



Salem United Methodist Church — Wolfsville



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Wolfsville Community Ice Cream Social

Sunday, July 17, 5:30 PM
 at the Salem United Methodist Church Pavilion
Food - Music - Ice Cream - Family Fun



- 5:30 PM - PICNIC FOOD**
- Chicken & hot dogs will be provided.
 - Bring a side dish, dessert, or drink to share.
- 7:00 PM - ICE CREAM FROM SOUTH MOUNTAIN CREAMERY**
- Music: Works in Progress Community Praise Band
 - Horseshoe and/or Corn Hole Tournament
 - Children's games

BIBLE SCHOOL is at SALEM this year.




Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School

Monday-Friday
July 18 - 22
6:30-8:30 p.m.

More details on page 3.



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Salem Membership Statistics:
Current Membership: 242
2016 New Members: 5

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Parsonage built 1974–75

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Purpose of Newsletter:
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.

Salem Mission Statement:
At Salem, with God’s help, we pledge to INVITE others to Christ, HELP each other grow in faith, and SERVE those in need in our congregation, the community, and the world.

Salem Vision Statement:
We will direct our efforts out into the community to serve people’s needs and bring them to Christ.

Go 2016 MISSION PROJECTS

		MONTHLY MINIMUM	PAID Jan-May
1	Frank & Nancy Stottlemeyer (Retired New Tribes Mission)	\$205	\$1,025.00
2	Operation Christmas Child (Postage paid in November)	-----	\$0.00
3	Salem Mission & Outreach (Local needs)	-----	\$502.45
4	Salem Food Pantry (Open Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.)	-----	\$1,267.27
5	Mary E. (Africa Inland Mission)	\$85	\$575.00
6	United Methodist Board of Child Care (Auxiliary & Direct Support)	-----	\$240.00
7	Gideons (Frederick West Camp - Distributing Bibles)	\$50	\$250.00
8	Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, VA)	\$50	\$250.00
9	Middletown High School (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)	\$50	\$250.00
10	Ronnie & Angi Hopkins (Nicaragua)	\$65	\$325.00
11	Care Net Pregnancy Center (Frederick, MD)	\$65	\$325.00
12	Compassion International (Sponsored child in India)	\$38	\$190.00
13	Hero’s Club After School Ministry (Pre-K through Grade 5)	-----	\$1,716.69
14	World Vision (Sponsored child in Colombia)	\$35	\$175.00

2016 Goal: **\$16,286** • Total Mission Offering for 2016: **\$5,848.64** • % of Goal: **36%**

Here’s how you can give . . .

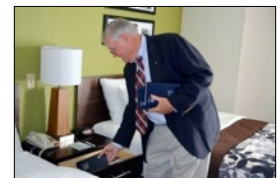
1. Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church, or place cash in an envelope marked “Missions.”
2. Tell us which mission project(s) you wish to support by making a note on your check or envelope.

3. Place your contributions in the offering plate at Sunday worship or mail to Salem.

If you do not designate a project, your contribution will be distributed to the project or projects needing funds to meet the monthly minimum payout goals.

SALEM MISSION PROJECT No. 7

Gideons Frederick West Camp



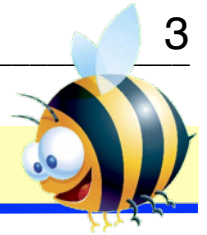
In May, Gideons and Auxiliary were sharing God’s Word in the city of Atlanta, Georgia. Scriptures were shared in a number of locations including hotels, motels, medical offices, hospitals, nursing homes, and police precincts. In addition to sharing printed New Testaments and Bibles, Gideons were also sharing the Gideon Bible App.

Fredricka was the attendant at the front desk of one hotel in Atlanta. As Gideons arrived there to replace worn and missing Scriptures in the rooms, they offered her a New Testament. Then they showed her the Gideon Bible App. Her face lit up with a smile as the app began to stream the audio narration. “I’ve been looking for a Bible app,” she told them as she downloaded the app to her own phone. “This is awesome.”

Since its launch in late 2015, the free Gideon Bible app has been downloaded by over 35,000 people throughout the world.

By the end of the blitz, Gideons and Auxiliary distributed over 21,000 copies of God’s Word to the people of Atlanta.

[Salem contributes a minimum of \$50 monthly to the Gideons Frederick West Camp.]



At Salem United Methodist Church . . .

Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School

CATCH the BUZZ at VBS

Monday-Friday, July 18-22, 2016 — 6:30-8:30 p.m.

■ By Fonda Gormer

This summer Salem United Methodist Church will be buzzing with excitement as participants in the Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School head out on a “Bug Safari.”

On this adventure, kids won’t find boring reminders of tedious schoolwork. Our “Bug Safari” program will provide fun, memorable Bible-learning activities for kids of all ages.

Each evening kids will sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, nibble tasty treats from Picnic Place, experience electrifying Bible adventures, and create Bible point crafts they’ll take home and play with all summer long.

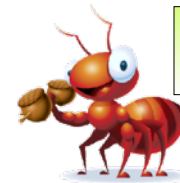
“Bug Safari” is an exciting way for kids to catch the buzz about God’s love. We’ll



be studying David in the Bible and learning some of the psalms he wrote.

The safari will take place July 18 through 22, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. each evening at Salem. There will be classes for children age 4 through 12.

This year, a learning station approach



For children
ages 4 through 12

will be used for the preschool through grade 6 students. Safari Crew Leaders will be needed for each crew of four to eight students, to lead them to the stations. Stations include Doodlebug Crafts, Sing and Play Buzz, Bible Exploration/Chadder’s Bible Bug Theater, and Bible Blast Games/Picnic Place.

The VBS is sponsored each year by the Wolfsville Ruritan Club, Salem United Methodist Church and St. Mark’s Lutheran Church. If you would like to help with VBS or need more information, call Fonda Gormer at 301-293-2436.

Mark the date on your calendar! And bring a friend or neighbor, too!

SALEM RECEIVED NEW MEMBERS JUNE 5, 2016



Photos by Bill Burrier

Pastor Bob’s confirmation class this year included five of Salem’s youth. The class met weekly and concluded in worship on June 5, 2016, with membership confirmations at both the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services. From left, Kenslie Buhrman and Jadie Buhrman, daughters of Jason and Terri Buhrman and granddaughters of Bill and Caroline Buhrman; Noah Taveras, son of Katy Hornbecker and grandson of Susie and Donald Stottlemeyer; Jake Ward, son of John and Stephanie Ward; and Diana Laky, daughter of Jim and Kathy Laky. Many family members attended the services in support of these fine young people; and following the services, Salem hosted a new members dinner to celebrate their decision to follow Christ and become members of His church. Congratulations to Kenslie, Jadie, Noah, Jake, and Diana.

Attendance Offerings

May 2016

	Worship*		Sunday School	
May 1 -	80	\$2,306.89	52	\$414.00
May 8 -	81	2,031.40	60	126.00
May 15 -	83	1,902.35	54	130.00
May 22 -	103	2,188.00	55	94.00
May 29 -	73	2,231.00	55	95.00

*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- Missions: \$1,495.45
 - Cemetery Endowment: \$90.00
 - Building Fund: \$265.00
- (Missions, Building Fund offerings, etc. are not included in Worship & Sunday School offerings above.)*

	Average Attendance	
	Worship	Sunday School
May	84	55
Apr	89	52
Mar	97	58
Feb	97	56
Jan	86	56

Average Attendance Jan-May 2016
 Sunday Worship: 90
 Sunday School: 55



Board of Trustees

FACILITY MANAGEMENT

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|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Donald Stottlemyer | Brandon Leatherman | Robin Haupt |
| Gary Barkdoll | Klaus Mueller | Joe Hawkins |
| Richard Harshman | Michael Cackowski | Curtis Nelson |

■ By Gary Barkdoll, Trustee Chair

The Board of Trustees has continued to stay busy through late spring and early summer. Various projects continue to be identified and addressed around our facilities. Thanks to all who identify and bring each and every issue and or request to our attention. We are striving to address and evaluate each concern, and take care of every issue possible in a timely fashion.

This is our church and we are all part of helping to take care of what has been entrusted and handed down to us so that we can pass it down to the next generation. So many people or groups do so many things around the church and things just seem to get done without any fanfare. The Trustees appreciate all efforts and would like to thank everyone who shows up and helps out with the various projects wherever their time and talents allow.

Recent highlighted accomplishments include:

- Air conditioners were installed in the Sunday School area.
- The sunken paved walkway to the stairs at the rear of the Sunday School building has been evaluated and repaired.
- Cemetery spring cleanup was completed on April 7th.
- Laying out and marking of burial plots in the new section of the cemetery. Phases I & II were completed April 7th, of three phases.
- New locking door knob was installed on the food pantry.

Future Projects being looked at:

- Cleaning out under the stairway to the lower Sunday School area will be coordinated in the near future.
- Feasibility of adding Wi-Fi to the sanctuary, Sunday School and social hall areas is moving forward. Recommendation was made to the Council and the project will move forward.
- Damaged sidewalks in front of the church have been evaluated and a request has been submitted to the State Highway Office for financial assistance in completing this project.
- Mortar and brick repairs to various areas on the parsonage are being looked at.
- General evaluation and systems check on the elevator will be requested to our elevator service provider.
- Miscellaneous ceiling and molding cleaning in sanctuary and vestibule area.
- Loose bricks around parsonage.

Thanks to everyone and may God bless.

Worship Through Giving — Tithes & Offerings

■ By Bill Burrier, Church Treasurer

The scriptures tell us we will be blessed by our giving ministry and God will be pleased (Deuteronomy 15:10).

Giving tithes and offerings is a part of our spiritual worship. We don't give in order to get. We give to make an impact; we give to make a difference in people's lives; we give to further the ministry of Christ (2 Corinthians 9:7).

..... WAYS TO GIVE

◆ **Worship Services Plate Offering**

Give by cash or check during any of our worship services. If you give cash and would like it to be reflected on your year-end giving statement, please use an offering envelope.

◆ **By Mail**

You may mail your tithes and offerings to Church Treasurer, Salem United Methodist Church, 12477 Wolfsville Road, Myersville, MD 21773. Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church.

◆ **Electronically Online (Safe & Secure)**

Salem is now offering the convenience of online giving. Go to our church website and select GIVE. Sign into your account on the secure server at Vanco Payment Solutions, a United Methodist endorsed service. You may set up recurring giving, e.g., weekly, monthly, or give one time. Funds will be automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account. No more checks to write and you may change your giving amount at any time. This is a personal choice. Salem members who have already signed up for electronic giving are pleased with the service.



July

Calendar of Events



- Sun 3 Holy Communion** - 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. worship
Thu 7 Board of Trustees Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
Thu 7 UMW "Bee-lievers" - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
Sun 17 Ice Cream Social - 5:30 p.m. at Salem's Pavilion
Mon-Fri 18-22 Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School - 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Salem
Tue 26 Worship Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at the Shankle residence

Recurring Events: Food Pantry is open every TUESDAY 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Salem
 Praise Band practices 1st WEDNESDAY & 2nd, 3rd & 4th THURSDAYS at 7:00 p.m. at Salem
 The church is cleaned FRIDAY or SATURDAY every week

NOTE: The Church Council will not meet in July.

Newsletter Distribution

- E-Mail** — We are currently sending this newsletter to 188 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 47 cents First Class postage rate.

Annual Financial Audit Completed

Our thanks to Meredith Harshman, CPA, for conducting the audit of Salem's 2015 financial records. The audit report has been sent to the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church.

June 19, 2016

Father's Honored on Father's Day

On Father's Day, Salem honored each father with a beautiful daily devotional titled "The Heart of the Father." In addition, each father's name was written on a slip of paper and placed in a basket. During the children's message, Pastor Bob asked one of the children to draw two names from the basket. Each winner received a book titled, "Jesus Calling."

At the 9:00 a.m. traditional service, the winners were Richard Harshman and Denny Leatherman.

At the 11:15 a.m. contemporary service, the winning fathers were Jim Laky and Bill Burrier.



LORD'S ACRE MUSIC— "Ernie Bradley and the Grassy Ridge Band" will be playing bluegrass gospel at this year's Lord's Acre Festival, Saturday, September 10. Randy Sowers will also be singing your favorite Southern Gospel.



WORKS IN PROGRESS COMMUNITY PRAISE BAND recently ministered at the Bethany Christian Services vesper service in Martinsburg, West Virginia. From left are band members Chris Leatherman, Jim Laky, Donna Snyder, Michael Burrier, Lori Williamson, and Jessie Leatherman.

Who's Doing What, When?

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		JULY	
Lay Readers 3 - Brenda Freysz 10 - Donald Stottlemeyer 17 - Patrick Boyton 24 - Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer 31 - Dennis Draper	Ushers 3 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman 10 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt 17 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman 24 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman 31 - Robin Haupt & Donald Stottlemeyer	Music 3 - Sara Weitzel 10 - Praise Band 17 - Susan Koons 24 - Susan Koons 31 - Sara Weitzel	
Greeters 3 - Bob & Petie Stup 10 - Joy Sentz 17 - George, Barbie, & Matt Stottlemeyer 24 - Bill & Caroline Buhrman 31 - Brandon & Jessie Leatherman	Acolytes 3 - Paul McCormick 10 - Jadie Buhrman 17 - Kenslie Buhrman 24 - Joshua Koons 31 - Noah Taveras		
11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP An informal FAMILY FRIENDLY service with contemporary Christian music, pastor's message, children's time, sharing of joys and concerns, and prayer.		Music July 10 - Works in Progress Praise Band July 24 - Works in Progress Praise Band	

It's Your Day!

July Anniversaries

- 10 - Robin & Theresa Haupt
- 18 - Pastor Bob & Donna Snyder
- 20 - Randy & Karen Sowers
- 29 - Gary & Wanda Barkdoll

July Birthdays

- 2 - Phyllis Beall
- 4 - Marlene Young
- 5 - Brett Haupt
- 10 - Randy Sowers
- 11 - Alyssa Fogle
- 13 - Patty Blickenstaff
- 14 - Tyler Zimmerman
- 18 - Amanda Hawkins
- 21 - Donald Stottlemeyer
- 24 - Pat Eccard
- 27 - Cyndy Weddle
- 28 - Kim Tolland
- 28 - Jennifer Burrier
- 28 - Austin Hebeisen
- 29 - Matthew Stottlemeyer

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

Looking ahead...



LORD'S ACRE
Festival

Saturday
September 10, 2016
Wolfsville Ruritan Park
Starting Time: 2:00 p.m.
Live Auction: 6:00 p.m.

Food

Homemade soups, sandwiches, french fries, baked goods, hand-dipped ice cream, soft drinks, iced tea, coffee, & water.

Crafts & Fancy Needlework

A wide variety of handmade fancy needlework and craft items will be on sale.

Produce

Fresh produce, fruits and vegetables.

Flea Market Tables & Plants

Household items and books in good condition. Potted plants.

Music Entertainment

Ernie Bradley and the Grassy Ridge Band (Bluegrass Gospel)

Randy Sowers (Southern Gospel)

Children & Youth Activities

Silent Auction 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Amy McCormick, Coordinator

Live Auction 6:00 p.m.

Robert A. Wilson, Auctioneer

Holy Communion
Sunday, July 3, 2016
9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.



Sticky Buns & Apple Pies For Sale

As a fundraiser for Salem's United Methodist Women "Bee-lievers", Anita Harshman is making Pecan Cinnamon Sticky Buns and Apple Pies.

- Pecan Cinnamon Sticky Buns: \$12 a dozen
- Apple Pie (9-inch): \$10 each

You may purchase these items directly from Anita. To place an order, call Anita at 301-293-2080. Orders can be placed at any time and can be picked up after services on Sunday.

You do not write your life with words.
You write it with actions.



Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



Summer Sunshine

By Garnett Ann Schultz

I've walked in summer sunshine
Along a country lane,
And marveled at the lovely green
Of trees and grass again.

The birds were singing happily
Within the skies of blue,
All nature seemed to wear a smile
With cares and worries few.

The summer sunshine touched my heart
In warmth and joy complete,
Each tiny creature of the fields
Dashed by on running feet.

A gentle breeze then whispered by
To lend a magic cool,
While children played so merrily
Within the swimming pool.

The miracles of summertime
Are with us everywhere,
The fragrance of the flowers in bloom
Did permeate the air.

So much of beauty in our world
God sends His love below,
To touch each heart with gentle peace,
In summer's sun aglow.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

Follow in His Footsteps

By Marcia R. Pope

Follow in His footsteps,
And let Him lead the way.
He knows just where the path will go,
And won't lead you astray.
Listen to the Master,
Heed His words of love.
Don't think about your doubts or fears,
Just come now as He calls.
Raise your eyes toward Heaven,
Look into His face,
Let His brightness cover you
With the goodness of His grace.
Follow in His footsteps,
Give Him your stormy seas,
He'll make of them a flowing stream
Of happiness and peace.



RECIPE



Red, White, and Blueberry Fruit Salad

Ingredients

1 pint strawberries, hulled and quartered 1 small package instant vanilla pudding mix
1 pint blueberries
1 8-oz. whipped topping, thawed 16 oz. vanilla yogurt

Directions

In a large bowl, combine the whipped topping, yogurt and dry pudding mix. Gently fold in the fruit. Spread in 13 x 9 x 2 pan. Cover with plastic wrap and chill for about 4 hours.

Note: Red raspberries can be substituted for the strawberries.



The Flag

By Michelle Selby

Red for the blood shed in the name
of Freedom,
for which we fought, united.
Blue for the oceans of time we have
crossed,
remaining the land of the free.
White for the peace we wish to
share,
all men created equal.
Stars to remember those who
fought throughout the night,
bravely for our land.
Stripes to remind us of the lashings
taken by the Prisoners of War.
With a seal, in God we trust
We each are one of many, in which
we stand united in Brotherhood,
A symbol of Pride.
A salute to those who died in the
fight.
A blanket to cover us in times of
need,
Waving high to show we are still
here, undefeated.
With honor you are presented to
the world.

Pledge to American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the
United States of America and to the
republic for which it stands, one
nation under God, indivisible, with
liberty and justice for all.

Pledge to Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian
flag, and to the Savior for whose
kingdom it stands, one Savior,
crucified, risen, and coming again,
with life and liberty to all who
believe.

Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible,
God's Holy Word. I will make it a
lamp unto my feet and a light unto
my path. I will hide its words in my
heart that I might not sin against
God.

Submitted by Olive Kline

A little faith will bring your soul to
heaven, but a lot of faith will bring
heaven to your soul. —Psalm 27:1



Message from the Pastor and Worship in July

■ By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

With summer here, I hope each of you will be able to take some time for rest and relaxation over the next few months. If we relaxed all the time, it's true that important work would not get done.

It's also true that if we worked all the time we'd be at risk of experiencing burnout, and we might also be neglecting important parts of our lives outside of work. Work and rest are both important for healthy living.

Speaking of relaxation, we have some great events coming up in July. Our Annual Community Ice Cream Social is July 17, and Vacation Bible School is July 18-22. Both events are also great opportunities for adults and children to invite a friend. I hope your summer will be very enjoyable this year!

God Bless, *Pastor Bob*

July 3, Holy Communion "Sent"

Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

In this story Jesus sent out 72 people to minister in his name. Few in number for the big task at hand, they were effective because they were given the power of God.

Jesus sent them out in pairs. Jesus instructed them to take only what was essential, encouraged them to remain focused in their servanthood, and assured them that even as they encountered challenges, they would remain at peace.

Jesus instructed the 72 to help those they served to experience God and to rejoice not in their accomplishments but in being a servant of God.

We are the 72, and his teaching remains good guidance for us as we are sent out by Jesus to minister in his name.

July 10 "The Parable of the Good Samaritan" Luke 10: 25-37



"Jesus
sent them out
in pairs."

Luke 10:1

Our sister in Christ, Wanda Barkdoll, will be leading our worship services on this day and bringing God's word to us.

One day, a religious expert tested Jesus. He asked Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" (Luke 10:25).

In turn, Jesus asked the man to tell him what the Bible said about gaining eternal life. The expert responded correctly, "Love God with all your being (Deut. 6:5) and love your neighbor as yourself (Lev. 19:18)."

The expert, again testing Jesus, smugly asked "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus responded with "The Parable of the Good Samaritan" (Luke 10:30-37) and his instruction about true love and mercy to others is as important to us today as it was back then.

July 17 "At the Home of Martha and Mary" Luke 10: 38-42

Our brother in Christ, Gary Barkdoll, will be leading our worship services on this day and bringing God's word to us.

On his way from Galilee in the north

to Jerusalem in the south, Jesus stopped at the home of two sisters, Martha and Mary.

Jesus knew suffering and death awaited him in Jerusalem. He came seeking quiet rest. As with us, Martha and Mary were gifted in different ways. Martha was more drawn to doing, Mary was more drawn to reflecting.

Although we're gifted differently, both of these are important in the life of any one person. Action without thought can go very wrong. Thought with no action can keep us stuck where we are.

For Martha, Mary, and us, knowing when to think things through and when to act are part of our spiritual maturity.

July 24 "Jesus Teaching on Prayer" Luke 11: 1-13

A typical question for one searching to be in closer relationship with God is, "How should I pray?"

