

Memorial Methodist Messenger

Memorial United Methodist Church, Norman Ramsey, Pastor

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Our Mission is to help others grow in the love and joy of Jesus Christ

January 2021



Pastor's Note...

Whenever I am troubled by troubled times I go back and reread the prophets. Because it is there we see what we are going through today.

Seasons of distress and judgment come throughout history and the fact that we are living through such a time should be no surprise. In the midst of these times God is still exalting His Son as our refuge and strength.

"So, this is what the Sovereign LORD says: 'See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on Him will never be stricken with panic.'" (Isaiah 28: 16)

What will this foundation accomplish in us? It will...

1. Set a true plumb line for our faith and life.
2. Sweep away every false refuge.
3. Shovel up every lie, pile them up so you can see them.
4. Flush out every secret we try to hide.

Now, when you read that list that doesn't sound very comforting at first. And maybe it's not meant to be. But there is great strength and comfort in placing your trust in the person who is dependable as opposed to the person who is not.

There is great comfort when we find our true home and leave behind all adulterous or unfaithful commitments. And there is great freedom in not being cramped up by lies.

So, let the light of the Lord shine in you and through you in the year of our Lord 2021. Anchor everything you do and say in Jesus, the Chief Cornerstone and Foundation Stone of our faith.

The world will urge you and push you to make some snap decisions in the days ahead. It will try to hurry you up to worry you up. But, do not let your focus move away from your faith over to the fears promoted by the world.

Don't take sightseeing tours of every false refuge the world wants you to enter. Instead, show off your patience and your hope in Jesus Christ. And together we will stay encouraged in the year ahead.

Love, Norman Ramsey



Strength for a New Year

Coming Back to Where We Belong

9:30 am – Worship in the Sanctuary

(Overflow in Legacy Hall)

January 3, 2021: Comfort My People (Isaiah 40: 1 - 5)

Holy Communion following our 9:30am service.

January 10, 2021: Be Not Dismayed for I Am Your God. (Isaiah 41: 8 - 10)

January 17, 2021: I Make You a Covenant for the People. (Isaiah 42: 5 - 9)

January 24, 2021: I've Summoned You by Name. (Isaiah 43: 1 – 3a, 14 - 19)

January 31, 2021: Follow the Lord, Not Idols (Isaiah 44: 6 - 8)

**Church Council Minutes
Memorial United Methodist Church
Wednesday, December 16, 2020
ZOOM Meeting**

Those in attendance were Norman Ramsey, Marie Milton, Mitch Eggleston, Sue Eggleston, Angie Dillon, Dan Turner, Doug Webb, Shila Webb, Kinckle Robinson, Leeann Robinson, Rodney Deaner, Donna Deaner, Blair Smith, Tom Hall, Dawn Elliott, Debby Long, Joan Holt, Tom Gilliam.

Sue Eggleston called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Blair Smith led devotions...."My Golf Game is Bad". 2020 has been a tough year, but it is part of our journey.

November 2020 minutes were approved.

Kinckle Robinson (Finance)...Through November 30th, funds are good. Building loan balance is at 97,000! PTL! Finance committee recommended that we pay the lower apportionment amount offered.....this was approved.

Sue Eggleston (CC Chairperson)...One Call Now is working well. Newsletter deadline is 12/17. Bobby Waddell is going to take on the SPRC chairman position for 2021.

Cindy Ranson and Sheila Webb (Worship)...Looking into the connectivity issue streaming the worship service into Legacy Hall.

Debby Long and Marie Milton (Congregational Care)...Met on 12/10 to discuss goals and programs to begin in January. We envision several small groups handling each area of need. The Joy Caravan visited 32 homes over Thanksgiving weekend. Next meeting is 1/12 at 7 pm.

Angie Dillon (Daycare)...Received the second half of CARES money, which will be used to fix playground areas and purchase new equipment. Will be closed 12/24-1/3 for Christmas holiday. Dan Turner mentioned that an air purification system was installed in Daycare, which cleans the air 24/7.

Steve Nadolson and Mary Main (Ready Set Grow)...Held the first Grow the Joy fellowship time 12/7. Next one will be 12/21 at 7 pm in the sanctuary. Kids Night Out is on hold for now.

Doug Webb (SPRC)...Met on 12/7, requested to District office that pastor Norman Ramsey should remain at Memorial. Carolyn Bergdoll will be paid \$60 each Sunday she plays the piano.

