

# KNOW GROW GO

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## June/July 2012

Sunday Worship: 8:00am - 11:00am - 6:00pm

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### What Makes a Church Great?

What makes a church great? One of the great indicators of a great church is if you get consistently the same answer when you ask people this question.

Some might immediately respond with a description of something occurring on Sunday morning. You know, a great church has great music or great preaching or really friendly people. Others might jump on the outreach efforts (called Salty Service at PCUMC) of the church or the ways that the congregation serves the community. Some would immediately want to talk about age-level ministries children, youth, adult, or seniors. Still others might point to the discipleship successes—the way people's lives are being changed.

While the items listed above can be features of a great church and certainly add to the list of things great churches do and do well, there are two problems with this list:

1) The list doesn't take into account what the church is trying to accomplish. At PCUMC we are asking everyone to participate in helping people: "KNOW God, GROW in God, and Go to serve God." All the things that we decide make us great or less than great should be measured against that goal.

2) Answers that involve our own likes and dislikes are focused on what OTHER people are doing at church. Good preaching means the pastoral staff is doing a good job. Good music means we have excellent musicians doing their best. Great discipleship, age-level or outreach implies that whoever runs those programs is getting the job done.

**No church can be truly great unless the people who make it up are giving God their best!**

As a pastor, I sometimes hear people complain about their church. "I don't like this, or I disagree with that!" Typically those sentences are directed at things that other people are doing.

**The bigger question may be, "What am I doing to help my church be a great church?"**

The reality as Paul defines it in Romans 12:4-5, "*For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.*" Everyone can't be the speaker in worship. If musical ability isn't your thing, then the music ministry doesn't move forward with you singing solos on Sunday.

A church becomes great when each of the people who make it up decide, "I am going to discover God's calling in my life and use the gifts that I have to move the ministry of my church forward."

The logic and even the math is simple. A friendly church is made up of friendly people. The more friendlier people the more friendly the church. Are you one of those? Start treating your church's guests like your own personal guests and help insure that they feel welcomed and at home in your church.

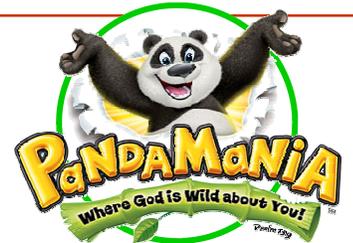
Take charge of your own discipleship by spending time every day reading and reflecting on the truth of the Bible, and have your own regular conversations with God. If you're a football fan, you probably know the term *Monday Morning Quarterback*. Since most professional football games are played on Sunday, a *Monday Morning Quarterback* is a person who has all the answers and knows what the team should have done on every play the day AFTER the game was played. Often when the game is being played, these are the people who fill the bleachers rather than the field.

If you have the answers on Monday, then God is calling you to get with it on Sunday? You can help make PCUMC a great church by chipping in with your gifts, your heart, and your desire to see your church do great things.

A great church is a place filled with great people doing great things for a more than great God. Be one of them and before you know it, your church will become even greater than before. Keep going and never quit!

Grace,

Pastor Brian



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
VBS is June 25-29

**Wednesday, June 13**  
**WNT Family Dinner**  
5pm Fellowship Hall

"Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage" begins at 6pm in the Conference Room

**Wednesday, July 11**  
**WNT Family Dinner**  
5pm Fellowship Hall

**Friday, July 27**  
**Family Dinner & a Movie**  
**Plus Clothes SWAP**  
6pm—8pm

## Loving Memory

Cecil Ball 5-27-2012



## Notes from the Music Director

During the months of June, July and August, the Chancel Choir will be taking a summer break. This is a time to sit back in the congregation, relax, and recharge our musical batteries so that we can begin the new season with energy and enthusiasm. However, there will be no lack of inspiring music this summer. Various solos and ensembles will be leading out each Sunday. Also, we will be privileged to enjoy the talents of guest musicians. In June, Al Rozier will be at the piano, and during July and August, Bob Phelps will be our organist.

As always, we in the music department thank God for the gift of music and for the privilege of singing and playing to His glory.

