

The  
Newsletter  
of the  
Saline  
United  
Methodist  
Church



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Traditional Worship 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:10 a.m.

Contemporary Worship 11:15 a.m.

*Summer Worship Hours:*

Right Start 8:04 a.m.

Summer Worship 9:30 a.m.

# STEEPLE NEWS

September 17, 2006

“Ringing Forth the Good News”

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We have all heard the saying, “it is hard to keep a good man down” well, in the case of Linda Tuttle “it is hard to keep a good woman down!” As many of you know, Linda had an accident on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. She has a cracked rib and a hairline fracture on her 3<sup>rd</sup> vertebra, which requires her to wear a neck brace. She was released from the hospital this past Monday and by Tuesday she was already having Pastor Jim take her on errands and to work. Staying true to her style, she is planning on being here Sunday to teach Wee Worship and Sunday School. We feel very blessed that God watched over Linda during this time and that by divine guidance a United Methodist Minister from Leslie, Michigan is the person who assisted her after the accident. The Loving Hands group is already providing meals and we appreciate all your prayers during this time.

Continuing with the theme, “it is also hard to keep a good church down.” We have had many challenges the last several months with the deaths of some members of the congregation, our Financial Secretary Paulette Suchy’s brain aneurism, and the costly flooding of the building that we experienced in June. But also true to our style, we persevere and through our faith, Christian fellowship and the attitude that “through God all things are possible,” we continue to overcome challenges. I am happy to report that Paulette Suchy is back to work on a part-time basis and that Pam Heffelbower will be assisting part-time in the Financial Secretary’s office. The flooding issue has been corrected with many hours of effort. Although we are always saddened by the loss of a member of our congregation, we know that they are in a much better place. We continue to go on, but never really forget the individuals who have brought this church to where it is today. One new way we are able to recognize and remember these individuals is through our inscribed brick program in our Prayer Garden which is currently under construction. You may also still order bricks, the order form is in the Narthex.

After a year and a half of planning, we are now putting all the pieces together to bring a peaceful and serene prayer garden to our congregation. We hope that this will be a place for reflection, Christian fellowship and unique services. In order to get the bulk of this completed before winter, we are asking for help with laying of the bricks. No experience is necessary, but a willingness to learn and have fun is essential. We will be working on the garden most Saturday mornings and some Sunday afternoons. Once the bricks are laid, we will be starting on the landscaping. If you are able to help please show up or call Keith Held at 487-3158 or Lisa in the church office to find out exact times.

So the next time things become challenging in your life, remember that you have a whole congregation that will lift you up, and that it is hard to keep a good man, good woman, good child or good church down!

May God Bless You All,  
Lisa Marshall

### **Lay Speaking Classes for Fall Saturday, October 21 and Saturday, November 4**

This course focuses on the many ways lay speakers are called to be in ministry: leading, teaching, serving, disciple-making, storytelling, proclaiming the gospel, and growing through personal spiritual formation. The advanced courses are on Prayer and Church heritage. The classes will be held in our church and registration forms are available in the Narthex. For information, contact John Wharton.



### J.O.Y. FELLOWSHIP

This is a group for those 55 and older. Come for lunch, fun and fellowship! You are invited to make a \$5.00 donation for the lunch, but it is not required. We would love to have you join us! Our next get-together is September 21, 2006 at noon. Our menu will be cold-cut sandwiches and salads, as well as dessert. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall or call the church office.

You are also invited to participate in a new “**J.O.Y. Fellowship Bible Study.**” A short (10 minute) introduction to the book, *10 Gospel Promises for Later Life*, by Jane Marie Thibault, will be given at the lunch on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The Bible Study will then meet for nine or ten Thursdays beginning September 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. that are NOT the third Thursday, which is when we will have lunch. You may come to just the Bible Study, just lunch on the third Thursday, or both! Sign up in the narthex at the opportunity wall so that we may have a book for you (for which you may make a \$5.00 donation, if you wish).

### HOMELESS SHELTER COLLECTION

We are collecting razors and shaving cream during September for the Homeless Shelter. These items can be placed in the “blue house” in the Narthex.

