



# Gold Canyon United Methodist Church

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## From The Pastor: "Defined by Generosity"

During the first two weeks in February, the Sunday morning messages will focus on the theme, "*Defined by Generosity.*" What defines your life?



Is it wealth? Belongings? Faith? Many of us live with a scarcity mentality, worried that we must gather and hoard as much as possible, saving for some imagined "rainy day". Or, we focus on self-gratification. But the Bible promises both God's blessings

and joy for those who choose to live another way. I urge you to join us in this series as we learn how to live a new way - as people who are defined by generosity and who experience true joy.

During the next couple of weeks you will be receiving a commitment card in the mail. On a practical level, we ask our members to turn in an estimate of giving card

each year so that our Finance Committee is able to set an accurate ministry budget for the coming year. This allows us to make the most of every dollar given to the church.

On a personal level, the commitment card is an opportunity for you to spend time in prayer and reflection, considering what offering you would make to God through our church in the coming year. Please be watching for the mailing; then complete the card and bring it with you to worship on Consecration Sunday, February 14th. If you are unable to attend we invite you to return your commitment card by mail. I hope you will be able to join us for this meaningful series as we celebrate and consecrate our gifts to the ministry of our church for 2010.

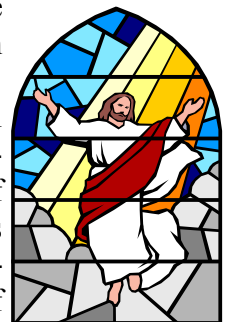
Grace and peace,

*Fred*

### STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

As you know, when the bright sun shines in through the north windows it is difficult to see the screen during hymns, responses and projections. A member couple of Gold Canyon United Methodist Church would like to see the long-planned-for stained glass project on the top of these three windows completed in the near future. The glass for the three windows must be purchased and installed at the same time so that the colors will match. A major concern was that it would block the view of the mountains which is entirely *not* true.

The aforementioned couple, who would like to show their appreciation for our wonderful church family and what it means to them, wishes to anonymously match up to \$75,000 toward the completion of this project (the total remaining cost is approximately \$150,000). If you would like to be part of this project, please mark your contributions "Stained Glass Fund" and drop them into the offering plate any Sunday morning. This would be an improvement in the visibility of the projection on the screen in addition to the beautification of our wonderful church.





## AN ADVENTURE OF FAITH

By Grover Wallace

Next month, on March 1, 2010, we will begin a new stewardship year which will end on February 28, 2011. Prior to the start of the new giving year you will have the opportunity to sign new pledge cards for the “Operating Budget” and the “Building Fund Budget”. The “Operating Budget” covers monthly funds to operate and maintain the beautiful facilities God has provided for the congregation to worship and serve God and our community. Our operating budget also includes staff salaries, music, Sunday school, education, outreach, youth, special education, missions, worship, United Methodist Women, and International Missions programs, along with conference obligations. In addition, the operating budget provides for utilities, repairs, maintenance, supplies, and other expenses to operate and maintain our buildings and grounds to protect our investment and maintain our facilities in a condition that meets the highest health and safety standards.

The “Building Fund” (“An Adventure of Faith”) campaign is a second budget established solely to pay our mortgage loan provided by our lending agent. This means meeting a monthly obligation of about \$30,000 on a specified date each month. As many of you know, falling behind on a mortgage payment leads to a lower credit rating or foreclosure on the property covered by a mortgage. As we all know, continuing poor economic conditions have caused thousands of foreclosures in Phoenix and the surrounding area.

The Finance and Stewardship Committee has established the budget for 2010 based on the amount of money we need to operate and maintain our facilities, serve our congregation, and help the needy through our various programs. Pledges submitted by the congregation provide the committee with information that will determine our capability of meeting our budget requirements. It’s very simple - if we cannot meet the budget as established by our stewardship committee - something has to give.

Our “Building Fund” budget is established based on a fixed commitment we made at the time the bank granted us the mortgage loan. As I mentioned previously, our monthly commitment is approximately \$30,000. However, we hope our pledges for the coming year will be more than our commitment. Donations that exceed our requirement would provide for increased principal payment and allow us to pay off our mortgage early reducing the amount of interest paid over the life of our mortgage.

*But just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in the grace of giving.*

2 Corinthians 8:7 (NIV)

*For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.*

2 Corinthians 8:12 (NIV)

*Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)

*Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord your God has blessed you.*

Deuteronomy 16:17 (NIV)

In his letters to the church of Corinth, Paul talked about giving to the church willingly and from the heart, not under pressure or reluctantly, but to give the amount you can afford under your current financial situation.

In Deuteronomy, Moses tells us that our gift should be in proportion to blessings we have received from God. In other words, there should be equality in giving based on our current economic situation.

In today’s poor economic conditions, some in our congregation may not be in a financial position to pledge the same amount that they have in past years. In fact, some may not be in a position to submit a pledge, but give according to their financial position at a given time during the year. Or they may not be in a position to contribute financially at anytime during the giving year, but many persons in our congregation continue to give of their time, talents, and efforts even though they cannot contribute financially.

Hopefully, and with God’s blessing, our pledges and other budgeted income predictions will meet our operating and building fund budget requirements.

**May God bless you and yours for your giving and support of our Church.**

During the month of December, 2009, the congregation contributed \$39,788, which brings our total contributions for the first 10 months of our giving year to \$306,181. The average monthly contribution for the first 10 months was \$30,618. If the current giving average continues through February, 2010, our total for the year will be approximately \$367,416. That is about \$25,000 more than our committed obligation for the year, but not enough to allow for one extra mortgage payment. Based on the above estimates, we will reach about 74% of our goal for the 2009 giving year.

*Let no debt remain outstanding except the continuing debt to love one another...*

Romans 13:8 (NIV)

P.S. We extend a warm welcome not only to our current congregation members, but also to their families and friends and to former members of our congregation.

No matter where you live now or how infrequently you attend services, many of you probably have your religious roots here or regard this congregation as your religious home. If you are not making regular donations, we hope that you will consider contributing to the support of our congregation. Your donations now and throughout the year are needed and greatly appreciated.

**Consider electronic giving.** The church offers a convenient electronic giving option that allows donations to be made on a scheduled, automatic basis. We highly recommend this method of giving for visitors, members and others who wish to support the church on an ongoing basis. Authorization forms are available in the church office.