In his own day, Jesus' disciples asked that very question. Jesus helpfully responded by giving them the Lord's Prayer.

As we reflect on each part of the Lord's Prayer today, Jesus continues to help us build a closer relationship with God through teaching us how to pray.

July 31 "Being Wealthy" Luke 12: 13-21

Sometimes we're tempted to look at a person who is financially poor and judge them as lazy.

Sometimes we're tempted to look at a person who is financially rich and judge them as greedy.

In both cases we can be very wrong. And, we know we shouldn't be judging others anyway.

In high school, I mowed the grass for a family who most would consider financially very wealthy. They were some of the nicest, most generous people I've known.

But true poverty and true wealth aren't about money anyway are they?

Isn't it true that we're truly wealthy in life when we believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior and when we follow his example; when our journey is one of striving to become more and more like Christ?

No matter what our financial situation, all can be truly wealthy in Christ.

Salem Mission Projects

Missions *and* Outreach *at* Salem



Salem Mission Project No. 6

United Methodist Board of Child Care Auxiliary

■ By Julie Wernz
Auxiliary Conference President

May 2, 2016—Many thanks for the very generous donation to the Auxiliary of the Board of Child Care. We appreciate your contributions to the mission and outreach ministries of the auxiliary.

Over the years we have been blessed, through your support, with the resources to provide the extras for the children and youth of the Board of Child Care, enhancing their lives in many ways, such as, but not limited to: cookies, parties and holiday gifts throughout the year, cultural



and recreational trips, tickets to sports events, athletic activities, educational items as well as sports equipment and musical activities. And of course our annual efforts with the Thanksgiving Baskets and the availability of Christmas Stores on the various campuses where the youth can purchase gifts at greatly reduced prices for their loved ones.

Keep those box tops coming too—we just received a check for \$1,982.50 from just box tops— that's 19,825 box tops! Blessings to you, and thank you again.

A Fond Farewell to the Campbell's Label Program

May 26, 2016—Dawn Nelson, Salem's Coordinator for the Board of Child Care, reports that we just received word that, effective August 1, 2016, Campbell's will close down its label program. Please send in any remaining labels you have. We want to turn in everything before the August 1st deadline and that includes time needed to mail them to Campbell's.

Salem Mission Project No. 10

Ronnie & Angi Hopkins Minister in Nicaragua

Dear Friends at Salem:

June 2016—This past year most of our ministry has been taking place in remote communities on the Rio Bocay (a river in northern Nicaragua).

Two new schools were built on the river, one in the village of Saladedios and one in Tunawalan; both had dedication services in February. A third school is under construction in the community of Yalkawas, and is scheduled to be completed in July.

Two water projects have been completed, bringing clean spring water from the mountains to the communities below. Also, a clinic/training center in Kayaskita is nearing completion.

Our Nicaraguan staff and members from the United States teams are providing training of lay health workers as well as pastors' training and Sunday School training to the river communities.

It has been particularly rewarding to see the involvement in the river ministry of people from other communities in which we have worked, as well as our own youth leadership team.

With the gift of a grant from the Reynolds Ministry Fund, we were able to expand our youth leadership program and there are now more than forty youth



Ronnie & Angi Hopkins and Peanut
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Central America

enrolled in monthly training.

Since January 2016, we have received six teams. The teams join us in the ministries already going on. They bring joy and enthusiasm as they work alongside the Nicaraguan team and community members.

The sewing projects continue to bring financial opportunities to women



who otherwise would not have a source of income.

The scholarship fund makes it possible for students, many from remote communities, to attend university. We currently have six students in need of a scholarship.

With the Siloam Fund (medical fund), we are able to help many with medications, procedures and surgeries. The latest patient was Peanut's uncle who was able to get an eye prosthesis after covering his face with a bandana for sixteen years after losing his eye in an accident.

On a personal note, Angi's mom is now living with us. We were able to find a home a few houses down from ours. She is enjoying her independence while knowing that family is close by.

Peanut (Addie) is eight years old now and continues to bring us great joy. She has kept her childlike innocence and joyful spirit.

We never forget that the ministry in Nicaragua would never be possible without the faithful financial support and prayers that you provide; we are partners in this ministry. We are thankful for each one of you.

