# August 2021



Revelation

Dear Friends,

It has been almost a month since I came to you. Parsonage is in great shape, and is very comfortable. The town is just about right size, and I like it very much. Melanie left detailed information for everything, including parsonage, church members, and ministries. I appreciate her advice. You have been very gracious and I feel right at home with you. Everything made my transition very smooth.

Inshin got to stay with me for about a week and got to know some of you. She also felt good about everything. She is finishing up teaching summer classes and will be with me afterward until her school starts. We are planning to offer parsonage open house, hoping all of you can drop by on August 1st.

One of the most important things in my ministry is children and youth. Over the years, I learned that when a country or an organization has good leaders, it thrives. When the leader, perhaps a better term for this is ruler, is selfish dictator who doesn't care about the people, they suffer. When the head of an organization is Ineffective, it will not thrive, and people lose their jobs.

We, as a church, are given the blessing and responsibility of nurturing future leaders. When we raise good Christian leaders, things will be better for many people. It will be a blessing if our kids can see that they can make differences. Our job is to inspire, nurture, and equip them to be true disciples of Christ who can transform the world. We have good kids and impressive youth. Let's do it!

Kibum Kim, Pastor

### **Enhanced Online Giving**

Additional options have been enabled for online giving through our web site. You can access Online Giving or scan the QR code with your phone.

Through online giving, you have the option to give with a credit card or to setup direct deposit from your checking account. These gifts can be setup for a one-time gift or as a recurring gift. There is even an option to increase your gift to cover the cost of credit card processing fees!



We encourage you to create an account using the e-mail address you receive e-mails on from the church so your giving is associated with your account in the ChurchTrac membership system and will appear on your annual giving statement. By creating an account, you will also have access to all of the giving options mentioned above. If you do not want to create an account, there is an option to give as a guest.

### **Missions and Outreach**

Thank you for your gifts of school supplies and funds for the Cloud County Resource Center in July! We collected \$7.58 was collected for the CCRC and more than 300 individual school supply items!

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, we will pass the Missions Buckets for Reelfoot Rural Ministries.

Below is a message from Gene and Lynette Saltzman who are currently serving at Reelfoot:

We are currently back serving again in Tennessee. This is the fifth time we have served here (for several months each time). We find the people we work with to be very dedicated to helping the poor people of this impoverished area. Reelfoot Rural Ministries has a number of missions they are involved in including: a food pantry, a dentist, an eye doctor, a thrift store, the Christmas Toy Store, home repair, and now a garden. The daycare closed due to COVID and has not yet re-opened. All of these services are supplied to customers with little charge based on need and income.

Our duties are mostly associated with the food pantry. We are in charge of the garden – the produce is given out through the food pantry. It is a very nice addition to have these products to add our customer's diets. Our food pantry is funded partially through the Mid-South Food Bank. The balance is from donations from churches in the Southeast area of the United States.

In our spare time, Gene makes pickups and deliveries with the company truck. Lyn goes to grocery stores to pick up donated food products and also to pick up donated clothes, furniture and anything else possible to sell at the thrift store. Lyn also works in the office, mows the complex lawn and generally helps where needed.

One may say that when the Bible tells us to care for the poor, widows and orphans that we took that seriously. We can assure you that through your giving to the August Missions Buckets you will also be caring for the poor, the widows and the fatherless.

### **Food Distribution**

It was a very busy day at Commodities on Wednesday, July 21st! A Big Shout Out to our 16 amazing volunteers from our Church, OCCK, DVACK, American Legion, Church of Latter Day Saints, Lions Club and from our Community. These individuals help to unload the F&A food truck for the 8 towns in our area and then help to pack boxes and load cars for our own community! A lot of hard, rewarding work! Ok, and "A Little Fun" and Donuts for all involved! We served 223 people total, 116 boxes, 63 Singles, 26 couples and 27 families, in an hour and half! Sorry no pictures were taken today as our Photographer Pam was on vacation! Missed you Pam!

### **Little Free Pantry**



If you would like to help feed those in our community who are food insecure, we ask you to place items directly into the pantry at your convenience. If you prefer, you can also make a monetary donation to help purchase food for the pantry. This helps us to provide a variety of food on a daily basis.

Thanks to those that have been placing food from our store in the pantry daily: Pam Campbell, Cindy Kocher, Jan Novlan, and Lisa Valcoure!

### **Cloud County Resource Center Needs**

The Food Bank is open and accepting donations of cash or food items for distribution on **Monday and Friday from 9 am – 12 pm and**Wednesday from 9 am – 2 pm.

