

The Friendly Voice

February 2013



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WORSHIP TOPICS for February



February 3

Communion

"Delusionary Behavior"

Luke 4: 21-30



February 10

Scout Sunday

"Face Time"

Exodus 34: 29-35

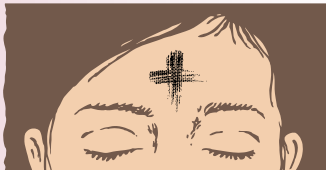
February 13

Communion

ASH WEDNESDAY

Worship, 7 p.m.

Psalm 51: 1-17



February 17

"Giving 'til It ..."

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11



**Youth
Worship
Service**

February 24

YOUTH SUNDAY

(9:30 only)

"Which One Are You?"

(8:00 & 11:00)

Genesis 15: 1-18



February 2013



Greetings Friends!

To ring in the new year, it is our usual practice to hold a Wesley Covenant Service with an opportunity to renew our commitment to God. This service took place on December 30, 2012. On the back of the insert was an article entitled **The Job of Renewal** (excerpts from June 2008 "Leadership & Congregational Development Newsletter" by Church Consultants Dan Smith & Mary K. Huycke) regarding a congregation's responsibility to their church family. I felt it was important enough to share it again here for those of you who might have missed reading it.

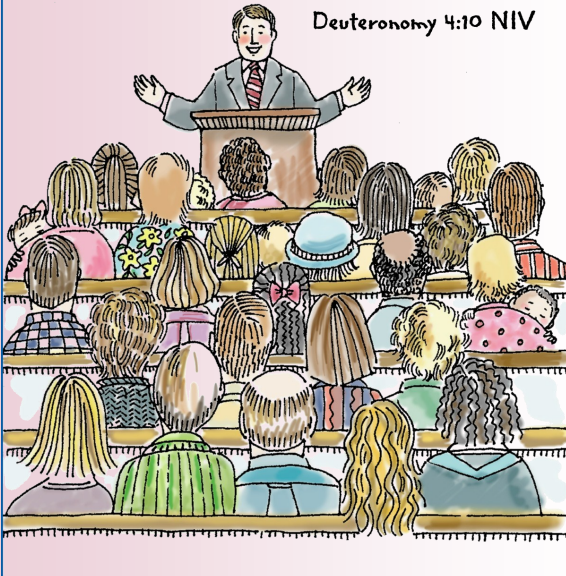
"Whether or not a congregation thrives is ultimately up to the laity. A pastor can teach, guide, lead, support, inspire, and even cajole others. In the end, congregational health is a function of how people in the congregation relate to one another, to God, and to their community. The church is a microcosm of the greater Church. It is the embodiment of the body of Christ.

A congregation that is truly BEING the church brings people into a loving, life-giving relationship with God and others that is transformational. That is the nature of the kingdom of God, where covenantal relationships model the best aspects of family. People find hope. They experience belonging, extend and receive forgiveness. They discover a sense of purpose and direction. They learn to live with appreciation and joy no matter what circumstances they find themselves in. While a pastor can preach and teach this message, the message only has power to the extent that the people from the congregation live it and practice it with one another. Practicing loving, life-giving relationships transforms congregation members. Witnessing such living draws others who want something similar for themselves and their families.



"Assemble the people before
me to hear my words
so that they may ...
teach them to their children."

Deuteronomy 4:10 NIV



Congregations are not businesses, but they can fall into the trap of thinking that it is the features and the gimmicks that people want. We need to remember that the greatest asset the church has is the unique gift of the people themselves and the possibilities for transformation they can offer to others.

Congregational renewal is a renewal of the people's ability to notice and experience God in our midst, and the desire to partner with God in achieving His aims for the world.

These aims are for a new way of looking at church, the work of the congregation and what it has to offer the world. Renewal is a renewing of the people's understanding of their relationship with God, their relationship with our community and a renewal of our calling. Aiming for a bigger building or more hi-tech worship or create more programs are secondary. Congregational renewal happens through people renewal.

Jesus came to offer abundant life. A renewed congregation embodies that message for its members, the surrounding community and the world."

See you in church! And remember ... BE THE CHURCH!

