



Salem United Methodist Church—Wolfsville

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Salem's New Pavilion Dedicated in memory of Linda M. Kline

By Bill Burrier

Photo by Brandon Leatherman

On Sunday, September 30, 2012, Salem dedicated its newly constructed pavilion to the glory of God and in loving memory of Linda M. Kline. The service began in Salem's sanctuary and concluded at the pavilion with fellowship and light refreshments.

Participating in the dedication were Pastors Bob Snyder and Randy Reid, Salem Lay Leader Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer, and members of the Kline family— Linda's granddaughters Ali and Payton Robinson; Linda's daughter Vicki Robinson, Linda's sisters Joann Leatherman and Marlene Young. Videos of the groundbreaking service and pavilion construction were shown.

We were so pleased to see in attendance so many family members and guests from the local Wolfsville/Myersville community where Linda was so well known.

Pastor Bob Snyder led the service and Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer read two scriptures—one from Jeremiah 31:31-34 and the other from 1 Corinthians 3:9-13, 16-17.

Linda's family loves music, as was evident at the dedication. Her sister Joann played the organ prelude and accompanied the congregation in singing three beautiful hymns, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," "For the Beauty of the Earth," and "The Church's One Foundation." Special music was presented by Ali and Payton Robinson and Marlene Young. Ali and Payton sang the song "You Are My Sunshine" which was a song dear to Linda's heart. Linda frequently sang it to Ali when Ali was an infant. And Marlene sang "Well Done" which was a testament to Linda's faithfulness and dedication to God and the church.

Pastor Randy Reid, at the beginning of his remarks, referring to the video, said "Wasn't that picture of the permit from Frederick County to build something on this



property, one of the prettiest things you've seen in a long time? I think the Lord deserves a hand clap of praise for that one... that was just a beautiful thing." Pastor Randy was referring to the long and tedious process to obtain site plan approval from the Frederick County Government.

Pastor Randy continued, "I don't know of anyone else more fitting than to have this particular project, this pavilion named after, than Linda. I thought of three words when thinking about Linda— she was faithful. She was faithful to this church and to this community. She would want the emphasis of this day to be on God and not on her. And she was caring... she just cared for people however she could, wherever she could. And she loved us... whether she was making pies with us, whether she was at the Ruritan park for Lord's Acre, whether she was helping with the Bee-lievers, or whether she was here on Sunday morning worshipping. She had a way that cared and loved us and she let that show and shine. And when I think of this pavilion and how it will be used in this community, I think Linda's spirit will be right there in the midst of everything that takes place. Loving us, caring for us, and being faithful... that's what Linda

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SALEM MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Current Membership: 232
Sunday School Enrollment: 92
2012 New Members: 12

SALEM PHYSICAL FACILITIES

Church built 1847
Educational Building built 1967
Parsonage built 1974-75

SALEM WEB SITE

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OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a means of communicating with our members, their families, and our many friends of the Wolfsville community and surrounding areas. We pray that this newsletter will inspire you, our readers, to regularly attend worship services, Sunday School, and all other activities of the church. For those who are unable to attend, this newsletter is a means of bringing part of the church to you.



2012 MISSION PROJECTS

		Monthly Minimum	Paid Jan-Sep	2012 Goal	% of Goal
1	Frank & Nancy Stottlemeyer Retired Senegal Missionaries	\$204	\$1,836.00	\$2,448	75%
2	Operation Christmas Child Postage for Shoe Boxes - Samaritan's Purse - November	—	0	\$355	0%
3	Salem Mission & Outreach Supports human needs as determined by Salem	—	\$424.91	\$1,180	36%
4	Salem Food Pantry Open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m.	—	\$849.13	\$1,180	72%
5	Mary E. - Africa Inland Mission Working in Tanzania, Africa	\$85	\$779.00	\$1,020	76%
6	United Methodist Board of Child Care Care of Homeless or Abused Children	—	950.00	\$1,360	70%
7	Gideons International Frederick County - West Camp - Distributing Bibles	\$110	\$990.00	\$1,320	75%
8	Potato Project Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, Virginia	\$60	\$540.00	\$720	75%
9	Middletown High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes	\$47	\$423.00	\$564	75%
10	Mission Trip Destination to be determined	—	0	\$2,295	0%
11	Ronnie & Angi Hopkins The Mission Society - Mission Work in Nicaragua	\$64	\$576.00	\$768	75%
12	Care Net Pregnancy Center 707 N. Market Street, Frederick, MD	\$64	\$587.00	\$768	76%
13	Compassion International Sponsored children in Ecuador & India	\$76	\$699.00	\$972	72%
14	Local Mission Projects Supporting local repair or renovation needs	—	0	\$1,250	0%

Total 2012 Mission Goal: **\$16,170**

Here's how you can give...

1 Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church, or place cash contributions in an envelope marked "Missions."

2 Tell us which mission project(s) you wish to support by making a note on your check or envelope.

3 Place your contributions in the offering plate at Sunday worship. If you do not designate a specific project, your contribution will be distributed to the project or projects needing funds to meet the monthly minimum payout goals listed above.

GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL

Frederick County • West Camp
Salem Mission Project No. 7

Gideons International is an evangelical Christian organization dedicated to distributing copies of the Bible, most famously in hotel and motel rooms. Nearly 79 million Gideon Scriptures were given out in 2011. The covers of the New Testaments are color coded based on which groups they're meant for:

- Orange: for sidewalk distribution to middle/high school students
- Green: for college/university students
- Red: for in-school distribution to Middle/High school students
- Digital Camouflage/Desert Camouflage: for the military
- Dark blue: for law enforcement personnel, firefighters, and EMTs
- White: for medical professionals



PAVILION DEDICATION

September 30, 2012

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was all about. She was a beautiful person inside and out, and I think she is so worthy to have this pavilion named after her as we remember and honor her today.”

Linda’s daughter Vicki, in her remarks, said, “As I reflect back, I realize that I may never know why things happened the way they did, but I do know, nearly 10 years later, that my mom’s legacy continues.

“I see so many examples of the impact she has made on my life and in the lives of others. She was a shining example of what it means to be a Godly wife and a Godly mother, and what it means to love others as she would want to be loved. I can think of no better way to honor her memory than to have a pavilion at the church she loved where families can be together and where the church and community can gather. When we chose the plaque that hangs above the mantle, I immediately thought of the symbol of the dove.

Vicki continued, “Twelve years ago today, Adam and I were married.”

The day before the wedding, Vicki recalls seeing, along with her mother, two doves on the skylight in her apartment. Never seeing birds there before, and now the doves, Linda remarked very matter-of-factly, “these were doves, sent by God— to symbolize your grandparents’ blessing. She knew they wished they could be at the wedding in person, and she said, ‘you know, God sends signs at times when we don’t expect them. But you know, doves mate for life and they are here to show you that they are looking down on you today.’”

Vicki said, “I never thought of the doves again until two years later when my mother died. And suddenly I saw doves. Single doves this time, never in pairs (because her mate for life is still here). In odd, odd places. In times when I needed her most, places you never expected to see a bird; in times when I was upset and thinking of her, on the top of stop lights in the middle of cities; outside our house just sitting alone in our flower bed; and most remarkably, on the sidewalk in the doorway to the Washington County Hospital when I walked in to give birth to Payton.

“In the Bible, the dove is referenced quite a few times. They are used to symbolize innocence, peace, purity, tenderness and devoted affection. They often represent God coming to us as the Holy Spirit. When David was in distress, he wished he had the wings of a dove and that he might



fly away and be at rest. I know that my mom is at peace and I pray that this pavilion may be a place of rest for all that use it. Thank you all for being here today to remember my mom.

Vicki continued, “On behalf of my dad and me and the whole family, I want to say ‘thank you’ to George [Harne] for all that you went through in the planning process. We know how many years and how many bumps there were in that road. And I want to say thank you to Brandon for your skill and leadership in building it. I know my mom is looking down on you and smiling ear to ear when she sees the man you have become. Finally, I want to thank God for the gift that was my mother, that so many children don’t get to have. Help us all to aspire to live a life that brings the kind of joy and glory to God that her’s did.”

Pastor Bob Snyder spoke on the topic *God is Doing a New Thing*, saying, “With our pavilion, God is doing a new thing with us. The pavilion gives us new energy. It opens new possibilities for inviting others to Christ, helping each other grow in faith, and serving others.