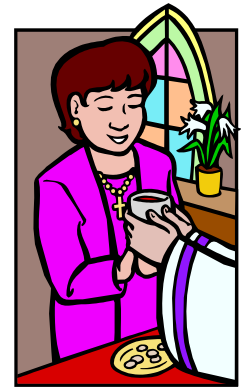


Please continue to recharge and use your Bashas' Community Support Cards and Fry's Gift Cards while shopping at these grocery chains. It doesn't cost you anything extra to use them (you still get the sale prices) and it benefits the church bus fund. See me at the Information Desk or go to the office during the week if you need a card.

Betty Rolley

**Please welcome the following new members who joined the congregation on January 17th:**

- Joe & Eunice Kincaid
- Bob & Delna Mulhair
- Carmen Nordell
- Joyce Page
- Bob Parke
- Stewart & Mary Lou Peden
- Charles & Audrey Whittier
- Mid & Noreen Carlozzi
- Carl & Gloria Charette
- Nellie DePoy
- David & Lucy Kidwell
- Vern & Jayne Rolf
- Carolyn Wozniak



*Don't forget your Valentine on Feb. 14th!*

**DONATIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

December	2007		2008		2009		2008	2009
	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Worship All	Worship All
<b>1st</b>	\$23834	\$13759	\$27843	\$14060	\$22752	\$10921	1327	1198
<b>2nd</b>	20412	20124	20790	8413	24106	10412	1367	1264
<b>3rd</b>	19489	6344	19410	8734	15482	5212	1369	1277
<b>4th</b>	21678	9705	30509	25667	27886	13243	1165	1147
<b>5th</b>	18472	18300	—	—	—	—		
<b>Total</b>	103885	68232	98553	56874	90226	39788	5228	4886



## Christian Education...

With "Coach" Ellis Falk

*"Our mission is to bring the love of Christ and His teachings to learners of all ages on their spiritual journey, that they be transformed and thus positively affect our local and global communities."*

This month we will begin Confirmation classes. Youth will learn about the meaning of church membership, how to grow in discipleship and gain an understanding of the doctrines and "Articles of Faith" in the Methodist church. This study and learning will center around the following: The images of God as expressed in the Old Testament, Who is Jesus? His life, times and message, The early church and the reformation period, John Wesley - The founder of Methodism, the United Methodist Church, A brief history, and a quick review of other denominations and World Religions. The class is open to all students who have reached the sixth grade and would like to join the church. Materials will be provided and there will be plenty of time for discussion and questions. We look forward to the youth who complete the class joining the church on Sunday, May 23rd. Please contact me at the church office if you would like to be a part of this confirmation class.

During Lenten Season, which begins this month, the Christian Education Department will hold a five week Lenten Series. Each Thursday starting Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> thru March 25<sup>th</sup> in the Koinonia Room, there will be a soup and bread meal followed by a Lenten devotional which will be given by Rev. Fay Quansstrom. The overall theme for this Lenten Series is: "You are God's Garden". Rev. Fay will consider how God prepares, plants, cultivates, prunes and produces fruit in our lives. I hope you will plan now to be a part of this special Lenten series. The soup meal, prepared by Collette Bos, will begin at 5:30 pm followed by the Devotional Service. Those who attended last year were blessed and had a growth in faith experience. Plan now to attend these faith expanding sessions.

Also, this Lenten period the Church will be open from 6:00 am to 9:00 am on select mornings for personal prayer. These special mornings will be announced in the Sunday bulletin. There will be no music or speaking during this period. This will be a time of personal prayer and soul enrichment. During Holy Week, the church will be open every morning (Mon. -Thur.) from 6:00 am to 9:00 am for a time of personal prayer and spiritual devotion. I hope you will take advantage of these Lenten activities and renew your faith and devotion at this wonderful time of the year.

The Christian Education Team would like to develop a team teaching concept for the children's Sunday School. classes. This of course means that we need people who would be

willing to help teach, lead Bible games and memorization and special crafts. We are also in need of a piano player and someone to lead singing for the children. If you would be willing to help, please contact Joan Siersma, one of the teachers or myself.



### FIVE FINGER PRAYER

1. Your thumb is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, "a sweet duty".
2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president no matter how you voted, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. And lastly comes our little finger - the smallest finger of all, which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.



# Youth Ministries

With Heather Rodenberg

Sunday School 9:30 am in the Education Building  
Youth Fellowship 6:30 pm Sundays in the Education Building

## Primera Iglesia Outreach



On February 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm we will be meeting at the church and heading to Primera Iglesia. This is the church where Rev. Rosemary Anderson is currently serving. The church is located in Phoenix at 701 S First Street. We will be providing clothing, games for children, and a spaghetti meal to those homeless and families in the area. Feel free to join us and bring some joy to the area.



**Movie:** To Save a Life (releases Jan. 22)

**Genre:** Drama

**Rating:** PG-13 (for mature thematic elements involving teen suicide, teen drinking, some drug content, disturbing images and sexuality)

**Synopsis:** When childhood friends Jake and Roger drift apart in high school, Roger can't take the loneliness and pain, so he kills himself. Jake, wracked with guilt, searches for redemption and answers, even as his world spins out of control. In a youth group, he finds help and a new set of friends.

**Discussion Questions:** Think about your longest-lasting friendship: What has kept it going? Why do some friends drift apart? Is it okay to let some friendships grow cold? Why or why not? Read aloud John 15:9-17. What's important for a strong friendship? Do you need to reconnect or reconcile with anyone? Explain.

We will be attending this movie together as a youth group this month. More information to come.



The Boy Scouts of America will celebrate their 100th anniversary February 10, 2010 across the nation. Our Scout Troop 640 will celebrate Scout Sunday on Sunday, February 21, 2010 at the 9:30 am service.

All former Scouts and Scouters will be recognized and Scouts will serve as liturgists, acolytes, ushers and Scouting families will serve as greeters.

We will recognize our Eagle Scouts: Jonathan Sheridan, Jimmy Olson, Sean Sheridan and Eagle candidate Nathaniel Gingrich.

The Troop will also receive the Shepherd Church Charter Recognition award from the General Commission of the United Methodist Men.

