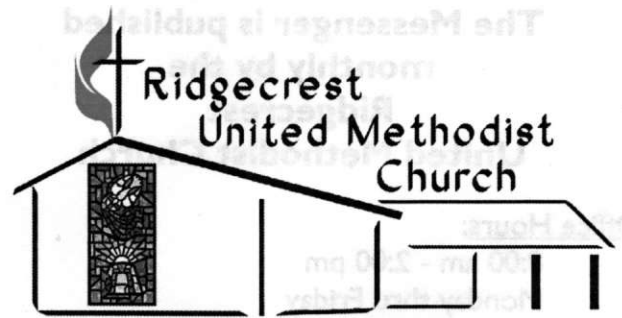


The Messenger



Newsletter of the Ridgecrest United Methodist Church

July, 2011

PASTOR'S POINT

I'm baack!...

The 2011 sessions of the California-Pacific Annual Conference are history. This year the weather in Redlands was quite comfortable, no warmer than 90 or so each day.

Wes and Hazel Hensley our Conference Lay Members drove their wonderful new Fleetwood RV to Redlands. Visiting them in the "Doghouse" for home-baked dessert on Friday evening was one of the high points of Conference for me. They will bring a full report during worship on July 10.

I am delighted to have been reappointed by Bishop Mary Ann Swenson to serve Ridgecrest UMC in a 7th year. Thanks be to God. These 6 years of our ministry together have gone by so quickly—to me it feels more like 3 years—proving once again that time flies when you're having fun.

In and through all that was said and done this year at Conference, one thing is perfectly clear: our presence is growing smaller in the Southern California-Hawaii area. Total membership now stands at 80,026. The overall Conference budget continues to shrink, Conference staff is being downsized, and we are looking at a redistricting study that would reduce the current 8 Districts to 5 Districts—4 on the mainland, plus Hawaii.

Having less bureaucracy isn't necessarily bad news. Bishop Swenson has declared, "Change will be seen in the breadth and depth of what we are about to do." Yet the mission field we serve is one of the most densely populated regions in America. We need the best and the smartest organizational structure, not merely the smallest, in order to achieve our mission "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

One of the Conference initiatives which will have a direct impact on our ministry is the formation of Mission Areas, which are in some ways similar to the Sub-Districts or cluster groups organized in years past.

The idea of Mission Areas is to group churches together by geographic region, "to coordinate, encourage, and facilitate mutual support among clergy and laity in making a transformative impact on the people in their region."

Rev. DePano our District Superintendent has told me that he wants to group RUMC with the UM churches of the Antelope Valley: Lancaster, Palmdale, Quartz Hill and Pearblossom.

Next year will also mark a transition in the Episcopal Office of the Los Angeles Area, when Bishop Swenson retires and a new Bishop will be assigned.

So some sea changes are coming in with the tide. We can weather those changes, and we can even set sail into the wind, as long as we remember and practice 3 essential truths:

- ➔ Whose we are: we belong to God.
- ➔ Who we serve: Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
- ➔ How we know: through the authority and witness of Scripture, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

RUMC is experiencing an anointed season of abundance, and we are uniquely blessed to share ministry in such a time as this. You've got to believe me when I say that there is no congregation of any magnitude at any location I would rather serve than to serve you, right here, right now.

2011 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Amy and I are working together to provide a Confirmation Class experience beginning on Sunday, August 21 in Room 2 at 9:15 am. There will be 7 class sessions, covering the basics of Christian faith, the authority of scripture, the history of the church and the imperative of mission.

October 9 will be Confirmation Sunday. The class is open to youth who will be 11 years old during the coming school year and older.

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**OUR PURPOSE
AND MISSION**

We are a richly blessed, loving and spiritual family of Christ who shares god's love through our personal and congregational ministries. Our mission is to share Christ's love with all, through our tradition of scripture, sermons, music, and fellowship. We believe strongly in sharing our blessing with those in need.

Our church family welcomes you to join us in our bible based worship, prayer, and discipleship.

--MISSION EMPHASIS--



**Living Bread
MINISTRIES**

LIVING BREAD MINISTRIES

Living Bread Ministry is a program started and supported by local churches and managed by the Salvation Army. The program provides food to the needy in crisis situations in Ridgecrest and the surrounding area. Please give generously and help our community feed the hungry.