We send our love and blessings to you.
—Ronnie and Angi

Scenes from the Youth Group Lock In and Pool Party

Friday, June 10, 2016

Photos submitted by Wanda Barkdoll

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Youth Leader

On Friday, June 10, 2016, the Faith Builders Youth Group had a Progressive Dinner and Pool Party. This was our last get-together until next school year starting in August 2016. We had so much fun—youth and adults alike.

Thank you so much to the Mueller's for allowing us, one more time, to enjoy their pool, their hospitality, and a big thank you for their generosity.

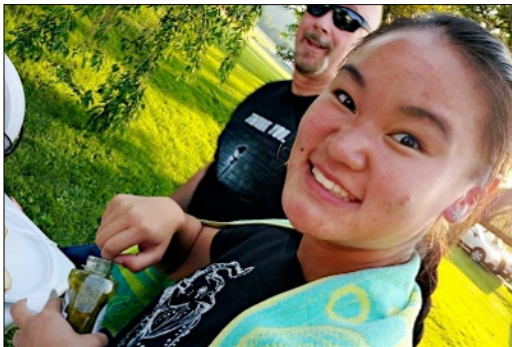
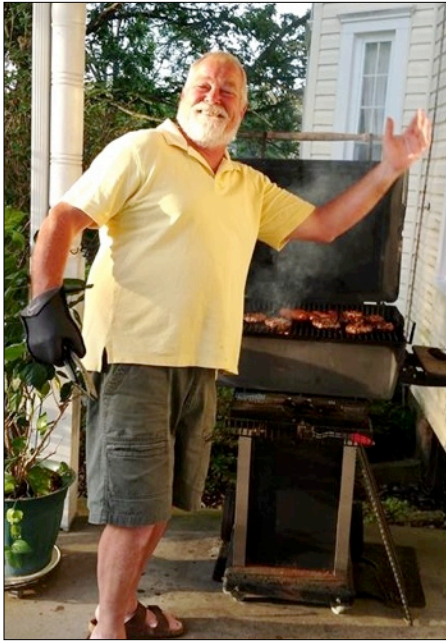
The youth will meet one more time for the Creation Music Festival before taking a break for the summer. For those not attending Creation, we will see you back at Youth Group in August 2016. Have a great summer, be safe, and God bless you all.



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Sunday School Classes

Every Sunday 10:15 - 11:00 a.m.



Children, Infant to 4 years

Teacher: Caroline Buhrman

Children, Grades K to 3

Teachers: Michael & Jennifer Burrier

Children, Grades 4 to 6

Teachers: Kathy Laky, Melissa Thornton, Patrick Boyton

Youth, Grades 7 to 12

Teacher: Fonda Gormer

Adult Discussion Group - Couples & Singles

Teacher: Bill Burrier

Men's Class

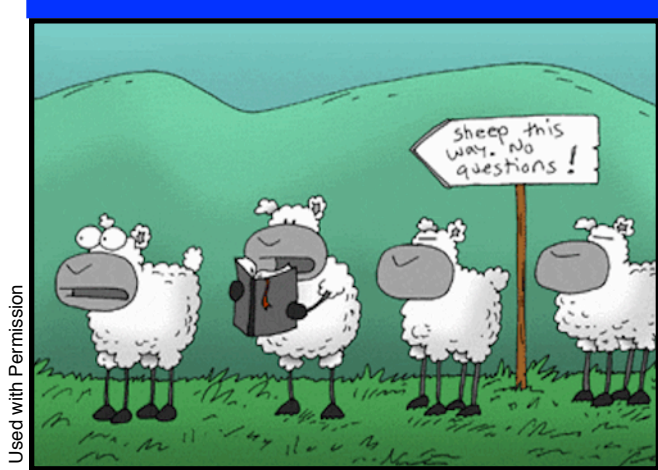
Teachers: George Harne, Bobby Fogle, Meredith Harshman

Women's Class

Teachers: Mary Cline & Darlene Burrier

Jesus said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. —Mark 16:15 New International Version (NIV)

Heavenly Humor



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Here it is, "Led like a sheep to the slaughter" . . . what the heck is that supposed to mean? (See Acts 8:32)

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

Your faith is what you believe, not what you know.

Compliments cost nothing but can make someone feel like a million bucks.

I believe in the sun even when it is not shining.
I believe in love even when not feeling it.
I believe in God even when He is silent.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

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9:00 a.m. Traditional
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Contemporary

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