Special displays will be scattered around the church narthex and hallways.

Plan now to join in this historic event.

Yours in Scouting,

Michael Sheridan, Troop Committee Chairman, John LaViolette, Troop Charter Organization Representative, Dr. Brad Bryant, Scoutmaster, Monty Gingrich, Assistant Scoutmaster, Carter Olson, Assistant Scoutmaster, Clarence Penninger, Committeeman and Arlaine Bryant, Committeewoman



## W.O.W. Corner

**W.O.W.** team members are gearing up for events on the schedule for the next few months ~ wouldn't YOU like to join in the fun and fellowship of the **W.O.W.** team? Give Ron Walker a call at 480-671-3881 if you'd like to participate.

The GCUMC Concert Series is under way and **W.O.W.** team members love greeting attendees. The next concert is February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

On Sunday February 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a Houser Concert and the **W.O.W.** team will be dressed in western garb to greet attendees. So dig out your boots, jeans and hats and come help us welcome those who come to enjoy this wonderful talent.

Palm Sunday is March 28<sup>th</sup> and we'll be participating in the services that day wearing robes and carrying palm fronds to celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> we will be serving a continental breakfast after the Sunrise Service. Information on how you can help will be in the March *RoadRunner*.

Then, on April 10<sup>th</sup> **SPRING FLING** will make a return engagement with entertainment for young and old. Plans are underway and your suggestions are encouraged and welcome.

We have a lot of fun and would love to have you join us ~ call Ron or simply attend the next meeting on February 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Education Building. See you there!

### Commemorative Mugs!!!!

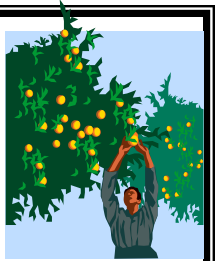


Wouldn't you like to enjoy your morning coffee or tea or perhaps hot chocolate in an attractive Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Commemorative Mug? Stop by the Information Desk or the office and pick one up for only \$5.00 each.

Your **W.O.W.** team designed the mugs and proceeds will be used to support their outreach mission.

The **W.O.W.** Committee wants to give a special thank you to Jean Stolsmark for her generous donation for Christmas lights in memory of her late husband, Richard Stolsmark. Her generosity helped create a beautiful atmosphere for our Christmas celebrations

Volunteers are needed to help pick citrus for the United Food Bank every Friday morning through the month of March. Meet at the church at 8:30 am if you would like to car-pool. If you have any questions, please call Terry Parsons at 480-982-6578.



### Guess who is turning a half century old?!

We are having a celebration of Pastor Fred's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm in the Education Building

It will be an Italian Potluck Dinner.

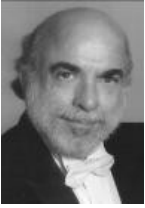
\*PLEASE RSVP the church office at 982-3776 by February 15<sup>th</sup> to let us know if you will attend. We need to know how many chairs and tables to set up.

Please bring according to the guide below:

- A – H lasagna or a pasta dish
- I – R tossed salads or garlic bread
- S – Z Dessert

**NO GIFTS PLEASE!**





## Music Notes

February is here, and love is in the air! I think it is very fitting to have Valentine's Day, named after Saint Valentine, fall on a Sunday so that we may express our great love for God, His son, our Christ, and His church! Indeed, love is in the air!

Many of you have commented to me and to members of the Chancel Choir your appreciation of Dan Forrest's fantastic arrangement of **The First Noel** sung for both the Christmas Concert and the Christmas Eve Services. I failed to mention that this anthem was donated to us by **Judy Hanshaw** in memory of her husband Marvin. Thank you so much, Judy for your great gift!

If you have ever thought about singing (and I know many of you have, as you have told me so!), please know we always have room in our choir for you! All you have to do is be able to read music (at least a little), sing on pitch and love the Lord. I'll take care of everything else. **Chancel Choir** (high school/adult) meets on Thursdays at 6:45 pm in the Music Room. Also, if you are an experienced handbell ringer, we need you! **Chancel Ringers** rehearse on Tues. at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. **Angel Choir (grades 4-8)** meets in the Koinonia Room (Ed. Bldg) on Wed. at 5:30 pm, and the **Youth Handbell Team (high school)** meets in the Music Room on Wed. at 7:00 pm. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please let me know.

We have several opportunities to experience some great music this month. The **Gold Canyon Arts Council Canyon Sounds** is presenting **Harp Fusion** again on **Friday, February 5th at 7:30 pm** in our Sanctuary. Many of you remember how fantastic they were – 16 harps all playing together! If that's not heavenly, I don't know what is! **Friday, February 26th, at 7:30 pm** they present **Irish Times**, which should be some great fun! Watch for discount coupons for these two programs in the worship bulletin on the Sunday before each event.

By popular demand, we are once again renting **Organ Stop Pizza** for a special lunch for our church members and friends on **Wednesday, February 24th, at 11:00 am**. Featured will be the largest theater organ in a public place in the world, **The Mighty Wurlitzer 4/78**, with over 5000 pipes, played by our good friend, **Lew Williams**, who has played for us both in concert and at our Celebration of Veterans programs. The special price for this luncheon is \$7.25 (paid at the door) which includes the music, pizza buffet (the pizza is great!), prepared salad and tax. Drinks are additional. Doors will open at 10:45 am. Featured organist, Lew Williams is one of the – if not THE – finest theater organists in the world and regularly travels around the U.S., Europe, and Australia playing both classical as well as theater organs.

The food is great, the music is great and the price is great! Sign up sheets are in the Narthex of the Sanctuary and the back of the Education Building. Seating is limited to the first 350 people and last year we nearly maxed out, so sign up early. Those who live in Gold Canyon can meet at the church to carpool, and we

will take the bus. Otherwise, just meet at Organ Stop Pizza for some great food, fellowship and music. When you get there, be sure to walk around the outside to the front of the building and look at the humongous 32' Contra Diaphone (one of only a few in the world!) and 32' Tuba located in the very front chamber! Also look at the Blower Room. This organ takes a LOT of wind! Organ Stop Pizza is located just west of the Walgreens on the southwest corner of Stapley and Southern, north of Hwy 60.

