi's for traveling expenses for their upcoming mission trip.**

Thank you to Todd for doing such a great job on the Preschool signs and also for cleaning the carpets in church.

Thank you to everyone who sent cards and condolences after the death of Leo's mother, Ruth.

Leo & Maryl

Thank you to everyone who contributed health kit and layette supplies for Haiti. Thank you also to Jean , Suzy , and Karen for the donation of sewing machines. The items were all delivered to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center and the total weight was 309 pounds.

Thanks to everyone who made our first Women's Retreat a great success, especially to Pastor Ann, Sanet and Laetitia who planned the retreat and made sure everything ran smoothly. Also, to the hardworking NIA instructor and massage therapist, who kept us all feeling pampered and relaxed and to the staff at Pine Lake who kept us comfortable and well-fed. I can't wait until the next one!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our UMW Salad Luncheon on May 1. There were a great variety of wonderful salads. The responsibilities were divided among the Circles. Tabitha Circle was responsible for Publicity and Ticket Sales. Sarah Circle took care of decorating Doyle Hall around the theme of "Weddings of Yesterday". Abigail Circle were the hostesses for seating and salad presentation. Thank you to David for printing the tickets and program card.

Our entertainment, "Weddings of Yesterday" was a fashion show presented by Goodwill Industries. Thank you to all of you who shared your own wedding photos. These were wonderful memories.

A big thank you to the men who took care of the clean up following the meal. They were: Dave , Norm , Lee , Lowell , John , David , Walt , Pastor Paul, Fred , Gordon and Harold . The ladies appreciate this so much.

June 2010 Birthdays

Kirk	6/1
Ainsley	6/2
Daniel	6/7
Carol	6/9
Andrea	6/9
Carly	6/12
Ginger	6/13
Andy	6/14
Emily	6/14
Lee	6/14
Clark	6/15
Megan	6/15
Tom	6/15
Tyler	6/17
Eric von	6/17
Sarah	6/18
Matthew	6/19
Morgan	6/19
Elizabeth	6/19
Joan	6/20
Shaun	6/21
Dana	6/22
Rebecca	6/23
Sam	6/23
Elijah	6/24
Steve	6/25
Greg	6/25
Kyle	6/26
Jack	6/27



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Baptisms

Congratulations to Michael & Patty on the baptism of their children Kelsey in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 30.

Congratulations!

Kelly had her baby boy on May 1st at 8:01 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds and was 21 inches long. His name is Chance . Big brother is Brandon .

Congratulations to Nick & Ruchelle on the birth of their son, Rocco on May 8, 2010. He weighed 9 lbs 6oz and was 20.5 inches long. Big sister is Brooklynn. Proud grandparents are Kim & Clarence .

Congratulations to Dave & Sara on the birth of their son, Noel Henry on May 4, 2010. Big sister is Addison.



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