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From The Secretary's Desk

FAITH PROMISE

was

SUNDAY MARCH 27th

We heard about new and exciting happenings at our St. Thomas Clinic.

After prayer and consideration the from the

Am I where God wants me to be?
Several year ago I was given the opportunity to go into a business of my own. I would be self employed. I had worked for these people now they wanted me to buy them out, so they could retire.

I made it a matter of prayer. And I played Gideon. I threw out my fleece, which was I would get my state of Illinois license without a hitch

I first had to be bonded, and since never being bonded I tried bond company after bond company. Someone made the statement-God seems to be saying NO. I said that was not my fleece. I finally found a bonding co. that would bond me but the price would be 5 times the going rate.

Time was running short for me to get registered for the following year. I still had not received my bond when I went in to see if I could get my license without it..

I went into the state office to apply and told her of my situation. All she asked was "Do you have your receipt where you purchased your bond?"

I did and got it out of my brief case. Came back and gave her the paper work.

And I waited, and waited, and waited what seemed like an eternity, which in reality was only 15-20 minutes.

She returned to the room and said here is your license and just forward the bond to me when you receive it.

I thanked her and left the room walking at least 5 feet above the floor.

I was in business. And I had God's approval. God said I was in business and that made it true.

I was where God wanted me to be at that time in my life. My question now is am I still where God wants me to be? I believe I am.

ARE YOU WHERE GOD WANTS YOU TO BE? If the answer is you are not sure. Then may I suggest this Easter make it personal Easter in your life and make sure you are where you are suppose to be.

Joanna Brown
Your church Sec.

Mission Committee we Chose to continue our Faith Promise support as follows:

Local-----St Thomas Clinic-30%
Christian Help---25%.
National-----Henderson Settlement---20%
International-----Malawi- 15%
Emergency----- Fund-10%.

There are many needs including our own church. As good stewards of our resources, we feel God's urging to reach out beyond our walls.

We thank you for your past support and prayerfully look forward to continuation of our Faith Promise Outreach.

As always feel free to call with suggestions or questions,
Violet Money (535-4715)

UMW INFO

Our March 2nd evening circle was well attended and we had a double program presented by Violet Money. Members of the group reported on some of our books to read for the reading program. Plus Violet spoke on the importance UMW plays throughout the world. It was a very interesting program. The morning circle was cancelled because of illness.

The annual Lenten Brunch will be held in Fellowship Hall on Saturday April 9th at 9:30 am. All the women of the church are invited plus a special invite was made to the women's group of Honey Creek UMC. Mark your calendars for a morning of good food fellowship and a musical program to be enjoyed by all.

Mooresville 1st UMC is hosting the Central District UMW Spring Meeting on Saturday April 16th from 9:30 am ---noon.

Please call me if interested in attending.
Vicki Camden 535-4731

GAP NEWS

GAP meets every Thursday night from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Join us at UTS for dinner and then head back over to the Main Campus for our Bible lesson followed by fun and fellowship. We are currently looking at children and youth in the Bible and working together to learn the Lord's Prayer. I have to tell you that we have some very competitive GAP members when it comes to playing "Minute to Win It." This month we will be heading to Aldi's food store for our \$20.00 in 20 minutes activity. In this challenge, each team is allowed twenty minutes to buy as many food items as they can with their \$20.00. All food items are then donated to the local food pantry.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Community Easter Egg hunt will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 23rd. We have plenty of eggs to fill, but will be in need of items to fill the eggs. If you could donate a bag or two of individually wrapped candy, it would be wonderful. Just place your items near the organ bench and it will be sure to make its way to the Easter Bunny.

CHURCH CAMP

It is that time again to be thinking about sending our youth to church camp. I know that Caedon, Joey, Josh, and Justin are excited about going back! If you are interested in going to camp, please let me know and I will get you the info.

~Susan

YOUTH BANDS FEATURED AT UTS

We're working to schedule local youth bands at UTS on the first Sunday of each month. April 2nd, we'll rock with Crash21. Invite teens you know to come and join in the fun.

Seder Meal at the Cafe

Mark your calendars and plan to participate in a unique experience at the cafe on Thursday, April 21st. On this night we remember the Passover meal that Jesus had with his disciples in the Upper Room. They shared the traditional Jewish fare that reminded them of their salvation from slavery in Egypt, and, of course, Jesus provided a "twist" to the entire tradition as he talked with them about what would happen in the three days to follow that would result in a new covenant and a new way to see and experience grace and salvation.

We'll hold our normal Thursday evening community meal from 5-6:30 pm (we'll stop serving a half hour early that night), and at 7:30 pm we'll offer a sampling of the foods, readings and stories shared during the Passover Seder. The meal will last about an hour (not the 3 or more hours that a full Passover Seder might last in a family setting.) Reservations are requested but not required.