Gloria Dei,  
Eileen West

## Extravagant Generosity

(as of 4/30/12)

Y-T-D Income \$311,841.60  
Y-T-D Expenses \$325,718.85  
AC Fund as of 4/30/12 \$28,349

### Help Given

29 Gas Vouchers; 4 Rent, 3 Utilities, 1 Misc

## Letters

Thank you for your prayers, cards and expressions of concern during my recent illness.

*Jane Trammell*

We would like to thank the Port Charlotte United Methodist Church family for the love shown our mother, Louise, while she was a member.

We do appreciate your support at Mom's 90th birthday reception at church last August and, more recently, for your hospital visits, prayer cards, flowers, memorials, and participation in her beautiful Celebration of Life service.

*April, Brent, and Clay Conway*

Staff/Parish Relations Committee joins the congregation in thanking all the church and CWM staff for a job well done. Too often the daily grind to keep the church running goes unacknowledged. Thank you!

*Staff Parish Relations Committee*

Pastor Brian,

Thank you for being open to the leading of the Holy Spirit in your life and the life of your congregation! We are honored to be in partnership with you. May God bless you richly with all you need to carry forward His ministry!

Thanks for being my colleague and friend,  
*Marion Sortore*  
*Pastor, Trinity United Methodist Church*

## Sunshine Ministry

The Sunshine Ministry needs people to help call on shut-ins. In the summer months, people go north or take vacations—however shut-ins are always with us. Perhaps each UMW Circle could provide a volunteer to help us with our calls.

No special training is needed. Just a desire to do God's will and see our shut-ins are well served.  
**PRAY ABOUT IT!**

We meet the 2nd Wednesday each month from 9-10:00am in the Conference Room.  
For more information, call Doris at 743-5092.

### Help Us Feed Homeless Children this Summer

Members of the Naomi Circle, along with women from Freedom Bible Church and Trinity United Methodist, plan to make bag lunches once a week over the summer to help feed the homeless children of Charlotte County.

**Join us!** We will meet every Thursday at 2pm in the PCUMC Kitchen to make these lunches. (May 31—August 9). If you are unable to join us, but would like to assist this mission, following is a list of needed items:

There are 681 homeless children that we know about in Charlotte County as of April 15, 2012. Each week we will make a minimum of 150 lunches that will be distributed on Friday mornings.

- ◆ Brown Paper Lunch sacks
- ◆ Plastic Baggies (sandwich size)
- ◆ Bread
- ◆ Condiment Packets
- ◆ Lunch Meat
- ◆ Chips
- ◆ Crackers
- ◆ Fresh fruits and veggies
- ◆ Cookies
- ◆ Snack items (fruit bars, dessert cakes, Little Debbie, ect)
- ◆ Juice Boxes
- ◆ Disposable Gloves



## Frequently Heard Questions *Jonathan Carlsen*

On April 22 and 29, the Direction and Hope Bible Study focused on Luke 11:1-13 where Jesus taught the Lord's Prayer to His disciples. The discussions raised several questions. We'll look at two of them:

**Question:** Why do United Methodists, when we pray the Lord's Prayer, say, "Forgive us our trespasses," when the Bible says, "Forgive us our debts"?

**Answer:** Actually, not all UMs pray "trespasses." Moreover, Luke 11:4 has "Forgive us our sins."

In Chicago, I belonged to a former United Brethren / Evangelical United Brethren church. They prayed "debts" from about 1941, when they stopped worshiping in German, till about 2000, when they merged with a discontinued former Methodist church. On their first Sunday together, the majority prayed "debts," and the newcomers prayed "trespasses." They quickly agreed to alternate: "debts" one month and "trespasses" the next. In Syracuse, New York, in 1967, two former Methodist churches and an EUB church merged as Gethsemane UMC. They prayed, "Forgive us our sins ..."

But the reason most UMs pray "trespasses," even though most Bibles have "debts" in Matthew 6:12, is that John Wesley's English Methodists belonged to the Church of England and prayed following the Anglican *Book of Common Prayer* (1662). It took its Scriptures from the *Great Bible* of 1540. When the American Methodists organized the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1784, Wesley sent them *The Sunday Service*, a much-condensed reworking of the *Book of Common Prayer*. The Americans mostly ignored *The Sunday Service*, but kept praying "trespasses."

