



May SonBurst Newsletter

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Senior Pastor's Note

Dear Church Friends, The most important decision you will ever make is to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior! The second most important decision you will



make is how you live and do ministry as a result of this decision.

Rick Warren, in the book

"Purpose Driven Life" said, "The saved heart is a heart that's ready to serve."

There are many opportunities to serve

Christ as First UMC. In our community better than 30% of the people do not have a church family. Did you know 78% of the people in church last Sunday were there because of a family member or friend? In the "Purpose Driven Life" Rick Warren asked this question: is anyone going to be in heaven because of you and your witness? I ask you this question, "How many people will be in heaven because off the ministry of First UMC?"

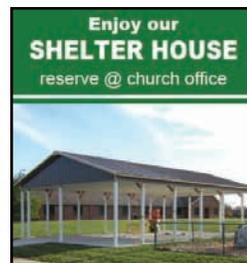
Thanks, **Pastor Dennis**
(Acts 16:31)

First UMC Shelter House Guidelines

As you begin making plans for family gatherings this summer, one option you have is to reserve our Mooresville First UMC shelter house. To reserve the shelter house, simply contact the church office (317) 831-3376 or email info@MooresvilleFUMC.org

There are three simple guidelines that we want you to observe when using the shelter house:

1. Respect the property by leaving it as you found it
2. Place all your trash in the church dumpster
3. No alcoholic beverages



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Notes from Parish Nurse Cheryl Howard, R.N.

"Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness."

James 3:18

Long Term Effects of Bullying

A study indicates that the effects of bullying linger into adulthood. Researchers saw this in 20 years of data on about 1,400 people who were followed into their mid-20s. At Duke University Medical Center, William Copeland says bullied kids were more likely to have anxiety problems such as panic disorder as adults. Kids who were both bullied and also bullied others were more likely to have depression, panic disorder, and suicidal thoughts. Copeland says parents should check in with their kids, so they can help kids get help: "For parents,

this means making bullying and peer relations something you talk about with your kids on a regular basis: 'Hey, how are things going at school? Are any kids giving you a hard time?' The study in JAMA Psychiatry was supported by the National Institutes of Health. If you have any concerns or questions, please call your school counselors or Cheryl for more resources. Counseling is available. **Cheryl Howard, R.N.**



Emergency Number

Time for a reminder! What number do you call when someone has ingested or been exposed to a potential poison? 1-800-222-1222. What number do you call if someone has accidentally taken too much of their medicine? 1-800-222-1222. What number do you call if someone has eaten something that is not a food or medicine? 1-800-

222-1222. What number do you call when someone has inhaled vapors that are unknown to you? 1-800-222-1222. Healthy adults who consumed low fat milk, yogurt, and cheese had a 12% lower risk of stroke compared with those who never touched light dairy. This was from a study of 75,000 people. Researchers believe Vitamin D may have provided a protective effect.



AARP Helping Senior Citizens

Did you know.....In Indiana, 8.0% of seniors age 65+ are living below the poverty level? Did you know that without Social Security benefits, 48.8% of seniors age 65+ would be living in poverty. Who do you need to check on to be sure they have enough to eat, enough money to afford utilities and that they have enough money to pur-

chase needed medicines?? In 2009 AARP found that more than 1.3 million Hoosiers provided unpaid care for another adult- this adds up to a rate of \$9.4 billion!!!! You may be eligible for help- check out AARP Caregiving Resource Center at aarp.org/caregiving.



Colon Health

Most people don't talk about the colon- but if it's not happy, you're not going to be happy! The colon is home to 2-6 pounds of bacteria that supports good digestion and immunity. Food arrives in the colon just hours after a meal is ingested but may take 2- 5 days to exit the body. Eating brown rice once a week appears to reduce the risk of polyps by 40% among healthy adults.



Coughing? Cover Your Mouth!

