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Notes for the Journey

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Thoughts

Sunday we continued to consider how we can make ourselves available to be a blessing to the people of our community. John Wesley gave this suggestion, "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." In other words live with a constant awareness of being in partnership with God to share His love wherever we are.

The prayer in my daily devotional Sunday put it this way, "Father, please help me not resist your leading, but listen with humble trust and a spirit of holy adventure for the path ahead. Amen"

What is that holy adventure God wants to lead us into this year? Will you join with me in following His lead and seeing where the adventure will take us.

HAITI MISSION TRIP 2018

The FOHO (Friends Of Haiti Organization) work team will be leaving for Haiti this next Tuesday morning, January 16. We are developing a new compound to replace our previous compound which was destroyed in the 2010 earthquake. The new compound is strategically located toward the Northeast part of Port au Prince near the airport and supply stores.

This year we will be building a large shop building for fabrication, tool and equipment storage, etc. The Sumner/Bridgeport team poured the concrete floor in October. So far, we have a security wall around the entire 3 1/2 acres, a generator building and a caretaker's house built and a wonderful water well drilled.

These accomplishments have been completed as the result of generous contributions from people all over the U.S. who want to see God's kingdom grow. These FOHO team members have the fun of actually putting the pieces together.

Thanks for your prayer support for our safety and well-being.

—Dennis Wilson

2018 Tithing Envelopes

Your 2018 tithing/offering envelopes are available on the table in the foyer. You can pick up yours at any time.

If you have never had envelopes before, and would like a set, please take one of the blank sets, locate the number on the box and place your name next to the corresponding number on the sign-up sheet.

The envelopes are a good reminder to contribute to the work of God's kingdom on a regular basis. Also using the envelopes enables the church to issue you a year-end statement of giving that can be used when you file your Federal income taxes.

Society Meeting

Please put Sunday evening, January 28 (time to be announced) on your calendar and make plans to attend the Annual Society Meeting.

We will elect delegates to our annual conference and appoint local ministry positions at this time.

Lectionary Scripture

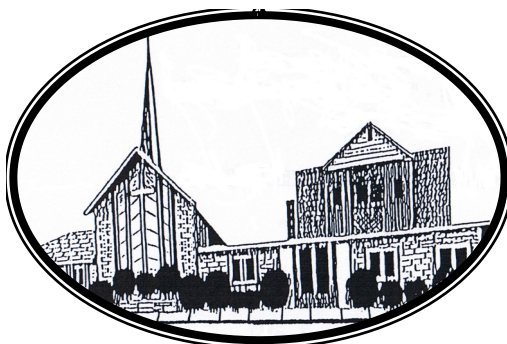
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1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)

Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

John 1:43-51



Mission

*A community of believers
endeavoring to live and love
as Jesus taught.*

*Come—Experience
Community!*

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 14

Morning Worship	9:30am
Sunday School	10:40am
FMSM	6:00pm

Monday, January 15

Narcotics Anonymous	7:00pm
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Tuesday, January 16

Elijah Men's Group	6:30pm
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Wednesday, January 17

Ladies' Bible Study in the Library	10:00am
Good Samaritan Work Day	9:00-11:00am

Friday, January 19

Good Samaritan Work Day	9:00-11:00am
Narcotics Anonymous	7:00pm

Statistics for January 7

Morning Service	103
Offering (weekly need—\$4,050)	\$ 4,291.25
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria	
Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie	
Cole (goal \$8,500) YTD	\$ 525.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$7,332) YTD	\$ 15.00

Prayer Needs

Ed Wright—recovering from surgery
 Family of Bob Fore
 Bill Harrolle—health
 Kris Constable—health
 Unspoken needs
 Please continue to pray for needs previously listed



Big Brothers-Big Sisters Need Help

BBBS need just an hour or two of your time per week—this time can reap huge benefits for a child facing stress in their home life. (You will find it one of the most rewarding things you'll ever do, too.)

Volunteers receive professional training and support in their mentorship and they find joy in sharing some of their favorite activities with their Littles, such as cooking a meal, reading books, going fishing, attending sports events, eating ice cream, or just chatting about life and giving advice and inspiration. **WILL YOU HELP?**

Call TODAY if you can spare the time to change the life of a child for the better, forever.

The match specialist is Abbie Caress, (cell) 317-281-1261 or email her at abbiecaressBBBS@gmail.com.

Thank you for caring.

Happy Birthday



Klay WheelerJanuary 14
Chris WagnerJanuary 14
Ken Myers.....January 14
Diann Colwell.....January 15
Justin FoersterJanuary 15
Hannah Turley.....January 15
Ron Hazel.....January 16
Jack Storment.....January 19

Love Care Offering

Our Love Care Fund is a fund administered by our stewards to assist people financially in time of need. We periodically take a special offering to keep funds available.

The next Love Care Offering will be Sunday, January 21.

Let's Assemble Backpacks!

On Thursday, January 25 we will be assembling the backpacks for school children. We will meet about 4:00pm and have them completed in less than an hour. Please come and help if you can.

This is a vital ministry for school children who would not have much food for the weekend. We can make a difference. Thanks.

Ladies' Night Out

Tuesday, January 23, all ladies are invited to join us at El Cactus for a Ladies' Night Out. This is our traditional winter get-together. Meet at El Cactus at 6:00pm. Hope you can join us.

Good Samaritan Work Days

We will be working at the Good Samaritan Store on Wednesday, January 17 and Friday, January 19 from 9:00am to 11:00am each day.

If you can help out with this important ministry, please call Kathy Slichenmyer and let her know. Her phone number is 843-8806. Thanks.