--AND----



WOMEN'S CENTER

The Women's Center is a non-profit organization providing a network of services relating to domestic violence and sexual assault as well as child abuse prevention for Eastern Kern County and surrounding counties to educate the public and community agencies, to heighten awareness regarding domestic violence and sexual assault, and to reduce the risk of victimization.

**FOOD EMPHASIS
FOR THE MONTH**

This year the Missions Committee has elected to designate a specific food each month to be provided to the Salvation Army.

The food item for **JULY** is:
BOX OF CEREAL

SIERRA SERVICE PROJECT HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MISSION TRIP: LOS ANGELES

The high school mission team will be heading down to South Los Angeles from July 17th to July 23rd to work on its very first URBAN Sierra Service Project location repairing homes. Traditionally, our mission team has worked on Native American sites throughout California, Nevada and Arizona with SSP.



During our stay, we will be housed in the large Vermont Square United Methodist Church, located at 4410 Budlong Avenue about one mile west of the 110 Harbor Freeway. The church has a gated parking lot, large kitchen, bathrooms, showers, a gymnasium. This is where we will eat, sleep, do program and hang-out when we are not working or visiting sites in the city.

SSP assures us that this facility is very secure and safe. And

SSP has never experienced any problems in the years SSP has worked in the area (since 2004) and expect none in the future.

During the week our team will be working on homes and community centers in the area surrounding the church. Typical homeowners are elderly people who have lived in the area for decades. Projects include painting, building wheelchair ramps, repairing drywall. SSP has also worked at various nonprofits in the South Los Angeles area as well, doing typical repairs on their facilities.

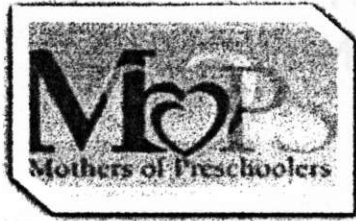


A great deal of our non-working time is devoted to learning about Los Angeles and the people who live there. This starts with a bus tour of the city on Monday evening, where the group visits the Watts Towers, the downtown area, the area where the 1992 riots started, as well as other important locations that serve as entry points into discussions of Los Angeles' history and challenges. And rather than working on Wednesday, the day is devoted to visiting social agencies which serve the needs of LA's homeless and working poor.



Thank you to the congregation for helping to make this mission trip a reality for our team this summer. And thank you for praying for the safety of our team during their trip, and especially for the team's chaperones Amy Ochoa, Alan Bradford, Melanie Branson and Tim Johnson.

MOPS Is Coming!



The Ridgecrest United Methodist Church has been approved by *Mothers of Preschoolers International* to charter its own MOPS Ministry!

This is GREAT news for not only our church, but our community! A MOPS ministry will bring mothers of all different backgrounds, ages, races, and experiences to our campus for weekly spiritual growth, positive parenting skills, nutrition advice, and will offer a safe community for their children as well.

MOPS will begin meeting in September every Tuesday from 9:00am to 11:00am. But, it is not too soon to register! Find out more by visiting www.umcrc.us under the "Young Adult" link.

Yearly membership fees into MOPS Inc. is graciously waived for each MOPS member by the People of the Ridgecrest United Methodist Church. Help us to spread the word about this great new ministry for mothers!

The Family Resource Library

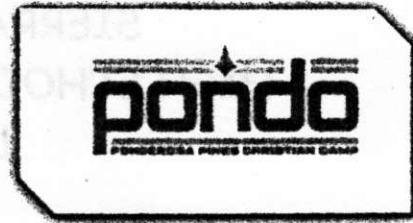


There is nothing better on a hot summer day than to sit under a fan with a cold glass of ice tea, reading a great book.

Remember that the Family Resource Library in Room 11 of the Education building is here for you and your growing family, offering lots of media resources for parents and children too! New to the library is the bestselling book *The Ministry of Motherhood*, by Sally Clarkson.

Come and check it out! Everyone is welcome to utilize this great resource, church member and guest alike!

Youth Back From Summer Camp



15 youth and our youth director Amy are back from a week at Ponderosa Pines Non-Denominational Christian Camp near Big Bear Lake, where they spent the week learning more about bring UNLEASHED via Galatians 5. Thank you to our adult drivers for getting our campers to and from camp safely! Here's looking at you Terry Ratcliff, Sheri Boston, and Adrian Ochoa (x's 2!). Thank you all again for driving!

