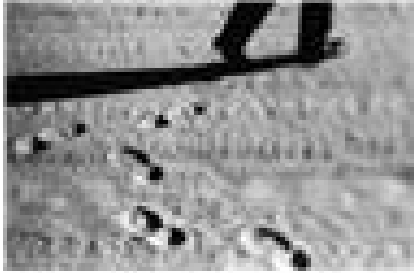




# Christ Church Communicator

*“Love God, Love People, Make Disciples for Jesus Christ”*

## JANZ’S JOURNEY – OCTOBER 2010



So it's Monday morning (September 13<sup>th</sup>) and I'm in the kitchen packing Katie's lunch for school. The TV is on – the **Today** Show, to be exact – and they are doing a story about MTV's "VMA" show that had aired the night before. (MTV is short for "Music TeleVision" and VMA is short for "Video Music Awards.") The big winner was a "musician" named "Lady Gaga" who took home eight different awards. Now as I understand it, Lady Gaga has a reputation for wearing "different" outfits, but the dress she had on for her acceptance of the final award was, shall we say, rather **rare**. You see, it was made entirely of meat. The shoes, the dress, even the headpiece was all top sirloin, filet mignon, flank steak or all of the above and then some. If you don't believe me, Google "*Lady Gaga's meat dress*" and see for yourself.

Jesus does not want those who follow him to withdraw from the culture, but to be a light for it – an alternative to what has become the cultural norm.

I was, well, speechless. A dress made out of meat – unbelievable! And she actually wore it in public, with global media coverage. A far cry from June Cleaver, wouldn't you say? (OK, I acknowledge those of you who are saying to yourself, "Who the heck is June Cleaver?") And while I don't claim to be a Lady Gaga – or MTV – fan AT ALL, the experience did give me

cause to pause and reflect a bit on how our culture has changed just during my lifetime.

Now I know that at 48 I'm only half as old as some of you, but I am twice as old as others of you, so I think I'm old enough to say that things today are A LOT different than when I was growing up! Cable TV, satellite TV and radio, the internet, mobile phones, iPods – none of that existed yet – or if it did it wasn't available to ordinary folks like the family I grew up in. Even when that technology did come along, the definition of what was "acceptable" for public display was...well...not the same as it is today. Suffice it to say that the culture WE live in has changed significantly since 1974 when I was my daughter's age.

With all of that in mind, I find myself asking "what does it mean to live as a follower of Jesus Christ in a culture where clothing is made from London broil and rump roast?" Not sure I have a good answer for that, but it seems clear in scripture that we are to ENGAGE the culture around us, no matter what that culture looks like.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus says: "*You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise your father in heaven.*" (5:13, 14, 16) And then in John's Gospel, Jesus, while praying for his disciples then and now, says to

God: "*I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.*" (17:14-15)

Jesus does not want those who follow him to withdraw from the culture, but to be a light for it – an alternative to what has become the cultural norm. In reality, Jesus sends us into the world around us as examples of what God the Creator had in mind for human culture when human beings were created in the first place.

In what I hope is now becoming a familiar scripture to us, Jesus says: *“All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore, GO and MAKE disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”* (Matthew 28: 18-20)

During the months of October and November, I want to explore some scriptures that help us see what it looks like for the followers of Jesus to engage the culture around us. These passages paint a picture of what a life that is following Jesus will present to the culture as it engages the people in it. I’m calling the series **“Engaging Our Culture, Counter- culturally.”**

We’ll look at sections of scripture that are categorized as “one-another’s:” *love one another, accept one another, be humble, gentle, and patient with one another, encourage one another, be devoted to one another, forgive one another, and admonish one another.* My prayer is that as the one-another’s become the way of life for us as a church, they will also become our “default setting” for the way we engage the culture around us day by day.

My hunch is that even living out the one another’s will not save us from speechlessness the next time we see a dress of meat, but maybe we’ll be able to connect with the one wearing it in a way that could point them to Jesus! Remember...

Keep Lookin’ Up!  
Pastor D.

## NEW COLUMN BEGINS THIS MONTH:

Do you have a question for the pastor? Submit your question to Shellie McVay at [rmcvay@pa.rr.com](mailto:rmcvay@pa.rr.com) or drop it off at the Welcome Center, and Pastor David will answer it in his new column, *Question for the Pastor...*

### Question for the Pastor...

#### Do I have to be a member of Christ United Methodist Church to serve in a ministry?

My practice of ministry is that ministry is NOT just for members, but for ALL folks who feel called to serve. If you are a part of the Christ Church family and you sense God’s call to serve in a specific ministry or would like to know what is available, we invite you with open arms to talk with the person who is the leader in that specific ministry or the person at the Welcome Center who will help direct you to the right person.