Our **Performing Arts Series** is presenting the outstanding voice of our own **Don Engbrecht and Friends** on **Friday, February 12th at 7:30 pm** in the Sanctuary. You will remember he has the incredible voice that sings "The Birthday of a King" for our Choral Christmas Concert, with a voice reminiscent of Ezio Pinza from "South Pacific". Featured music will include your favorites from Broadway, Gospel Hymns and the old standards. Don will be joined by new members of our church, and our choir, **Wade & Cynthia Hoff**. Cindy sang "Ave Maria" at our Choral Christmas Concert this year and several times for offertories with Wade. Truly outstanding voices in an evening of great music!

**Sunday, February 21st at 3:00 pm** we host the incredible **Kat Trio** from Ekaterinburg, Russia. You will remember them from last spring when they played during our worship services. They were sooo popular, I booked them for this concert the very next day! The trio was founded in 1998 by **Victoria and Vladislav Gorbich** (violin and clarinet respectively) and **Vasil Galiulin** (piano), all graduates of the Ural State Conservatory. They took their first tour to the USA in 2000, which was a major success, and they returned as often as possible to play their unique arrangements for appreciative American audiences. Vikki and Vlad have been working on their doctorates at Arizona State University and have now joined forces with pianist **Mauricio Arias** from Bogota, Colombia. All three are incredible musicians on their own, but together, they are truly outstanding! This is one concert you don't want to miss!

Finally, on **Sunday, February 28th at 5:00 pm**, in the Sanctuary, we present **The Housers in Concert**. Always lively, always fun, always a great program. Last year we had over 800 people, so come early to get good seats! Sanctuary will open at 4:15 pm.

All of our Performing Arts concerts are free (we will accept a free will offering) and open to the public. We do ask that everyone please bring a non-perishable food item per person for the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank. These programs are an excellent way to introduce your family, friends and neighbors to our church!

Don't forget to give your *special person* a hug and a kiss on February 14th, Arizona Statehood Day! (Oh, and Valentine's Day also!)

Blessings,

Douglas J. Benton

Director of Music Ministries

## WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY



*By Hu & Wendy Rhymes, with a little help from Hattie, Muffin (& Sadie, too)*

**ATTENTION: If you want to contact the Rhymes and you don't have our CELL number, please contact the church office. CALL US, please, with immediate needs, as we don't check our e-mail every day.**

### SADIE RHYMES MEMORIAL



Please keep the Pet Food coming. There are lots of "bow wows" and "meows" of thank you from our grateful furry friends and their owners. A big thank you to Bruce for his gracious monetary gift for the pets in lieu of Christmas gifts for his family

Love, Hu, Wendy, Hattie, Muffin and Sadie too!!!

### THANK YOU

We want to THANK so many of you for your gifts of money, gift cards, baked goodies, other gifts and your PRAYERS for our continuing ministry.

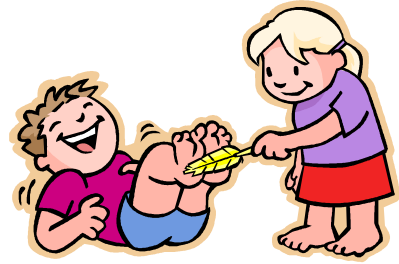
**Sympathies:** Mary Bart, upon the death of her son; Betty Bicking, upon the death of her husband, Lester; Carol & David Ballard, upon the death of Carol's father, Harry Hawman; Harvey Cutler, upon the death of his son, Steve; Jerri French, upon the death of her husband, Fred; The family of Charlie Hendrick, upon his death; Paul Lambeth, upon the death of his wife, Helen; Cecilia O'Brien, upon the death of her mother, Cecilia Locerenzo; Kay Poepplemeier, upon the death of her husband; Gloria Powell, upon the death of her sister, Nelda Coffman; Marvin Richter, upon the death of his wife, Jean; and the families & friends of the above.

**Concerns and/or Continued Prayers:** Jennifer Adams, Eddie Aguirre, Janice Anderson, Marie AuBuchon, Patti Baker, Nancy Binting, Cathy Bird, Goldie Boleyn, Alicia Boland, Alex Bonderook, Jill Brewer, Barbara Brownfield, Trudy Carpenter, Rob Colby (Beth Steinberg's brother), Margaret Colmer, David Connell, Chris, Kristan, & baby Connor, Eileen Cook, Lorrene Davis, Darrell Dinges, Marietta Doan, Juanita Elms, Catherine Fallon, Ed Favia, (injured in Iraq), Danna Gharavi, Irene Graham, Judy Hjartarson, Michael Hamerski, Verna Hamilton, Audrey Harrington, Dennis Horn, Neil Houtcooper, Bill Howell, Judy Humbert, Donna Hurley, Tina Ingram, Noel Jones (Linda & Morgan Jones' grandson), Chuck Jungman, Jonathan Knowls, Linda Kurzwall, Cheryl Lang, Bob Lyngen, Marge Marick, Art May, Carolyn McGlynn, Bruce Mercer, Don Michael (Mickie Holcolm's brother), Marny Miller, Billie Nolton, Virgil Petersen, Nancy Plakos (Pete & Shirley Plakos' daughter-in-law), Lois Poteet (Barb Oldham's sister), Darin Purcell, Laurie Reiter, Lynn Revis, Debbie Rowland, Debbie Rycraft (John & Dixie

Coules' daughter), Ann Santos, Patty Scaggs, Annaliese Skousen, Maxine Slagle, Linwood Slayton, Bill Smith, Nancy Smith (Robert Baker's daughter), Carol Somerville (Mary Catherine Myers' sister-in-law), Donella Sparks, Bill Spates, Randy Stevens, Truman Strand, Gene Thomas, Judy Tippet (Joyce Kerkstra's sister), Mattie Tlusty (Bonnie & Arne's great granddaughter), Nancy Trout, Charlene Van Slooten, Ray Villeneuve, Sherri Walker, MJ Warchol, Larry Whitacre, Steven Will, Tyler Williams, Bev Wilson (Kris Laux's cousin), Paula Wirth, Karen Yurchak and PRAYERS for the families (CAREGIVERS) of the above. PRAYERS for requests in the "CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER" boxes & UNSPOKEN REQUESTS. Also, those FOOD BANK CLIENTS who have requested prayer. PRAYERS for our MILITARY personnel and their families & those who are in NEED OF EMPLOYMENT.