Sue Waddell (Missions)...Completed 140 shoeboxes plus 11 on-line. Also, did 180 Christmas cards.

Harry White (UMM)...Methodist Men will meet Thursday, 12/17 to put together Christmas poinsettia deliveries to our church family homebound members.

Dan Turner (Property & Grounds)...Chancel lighting has been completed. Tree in front of the church was removed by Matt Wilbun at no charge. Would like only trained people to use the backpack sanitizer....this has been found broken a couple of times. Harry White will be taking over as P & G chairman for 2021. Church systems and operation manual has been created. Concerned about interior doors and lights being left open.....security teams are finding these and correcting, but please be sure to shut all doors and turn off lights.

Norman Ramsey (Pastor)... "Thanks" to all those who helped pack boxes for Operation Christmas Child, those who participated in the Cantata, those continuing to give faithfully, those providing a place for our children to worship and learn. "Pray" for our church, our bishop, leaders of SS classes, our prayer time every other Monday, delegates to General Conference, improved communication on Sundays, and for assembling our year-end reports. Due to covid-19 protocols from the conference, there will be no in-person worship the remainder of the year.

Mitch Eggleston closed in prayer.

Sue Eggleston adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

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Congregational Care Ministry

MUMC cares for you, each member of our church family! And we want you to know that we care! We, Debby and Marie, are excited to be the co-chairmen of the Congregational Care Ministry for 2021, and we have some exciting ideas to show you how much we care for you!

In our planning meetings, we have discussed ideas such as: changing light bulbs, changing batteries in smoke detectors, raking leaves, small odd jobs, someone to come sit with a loved one while you get out for a while, picking up medicine or some groceries, a ride to the doctor, a phone call...do you get the idea? We want to help whenever you need someone!

It's more than just the two of us, we have a committee of people who want to help! (Many of you know that we have had several "caravans" during this COVID season where we visited many of our shut-in members, and we want to do more of these!!)

And, with that being said, we can use more helpers! Would you like to be a part of our caring ministry? We would love to have all the help we can get to share some MUMC love! If you want to help out and be the "hands and feet" of Jesus, contact one of us! Also, do you know of other ways we can help members of our church family? Let us know! Do you know of members who need our help but we may not be aware of the need? Let us know! We are here for YOU, we love YOU, and we care for YOU!

Your Congregational Care Chairs,

Debby Long (804) 310-4979 dhoniglong@gmail.com
Marie Milton (434) 665-4875 mcmorgan112@gmail.com



May Christ Be the Light In Your Christmas



Christmas Decorations

The Flower Committee would like to express their appreciation to those who so generously donated to our Flower Fund in order that the church be decorated for the Christmas season.

"For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." – Isaiah 9:6

In Honor Of:

Manning, Connie & Phil
Given by Myrt Harrell

Daphne Jackson
Given by Cindy & Ronnie Ranson

Elsie Ranson
Given by Cindy & Ronnie Ranson

Peggy Lawson
Given by Judy Smith

Judy Smith
Given by Peggy Lawson

Dr. & Mrs. William Burger
Given by Kathy & Rick Woodall

Rev. & Mrs. Norman Ramsey
Given by Kathy & Rick Woodall

Daphne Jackson
Given by Kathy & Rick Woodall

Elsie Ranson
Given by Nancy & Ronnie Dawson

In Memory Of:

Nick Dillon
Given by Marie & Ken Milton

Cindi
Given by Myrt Harrell

Marian & Charlie Carter
Given by Joyce & G.H. Jamerson

Marion & Arthur Noe
Given by Richard M. Noe

*The Arthur, Maxwell & Myers
Family Members*
Given by Lin & Tom Maxwell

Lucy & Joe Irvine
Given by Donna Irvine

Mary P. & W.S. Gills
Given by Charles Gills

Seth Rothgeb
Given by Cindy & Ronnie Ranson

Rev. Thomas Jackson
Given by Cindy & Ronnie Ranson

Thomas Ranson
Given by Cindy & Ronnie Ranson

Charles R. Thomas
Given by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Thomas

Pat Thomas Wagoner
Given by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Thomas

The Rev. Forrest S. Wagoner
Given by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Thomas