The CCRC also needs volunteers on the following dates:

**Book Bag Pickup on August 5**<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> (volunteers needed for calling and staffing the pickup table)

Sesquicentennial on August 14<sup>th</sup> (help with checkers and square dancing)



If you would like to volunteer for any of the activities listed above, please contact Tonya Merrill at 785-243-1065 or <a href="mailto:ccrc@nckcn.com">ccrc@nckcn.com</a>.

### **Meals on Wheels**

The Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels. To volunteer, contact the Senior Center at 243-1872. Meals on Wheels provides a hot meal and human contact for the homebound.





September 25, 2021

Attention: Requesting volunteers to help plan and prepare and serve meals!

Watch for the upcoming meeting this month!



Saturday August 21, 2021

@2:00pm

In the Parlor

The Bride is registered at

Walmart & Amazon



Join us on Sunday August 1, 2021 3:00pm

Making Spring Rolls with Inshin!
In the Church Basement!
For more information call:
Mary Lisa Thoman
785-275-1165

4:00pm Open house at the Parsonage!



# A Look Ahead:

Church on the Plaza!
September 12th
Followed by Meal & Activities
for all ages!
Stay Tuned for time and more details
coming out soon!

## 2021/2022 Reading program

The UMW reading program is making some changes to reflect the changes in publishing and the influence of COVID-19.

- 1. There will be a reading program that brings together members and their families as they explore, share and discuss the written word.
- 2. All aspects of the program will contain: Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action and Spiritual Growth for people of all ages. This is not just by reading books but connecting virtually with ZOOM, downloading books, joining Pod casts, viewing listed movies and where concerns are raised taking your concerns to God with a prayer time.

There is a list of books that you can choose from to read in the plans. This year they are recognizing books from the lists dated 2015 till the new list for 2022.

**PLUS** on line "Faith Talks". These are podcasts that the UMW sponsors in the category of Spiritual Growth. If you participate or listen to two of these podcasts they will count as one book, three will count as a bonus book. They are found at: *unitedmethodistwomen.org/faithtalks*.

This year three movies have also been listed that will also count toward the Reading Program.

There are also Children and Youth books to be found in each of the categories.

And of course there are the Bonus books that count in two different categories as well as the study books that are used in the Mission U studies that the UMW conducts each year.

The books we have on the shelf are labeled as to their category and year are easily checked out by signing the card each contains and placing it in the wooden card file box. There will be sheets for you to take for listing as you progress so we can collect them at the end of the year for reporting to the Great Plains Conference. There is also a small notebook where you can list your activities if you don't get the "report" back.

Don't forget to check on "Response Magazine" that the UMW published bimonthly with articles abut the mission field activities. These can be checked out also. The church no longer publishes World Outlook so this is our main mission report for the United Methodist Church.

There are numerous ways to obtain the books since we obviously are unable to provide a copy of each book on the list. You can obtain them from the Frank Carlson library by interlibrary loan book or as an audio book. Most are also available for Kindle reader downloads. This is indicated in the list catalogue. On the books owned by the UMW there is no time limit for keeping a book or fines, we just ask you to not make them a part of you permanent collection at home. Books obtained from other sources of course follow their polices.



# Birthday!!!

- 6 ~ Alberta Neel
- 7 ~ Liz Steinle
- 9 ~ Amanda Morgan
- 9 ~ Debbie Krohn
- 9 ~ Kyle Palmquist
- 12 ~ Jason Johnson
- 12 ~ Haylee Terrill
- 15 ~ Garrett Lawrence
- 17 ~ Darin Pearson
- 21 ~ Willie Lawrence
- 22 ~ Jordan Terrill
- 22 ~ Phil Gilliland
- 25 ~ Marcia Pounds
- 29 ~ Jeremy Mildfeldt
- 31 ~ Kasey Pearson

# Sunday Morning Volunteers

September 12										
September 5										
August 29										
August 22										
August 15										
August 8	Angie Gabel- McConkey									
August 1								Donna Reedy		
	Worship Leader	Sound	Media	Greeters	Nursery	Children's Moment	Scripture Reader	Coffee Bar	Ushers	Acolytes

If you would like to Volunteer for one of the above, please let the church office know. Thank you in advance!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship 11:30am Missions	2	3 5:30pm Meeting for the 150th Anniversary Celebration	4 5:00pm Sittin' With Jesus	5	6	7
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9:00am Christian Ed meeting 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship	16 5:30pm ADCO	17	18 5:00pm Sittin' With Jesus	19 9:00am UMW	20	21 2:00pm Wedding Shower for Janessa Ade
9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship	23	24	25 5:00pm Sittin' With Jesus	26	27	28
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# **Concordia First United Methodist Church**

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**Sunday Services:** 

Crusaders: 9:30am Searchers: 9:30am Worship: 10:30

Wednesday:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm