



The Wesleyan Star

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"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."
(Psalm 119:105)

Whenever I have to go to any new place, I need to know what roads to take but since I have GPS, I don't have to study the map before each trip. I can just type the address into the GPS and it can find the directions on how to get me to my destination. The only thing I have to do is to follow the directions that the GPS gives me. The GPS tells me when and where to turn. It tells me exactly how many miles are left to the destination and the time of arrival.

A couple years ago when I went to see my brother, I entered the address of my brother's house into the GPS and I just followed the directions according to GPS. Then I realized that instead of leading me to Goethals Bridge and later to Verrazano Bridge to cross into Staten Island to take Belt Parkway and Southern State Parkway to my brother's house, the GPS instead directed me to take Holland Tunnel and cross into downtown Manhattan to take the Long Island Expressway. Immediately, I said to myself "there is always a lot of traffic in Manhattan and as I used to cross the Goethals Bridge when I was working in Staten Island, NY, I thought to myself that it might be the best route." With that in my mind, I disobeyed how the GPS told me to go and I took exit 13 of New Jersey Turnpike. After few minutes of driving, I realized that there was a traffic jam. It was not moving at all. I stayed almost 20 minutes in the midst of slow moving traffic. I realized that my GPS had MSN Direct which transmits real time traffic, weather, and local gas price data to the GPS. So my GPS knew that there was a traffic jam on Goethals Bridge and also throughout the Staten Island Expressway. Finally, I listened to my GPS and got out from that traffic jam and I had to take the New Jersey Turnpike again later to take Holland Tunnel.

How many times don't we realize that our sources are limited and we cannot predict what can happen in our future? However, our God knows what will happen in our future if we keep doing what we are doing, so sometimes God wants to take us on a different route, not the one we used to take and the route we think that is the best: not Goethals Bridge this time, but the Holland Tunnel.

How many times have we not listened to God's directions?

So my question is "are we carefully listening God's voice and directions in our life or are we doing what we used to do all the time and take the directions we think are the best? As it is not only important to buy the GPS but also it is important to listen to what the GPS tells us, it is not only important to pray, study the word of God and be connected with God, but to listen and follow God's direction even though it is not the way we used to travel. My travel experience gave me a lesson and made me think that it is very important to listen to God's small voice and follow it even though it might not seem right for me.

In 2014, let us carefully listen to God's voice and follow God's directions.

Pastor, Bumkoo Chung



February Worship at West Grove UMC



Please join us in our worship service to be blessed by the Word of God.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany - Feb. 2

Communion Sunday

Rev. Jim Mundell Preaching

Scripture: *Proverbs 3:5-8, 13-18 (NIV)*

Sermon: "Living Wisely"

**Emergency Food Pantry Collection Day is on the first Sunday of each month*

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany - Feb. 9

Boy Scout Sunday

Scripture: *Exodus 14:19-31*

Sermon: "Journey of Hope"

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany - Feb. 16

Scripture: *Matthew 18:21-35*

Sermon: "Forgiveness"

Coffee Fellowship is hosted by the Music Team

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany - Feb. 23

Scripture: *Colossians 3:12-14*

Sermon: "Forgiveness"



Ash Wednesday March 5, 6:30 p.m.

Our Lenten journey begins on Ash Wednesday, the day when we remember our mortality and confirm our hope in the Risen Lord who offers us life beyond anything we can desire or deserve.

We will have a special worship service at 6:30 p.m.

The service will have the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion and will include music from our choirs, a short message and time of silent prayer. People of all ages, including children, are invited and encouraged to attend.



Office Closed For the Holiday

The church office will be closed for the on Presidents Day, Monday, February 17

Coffee Fellowship this month is hosted by the Missions Team



Due to the increase in food allergies among the general population as well as our own congregants, we request that any items brought for the fellowship hour have a note attached if there are nuts in them (including coconuts). Thank you.

"If I am not in God's grace, may God put me there; and if I am, may God so keep me."

—Joan of Arc



WEST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO OFFER ALPHA CLASS THIS SPRING!