COVER YOUR MOUTH!!! Even though flu season is technically over (we saw a surprise re-visit of the flu in August 2012!), we still need to be wise when coughing. There are approximately 3,000 droplets expelled in a single cough and these droplets can fly out of the mouth at speeds of up to 50 miles per hour!!! There are approximately 40,000 droplets expelled in a single sneeze and they can be expelled at 200 miles per hour- watch out!! If a person is sick, the droplets in their cough can contain as many as 200 million virus particles- COVER YOUR MOUTH with your arm or in the bend of your elbow- not your hand!



Our NEW Missionary Family: The Shores

Hello FUMC Family, First up, we'll catch you up on some family news. April started off with a bang! We celebrated Easter by hosting a pitch-in dinner for a few others who were also far from their families. Then we kept the party going the next day with Rachel's birthday as well as our one year anniversary in Kansas City. It's hard to believe we've been here an entire year! We have grown and



learned so much and are thankful to the Lord for His continued faithfulness to our family.

One question we encountered as we shared our plans to

remain at the house of prayer was, "why IHOP?" The answer in one word is intercession. We both feel deeply drawn to partnering with the Lord through prayer in order to accomplish the desires of His heart. We've watched our weak yes in agreement with God's powerful Word literally change things. So this month we wanted to share with you an answer to prayer that occurred half-way around the world.

Jason learned about the oppression of the North Koreans last Fall during a weekly prayer set. Along with others, he began to pray that Jesus would be known in North Korea. Specifically, that the Gospel would go forth via media. Though, at that time there was no public Internet access in the country, why wouldn't God use technology? Our God is very resourceful and excellent at pursuing the ones He loves. We write with joyful hearts as our prayers were answered when North Korea allowed limited Internet access for the month of March. Though tensions continue to mount and the prayer room has yet to be viewed; we continue to pray that it will be one day soon. Join us in praying for the people of North Korea and that they would be introduced to the love of Jesus.

As always, we want to genuinely thank you for your continued support and prayers. They are invaluable to us and really changing things not only in our own lives but around the globe.



Blessings, Jason, Rachel & Isaiah

Thanks from Joel Beebe

Thank you to all who prayed, visited, called, sent cards, prepared meals, and encouraged me during my recent surgery and recovery. I am truly blessed to be part of a praying congregation. Surgery was a success and I am looking forward to a complete recovery.



Bea Landon's Family Thanks

Thanks to all that remembered "Bea." Thank you so much for the wonderful food and hospitality after Bea Landon's funeral. It was very nice to be able to sit with family and friends. A special thanks to Pastor Dennis for his ceremony he gave. He gave us all a little chuckle,

which we needed. Thanks to the "Thursday Morning Visitation and Prayer Group" for their beautiful card.



Sincerely, **The Richard Landon**

Thanks from Chrystal Lynch

Dear Church Family, On March 24th this year the Lord called my sweet Daddy home. I wanted to extend my sincere thanks to everyone for the the sympathy cards and notes, the many prayers and kind words, and all the hugs. I wanted to send a special thank you to Becky Underwood for filling in for me while I was out. The passing of my beloved Daddy has been very hard. I realize that I have a long road ahead of me and thanks to God, my husband, my family and my church family, I know I will not have to do it alone. I am blessed to have had such an amazing father and I will miss him terribly everyday for the rest of my life. I know he is in Heaven now and I take great comfort in knowing that I will be reunited with him again! Again, thank you so much!

Blessings, Chrystal Lynch

Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength. Nehemiah 8:10b



Jackson Center: Walking for Dreams

Dust off your tennis shoes! It's time for Walking for Dreams. Proceeds from this event help support the Jackson Center for Conductive Education, a mission of FUMC (www.thejacksoncenter.org). This is an annual family and pet walk that will take place on Sunday, May 19th at 2:00



p.m. on the White River Canal in downtown Indianapolis. For the past five years, with the help of

FUMC, the Jackson Center has raised the most money of any of the 30 participating not-for-profit organizations. The Jackson Center raised just under \$40,000 from Walking for Dreams in 2013. Your prayers for this event and the continued success of the kids who attend the Jackson Center are very important! For more information or to make a pledge to the Jackson Center for Walking for Dreams, please visit the website at: www.walkingfordreams.org or call Melanie DePoy at the Jackson Center at 834.0200.