We are in the process of developing a listing of all our ministries and missions opportunities; but until then...please stop by the Welcome Center and let us know you are interested. We serve God by serving others in the church.

John 12:26 “If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there my servant will be also. If anyone serves ME, him My Father will honor. The blessing of Jesus is activated in those who not only know His will, but in those who know it and do it. Genuine faith leads to Godly action.

I have never served a church that is more active or connected with each other by serving and volunteering. CUMC is God’s church filled with willing and serving hearts.

This was an excellent question. Keep them coming.

Keep Lookin’ Up!  
Pastor D.

*The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. 1 Timothy 5:17*

### **A PASTOR'S HEART**

**A well-spoken message stirs a heart to rejoice  
There is nothing like a strong, resilient voice  
But when sorrow comes, there is no better gift to impart  
Then the gift of a caring, pastor's heart**

**A loving touch or a kind word  
A moment of counsel from God's holy word  
A telephone call—after you just heard...  
Is the gift of our pastor's heart.**

**Lord, bless this pastor in each new day  
Bless his ministry along the way  
For fame and fortune can never impart  
The precious gift of a caring pastor's heart**

**Just a servant of Christ and at times a dear friend  
With a desire to love God to the very end  
Tending his flock in the Savior's way  
Is the gift of a pastor's heart.**

**Striving to live as an apostle of Christ  
Serving his father giving Godly advice!  
Preaching and teaching and sharing the Word  
Is the gift of a caring pastor's heart.**

**Sandra L. Adams**

# THANK YOU

**Pastor David  
Pastor Sam  
Pastor Emeritus John**



**IMAGINE NO MALARIA  
FIELD COORDINATOR TO  
SPEAK AT CUMC**

On Tuesday, October 12, 2010, Laura Meengs, Field Coordinator for Imagine No Malaria, will be at CUMC to explain how we can become involved in eliminating malaria from the continent of Africa. The people of CUMC are an important part of this campaign and are invited to attend this gathering in Heritage Hall beginning at 6:30 PM.

**Tuesday  
October 12,  
2010  
6:30 PM  
Heritage Hall**

“As United Methodists, we are strong – 11 million strong. We believe the world is our parish. Every life is important to us, and every one of us is important in making this vision real. In reaching out to people to relieve suffering, we find a revitalization of our own faith and our understanding of what it means to be Christ followers.

For 160 years, the United Methodist Church has been operating hospitals and clinics across the African continent. But those hospitals need rapid diagnosis kits and life-saving medicines to treat people infected with malaria, including pregnant women and very young children. Imagine No Malaria can make that happen.” [Imaginenomalaria.org](http://Imaginenomalaria.org)





## **NEW WORSHIP TIMES TO REMAIN**

Several positive results were reported from the new worship times that were initiated for the summer on a trial basis. Most notably, the traffic congestion in the parking lot and hallways has eased as a result of more time being allotted between first and second services. Therefore, worship times and Sunday school times will continue as follows:

### **First Worship Service**

8:15 AM

### **Sunday School Hour**

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

### **Second Worship Service**

11:00 AM

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## **WOMEN OF FAITH WEEKEND A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE**

What an awesome and awe-inspiring weekend with great music, great messages and great fellowship with other women friends both new and old!! I just wish that all women who read this had also been able to experience this weekend. I implore you to consider going to the next Women of Faith event next year in Pittsburgh again in September.








We had 46 women planning to go with 42 actually making the trip; and of that number only about 10 had been to a Women of Faith event before, meaning that more than half of our number that went were first-timers!! All reported a

wonderful and worthwhile event and already planning on next year with other people in mind to also bring along.

I was praying that God would give us the people He wanted there and I trust that that is what happened even though we still had a few seats not filled. I challenge our women to spread the Word throughout Franklin and the rest of Venango County and to make "Venango Women of Faith" even a bigger group for the next event in Pittsburgh.

A huge thank you to all who had anything to do with making this happen for us this year from your prayers and monetary donations to attending the event yourself or directing others to our group. I pray that you will join us in 2011.  
Sharon Goldsmith