**Still in Need of Prayers:** Charlie & Joan Acker, Florence Allen, Janice & Andy Anderson, Dick & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Dorothy & Joey Baker, Bob & Ruth Bennett, Jan Berry (Myra & John Berry's daughter-in-law), Dr. Brad & Arlaine Bryant, Jenny & Bob Burgi, Terry & Ruth Burris, Jim & Carolyn Burt, Bob Carpenter, Bob Carter & family, Eleanor Chesney, Bill & Joyce Curtis, Rev. Bob & June Deits, Chuck Dickinson, Joyce & Paul Fillion, Hap & Elaine Finck, Ted & Joy Fite, Jerri French, David & Ardeena Gillette, Ross & Arline Hacker, Viola Hammond (Don Hammond's Mom), Rich & Sheila Haralson, Rita Hawkins, Beth Hayes (Jeff Hayes' mother),

Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes' Mom), Ro & Dick Heinauer (Diane Heinauer's parents-in-law), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Steve & Peggy Kinder, Paul & Polly Knowlton, Roxie & Gene Kruschek, Jane Lambert, Thelma Lang (Pete 'n Kay Johnson's mother), Carol & Bill Lindemann, Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Michael & Susan Malloy, Shirley & Brent Matzke, Bryan McCann (Jeanette Linstead's son), Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, David Christopher Mitchell (Afghanistan), Mary Moore, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore's Mom), Jerry & Addie Muratore, Eileen & George Petticrew (Keith Petticrew's parents), Lorraine & Victor Phillips, Betty Preston, Calvin & Sylvia Quinn, Marvin Richter, Joanne Rogers, Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Rick & Sue Sutter, Bill & Bobbie Talbot, Carl & Helen Thacker, (Jerry Thacker's parents), Kenneth Thacker (Jerry Thacker's uncle), Ken & Lorraine Tippie (Jerry & Peggy Tippie's son & daughter-in-law), Lillian Thomas (Bill & Mary Thomas' mother), Bev & Jim Toppin, Marven & Wanda Tufte, Jim & Charlene Van Slooten, Ray and Nancy Villeneuve, Les & Mary Gay Wenger (Diane Heinauer's parents), LeRoy & Dorothy Wolter, Dot Zelezic, Helen Zimmerman & son, Dane, and the families of the above.



**“LAUGH A LITTLE” with Hu**

YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GROW OLD, YOU GROW OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING!

**ONE MORE FOR YOU GOLFERS**

A clergyman took a well-earned holiday and decided to go to one of those large golf resorts where Arnold Palmer often played.

As the minister approached the most difficult hole on the course, the caddie said, “When Arnold Palmer plays this hole, he uses a three iron and says a prayer.”

“I'll certainly give it a try,” the preacher remarked. But when the ball landed in the water, he said, “I guess the Lord didn't hear me.”

“He probably did hear you,” the caddie said, “but when Arnold Palmer says his prayers, he keeps his head down.”

**PRAYER FOR SAFETY**

A nearsighted minister glanced at the note that Mrs. Jones had sent to him by an usher. The note read, “Bill Jones, having gone to sea, his wife desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety.”

Failing to note the punctuation, the minister startled his audience by announcing, “Bill Jones, having gone to see his wife, desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety.”

**DESIGNATED GIFTS FROM  
MEMORIAL/FUNERAL SERVICES**

Harry Hawman (Carol Ballard's father)  
Hospice of the Valley  
1510 E Flower St  
Phoenix, AZ 85014-5656  
Or hov.org



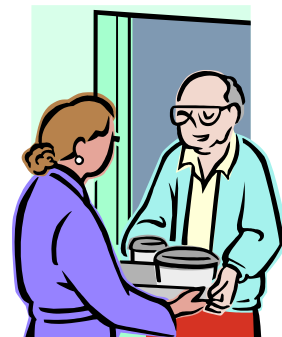
Fred French  
GCUMC

Following are a couple of beautiful letters the church has received about our irreplaceable Hu & Wendy, and the extraordinary fellowship of our staff and congregation.

*Dear Friends at GCUMC,  
When we joined the church five years ago, Arlaine said “This is the way a church ought to be!”  
Boy, is that the truth! With four hospitalizations in ten months, visits by Pastor Fred, Ellis, Bob and June, and of course, Hu and Wendy, as well as receiving a prayer shawl, were all very encouraging and comforting. Communion at home and weekly prayers at services were also appreciated.  
The many cards and letters and visits by other members of the church and then delivery of meals at home, coordinated by Jane Hayes, were a life saver and delicious fare.  
Wow! We are deeply grateful for all of your support.  
Dr. Brad and Arlaine Bryant*

*Dear Friends,  
Special thanks to Hu & Wendy for their visit and thanks to Mr. Wallace for arranging to have communion brought to us. Jack & Jan Hegna were lovely people. So many thanks to all of them - it helps us feel connected to church.*

*Ruth and Bob Bennett*





Laurie Christy will be glad to meet with anyone who contacts her by phone at 480-671-5768 or by email at [Lchristy20@yahoo.com](mailto:Lchristy20@yahoo.com) when needed. The group meets

every Wednesday at 4:00 pm in the Education Building.

### Cancer Support Group

.....meets each Wednesday at 10:00 am in Room 101-102. This active group provides spiritual support, love, friendship and a helping hand to cancer patients, caregivers and their families. For further information, contact Tom or Dee Ashe at 480-924-5483 or 480-650-6765 (cell) or by email at [dee.ashe@yahoo.com](mailto:dee.ashe@yahoo.com)



The following article is from the book "Daily Guideposts 2010".

An old friend called the other day to ask how I was doing. We had been classmates in junior high more than thirty years before, and she had heard I was having a rough time.

"I know how tough this is, Jon," she said. "I went through the same thing a few years ago."

She asked if I was still praying, reading the Bible and going to church, despite my troubles. I was, I said, but I had to admit that it was only sometimes, that at other times my pain and the doubts it produced had gotten in the way.

"Stick with it, Jon," she said. "By doing just those little things, you show God that you're faithful even when you don't fully understand."