### PANCAKE DINNER

The Mexico Mission Team is having a Pancake Dinner on Friday, September 29, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Admission for this dinner is one new pair of shoes per family or a monetary donation. Our goal is to take 800 pairs of shoes to Mexico in February. The shoes will be distributed to the needy on Wednesday, Mercy Mission Day of the week that we are there. The shoes should have the tags still on them to help us identify the sizes. They should also cover the entire foot (sandal type shoes are not very durable for their climate). If you have further questions, please contact Kathy Kirkland @ 429-3414, or Darlene Heffelbower @ 429-7095.



### DEADLINES

The next Steeple News deadline is *September 25<sup>th</sup>* at noon. Volunteers are needed to assemble the newsletter *Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>* in Room F at 9:00 a.m. The weekly deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday at noon.

## UMW NEWS

With the month of September comes Labor Day and the official end of summer. With the end of summer the United Methodist Women begin their monthly meetings. A time for Christian living study and fellowship. If you are not currently attending a circle meeting and would like to join us, please come to any of our meetings. Once a month the UMW has a unit meeting, a chance for all of the circle members to get together. The topic for the **September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will be the Crop Walk**, presented by David Bower, the Michigan Director of Crop Walk from Lansing. There will be a slide presentation and a Q and A session. **EVERYONE IN THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO ATTEND** in Room G at 7:00 p.m. The UMW meeting will follow this presentation.

*Reminder to all UMW ladies – Don't forget your Flood Bucket items! The bucket is in the Narthex.*

We will be taking our aluminum **Pop Tabs** for Ronald McDonald House to the UMW District Meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> in Chelsea. If you have any tabs, please bring them in soon. The collection container is a big pop bottle in the Narthex.

### October Unit Meeting

The Unit meeting on October 2 will be hosted by Hannah Circle and held at 9:30 a.m. with special speakers, Joanne and Joe Perez are presenting a program on India and Pakistan. All UMW members and guests are encouraged to attend.

### NEW DAY AND TIME FOR PRAYER MINISTRY!

Did you know that we have a prayer chain of people who pray every morning? They call each other on the telephone to relate the confidential concerns for the day. We also have a prayer ministry that will now meet every **Wednesday** morning at **9:30 a.m.** It is a small group of committed pray-ers who gather together to pray over the prayer concern cards from the previous Sunday, new concerns that come up during the week, as well as the church in general. Are you a person of prayer? We would love for you to join us! Questions, please contact Laura Speiran..

**Neighborhood Bible Study** will be doing a video series by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs regarding marriage titled Love and Respect. The group meets on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in the parlor. Questions contact Jody Brown at 485-4044.

## WISE

### Women in Study and Encouragement

Our fall Bible Study will be getting underway on **Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** with **WISE A.M. meeting from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and WISE P.M. meeting from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** Our study will focus on "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit" by Beth Moore. The format will be a video, workbooks and small group discussion. By encouraging an intimate relationship with the Spirit of God, this study will help us to nurture and cultivate the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives. Please join us as we seek the freedom of a life filled with peace, joy, gentleness, and other positive characteristics (Gal. 5:22-23). **If you haven't signed up for a book yet**, please contact Sam Thorpe at 517-451-2009 (not long distance) or [mvthorpe@peoplepc.com](mailto:mvthorpe@peoplepc.com).



### CAMPAIGN – FILL A BACKPACK

#### A MINISTRY TO THE CHILDREN OF MEXICO

Thank you for your generous support of filling the backpacks for the children of Mexico. Because of your efforts we are able to mail over 200 backpacks!

### WOMEN'S IN-CHURCH RETREAT

#### OCTOBER 13, 7:00 P.M. – WHENEVER

Special Evening Program

*Praying with Body, Mind and Spirit*

Friday, October 13, 2006 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Come grow in spiritual friendship with God and others on the journey by learning to pray in a new way! Whether you attended last year's retreat or are a "first-timer", you will experience a unique encounter with God by using your body, mind and spirit to pray with Scripture, guided meditation and music. Basic movements will be taught which can be done by anyone, regardless of experience or physical limitation. All are invited to reflect, relax, and be refreshed.