WHAT IS ALPHA?

In an Alpha course, guests explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting over ten thought-provoking weekly sessions and a day away.

Each week, guests enjoy a meal and a talk on subjects as diverse as “Who is Jesus?”, “How Can I Have Faith?” and “How Does God Guide Me?” The course is low-key, friendly and fun – and is supported by all major denominations of the Christian church.

The Alpha Course is non-denominational and offered to the entire community. The classes will be on **Wednesday evenings, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., February 19 through April 23.** Mark your calendar for the **Introductory Dinner Session on Wednesday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m.** This session will provide an overview of what is to come in the course. If you have a family member or friend you believe could benefit from this class, bring them to the breakfast and see if their interest is sparked.

The schedule of classes will be:

- 2/12 - Introductory Dinner - Is there more to life than this?
- 2/19 - Week 1 - Who is Jesus?
- 2/26 - Week 2 - Why did Jesus die?
- 3/5 - Week 3 - How can we have faith?
- 3/12 - Week 4 - How and why do I pray?
- 3/19 - Week 5 - Why and how should I read the Bible?
- 3/26 - Week 6 - How does God guide us?
- 3/29 - Day Away - Holy Spirit Day
- 4/2 - Week 7 - How can I resist evil?
- 4/9 - Week 8 - How and why should I tell others?
- 4/16 - Week 9 - Does God heal today? (week before Easter)
- 4/23 - Week 10 - What about the church? (week after Easter)

Please sign-up for the Introductory Dinner by calling or emailing the church office 610-869-9334 or donnaF@westgroveumc.org to ensure we prepare enough food and beverages. The church is located at 300 N. Guernsey Road, West Grove, PA 19390.

MOSES AT SIGHT & SOUND THEATRES!



The parting of the Red Sea ... the Burning Bush ... the Plagues ... the Ten Commandments ... finally ... the greatest Biblical epic of the Old Testament comes to life on the Sight & Sound stage in Lancaster County, PA - *Moses!* Not only will you be completely immersed in the spectacular, epic events of the story, but you will experience the humanity of *Moses* and the children of Israel as they struggle for faith, freedom and belonging. This incredible adventure is like none other for this is when God breaks into history and reveals who He is and that He has come to heal the brokenhearted and set the

captives free!

Make plans to travel with the RAP group and friends to attend the **World Premiere of MOSES!** **The date is Wednesday, May 7, 2014. The show begins at 2:45 p.m. The price is \$49.**

Contact Sara Ann Ramberger for reservations a.s.a.p. After-the-show dinner reservations will be arranged for those wanting to dine at **Miller's Smorgasbord at 6:15 p.m. \$27 per person.** This includes the complete smorgasbord, hot/cold beverages (alcoholic beverages not included), all taxes and gratuities.

THE COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Tuesday, February 25

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



The Community Cafe free meal ministry is offered to meet the needs of our church neighbors, friends and members who are in need of and desire a time of fellowship and food.

Everyone is welcome!

If you would like to help, please see the sign-up sheet in the lobby. You can volunteer to donate your time to serve a meal to friends in our community, wash dishes, set up or clean up, or donate a needed food item for the day's fare.

All are invited to join us on our regular day of the **fourth Tuesday** of each month, for a healthy, delicious meal homemade by the members of our congregation.



TRUSTEES USED BOOK SALE COMING IN FEBRUARY!

Please start saving your books to donate to the trustee's fundraiser, the Used Book Sale. We will

gratefully accept all books (hardbacks and paperbacks) and DVDS! The Sale will take place on **Saturday, February 15 from 8:30-1:00, with setup on Friday, Feb. 14 from 1-5. You can drop your donations at the church beginning Sunday, February 9.** We also need volunteers to help with sorting the books and setting up for the sale. For more information, contact Darlene Murphy at d123murphy@aol.com.

Parents Valentine Date Night

Sponsored by the WGUMC Youth Group

Parents – Make a reservation and go to dinner without kids! Enjoy the valentine holiday with no interruptions. We will watch your kids for you and you can go on a date! Here's the details!