Some of God's truths are so simple that they escape my attention most of the time. The Swiss theologian Karl Barth once said that his decades of writing massive volumes of theology could be summed up in the words of a song: "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

The Letter to the Hebrews (10:35 NSRV) says, "Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward." By following my friend's advice, I've found that my confidence in God and God's promises need not ebb and flow with every question or doubt that enters my mind. I have plenty of questions these days; they come and they go. But I remain confident and full of hope that someday they will all be answered.

—Jon Sweeney

### MIND MENDERS SUPPORT GROUP

...meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday each month at 10:00 am in the Education Building. Mind Menders is a support group for caregivers of Alzheimers and other dementia disease patients. Come join us. *Contact Jeanette Lunstead at 480-671-9888 or the church office for more information.*



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY®**

I receive calls nearly every day from people in desperate need. One thing that strikes me is how people deal with loss. Some choose to recoil inside and keep others out. Others allow friends inside to help and encourage. But there is yet another way people deal with tragedy. Some choose to use their tragedy to grow and actually help someone else.

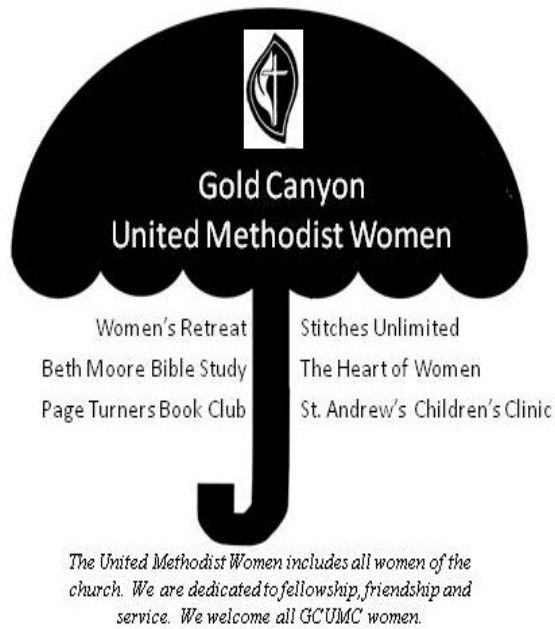
David P. Gallagher, in  
*Healing Takes Time*

### DEATH FOR SURE

A person who is terminally ill, along with those with whom he or she is close, may react to the coming demise with denial, with anger, with attempts to bargain, may suffer depression, or may come to accept the unpleasant reality of the situation. All of these reactions are normal.

A Stephen Minister is trained not to stop or try to cure these responses, but to help and comfort the one or ones suffering deal with them in a distinctly Christian fashion. Stephen Ministers can talk, they always listen very well, they can cry, they can hold your hand while you cry, they can pray and help you pray, they can play cards, they can read scripture aloud, they can pour cool water, they will always let God in to cure. Above all, they will encourage the terminally ill person to share his or her real fears, hurt, sadness and frustrations which are born in response to approaching death.

Please call us for help if you are terminally ill or if you are close to or related to someone who is.



**WE ARE A FAMILY IN NEED OF SUPPORT**

What does family mean to you? We all experience family in different ways. I have my primary family at home. And then I have my church family. Whenever life gets in the way, and it inevitably does, I have an umbrella over me. I have found that, of course, my primary family would be there to give me all kinds of support, including emotional support; but my church family at GCUMC and, especially the family of women I belong to called United Methodist Women, would be there for me, too, without hesitation. Do you have an umbrella over you?

The current United Methodist Women's Leadership team has shown tremendous support and dedication to GCUMC. Several of us have been together, served and supported both UMW and one another for years - this is a large part of my church family.

United Methodist Women serve many families all over the world throughout their ups and downs of life and through their work of serving God and serving families like yours. GCUMW wants to continue to stay connected to our GCUMC church family, and with your help we can do that. We are looking for new leaders to come in to the organization to learn a new office and to help plan an exciting 2010. Whether you have been associated with United Methodist Women before or not, you are welcome into our extended family. Please contact me if you would like to serve with this family who does so much in missions not only for GCUMC but around the world.

Gold Canyon United Methodist Women  
President  
Diana Linton

**ST. ANDREW'S CHILDREN'S CLINIC**

**WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN**

Spring is just around the corner and that means our March 4, 2010 trip is being planned.

We invite you to join us to see first hand the work of this Clinic that provides medical treatment for disabled children.

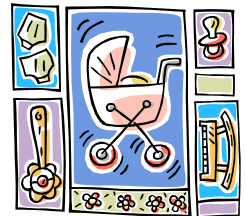
The Clinic is held the first Thursday of each month (except July), and treats 200-300 children each Clinic day. Our church visits the first Thursday in October and March.

If you would like to be a part of the March caravan, we welcome you. Sign up sheets are posted in both buildings.

Supplies are now being collected. **Items for the toiletry kits include: combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos, etc.** Now is the time to bring all those items from your travels.

**Their needs as of January, 2010 are:**

- Diapers (any size)**
- Wipes**
- Pediasure**
- Blenders**
- Hearing aids (working or not)**
- Chewable children's vitamins**



Any questions contact:

- Alyce Ancell 480-983-2510
- Gail Crawford 480-671-3697
- Phyllis Gray 480-671-1551

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A Message from the Wesley Center:

Thank you to all who contribute to our Campbell's Education Project. We are planning to "purchase" an area rug for the Wesley Center. It will make a nice reading corner area.

**BUT**

we are still receiving many of the front labels only. They are no longer accepted by Campbell. It is very disheartening for us to throw away as many as a thousand front labels in a single cutting session. It is necessary to send the portion of the label that includes the UPC code with the Point Value. When in doubt, send the entire back and front label.

Again, thank you to all who send the UPC codes from most of the products and the lids from V8 juices.



## International Missions

*"The world is my parish." – John Wesley*

With the New Year comes the promise of change, of potential, of opportunity! And on that note, the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church International Missions Committee would like to wish you the best in 2010!

The committee remains committed to working for the spread of the Christian message throughout the entire world in the coming year and asks for your continued support and encouragement in our work. As we noted in the December Newsletter, "As United Methodists, the stated purpose in our mission statement is, 'to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.'" We clearly have a responsibility to help the people of the world. With this purpose in mind, the International Missions Committee is moving forward in the New Year, anxious to fulfill our commitment.