Pastor John

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John".



LUMC Lighthouse: Mission News for February

By Tim Eick

Mission Weekend is coming up on March 16th & 17th.

We are looking forward to having some of our Missionaries be with us during our 2013 Mission conference; They take time out of their busy schedule to be here, and we hope that you will sincerely want to do the same to get to know them, and to experience our Mission Weekend! So mark your calendars, tell your family & friends about it, and think and pray about attending this year!



Update from David & Sandel Livingstone: We have the wonderful JOY of sharing with you that Sarah is expecting in May. This will be our first grandchild so you can imagine our delight!

Also, good News Travels Fast! In a village in a closed East European country, Emily asked a ministry leader named Mark for a "JESUS" film DVD to show to her sister. A few months later, word came back to Mark that the

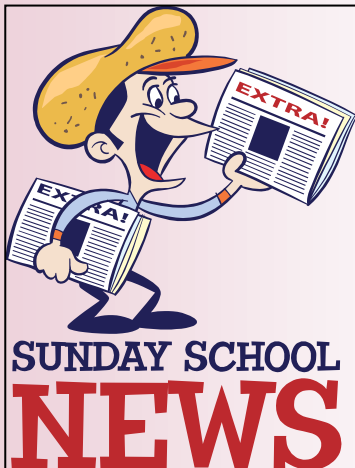
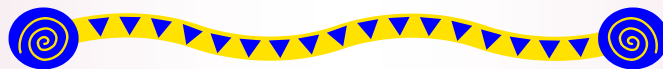
GO and Make Disciples



sister indicated a decision for Christ through watching the film and offered it to her neighbors to watch. In similar fashion, within a month's time all the residents of the village saw the film, passing the DVD from house to house. That's 211 people! Many of those who watched "JESUS" indicated decisions for Christ. Now there is a follow-up group for the new believers in the village.

Update from Larry & Rita Sherbondy: Added to the loss of Andrew Isaiah mid-way through Ashley's pregnancy, Ashley's 3 year-old daughter, Julianne, has been having seizures, usually associated with bumping her head. However, in September she began having them with no apparent cause. This made Ashley very afraid that God was going to take Julianne in addition to Rebecca and Andrew.

However, God introduced me, on one of my airplane trips, to a very special woman who prayed with me as we flew from Harrisburg to Newark, NJ. I really sensed the power of the Holy Spirit present in our time of prayer. This was the very day, at the very hour, when Julianne was going in for a brain scan. Julianne has not had a seizure since, and the doctors could find nothing wrong with her brain! This is a great encouragement, but I admit that, for Ashley, there is a lingering fear of losing Julianne, or having something go very wrong with her.



January was a busy month. We finished up studying about the birth of Christ as foretold by Isaiah the prophet. We learned that Jesus came from the branch of Jesse and the House of David. See our tree picture we made to help us understand. We also made hand painted ornaments for some of our older members as an opportunity to reach out to all members! We also learned about the Advent Wreath and what it means.



We are learning a lot about Missions this month. We wrote to prisoners to tell them about God and how important he is in our life. We also wrote to friends



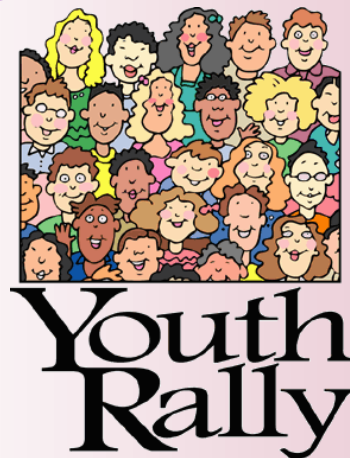
inviting them to come to church. We have received some letters in response to our letters and are going to review them. It's always great to get mail! We are learning how to be God's representatives so that all might know Christ as Lord.

