



Good News!

The newsletter of the Memorial United Methodist Church of Clovis

July 2004

ALL-CHURCH INVITATION

The Family of
 Gladys Manuel
 Invites you
 To join in a celebration of her
 100th Birthday
 Saturday, July 24, 2004
 2:00 to 4:00 pm
 Memorial United Methodist Church
 Social Hall
 1726 Pollasky, Clovis, CA
 RSVP by July 14, 2004
 Lorraine May
 No Gifts Please

THANK-YOU NOTE

Norma and Vernon Crooke would like to thank our church family for all the delicious food, the cards, visits and the prayers. We love you and God bless you. We would like to thank Pastor Denice and Laurence Hill for the many visits and prayers.

WELCOME OUR VISITORS

Visitors to our church are now being given a sticker to wear on their label. This will help us identify our guests. Please look for these stickers so you may welcome our visitors. Part of our welcome to guests is shown by wearing our own name tags. We want everyone to feel at home with us!

A NOTE FROM OUR TRUSTEES

Anyone with knowledge pertaining to shrubs, trees, etc. planted as memorials, please notify Dee Carr. The Trustees wish to properly identify and make a permanent record of these memorials.

CONCERNS FOR TRUSTEES

Persons wishing to appear before the Trustees can do so by contacting the Chairperson or Secretary not later than the Sunday prior to the 4th Wednesday of each month which is our established meeting time. An effort will be made to hear all who wish to appear. However, the Chairperson or Secretary may limit the number so we can adhere to our meeting time frame. Bona fide emergency matters will receive priority.

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CHURCH COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of church committees are filed in a binder on the church office counter and are available to everyone to read. The approved Minutes of the Church Council will be published in the Good News.

Thank you all! Sharon

MUMC COUNCIL MEETING

May 12, 2004

Attendance: Sharon Hutchinson, Denice Leslie; George Elgin; Gloria McClanahan; Barbara Grams; Roger Grams; Dorrie Osback; Dorothy Carr; Barbara Nielsen; Jean Hill; Diane Zastovnik; Rick Hutchinson; Sharee Woxell; Newell Knudsen; Wanda Grimsley; Lorraine May;

Meeting called to order by Sharon Hutchinson at 7:09 p.m.

Minutes were approved.

Denice led us in prayer after joys and concerns were shared.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial/Treasurer's Report

Diane Zastovnik explained all bills are paid and it took all the money in the checking account. Over \$2,000 was pledged in the **second mile giving campaign**. Of the unspecified funds amounting to \$1,745.00 three options were offered. Council voted in favor of the first option, which was to pay toward the phone bill, postage and office expenses. The Hmong Associate Salary is covered for the year.

Trustee's Report

Dee Carr reported only three visitors will be allowed to be on the agenda at each meeting and they must request to be on the agenda by calling Betty Gist or Mac Magargee the Sunday before the Wednesday meeting.

Memorial Trees: The congregation will be requested to name any trees that were planted in memory of loved ones. If they need to be removed, a replacement tree will be planted in a respectful manner. **Sign:** Mac Magargee is still working on the new church sign. Next month

exact design details will be presented to the Council for review.

Congregational Care: No report.

Church Building Advisory Committee

The building advisory committee met on April 27 and Tuesday, June 29 is the next meeting. They will ask the Trustees at the next Trustees meeting for information about what parts of our church buildings are subject to overuse and under use.

Special Committee to Survey Church Members for Missions "Heartbursts"

On Friday, June 11 at noon, Sharon Hutchinson and Diane Zastovnik will work on the wording of the all-church missions survey. George Elgin passed out an outline of the process of surveying congregation for their opinions on various subjects, and discussed system theory and survey methods.

Christian Education

On Saturday, May 15, 2004, the wood shavings will be added to the children's climbing structure and it will soon be complete. George Elgin reports there will be 10 graduates from the Disciple IV class.

Evangelism: No report.

Horizon Group: meets Tuesday, May 18 to discuss the mission and visions statement.

Youth: No report.

Staff Parish Relations: Surveys for staff performance will be going out at the end of May.

Missions Committee: Father's Day promotion will feature fund raising for tools.

Mission Thrift Shop: No monthly report was available but sales for last Saturday were \$169.

Worship: Worship Committee met Saturday, May 8. The bulletin is being reworked and fine-tuning the modifications. The committee reviewed worship for the year and appreciates Kate's tremendous music contributions.

Boutique: Boutique group requests "PLEASE DO NOT STACK CHAIRS AND TABLES IN FRONT OF THE CUPBOARDS". They refer to the cabinets on the south end of the social hall, left side of the doors.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections: Denise reported that the Nominations Committee nominated Carol Mohan, Agenda Chairman for Worship Committee replacing Kim Leslie; and Ron Zastovnik for audio Visual Subcommittee to Worship. Also, Eleanor Knudsen and Kayte Van DeMark are nominated to the fund raising committee. A motion was made and carried to elect the above persons.