**Question:** Why do most translations omit, "For Thine is the kingdom ...," from the Lord's Prayer in Matthew, and "Thy will be done ...," from the Lord's Prayer in Luke?

**Answer:** Simply because these phrases aren't in our two oldest known Greek manuscripts. Before printing, Bibles were copied by hand, and most translators believe that copyists added these phrases by mistake. They think that "For Thine is the kingdom ..." was found in the margin of a manuscript, possibly with a note to use it when praying the prayer in worship, and a copyist thought it was part of the Bible text. With "Thy will be done ..." in Luke, they theorize that the copyist remembered the phrase from Matthew 6:10 and thought that someone left it out by accident. So he decided to *fix it!*

**Correction:** In the last issue (May), Art and Dottie deSilva's son was correctly identified as a translator of the new *Common English Bible*. But his name is David deSilva, not John.

Do you have a question about the Bible or United Methodist belief, organization, or practice? E-mail them to me at [theexhorter\\_fl@yahoo.com](mailto:theexhorter_fl@yahoo.com) or leave them with Katherine Arthington at the church office and I'll try to answer as many as I can. — JAC



[ THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN RE-PRINTED FROM "HABITAT WORLD" ]

FIELD NOTES | PERSPECTIVES FROM AROUND HABITAT'S WORLD

## In Memoriam

The Rev. Samuel Emerick, 1915-2012

In 1965, Sam Emerick drove from Richmond, Indiana, to Americus, Georgia, to attend a conference on poverty at Koinonia Farm. It was there he first heard Clarence Jordan's notion of partnership housing. "It grabbed me by the shirt," Emerick would say, pulling on his collar. "I couldn't ignore it. I literally felt as if someone had gotten a hold of me and wouldn't let go."

With Jordan's words ringing in his ears, Emerick returned to Indiana where he was director of Yoke-fellow Institute, a church renewal center at Earlham College. Emerick pressed for an entity to address local housing issues in Richmond; soon, he found himself as chairman of Richmond's new Community Improvement Committee. Through it, 200 new houses were built for low-income families. "In doing so, I realized that I didn't know much about poverty," Emerick would later recall. "But I wanted to understand the cause and I knew the needs."

Eventually, Emerick became part of the group that met at Koinonia during the summer of 1968 to lay out the vision for Koinonia's new partnership housing ministry — the foundation of Habitat for Humanity. When Millard Fuller launched Habitat in 1976, Emerick served as the first board chair. "He led with grace and dignity," says Clive Rainey, Habitat's first volunteer and a longtime staff member. "But for all that surface calm, Sam, too, was on fire with the vision of Clarence Jordan."

Emerick and his wife Patsy moved to Florida in 1978, where he helped start affiliates in Sarasota and Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties. "I used to call him a national treasure right in our backyard, and I truly meant that," says Mike Mansfield, CEO of Charlotte County Habitat. "Sam was soft-spoken but steadfast. Think back to those early years and how crazy those ideas must have seemed. But Sam was so focused on 'how do you throw off that yoke of poverty?' He continued that mission for the rest of his life."



*The Rev. Samuel St. John Emerick passed away on Jan. 13 at the age of 96. Emerick was a Habitat for Humanity pioneer, serving as the first chair of Habitat for Humanity International's board of directors.*

In 2008, the 300,000th Habitat house worldwide was built by Habitat Collier County. "Love isn't confined to words or pretty things. It's action," Emerick said that day. "I remember the spirit of volunteers and how much we've always relied on our volunteers. It's amazing to see that spirit still out there today. There are people who are held by the idea today just as I was when I was listening to Clarence."