**Facilitator: Janene Ternes**, Commissioned Spiritual Director and founder of Prayer in Motion, LLC. Gifted teacher and mentor, Janene has developed and presented a variety of individualized programs which teach and inspire holistic forms of prayer for people of all ages. Her goal is to help others find and achieve their own inner connection with God, leading to a more peaceful, joyful and fulfilled life. For more information, visit her website at [www.prayer-in-motion.com](http://www.prayer-in-motion.com)

*We will also be having lots of revolving activities to enjoy and to pamper all women.*

### FALL IN TOGETHER WITH OUR FALL SEASON KICK-OFF EVENT

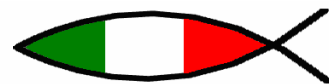
- September 24 after second service in the Fellowship Hall and Church Yard
- Enjoy Moonwalk & Games
- Get or be a Crop Walk sponsor
- Experience refugee camp living
- Eat Khichiri



### FALL NEW MEMBER CLASS

Everyone who is not currently a member here at Saline 1<sup>st</sup> is invited to participate in our Fall New Member Class, Sunday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour from 10:10-11:10 a.m. All those who wish join the church at the end of the class will be received into membership on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the 11:15 a.m. worship service. The six classes sound like a lot, but are packed full with time to fellowship with one another, learn about what we do here, as well as examine what it means to give one's life to Christ. We encourage everyone to go through the class, even if you are transferring from another United Methodist Church.

Joining a church is a meaningful step in many people's faith journey. If you have any questions about whether it is right for you, please come in to speak with Pastor Jim or Laura Speiran. If you already know you would like to be in the class, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or you may contact Laura in the church office. If you are unavailable this fall, or would prefer a one-day class, there will be two more new member classes during this school year—Saturday, January 27, 2007, and Saturday, April 21, 2007. Those in each Saturday class will be received on the day after each class at the second service.



### MEXICO MISSION TEAM

February 17-24, 2007

DATES – FEES – MEETING

- ❖ Informational Meeting for anyone even remotely interested in our next work/mission will be Sunday, September 24, at 12:30 – 1:00 in Room C.
- ❖ Deposit of \$400.00 and application due November 5.
- ❖ Balance of \$650.00 due December 10.

## STEPHEN MINISTRY VIDEO AVAILABLE

Our church enrolled in the Stephen Series this year, which is a system for training laypeople to do caring ministry. Those training for Stephen Ministry will learn skills and develop their talents for bringing Christ's healing love to people who are grieving, suffering a long-term illness, or experiencing other stresses in life. Bobbe Hinsman and Laura Speiran trained this summer to be Stephen Leaders and will be spending the fall teaching our congregation about Stephen Ministry and planning the 50 hour training that will be held in the first part of 2007 for those in our congregation who feel called to be Stephen Ministers. We have a 10 minute DVD about Stephen Ministry we would like to share with your group. Please talk to Laura or Bobbe about coming to your group meeting, or with any questions you may have.



**FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY**  
**Planning/Volunteer Training** –  
September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.  
**Friendship Launch** –  
September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer contact Roger Heffelbower at RU4C@comcast.net or 323-0355.

## VERY SHORT-TERM MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY

Students from other nations are newly arriving on campus at the U of M. Most have had little or no opportunity to hear about eternal life through Jesus Christ. But God brought them here to give them that opportunity. International Students, Inc. (ISI) staff and volunteers are inviting them to our ISI programs that get them introduced to Christians. ISI works with local churches to bring students and American Christians together through various programs, including an informal conversational English tutoring class Monday evenings in October. Tutor a few students from other nations at ISI's informal conversational English classes, October Mondays, 7:30-8:45 PM on U-M North Campus. Materials and instructions provided. For information or to volunteer, contact Mrs. Natalie Hart, [dlhnhk@prodigy.net](mailto:dlhnhk@prodigy.net), 769-6679, or Paul Champoux, 340-4554, [champouxp@comcast.net](mailto:champouxp@comcast.net).



### MILK JUGS

The UMW is collecting **empty (and rinsed) gallon milk jugs with lids** to be used for the Children's Sabbath. Please place jugs in the labeled boxes in the Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting jugs until October 8.



Thank you to everyone for all the prayers for Brian Setzer. He is doing a little better, but it will be a long time before he's back to the way he was. Thank you to the Shawl Ministry for the beautiful shawl. Thanks also for the nice prayer quilt for Brian. Thank you to Laura Speiran and everyone who came by from the Friendship Ministry and Roger Heffelbower for all his questions about some of the tests that I didn't think of asking. Thank you Lisa for the recliner for Brian—it's been good. A special thanks to Lynn Shaw for all her work with Brian. Thank you to the ladies who took care of Kim, by checking up on her and with the food. Thank you for everything. Marilyn, Kim and Brian Setzer

## ACOLYTES NEEDED



Any child 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and older interested in being an acolyte for the 9:00 a.m. service, sign up at the opportunity Wall. Responsibilities include arriving 15 minutes before the service, lighting the candles at the beginning of the service, extinguishing them at the end of the service, and occasionally helping with communion. There will be a brief required training session on September 24<sup>th</sup> for parents and acolytes following the 9:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, please call Jim Barbret or Tammy Schoenfeldt.