Sunday School is great. Later we will be learning about a woman named Mary Magdalene. Hmm. That sounds interesting!



youth News

Thirty youth attended the Annual Youth Rally in Ocean City, MD in early January. We had an awesome time. The speaker for the weekend was a guy named Jimmy Walker (no not that one, but this one was "Dyn-o-mite" as well – I'm showing my age!!) He used several different object lessons to get the messages out to the kids. The weekend was filled with fun, fellowship and of course food! Some of our youth committed or recommitted their lives to Christ during the Saturday night session. It was truly an amazing event to watch. A special thanks to our chaperones, Tami Lewis, Robyn Rowlands, Karen Ruppert, Sean O'Neill and Mike Raab. I could not have done this trip without their help and leadership.



Unfortunately, early in January, some of our youth lost two friends from Neshaminy. One a tragic accident and the other a tragic suicide. We spent an entire evening meeting discussing these difficult events. Please pray for our youth and all of the people that are suffering through this tragedy. We as a group will continue to strive toward having a closer walk with Christ and to learn to recognize friends and family that are going through difficulties so that we can do our part in preventing any more events like this.

Thank you for your continued support of our youth through your prayers, your donations and your assistance.



February Dates to Remember:

- February 3rd** Super Bowl Sunday (No Meeting)
- February 10th**..... Youth Group 6:30-8:00
- February 17th** Youth Group 6:30-8:00
- February 24th** **YOUTH SUNDAY**
- February 24th** Youth Group 6:30-8:00



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

7:00 P.M. - Fellowship Hall

Call to Prayer and Self Denial

The United Methodist Women will meet this month on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Program Chairman will be Mary Rose Hill.

The topic is **“Call to Prayer and Self Denial.”** This program is held once every year. It is a time for us to pray for and give an offering to different missions programs through out the US and the world that minister to women and children. Many of the mission buildings and grounds are owned by the United Methodist Women. Our hostess for the simple, self denial-inspired food, will be Nana Baffoe-Bonnie.

Our mission outreach for the month will be Kitchen Supplies to

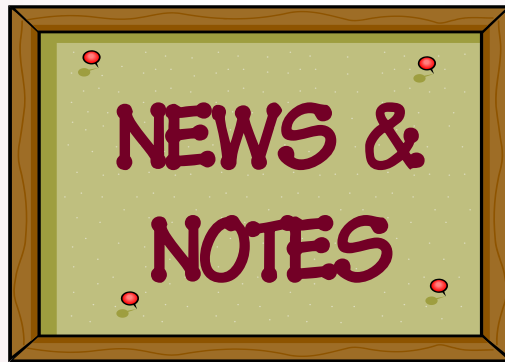
donate to LUMINA, an organization run in the impoverished Lancaster area. LUMINA is the Latin word for light, their mission statement includes: “We believe GOD calls us to let our light shine in the darkest places of our communities and darkest places of people’s lives, places such as poverty and despair.”



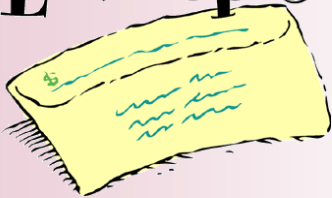
Suggested items to bring are:

- ⇒ Baking Pans (8x8) Metal or Glass
- ⇒ Paring Knives
- ⇒ Can Openers
- ⇒ Pie Plates
- ⇒ Cookie Sheets
- ⇒ Pot Holders
- ⇒ Cutting Boards
- ⇒ Rubber Spatulas
- ⇒ Dish Clothes
- ⇒ Shredders/Graters
- ⇒ Dry Measuring Cups
- ⇒ Strainers/Colanders
- ⇒ Liquid Measuring Cups
- ⇒ Tea Towels
- ⇒ Measuring Spoons
- ⇒ Vegetable Peelers
- ⇒ Metal Spatulas
- ⇒ Whisks
- ⇒ Mixing Bowls
- ⇒ Ziplock Bags (Gallon & Sandwich size)
- ⇒ Mixing Spoons (Wooden)





Offering Envelopes



Offering Envelopes for 2013 are now available in Fellowship Hall, however they will be removed from there sometime later this month. If you are unable to pick yours up, please let the church office know so they can be mailed or delivered to you.

Electronic Giving ... Just a reminder that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly, biweekly or monthly giving. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. Direct Debit Giving is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Church Treasurer Amy Hansen, 215-932-1709;

lumctreasurer@comcast.net.

Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.