## June Birthdays

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June 01 Doris Adams	June 14 Barbara Deaton
June 01 Don Keirnan	June 14 Manion Warden
June 01 June Richards	June 17 Alex Kucewicz
June 02 Marisue Bittner	June 18 Dennise Dorvil
June 03 Marlene Young	June 19 Mary Rilling
June 04 Leroy Walsingham	June 21 Tyler Olby
June 04 Paul Smith	June 22 Bernard Coakley
June 04 Robert Butler	June 23 Nicholas Bonsky
June 05 Warren Heidenis	June 24 Wanda Gastright
June 05 Lillith Morris	June 24 Peg Thompson
June 06 Ellen Even	June 25 Lexi Kern
June 08 Renee Petro	June 26 Mildred Notice
June 08 Jordan Mikus	June 26 Violet Soldano
June 08 Tyler McNamara	June 27 John Keating
June 10 Frank Hansen	June 27 Jacob McIntosh
June 11 Harold Wilder	June 28 Laura Bunyon
June 11 Lauryn Royer	June 29 Charles Bailey
June 12 John Lee	June 30 Phyllis Crews
June 12 Jo Lucky	June 30 Kristin White
June 12 Sylvanie Skepple	

## July Birthdays

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July 01 Sydney Minott	July 14 Jeffrey White
July 01 Eulalee Jackson	July 15 Marjorie Anderson
July 02 Belle Tribby	July 16 Al Tillman
July 02 Lois Hagen	July 17 Betty Decker
July 04 Zachery McNally	July 17 Lily Weller
July 05 Alvin Williams	July 18 Oran Goodell
July 05 Doris Forsythe	July 19 Don Yienger
July 05 Dana Sweet	July 19 Rudy Mays
July 07 Grace Chicken	July 19 Patricia Rose
July 07 Helen McMillan	July 19 Barbara Gruennert
July 09 Violet Ward	July 19 Mark Mikus
July 09 Norma Campbell	July 19 Samir Petro
July 09 Ann Van Hoose	July 19 Jessica West
July 10 James Stedje	July 20 Brad Baker
July 11 Bill Bishop	July 21 Thelma Quinn
July 13 Margaret Spann	July 21 Joy Wilson
July 13 Robert Bosserdet	July 21 Nancy Bosserdet
July 14 Marjorie Mills	July 21 Kayla White

## June Anniversaries

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June 01 Joseph and Beverly Gomez  
 June 02 Paul and Barbara Smith  
 June 10 Roy and Zena Burkholder  
 June 10 Mark and Jill Mandrick  
 June 12 Larry and Lynn Littlefield  
 June 13 Harold and Barbara Wilder  
 June 13 Calvin and Lois Tschetter  
 June 17 Bob and Anna Croft  
 June 19 Craig and Ericka Brown  
 June 21 Frank and Betty Hansen  
 June 28 Gerald and Darlene Brown  
 June 29 Jeff and Susan West  
 June 30 Tom and Laura Bunyon

## July Anniversaries

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July 03 Stephen and Jean Pearl  
 July 08 George and Dorothy Mann  
 July 10 Gary and Betty Ruth Mason  
 July 10 Julie and Sid Scott  
 July 11 H.L. and Mary Clemmons  
 July 11 Loren and Ruthann Allen  
 July 20 Robert and Nancy Bosserdet  
 July 22 Robert and Barbara Gruennert

July 22 John Robertson  
 July 22 Kathryn Parmelee  
 July 22 Samantha Rodrigues  
 July 23 Harriet Paulsen  
 July 24 Charles Arnold  
 July 24 Barbara Hall  
 July 24 Matthew Dowling  
 July 25 Mildred McLeggan  
 July 25 Michael Hald  
 July 26 Rosemae Brown  
 July 26 Marilyn Brown  
 July 27 Wendy Orris  
 July 28 Paula Helander  
 July 28 Marge Lawson  
 July 29 Kolton Reeves  
 July 30 Marjorie Ward  
 July 30 Tom Marshall



## Greetings from Connie

# April 2012

*Iglesia Evangélica Dominicana*  
*Apartado 42 Barahona, Dominican Republic*

### Day of the Pastor

Pastor's Appreciation Day was very special to me. We gathered in the upstairs youth room where we shared games and of course, great food. Questions were asked of me so they could know more about me like favorite verse, who was most instrumental in my spiritual growth, etc. There was a time when they shared their appreciation for me and those sweet words will be treasured forever.