## ATTENTION CRAFTERS

If you are a crafty person and would like to make and donate an item (or items) to the UMW Mini-Bazaar, please let Kay Richmond know. Possible items include, but aren't limited to, crocheted and knitted items (especially scarves), beaded jewelry, aprons, towels, and cotton-only potholders. The Mini-Bazaar and Quilt Auction will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to bring your crafted items to the church that day by 4:30 p.m. Please note that leftover items will be donated to Whitehall Nursing Home or Cass Avenue for Bingo prizes. Thank you!



## Leadership Training Day

*"Making Your Congregation a Welcoming Place"*  
Sunday, October 8, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
Tecumseh United Methodist Church

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CORNERSTONE

Effective Sunday, October 8th, and in cooperation with our Safe Sanctuaries Ministry, please be sure your child has their color coded name tag on **BEFORE** the Children's Message to ensure safe exiting of the Sanctuary after their message.



Soon, there will be a special KIDS Church and WEE Worship name tag board in the Narthex. There, you will find your child's 'sign in' procedure for these two Children's Ministries. As a parent, this will be YOUR way to communicate to the staff of these ministries that THIS is where your child should be at this time. If the staff do not see the children's name tag on as they exit the sanctuary, they will not be walked down to their respective classrooms.

Please keep in mind that this is all a process and implementation will be an ongoing journey to keep our children safe. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation in the Call for Safe Sanctuary guidelines.

## KIDS CHURCH

classes are offered for the 9:00 and 11:15 services in Room G.

This ministry will minister to children grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Shannon Peitz at 944-6617.

**Please pre-register your children grades Pre K – 6<sup>th</sup> for Sunday School, KIDS Church and WEE Worship. Registration forms are available in the Narthex and must be completed on or before the first day of attendance.** Completed forms can be dropped off right where you pick them up!



**CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING** will be offered to the entire congregation on Monday, September 18, 6-9 p.m. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall if you are interested.

A great big **HUGE THANK YOU** and Praises to God for this year's fantastic Sunday School Teaching Teams. Some have taken a HUGE step of faith and has answered a call to minister to our children! Others continue to follow God's call by coming back for another faith filled journey in sharing the joy of God's Word with our children!

**THANKS TO:** Susie Loughner (who is helping Linda Tuttle as she heals from her automobile accident), Nicole Lampman, Donna Cody, Kathy Kise, Melina Yaklin, Bonnie Bennyhoff, Janet Kohler, Naomi Anest, Judy Hespen, Matt Hieber, Matt Fillinger, Luke Wetzell, Pam Heffelbower, Jeff Fletcher, and Joyce Noble. May this year bring you the joy and passion not only that comes from the excitement and child like faith our children bring us, but also from what God supplies us with daily!

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School classes will also be enjoying a music ministry that Naomi and Alex Anest are excited to share. Watch for further development of this ministry as the week's progress!

## ATTENTION ALL BABY BOOMERS (ages 40+) and GENERATION Xers (ages 27-39) !!



The Nursery and 2's/3's room is in need of your help! Because of Safe Sanctuaries and the 1-4 ratio of adult to children, we are in need of volunteers to help

keep the Nursery safe. If you are called to care for our little ones, let Leanne Rimmac know ASAP.

## WEE WORSHIP

### Leader and Parent Help Needed for Wee Worship

Wee Worship (ages 4 through kindergarten) is in need of one more leader for the 1<sup>st</sup> service. No experience is necessary and the curriculum is easy and fun to teach. All materials are prepared ahead of time so you



just need to show up on Sunday. Leaders are asked to lead once a month throughout the school year and one Sunday during the summer. If you cannot commit to leading once per month, we always need substitute leaders (for either service) who can lead on an as-needed basis. All the materials are provided and there is no prep work required. If you feel that you could help in this important ministry, please contact Joy Burns at [joy@burnskids.com](mailto:joy@burnskids.com) or 944-4003. Also, due to the Safe Sanctuary Policy, Wee Worship needs extra parent help every week. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Wee Worship board (outside the classroom) or you can contact Joy about your availability. Thank you for helping to serve our little ones!