We are happy to announce our second annual "People around the World" International Dinner, which will be held on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm in the Koinonia Room at GCUMC. The evening's events include a \$5 spaghetti dinner, a silent auction, and updates from the current international activities that our church is involved in. These projects are: the work trip in January, 2010, to Iquique, Chile; the "After the Wave" Program in Thailand for orphans of the 2005 tsunami; on-going financial support for the Wangshi Christian Church in Haicheng, China; and the Green Parrot Coffee sales for the Fellow Man International

Program. At the close of the evening the participants involved in each mission will be available for questions and discussion. Proceeds from the evening will be used to continue funding and supporting these very important global missions in the coming year. Please mark your calendars!

Remember, too, that Green Parrot Coffee will be available for purchase between Sunday morning services in the refreshments area. In addition, we will have gift contribution cards with which you can make a donation to any and all of our international missions in the name of a family member or friend. Beginning Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, tickets for the "People around the World" International Dinner will be on sale there as well.

Don't miss this opportunity to serve people around the world and to involve friends and family in these very important and valuable Christian efforts.

If you would like more information on any of the above outreach projects, or if you would like to become a member of the international missions team, please contact Jackie Douglass ([jackied.coaz@gmail.com](mailto:jackied.coaz@gmail.com)), Nona Larson ([enonal@msn.com](mailto:enonal@msn.com)), John Paddison ([johnpaddison@yahoo.com](mailto:johnpaddison@yahoo.com)), or Jean Paddison ([azjean@yahoo.com](mailto:azjean@yahoo.com)).

*"...We will strive to be a church that serves our community and the world, realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life Christ brings to all people."*

### Current UMCOR Emergencies

To donate to UMCOR on behalf of the following emergency, please write your check to GCUMC and write "UMCOR Advance ##### (fill in the appropriate number)" on the memo line. 100% of your donation will go to those affected by the emergency.

#### **Haiti Emergency**

International Disaster Response  
UMCOR Advance #418325

For more ways to help, or to donate online, go to:  
<http://new.gb-gm-umc.org/mcor/>



# Healthy Living

By Monica Ortega-Watters, RN

## February Means Heart Disease Awareness!

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. The month of February is dedicated to raising awareness about heart disease and increasing knowledge about prevention. Educate yourself on the dangers of heart disease and get on track to better heart health!

The heart is the human body's hardest working organ. Throughout life it continuously pumps blood enriched with oxygen and vital nutrients through a network of arteries to all parts of the body's tissues. Over 13 million Americans have had angina, a heart attack, or both. Each year, an estimated 1.2 million people will experience a serious heart event. About 25% of all Americans have one or more risk factors for heart disease. Most risk factors for heart disease are related to lifestyle and environmental factors.

## Guidelines for Preventing Heart Disease

**Improve Cholesterol:** People with at least two risk factors and a 10-year risk for heart disease of more than 20% should aim for LDL levels of less than 100 mg/dl.

**Keep Blood Pressure Low:** People in normal health should have a blood pressure reading of 120/80 mm Hg or less. According to the latest guidelines, blood pressure readings of 120/80 are considered normal, readings of 140/90 or higher indicate hypertension, and readings in between the two are called pre-hypertension. Patients with diabetes or chronic kidney disease should maintain blood pressure readings of 130/80 mm Hg or less, while others should be no higher than 140/90 mm Hg.

**Exercise:** Everyone in normal health should engage in at least moderate physical activity for a minimum of 30 minutes 3 – 4 days of the week.

**Healthy Diet:** Everyone should aim for a diet that contains a healthy balance of fruits, vegetables, grains, fish, nuts, legumes, poultry, lean meat, and low-fat dairy items. Avoid saturated fats and trans-fatty acids.

**Quit Smoking:** Also avoid exposure to secondhand smoke.

**Control Diabetes:** People with diabetes should aim for fasting blood glucose levels of less than 110 mg/dl and hemoglobin A1C or less than 7%.

The approach for managing any degree of coronary artery disease involves lifestyle changes. Depending on severity and individual conditions, patients may need one or more medications, surgery, or both.



## UPDATE ON HAITI EARTHQUAKE

The following communication was received from our Conference following the earthquake in Haiti:

We are saddened to hear of the death of Rev. Clinton Rabb and Rev. Sam Dixon. Rev. Rabb was head of the Mission Volunteers of the General Board of Global Ministries and Rev. Dixon was the executive in charge of UMCOR. Although it was originally reported that all survived, the two men died as a result of the earthquake that struck while they were attending meetings to improve health services in Haiti. Also attending the meetings was Rev. James Gulley who has survived the earthquake. Please be in prayer for Rev. Rabb's and Rev. Dixon's family and friends as well as all persons touched by the ministries of these two men.



## UMCOR ADVANCE FOR HAITI

To donate online: <http://secure.gb-gm-umc.org/donations/umcor/donate.cfm?code=418325&id=3018760>

## Through Your United Methodist Church:

Make your check payable to your local church. Write the name of the ministry and The Advance code number on the check. Drop your gift in any United Methodist church offering plate or give your gift to your church treasurer, so that your church and annual conference will get Advance credit.

### By Mail:

Make your check payable to ADVANCE GCFA. Write the name of the ministry and The Advance code number on the check. Send your check to:

Advance GCFA  
P.O. Box 9068, GPO  
New York, NY 10087-9068

### By Phone:

Credit card gifts can be accepted by phone. The telephone number is:

**(888) 252-6174**

### Our Guarantee

100% of your gift will go to the ministry you choose. No exceptions.