You can let us know you plan to attend by calling the cafe at 317-535-0502 or emailing underthesuncafe@comcast.net or just talk to Ginger. If you've never experienced this way of connecting Jewish history with our understanding of Christ, you won't want to miss it!

MINUTES FROM PROGRAM COUNCIL 3/7/2011

Members in attendance; Barbara & Kenneth Demaree, Susan Chandler, Merrill & Sandy Eddy, Pastor Joe Wyatt, Linda Wynn, Violet Money Vicki Camden, Linda West, Pauline Dixon, Dean and Kathy Houseman, Ginger Murphy and Art Bitts.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Merrill Eddy.

Report from Outreach by Violet Money—to continue with Faith Promise and the money will be split; St. Thomas getting 30%—Christian Help 25%—Henderson Settlement 20%, Malawa 15% and Emergency fund 10%. Faith Promise Sunday will be March 27th with a speaker from the St. Thomas Clinic. Thank you cards were received from Pleasant Crossing school for the underwear, and also from St. Thomas clinic for the faith promise gift.

Report from Nurture by Ginger Murphy; Starting on Wed. March the 16th at UTS and continuing through holy week a discussion about current events and how we can respond as Christians.

On March 9th there will be an Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 pm. We will have palms on Palm Sunday. We will hold a Seder supper at UTS on April 21st. We will participate in the community Good Friday service. There will be no sunrise service this year.

Saturday June 4th we'll hold a reception for Pastor Joe and Mary at UTS 1:00 pm. Joe and Mary plan to move some time in May. We will host a "welcome" soup lunch for Pastor Tony Johnson and family (working on the new UMC church start in Johnson County) on April 10th at 12:30 at UTS.

The Benevolent fund has no money at this time, and we need to find someone to take over this fund.

Susan Chandler Children Coordination: has 6—9 children on Thursday evenings. VBS dates have not been set.

Fellowship Coordinator; Kathy Houseman is planning a Euchre Party on April 15th, more info to come later.

Communications Becky Haveman: Secretary needs ALL news items by the 10th of each month. If you have an item for the church calendar call Becky Haveman or Ginger Murphy.

Linda Wuest Director of the Day Care shared some of the upcoming events. May 20th there will be an art show from 7:00—9:00 pm. There will be a pre school program on May 15th in the sanctuary.

Linda Wynn reported there are to new members in the choir, and would like to see more.

Prayer news from Pauline Dixon 38 prayer requests, 17 get well cards, 1 sympathy card and one post card.

Art Bitts from the Boy Scouts shared what the scouts are doing. March 18th from 6:30—to 10:30 pm will be parents night out. For more info call 374-5558. The scouts will help with the fish fry drive thru. We will extend and invitation to the Girl Scouts to meet with our committee.

The new pastor will be here in July and Merrill will talk to Paul McAninch about a welcome reception for Pastor Ed Fisher and his family.

Submitted by Sandy Eddy.

**ALL ITEMS FOR
MAY NEWS LETTER
MUST BE IN BY
THE 10TH OF
APRIL!!!!!!**

Church Duties for April

Ushers

April 3rd S. Sowder

J. Lasiter
D. Houseman
C Money

10th G. Haveman
K. Demaree
J. Privitt

17th N. Mitchell
J Brown
K. Houseman
V. Money

24th W. Mitchell
S. Sowder
J. Lasiter
D. Houseman
K. Demaree

Greeters

3rd D McIntire/ J. Lasiter
10th Wilma/Nolan Mitchell
17th Kathy/Dean Houseman
24th Violet/C. Money

Trad Tech

3rd Nolan Mitchell
10th Steve Sowder
17th Paul/Tina McAnich
24th Dave Ketterer



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN APRIL 2011
 2nd 7:30 am Greenwood UMM breakfast
 3rd –9 am Adult and Children SS
 10 am Worship (S)
 11 am Children’s SS
 11:15 am UTS Worship
 5 pm CYS 6-12 grades
 5 pm UTS Praise Team
 6:30 pm Choir (S)
 6th 7:00 pm Lenten Study UTS
 7th 5:00 pm Free Meal UTS
 5:45 GAP @ UTS
 8th Fish Fry drive thru 4: pm
 9th 9:30 UMW Lenten Brunch (FH)
 UMM Breakfast at Mount Auburn 7:30 am
 10th 9 am Adult and Children SS
 10 am Worship (S)
 11 am Children’s SS
 11:15 am UTS Worship
 12.30 pm Soup lunch for Pastor Tony
 Johnson of new UMC New upstart church
 5 pm CYS 6-12 grades
 5 pm UTS Praise Team
 6:30 pm Choir (S)
 11th Finance comm. (A)
 13th Lenten Study 7 pm UTS
 14th 5 pm free meal
 5:45 pm GAP at UTS
 7: pm Prayer Shawls (S)
 15th Fish Fry 4 pm drive thru only
 16th UMM breakfast Smith Valley 7:30 am
 17th –9 am Adult and Children SS
 10 am Worship (S)
 11 am Children’s SS
 11:15 am UTS Worship
 4:15 Emmaus UTS
 5 pm CYS 6-12 grades
 5 pm UTS Praise Team
 6:30 pm Choir (S)
 18th 7:00 pm Trustees (A)
 19th Clover 4H
 21st 5:00 pm Free meal UTS
 5:45 GAP @ UTS
 7:30 Seder meal UTS
 22nd 4:00 pm Fish Fry drive thru
 23rd 1:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt
 24th EASTER 9 am Adult and Children SS
 10 am Worship (S)
 11 am Children’s SS
 11:15 am UTS Worship
 5 pm CYS 6-12 grades
 5 pm UTS Praise Team
 6:30 pm Choir (S)
 25th Administrative Church Council (FH)

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 28th 5:00 pm free meal
 5:45 GAP at UTS
 29th 12:00 pm Spring Fish Fry
 30th 9 am Spring Fish Fry

WUMC Habitat Work Days

We are asked to provide volunteers for May 5, 14, & June 3.

Sign up sheets are hanging up at both UTS (bulletin board by kid’s play area) and main campus (between sanctuary and education wing).

Construction Help

Volunteers from WUMC/UTS are needed to work on the house on Thursday May 5 and May 14. On May 5, we need to fill both the am and pm shifts—we need 6 people for each shift. You can sign up to work just am, just pm or all day. We will be working with folks from Grace UMC that day. On May 14 we need people for the am shift—we need at least 5 people for the shift and we’ll be working with Smith Valley UMC.

Providing Meals

We are asked to provide two meals (breakfast and lunch) for all the volunteers on May 5 and again on June 3. WUMC Main Campus will take May 5; UTS will coordinate June 3. We need several people to be willing to make and deliver the meals. We don’t know quantities yet.

Devotions

We’ve also been asked to provide devotions at 7:15 am on May 5 and again on June 3 if anyone wants to volunteer for that responsibility.

If you have special carpentry, electrical or construction skills be sure to note that on the schedules when you sign up.

If you can’t help on May 5, May 14 or June 3 there are spaces for public volunteers on many days.

Volunteer forms and more information will be coming soon!



THANKS FOR THE FOOD!

The interchurch Food Pantry wishes to thank you for your donations in January. We gave 3 full days supply of food to 830 families, which was 3083 people. Thank you for helping to feed our needy.

Sincerely

The Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson Co.

**JOHNSON COUNTY CLUSTER
UM MEN LENTEN BREAKFAST**

April 2nd at Greenwood UMC 7:30 a.m.

April 9th at Mount Auburn UMC 7:30 a.m.

April 16th at Smith Valley 7:30 a.m.

If you would like to attend one of the breakfasts and car pool we will meet in the Church parking lot at 7:00 a.m. each Saturday morning. Questions contact Merrill Eddy.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1st Mildred Coleman

April 4 Tonya Combs

April 8m Rachell Sappenfield

April 10 Martina Schreiner

April 12th Dave/Lori Ketterer ANNIV

April 20 Glenna McDaniel

Fred Brinkman

J. Robert Corbin

April 24 Keith Conrow

April 25 Brenda Maddox

April 26 Shawn Tarr

April 28 Jane White

April 30 Gail Holzer

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 1 Nolan Mitchell

May 2 Jacob Holzer

May 3 Greg Allender

Eva Coleman

May 9 Tina McAninch

May 10 Stephanie Blackburn

May 19 Jon Winkler

May 22 Allison Ketterer

Mike Holzer

May 24 Sarah Hanger

May 28 Carolyn Simms

May 31 Christian Cruze

Lunch for New Community Pastor

We are hosting a joint WUMC/UTS soup luncheon for Pastor Tony Johnson and his family at UTS. Pastor Tony is here in Johnson County to lead the planting of a new United Methodist Church. We'll look forward to meeting him and hearing about this exciting project that will bring people together in Jesus' name.

Under the Sun Café is providing a variety of soups (ham and bean, potato, chicken and rice, minestrone) and drinks, and we invite you to bring along sides and desserts to go with the soups.

The meal begins at 12:30pm after UTS worship. Please mark your calendars and plan to offer a Whiteland welcome to this family who will be working in our community!

WE ARE MOVING!

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