# October 2010

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|--|--|---|--|---|---|
|   |  |  |   |  | 1 APPLEFEST<br>                        | 2 APPLEFEST<br>  |
| 3 Holy Communion<br>APPLEFEST<br><br>NO S.W.A.T. | 4 Begin Clothing Collection<br>in Heritage Hall<br>SPRC Team 6:30 pm | 5 Clothing Collection H.H.<br>"Make Me a Blessing" 10:00 am<br>(H. Hall)<br>Women's Fellowship 6:30 pm | 6 Clothing Collection H.H.<br>Prayer Group 6:15 pm<br>Praise Team 7:00 pm<br>Girl Scouts 7:00 pm<br>Choir 7:30 pm | 7 Clothing Collection H.H.<br>Men's Bible Study 6:00 am<br>CCC Team Mtg. 10:00 am<br>Children/Youth Band 4:00 pm<br>GROWTH NIGHT 6:30 pm | 8 Clothing Collection H.H.  | 9 Winter Clothing Give-Away<br>(Heritage Hall)  |
| 10<br>S.W.A.T. 6:30 pm  | 11 Trustees 6:00 pm<br>Women's Steering 6:30 pm                      | 12   | 13 Prayer Group. 6:15 pm<br>Praise Team 7:00 pm<br>Choir 7:30 pm  | 14 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am<br>Knotty Ladies 9:00 am<br>CCC Team Mtg. 10:00 am<br>Children/Youth Band 4:00 pm<br>GROWTH NIGHT 6:30 pm   | 15  | 16 Men's Breakfast 7:29 am<br>Turkey Bowl 10:00 am<br> |
| 17<br><br>S.W.A.T. 6:30 pm                      | 18 Church Council 6:30 pm  | 19 "Make Me a Blessing" 10:00 am<br>(H. Hall)<br>Rebecca Circle 7:00 pm                                | 20 Prayer Group. 6:15 pm<br>Praise Team 7:00 pm<br>Choir 7:30 pm  | 21 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am<br>CCC Team Mtg. 10:00 am<br>Sr. Day Luncheon 11:30 am<br>Care Team Mtg. 1:45 pm<br>GROWTH NIGHT 6:30 pm    | 22<br>Dist. Youth Leadership Team<br>Overnight<br>←   | 23<br>Dist. Youth Leadership Team<br>Overnight<br>→   |
| 24 Charge Conf. Service 2:30 pm<br>(Galloway U.M.C.)<br>S.W.A.T. 6:30 pm  | 25 Staff Mtg. 6:30 pm  | 26   | 27 Prayer Group. 6:15 pm<br>Praise Team 7:00 pm<br>Choir 7:30 pm  | 28 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am<br>CCC Team Mtg. 10:00 am<br>GROWTH NIGHT 6:30 pm   | 29<br><br>Heritage Hall 5:00-7:00 pm | 30  |
| 31<br><br>Swatzler's 7:00 pm                   |  |  |   |  |   |   |

## STUDY OF ROMANS BEING LED BY JEFF LAWSON

Romans was written by Paul when he was prevented from going to Rome in person, leaving these writings of truth and insight for God's people in this present time. It was written to Roman Christians and, through God's intervention, to Christians everywhere.

This study provides an opportunity for us to explore these particular sacred writings. "In

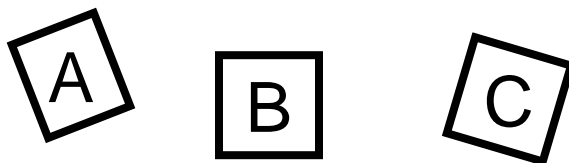
the Book of Romans, Paul clearly sets forth the foundations of the Christian faith. The Christian life is not abstract theology disconnected with life, but it has practical implications that will affect how we choose to behave each day. It is not enough merely to know the gospel; we must let it transform our lives." (*Life Application Study Bible*)

**The group meets on Sunday evenings at 6:45 PM (for those who deliver and pick up youth at Youth Group.) The next meeting is Sunday, October 10. Please join us.**

# ROMANS

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## CUMC'S "BACK YARD" MINISTRY PROGRAM



The ABC Pregnancy Center on Liberty Street must expand its space due to all the services and training programs they are providing to the increasing need of young women in our community.

What can you do? ...an idea...

**BUY A \$7 YARD OF CARPET for a MINISTRY/SERVICE in our own "Back Yard".**

- Saving babies from abortion is **THE FOCUS**.
- How many little feet will be running across the carpet you have helped provide???

Please consider writing a check to the ABC Pregnancy Center with the words Carpet in the memo area. Place in the offering plate or deliver to the Administration's office.

Contact Katie Aaron at 432-5993 or [katieaaron@pa.rr.com](mailto:katieaaron@pa.rr.com) for more information



## GOD SIGHTINGS

Dear Readers,

Do you have a God sighting story to tell? Please share how God is working around us by submitting your story to the church office in hard copy or via e-mail. In this, we will encourage each other. May God be glorified through the sharing of His activity.

# RAISING UP A CHILD—A Biblical Portrait Of Parenting

by Phil Tuttle, President of Walk Thru The Bible



Learn what God says about raising children.

**"Raising Up A Child"** will take you on an exciting journey of parenting by God's design. During this course, you will learn how to follow God's "GPS" as it helps you navigate through the pitfalls and perils of raising children. Prepare to be guided to the heart of parenting thru scripture and how God intended it to be.