Sharee Woxell presented an idea for a fundraiser wherein \$1,000 is sent to a company to print \$10.00 advertising cards to be used as discount cards of which the church would keep \$6.00 of the \$10.00 collected for each card. After discussion a motion was made and carried requesting Sharee to investigate this opportunity further and to attain references from actual groups who have worked with this company.

Calendar of Events: May 20 is the Lifeline date for health screening here at MUMC.. At California-Nevada Annual Conference beginning June 16, 2004, volunteers will be needed to assist in the Oasis Center (information booth). May 15 from 9 to 12, Denise, the Grams and others will travel to Dinuba to meet with the Methodist Church there to share our preparation of disciple leadership experiences.

Red Cross has requested donations from our church on Memorial Day Weekend for victims of fires. By consensus, MUMC declines because of our efforts to support the UMCOR disaster relief projects.

Pastor's Comments: Denice reported a memorial gift from Georgia and Frances Sears estate of \$3,252. \$1,500 will go toward the sign and \$1,500 will go toward the playground wood shavings with \$252 remaining in the memorials account.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria McClanahan

Care Ministries

Giving Special Care to Others

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

As a fundraiser, IHN is registering Ralph's cardholders. The idea is that when the Ralph's cardholder makes a purchase, a percentage of the amount spent will be donated to IHN. If anyone has a Ralph's card, please contact me. Thank you. Also, if you shop at Foods Co., and would like a card, I can sign you up for one.

Mary Vollman, IHN Vice President

DICIPLES CORNER

Disciples Corner is your space. You are invited to share your spiritual struggles, experiences, stories, insights, victories here. Your words will bring inspiration and support to all of us as we seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus. Together we will all hear the Holy Spirit speaking through us and to us! And we will grow in faith and the strength of the Lord. Submit your reflections to our Good News editor at Mumc@clovismumc.org by the 15th of each month.

Worship Ministry

News from the teams that support the Sunday worship services.

*"Make a joyful noise to the LORD...
Serve the Lord with gladness!" (Psalm 100)*



Music Notes

SUMMER CHIMES SCHEDULE

July 11 – 4:30 pm, Sanctuary

July 25 – 4:30 pm, Sanctuary

Please notify me early by phone if you are not able to attend a rehearsal. Jan Erickson.



THRIFT SHOP

We are open every Saturday and only have two workdays a month! Due to vacations and illnesses we really need your helping hand on workdays!!! It provides an opportunity to connect with others in our church, is a way to help those in need, and can be a rewarding outlet to offer your services for a good cause! Our workdays are the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month. We are open from 8:30 - 10:30am. Please come and lend a helping hand.

Thank You, Janet Bonzo

BOUTIQUE NEWS

WHO? Anyone who likes to craft, sew, quilt, crochet, knit, ANY kind of crafting. *WHAT?* Do your own thing or participate in group projects.

HOW? We offer instruction, patterns, ideas, encouragement, materials, and Friendship.

WHEN? 9:00 am to 11:30* Come every Wednesday or as often as you can. *We turn into the "Out to Lunch Bunch" at 11:30.

WHERE? Church Social Hall

WHY? To make articles to sell at the annual November boutique, a major fund-raiser for MUMC. We would LOVE to have you.

Information: Barbara Nielson

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SCHOOL BAGS FOR UMCOR

Money needed to buy items for bags - pencils, etc. People needed to sew bags from kits provided in Narthex. Thank you.

Christian Education

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable."

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45 a.m.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.

Our Sunday School starts at 8:45 with music then we go to out classes and learn different things about the Bible.

Youth
Group
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SUMMER CAMP MOVIE MARATHON

July 24-25

Starting Saturday July 24 at 5:00 p.m. through Sunday morning July 25 at 9:00 a.m., the youth group will hold a Summer Camp Movie Marathon and Sleepover. We will barbecue wienies and s'mores, and watch as many summer movies as we can stand. All youth grades 7-12 are invited. Friends are welcome-- everyone must have a permission slip. Bring your sleeping bag, toothbrush, clothes for church the next day, and any munchies and snacks you'd like to share. For more information, please pick up a flyer from the table in the back of the church, or see Youth Worker Connie

JULY YOUTH CALENDAR

- Saturday 07/03/04 8 am - 11 am Youth Poverello House Work Day
- Sunday 07/04/04 NO MEETING - Happy 4th of July!
- Sunday 07/11/04 5:30 - 7:30 Meeting (Bungalow)
- Sunday 07/18/04 5:30 - 7:30 Meeting (Bungalow)
- Saturday 07/24/04 5:00 pm Movie Marathon Overnighter
- Sunday 07/25/04 NO MEETING
- Sunday 08/01/04 5:30 - 7:30 Meeting (Bungalow)