### Street Revival in Jacquimeyes

We went to support a nearby church with their outreach to their community. Francis, Rosalba and Lorennny are preparing the scriptures and our youth presented a drama. (Thank you YouTube!) They have an extensive repertoire of dramas that are used at different events. They are becoming well known for their presentations of the Gospel through drama and dance.



It amazes me to see junior high boys and adults putting together puzzles for young children but it points out the lack of experiences they had when younger.



### Easter

Having been away last year for Easter, this was really the first opportunity I had with this new congregation to walk them through 'Holy Week' so that they could learn the significance of each event. In the DR, Holy Week is huge, but not for the true meaning but for the long week of beach, parties, gatherings and drinking. We participated in a Thursday morning retreat in Barahona with Pastor Pedro's congregation. We celebrated Good Friday with a service of the seven last words of Christ on the cross, a 5:30 am Saturday morning prayer vigil and a glorious celebration service on Easter morning! Much like what you probably did but much was new to this group.



Yaraidy and Nairobi had attended a liturgical dance workshop and worked so hard with Lorennny to present two specials for our Easter service. They looked so lovely in their new dance wear that had just arrived on the Missionary Flight just in time! We look forward to many more presentations. Yaraidy is already working with our younger girls to include them in this ministry of praising God through dance.



**Iglesia Evangélica Dominicana (IED)**  
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### Youth Club

Our youth club continues to reach out to youth in our community. We love our newest addition which you can see hanging on the wall in the background. We have been blessed with a 42" screen TV which has been mounted on the wall. It is wonderful for our exercise classes, movie night, concert DVDs, etc. I love the BBC Life series and Planet Earth which I play constantly as the youth are playing. I love to watch the amazement on their faces as they see things they have never seen before!



### Prayer Requests

Pamela, a youth who accepted Christ this month  
 For more youth to make a commitment to Jesus  
 For Peter, Genera, Joan, Donald & Cindy, a family I am discipling  
 Continued prayers for Fermin's health.



Thank you for your continued prayers and support for God's work here in the Dominican Republic. I couldn't be here if it weren't for your amazing support!

## [ A LETTER FROM OUR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT RINI HERNANDEZ RE: GENERAL CONFERENCE ]

Dear friends –

Just a few days after the 2012 General Conference held at the Tampa Convention Center, I'm still trying to process all that I lived there as well as reflecting about the future of our denomination in the aftermath of this global gathering.

988 delegates from the United States and Central Conferences in Africa, the Philippines, Europe and Asia had the opportunity to produce some radical changes in the life of our church. But no significant change happened.

The Call to Action some of us so enthusiastically supported through the last months won't even pass beyond the correspondent Legislative Committee. In its place, a compromised formula called "Plan UMC" was voted and approved by the body, but declared unconstitutional by the Judicial Council and such announcement was made almost at the time of closing the Conference business.

Yes, some other things I personally supported were approved by the Conference. There will be no more guaranteed appointments for the elders in our connection, a decision that, in my view, will help Cabinets to appoint those who have had a proven record of producing church vitality and churches to receive pastors who are really committed to bring people to Christ and to make a difference in the communities they serve.

Our Book of Discipline will retain the same language regarding human sexuality: homosexuality will still be considered a sin and a practice that is incompatible with the Gospel's teaching. In the words of Bishop Whitaker, we made a clear option to continue being a "historic" rather than a "cultural" church, a church that will continue upholding the historic teachings of the Christian faith and is not driven by cultural tendencies.

After these 12 days of "holy" and sometimes "not so holy" conferencing, I believe change, restructure, transformation won't come from the top down. We will need to produce a "holy revolution" from the local church all the way up to the top of this denomination once called "the enthusiasts" and "the Wesleyan revival". I have always believed that it is the life and practice of the church that is the one that produces the changes in the Book of Discipline. More than ever before, I am convinced that transformation and renewal cannot be mandated by the Book of Discipline, but needs to be the heart and core of the daily practice in the local church.

During these "after Conference" days, as I have been living through my "post traumatic GC stress disorder", I have come back to my core convictions and my most useful tools for revival: the Bible and Wesley's Works.

Instead of asking for restructure, I believe we need to be asking for revival that will produce restructure. Instead of asking for changes in the church, I believe we should be praying and fasting for changes in the hearts, minds, words and ways to fulfill the Great Commission.