This eight-series class with DVD's is endorsed by such names as Gary Smalley, Andy Stanley, and Tony Evans.

A SUNDAY MORNING  
STUDY  
For parents and  
grandparents with  
children 0-13 yrs  
old

**Location: Heritage Hall  
Begins Sunday, Oct. 24 th**

**Class Location: Heritage Hall**

**Time: 9:30 AM -10:30 AM**

**Facilitators: Sue Dreves, Scott Walters and all of you who will be part of learning and growing together**

## **Sessions 1 & 2 CHOICES**

**Oct 24th and Oct 31st**

Give your children the opportunity to make good choices and they will develop Godly character and maturity.

## **Sessions 3 & 4 CONSEQUENCES**

**Nov 7th and Nov 14th**

Allow your children to face consequences, both positive and negative, and you'll shape the future generations of your family.

## **Sessions 5 & 6 COMPASSION**

**Nov 21st and Nov 28th**

Help your children cultivate a heart that's moved to action and they will touch the world like Jesus did.

## **Sessions 7 & 8 CONSISTENCY**

**Dec 5th and 12th**

Develop discipline in your own parenting skills.

## RAISING UP A CHILD REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost: \$9 for Workbook  
(can be shared by couple)  
*Scholarships available***

**THIS IS A GREAT OUTREACH  
OPPORTUNITY!**

Please think of 2 couples from outside our church that would enjoy learning what you are about to experience. Ask 2... 50% chance of them saying yes!

**RSVP BY SUNDAY OCT 17**

Please call Katie Aaron at 432-5993 or email [katieaaron@pa.rr.com](mailto:katieaaron@pa.rr.com) for further information or to make reservations other than the brochure. **RSVP ASAP** to assure enough shipping time for your books.

# CUMC's JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GIRLS

7<sup>TH</sup> and 8th grades

*YOU ARE INVITED TO A GET TOGETHER*  
**“HOW GOD SEES YOU AS HIS PRINCESS, HIS JEWEL”**



Time includes a **“Build Your Own Ice Cream Sundae”!**

**PRESENTER:** Hiliary Boyer is from the AAA Life Services Center in Clarion. Her focus is to help you appreciate **who you are** and **how precious your life is in God's eyes...** Why it is important to make good choices... How you can influence others in a positive way...how to make good decisions about what we wear... what we expose ourselves to... and how our actions speak loudly.... You will be receiving a jewel for each scripture you hear, which will then be placed on a cord that can be worn as a bracelet or used as a bookmark.

**MOTHERS AND GRANDMOTHERS ARE INVITED TO SHARE THIS DAY!**

**PLEASE RSVP ON THE FLIER IN YOUR SUNDAY BULLETIN**

**You are invited to bring a friend from school who doesn't come to CUMC. It is a great “outreach opportunity” and FUN.**

A program for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades will be held Sat, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM  
A program for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders will be held Sat, Jan 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM  
**Yes, build your own Sundaes at all 3 events.**

For more information call Katie Aaron 432-5993 or email: [katieaaron@pa.rr.com](mailto:katieaaron@pa.rr.com)

Just wanted to say thank you for the gift bag from your church. I was very surprised to see all the information on your church, the cup with the goodies inside and especially the CD! I loved listening to the songs on it. You seem to have a wonderful church. One that makes a stranger feel very welcome! And wanting to come back. I have long been a fan of your church from the comfort of my living room on Sunday morning. My family though has been trying to find a church that has things going on and one that we feel comfortable in. So last Sunday, my son and I decided to give your church a try. And we are very happy that we did. We are members at another local church, but have felt that something was lacking. And that maybe God was leading us somewhere else. I think that God has been leading us to you. We look forward to spending more Sundays with you wonderful church, and not just from the comfort of our own home. So again thank you and we look forward to coming back on Sunday! May God bless! Lois Carr

Thank you to everyone in the church for all your support, love and prayers while I'm away at college. It's nice knowing that there are people at home who are constantly thinking about me and wishing me the best. I appreciate all the prayers and support you have all given me throughout the last 4 years. The scholarship has helped me to purchase the books and supplies I have needed.

Again thank you! Rebekah Woods

THANK

*Christ United Methodist Church,*

*Thank you very much for the graduation present. I love the CD and book with Bible verses. I also love the microwave cookbook. Thank you so much for everything over the time I have attended CUMC. I'm so thankful for everything. Love, Carlen Barnett*

YOU

*Dear Church Family,*

*I would like to say Thank You for your generous gift of money. I greatly appreciate the financial help as I pursue my college education!*

*With God's Love, Shawn Hogue*

To our wonderful church family,

Thank you so much for the birthday cards for John, the 63rd anniversary cards for us and most of all, for the get well cards and messages which encouraged me during my stay in the hospital. Each one of them is appreciated more than you will ever know. Thanks to many of you sent food to the house. Thank you for loving us and remembering us.