FROM THE KITCHEN...

We have just celebrated the first year of the Wednesday Meal in January. Our first meal served was January 11, 2012. Since that time, we have served 2,464 guests and with the added help of several very generous donations, have raised \$9,000 for the church. We thank you for your past support, and hope you will continue to support this dinner.

American Cancer Society
DAFFODIL DAYS
March 24, 2013

A world with less cancer is a world with more birthdays.

Celebrating Daffodil Days is much more than enjoying beautiful flowers; it's about sharing hope for a world free of cancer. Your contributions to Daffodil Days will allow the American Cancer society to save more lives and create more birthdays by helping people stay well, helping people get well, by finding cures and by fighting back.

This year, besides decorating our sanctuary with your gifts of bunches and pots of daffodils, we are going the extra mile in the fight against cancer. Cancer, that insidious disease that affects each one of us personally, whether by a loved one being stricken or a friend of a friend, or even yourself. This year we've added two additional opportunities for you to help support The American Cancer Society's mission .

PROJECT CARE... Help to comfort children in our community by giving a special edition *Boyd's Bear* to them in their time of need. Bring a smile to a child's face and support this effort with a \$25 donation. Bears are delivered anonymously.



GIFT OF HOPE... Let cancer patients know that someone cares about them, wants to brighten their day, and is committed to the fight against cancer. The Gift of Hope program allows bouquets of daffodils to be delivered anonymously to cancer patients in hospitals, treatment centers, and other facilities in our local community. Multiple donation levels are available to help further the American Cancer Society's life-saving mission. Program and service information accompanies each bouquet.

Please use the order blank that follows to order your daffodils. Just print out the order blank, fill in the information, and leave your order with payment in the secretary's mail box or mail to LUMC, 301 E. Maple Ave., Langhorne PA 19047.



DAFFODIL DAYS, SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2013

LAST DAY TO ORDER DAFFODILS IS

FEBRUARY 17TH!

Please place your order form with payment in the Secretary's mailbox or mail to the church Office. If you put it in the offering plate it may get overlooked. Thank you.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

ITEM	Each	QTY.	TOTAL COST
Bunches Daffodils, 10 cut blooms	\$10.		
6" Pot Mini-Daffodils	\$12.		
Project CARE	\$25.		
Gift of Hope	Circle One: \$25./ \$50./ \$75./ \$100./ \$250./ Other: \$_____		



Bear and a Bunch (Project CARE) ... Bring a smile to a child's face and support this effort with a \$25 donation. Bears are delivered anonymously.

Gift of Hope... bouquets of daffodils to be delivered anonymously to cancer patients in hospitals, treatment centers, and other facilities in our local community.



Easter Garden

Sunday, March 31, 2013

DEADLINE FOR ALL ORDERS IS

March 10, 2013

Put in Secretary's Mailbox along with your payment.

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

In Loving Memory of: _____

In Loving Honor of: _____

I will take my plant(s) after the

8:00 service 9:30 service 11:00 service

Please give my flowers to a shut-in.

ITEM	Each	QTY.	TOTAL COST
6" Pot Daffodils	\$7.50		
4" Pot Mini-Daffodils	3.50		
6" Pot White Lilies; 6 bloom	9.00		
4.5" Pot Tulips	4.00		
6" Pot Mums (Mixed)	9.00		
6" Yellow/Orange Daylilies	8.50		
	TOTAL		



PLEASE NOTE: PAYMENT IS DUE AT TIME OF ORDER.





(Please check your weekly bulletin announcements for any date, time or location changes.)

WEEKLY EVENTS—

Every Sunday:

- Traditional Worship, 8:00 a.m.
- Traditional Worship, 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
- Cookson Adult SS Class, 10:30 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship, 11:00 a.m.
- Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

Every Monday:

- Girl Scouts, 3:35-5:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday:

- Squires Barbershop Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Every Wednesday:

- Soup & Sandwich, 4-6:30 p.m.

Every Thursday:

- Men's Breakfast Club, 7:00 a.m., (*American Diner*)
- Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m.
- Crusader Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m.
- Genesis Choir, 6:45 p.m.
- Wesleyan Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.