Vacation Bible School Is Grateful for its Volunteers

We could not have pulled off such a great outreach for our community's children without the support of our wonderful volunteers! Thank you to:

VBS Co-Coordinator

Mrs. Sarah Guess and Mrs. Olivia Zade

Station Leaders

Sarah Guess, Preschool Room

Kristen Huey, Theater/Snacks

Olivia Zade, Crafts

Laura Miller, Games

Adrian Ochoa, Theater

Amy Ochoa, Storytelling

Youth Leaders

Landle Dejong and Emily VanMeter, Team Clown Fish

Cindel Barnes and Mikaela, Team Seagulls

Josh Boston and Jacob VanMeter, Team Turtles

Jayson Arnold and Robby King, Team Seals

Aaron Wadelin and Jordan Boston, Team Dolphins

All Others

Pastor Rich, Diane Wadelin/Church secretary

Amanda Carmichael, Monday registration

Rebecca Toll/donation board

Friday helper, Galen White/Kitchen helper

Karla Ochoa/Tie Dye Day Helper

Dan and Diane Leveille/After-VBS Party Hosts

And the great people of RUMC who donated needed supplies



Enjoy Coffee & Cookies With Friends

Our single service during the summer months offers us a great opportunity to reconnect with friends we don't see often because they attend the "other" service, to meet folks who have recently joined the church, or just to make new friends. We encourage you to take advantage of this time to come across the bridge and spend time with others in our church family.

We are currently looking for folks to host this Social time during July, August, and September. There are three hosts who each bring about three dozen cookies or other treats and are responsible for setting them out and then cleaning up at the end of fellowship time. The coffee and drinks are already prepared for us by John Veazey and Gerry Rambo who deserve a huge thanks for their dedication. If we all pitch in then no one has to do too much. Please check with Mary Netzer or Linda Archibald for the sign-up sheet.
Mary Netzer & Linda Archibald
Co-chairs Family Ministry

NURTURE

The activity for the Nurture Committee this past month was the reception after the memorial service for Patty Maxwell. My thanks goes out to those of you who set-up, brought food and cleaned up. Your ministry was greatly appreciated and I am sorry to have been absent. Thanks to Gerry Rambo, Judy Campbell, Laura Miller, Marge Anderson, Eleanor Winnemore, Diane Wadelin, Nancy Hodge, Patty Bayne, Judy Burns, Ingrid Zelmer and several members of Garry Maxwell's China Lake office.

Remember we are available for meals or transportation for those who have had surgery or other illnesses, just call the church office

Blessings to you all and the Maxwell family.



JESUS, THE BREAD OF LIFE

The 6th chapter of John, the 35th verse, tells us that Jesus is the Bread of Life. "Whoever believes in Him will never be hungry; whoever believes in Him will never be thirsty." These three digits, 6-3-5, help us to locate this wonderful verse. They can also help a visitor driving on Norma locate our Social Hall. Look at the picture above. The Social Hall has an address on North Norma Street of 635. Tell your visiting friends to come to 635 North Norma and discover that Jesus is the Bread of Life. – John Veazey



Church Phone Book updates

New Address:

Jeremiah and Sabrina Estrada
1135 W. Bataan
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Correction:

Diana Newmyer
242 Washington Way

New Phone

David and Kristin Hall
760-446-0110

New Email

Joe and Kathleen Hansen
Hansen-nsp@verzon.net

Gary and Cindy Allred
cindyco@iwvisp.com

NEW CHURCH WEB DOMAIN

Our church web site suffered a malware attack. John Veazey our website manager has moved our church website to a new domain: www.umcrc.org. Please make this change in your browser settings. We apologize for any misunderstanding or inconvenience this has caused.



CHRIS MILLETT AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP

TO SANDY NGUYEN

The Foundation met on 17 May to decide on the Jim Lewis Memorial Scholarship winners for 2011. We had 13 entries. Sandy Nguyen and Francesca Floresca were the two chosen. Each will receive a \$1000 scholarship, the money to be sent to their respective schools upon gaining admission. The presentation was made by Chris Millett at the awards ceremony held in the High School auditorium.

A check for \$500 was given to the church for scholarships for needy youngsters attending SSP.

The committee voted to give \$3000 for the Upper Room Supper start-up. These funds will come from the Hunger account and will be withdrawn from the Cal-Pac Foundation, where the funds have been invested.



The one service arrangement has given the choir an opportunity to see some new faces, which is always fun for us. The June 19th service was a great time with a rather full sanctuary and choir loft, thank you all. If you want to help out for a few months, please join us on Sunday at 8:45 a.m. for our weekly rehearsal before worship service at 9:30 a.m.

Thank You to the CK2 Trio (Kathy, Carol, Kristin) for 8:00 a.m. music this month and the solo by Kathy Cummings. A return of special 8:00 a.m. singers on August 14 when we return to two services. Their ministry and all the other special singers and musicians are greatly appreciated.

My gratitude to the Pastor Staff and Finance Committees for financing a workshop for me. This year I will travel, with John, to Colorado Springs in July for four days of music and preaching with a group of mostly Methodist musicians and leaders to experience new compositions published for our future services. I use this opportunity to find new anthems for our choir and get ideas to make changes that might work for this congregation.

Please pray for our travels (flying from Inyokern to CO) and a great learning experience.

Blessings to all for a relaxing summer.
Janice Anderson, Director of Music



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A Book Review by Mary Ross



The True Cost of Low Prices, The Violence of Globalization by Vincent A. Gallagher falls under the United Methodist Women Reading Program category for Social Action. This book is a difficult book to read since it details the high cost of human suffering and injustice

workers pay in order for we consumers to purchase goods at low prices. The author details the workings of international financial institutions, International Monetary Fund, World Bank, World Trade Organization, and how they contribute to the growing inequity and injustice of less developed nations and thus poor persons. Some of the chapters included in this book on global injustice: awakening to the hidden violence, neocolonialism, how the poor suffer, keeping unfair structures (systems) in place, the politics of food, and violence against Latino Workers in El Salvador and the United States. Mr. Gallagher relates the history of the theology of liberation and the role it has played in transforming societies and the systems of violence and injustice, particularly as it relates to structures which are oppressive, political, sexual, social, economic, and religious. The Church's role is to assist the oppressed in confronting injustices and liberating the oppressed. The book ends with a chapter on Awakening to the Reality of Suffering which discusses the reality of consumerism, competition, and materialism and the role these play in values and consumerism. The author reminds us of Jesus' teachings and how these relate to justice. There is a whole section on Fair Trade products and what the principles of Fair Trade involve. The last chapter is —How Can We Respond and this leaves the reader with many actions we may take. So although this is a hard subject to study, there is hope that we are able to make a difference.

Mary Ross

UMW Mission Coordinator for Social Action,
Long Beach District

The Ridgecrest Reporter

Purpose of the United Methodist Women

The organized Unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of Women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

From the President

Greetings beloved sisters! I am excited about UMW this summer. I will be traveling to the School of Christian Mission and learning about our newest studies on Haiti and Restorative Justice. I have heard the buzz about the Restorative Justice program and am very eager to learn about it.

This summer is an "off time" for two of our circles, 3M and Sister's Act. They will both resume in September. However, in August we will be visited by our Pasadena District Leadership Team in their North End Trip. They are doing a program again for us on Saturday that should be in Independence but I believe it will be relocated to Bishop. So, plan to join us as we travel up to Bishop for the day and enjoy worship with the Pasadena District Team and have lunch with them. This program will energize us for the Fall; I am sure.

We have been asked to raise \$2 per member to support the Methodist Hospital. This is one of the programs that UMW supports globally (it just happens to be quite close to us!). Please try to support the program and give \$2 to our treasurer, Shirley Kidner, so that we can enhance our pledge this way.

—Laura Lei Miller, President

Calendar of Events

July 22-24	School of Christian Mission
July 27	Friendship Circle
August 10	Ice Cream Social
August 27	North End Trip—Program
August 28	North End Trip—Worship

The United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII)

May 19, 2011

United Methodist Women has been in solidarity with the indigenous peoples of the world and their efforts for human rights and freedom for many decades. Recently, members have studied the Native American struggle as one of the United Methodist Women mission studies. This year is the 10th anniversary of the creation of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII), which will be held May 16–27, 2011, at the United Nations (U.N.) headquarters in New York City. It is a review year of what has happened over the past decade and planning for the next decade.

What the Session Will Address

- The follow-up to the recommendations of UNPFII: Economic and social development, environment and free prior and informed consent.
- Human rights: Implementation of the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, dialogue with the special rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous peoples and other U.N. agencies and funds.
- Future work of UNPFII, including issues of the economic and social council and emerging issues.
- Draft agenda for the 11th session of UNPFII in 2012. Adoption of the report of UNPFII on its 10th session.

In addition to the official U.N. session, indigenous organizations, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), U.N. agencies and governments also organize side events related to the issues in discussions that are held at the U.N. and the Church Center for the United Nations.