I also want to thank Pastor David and Pastor Sam for their visits as well as the other visitors. But most of all, I want to thank each one of you that prayed for me. I was really counting on your prayers and I knew that each of you would be faithful in holding me before the Lord for His healing.

Bless the tie that binds us together as a Christian congregation and May God give each of you a special blessing.

With Christian Love,

Mildred & John

We just wanted to thank everyone for all their prayers while Jimmy was in the hospital for his appendix, and also Sam Wagner for his visit. We are blessed and grateful.

The Calderone Family



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# Children's News for Parents

## Sunday School

This month during Sunday School children from pre-school—grade 4 will learn about Sampson whose story is recorded in the book of Judges. I find Sampson's story to be rather sad. In it we see what depths compromise can lead us to. Samson's life is an example of what good might have come, if only he had *refused* to give up, and *chosen* to remain faithful to God.

Through the story of Sampson, we will discover that we must be on alert to the temptation of compromise and stay true to God's Word by obeying. Otherwise,



Samson killing a lion.

compromise will gradually lead to our ruin.

### Growing Pains

Our 5th & 6th grade Sunday School class now has 17 members. The room that we have been using is too small. So in order to accommodate the students, it is necessary to change the room where they meet. The plan is to put grades 5 & 6 in the room with the yellow doorframe

The room with the red doorframe will now be used as part of our Rotation Sunday School program.

Look at the schedule posted by the bulletin board in the Children's Hall to see where your child's class will meet each Sunday.

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### Oct. Memory Verse

Grades 1—4

"Joyful are those who obey His laws and search for Him with all their hearts. They do not compromise with evil and they walk only in His paths."

(Psalm 119:2-3)

Preschool and Kindergarten

"Joyful are those who obey His laws and search for Him with all their hearts.

(Psalm 119:2)

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## Memory Verse

At the beginning of the month, all children attending Sunday School will receive a Bible verse to memorize. Memorizing scripture is very important. It's amazing how scripture

can pop into your head just when you need it.

The best way to memorize scripture is to put it someplace where you will see it often, like on the

bathroom mirror or in the car. Read the verse out loud to your child. Then say the verse out loud, together. Do this each day, and in no time, they will have it memorized!

Do you have questions about the Children's Ministry?  
Dial 432-3019 Ext.6 to talk to Patty or e-mail:  
children@christchurchfranklin.com

Go to:  
[www.christchurchfranklin.com](http://www.christchurchfranklin.com)  
To view the entire church newsletter on line.



An exciting new instrumental group under the very capable direction of Ann McCauley is taking shape. Children and youth who play a musical instrument and have completed at least one year of instruction are invited to become part of this new ministry. Performances are on the third Sunday of each month. Practices will be held from 4:00—5:00 pm on the two Thursday's prior to performances. See you there!



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## Vocal and Bell Choirs

### Bell Choir

Children and youth from kindergarten age through high school are invited to participate in a new hand bell Choir led by Marlene Richards and John Post. No musical experience is necessary. Practice will be every Tuesday with a light snack served at 4:15 pm and instruction starting promptly at 4:30 pm in the Open Door classroom, beside the sanctuary, and ending at 5:00 pm.



### Vocal Choir

A musical group has recently formed under the direction of John & Imy Post. Children & youth in grades K-12 from both Christ Church and First U.M. Church are blending their combined voices to form a new ministry through song. If you are in grades K-12, love to sing, or act and would like to be a part of this amazing musical group, please come to rehearsals in Heritage Hall on Tuesday's from 5:00—5:45 pm. .



# *EXPANDING FOR ETERNITY*



All Youth in grades 7 – 12 are invited. Bring your friends!

If you have any questions please call Tracy (432-2936) Mary (432-8079) Betsy (677-8801) or Anne (432-8209).

Sunday evenings 6:30 – 8:00

This is your chance to grow in Christ and find out about your “Ticket to Eternity”!

Junior and Senior High **Biblical Knowledge Quest** at each meeting!

# Women's Ministry Page



## MAKE ME A BLESSING BIBLE STUDY

Led by Gary Braugher  
10:00 AM - noon on the first and third Tuesdays  
Heritage Hall  
There is room for everyone.  
Call Lou Shearer at 814.437.2728 for more information.



## BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS



Blood pressure checks are offered the last Sunday of the month before and after Sunday School. Health record forms are provided. Watch for reminders and signs.