Promise Keepers Trip for Men

A group of men from First UMC will be travelling to Nashville, TN for the Promise Keepers 'Awaken the Warrior Inside' event:

WHEN: June 21-22

WHERE: Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, 2800 Opryland Dr. Nashville, TN 37214

COST: \$110 per person for Friday lodging and ticket. In addition for lodging and ticket, bring enough money for two meals.

DEPOSIT: A deposit of \$59 is needed by May 10 in order to secure our reservation.

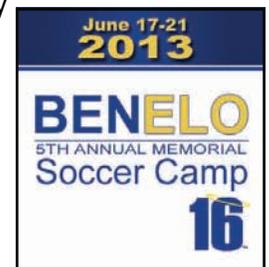
If interested, contact Steve Klinger; 339-0745, or David Nance; 831-5723, or email; Sklinger531@gmail.com. Make checks to First UMC and on the memo line, write "Promise Keepers." **Awaken the warrior inside!**



Ben Elo Memorial Soccer Camp

Fifth Annual Ben Elo Memorial Soccer Camp will be here before we know it. The Elo family is seeking Campers, Volunteers and Sponsors for this year's camp. We also ask that our church family keep Ben's camp in prayer.

The success is not by accident but by prayerful dedication to honor God and remember Ben with this camp. If you'd like more information please contact Melanie at Melo@BenElo16.org or at 317-727-8190.



As a reminder, the proceeds support an Annual College scholarship as well as the Grief Library in our church and Grief Ministry over all. Thanks for your continued support of our family and all that we do in Ben's memory. God Bless!

Michael Frye Eagle Scout Thank You

Dear Church Friends, I am very grateful for your financial donations, willingness to let me host my Lasagna Dinner



Fundraiser, and all of the support you offered to me. Because of the generosity of First United Methodist Church, I have been able to

complete my Eagle Project for the Al White Trail at Bradford Woods in Morgan County. Through planning and execution of this project, I have learned quite a bit about leadership, raising funds, and woodworking. This bench

project, including clearing and leveling the area, took many man hours and hard work. The Inaugural Al White Trail Hike showcased the finished project on March 9. If a group here would like to hike this exciting and hilly terrain sometime, please give let me know so I can help make arrangements!

I look forward to sharing many more photos of the workdays with you all when it is time for my Eagle Scout Court of Honor later this year.

Thanks Again, **Matthew Frye**, Troop 894

Mother's Day Worship

Mother's Day is May 12 **AND** there will be a special gift for all mothers who attend worship! Mothers are a reflection of God's love!" Also, we will again recognize three special moms in each service with a nice bouquet from the Kroger floral department.



Race Day Worship Sunday

Start your engines for Race Day Worship Sunday on May 26! Using video clips created by our church family to help communicate the worship message, begin thinking about who you will invite and pray for the worship team as they bring everything together. We want to glorify God in these worship services! Also, we will remember our veterans for Memorial Day.



Summer Camp: It's Not Too Late!

Early bird pricing for camp is now over, but there is still time to register for camp! Camp registration wraps up at the end of the month, and camps begin as early as June. Need help paying for camp? No problem! Impact 2818 still is accepting scholarship applications (See www.beacamper.com/church-info/financial-information/impact-2818-scholarships/ for more information). We also have some financial assistance through the church. See Ben Esterline for more information. It's also spring clean-

ing and preparation time for Impact 2818 camp sites. If you are interested in helping with getting camp grounds ready for summer, see Ben Esterline for more information.

For more information on Impact 2818, their camps, and to register for camp, visit www.beacamper.com.

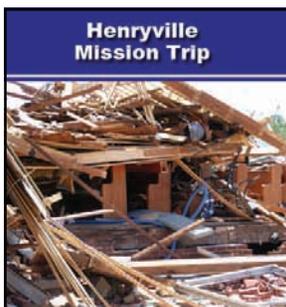


Summer Church Camp

Being the Hands of Jesus in Henryville

Henryville Mission Trip / July 28th-August 2, 2013

First UMC will be taking a team of workers down to Henryville this summer to join in and help the continual efforts to rebuild this community so devastated from the March 2012 storms. We will be working with an organization called 'Volunteers ROC (Rebuilding Our Community)'. We will help families who are unable to rebuild their



homes. There are 15 total spaces available and we need at least 5 skilled workers for the trip. So if you have experience in any field of construction or have a willing heart to serve we would love for you to join us! Sign-up will be on a first come basis. So sign up soon! **God Bless, Pastor Ben**

For more even information or to sign up contact Pastor Ben at ben@moorevillefumc.org or 317.775.3592

Praying for Our Congregation

During the summer months the Tuesday morning prayer team will be praying over each family listed in the Guidebook. You will receive a card the week before letting you know when we will be praying for your family and if you have a specific prayer request or are not listed in the guidebook, you may contact Bonnie Beebe 831-5464/beebe.bk@gmail.com or Sue Klinger 834-2219/suek46158@gmail.com. Know that all requests are held in strict confidence and we

include unspoken requests each week because God knows your needs. All are welcome to join us for prayer each Tuesday morning from 7:30-8:45 in the Prayer Chapel.

"The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." Psalm 145:18



2013 Summer Lunch Program

Every Wednesday starting with June 5th through July 31st, we will prepare and deliver lunches to children and families at Country Manor Trailer Park and other locations. In order to provide this mission, we need your help! We need the following:

1. Prayer that children and families that are hungry will reach out to this mission.
2. Help with lunch preparation every Wednesday morning. We start assembling lunches about 11:15 and leave for Country Manor around 11:45.
3. Cookie donations (homemade or store bought).
4. Other donations needed are:

individual size chips

fruit or apple sauce cups

fruit snacks

zip style sandwich bags

bottled water

granola bars



5. We distribute lunches between 12:00 – 12:30. This mission requires about a 2 1/2-hour commitment each Wednesday.

The first week's menu will be a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fruit cup, chips, granola bar, carrots, cookies and a drink. If you are interested in helping with this program please contact Lydia @ 834-1787

Open Audition for Gathering

The Gathering Worship band (11:10 service) is now holding open auditions! We are always looking to expand our worship team. If you sing and/or play any type of instrument, we encourage you to audition! We want to give you the opportunity to use your gifts! We are looking for those interested in helping both regularly and on special occasions.



Breakfast with Easter Bunny

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny was a success! Thanks for everyone who help make this fund raiser wonderful. The food was yummy, the crafts fun and the bunny did a great job and the kids had a great time.

Thanks again - Family Ministries



Vacation Bible School

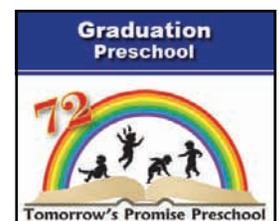
The Kingdom Chronicles VBS is headed our way. Brave knights and fair maidens will be equipped to put on the full armor of God so they can stand strong in the battle for truth. VBS is for children 4 years old through 4th grade. VBS starts on June 17th and will conclude on June 21st with a pool party at Pioneer Park. Registration forms for children will be distributed



the beginning of May. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers located on the bulletin board outside fellowship hall. Please contact Shelly Duncan, Kim Webster or Lydia Rychtarczyk if you have questions.

Preschool Graduation

Wow! Congratulations to the 72 preschool graduates. Graduation ceremonies are May 22 & 23 at 6:30 PM. Of these graduates, ten attend our worship services:



Jori Beasley

Kaden Vickery

Samantha Clemmons

Miryssa Duncan

Aidan Matz

Lynzee Kuhn

Alex Matz

Peyton Nedelsky

Madison Beals

Ashlyn Nielsen

Nursery Ministry: children 0-36 months old

Sunday Morning: Worship

Loving, tender care is provided by a consistent staff during all three worship services every Sunday morning (8:30, 9:45; 11:10).



Mommy & Me

The "Mommy & Me" is a program for infants to 36 month olds and moms offered at Tomorrow's Promise Preschool. You and your child will explore many activities in the classroom and join other mom's and children for snack, songs, stories and playtime. Class time is 9:30 – 10:30 on Thursday mornings. Limited to 10 per class, contact Lydia @ 834-1787 if you are interested in attending.



Tomorrow's Promise Preschool News

Preschool News: Enroll for 2013-2014



Preschool is still registering for the 2013 – 2014 school year in February. Intent to Register forms can be found in the children's hallway or downloaded from the Church web site. If you have any questions re-

garding the preschool, please contact Lydia Rychtarczyk @ 834-1787 or at preschool@moorevillefumc.org.



Children's Ministry: 3yrs-4th Grade

Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:10AM

Children begin in the sanctuary with their family and are released to a teacher after the "Children's Moment." The teacher takes the children to Room 130. We currently are using new curriculum called, "One Room Sunday School." Parent's pick-up children after the Worship Service.



Wednesday Night 6:30 PM

The Wednesday night children's program is over, but will resume in September.



Children's Choir



Children's Choir is for preschool thru 4th Grade. Practice will be during the 2nd service children's church. They will perform during the benediction of the first service and then at the beginning of the second service once a month .

Sunday Worship 9:45

Children begin in the sanctuary with their family and are released to their Sunday School classes after the "Children's Moment". The Sunday School superintendent and some of the Sunday school teachers escort the children to their classes. We encourage new students to be escorted by their parents to see which room their child is in and to meet the teachers. Parents with younger children are also encouraged to walk their child to their class. Older children can walk independently to their classes. A hands-on Bible curriculum is used. Parents must pick-up their children from the classrooms immediately after worship.



Contact Children's Leadership

Nursery Coordinator

Shelly Duncan - shelly@moorevillefumc.org

Sunday School Coordinator

Ruth Brown - frank138@sbcglobal.net

Children's Choir Director

Jennifer Burton - jennifer@moorevillefumc.org

Preschool & Children's Director

Lydia Rychtarczyk - lydia@moorevillefumc.org

The Youth Are the Church of Tomorrow Today

I hear a lot about the youth being "the church of tomorrow." I understand the intended meaning behind the statement, but it's important to realize and remember that the youth are an active and essential part of the today's church. God makes no distinction of age. The body of Christ, which is the church, consists of believers. Period. I know a lot of 13-year-old believers, and I know a lot of 90-year-old believers. Every one of them comprises the body of Christ today. I'm proud of our youth because they are being the church! Just look what we've been up to lately:

On Sunday nights we're learning what it means to "live right-side up" in this "upside down" world. And then we're going home and going to school and doing it!

In March and April students prepared to be confirmed by attending classes, reading a New Testament Gospel, sharing their testimony (on paper and at youth), discovering their spiritual gifts, and serving the local church (you may have seen them in the media booth, in a Sunday School room, or in the choir loft). We confirmed 11 students on April 14, and several more are excited to be confirmed in the fall!

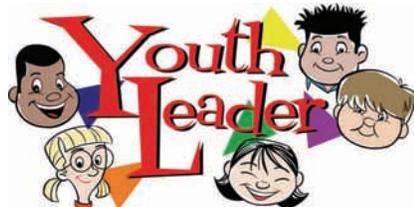
During spring break, students collected donations for Habitat for Humanity and cleaned up trash and picked up sticks around the church.

In May, students will begin registering for their annual mission trip. This June we'll be the hands and feet of Jesus in Kokomo, Indiana as we serve children from impoverished families.

During the summer, students will be available to clean homes, mow lawns, trim hedges, clean out attics/basements/garages, babysit children, and do whatever else they can to work to raise funds for our first overseas mission trip in 2014! (Contact Bryan if you have any work that needs done around your house! Also, if you'd like to hear more about the youth mission trip, Bryan and/or the youth would love to speak to your small group or Sunday School class!)