“Brandon and his crew did a great job building the pavilion; many have attested to that. I’m sure Linda would be proud of Brandon as I know Dick and the family are. Brandon organized the project well, and he and his team worked hard. The week after our March 25th groundbreaking, work began. By the Ice Cream Social and Balloon Launch on July 22nd, the pavilion was completed and we used it for the first time. Much of the work was already done before Jessie and Brandon’s baby girl, Cheyenne, was born. The pavilion is beautiful, and we’re very proud of it and the fine job Brandon and his crew

did in building it. Thanks to all!”

Pastor Bob continued, “But we’re also careful today to keep our pride in check. We’re diligent to remember the wisdom God spoke through the Apostle Paul when he said, “no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 3:11).

“Way before the foundation of our pavilion had ever been laid, Jesus Christ became the foundation of our life and our faith. All that we are and ever hope to be rests on that foundation. In the end, the pavilion is not about us, it’s about Christ who saved us and works in us and through us.

“If we keep Christ the foundation, our pavilion will come alive. If we leave Christ out, if we don’t make him the foundation and centerpiece, the pavilion will remain cement and wood and shingles and stones. Just like our church building, the pavilion isn’t a monument to what we’ve accomplished, rather it’s a tool that, by the grace of God, we built, and today, give over to God asking, ‘God, how can we help you use this pavilion? How can we help you change lives for the better through this pavilion?’

“What new thing is God now doing with us, in our time, now that the pavilion has been built. To God be the Glory!”

At the conclusion of the service, the congregation proceeded to the pavilion for the “Act of Dedication.” The pavilion was attractively designed by George C. Harne, Architect. Project Manager, Brandon Leatherman, began work on March 26, 2012, and nearly four months later the pavilion was completed.

During the construction, hundreds of photos were taken and used in a video that was shown at the dedication service.

Total construction cost of the pavilion was \$52,305.75. Funds given in memory of Linda were used toward the construction.

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Attendance & Offerings

SEPTEMBER 2012

		Worship*		Sunday School	
Sept 2	-	85	\$2,023.92	53	\$246.00
Sept 9	-	90	2,158.35	66	238.35
Sept 16	-	95	1,368.25	64	147.25
Sept 23	-	86	1,277.88	60	103.55
Sept 30	-	93	1,507.00	60	114.50

	Average Attendance	
	Worship	Sunday School
Sept	90	61
Aug	84	53
Jul	80	58
Jun	100	55
May	92	48
Apr	98	56

*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- Missions: \$1,041.17
- Pavilion Fund: \$295.00
- Building & Imp. Fund: \$305.00
- Cemetery Endowment: \$25.00

(Missions, Building Fund offerings, etc. are not included in Worship & Sunday School offerings above.)

Average Attendance Jan-Sep 2012
 Sunday Worship: 92
 Sunday School: 56

Wolfsville/Myersville

2012 CROP WALK

Photos by Jim Laky



September 23, 2012

Final Report

2012 Lord's Acre Festival held September 8, 2012 ----- Financial Report -----

Sales:

Produce	480.10
Needlework & Crafts	1,994.26
Flea Table & Plants	330.80
Youth Sales/Activities/Games ..	99.75
Silent Auction	1,340.00
Auction	3,409.95
Soup, Sandwiches, etc.....	3,535.40
Baked Goods	1,136.50
Ice Cream	255.00
Total Sales	12,581.76

Contributions:

UMW "Bee-lievers"	6,000.00
Individuals	1,718.50
Total Contributions	7,718.50

Total Income 20,300.26

Total Expenses 2,549.45

Net Profit 17,750.81

Net Profit placed in Salem's Building and Improvement Fund, to be used for maintenance of our buildings and grounds; and equipment purchase, repair, and maintenance.

Our sincere thanks to the Wolfsville community for once again supporting this annual event.

AN OFFERING PLATE will be placed at the back of the sanctuary for donations toward the purchase of food and fruit for our Christmas food boxes and fruit baskets. Contact is Barbie Stottlemeyer.