## Knotty Ladies

Notty Ladies returns to their normally scheduled second Thursday in October. They meet from 9 AM to 3 PM in Heritage Hall. Anyone interested in making quilts for the Women's Crisis shelter is invited. Bring a sack Lunch. All other materials are provided.

## LOVE BASKETS

Baskets are available in the women's cupboard in the kitchen for those who would like to deliver a special blessing. Please be sure to complete the log book when taking a basket. Or, call Joyce or Karen Greenlee; and they will make arrangements for the basket to be delivered.

There are some exciting events planned for **Women's Fellowship Night** which will now be held quarterly. Watch for details in the Sunday bulletins.

## REBECCA CIRCLE

Rebecca Circle meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. The Circle's focus is on missions. Contact Gerta Anderson at 432-2307 for information.

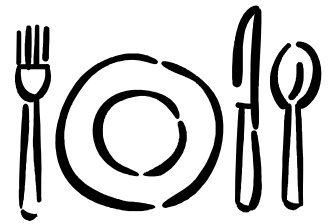


Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in the small shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc. for the Crisis Center in Oil City. Going into The Open Door Classroom is like being on a treasure hunt, almost every week there are supplies for me.

This year to date we have delivered 52 pounds of supplies and I have at least another 20 pounds to delivery. The Crisis Center is always so appreciative when we make the deliveries. Keep traveling and bringing in the samples of supplies.

Barbara Lynn

## FRIDAYS ARE FREE DINNERS



Next dinner:  
October 29

The number of our neighbors attending these dinners is increasing. That means there is more opportunity to serve and enjoy being a servant. Are you good at making friends of people you never met before? Do you like to serve quietly behind the scenes? There is opportunity at these dinners for all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It might be cooking, serving, visiting, or cleaning up. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents, please contact the church office or Susan Slautterback @437-5468 or email [slautterback@usachoice.net](mailto:slautterback@usachoice.net). Remember that many hands make light work! This is a wonderful way of making a difference in the lives of our neighborhood community. We're shining the light of Christ into our little piece of the planet!

## IT'S TIME!

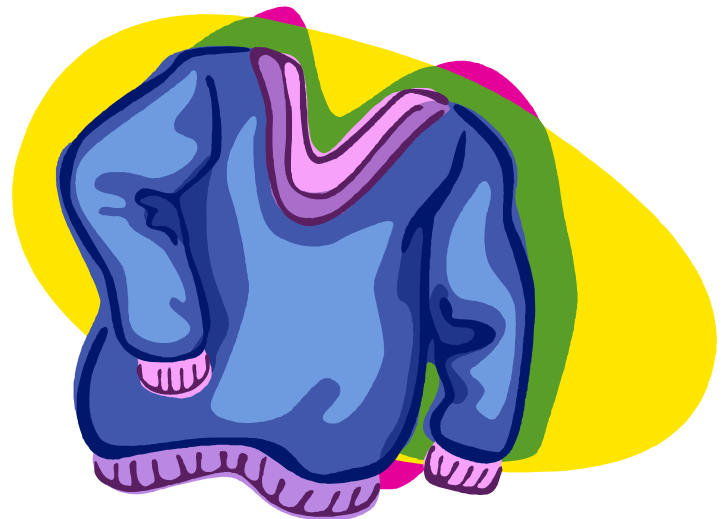
CLOTHING ACCEPTED IN HERITAGE HALL BEGINNING MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

We hope you have a good supply of clothing set aside for the fall clothing giveaway. As you know, it will be held Saturday, October 9.

Please bring your clean, gently-worn clothing to be shared with our community. Larger sizes and boys clothing are especially needed.

As an added blessing, your help with sorting and folding would be welcomed. Set your own hours!

## FALL CLOTHING GIVEAWAY



# 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Ladies Seminar

November 6, 2010  
Keystone High School  
Knox PA

Speaker: Elizabeth George  
Music: Janet Paschal

## Following God With All Your Heart

**Registration**

Early Registration by 10/24 .....\$35  
After 10/24 .....\$40

Pick up your registration form in the Narthex as soon as possible, as reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Register individually  
Contact Pat Powell at 724.376.2510  
If you need a registration form

We will meet at the church parking lot on the 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 AM for those who wish to car pool or who need a ride.



### Mark your Calendar

- October 4 ..... Begin bringing in your clothes for the fall giveaway event
- October 5 ..... Make Me a Blessing Bible Study
- October 9 ..... Fall Clothing Giveaway
- October 19 ..... Make Me a Blessing Bible Study  
Rebecca Circle
- October 14 ..... Knotty Ladies
- October 24 ..... Early Registration Deadline for Knox Ladies Seminar
- October 29 ..... Fridays are Free Dinner
- October 31 ..... Blood Pressure Screenings
- November 6 ..... Knox Ladies Seminar

**7:29 OUT BY NINE BREAKFAST**



OCTOBER 16  
HERITAGE HALL

FIRST UNITED METHODIST MEN AND YOUTH WILL BE JOINING US.

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**TURKEY BOWL  
FOLLOWS  
BREAKFAST**

*As Iron Sharpens Iron so  
one Man Sharpens  
Another*

**SECOND ANNUAL TURKEY BOWL**

OCTOBER 16  
10:30 AM



BENEFIT THE FOOD PANTRY AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. COST TO PLAY IS \$10 PER PERSON, WITH ALL PROCEEDS GOING DIRECTLY TO THE FOOD PANTRY AS THEY PREPARE FOR THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS. TWO FLAG FOOTBALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED. LAST YEAR WE HEARD THAT MANY OF OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS WANTED TO PLAY; SO THIS YEAR, WE WILL HAVE TWO GAMES – OVER AGE 40 AND UNDER AGE 40.

FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE GAMES FOR A DONATION; SO COME HUNGRY AND BE READY TO PLAY BALL, RAIN OR SHINE! LOCATION WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

**SIGN UP IN THE CHURCH OFFICE OR CONTACT TODD GREENLEE AT 814.677.7246.**

## UPDATE ON KELLI SAKALOUSKY'S INDIA JOURNEY

KELLI LEFT FOR PUNE, INDIA ON AUGUST 14, AND AFTER A 14- HOUR PLANE EXPERIENCE, THANKS TO PRAYERS, ARRIVED SAFELY. UPON ARRIVAL, SHE AND THE OTHER 24 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE U.S. TRAVELED BY VAN AND THEN HIKED 4 MILES IN A MONSOON TO A REMOTE TRIBAL VILLAGE WHERE THEY SPENT THE WEEKEND, BONDING. (PERSONALLY, TWO MILES INTO THAT TRECK AND I WOULD HAVE HAD ENOUGH)

SHE THEN MET HER HOST FAMILY, WHO WARMLY ACCEPTED HER INTO THEIR HOME. THEY ARE CONCERNED THAT SHE DOES NOT EAT ENOUGH; AND THE HOST MOM'S GOAL IS TO FATTEN HER UP. THE HOME IS AN APARTMENT ON THE THIRD FLOOR; AND SHE HAS HER OWN BEDROOM WITH A BACONY OVERLOOKING THE STREET. SHE IS CONVINCED THE REASON THE PROGRAM TAKES THEM TO THE REMOTE VILLAGE FIRST IS SO THEY WILL APPRECIATE THE HOST FAMILY'S ACCOMMODATIONS, WHATEVER THEY MAY BE. HER HOST FAMILY'S HOME LOOKS VERY NICE. THE HOST MOM SENT US PPCTURES OF HER ARRIVAL INTO THEIR HOME.

THE HOST DAD WORKS IN A BANK AND THE HOST MOM DOES NOT WORK. SHE RIDES A RICKSHAW TO

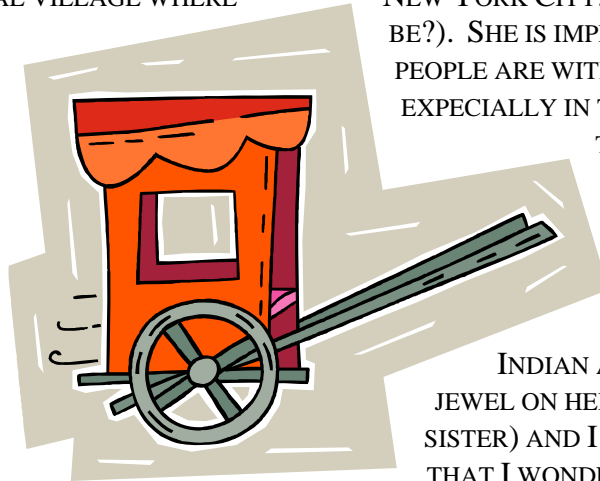
SCHOOL WHICH IS POWERED BY A MOPED. IT IS ABOUT A 20 MINUTE RIDE TO SCHOOL. THE TRAFFIC GIVES HER SOME CONCERN WHEN SHE IS IN THE RICKSHAW. SHE BEGAN HER STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY AND SEEMS TO BE HAPPY ABOUT THAT.

THE HOST FAMILY TOOK HER TO MUMBAY THE WEEKEND OF SEPT 12. SHE SAID IS LIKE GOING INTO NEW YORK CITY, ONLY BETTER (HOW CAN THAT BE?). SHE IS IMPRESSED AT HOW CONTENT THE PEOPLE ARE WITH THE LITTLE THEY HAVE, EXPECIALLY IN THE TRIBAL VILLAGES. SHE IS TRYING NOT TO COMPARE EVERYTHING TO THE U.S. BUT IT IS HARD NOT TO.