When: Saturday, February 15 from 4:30 – 7:30.

Where: At WGUMC

Cost: a suggested donation of \$10 per child

Any money that is donated towards this event will be used to help offset the cost of the youth summer mission trip to Washington DC this summer.

What: We will feed the kids pizza, do some crafts, play games and watch a movie.

Your kids will be safe and have fun and you get to have enjoy and relax for 3 hours!

SIGN UP by February 9th by filling out the bottom of this form and returning to the office or giving to Jamie Lindtner.

Parents Date Night Sign UP



Child/Children's Name & Age

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Parents Name: _____

Emergency # _____

Food Allergies or Concerns: _____



PRAISE BAND DIRECTOR NEEDED

We are seeking a praise band director to lead at the 8:30 a.m. worship service on Sundays. Duties would include leading worship on Sundays plus conducting weekly rehearsals. If you, or someone you know is interested in this position, please email your resume to: office@westgroveumc.org Feel free to share this information with your friends, neighbors, and co-workers!

Community Garden

Needs Manager-Volunteer



Kate Black is not able to be the Manager of the Community Garden this year as she will be busy with a new baby!

If you would like to step up to fill this need for this wonderful ministry, please call the church office at 610-869-9334.

Some of the duties involved are:

Advertise/recruit for gardeners; Sign up gardeners and provide them with paperwork (garden guidelines/agreement); Manage garden money (just depositing garden fees and writing checks for any expenditures); Schedule soil and mulch drop-off if needed (we may not need either this season); Schedule spring/fall work days if needed (only is the group needs to get together to spread mulch or fill beds with additional soil); Make sure water barrels are filled or arrange schedule for them to be filled; Make sure gardeners are maintaining gardens and notify anyone who is not caring for garden; Communicate with gardeners and church as needed
Kate has forms for everything already made up and they can be updated and reused. There is a garden e-mail account with a group mailing list that can also be used. Thank you.



TRUSTEES: 2013 in Review

- A Children's Morning Out guidelines document and Committee was adopted by the Trustees and Ad Council in an effort to improve and move the CMO Preschool Ministry forward. We want to see it continue to succeed.

- Used, donated material to build a secure storage area for

our Memory Bells Choir bells. Thanks to Ralph Curtiss for his leadership in design and construction.

- In February, we held a "Book Sale" and raised \$495 toward the budget. Darlene Murphy deserves credit for this successful event.
- The trustees are thankful that Linda Shiplet and Brenda Rogers have successfully received their food handlers licenses. Joe Dea has offered to get his license also. We have voted to reimburse these 3 and hope to keep at least three at all times.
- We have, along with Ad Council, agreed to charter Boy Scout Troop 12. They meet in our youth rooms on Thursday evenings. The boys of the troop gave enthusiastic assistance at the church Strawberry Picnic in June and also at the Chicken BBQ in September.
- A flat-screen monitor was installed in the sanctuary. The purpose was to prevent distraction in the order of worship when a video presentation was used to enhance a sermon or other worship elements.
- Dante Carpeting replaced the carpets in rooms 9 and 12 as well as the copy room, due to wrinkling and becoming a safety issue.
- In November and December, another safety issue made the replacement of our kitchen stove a priority. We appreciate the generous donations that made it possible to pay for the stove and its installation by 12/31/13.
- Led by Linda Shiplet's tireless efforts, we had a very successful Chicken BBQ. All those who helped this event succeed deserve the Trustee Board's gratitude and thanks. 10% of the profits were set aside for local mission use. Also, another 10% of the profits were provided to Boy Scout Troop 12 for their help. The remainder will be used by the Trustees for capital improvement projects in 2014.
- The Chester County Health Department requires a canopy over the BBQ pit and one has been purchased and enlarged. It will also provide shade during the church picnic in June.
- Gene Aucott found 2 cabinets in an office restoration project and has converted them into moveable book carts for our sanctuary. Our first chance to use them was the 1/12/14 service at 11 a.m. Using them will save our hymnals and bibles from being damaged and needing expensive replacement.