November

Calendar of Events

- Thu 1 Faith Builders Youth Group** - 6:30-8:00 p.m. (Will meet every Thursday evening)
UMW Bee-lievers - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
Board of Trustees - 7:30 p.m. at Salem
- Sat 3 "Salem Slam" Ping-Pong Tournament** - 6:00 p.m. at Salem
- Wed 7 Ladies Christian Book Club** - 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Joy Young's home
- Thu 8 Administrative Council** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 11 Wildfire Youth Group**
- Thu 15 Staff Parish Relations Committee** - 7 p.m. at Salem
- Wed 21 Community Thanksgiving Service** - 7:30 p.m. at Grossnickle Church

NOTES: Adult Choir meets every Tuesday evening (unless otherwise announced)
 Food Pantry is open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Salem
 Walking Group meets every Tuesday & Thursday evening at Doub's Park.
 Praise Band practices every Wednesday evening at Salem
 Ladies Exercise Group meets every Wednesday evening at Salem



Newsletter Distribution

- E-Mail** — We are currently sending this newsletter to 178 of our readers via e-mail. Our desire is to obtain as many e-mail addresses as possible.
- Pick Up Paper Copy at Church** — We are printing 85 copies for members who do not have e-mail and can pick up their copies at church.
- First Class Mail** — We are mailing about 30 copies, using the 45 cents First Class postage rate.

COMMUNITY NEWS & NOTES

Community Thanksgiving Service

The Wolfsville area Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Wednesday evening, November 21, 7:30 p.m. at the Grossnickle Church of the Brethren, 11301 Meeting House Road.

Special music will be provided by a community choir. Contact Donna Ritchey Martin (301-293-9516) or Lois Kuhn (301-293-1846) for music.

The offering will be given to the Weekend Food Backpack Program for Middletown feeder schools.

We will provide more information in weekly worship bulletins.

Concert to Benefit Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs

Rev. Brian Scott, Executive Director, Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs, Frederick, has advised us of a Holiday Concert on Sunday, November 25th, at 2 p.m. at the Weinberg Center in Frederick, featuring "Sweet Honey and the Rock". For tickets call The Weinberg Center for the Arts at 301-600-2828. Tickets \$35, groups of 20 or more \$25 per ticket. Sweet Honey In The Rock music includes Blues, spirituals, traditional gospel hymns, rap, reggae, African chants, Hip Hop, ancient lullabies, and jazz improvisation.



The 2012 "SALEM SLAM" Ping-Pong Tournament

Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012
6:00 p.m.

3 DIVISIONS

Young Child Beginners
Youth
Adults

at the
Salem Social Room

• Bring the whole family •

Contacts:

Joe Hawkins
Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer



Last year's Ping-Pong Tournament winners: In the Young Beginners Division, Joey Hawkins won and Madison Elsbach finished 2nd. In the Youth Division, Christopher Leatherman won and Jeremy Skidmore finished 2nd. In the Adult Division, Adam Robinson won and Pastor Bob Snyder finished 2nd.

Who's Doing What, When?

NOVEMBER

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Lay Reader

4 - Randy Freysz
11 - Phil Koons
18 - Steve Leatherman
25 - Fonda Gormer

Ushers

4 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman
11 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt
18 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman
25 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman

Organist

4 - Susan Koons
11 - Susan Koons
18 - Joann Leatherman
25 - Susan Koons

Greeters

4 - Dennis & Ruth Draper
11 - George, Barbie, & Matt Stottlemeyer
18 - Meredith & Joan Harshman
25 - Phyllis Beall

Acolytes

4 - Ali Robinson
11 - Jadie Buhrman
18 - Kenslie Buhrman
25 - Joshua Koons

11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

An informal **FAMILY FRIENDLY** service with contemporary Christian music, pastor's sermon, children's time, sharing of joys and concerns, prayer, and multimedia to enhance the worship experience.

It's Your Day!

November Anniversaries

2 - Philip and Susan Koons
24 - Ronnie and Sue Kinna

November Birthdays

3 - Caroline Buhrman
4 - Darcy Gormer
7 - Lorraine Barkdoll
9 - Bill Shankle
13 - Betty Brandenburg
13 - Fonda Gormer
13 - Rev. Hayden Sparks
13 - Leah Tolland
14 - Karen Sowers
16 - Polly Doyle
16 - Joan Harshman
17 - Darlene Burrier
17 - Beth Snead
18 - Ben Swope
18 - Lin Reed
23 - Mary Alice Shankle
25 - Jadie Buhrman
26 - Olive Kline
26 - Mary Fogle

NOTE: To have your anniversary or birthday added, contact Bill Burrier.