Sun., March 10
**DEADLINE FOR ORDERING
EASTER FLOWERS**

Sat. & Sun., March 16-17
MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Sun., March 24
**PALM SUNDAY &
DAFFODIL SUNDAY**

HOLY WEEK, MARCH 25-31

Thrs., March 28
**Holy Thursday Communion
Worship, 7 p.m.**

Fri., March 29
**Good Friday Worship at
Langhorne Presbyterian,
1 p.m.**

Easter Sunday, March 31

FEBRUARY Calendar

- Sat., February 2 LBE Men's Group, 8:30 a.m.
 Sun., February 3 "Souper" Bowl of Caring
 Mon., February 4 Trustees Mtg., 7 p.m.
 Sun., February 10 **SCOUT SUNDAY** (Wear your uniform!)
 Mon., February 11 Finance Committee Mtg., 7 p.m.
 Tues., February 12 United Methodist Women, 7 p.m.
 Wed., February 13 **ASH WEDNESDAY** Worship, 7 p.m.
 Fri., February 15 Senior Lunch, 12 p.m.
 Sat., February 16 Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.
 Sun., February 17 **LAST DAY TO ORDER DAFFODILS**
 Mon., February 18 Administrative Board Mtg., 7 p.m.
 Wed., February 20 Staff Parish Relations (SPR) Mtg., 7 p.m.
 Sat., February 23 LBE Men's Group, 8:30 a.m.
 Sun., February 24 **YOUTH SUNDAY**
 Mon., February 25 Shared Meal, 6 p.m.
 Council of Ministries Coordinators' Mtg., 7 p.m.





SANCTUARY SERVANTS FOR FEBRUARY



FEBRUARY 3

Worship Assistant, 8:00 Lyn Wallace
 Worship Assistant, 9:30 Jerry Hill
 Greeters, 8:00 Wendi Flanagan & Joan Jones
 Greeters, 9:30 Carol Nielsen & Vince Belmont
 Ushers, 9:30 Chuck & Beth Lotocki
 Contemporary Assistants, 11:00 Carol Deibler & Family

FEBRUARY 10

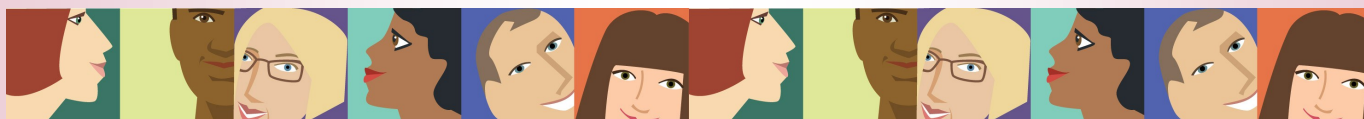
Worship Assistant, 8:00 Tom Romspert
 Worship Assistant, 9:30 Ron Cookson
 Greeters, 8:00 Bev Eick
 Greeters, 9:30 Madge Laughlin & Tim Eick
 Ushers, 9:30 Scouts
 Contemporary Assistants, 11:00 The Raab Family

FEBRUARY 17

Worship Assistant, 8:00 Erika Paton
 Worship Assistant, 9:30 Jeannette Hesser
 Greeters, 8:00 Audrey Kent
 Greeters, 9:30 Naomi & Walt Rogerson
 Ushers, 9:30 Kris & Mike Torchia
 Contemporary Assistants, 11:00 The Peiffer Family

FEBRUARY 24

Worship Assistant, 8:00 Jerry Hill
 Worship Assistant, 9:30 Holly Rogerson
 Greeters, 8:00 Ken MacAlister
 Greeters, 9:30 Ginny Rowlands & Mary Rose Hill
 Ushers, 9:30 LUMC Youth
 Contemporary Assistants, 11:00 The Tyler Family



MEMBER'S NEWS...

Congratulations to ...

Mark & Crystal Tingle on the birth of their twin daughters, **Alexa Lynne & Alyssa Ray Tingle**, on September 4, 2012. Proud grandparents are Michael & Leslie Daveler; and

Nathan & Victoria Hedrick on the birth of their twin sons, **Luke Michael & Logan Steven Hedrick**, on December 20, 2012.; and

Ashley & R.J. Hickman on the birth of their son, **Tristan Finn Hickman**, on December 29, 2012. Proud Grandparents, Pastor John & Angela Lutz.



Sadly missed...

Peg Clark, who went Home to Her Lord on Wednesday, December 26, 2012. Peg and her husband Ray had been members of our church family since 1963.

Leona Scheetz
Manor Care - Rm. 139A
1480 Oxford Valley Rd.
Yardley PA 19067



John & Vivian Bickley
8608 Boyer Ct.
Bayonet Pt. FL 34667

Don't forget to note changes in your membership directory!



FEBRUARY SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1** **John Shook,**
35 Hollybrooke Dr., Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/6** **Marilyn Deibler,**
2047 Lockwood La., Feasterville PA 19053
- 2/7** **Lynne Gardener,**
481 Hulmeville Rd., Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/8** **Carl Nedal,**
290 E. Winchester Ave. #308W, Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/11** **Effie Flack,**
1394 Bridgetown Pike, Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/14** **Dick Davis,**
335 Berkshire Rd., Fairless Hills PA 19030
- 2/20** **George Jenca,**
121 N. Hawthorne Ave., Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/22** **Bob Downs,**
64 Digi Farm Ln., Bensalem PA 19020
- 2/23** **Walter Rogerson,**
505 Byberry Rd., Philadelphia PA 19116
- 2/23** **Barb Tomlinson,**
561 Clarissa La., Penndel PA 19047
- 2/26** **Rita Cresswell,**
2570 Village Rd., Langhorne PA 19047
- 2/26** **Gene Edwards,**
112 National Ave., Langhorne PA
19047





Too Blessed to be Stressed

God's timing is amazing. While beginning to write this article I received a call from my wife Andrea's liver transplant coordinator. She was calling with “not the best news we would want to hear” referring to the results of Andrea's liver biopsy which was taken during her recent surgery to repair numerous incisional hernias.

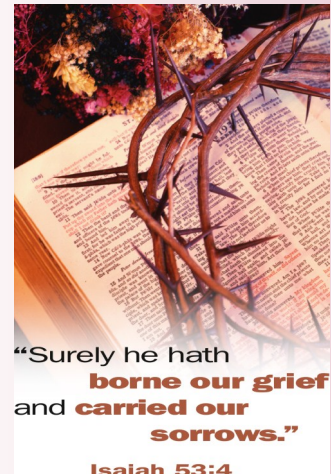
People have often heard me ask the question “What would it look like to live our lives in a way that reflected what we say we believe? ... To move God from head knowledge to heart knowing.”

We are all familiar with the following Scripture verses:

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds.” (James 1:2); “Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7); “Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

The “Do Not Worry” section of Matthew 6 beginning at verse 25, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes?”... and ending at verse 34, “Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”

We read these verses and maybe we say to ourselves I wish I could have the confidence needed to be joyous in the face of trials, to be truly calm when feeling physically anxious, to be actually at peace in the midst of life's turmoil, or to honestly not worry because Jesus told us not to.



Richard J. Foster, past professor of theology and writer in residence at Friends University, Wichita, Kansas shares this illustration in his article entitled, **Listening in the Great Silence**. (Discipleship Journal, Issue 19, NavPress):

We surrender our cares and worries. “Cast all your anxieties on him because he cares about you,” said Peter (1 Peter 5:7). And so we can, precisely because we sense his care. We can give up the need to watch out for “number one” because we have One who is watching out for us. I sometimes like to picture a

box in which I place every worry and every care. When it is full, I gift wrap it, place a lovely big bow on top, and give it as a present to the Father. He receives it, and once he does, I know I must not take it back, for to take back a gift once given is most discourteous.

It is difficult for us as human beings to intentionally relinquish that kind of control over the things, circumstances or people in our lives. When we are talking about relinquishing to God I don't think it's because we don't trust Him, I think it's because we don't know Him as well as we should. I believe trust flows from knowing, and knowing from passionate relationship.

I heard a song recently which touched on these topics in a unique way. It is entitled "Blessings" by singer/song writer Laura Story. Here are the lyrics to the first stanza and refrain:

We pray for blessings, we pray for peace
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep
We pray for healing, for prosperity
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering
And all the while, You hear each spoken need
Yet love us way too much to give us lesser things
'Cause what if your blessings come through rain drops
What if Your healing comes through tears
What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near
What if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise



One summer I led an adult Sunday school class drawn from the pages of a book entitled, *Lord of the Impossible* by Lloyd J. Ogilvie. I just love the thought that was also brought out in the movie shown by our LBE men's group entitled *Facing The Giants*. The film kept reiterating the question, "What is impossible for our God?"



Hudson Taylor, missionary to China, once said, *"I have found that there are three stages in every great work of God: first, it is impossible, then it is difficult, then it is done."*

Have you ever found yourself in a circumstance or situation that seemed impossible? Even for God? Those times where nothing made sense and even trusting God and His Word was difficult.

How do we take the many accounts of the impossible being overcome by a loving God in Scripture and move them from head knowledge to heart knowing?

In a recent article entitled *Impossibilities* the author included these thoughts on the impossible:

Mary faced the impossible – in a double dose. Gabriel came to her and proclaimed! No doubt she thought “no way.” Mary had never known a man. Mary asked the angel? Gabriel responded, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy – the Son of God.”

No doubt she was familiar with the prophecies, but still – the baby would be the promised Messiah? The Holy Son of God? “Come on...” What’s interesting is that in several places, the Bible tells us that Mary “pondered” the words she had heard in her heart. As a young Jewish girl, she would have certainly been very familiar with Hebrew scripture and the stories of “impossibilities.”

The author here uses another one of my favorite words “pondered” especially as it relates to the “impossible.” As she pondered the recorded past of God’s power and presence, her heart must have come alive with what the angel Gabriel declared, “Nothing will be impossible with God.” (Luke 1:37 ESV)

Her response reflects the heart attitude imperative for God to work the impossible. She said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” (Luke 1:38 ESV)

What’s impossible in your life today? Impossible that God can heal your body when the doctors give no hope? Impossible that God can restore a broken marriage devastated with infidelity? Impossible that God can bring the prodigal child back home? Impossible that you will ever see your hearts desires realized?

God takes great pleasure in turning your “impossibilities” into “possibilities.”

Ponder what God has done in the past.

“Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me...” (Isaiah 46:9 NASB)

Reflect on the stories recorded in the Bible. Remember the good things God has done for you. For your family. For your friends.

What God has done before – He will do again.

Watch God turn the impossible into the possible. It may take a miracle. That’s ok – He specializes in those.

And He will turn your life around. You too can be too blessed to be stressed!

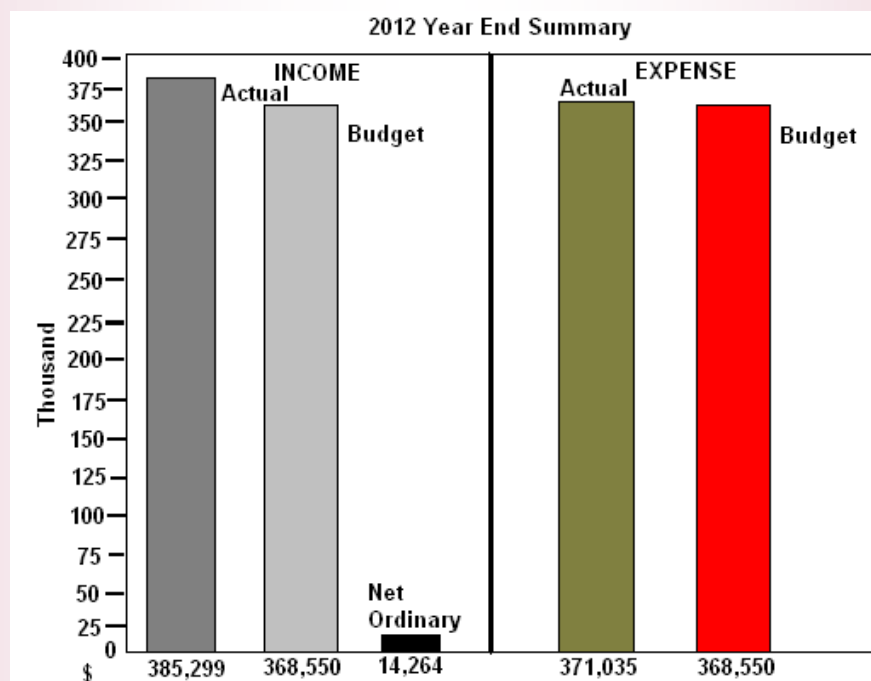
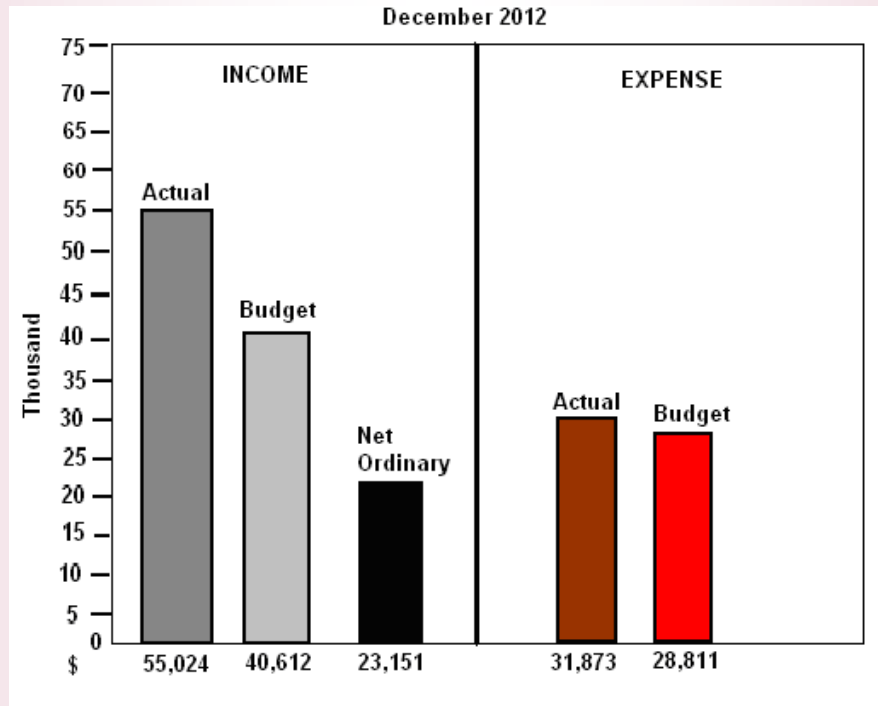




YOUR CHURCH FINANCES

By Joe Wachstetter, Finance Chair

As shown in the following graph, income for December exceeded budget thanks to a one time donations of \$8,125 and giving that exceeded budget by \$1,000. This means we will enter 2013 in a reasonably good financial state which is reflected in the Year End Summary graph that follows.



The committee completed the 2013 budget which is predicated on income and expenses remaining relative the same as in 2012. It will be presented for approval at the January Administrative Board Meeting.

In these uncertain times, it is only through the dedicated and faithful support of the congregation that we can maintain the church as a beacon of faith, comfort and hope for our community.

We extend a very large Thank You to Chuck Boyle for his dedicated, faithful and exceptional leadership of the finance committee for the last four years.

“Be faithful until death and I will give you the crown of life.” (Revelation 2:20 –NAS)



Roof Replacement Loan Update

Finance Committee

ROOF FUND

The loan principle for the Roof Replacement Project is \$245,708 after the December loan payment of \$3,093. Thanks to the dedicated roof project envelope donations of \$2,965 and a memorial donation of \$5,000 in December; we have a positive balance of \$4,872 in the roof replacement fund.

Remember that envelope donations designated for the roof project are dedicated to meeting the monthly loan payment of \$3,093, but this amount should be in addition to your normal general offering so we can continue to support the ongoing operations of the church. Your weekly donations to the roof project are critical to meeting the monthly loan payment and maintaining a positive balance in the roof replacement fund. The graph shows the breakdown for the December loan payment.

“I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint” (Jeremiah 31:25 –NIV)



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