Discover how our youth are mission focused and involved in ministry

Tell me. Does this sound like "the church of the future," or does it sound like a group of students who are excited that they are a part of the church today?



Contact Info for Youth Leaders

Jr./ Sr. High Youth Group Contacts

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April Shover -- (317) 409-1983 april.shover@gmail.com

Ben Esterline -- (317) 341-1835 baesterline@gmail.com

Becca Frankosky - (317) 493-9417 beccafrankosky@gmail.com



5th-6th Grade Youth Contacts

Dan Herron - (317) 831-9826 dherron59@gmail.com

Kim Vedder—(317) 407-6624 kimmie_62@ymail.com

Youth Calendar

May 2013

Sun. 5 4-5:00 PM: 5th and 6th grade meeting
5-7:30 PM: 7th-12th grade meeting

Sun. 12 Mother's Day
NO 5th and 6th grade meeting
5-7:30 PM: 7th-12th grade meeting

Sun. 19 4-5:00 PM: 5th and 6th grade meeting
5-7:30 PM: 7th-12th grade meeting

Sun. 26 Race Day & Memorial Sunday
4-5:00 PM: 5th and 6th grade meeting
5-7:30 PM: 7th-12th grade meeting

Strawberry & Craft Festival: June 8

The UMW is gearing up for our annual Strawberry Festival/Craft Fair to be held on June 8th from 9:00a.m to 3:30p.m in Fellowship Hall. Come early and enjoy the delicious lunch that will be served by the Henderson Mission or enjoy dessert first. We are also looking for crafters. If you or anyone you know is a crafter or a home demonstrator please have them contact Mary at 831-7718 for more information. If there is no answer please leave a message and phone number and your call will be returned.



Aluminum Can Donations

Beginning May 1 the UMW will once again begin collecting aluminum cans to be recycled. There will be a container beside the Coke machine for your donations. Please have your donations in trash bags before depositing them in the container. We thank all of you for the support you give to United Methodist Women.



Small Groups for Adults

Questions? Contact Tammy Payton tammy@moorevillefumc.org

Group Name	Time	Location	Leader	Start Date	Description of Study
Sunday Groups					
Booster Sunday School	9:45 AM	Room 110	Richard Kellum/ Lois Curry	Meeting now	Bible Study
Seekers Sunday School	9:45 AM	Room 111	Diana Sparr/ Cathy Mosier	Meeting now	DVD Lenten study by Adam Hamilton
Friendship Class	9:45 AM	Room 113	Karen Yeager/ Jim Harris	Meeting now	DVD Lenten study by Adam Hamilton
Here & Now Class	9:45 AM	Parlor	Dave Nance	Meeting now	Rob Bell DVD study
Tuesday Groups					
Prayer Group	7:30 AM	Chapel	team leaders	Meeting now	Praying for our church & community
Quilters	9:00 AM	Room 111	team leaders	Meeting now	Bring needle and thread
Sewing Ladies	9:00 AM	Parlor	team leaders	Meeting now	Bring your sewing machine
Asbury Circle	1:00 PM	Parlor	team leaders	3rd Tuesday	Mission focused women's group
Wednesday Groups					
Todd Henning Study	9:30 AM	Room 111	Todd Henning	Ends mid-May	Old Testament Minor Prophets
Bell Choir	5:45 PM	Room 143	Jennifer Burton	Meeting now	4th grade through adult: playing @ 8:30 Sunday morning worship periodically
Adult Choir	6:30 PM	Room 143	Jennifer Burton	Meeting now	4th grade through adult: singing weekly during 8:30 worship service
Thursday Groups					
Mommy & Me	9:30 AM	Room 134	Lydia Rychtarczyk	Meeting now	Mom's with babies 0-36 months old.
High Street Connect	7:00 PM	Snyder's Home	team leaders	Meets 1st & 3rd Thurs. night	Home Bible Study
Prayer & Share	11:30 AM	Downtown	Rev. Dennis	Meets monthly; every 3rd Thurs.	Business people gather for lunch downtown
Circle of Friends	6:30 PM	At Church; room TBA	Becca Bezy/ Hillary Munzer	Meets monthly; every 4th Thurs.	Study book "Unglued" by Lysa Terkeurst
Home Bible Study	7:00 PM	Beal's Home	Rev. Gene Young	Every other Thurs.	An Introduction to the Book of Romans
Saturday Groups					
Genesis Bagels	7:00 AM	Hwy. 67 next to Indiana BMW	Dave Nance	Meeting Now	Bible Study and share group
United Meth. Men	8:00 AM	Various locations	team leaders	Meets monthly; every 2nd Sat.	Breakfast and sharing

