



The Messenger

of Lake Shore United Methodist Church

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MISSIONS REPORT

Francine Smalley, Campus Crusade for Christ – Mrs. Smalley is recovering from knee surgery. A few days prior to her surgery, she attended the German Willow-Creek Association Leadership Congress. Over 7,500 people attended, and she was amazed by this number. In Europe, church attendance is in the one digit percentile, so this is truly a wonderful sign! Please pray for continued healing for her knee, and for her translation and counseling work.



Andrew and Margaret Howell, The Mission Society – The Howells are thankful for a wonderful Easter service which was very well attended. They will be in the US in May for speaking engagements and a family reunion. In June, they will be back in France and already have two engagements in churches. They will be joining a work team from Lubbock, Texas to do some work and repairs at the language school in Albertville, France. This is where God pulled on their hearts to come work in France, so they are excited to be able to do something special for them. Please pray for their travel and for their upcoming engagements. They are thankful for our prayers and support and feel the God is moving on many fronts. Margaret says, “What an exciting time to be working for our Lord!”

Pat and Melinda Edmiston, Wycliffe Bible Translators – Pat reports “People are praying and God is answering!” They had a big concern about Solomon being able to attend the translation sessions in Simbut Village. He had a dugout canoe but needed an outboard motor. Thanks be to God, he arrived and has been working on the translation. Before he arrived, Lyndi, a young Alamlak woman, was able to help. They have completed all of the portions of scripture from 1st & 2nd Kings, 1st & 2nd Samuel, 1st Chronicles and Zechariah. This is a great accomplishment and paves the way for their goal of publishing a panorama of Old Testament heroes this year. Pat thanks everyone for praying for their translation work.



Solomon working on the Alamlak translation

Lake Shore Women

LSWM wish to thank everyone who participated in the Spring Tea held on Sunday, April 29. We deeply appreciate all those who donated and prepared the refreshments, decorated the tables, and helped to entertain those children who came to the event. A special thank you to Christy Davis and David Arrington.

The Memorial Garden is flourishing under the able care of Mary Sallee. Thank you Mary for volunteering to take on this responsibility. We encourage everyone to enjoy God's handiwork as displayed in this small patch of ground. Please help us keep it clean and free from trash.

Our next special event will be an ice cream social at the end of June. Please watch for further details.



REPORT FROM OUR YOUTH



Here are some reminders of upcoming events and news:

Clothing our Neighbors:

With the mindset of "Find a need and fill it" the youth and young adults will be leading an ongoing clothing drive beginning presently. If you have clothes that are not being worn but are still wearable please bring them into church with you on Sunday mornings (leave them at the office) or Wednesday evenings (hand them to Mark Burcham or Rob). When turning in clothes, please have them bagged or boxed.

How can we assist YOU?:

Do you need help with anything around your house or yard? If your home is in need of pressure washing, painting, small repairs, yard work, debris clearing, roof sweeping or something else, let us know. We're here, as part of the congregation, to help you however we can. This is something we'd like to extend to the Lake Shore community at large as well. If you know someone who could use a hand with any of these things, please forward our offer on to them as well. All they need to do is contact Rob by calling the office or e-mailing him with the details.

Needs:

Summer volunteers:

We're presently looking for members of the church who can do... anything! While summertime is a great time for our youth to relax, kick back and do a whole lot of not much, it's also a great time to learn how to do some pretty cool stuff. Do you have a teachable talent? Woodworking, painting, drawing, martial arts, writing, knitting, music, ballroom dancing.. whatever you know how to do let us know! It would be a great time for you to get to know the youth as well as how to teach them some new things. If you're interested or have any questions, please contact Rob by calling the office or by e-mailing him with the details.

Speakers:

Do you have a story to tell? We'd love to hear from you. With the Rescue (Me)ssion approaching, a lot of time and energy is being turned towards our testimonies. If you would like to share yours with the youth and young adults you are welcome, at anytime, to join us on Sunday night and share your story. There are few things as powerful as sharing the tale of how God has worked and is working in your life with others, and you're encouraged to speak into the hearts, minds and lives of our students. If you would like to be a part of this ongoing project, PLEASE let Rob know.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members to our church:

Chad & Valerie Weippert
Children: Austin, Olivia, Michael and Ava

Brianne McIntosh
1628 Rivergate Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32223

Joe and Alicia Burns, son Andrew
470 Portobello Drive, Jacksonville FL 32221

Andrew & Ginny Smith
Children: Avabelle and Alivia
2205 Patou Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32210

Terry Laws
1901 Dayton Circle, Jacksonville, FL 32210

Savannah Heim

Small Group Ministry

The first Sunday in May, May 6, we are having another small group display in Norton Hall. Each adult small group... Sunday School or other groups that are open to new members will have a table or a display area available after the 8:30 service and before the 11:00 service (during the Sunday School Hour).

As we did last year, each group should have information about their group and be ready to invite people to join the group by sharing the mission of the group and other information that might be of interest.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more information on GROWING in a small group at Lake Shore United Methodist Church, contact Sheron Willson.

Member News & Notes

Notes of Appreciation

The Bill Blackmon Family wants to express our deepest gratitude to everyone for all you did for us during the days surrounding the passing of our father. The cards, calls, prayers, visits and food were overwhelming. We feel so blessed to have you as friends. These times are so hard and would be unbearable without Jesus Christ and all our Christian friends.

Christian One Liners

- Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the front door forever.
- Quit griping about your church; if it was perfect you couldn't belong.
- If a church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.

Note of Sympathy

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Irene Forbes as she passed away on April 14. Please keep Larry in your prayers.



In Need of Prayer...

At Home:

Carroll Padgett, Mary Jane Hedrick,
Thelma Baker, Cager Campbell, Jane Cumming,
Ethel Stemen

Hospitalized:

Pat McRorie (St. Vincents)

In Extended Care:

Helen Johnston (St Catherine's)
Barbara Mallory (*All Saints*),
Dewey Stemen (*Life Care, OP*)

Treasurer's Report

As of : April 25, 2012

Attendance:

8:30 AM Worship	121
9:45 AM Sunday School	105
11:00 AM Worship	123



Giving:

	YTD
Total Received	135,223
Less Designated For Budget	16,595
Surplus (Deficit)	-1,150
2012 Budget	137,162
2011 Giving	143,159
2011 Budget	127,812