# SEPTEMBER INFUSION YOUTH NEWS

**R.O.C.K. in Logos Junior High Ministry** starts September 27 with dinner at 5:30–6:30 p.m. Junior High Worship Team is for everyone in junior high and will meet from 6:30–7:00 p.m. This is a great time to connect with friends and be involved in worship opportunities throughout the year. Get registered for R.O.C.K. in Logos by filling out a registration form by September 17.



**See Ya at the Pole RALLY** - Sunday, September 24th - 6-8:30 p.m. at Keystone Community Church - Saline Youth Groups are getting together to worship, pray, and plan for See Ya at the Pole taking place on Wednesday, September

27. See Ya at the Pole is a student-initiated and student led movement that brings students to their flagpoles to pray every year. Join us this year for some food, fellowship, and fun together with other Christians from the Saline Area.

## **Senior High**

**Join us for W3** – Wild Worship Wednesdays are a chance for all senior high youth to worship, fellowship and have some fun together. Join us at 8-9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in the youth basement.

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**TAILGATE PARTY** - Friday, September 29 following the Saline Varsity Football Game against Chelsea! Join us at Rin Tin Tin (the church minivan) when the game is over for pizza and pop! Bring some friends too!

**LT GROUPS** - Get signed up for an LT (Life Together) Group! Why? It's an important time of fellowship and spiritual growth with a small group of guys/girls who are living life together with you.

Meals together too! When? Groups start Sunday, October 1, 4–6 p.m. at Emily's Place. How? Grab a yellow flyer from the Youth Room or Emily's office now and return the LT sign up form

## **YOUTH MISSIONS NEWS**

**RUMMAGE SALE** - Sign up now at the opportunity wall to help sort and run the Youth Missions Rummage Sale. Youth and Parents are needed throughout the week of September 18–23. The sale is from 7:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. with clean up from 1–3 p.m. on Saturday, September 23. Next summer's mission trip seems far away, but raising money for it must happen now!

**SENIORS** - You are needed for a youth missions planning meeting on Sunday, October 1, following Second Service @ 12:30 p.m.. Come with any ideas and thoughts you have about next summer's youth mission trip.

## **Parents of Youth**

You are extremely important to the health of our youth ministries! Please join us for an important information meeting to start the new year of student ministries. We will talk about the vision of each ministry and how it will be lived out this year. Pizza too!

Senior High Parents – Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> after  
Second Service @ 12:30 PM

Junior High Parents – Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> after  
Second Service @ 12:30 PM

## **Confirmation Class Registration**

If you (or your child) will be participating in this year's confirmation Class, we would like to know. Confirmation is for young people in 7<sup>th</sup> grade or older and is intended to give them the knowledge necessary to make an informed decision to 'confirm' their desire to become full members of the church. Confirmation Class will begin on Wednesday, September 20, 2006 with a parent/student meeting from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The class meets weekly on Wednesdays through the beginning of May. **Please contact Emily at 429-4730 by September 10<sup>th</sup> and provide the name of the student, a phone number and their grade.** We would also love to answer any questions you may have about being a part of the class. We're looking forward to another great year of confirmation Class!!

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE COMING DECEMBER 3RD



The annual Christmas Service presented by the children of our church will be held Sunday, December 3, 2006 at the 11:15 a.m. Crossroads service. This very special service will be prepared by the children who attend R.O.C.K. in LOGOS and Sunday School children ages 4-2nd grade. Parents please note that if your children would like to participate in the Christmas service they will need to be enrolled in R.O.C.K. in LOGOS (grades 1-8) or attend Sunday School (ages 4- 2nd grade). We will begin rehearsing and preparing for this service at the end of September. It is very important that those wishing to be in the service attend R.O.C.K. in LOGOS (grades 1-8) or Sunday School (age 4- 2nd grade) on a regular basis so that they are ready to present their part of the worship experience. Thank you very much for supporting your children's participation in these programs. Please call or email Angela Schmidt if you have questions, 429-3385, [akschmidt@verizon.net](mailto:akschmidt@verizon.net).



