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Notes for the Journey

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Mission Trip Coming Events

● **OLNEY DISCOUNT CARDS**—Mission Trip Team will be selling Discount Cards with local business discounts on them. Each card is \$10. Please see a member of the Mission Team or Stacy to purchase a card.

● **MUDLOVE**—In February we will be selling MudLove products. We will be selling their mugs and bracelets; pictures will be shown on the order forms.

The great thing about MudLove is that with this brand every item they sell they provide 1 week of clean water for someone in need. So with every item you buy you are not only helping our Mission Team but also providing a week of clean water for someone in need.

Stacy will be glad to talk to you if you have questions about any aspect of our Mission Trip. —

Thought of the Week

Our 2017 theme is, is “Seek, Submit, Commit.” Part of seeking God is listening for His guidance and direction. Proverbs 2:2 speaks of “turning your ear to wisdom.”

Someone who suffers from hearing loss must turn their ears and face toward the one speaking to properly hear. In the same way, we too must give special attention to turning our hearts and minds towards God to hear from Him.

God is all around, endeavoring to speak to us through His creation, through others, through circumstances and, of course, through His word, the Bible. This week, let's turn our ear toward hearing Him wherever we go.

You are Invited to the Youth Group Chili and Vegetable Soup Sunday

This Sunday, January 22, the Mission Trip Team is sponsoring a fundraiser by serving a Chili and Vegetable Soup Dinner following the Sunday School hour. Besides the soup, some delicious desserts will

be available for you to complete your dinner.

We hope you all can come and enjoy the food and fellowship. A free-will offering will be accepted but is not required. See you Sunday.

Questions in the Upper Room

If you are not currently involved in a Sunday School class, let me invite you to consider joining us in the Upper Room (upstairs of the east wing) for our new series, “Questions.”

This week's question is: “What is Childlike Faith?”

We want to continue to explore and learn various bible study techniques to discover what the Bible says about the topics.

Looking forward to seeing many new folks in the class!

●— Choir —●

It is only 13 weeks until Easter and I would love to put together a choir for the Easter season. If you enjoyed singing in the Christmas Choir or if you missed out and would like to get in on the fun, please let me know.

I will need to know soon as I will be choosing music shortly. Thanks. Pastor Steve



Lectionary Scripture

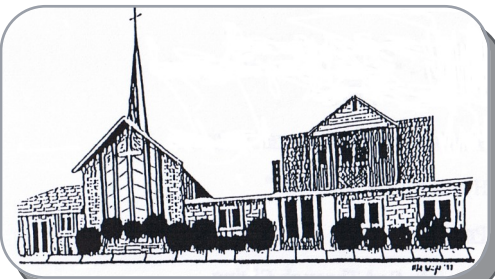
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Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalms 27:1, 4-9

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23



Mission

*A community of believers
endeavoring to live and love
as Jesus taught.
Come—Experience
Community!*

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 22

Morning Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:40am
 **Soup Dinner fundraiser Mission Trip Following
 Sunday School
 Nominating Committee Meeting 5:30pm
 Youth Group 6:00-7:00pm

Monday—Saturday

Men's Coffee

Wednesday, January 25

Ladies' Bible Study in the Library 10:00am

Friday, January 27

Narcotics Anonymous 7:00pm

Statistics for January 15

Morning Service	122
Offering (weekly need—\$4,050)	\$ 2,349.72
UMC-Kay Stotts Godoy, Michael & Maria Long, Mark & Lena, Russ & Sherrie Cole (goal \$8,000) YTD	\$ 580.00
UMC-Home Missions (goal \$6,118) YTD	\$ 141.00

Prayer Needs

Greg Burgess's sister—health
 Joann Haenggi—health
 Dennis Wilson & FOHO Team Trip
 Darlene Dickerson—cancer
 Norma Fore—surgery
 Becky Payne—health
 Please continue to pray for needs previously listed



Happy Birthday



Parker Brinkley January 23
 Ivy Benson January 24
 Jay Arledge January 25
 Jason Jenner January 26
 Matt Schonert January 28
 Andy Thomann January 28
 Debbie Robinson January 28

FOHO Team News In Haiti

News from the FOHO Team—they are working on the roof of the church in Bellevue Baudin and are also putting a new roof on the lean-to classroom that was added to the original building. They worshiped with the congregation in Bellevue on Sunday. Just a little side note—the Team is sleeping in the school near the church in Bellevue instead of tents!

When the work here is completed, the Team will return to Port Au Prince and spend the last few days working on the new compound. They will build the main gate and begin work on the perimeter wall. Will return to the USA on January 24.

Happy Anniversary



Mike & Debbie Robinson January 25

Gifts to Take on the Mission Trip

One of the special projects the Youth Group is working on before their trip to South Carolina is to gather special gifts for a homeless shelter in the area where they will be working. The main items they would like to take are tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, and socks (primarily adult size).

If you can help with this special endeavor, you can bring your donations from now until they leave on the trip. A special container is available in the foyer where you can deposit the items. Thanks so much.

Thank You Note

The Salvation Army Social Services Department would like to thank your congregation for ringing the bells at Christmas time. We appreciate your continued support of our efforts to help those in need in our community.

Deb McCleave

Winter Coats for People in Need

A special effort to gather winter coats for people in need is being encouraged here at our church. Men and women's coats will be collected and donated to those in the area who really need a warm coat.

Many of us have coats we haven't worn for some time and might be just the coat for a special person. Take a look in your closet and see if you can come up with a coat or two.

A special container will be placed in the East Hallway where you can deposit coats. Scarves, hats and gloves will also be accepted if you have them. Thanks for helping out.

Sportsman's Banquet

The Annual Sportsman's Banquet is scheduled for Saturday evening, January 21 at 6:00pm at the Holiday. See Pastor Steve for tickets.