Our main goal in 2014 is to keep our operating expenses below \$53,000 and including our \$60,000 mortgage commitment, to not exceed \$113,000 total. More importantly, we want to provide an inviting, well kept building where others can find Christ and we have a place to corporately give our thanks and praise to Him. It will also give us a place to prepare us to spread the good news throughout "Judea, Samaria and the World."

Respectfully submitted by Vernon Ramberger

BUDGET REPORT



Finance Report for 2013

As a Church family, we are truly blessed with good stewardship in terms of tithes and offerings. Our expenses for 2013 were \$350,439 versus an overall income of \$344,552, resulting in a negative variance of \$5,887.

As part of our commitment to the conference's Retired Pastors Fund, we donated \$8,000 to "Fulfilling Our Covenant" through monies from the Harvest fund that Missions generously released for use in meeting this obligation. If we had not made this substantial payment, we would have ended the year with a positive increase in the general fund of \$2,113. Additionally, we donated \$1,966 to UMCOR for the Philippines disaster relief from our Thanksgiving collection. By sending in these two payments in the 2013 calendar year, we will receive a credit on our 2015 UMC apportionments thereby reducing this obligation in 2015.

With our many outreach and mission activities, we continue to make a difference. Take a moment to reflect upon and celebrate your contribution to the work of the Church, through your stewardship of financial resources, time, and talents. Additionally, celebrate the collective efforts of our Church family. Many wonderful activities are supported during the year by your donations.

A detailed annual report is available, should you desire a copy.

Thank you for your tithes and offerings. Respectfully submitted by Larry Yates, Chair of Finance

J.U.L.I.E.T.

JULIET...Just us Ladies Interested in Eating Together

February 8 at 9:00 a.m.



*Juliet
Breakfast*

Come join us for Juliet **breakfast on Saturday, February 8, at the Creekside Diner, 717 W. Baltimore Pike, Kennett Township, 19348, at 9:00 a.m.**

Women of all ages are welcome to join us! We would like to have an idea of how many women will be coming. Email me at marjm44@comcast.net, so that we can give the folks at Creekside an approximate count. We're looking forward to great mornings of food, fun, and fellowship. If you have questions, ask Margee Michaels or Chris Curtiss.

Valentine's Day is Coming!

**Valentines
for Our
Penn London
Students**

This is our eighth year of donating boxed valentines to the children of Penn London Elementary who do not have Valentines to give to their classmates.

Please consider buying a box and dropping it off in the collection box provided in the church lobby

by **Sunday, February 9.**

Care Givers Group February 12 @ 7 p.m.

Caregivers meet on the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is on February 12 at 7 p.m. in room #16.

Please join us if you are caring for a loved one, close or from afar. Find love and support from others in your situation. **Thank you.**



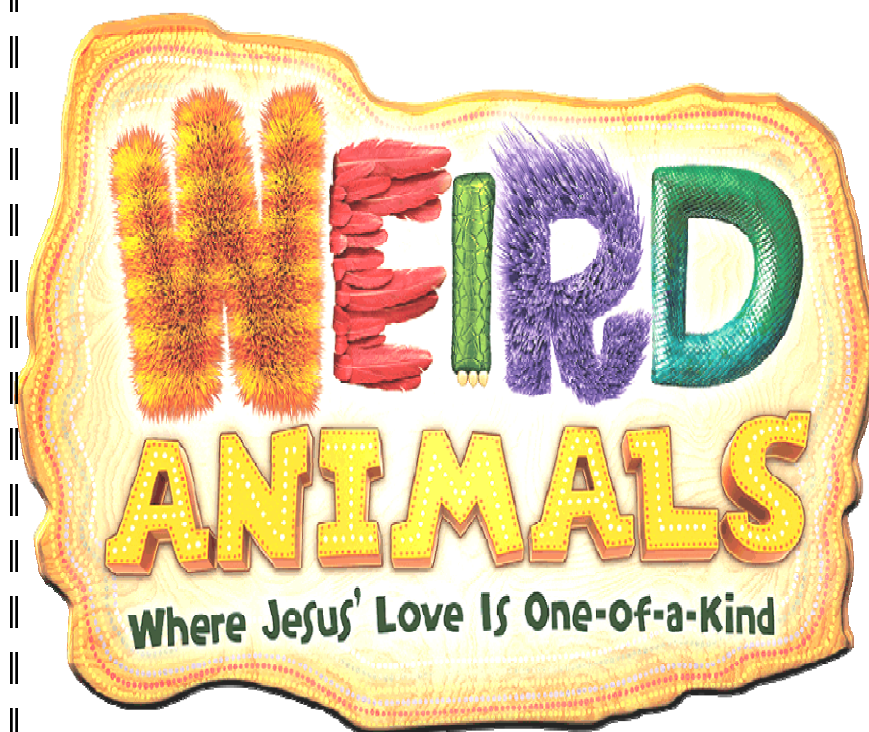
CROP WALK FOR HUNGER

Total numbers are in! The Oxford Area Crop Walk raised **\$16,385** for hunger!

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a complete success!

SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS

JULY 14-18, 2014



The Rubincan and O'Brien families would like to extend their sincere appreciation to everyone in the congregation for your prayers, thoughtful cards, generosity in making meals, and continued prayers for the families as they travel their road through grief.

Margaret and Barb have received much comfort from so many people as they cope with the loss of their husband and brother over these last weeks.

Thank you.

Children's Morning Out



Happy New Year! We are so excited to have our CMO/Preschool back in session. It was a long break, but the children were eager to come back to see their friends and teachers and we were happy too! It always

brings such joy to me to see a smiling child and we sure had a lot of smiles. The children have jumped right back in to learning and have been very busy in their classrooms. I am always thrilled when I walk in to any of our classrooms and see and hear the children learning and playing together.

Although we have just celebrated the New Year starting, we are already thinking about next school year.

We will begin our registration for next year on January 29th. If anyone is interested in receiving information about our program, please contact me at tracym@westgroveumc.org. I love to share our philosophy and why our staff is so passionate about our program. Thank you as always for your support of our program!

Tracy McLaughlin, Director



The children of the church are invited to be in ministry through the children's choir. All children four and older are welcome to participate. If your child is three, but you feel he/she is mature enough, that is fine.

The children's choir will be singing during both worship services on Sunday, Feb. 23rd. They will be **rehearsing Sunday mornings in Room 4 at 10:45 on Feb. 2, 9, and 16.** For further information you may contact Joan Leaman at jmleaman@comcast.net or 484-643-2181

FEBRUARY

C.I.A. Youth Ministry News

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Here is the plan for February!

YOUTH Meeting

**Youth Group for all
7th – 12th grade
students:
7-8:30 p.m.**

February 7 (Friday) – both MS and HS together

February 21 (Friday) – Middle School Youth

February 23 (Sunday) – High School Youth



Graceful

*** All girls 7 – 12th grades
Tuesdays in February
7-8:30 p.m.**

We're back with a change of plans! All girls 7 – 12th grades are invited to come be a part of a Tuesday night fellowship and prayer. We are going to meet at Jamie's house, spend some time chatting and hanging out. It might involve a craft or baking or something fun each week. While we hang out, we'll chat about life, school, friends, our relationship with God and spend time praying for one another.

Come around 7:00 and we'll finish up between 8:30 and 8:45.



Dodgeball, Four Square and Pizza!

All 7 – 12th graders

Friday, February 28, 7-9 p.m.

Come join us for a night of games and food! Bring a friend and \$2 for pizza.

Washington DC Summer Mission Trip

July 6 – 12th

Registration is coming for our summer mission trip to Washington DC. We'll be serving with the ministry Center for Student Missions and will experience the cultural diversity of a city as we serve alongside the homeless, children and elderly. Watch for more details coming soon!



Fundraisers!



Mark your calendars for March 15th.

We'll have a fundraiser that evening at the church to help raise money for our summer mission trip. Watch for more details as this event gets organized!

**Any questions, what to get more involved? Contact Jamie Lindtner
610-937-7932 or
Jamielindtner@gmail.com**



West Grove UMC
To host a seminar on
Addiction

Tuesday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m.

Addiction can affect everyone in one way or another from a parent, sibling, grandparent, or friend. When it does, there is plenty of help for the addicted individual for treatment and recovery. The question is, "Where is the help for the family to recover?" Like the addict the family needs help.

Through our community outreach, West Grove United Methodist Church is opening our doors to the public to learn about the dynamics which happen with addiction, not only for the addict, but also for the family. The program is entitled, "Family Wellness Program, Understanding Addiction & Recovery" and is conducted by Mike Rowe from Addiction Prevention Strategies. Mike will provide a comprehensive look at what happens to the family when addiction becomes part of their lives and what can be done to help them understand and recover.

"Through our Family Wellness Program conducted through the education systems with churches and synagogues, we are able to educate families in understanding addiction, enabling, the importance of detachment, as well as setting boundaries. We are also able to help families to get loved ones into treatment in a loving and respectful way." shared Mike Rowe.

For more information on the March 11 program, please contact the church office at office@westgroveumc.org or call the church at 610-869-9334. NEED HELP NOW? Contact Mike Rowe at 610-301-7464 Visit <http://www.addictionpreventionstrategies.com> for more details.



Thank you from the School Nurse
at Penn London Elementary

Thank you for your generous support of our Adopt-A-Family program. The amazing support of people like you has allowed Penn London to provide gifts to 212 children in need.

Each year as we receive requests from our families, I always think we are never going to be able to help all of the families. Fortunately, each year we are fortunate to have generous classrooms, churches, individuals and organizations come to our assistance.

I hope you realize how much your kindness is appreciated. On behalf of the Penn London staff and all the families helped, I would like to say THANK YOU!

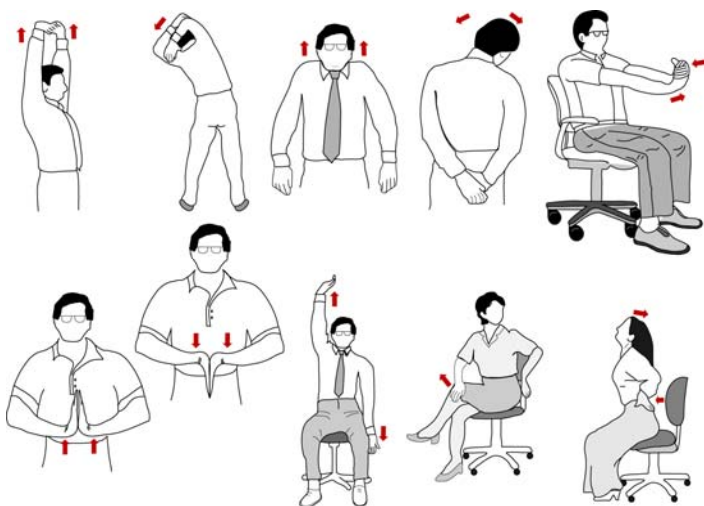
Sincerely,

Helen Arrell

School Nurse, Penn London Elementary



TIPS FOR MOVING AT WORK



Take some small (2-5 pound) hand weights to work to keep at your desk. If you have a minute or two, do a few sets of bicep curls.

Make exercise a part of your breaks. Take a brief walk or find a place to do some stretching.

If you find yourself standing in one place for a period of time (making copies, talking on the phone), spend that time raising yourself onto your toes and then lowering yourself back down.

Make a list of movement goals for work. The accountability will motivate you to fit exercise into your day.