THERE WAS A PICTURE OF HER ON FACE BOOK IN TRADITIONAL INDIAN APPARIAL COMPETE WITH THE JEWEL ON HER FOREHEAD. AMBER (HER SISTER) AND I WERE TALKING AND I STATED THAT I WONDERED HOW SHE GOT THE JEWEL ON HER FOREHEAD; AND AMBER'S CONCERN WAS 'HOW TO GET IT OFF'.

KELLI DOES HAVE A BLOG ADDRESS IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN KEEPING UP WITH HER JOURNEY. KELLI'S FAMILY APPRECIATES YOUR PRAYERS FOR HER AS SHE TAKES THIS AMAZING JOURNEY AND WE KNOW THAT GOD IS KEEPING HER WRAPPED IN HIS CARE AND LOVE.

THANKS AGAIN, BARB LYNN



# India

**Missionaries Steve and Melinda Moffitt to Visit Christ Church/October 10th**

# AIM AIR

Steve and Melinda Moffitt will visit Christ Church on Sunday, October 10th.

Steve Moffitt is a native of Franklin and is supported through the mission outreach budget of our church. The Moffitt's have just completed their 16th year of ministry with Africa Inland Mission International. Currently on home assignment until January 2011 their ministry assignment is with Aim Air Radio Bases in Nairobi, Kenya. The base is responsible for the maintenance of the avionics (aircraft electronics) on AIM AIR's Fleet of aircraft. The Radio Base helps missionaries with their

electrical and electronic needs as time and resources permit. This includes repair, advice and on site help.

In addition to the AIM AIR assignment Melinda and Steve are the managers of the AIM MK Compound which contains ten full time family residents, three transitional residences and the Field Media office. Melinda also does some informal medical consultation, working with medical teams going to internally displaced people camps, teaches a Sunday School Class and is the assistant Sunday School Director of their church.

They will share with the children during Children's Time at both services and be available to Sunday School Classes in the Sanctuary during the Sunday School Hour.

Sunday School Classes are encouraged to come to the Sanctuary to learn about the Moffitt's work with AIM AIR in Africa.



## ANNUAL MISSION AUCTION



**NOTE DATE CHANGE**

**Friday, November 12**

- 1 **Food concession will be available at 5:00 pm.**
- 2 **Auction will start at 6:00 pm.**

All proceeds benefit the Mission Outreach of our church.

Plan your "Treasure Baskets", "Gifts of Service", craft item, food items, etc., now. Gift Certificates and new merchandise donated by area businesses will be on the auction block.

The Mission Auction is always an evening of great fun and great food.

## MISSION OPPORTUNITY/OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again this year our church will participate in Operation Christmas Child project. A shoe box filled with small toys and other gifts can open hurting hearts to God's love.

Here is your step by step guide of how to pack a shoe box.

### 1. SHOE BOX

Use an empty shoe box (standard size). You can wrap the box (lid separately), but wrapping is not required. Most important pray for the child who will receive your gift.

### 2. BOY or GIRL?

Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Use the appropriate boy/girl label from brochure. Mark the correct age category on the label and tape the label to the top of your box.

### 3. FILL WITH GIFTS

Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child.

### 4. INCLUDE YOUR DONATION

Please donate \$7 or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs

### 5. DROP OFF

Place a rubber band around each closed box and place on the table under the Mission Bulletin board no later than **Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**.

## GIFT SUGGESTIONS

**School Supplies:** pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

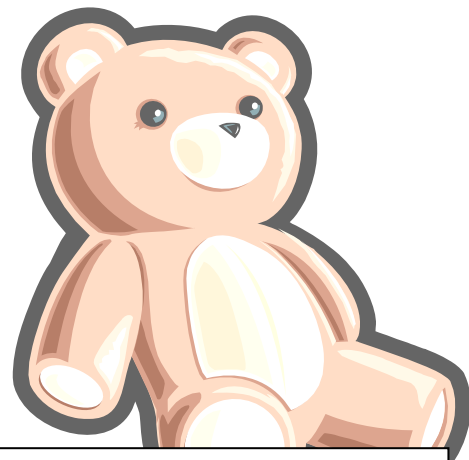
**Hygiene Items:** toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, etc.

**Toys:** small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, jump ropes, etc.

**Other:** hard candy and lollipops, (double bag all candy), hair clips, watches, etc.

**A Personal Note:** In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a picture of yourself or your family. If you include your address the child may write back.

**DO NOT INCLUDE:** Used or damaged items.; war related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, chocolate or food; out of date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins, breakable items such a snow globes or glass container; aerosol cans.



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me....for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



# Christ Church Communicator

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