CHILDREN are welcome to stay with their parents during the worship services. Children activity bags are available in the hallway just outside the sanctuary. The small tote bags contain Bible story books, small games, activity books, crayons, activity cards, etc. Please return it to its place at the end of the service.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

Maryland has a hotline to obtain emergency health and human services? Dial 211 and be connected to local resources. www.211md.org



Holy Communion

November 4, 2012

9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Worship



NEW CEMETERY Now Open



To purchase a burial lot, contact
George Stottlemeyer at 301-293-2372

BULLETIN BOARD
with a message

ASPIRE TO INSPIRE
BEFORE YOU EXPIRE



Read the **OUR DAILY BREAD**
Daily Devotional
at www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



**INSPIRATIONAL
Reading**

November Stillness

By Carice Williams



November is a quiet month
That holds its breath, it seems,
While Mother Earth prepares the land
For winter's lengthy dreams.

No longer do the doors of home
Admit the charms of spring . . .
No longer do we hear the songs
Of birds who gaily sing.

The silence of the wintertime
Descends on one and all
The silent stars in quiet sky . . .
The muted snows that fall.

And in the stillness of it all
As stars look down and nod
I hear the Psalmist say "Be still
And know that I am God."

Thanksgiving

By John Kendrick Bangs

For summer rain, and winter's sun,
For autumn breezes crisp and sweet;
For labors doing, to be done,
And labors all complete;
For April, May and lovely June,
For bud, and bird and berried vine;
For joys of morning, night and noon,
My thanks, dear Lord, are Thine!



For loving friends on every side;
For children full of joyous glee;
For all the blessed Heavens wide,
And for the sounding sea;
For mountains, valleys, forests deep;
For maple, oak and lofty pine;
For rivers on their seaward sweep,
My thanks, dear Lord, are Thine!

For light and air, for sun and shade,
For merry laughter and for cheer;
For music and the glad parade
Of blessings through the year;
For all the fruitful earth's increase,
For home, and life and love divine,
For hope, and faith and perfect peace,
My thanks, dear Lord, are Thine!

In everything give thanks;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:18



RECIPE



Hummingbird Bundt Cake

- | | |
|---------------------------|---|
| 1-1/2 cups chopped pecans | 3 large eggs, lightly beaten |
| 3 cups all-purpose flour | 1-3/4 cups mashed ripe bananas
(about 4 large) |
| 2 cups sugar | |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | 1 (8 oz. can) crushed pineapple (do not drain) |
| 1 tsp. ground cinnamon | 3/4 cup canola oil |
| 1/2 tsp. salt | 1-1/2 tsp. vanilla extract |

- Glaze**
- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| 4 oz. cream cheese, cubed and softened | 1 tsp. vanilla extract |
| 2 cups sifted powdered sugar | 1 to 2 tbsp. milk |

Prepare Cake Batter:
Preheat oven to 350. Bake pecans in a single layer in a shallow pan 8 to 10 minutes or until toasted and fragrant, stirring halfway through.
Sift together flour, sugar, baking soda, ground cinnamon and salt, then stir in eggs, and canola oil stirring until dry ingredients are moist, then add crushed pineapple, vanilla extract, bananas and 1 cup pecans. Place batter into a greased and floured 14-cup bundt pan.
Bake at 350 for 1 hour to 1 hour and 10 minutes or until a long wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool cake in pan on a wire rack 15 minutes; remove from pan to wire rack and cool completely (about 2 hours).

Prepare Glaze:
Process cream cheese, powdered sugar, vanilla, and 1 tbsp. milk in a food processor until well blended. Add remaining 1 tbsp. milk, 1 tsp. at a time, processing until smooth. Immediately pour glaze over cooled cake, and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup toasted pecans.

Submitted by Barbie Stottlemyer



Henry William Wright

We give thanks and praise for the birth of Trista and Josh Wright's first child, a son, Henry William Wright, born 6:02 a.m. on October 3, 2012. Henry weighed 6 pounds and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Congratulations to parents Trista and Josh, 9931 Majorica Drive, North Chesterfield, VA 23237.

Proud grandparents are Robin and Theresa Haupt, Wolfsville; and great grandparents are Bill and Mary Alice Shankle, Myersville.



GET RID OF ANTS

Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it "home", can't digest it and it kills them. It may take a week or so, especially if it rains. But it works and you don't have to worry about pets or small children being harmed

Submitted by Dennis Draper

A Thanksgiving Prayer

By Brian F. King

O Lord, with humble hearts we pray
Thy blessing this Thanksgiving Day
And ask that at each table place,
Where grateful folk say words of grace,
That Thou will come to share the yield
Thy bounty gave to farm and field.
We pray Thy love will bless, O Lord,
Each hearth, each home,
each festive board;
And that Thy peace will come to stay
When candles glow, Thanksgiving Day.

*From the
Pastor*



Pastor's Notes — ...Worship in November

By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

I enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday. I'm looking forward to the Community Thanksgiving Service held at Grossnickle Church of the Brethren on November 21st, and really encourage all of you to attend.

November is the last month before the beginning of a new calendar year in the church; it's a good time to give thanks for the way God has blessed us.

This year I feel particularly thankful for all that is happening at Salem. The "Works in Progress" Community Praise Band now plays on a regular schedule and is inspiring us at worship; the "Faith Builders" middle and high school youth are developing closer relationships as they meet weekly; Christian fellowship and growth in faith are increasing with Church-wide events and newly formed small groups; the pavilion construction was completed this year with the assistance of volunteers from Salem and the community; the Lord's Acre Festival was very successful on a very rainy day; you are serving the community and beyond through the Food Bank; the Hero's Club after-school program and a variety of mission projects; and increasingly, you are sharing with others the difference Christ and church have made in your life.

You are inviting others to Christ, helping each other grow in faith, and serving people in need.

I give thanks to God for all that you are and for all that you are doing as a church family to make a difference — lives are being changed in positive ways.

Let us continue to listen for God's will and respond to God's call as we approach the beginning of Advent and a new year in the life of our church. In Christ's service, —Pastor Bob

**November 4 – Holy Communion
All Saints Sunday
"How Lives Have Been Changed"**
Acts 9, Ruth 1-4

The Apostle Paul is identified with the spread of early Christianity perhaps more than any other person. But the opposite is also true. Before Paul was a great



disciple for Christ, he was a great disciple against Jesus and all who followed him. What brought about the change?

In another Bible story, Ruth needed help to survive. Boaz noticed Ruth's faithfulness to her mother-in-law and allowed Ruth to glean his fields for food. Through the kindness of Boaz, God provided for Ruth and Naomi.

Our Lord has been entering our lives directly and through other people, shaping us into the people God created us to be.

**November 11 – Veterans Day
"How Lives Can Be Changed"**
Luke 15:11-32, John 4

The son was selfish and demanded his inheritance. He took the money, left home, and wasted away all his resources in sin. But somewhere along the line, he allowed God into his heart. He returned home and asked for forgiveness. His father celebrated his return, forgave him, and restored him.

In another Bible story, Jesus sought out a woman at Jacob's well. She tried to hide her life from Jesus. He already knew all the sins that burdened her. But at some point during Jesus' visit, the woman allowed him into her heart and that

healed her. She went and shared with everyone how her life had been changed by Jesus.

When we witness how Jesus has changed our life, we help our Lord change other lives.

**November 18 – Thanksgiving Sunday
"Thankful Hearts"**

Mark 5:1-20, Luke 1:26-38

Legion was his name, because he possessed so many things that tortured his life. Jesus saw this and healed the man. Legion shared with others how much Jesus had done for him; it was his way of thanking Jesus. The bible tells us, "And all the people were amazed" (Mark 5:20b).

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was scared to death at what God had asked her to do. "Go tell Joseph you're pregnant by the Holy Spirit, carry the baby, and then give birth to the long-awaited savior of your people."

Mary gave God her answer, "I am the Lord's servant. May it be to me as you have said."

This teen-aged girl risked all with a thankful heart. Let us make this Thanksgiving the day we recommit to praise, honor, and thank God each and every day.

**November 21 –
Community Thanksgiving Service
7:30 p.m., Grossnickle Church
of the Brethren**

**November 25 – Christ the King Sunday
"Let the Spirit Speak"**
2 Samuel 23:1-7

David was no saint. He wanted Bathsheba, another man's wife. He wanted her for his own, so David had her husband, Uriah, killed. Coveting, adultery, murder: clearly grave sins on David's part.