We need to go back to basics, and basics to me is asking for the fire of the Holy Spirit to be rekindled in our hearts, so we may feel our heart's experience once again-that particular warmth that is the sign of true Methodists. Back to the preaching of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, back to the preaching about personal and social holiness, back to the religion of the heart, the practice of the means of grace for our spiritual growth, the kind of enthusiasm that makes Christianity contagious and Churches refuse to die, leaving the coldness of the no-mission to embrace the passion for the co-mission.



Let us hear again the words of that holy man that was transformed at Aldersgate:

*"I continue to dream and pray about a revival of holiness in our day that moves forth in mission and creates authentic community in which each person can be unleashed through the empowerment of the Spirit to fulfill God's creational intentions."*

Let us live into the mission of the church, into the passion for the unsaved, into the development of programs and strategies to be more effective in ministry and more open to change.

I can't deny it. I come from that tradition. I was once a Christian who practiced a nice summer religion. I was part of a declining church that was about to disappear because of persecution and lack of meaning in the life of a nation. I have seen this before. I have seen how the Holy Spirit can change the depressing reality of a declining institution into the glorious reality of a powerful and transformative movement.

Once again, after General Conference, I was reignited by the words of one of the persons who has been more influential in my Christian journey. This is an entry in his Journal dated January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1739, just a few months after Aldersgate. He is describing what happened at a prayer vigil he and a group of friends had (yes, good Methodists have prayer vigils until 3.00 AM) on New Year's Eve of 1739:

*"Mr. Hall, Kinchin, Ingham, Whitefield, Lane, (were present) with about sixty of our brethren. About three in the morning, as we were continuing in instant prayer, the power of God came mightily upon us, insomuch that many cried out for exceeding joy, and many fell to the ground. As soon as we were recovered a little from that awe and amazement at the presence of his Majesty, we broke out with one voice, 'We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.'"*

Let us claim this power again for our personal lives as well as for our denomination. Let us join in the words of the ancient hymn: "Revive us, o Lord".

Truly yours in Christ's service,

*Rini*

Rev. Dr. Rinaldo (Rini) Hernandez

## Visit Our Website!

Did you miss a Sunday worship service? You can go to our website to hear all of our Sermons each week. They are uploaded by Monday afternoon for you to listen, and share with a friend.

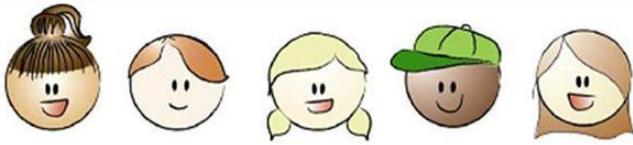
On PCUMC's website You can also read Pastor Brian's "Daily S-O-A-P" devotional which is uploaded onto the site daily.

Check it out: [www.pcumc.info](http://www.pcumc.info)



# Children's Weekday Ministry

*Ericka Brown*

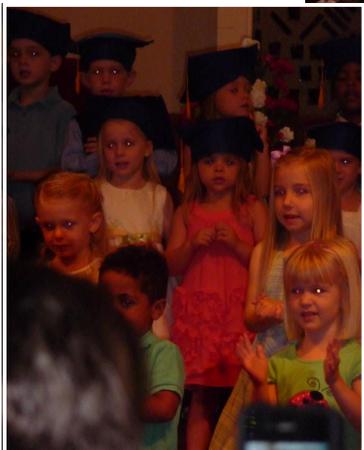


PCUMC Children's Weekday Ministry

Congratulations to all 38 of our 2012 VPK and After School Graduates!



*Pictured above: Brayden Leahy, Matthew Moldoff, Megan Olby and Cole Castagnola*



# Children's Ministry

*Barbara Hald*

The Children's Ministry will be working this summer on finding leaders to lead our children in Sunday school, Church@6 Kids' Worship and Wednesday nights. It is a blessing to work with these children and their families. Please contact me as to when you can help. The children are the future of our church and I look forward to working with you to lead them.



Vacation Bible School  
June 25-29  
9am—Noon

We always need help for Vacation Bible School, set up 6/24 and clean up 6/29 and all week long if you are available!

No movie night in June, but July 27th will be "Rio" and The Children's Clothes Swap. I could use people to lead the clothes swap, so call me if you are available.

Please pick up your Children's Summer Schedule at the children's sign in area. Have a great summer!

In His Love, Barbara Hald

Family Dinner  
& a Movie Night  
and Children's Clothes SWAP!  
Friday, July 27 at 6pm  
Fellowship Hall



## Youth Ministry *Paul Kisner*

We just completed our confirmation class for 2012. There were eight students that took part in our 13 week class. We met at 9:30 am on Sunday mornings. Some of the topics that were covered during that time were: the Trinity, Sin, Redemption, the Church, the Bible, Worship, the Sacraments, Grace, Discipleship, and more. The purpose of these class sessions was to help our youth develop a basic understanding of Christian theology, the Wesleyan practice of faith in the United Methodist Church, and to explain the vows they would be taking on confirmation Sunday.

It is a wonderful time in the life of our church as we welcome our newest confirmands. As a church, our job is not done. We must uphold our commitment to helping our youth grow in the faith. That means continuing to pray for our children and youth ministries, to consider volunteering (if God has gifted you) to help with our children and youth ministries, and to practice John Wesley's General Rules: 1. Do no harm and avoid evil of every kind; 2. Do good as much as possible, to all persons; 3. To attend to the ordinances of God or means of Grace (worship, prayer, communion, Bible study, ministry etc.). It is our job to demonstrate to our youth how God's Sanctifying Grace is at work in the lives of all believers.



### PCUMC 2012 Confirmation Class

<u>Confirmand</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Emily Cox	Carrie Weller
Juliet Cox	Carrie Weller
Alexander DePaul	Terry Hixon
Franklin DePaul	Terry Hixon
Clarice Hald	Dawn Kisner
Lanie James	Elsie Grant
Tiffany Roberts	Amanda Kucewicz
Lillian Weller	Ericka Brown

**Please pray for our youth ministry trips this summer:**

#### June 15 – June 22

Youth Mission Week  
UMC Retreat Center  
Lake Junaluska, NC

#### July 9 – July 14

Summer Camp  
Warren Willis  
United Methodist Camp  
Fruitland Park, FL



### Youth Ministry Summer Schedule

**Youth Sunday School**  
(incoming 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
9:30 – 10:30 am  
Youth room

**Crew 567**  
(incoming 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Wednesday Night  
5:30 – 6:30 pm  
Youth Room

**Youth Group**  
(current Middle School and  
High School youth)  
Wednesday Night  
6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Youth Room

*There will be no Crew 567  
or Youth Group on June 20  
and July 11*

**July 29: Youth Sunday**  
The youth will serve as  
ushers, greeters,  
and liturgists for the  
11 am service



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## JAMES: MERCY TRIUMPHS BY BETH MOORE

Begins June 5

James, Jesus' own brother, started out as a skeptic. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple with Beth Moore's 8-session study *James: Mercy Triumphs*. And, in the process, learn how you can put your own faith into action.

**Tuesdays**  
**1pm and 7pm**  
 Childcare provided  
 at 1pm

**June 5—July 31**  
 (Note: No Beth Moore  
 the week of VBS  
 June 26)  
**Cost: \$20**

Call "D" Fletcher to  
 sign up: 623-0642

Bible scholars compare James to the prophet Amos. In other ways, James more closely resembles the Book of Proverbs than any New Testament book. Come along with Beth Moore on a journey to get to know both the man and the Book of James. You will never be the same again.

Topics in this study include: joy, hardship, faith, reversal of fortunes for rich and poor, wisdom, gifts from above, single-mindedness, the dangers of the tongue, humility, and prayer. Plus, Beth introduces a 5-tiered study approach that she has never done before.

## Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage

Begins June 13

**Wednesdays at 6pm - Conference Room**

Improve your marriage and reduce marital problems with Mark Gungor's exclusive advice. Mark Gungor, one of the most sought-out speakers on love and marriage, explores the underlying dynamics of male/female relationships, combining striking clarity and practical solutions to common



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