Millie & David Trent
Given by Betty Hill

Sandra Trent Millner
Given by Betty Hill

Mary H. Long
Given by Richard Long

Elizabeth Jamerson
Given by Anne & Richard Robinson

Neola & Grover Smith
Given by Judy Smith

Alton Smith
Given by Judy Smith

Phyllis Smith
Given by Judy Smith

Mother, Gladys Honig
Given by Deborah Long

Father, Henry Honig
Given by Deborah Long

Millie & David Trent
Given by Brenda & John Giles

Sandra Trent Millner
Given by Brenda & John Giles

Alton Smith
Given by Tammy Martin & Tiffany Sprouse

Phyllis Smith
Given by Tammy Martin & Tiffany Sprouse

Hazel & William C. Thomas
Given by Beverly Thomas

Ruth & Byron Cole
Given by Byron Cole

Virginia & Webb Babcock
Given by Pat & Bo House

Bena & Marvin House Sr.
Given by Pat & Bo House

Tom Ranson
Given by Nancy & Ronnie Dawson

June & Charlie Dawson
Given by Nancy & Ronnie Dawson

Seth Rothgeb
Given by Nancy & Ronnie Dawson

Nick Dillon
Given by Nancy & Ronnie Dawson



What is Une Vie Renouvelée?

Une Vie Renouvelée is a Christ-centered, biblically-driven program that links the elements of fellowship, worship, teaching, support group, and bible studies under one curriculum.



This is a program based on Jesus' beatitudes. Une Vie Renouvelée focuses on unhealed hurts, unmet needs, and unresolved issues. It centers on the saving grace of Jesus Christ, who provides healing from sin and spiritual growth.

Une Vie Renouvelée translated means "A Life Renewed."

The purpose is to create a safe place of acceptance, healing, and grace for those dealing with life's hurts, harmful habits, and hang-ups. At A Life Renewed, you will find God's unconditional love and forgiveness ... finding an open door that leads to healing for yourself while helping others ... ultimately leading to changed lives and walking in the freedom and victory of Christ.

Are you saying this sounds great! A life renewed! You know, even kids get exhausted and want to give up. In 2021, would you like to rebuild your strength; restore your vigor so you feel like you can fly, run a marathon, work all day, and never need a nap?

Well, at 6:30 on Tuesday nights, in Legacy Hall, join Une Vie Renouvelée (which is how they say Celebrate Recovery in Haiti). Follow Paul's advice, make it your New Year's Resolution to be part of A Life Renewed and find My Life Renewed!



You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:22-24



Celebrate Recovery - Appomattox

Call us -- Cheryl Gowin 434-808-2637 or Dennis Gowin 434-808-2426
like CR-Appomattox on Facebook @celebrate.recovery.appomattox

*Join your Fellow Mountain Climbers
on Tuesday at 6:30 in Legacy Hall*

Address for Russell & Julie Cheatham:
2749 Southland Street
St. Cloud, FL 34772-7859



Youth United for middle and high school students meets at the church every Sunday from 4:00 to 5:30 PM.
Call or text Tori Rothgeb at 434-664-7272 to be added to the text reminder list.



2 Jan	Loretta Layne
2 Jan.	Mike Walsh
7 Jan.	Hannah Lee Baine
7 Jan.	Joyce Garrett
8 Jan.	Tom Maxwell
8 Jan.	Adam Dillon
8 Jan.	Lucy Harvey
8 Jan.	Benny Harvey
10 Jan.	Julie Cheatham
12 Jan.	Phil Bass
12 Jan	Rose Hall
13 Jan	Chris Blondek
13 Jan.	Dylan Slayton
13 Jan.	Evan Neiswander
14 Jan.	Bobby Waddell
14 Jan.	Debra Jones
17 Jan.	Hallie Drinkard
17 Jan.	Rick Blake
20 Jan.	Miranda Deaner
20 Jan.	Brandon Marsh
21 Jan.	Joanne Burger
21 Jan.	Chuck Nepage
23 Jan.	JR Morton
25 Jan.	Gary Mantiply
28 Jan.	Susie Barbour
28 Jan.	Richard Long
29 Jan.	Marie Milton
29 Jan.	Sara Marsh
30 Jan.	Tom Gilliam
31 Jan.	John Holland
31 Jan.	James Garrison



**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
DEADLINE FOR THE FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER WILL BE JANUARY 18th.**