But despite these sins, God did not abandon David. God kept working with David and eventually David allowed the Spirit of the Lord into his life and he allowed the Spirit to speak through him back out into the world.

David was a great King; he had all at his disposal. But he came to understand that unless we surrender ourselves to God and make him Lord of our lives, we remain trapped within our own human limitations.

On this "Christ the King Sunday," we surrender, we make Christ Lord of our lives, and we say "yes" to God's Spirit speaking through us into the world.

BE THANKFUL!

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PAVILION DEDICATION photos

September 30, 2012



Joann Leatherman, Organist



Vicki Robinson, Speaker



Marlene Young, Soloist



Ali & Payton Robinson
Special Music



Pastor Randy Reid, Guest Speaker
Salem Pastor 1996-2008



Light refreshments were served. From left are Darlene Burrier,
Sarah Burrier, Dawn Nelson, and Michael Burrier



Polly Doyle and
Pastor Bob Snyder

Salem Mission Project No. 1

A LETTER from FRANK & NANCY STOTTLEMYER
Retired "New Tribes Mission" Missionaries

Dear Folks at
Salem United Methodist Church:

OCTOBER 2, 2012 — Although it sounds so inadequate, we want to again say thank you for your financial support and prayer support for us.

We trust that you are all doing well. Nancy and I have both been in good health overall.

We don't like to keep saying "We're still doing pretty much the same things we've been doing" but that's what we are doing! Nancy continues to volunteer at the Hagerstown Rescue Mission three days a week, she also visits shut-ins, helps at church, does some sewing for friends, and other things. Frank continues to do some repair projects for friends, serves on the board of our home church and now teaches the adult Sunday School class. He serves on a mission committee for a group of Bible churches, and he is getting back to helping with maintenance at a Christian Camp for children. In November we both plan to help again

with packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child into cartons & loading them on a tractor trailer.

As far as our family, our son-in-law, Lynn Harney, continues to minister at the Hagerstown Rescue Mission and help at a local church. Wanda does home-schooling of their youngest son. Their daughter, Keshia, is a senior this year. This summer she went on a mission trip to South Carolina and another mission trip to South Korea.

Eric, Wendy, & two of their children are in Senegal doing final checking of Bible lessons to begin evangelistic teaching to the Badyaranké people. Please be praying much for this outreach. We are praying there will be a great turning to the Lord there. Two young men trusted Christ while helping with lesson preparation and Bible translation even before the village-wide teaching began! Eric & Wendy's son, Shawn, transferred to Penn State Mount Alto Campus for his second year of college. He is living with us for the academic year. Their daughter, Jessica, is



in Davis College for further education.

Rebecca is also with the Badyaranké people. She is helping with the preparation of the teaching lessons and preparing more materials for literacy students. She wrote the other day that one man reads the Bible portions so much that his booklets were falling apart and he came to have them repaired! Praise the Lord! The main goal of the literacy program is that people can read the word of God in their own language.

Gary, Lisa & family are serving in Florida at the New Tribes Mission center for retired missionaries. Gary is mostly involved in grounds work and Lisa is involved in meal preparation and office work. Their children are adjusting well to a change in schools this year.

Thank you again for the vital part you have in our lives, the lives of our family, and those to whom we minister.

Joyfully in Christ,
Frank & Nancy Stottlemyer



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Turning shoe boxes into Christmas gifts for children. Boxes are due at Salem by Sunday, November 18, 2012

■ By Barbie Stottlemeyer

We will once again be participating in **Operation Christmas Child** in which we fill shoe boxes to be distributed to needy children around the world. This is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a Franklin Graham ministry in Boone, North Carolina.

We are asking anyone wishing to participate in this program to fill their shoe boxes at home and bring them to the church on or before Sunday, November 18.

Your shoe boxes should be packed for children ranging in ages from 2-4 years old, 5-9 years old or 10-14 years old.

Numerous shoe boxes have already been wrapped and are available outside the sanctuary, or you can wrap your own

shoe box. Labels are available at church to place in the box, identifying if the items inside are for a boy or girl and the appropriate age group.

There is a \$7.00 postage charge for each box. Place the postage amount in the donation envelope and place the envelope on top of the gift items inside the box so it is clearly visible. Checks should be made payable to Samaritan's Purse, with a note on the memo line that the gift is for Operation Christmas Child. If you are unable to pay the postage, Salem will pick up this cost from our Mission Project No. 2.