Background on the Creation of UNPFII

UNPFII was established in July 2000 by the U.N. economic and social council on the recommendation of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights. It's composed of five U.N. regional groups nominated by the U.N. and seven geocultural regions nominated by indigenous peoples on the basis of the need to accurately reflect cultural regions.

The mandate of UNPFII is to address indigenous issues related to economic and social development, culture, the environment, education, health and human rights; to provide expert advice and recommendations on indigenous issues to the economic and social council; to raise awareness and promote the integration and coordination of

activities related to indigenous issues within the U.N. system; and to prepare and disseminate information on indigenous issues.

The establishment of UNPFII was the first time indigenous peoples became members of a U.N. body, a body that offers indigenous peoples the opportunity for full participation, which is unprecedented within the U.N. system.

The United States has announced for the first time its support for the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, so it is important to encourage the United States to implement the declaration without reservation and to recognize the right of indigenous peoples to self-determination and other basic human rights.

Background on Indigenous Peoples

According to the U.N., "It is estimated that there are at least 5,000 indigenous groups composed of 300 million people living in more than 70 countries on five continents. Their way of life, livelihood, religion and culture are inextricably intertwined with and dependent on the traditional environment in which they live. In most countries, indigenous people are not members of the dominant, majority groups. Although they may consider themselves 'nations,' they have no status as States and often have no voice through their governments. In many parts of the world, the cultures of indigenous peoples are precariously balanced on the edge of extinction."

Previous issues addressed by UNPFII:

- Indigenous children and youth.
- Indigenous women.
- Millennium Development Goals and indigenous peoples.
- Territories, lands and natural resources.
- Climate change, biocultural diversity and livelihoods: The stewardship role of indigenous peoples and new challenges.
- Indigenous peoples: Development with culture and identity: Articles 3 and 32 of the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

**Esmeralda V. Brown, Women's Division
executive secretary for U.N. affairs**

This is one of the current programs that UMW is actively involved in. UMW does take stands on political issues with special regard to women and children experiencing justice. If you are interested in other social action issues or would like to learn more about justice for others, check out UMW on line and learn about our stands on other issues like Human Trafficking and Fair Trade. Southern California experiences many injustices that UMW is actively involved in.



News from Dr. Elma Jocson Methodist Missionary to Liberia

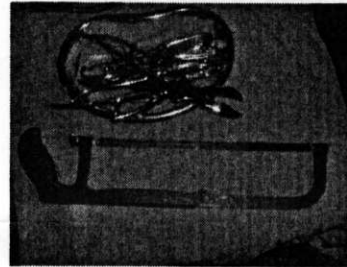
Doctors make the worst patients. And I am no exception. I thought of myself as being quick and decisive. But I was wrong. My insides are hurting, my muscles are sore and I'm feeling really tired. At the beginning, I had dismissed these as just stress-related. But the pain is real and persistent. You think I would go straight to the lab for some tests? I self medicated with antibiotic. When it wasn't working, I was convinced I should go for a malaria test. I almost went. But I was afraid to find out if I have malaria-not when I'm taking prophylaxis tablets. I don't want to be proven wrong.

It has always been busy here. May passed by so quickly and significantly. My sister came for a short visit, basically to bring our mother back to the Philippines. Thankfully, my good friend visited at a very opportune time. As always, babies are steadily being delivered, not so many sets of twins as March though. There also had been a series of bereavements. In one funeral service, it took me awhile to adjust to the different way of going about the service. There was a person acting like she is off her senses, talking about the dead at the top of her voice. True or made up stories - people were laughing. And at the same time there's blaring music and dancing. What went on in that funeral is a bit confusing to me.

During the course of all these comings and goings, there were 59 operated cases performed. Too many! As was the situation in Nepal, we do what we can when we feel confident to do it (or we feel we can help). A 3-day-old boy was born with his urinary bladder exposed in his abdominal wall. Risk over benefit, with the parents' consent we went ahead. Successful operation, dead patient! Makes the surgeon very weak.

You know I'm also the so-so bone doctor here. The usual practice here is to bring the closed fractures (broken bones without open wound) to the bush doctor. If there's a wound the patient come to our hospital and gets several doses of antibiotic after debridemen (removing dirt and dead tissues), then will go home against our advice to go to the bush. In times when the bush doctor fails, Dr. Elma returns. Ta-dah.