**PRAYER CONCERNS** ~ Carole Smith; Bob Merchant; Charlene Adkins' sister, Doris; Larry Coyer; Wanda Beard; Corine; Marsha Gilbert; Abby Suchy; Dominik Fitzsimmons; Glen Zorn; Razor Shank; Shirley Riggs; Vickie Roosevelt's dad, Bob; Kay Murphy; Marsha Gilbert; Chris Hewlett; Art Singleton;

Kim Setzer; Jackie Toth; Kenneth Drake; the Knott family; John Lockwood & his family; Eleanor Fugate's cousin, Jack; Jim Graber; the Schriber family; Lois Royal's granddaughter, Trisha; Linda Tuttle; Jennifer; Laura Fry; Sandy Nadig; safe travel for the Nomads; for the ladies of the cancer support group; our troops serving in the middle east; for those going through mental and physical turmoil; for the families affected by the plane crash in Lexington; for those affected by the 9/11 actions five years ago.

**PRAISE/CELEBRATIONS** ~ Tom & Susan Holley's new daughter, Brianna Noelle; Betty Charles' new great grandson; for everyone who helped make the Fair Kitchen a success again this year; the marriage of Doug & Denise Fett; our awesome music team who lead us in worship every week.

**Military personnel and families to keep in our prayers** ~ Billy Kirkland, son of Kathy & Bill Kirkland; J.T. St. Denis, nephew of Kathy & Bill Kirkland; Robert Rodriguez, grandson of Florence Belt; Bennett Phipps, brother of Rachel Wislocki; Bill Paul, nephew of Bonnie & Tom Riggs; Timothy Frisbee, grandson of Florence & Ernie Busch; Nick Gilveli, grandson of Martha Gilveli; Kevin Raymond, son of Susan Raymond; Abby Suchy, daughter of Paulette & Mike Suchy; Bobby Singh, Abby Suchy's fiancé. Tim Jones, son of Penny & Doug Jones; Dan Erlwein, friend of Dave & Susan Hares; Sam Spicer, grandson of Lois Royal; Erik Maddock, son of Don &

Andrea Maddock; Doug W. Beard, son of Doug & Wanda Beard; Mark & Brad Nadig, sons of Carroll & Sandy Nadig; Nathaniel Held, son of Keith & Patsy Held; Jeff & Ryan Housner, nephews of Deb & Pete Belaire.



## Adult Ministries Faith in a Safe Harbor

### New Adult Sunday School Offerings

**“Christianity and World Religions-wrestling with questions people ask”.** The

purpose of this study is to help Christians better understand the faiths of others in our increasingly diverse world, so that we may become more effective sharers of the Good News of Jesus Christ. Included are the five major religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism and Christianity. This class will begin September 17 at 10:10 in Room F.

**“Creation and Evolution”** This discussion will be facilitated by Chuck Gehrke and will be conducted later in the season.

**“First Corinthians”** This study, in the Genesis to Revelation series, will be facilitated by Dave Drenning & Bruce Moss in Room G beginning Sept. 17.

**“In the Dust of the Rabbi”** Teacher and historian Ray VanderLaan investigates what it means to be a disciple of Jesus in the land of Israel. Disciples followed Jesus so closely they were covered by the dust of his feet. Come discover how to follow Jesus! Class will be facilitated by Bobbe Hinsman in Room C beginning September 17.

### Other Studies Offered This Week

#### **Disciple Courses**

(Disciple I is a prerequisite for all other long term Disciple Studies. It will be offered this year. Other Disciple Classes will be offered if facilitators are available.)

**Disciple I** “Becoming Disciples through Bible Study” - a 34 week study of the Old and New Testaments which is facilitated by Art Angaran began Wednesday, September 13 in Room C at 6:00 p.m..

**Disciple II** “Into the Word into the World” – a 32 week study of Genesis, Exodus, Luke and Acts which will be facilitated by Kay Richmond began Sunday, September 10 in Room C at 6:00 p.m.