Once we have filled our boxes, we will take them to a local distribution center where they will then be sent to another distribution center in North Carolina, and then will be sent out to the children.

Salvation Army Christmas Stockings due December 2nd

The Salvation Army Christmas Stockings are available at church again this year.

As in the past, the stockings will be available for boys or girls of various age groups. Each stocking contains a list of suggested items to purchase.

Please return your filled stockings by December 2.

The stockings will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution to less fortunate children within Frederick County.



Reeders Nursing Home Christmas Gifts due December 2nd

We will again collect gifts to be taken to the residents of Reeders Nursing Home at 141 South Main Street, Boonsboro.

A collection box has been placed in the hallway outside the sanctuary for your donations. Note the list of suggested items provided to us by Reeders.

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

Kleenex, Puffs, and Scotts brand facial tissues (Regular and family size, lotioned tissues welcomed)

Gillette Good News Disposable Razors deodorant (men's and women's) costume jewelry

Make up (lipstick, pressed powder, etc.)

lotion, shaving cream, hair brushes

night eye masks, sunglasses

toothbrushes & toothpaste

instant-dry nail polish, denture tablets

polish remover (non-acetone)

scented body spray, perfume/cologne

candy, sugar free candy

birthday cards, hand sanitizer wipes

Age appropriate music CDs

DVDs (Gaithers, Lawrence Welk, Frank Sinatra, and Perry Como)

DO NOT WRAP THE GIFTS
FOR REEDERS HOME



How to Pack a SHOE BOX — GIFT IDEAS



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.

Toys

Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.

Hygiene Items

Toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

Other

Hard candy and lollipops (double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

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 as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

NOTE these UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Ministries

The following church-wide events are planned for the near future. All are invited.

November 3 - "Salem Slam" Ping Pong Tournament, 6 p.m.

December 8 - Christmas Party, 5 p.m.

Family Ministry Co-Leaders are Joe Hawkins and Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

WildFire Youth Group

(Grades 3 through 5)

November 11th - meeting

January 13th - meeting

February 10th - meeting

April 14th - meeting

May 12th - meeting

June 2nd - End of Year Celebration

Leader: Jessie Leatherman

Faith Builders Youth Group

(Middle School and High School)

Weekly Get-Togethers: Every Thursday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Salem

Nov 3 - "Salem Slam" Ping Pong Tournament, 6 p.m.

Dec 8 - Christmas Party, 5 p.m.

Jan 21-23 - ROCK Youth Retreat

Feb 17 - Roller Skating Party

More to come ...

Leaders: Pastor Bob Snyder -

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Donna Snyder & Wanda Barkdoll

HIKE to BLACK ROCK



October 14, 2012

Photos by Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

Salem Hikes to Black Rock

■ By Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

On Sunday, October 14, 27 members and friends and 1 dog hiked the Black Rock Trail to the overlook.

It turned out to be a beautiful day as the sun broke through the clouds. The temperature was just right for a hike. We were just a little early this year and although the leaves were not at the peak of their color, it was still a wonderful view from the top. You could see for miles and miles.

Everybody enjoyed the hike and the fellowship. Several people indicated this was their "maiden hike" to the top and to the overlook, and they could not get over the awe of the view from the overlook. It is breathtaking!

Upon return to the foot of the mountain, everybody enjoyed more fellowship and some refreshments.

Denny Leatherman even found a "slithery" friend in the grass and kindly shared him with the group, although some of us did not welcome this new found friend.

We plan to make the hike again, so you have plenty of time to gear up for the hike next October.



Heavenly Humor

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(See Matthew 18:21-35) 10-12-2012
THIS IS THE SEVENTIETH TIMES SEVENTH TIME I'VE FORGIVEN YOUR BASEBALL THROUGH MY WINDOW ... THIS IS THE LAST TIME!

**“What is it like...
to be a Christian?”**



A woman was asked by a coworker, “What is it like to be a Christian?”

The coworker replied, “It is like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. Then He cuts the top off and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, and greed. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.”



—Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

In all you plan, ask God to go before you. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you hear God’s voice of wisdom.

Contentment is not always present in today’s society, even for many Christians. But seeking godliness as #1 can help us feel God’s joy even in difficult times.

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