~ Church Health Reader Fall 2013



Foods from the Bible

Lentils

The most prominent passage mentioning lentils appears in Genesis 25:34, which tells of the brothers Jacob and Esau. Jacob offers lentil stew in exchange for Esau's birthright. While they won't get you a birthright these days, they are still loaded with healthful benefits. With their high fiber content, lentils provide a filling meal that keeps you satisfied longer. Add cooked lentils to a cold salad, serve as a side dish to a hot dinner, or try your hand at lentil stew to partake in the nutritional benefits of these powerhouse legumes.



Olives



Mentioned several times in the Bible, olives played a vital role in Mediterranean society in ancient times. Olive oil is a great alternative to butter, and olives can be added to salads, pureed into spreads, tossed in with pasta, or simply snacked on. They are particularly effective at lowering HDL and raising LDL cholesterol, as well as acting as antihistamines.

Cinnamon

Is a popular spice, especially in baking, but can also flavor curry, meats, soups and is even delicious on a piece of toast. It's health benefits include controlling blood sugar and fighting the growth of bacteria.



Retired Active People



Please join us for an afternoon of good fun and fellowship on Tuesday, February 11. Ray McKay will give a fun and interesting presentation on fifth grade math!! Ray's perspective is so entertaining, you will not want to miss it! Please join us, bring your brown bag lunch and a friend. We will provide desserts, hot coffee tea, and cold beverages.

Hope to see you there! Blessings, Lisa Reoli

Retired Active People (R.A.P.)

**Tuesday, February 11
12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.**

R.O.M.E.O.

Retired Older Men Eating Out

Thursday, February 27, 2013



Remember, if you are retired, then you could be a ROMEO. We get together to eat at Perkins on the **last Thursday of each month**. The date was changed this month because of the Christmas holiday. Call Roger Bates at 610-869-7638 if you have any questions or if you are newly retired. Bring your retired friends!

in person

Marie Monville

author of
*One Light Still Shines:
My Life Beyond the Shadow of
The Amish Schoolhouse Shooting*



**Saturday,
February 1st
9:00 'til
noon**

Continental Breakfast at 9am - Presentation to follow

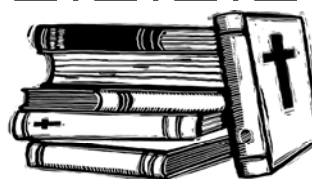
There is no cost for this event;
however, we ask that you register to secure your place.

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**Hopewell United Methodist Church
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women's
ministry



**Luther House
Bible Study**

**Hear the
Stories!**

Luther Class is
for men and
women who are
interested in

coming together to learn the stories of the Bible. All are welcome. **We meet every Wednesday from 2:00-3:00 pm** at Luther Building #1 in the parlor, right inside the door. Come join us! Bring your friends.

If you have any questions, contact Cindy Haley at: chaley@zoominternet.net

***What does the Lord require of us?
Simply this: to do justice, to love
kindness and to walk humbly with our
God (Micah 6:8). May it be so.***



Touchdown Jesus (1)	139.63
Steelers_Dude (8)	66.00

jerry's boys (4) 129.13	Touchdown Jesus (1) 100.14
groves 3 and 2 (5) 102.05	jerry's boys (4) 135.93
sulli's skins (3) 145.66	sulli's skins (3) 142.11
soundcurfew (6) 103.13	Ten Plagues (2) 122.80

jerry's boys (4) 108.96

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Ten Plagues (2)	128.24
Not a Prayer (7)	89.60

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REACHING OUT MINISTRY/ MOROGORO

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. When Christmas day is coming close, and when the Angel's song "Gloria" again sounds in our ears, we would like to thank you very much for your prayers, for your assistance, and for taking part in our mission. Let us take this opportunity to wish you an early **MERRY CHRISTMAS**. We thank God for our son Danny, a young adult missionary in the Philippines. In November when the typhoon Haiyan crossed that country, he was at the safe place.

Our projects:

REACHING OUT MINISTRY: Advance Number 150530

These two months we visited and strengthened some Christian's congregations in Dodoma and Iringa regions. Some UMC congregations (at Makambako, at Njombe, at Ilula and at Mtipula) are in need to get plots. We paid and got a plot for UMC congregation at Mundemu. But we didn't get a time to go in Arusha area.