Our Missionaries in Indonesia

As I sit inside watching the rain pouring relentlessly outside, I am mindful of the blessing of having a home. And I think of those who do not have a home; those who have homes with leaking roofs. I am mindful of being dry and comfortable while outside it is wet and uncomfortable....even dangerous to those driving in it. HOME: a word that brings many places to mind. You, 1st UMC, our HOME church. America, our HOME country. And Heaven, our eternal HOME with Jesus! Some would say HOME is where your heart is. Others might say HOME is where you lay your head at night. I guess HOME can be many things. So once a month I sit in our Indonesia home and write our home church back home! Greetings to our 1st UMC friends and (like) family. We treasure you!

As Don would say it, we are in the process of developing a new 'normal' at our home! Don is 100% finished with his doctoral requirements and we are patiently waiting for May 10th when we depart together on our journey back 'home' to the States for his graduation ceremony on May 18th in Columbia, South Carolina. Our past 'normal' has been Don going somewhere in the evenings and weekend to study or write, with hopes that on most Sundays he could spend some afternoons at home just relaxing. But now, he is not going anywhere after dinner or weekends, and we are gradually pursuing a new routine and new priorities for us as individuals and as a family. We are not able to adequately express the gratitude we feel for the Lord's blessing of Don's journey to obtaining his Ed.D. It was a journey of faith and perseverance; a journey of growth; a journey of accomplishment.

Scripture tells us this (Earth) is not our HOME! Our HOME is with Jesus; He will come back for His people and we will live with Him forever in our eternal home. With that in mind, we continue to journey forward, not knowing all the Lord's plans for us, but we remain committed to following where He leads. We remain committed to serving at Mountainview Intern'l Christian School (MICS)! Last month our school hosted the Governor of Central Java, our general geographic area. This is

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the first time in the school's history that the Governor has visited MICS; the mayor of Salatiga also was in attendance. Both these gentlemen as well as the majority of the other 80+ governmental workers are of the Muslim faith.



Don and the Chairman of MICS' Board with the Governor of Central Java and the Mayor of Salatiga performing the traditional 'welcome' before the meal. All the men are wearing traditional batik shirts.

The overall purpose of their visit was to strengthen the school's relationship with the governmental counterpart of our presence in Indonesia. But, the cool thing....our program included a traditional style Indonesian puppet performance that presented the gospel of Christ! They heard the gospel message! While we do not know of any specific life changes from that presentation, seeds were planted and that means opportunity for them to grow in God's timing. Don and I found this to be a privilege to represent why we are serving here, or should I say, how the Lord works through us in a school setting.

Please pray for those planted seeds to get watered and grow! We will be back home in Mooresville for a few days before heading to South Carolina with my dad. If we are able to counter our jet lag, you may see us in church on



Open House at Mountainview

May 12th but if not, please know that we love you 1st UMC and are so grateful for you being our HOME church! With the rain still pouring, we send our love....from our home in Indonesia! God is greater than all we can think or imagine! Praise Him! He is risen and waits for us in our eternal home.