# February Birthdays

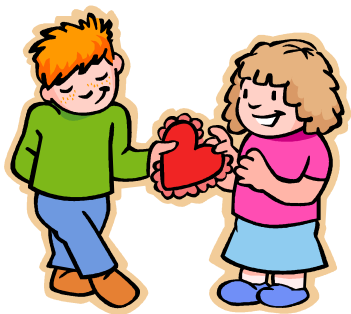


David Austin	1	Roger Coad	8	Val Richter	14	Robert Bennett	21
Terry Burris	1	Darlene Huffman	8	Judy Schmidt	14	Laurie Christy	21
Scott Johnson	1	Amira Mogharbel	8	Anne McGinness	15	Raymond Heyse	21
Collette McNamee	1	Megan Pappalardo	8	Jim Atkinson	16	Steve Holec	21
Leslie Anzelmo	3	Bill Lindemann	9	Thomas Brannan	16	Bill Yoder	21
Colleen Hoerter	3	Don Miller	9	Trudy Carpenter	16	Lyle Aasheim	22
Richard Hoffman	3	Marilyn Peterson	9	Harrison Hughes	16	William Atkinson	22
Sharon Pittman	3	Sam Clawson	10	Bob Russell	16	Martha Burkinshaw	22
Marlene Barton	4	Herb Gallart	10	Ada Adams	17	Frank Grannis Jr.	22
Nancy Jonovich	4	Louise Hays	10	Sheila Haraldson	17	Margaret Ball	23
Marilyn Jungman	4	Georgia Richardson	10	Susan Malloy	17	Brett Houser	23
Anne Pedigo	4	Amanda Wolfskill	10	Bert Mercer	17	Marvin Richter	24
Virginia Carr	5	Katelyn Crane	11	Adie Muratore	18	Alan Helquist	25
Cynthia Hoff	5	Florence O'Brien	11	Edgar Newkirk	18	Alice McConnell	25
Gladys Osgood	5	Michael Humphrey	12	John Paddison	18	Gordie Rasmussen	25
Daniel Bos	6	Donna Johnson	12	Muriel Reif	18	Desireah Kenyon	26
Pat Campbell	6	Victor Phillips	12	Jim Brinkman	19	Rick Sutter	26
Gary Nord	6	Bonnie Lane	13	Don Hammond Sr.	19	Robert Dowrick	27
Dot Zelezic	6	Peter Rahaneotis	13	Pete Plakos	19	Nancy Kurth	27
Thomas Feather	7	Rosemary Austin	14	Darlene Broderson	20	Bob Mulhair	28
Bruce Love	7	Gordon Gasser	14	Gordon Hulett	20	Nancy Waechter	28
Sylvia Quinn	7	Marjorie Kappler	14				



# February Anniversaries

Doris & Don Miller	2	Laurie & Ron Logan	16
Audrey & Charles Whittier	3	Betty & Joseph Lundberg	19
Sue & Duane Vorseth	4	Joyce & Paul Fillion	24
Ada & Michael Adams	5	Carol & Delwyn Warkenthien	24
Beverly & James Toppin	5	Jody & Bill Clayburg	25
Sheila & Richard Haraldson	7	Lu & Bob Johnson	25
Margaret & Kenneth Crites	9	Shirley & Pete Plakos	26
Florence & David O'Brien	11	Verla & Les Whiteaker	27
Linda & Jim Brinkman	13	Jenelu & Bob Burgi	28
Louise & Bill Greene	14	Nancy & Jack Virden	28
Evelyn & Nick Laich	14		



# Volunteers Do Make a Difference

**GCUMC**  
**982-3776**

*Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator*

This month, I wish to share with you some of the wonderful notes of thanks that we've gotten as a result of our volunteer efforts. We have not used names to protect the privacy of our recipients.

*I apologize that this letter is so late, but on behalf of [our] family, we thank you for the food box and gift card. It made our Thanksgiving possible and plentiful. It is nice to know that there are people out there that can help make it possible for people who are less fortunate to enjoy this time of year when everyone should feel closer to God and fellow man. Once again, thank you for your generosity. We greatly appreciated it.*

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*Thank you so much for all that you did for my grandchildren and myself for Christmas. You will never know how much your help is appreciated!*

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*Thank you so very much for the Christmas gift of turkey, groceries, and the gift cards. It was overwhelming and much in need. Was able to gas up the car and obtain some things I needed - so thank you a "bunch"!!*

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## COOKIE LOVERS!

Our Hospitality Team badly needs cookies, breads or fruit to continue serving after 8:00 and 9:30 services. We will accept cookies anytime during the week in the office or on Sunday in the kitchen. OR we will do the shopping for you. With \$5 donations we can purchase baked goods in quantity to have on hand. You can contribute by donating funds on Sunday at the tables on the patio or adding a check for "Kitchen Fund" to the collection plate. Thank you!

*I want to thank you all for our Christmas gifts. It made our Christmas brighter. You see, we have 6 people here, 4 children, 2 adults, and we only have Grandma's SSD to live on. Also, thank you for our dinner and for the beautiful Christmas tree. May God bless all of you.*

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*A grateful, humble heart thanks you for the overwhelming Christmas gift. May God bless you abundantly.*

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All of you Christmas angels will receive your reward in heaven as written in a letter from Paul to Timothy:

*As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.*

1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NRSV)

**\*\*Circle one or more of these options and place the form in the collection plate on Sunday, or drop by the office! Thanks.**

1. Custodian Helper
2. Homebound
3. Office Assistant
4. Sunday Morning
5. Gift Card for Food Bank
6. Greeter
7. Liturgist
8. Bus driver
9. Sidewalk Sunday School Helpers

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Roadrunner Email

Would you mind receiving your *Roadrunner* and event announcements by email? If so, please fill out the information below, tear it off and drop it in the collection plate or send it in to the church office.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to continue to receive hard copy Roadrunners as well?  Yes  No



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Nursery Care Giver	Susan Kenyon
Facility Care Taker	John LaViolette

**Addressee or Current Resident**

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**\*8:00 AM—Traditional Worship**  
**\*9:30 AM—Traditional Worship**  
**\*11:00 AM—Traditional Worship**  
**In the Sanctuary**

**\*9:20 AM—PRAISE Service**  
**In the Koinonia Room**  
**Music led by *Uncommon Grace***

*\*Childcare Provided*

**5:00 PM—Country Western Service**  
**Every Sunday from**  
**October through May**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 SCHEDULE**

*Children's Sunday School classes begin in the Worship Service with their families. Children are led to their classrooms after the Children's Sermon.*

- ✝ 8:00 AM ~ Adult Sunday School  
Meets in Room 101/102
- ✝ 9:30 AM ~ Children's Sunday School  
Pick up in Room 101/102
- ✝ 9:30 AM ~ Youth Sunday School
- ✝ 11:00 AM ~ *The Journey* Adult Sunday School  
Meets in Room 101/102

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