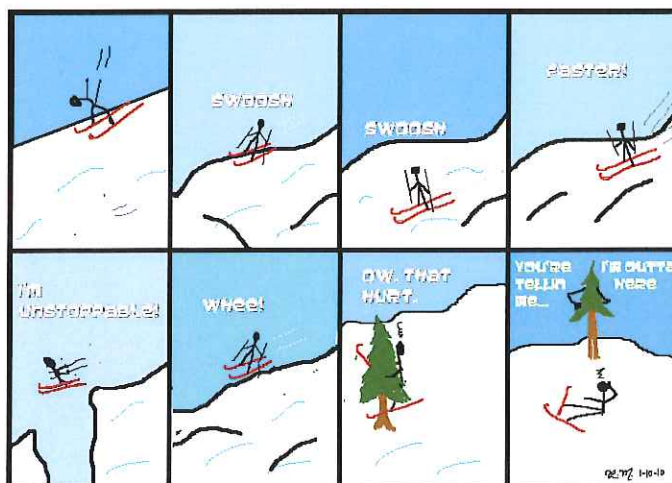


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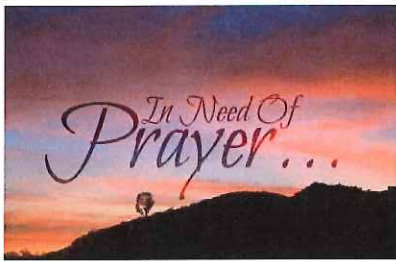
1/3	Dennis & Cheryl Gowin
1/10	Marie & Ken Milton
1/17	Sheila Webb & Cindy Ranson
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1/31	Joan & Bob Holt



1 Jan.	Laura & Steve Lawson
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1/3	Blair Smith
1/10	Sheila Webb
1/17	Doug Webb
1/24	Mitch Eggleston
1/31	Debby Long



From Brenda and Nathan Putney:

Prayer Requests

Please send prayer requests and praises for 2021 to our new account at PrayerChainMUMC@yahoo.com. Our chairpersons for this year, Nathan and Brenda Putney, will be monitoring this email account and contacting prayer support as needed. You may also call the church office at 434-352-5705 with prayer concerns.

Our prayer ushers have been praying for you at our bi-weekly Monday night prayer times. All are invited to attend these meetings. For January our meetings will be in the sanctuary on 1/11 and 1/25 at 7pm.

Comfort for the Wilbun's on the death of Ryland Wilbun
(brother of Charles & Gerald Wilbun)
The family of Judy Jones (wife of Al Jones)
Josh (Grandson of Danny & Linda Moon), in Roanoke hospital
Virginia William's brothers, Stan and Steven, for health issues
Tommy Bryant (Beverly Davidson's brother-in-law)
Susan Mankad (friend of Dickersons), young mother, cancer
Brenda Sidley, cancer diagnosis (Penny Mongold's cousin)
Sydney & Saverio Morea (niece of Kathy Dickerson)
Barry Maxwell & family (Tom's brother) – cancer treatments
Baby Ellery Graybeale Sullivan & parents, Whitney & Witt
Karen Ramsey, recovering from surgery, pray for her to sleep
Carolyn & Tom Jolly and family
Rev. Bob Weeks, radiation
Rev. Mike Day, recovery
Coach Doug Smith, bone cancer
Butch Taylor, early Alzheimer's, (friend of Pastor Norm)
Louie Quinio (Carolyn Jolly's brother) – recovering from surgery
Wayne Smith, heart issues (Relative of a friend of the Bergdolls)
Judy Ferguson & family (aunt of Dawn Elliott)
Kindilee Faith Evans (friend of Kelly Coles)
Susan Book (Hip replacement- pain management)
Danny Dickerson, addiction
Bobby Garrett, testing for spot on lungs
Bethany Nadolson, Targeted Cancer treatments
Greg Knight (Francis Knight's son)
Darlene Clark (Gerald Wilbun's cousin- heart attack)
Jennifer Tucker (friend of Cindi Williams, breast cancer)
Charlotte Fenchum (Butch Thomas' girlfriend)
Frances Parsons (Bob Parson's mother)
Doug Doss Jr. (Father of Melissa Doss)
Cayden Walsh (Walsh's grandson)
Brandon Coles (Kelly Coles' brother)
Robin Parsons (daughter of the Parsons- cancer)
Olivia Baldwin (Bob & Doreen Parson's friend)
Patricia Wallace (Melissa Doss' aunt)
Timothy Lloyd (Skeeter & Betty's Grandson)
Carrie B. Lloyd (Rick & Mindy Blake's daughter)
Carina Bergdoll – leg issues (Daughter-in-law of Bergdolls)
Shawn & Jennifer Walsh (Jean Walsh's son & daughter-in-law)
Lucille Lewis (Betty Jo Smith's aunt) fluid in lungs & weak heart

Mary Main
Bryan & Allison Allgood
Loretta Layne
DS Denise Bates
Betty Guthrie
Francis Knight
Andrew Nitzel
Cheryl Skipper
Tanner Campbell
Bob Dunnam
Bobby Waddell
Joanne Burger
Benny Harvey
Gary Lindsey
Cassidy Richardson
Cathy Bates
Phil Bass
Deb Stacey
Sharee Whitmer
Doreen Parsons
Skeeter & Betty Armstrong

Continuing Concerns:

Ruth Smith The Summit, Room 119, 1400 Enterprise Drive, Lynchburg, Virginia 24502
Babcock Manor, 4151 Pumping Station Rd. Appomattox, VA 24522: Anne Weakley, Lorene Lucado,
& Estaline McCraw- c/o Ann Smith 4132 Suck Mountain Trail, Bedford, VA 24523
Mary Martin, Valley View Retirement, Room 401A, 1213 Long Meadows Dr., Lynchburg, VA 24502
Daphne Jackson, Bentley Commons, Apt. 227, 1604 Graves Mill Rd., Lynchburg, VA 24502
Frances Rogers, St. Joseph's Home, 1503 Michaels Road, Henrico, VA 23229
Sara Baine, 160 Virginia Ave., Appomattox, VA 24522
Victor & Susan Vernon, 126 Ceocia Lane, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477
Manning & Myrt Harrell, 78 Woodline Dr., Concord, VA 24538
Anna Johnson, 276N Main St., Amherst, VA 24521
Cheryl Skipper, 193 Parkview Lane, Appomattox, VA 24522
United Methodist Church, All Bishops and Conference Leaders, Va. Conference Bishop Sharma Lewis,
Bishop District Superintendent Denise Bates, Pastor Norman & MUMC Leaders, Youth United, MUMC
College Students, Members of our Armed Services stationed overseas and here at home, Police Force &
Special Agencies, President Trump, World leaders, The United States of America, All refugees

WANT SOMEONE TO PRAY WITH YOU?

Our prayer ushers haven't left you! We still want to pray with you even though church may look differently now! We encourage you to contact us by phone or email and we will be delighted to talk with you and pray for you! Romans 8:38-39 tells us "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." We are still the body of Christ even though we aren't physically together. God still loves you and so do we! So, do you wish for someone to pray with you? Then please contact one of us!

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Rodney Deaner	434-664-7831	rdeaner@jetbroadband.com
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Steve "Bear" Nadolson	740-507-0717 or 434-352-7598	bear@soarr.com



Hi Church Family!

We have a GOOD problem we need to solve together. Since we have resumed our in-person inside worship service, more people are coming back to join us and that's great! But as we gather together, we are required to maintain social distancing and we're running out of room. So to help, Pastor Norm is asking that we do 2 things together:

1) The first way some of you can help is when you join us for worship on Sunday that you come to Legacy Hall rather than the Sanctuary. A screen and all of the sounds of the service are waiting for you - live-streamed into Legacy Hall. Please call Norm at 540-309-1776 if you will help in this way. When you call, he will give you further instructions about how that works.

Those who need to use the elevator to access the Sanctuary just continue to call the office at 434-352-5705 and come in that way Sunday morning.

2) The second way you can help is to let Sheila or Cindy (Worship co-chairs) know that you would be willing to help in the future as an usher or a greeter who registers people as they attend worship. Without your help, we will soon run into the same problem again...not enough room for everybody that comes to worship. The next step would be to go to 2 worship services. But we can't do that until we have enough people to help facilitate the services. If you are willing to help, please reply to this email and your name will be forwarded to Sheila and Cindy.



The Missions committee of Memorial United Methodist Church exists to reach out to the needy and to spread the gospel. Its main focus is to involve the congregation in Missions. It is equally committed to local, national, and international needs. If you want to experience the joy of spreading the gospel and helping the needy, join us in one of our hands on Missions Opportunities! If you are interested in finding out more information or giving ideas on missions opportunities, please contact Sue Waddell at 434-660-0367.

Our Missionary Partners:

YoungLife (Appomattox, VA) Central Virginia VA27, P.O. Box 3543 Lynchburg, VA 24503-0543; (giving.younglife.org)

The Jesus Center (Appomattox, VA) P.O. Box 322 Appomattox, VA 24522

Clara Biswas, Street Children Ministries (Cambodia) clarabiswas@online.com.kh (advance.umcmmission.org/p-1509-biswas-clara-mridula.aspx)

Chris & Paula McNutt, Hope of Life, Mt. Comfort (Guatemala) 445 Abbitt Branch Rd. Appomattox, VA 24522 (passion4guatemala.com)

Charles & Becky Jackson, Generous Hands (Philippines) charlesbeckyjackson@msn.com

Emi Monges, Ambassadors for Christ (Paraguay) emimonges@hotmail.com <https://afciworld.org/what-we-do/focus-on-the-heart/>

The Mathers, Stepping Forward Ministries (Romania) Stepping Forward Ministries, PO Box 20065, Salem, Oregon 07307

IMPACT 2020 MUMC MISSIONS *Be His Feet!!!*

The missionary spirit is the spirit of Jesus,
the spirit of the incarnation and the Cross.
(J. Hudson Taylor)

*"For even the Son of Man did not come to
be served, but to serve and to give His life a
ransom for many" (Mark 10:45).*

Our next mission committee meeting
will be on Thursday, January 21st.
Place TBD.



**We will be volunteering at
Gleaning for the World on the
3rd Wednesday of each month
from 1:30- 3:30pm.**



**Mark your calendars for
January 20th!**



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ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS:
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General Board of Global Ministries
Street Children Ministry
UMC, MMC Cambodia
Merry Christmas 2020



Dear Friends,

May the love of Jesus Christ whose birthday we are now celebrating be with you. It is Christmas time again. We celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ who gave his life for the ransom of humanity. We celebrate his birth and give gifts to one another for Jesus indeed is God's gift to us. Through His grace, He gave his only son to save us from our sins and become God's children. God so loved the world that He gave his only Son that whosoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16) This is the message of God's love which we are proclaiming as we continue with our Mission here in Cambodia. Many souls have been saved through this mission as seen in our yearly reports. This is our great joy. It is joy that we celebrate this Christmas.

Once again, we convey our gratefulness for your prayers and financial assistance so that this Ministry to the under privileged sisters and brothers here in Cambodia become possible. Our Street Children Ministry continues to serve the poor, the sick, the marginalized giving them an opportunity to live abundant and meaningful lives.

I continue to heed the call to serve because you are there to assist me through your prayers and financial support. I convey our thankfulness with grateful and joyful hearts. I continue to get inspiration looking at the happy faces of persons whose lives have been changed because of your help. Indeed if you can see them, you will find fulfillment in your loving and sharing with these our brothers and sisters.

With grateful devotion, our children painted and sketched Christmas sceneries for cards that we are again sending to you. May you not get tired in loving and providing assistance to these poor children of God. They too deserve abundant and meaningful life that they achieve through this ministry.

And I quote one writer who said, "A raindrop may seem too small to matter, but somewhere, somehow a thirsty flower awaits its fall. So never be tired of pouring out kindness. Every little good deed always leaves a trace. Continue to be a blessing to others and be blessed a hundredfold." You are blessing to us, answers to the prayers uttered by our sisters and brothers, the street children and their families. Attached are Christmas Cards painted and sketched personally by our gifted children who are recipients of our love. God bless you and Merry Christmas.

By the way, we are again preparing for our Christmas activities of dancing, singing, drama and reciting memory verses.