Vicki, for all of us....Don, Tyler, Brittany, and Hunter-Genie

Hebrews 13:14 *"For this world is not our home; we are looking forward to our city in heaven, which is yet to come."*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>5 8:30-9:45-11:10 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:10 Children's SS 1:00 WWW Planning 4pm AA 4:00 5th-6th Youth 5:00 7-12 Youth 6:00 Financial Peace</p>	<p>6 9-11:30 Pre School 12:15-2:45 Pre School 6:15 Visitation Team meet 7:30 AA</p>	<p>77:30-8:30 Prayer 9 & 12:15 Pre School 9:00 Sewing 9:00 Quilting 6:30 Lay Leadership 6:30 Heartland Mom's</p>	<p>1 9 & 12:15 Pre School 9:30 Bible Study 5:45 Bell Choir 6:00 Gathering Band 6:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>2 9 & 12:15 Pre School 10:00 Visitation Team Testify Band Practice 6:00 Daisy Scout meeting</p>	<p>3 9 & 12:15 Pre School 8:00 AA 8:00 Alanon</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>12 Mother's Day 8:30-9:45-11:10 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:10 Children's SS 4pm AA</p>	<p>13 9-11:30 Pre School 12:15-2:45 Pre School 6:15 Visitation Team meet 7:00 Sewing Guild 7:30 AA</p>	<p>147:30-8:30 Prayer 9 & 12:15 Pre School 9:00 Sewing & Quilting 6 Trustee meeting 6:30 Girl Scout meeting 7 Finance, Communication, Evangelism meetings</p>	<p>15 9 & 12:15 Pre School 9:30 Bible Study 2:30-9 Directory Photos 5:45 Bell Choir 6:00 Gathering Band 6:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>16 9 & 12:15 Pre School 10:00 Visitation Team 2:30-9 Directory Photos 6:00 Daisy Scout meeting Testify Band Practice</p>	<p>17 9 & 12:15 Pre School 2:30-9 Directory Photos 8:00 AA 8:00 Alanon</p>	<p>18 10am-4:30pm Directory Photos</p>
<p>19 8:30-9:45-11:10 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:10 Children's SS 1:00 WWW Planning 2:00 Jackson Ctr Walk 4pm AA 4:00 5th-6th Youth 5:00 7-12 Youth</p>	<p>20 9-11:30 Pre School 12:15-2:45 Pre School 2:30-9 Directory Photos 6:15 Visitation Team meet 7:00 Sewing Guild 7:30 AA</p>	<p>217:30-8:30 Prayer 9 & 12:15 Pre School 9:00 Quilting 1:00 Asbury Circle 2:30-9 Pictorial Dir. 6:00 Girl Scout Leaders</p>	<p>229 & 12:15 Pre School 9:30 Bible Study 5:45 Bell Choir 6:00 Gathering Band 6:30 Adult Choir 6:30 Technology meeting 6:30 Pre School Graduation</p>	<p>23 Testify Band Practice 6:30 Circle of Friends 6:30 Pre School Graduation 7:00 Worship</p>	<p>24 4:00 Girl Scout meeting 8:00 AA 8:00 Alanon</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Race Sunday 8:30-9:45-11:10 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:10 Children's SS 4pm AA</p>	<p>27 Memorial Day Office Closed 7:30 AA</p>	<p>28 7:30-8:30 Prayer 9:00 Quilting & Sewing 6:30 Girl Scout meeting</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> 	<p>31</p>	

Pictorial Directory

Since we last created a church pictorial directory in 2011, at Mooresville First UMC, we have many new faces in our church community including staff and members. Having your picture taken helps us connect as a congregation.

By taking your picture, you will receive:

a FREE 8x10 picture or 9 wallets.

your own personal pictorial directory.

Currently picture dates are May 15-18 and May 20-21. More dates may be added if we fill up our current photo sessions. It is NOT too late to sign-up! Contact the church office for more information (317) 831-3376.



Statements Going Postageless!

Contribution statements are available to be picked up between services along with the opportunity to sign up



for future electronic statements being sent by email. Please let the financial committee know your preference along with your information!

Online Giving NOW Available!

We are excited to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making offerings.

Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. For more information, visit our church web site:

www.MooresvilleFUMC.org and select "Giving." If you have questions, contact Jean Ash (jean@MooresvilleFUMC.org) or Bill Yeager (bill@MooresvilleFUMC.org).



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