Amputation time...I'm not kidding. You can smell them a mile away! Last December I brought with me two pieces of (medical) gigli saw wires for amputation. Both have been broken since April. I said no more amputation until I get my new wires. That can't be because there's sure to be one or two (surgeries) every month. I could have insisted I'd only use gigli wire - it's easier and cleaner to use. I finish much quicker with less strength required. But we had to use what is available.



Patient has gone home

I thought it's a wood saw but John Veazey, (my e-musing helper) identified it as a common hacksaw, used to cut metal bolts, tubing etc. Among surgeons, we sort of joke about the Orthopedic surgeons' work as like carpentry. Naturally, I didn't want to actually be a 'carpenter-surgeon', but there's no escaping it. First the Black & Decker drill, now a hacksaw! What's next????

Back to the malaria saga! I finally went to the lab, I tested negative and was disappointed. What is wrong??? After consulting a Liberian MD, I was advised to start treatment anyway. He says its sub clinical malaria. The tablet taste awful and it's giving me gastritis!! I'm being a baby - a baby with no mother, huhuhu. I'll get over this, and myself, will be wiser. Now I can really suffer with my patients! I am confident that you pray for us. God bless you more!

Sent from Dok Elma's iPod
Ganta United Methodist Hospital
Nimba County, Liberia (West Africa)
Mobile- +00231 880673586



Pastor Krista Givens Missionary in Germany

From Krista's June 2011
Newsletter

How We are Changing the World

May 14 & 15 was a weekend of mission for thousands of United Methodist. According to the *Rethink Church* website, "in 15 countries, United Methodist reached out to their neighbors through more than 2,000 projects" (1) These projects included efforts to clean up playgrounds, raise money for mission projects, offer childcare or food vouchers for single mothers and with the youth department of the Hamburg district of the German Methodist Church and spread the joy of Jesus Christ to others, with the help of balloons and red clown noses. Over 2,000 mission projects in one weekend: by all accounts, the program was a tremendous success!

As I reflected on our activity and looked at the map on the *Rethink Church* website, I noted that the "global event" did not look so global when viewed with pins denoting each Change the World (CTW) activity or project registered.

Obviously the majority of the CTW activities happened in the United States with only a sparse offering from Europe, Asia and Africa. This map lead us to believe that there are only a handful of United Methodist outside the United States. But that is not true.

In 2008 total United Methodist Church membership was estimated at 11.4 million, with about 7.9 in the U.S. and 3.5 million overseas.

(2) Significantly about 20% of the conference delegates were from Africa, with Filipinos and Europeans making up another 10%. By 2012 it has been estimated that Africans will make up at least 30% of the delegates at General Conference, and it is also possible that 40% of the delegates will be from outside the U.S.

So why doesn't the map reflect the growth of the United Methodism outside the U.S.? Perhaps the Change the World program was not communicated to those outside the United States? Perhaps the relationship between the US church and those of us 'In the field' is not yet well-established; Perhaps the language difference

present challenges that are too great, too daunting, too much.

Hamburg's International United Methodist Church is a partnership between the United Methodist Church in the USA and the evangelistic Methodistische Kirche in Germany. We are a bridge between those in the USA wanting to support international church work and us international Christians in need of a church community. Our mission is in developing relationships; reaching out to those who are need in our community and throughout the world; reaching out to one another in our church family; reaching out to other Methodists in Germany and in our extended Methodist family. We are an example of how we as a human family can interact in a multicultural, multi-lingual, truly diverse community. We are a bridge between those pinned areas on the map and those that remained un-pinned. May we continue to be an example of the Kingdom of God that is possible here on earth.

Krsita Givens



Rancho International Ministries

Dear United Methodist Church
We are within days of leaving
Ridgecrest for a summer in Africa.

however, it is impossible to leave without a Thank You behalf of RIM, Peter and Grace and the people of Zimbabwe for your generous gift. Please know your gift was given to the very poor of Zimbabwe within the cities of Harare and Bulawayo. RIM is a volunteer organization, and none of your gift was taken for overhead operations - it all went to food, basic household items, and school supplies. It is heartwarming to stand with your congregation giving to the poor. It is personally gratifying to have you meet our dear friends who co-labor with us in Zimbabwe. Together in the name of Jesus Christ, we are making a difference in Zimbabwe and the world.

Blessings to you all,
Daryl and Jennifer Silberberg.
Ridgecrest Area
RIM Mission Directors

PRAYERS

Family and Friends in Need of Our Prayers

Thank You for Your Prayers

If you have a family member or a friend that you would like us to pray for through our prayer chain ministry, and include on our prayer list, please contact Margaret Anderson at 375-9860 or Diane Wadelin in the church office at 375-7434. It is our policy for names to appear on the prayer list for two months. For ongoing concerns please notify the office or Margaret Anderson.

Megan Adams & son
Ruth Blandon
Florence Condos
Joanna Dunn
Eric Frisbee
Kathleen Hansen
Charline Kvapil
Patty Poteat
Kathy Schimpf
Shari Sinsley
Rex Walraven
William Wood

Linda Archibald
Chloe Bryant
Carol Corlett
Elise Ellingsworth
Taylor & Isabella Frisbee
Marilyn Jensen
Maxwell Family
Crystal Racicot
Diane and Frank Seymour
Dan Tobias
Elizabeth Watson

Anna Benson
Alex Carmichael
Bonnie Dale
Tricia Eoff
Bill Hall
Elnora Jedlicka
Moreau Family
Gaylon Ryno
Kira Shearer
Derek Wadelin
Trudy Wood

MISSIONARIES

Dr. Elma Jocson, Missionary to Liberia

Krista Givens, Missionary Hamburg, Germany

U.S. MILITARY

Victor Anquino
Benjamin Cox
Brandon Deussenberry
Michael Leveille
Tyler Odell
James Ryan
Maggie Tidwell
Steven Whitmore

David Bird
Mussahi Cummings
James Garwalki
Ben Marvin
Danny Oestreich
Andrew Smith
Andrew Toll
Randall Zade

Alan Bradford
Jason Desmarais
Sheldon Greshem
Jason McCalf
Tyson Price
Gary Sullivan
Andrew Valadez

Ryan Carmichael
David Dunaway
Todd Holland
Rob Mettitt
Karl Randall
Matthew Taylor
Katie Weback

In Service In Our Church Lock-up for July: Hazel Hensley

JULY 3

Flowers: Andy & Rebecca Toll
 Liturgist (9:30 am) Juanita Morton
 Ushers: Wes & Hazel Hensley
 John & Paige Netzer

Creative Expression:

Lead: Julie Gervais
 Helper: Available

Counters: Jim Hoover
 Patty Bayne
 Lynn Wade

Fellowship Hosts Julie Gervais
 Eleanor Winnemore
 Juanita Morton

JULY 10

Flowers: Joe & Kathleen Hansen
 Liturgist (9:30) Laura Lei Miller
 Ushers: Rocky & Nina Lane
 Ray & Minnie Miller

Creative Expression:

Lead: Emily Johnson
 Helper: Jacob Slatkovsky

Counters: Hazel Hensley
 Barbara Johnson
 Nina Lane

Fellowship Hosts: Marica Famstad
 Barbara Jayne
 Gail Reed

JULY 17

Flowers: Available
 Liturgist (9:30) Available
 Ushers: Stanley Chassagne
 Ellen Chassagne

Creative Expression:

Lead: Available
 Helper: Available

Liturgist

If you would be interested in being a liturgist, please feel free to sign up on the bulletin board by the church office. You are not obligated to do both services--just the service of your choice. If you have any questions feel free to call the office - 375-7434.

Altar Flowers

The Flower Chart is located on the bulletin board outside the main office. If you would like to place flowers on the altar for a special occasion please feel free to sign up. It will be your responsibility to arrange for the flowers and to bring them to the church. Any questions feel free to call the church office.

JULY 17 (Cont)

Counters: Sheri Boston
 Nancy Saxton

Fellowship Hosts: Judy Burns
 Jeanne Backman
 Barb Johnson

JULY 24

Flowers: Available
 Liturgist (9:30) Available
 Ushers: Monte & Tina Frisbee
 Ken & Patty Wetzel

Creative Expression:

Lead: Available
 Helper: Available

Counters: Kristin Hall
 Wes Hensley
 Nancy Hodge

Fellowship Hosts: Phyllis Wise
 Judy Campbell
 Shirley Kidner

JULY 31

Flowers: Available
 Liturgist (9:30) Diane Leveille
 Ushers: Monte & Tina Frisbee
 Ken & Patty Wetzel

Creative Expression:

Lead: Available
 Helper: Available

Counters: Available
 Fellowship Hosts: Patty Wharton
 Terry Millett
 Marge Anderson



JULY BIRTHDAYS


- 1 McKinley Hennings
- 2 Rachel Layfield
- 3 Linda Bozack
- 7 Mike Herr
- 9 Diane Foucher
- 10 Carol Gardiner
Alex Kilikauskas
- 12 Dan Leveille
- 13 Dolores Hoffman
Chloe Bryant
Sam Johnson
RaeLeigh Clair
- 14 David Hall
Julie Gervais
- 15 Cindel Barnes
Julia Rindt
- 16 Janet Tonkin
- 19 Robert Lane
- 20 Phyllis Wise
Dennis Mason
Karla Ochoa
- 21 Patricia Bayne
Michele Lindsay
- 23 Nathaniel Hansen
Taylor Corzine
Savannah Holland
- 27 John Veazey
Terry Millett
Sandy Meech
- 31 Monica Gardiner
Irene Regnier

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Andrew & Rebecca Toll
- 4 Adrian & Amy Ochoa
Art & Sally Duvall
- 5 Bob & Bonnie Dale
- 7 Ralph & Cathy Mattis
- 13 Joseph & Kathleen Hansen
- 16 Dan & Diane Leveille
- 17 Eric & Julie Frisbee
- 19 Marc & Carrie Cope
- 25 Richard & Sue Marvin
- 26 Peter & Debbie Brown
Leroy & Carol Corlett
- 29 Carrie & Billy Montgomery
- 31 Harris & Patricia Brokke
Dennis & Barbara Mason

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed in our Church Directory, please contact the office know so we can honor you on your special day.

JULY 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 8:00 am UMM Breakfast in the Social Hall
Sunday 3 Worship Schedule NO UMYF	Office Closed 4 	5 7:00 pm Fly Fishers Social Hall	6 7:00 pm Trustee Fellowship Room	7	8 Flex	9
Sunday 10 Worship Schedule 10:30 B.S. Pack 341 Taco Lunch-Social Hall 10:45 am Sunday School Mtg. Rm. 4 2:00 pm Crop Circle 3:30 UMYF Pool Party	11 6:30 Bible Study Fellowship Room BSA 341 6:30 pm Pack Mtg. and 7:00 pm BSA Troop 35 Ed. Bldg. & S.H.	12	13 6:00 pm P.F.L.A.G. Rm 6:00 p.m. Upper Room Suppers Mtg. Room 2	14 6:00 p.m. Mission Mtg Rm 2	15	16
Sunday 17 Worship Schedule NO UMYF	18 6:30 pm Bible Study Fellowship Room Cub Pack 341 6:00 pm 7:00 pm BSA Troop 35 Ed. Bldg. & S.H.	19	20 6:00 pm Finance 7:00 pm Ad Council	21	22 Flex	23
Sunday 24/31 Worship Schedule NO UMYF UMYF Pool Party	25 6:30 pm Bible Study Fellowship Room Cub Pack 341 6:00 pm 7:00 pm BSA Troop 35 Ed. Bldg. & S.H.	26	27 1:00 pm Quilters Fellowship Room 6:00 p.m. Upper Room Suppers Mtg. Room 2 Friendship Circle Pool Party	28	29	30

←-----SIERRA SERVICE PROJECT-----→
JULY 17--23

←-----UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
SCHOOL OF MISSIONS
JULY 21--23-----→

Sunday Worship Schedule

- 9:30 am Worship Service
- 9:00 am Sunday School all ages
- Middle School Youth Group 2:30 - 4:00 pm Room 2
- High School Youth Group 4:00 - 5:30 pm Room 2
- 5:00 pm Adult Sunday School Room

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

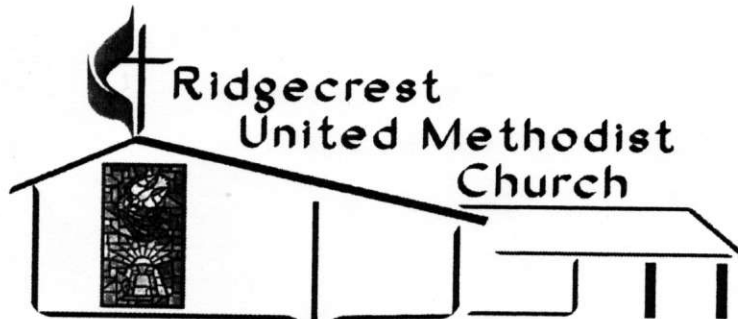
Summer Worship Service

9:30 am

(Child care is provided)

5:00 pm Adult Sunday School

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