MOROGORO UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOLS: Advance Number 15048N

Preschools are going well. 37 children in Morogoro, 12 children at Mangae-Mkangazi, and 15 children in Dodoma completed their pre-school course. At Mtipula, there is no school around. Children in that area can't walk for more than 10 km to go school. We plan to get a big plot and to build a classroom which will be used for preschool classroom and for worship for the congregation.



WESLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL: Advance Number 3020704

Again, all 24 students at Standard VII succeed at their National Examination. The school was ranked 1055 of 15,867 schools in Tanzania. As the school is still in progress, many facilities, such as the library, computer room, and one classroom each year, are in need.

SUSANNAH WESLEY TRAINING CENTRE:

Advance Number 3020705

The program is going well. Some women and girls are attending sewing course and also the tie and dyeing course. Your assistances also enable us to accommodate rooms for the clinic.



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CONSTRUCTION/MOROGORO: Advance Number 15059N

The church construction is now almost finished. Next step we have to put electricity wiring and to make floor.



MOROGORO PASTORS' TRAINING CENTER: Advance Number 3020710

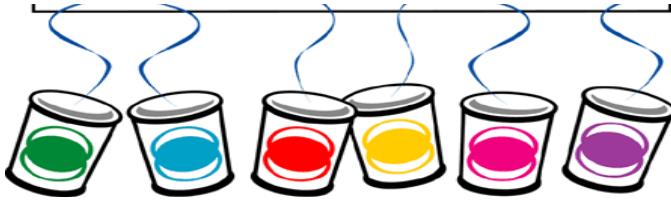
Next training course will be in June ,July and August 2014.



May our Almighty God bless you all.

Yours in Christ's love,
Mrs Ngoy and Rev. Umba Kalangwa

Sunday School Mission Cans



Below you will find information regarding two children which we as a congregation sponsor through Children International and Compassion International. We are able to help support our monetary monthly gifts to these organizations through the generous giving in our Sunday School program. As Sunday School classes continue to meet, please remember the mission cans located in each classroom and

know that the funds collected in these cans are being used to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of these children and their families. Also, please consider corresponding with Hasan and Danaed throughout the year to let them know of your love for them, especially on holidays and their birthdays. Thank you for your continued support of our sponsored children.

Our Sponsored Children



Danaed Batista Aguirre

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Through Children International, we continue to sponsor Danaed from Cartagena, Colombia. Danaed is currently 9 years old; her birthday is May 28. She likes to draw and sends us pictures with special messages throughout the year. Please continue to keep Danaed and her family in prayer. She has a little brother and they live in a community where the unemployment rate is high and many parents struggle to find steady work. The family lives in a house constructed of wood walls, dirt floors and a corrugated tile roof. It has a bathroom, one bedroom and a living room. Danaed sleeps on a metal bed. Please consider corresponding with Danaed: c/o Children International, 2000 East Red Bridge Road, P.O. Box 219055, Kansas City, MO 64121, Attn: Danaed Batista Aguirre, #1046278 CAR, Sponsors: West Gr919390.

We also sponsor Hasan from Indonesia through Compassion International. His birthday is April 7 and he is currently 12 years old. Art, running and playing group games are Hasan's favorite activities. In primary school his performance is average and he also regularly attends Bible class. Hasan lives with his father, mother and two siblings in the hillside community of Klayatan, home to approximately 6500 residents. Typical homes are constructed of tile floors, brick walls and plasterboard roofs. Our sponsorship helps provide Hasan with Bible teaching, special celebrations, retreats, medical checkups, vitamins, health education, nutritious meals, field trips, singing lessons and academic support. Please remember Hasan in your prayers. Our love and support will help him to continue to receive the assistance he needs to grow and develop. Consider corresponding with Hasan to encourage him in his faith and studies: c/o Compassion International, P.O. Box 65000, Colorado Springs, CO 80962, Attn: Hasan, #10-414-0152, Sponsors #US-1467453-1.





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