**Brand New, Short-term Disciple Classes will be offered in January if there's an interest and facilitators are available.**



**Youth Missions Rummage Sale**  
***Saturday, September 23rd 7:30 AM – 1:00 PM***  
***\$6 per Bag***

**Everyone is needed to help make it another successful Rummage Sale! All Senior High Youth, Parents, and Church Families can sign up NOW at the Opportunity Wall to help sort, organize and host the sale.**

**YOUR RUMMAGE SALE DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!!**

**We will gladly accept the following gently used items:**

Most Household Goods/Tools  
Clothing/Shoes/Baby Items  
Books/CD's/Tapes/Records  
Sporting Goods  
Toys/Games  
Small Furniture

**We cannot accept the following items:**

Mattresses/Box Springs/Futons/Beds  
Console Stereos  
Suitcases/Travel Bags/Duffle Bags  
Construction Materials  
Major Appliances – Sinks/Stoves, Refrigerators, Washers, Dryers  
Computers

**Donation Drop off Times:**

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – September 19,20,21–9 AM – 8 PM**  
**Friday, September 22– 9 AM – 5 PM**

**Please take a few minutes and help by sorting your items  
onto the proper tables!**

# Calendar for September 17 - September 30, 2006

<b>17 Sunday</b> 9:00a - Traditional Service 10:10a - Sunday School 10:10a - New Member Class 10:10a - Cancer Support Group 11:15a - Contemporary Service 6:00p - Disciple II 6:30p - Jr. High Youth	<b>18 Monday</b> 10:00a - Shawl Ministry 6:00p - Adult Ministries 6:00p - First Aid/CPR 7:00p - Community Care 7:00p - Finance  Rummage Sale Set-Up	<b>19 Tuesday</b> 9:15a - WISE AM 4:45p - Music Together 6:30p - Friendship Planning 6:30p - HOMMIES 7:00p - CROP Walk Presentation 7:00p - UMW Unit Meeting 7:00p - WISE PM  Rummage Sale Drop Off 9am-8pm	<b>20 Wednesday</b> 9:00a - Bible Study 9:15a - Music Together 9:30a - Prayer Ministry 12:30p - Quilting 6:00p - Disciple I 6:30p - Praise Team 7:00p - Confirmation 8:00p - WWW  Rummage Sale Drop Off 9am-8pm	<b>21 Thursday</b> 9:15a - Music Together 12:00p - Joy Fellowship 6:15 Orchestra 7:00p - Choir 7:00p - Lay Leadership 7:00p - Girl Scouts 7:30p - Bells  Rummage Sale Drop Off 9am-8pm	<b>22 Friday</b> 9:30p - Newcomers      Rummage Sale Drop Off 9am-5pm	<b>23 Saturday</b> Rummage Sale 7:30a - 1:00p  2:00p - Safe Sanctuaries Training
<b>24 Sunday</b> 9:00a - Traditional Service 10:10a - Sunday School 10:10a - New Member Class 10:10a - Cancer Support Group 11:15a - Contemporary Service 12:30p - Fall Kick-Off 12:30p - Mexico Mission Team 6:00p - Disciple II 6:00p - Sr. High Youth 6:30p - Jr. High Youth	<b>25 Monday</b> 10:00a - Shawl Ministry 7:00p - Church Council	<b>26 Tuesday</b> 9:15a - WISE AM 4:45p - Music Together 6:30p - Friendship Ministry 7:00p - WISE PM 8:00p - Youth Support Team	<b>27 Wednesday</b> 9:00a - Bible Study 9:15a - Music Together 9:30a - Prayer Ministry 10:00a - UMW Exec. Board 12:30p - Quilting 3:00p - ROCK in LOGOS 6:00p - Disciple I 6:30p - Praise Team 7:00p - Confirmation 8:00p - WWW	<b>28 Thursday</b> 9:15a - Music Together 10:00a - Brecon Service 1:00p - JOY Fellowship Bible Study 6:15p - Orchestra 7:00p - Choir 7:00p - Lay Leadership 7:30p - Bells	<b>29 Friday</b> 5:00p - Mexico Mission Pancake Dinner	<b>30 Saturday</b>

**Head Ushers:**

Carlos Melendez, Charlie Bender  
 Darlene Heffelbower, Patti Hogue

**Greeters:**

Blair & Norma Jean West

**Welcome Center Hosts:**

Addie & Jeff Calvitt

**Safe Sanctuary Training Dates**

Saturday, September 23, 2:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, October 14, 8:30 a.m. - Noon  
 Friday, November 3, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Worship Attendance:**

September 3 .....317  
 September 10 ...499

**FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS START  
 OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> - SIGN UP TO HELP NOW!**

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