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Clara M. Biswas
Team Leader of Street Children Ministries,
GBGM, UMC PO BOX 2493
Phnom Penh 3, Cambodia

Read the Bible in a Year Chart

(Traditional Historical Chronology)

JANUARY	MARCH	MAY	JULY	SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER
1 - Genesis 1-4	1 - Judges 1-3	1 - 1 Kings 5-7	1 - 2 Chron. 29-32	1 - Esther 8-10	1 - 1 Cor. 1-4
2 - Genesis 5-8	2 - Judges 4, 5	2 - 1 Kings 8-11	2 - Isaiah 7-12	2 - Ezra 7-10	2 - 1 Cor. 5-7
3 - Genesis 9-11	3 - Judges 6-8	3 - Ecc. 1, 2	3 - Isaiah 13-23	3 - Nehemiah 1-7	3 - 1 Cor. 8:1-11:1
4 - Genesis 12-14	4 - Judges 9-12	4 - Ecc. 3-5	4 - Isaiah 24-27	4 - Nehemiah 8-10	4 - 1 Cor. 11:2-14:40
5 - Genesis 15-17	5 - Judges 13-16	5 - Ecc. 6-8	5 - Isaiah 28-35	5 - Nehemiah 11-13	5 - 1 Cor. 15
6 - Genesis 18-20	6 - Judges 17-21	6 - Ecc. 9-12	6 - Isaiah 36-39	6 - Malachi 1-4	6 - 1 Cor. 16
7 - Genesis 21, 22	7 - Ruth 1-4	7 - 1 Kings 12-16	7 - Isaiah 40-43	7 - Matthew 1, 2	7 - 2 Cor. 1-7
8 - Job 1-7	8 - 1 Sam. 1-7	8 - 1 Kings 17-19	8 - Isaiah 44-48	8 - Matthew 3:1-4:11	8 - 2 Cor. 8, 9
9 - Job 8-14	9 - 1 Sam. 8-12	9 - 1 Kings 20-22	9 - Isaiah 49-57	9 - Matthew 4:12-7:29	9 - 2 Cor. 10-13
10 - Job 15-22	10 - 1 Sam. 13:1-16:13	10 - 2 Kings 1-4	10 - Isaiah 58-66	10 - Matthew 8:1-11:1	10 - Acts 18:12-20:1
11 - Job 23-31	11 - Psalm 23	11 - 2 Kings 5-8	11 - Hosea 1-3	11 - Matthew 11:2-13:53	11 - Ephesians 1-3
12 - Job 32-37	12 - 1 Sam. 16:14-19:11	12 - 2 Kings 9:1-14:25	12 - Hosea 4-7	12 - Matthew 13:54-16:26	12 - Ephesians 4-6
13 - Job 38-42	13 - Psalm 59	13 - Jonah 1-4	13 - Hosea 8-13	13 - Matthew 17:1-19:2	13 - Romans 1:1-3:20
14 - Genesis 23-25	14 - 1 Sam. 19:12-21:15	14 - 2 Kings 14:26-29;	14 - Hosea 14	14 - Matthew 19:3-23:39	14 - Romans 3:21-7:25
15 - Genesis 26-28	15 - Ps. 34, 56	Amos 1, 2	15 - Micah 1-3	15 - Matthew 24:1-26:2	15 - Romans 8
16 - Genesis 29-33	16 - 1 Sam. 22:1,2; Ps. 57, 142	16 - Amos 3-6	16 - Micah 4, 5	16 - Matthew 26:3-27:66	16 - Romans 9-11
17 - Genesis 34-36	17 - 1 Sam. 22:3-23; Ps. 52	16 - Amos 7-9	17 - Micah 6, 7	17 - Matthew 28	17 - Romans 12, 13
18 - Genesis 37-41	18 - 1 Sam. 23; Ps. 54, 63	17 - 2 Kings 15-17	18 - Nahum 1-3	18 - Mark 1:1-13	18 - Romans 14:1-15:13
19 - Genesis 42-45	19 - 2 Sam. 1-4	18 - 2 Kings 18-20	19 - 2 Chron. 33, 34	19 - Mark 1:14-3:35	19 - Romans 15:14-16:27
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Peace • Love • Joy

Wishing you a
very merry Christmas



*It is often in the
darkest skies that we see the
Brightest stars.*

— RICHARD EVANS



As 2020 rounds the bend, we won't be sorry to see it end

It won't be forgotten and that's for sure

We've had Corona, election, and tragedies galore

We're mindful of losses so many have suffered

Some so severe, how will they recover?

We're hoping you and your loved ones too

social-distance and mask to avoid the flu

In spite of it all, we feel blessed beyond measure

And even made memories we'll always treasure

Like the December rainbow we were blessed to behold

Its promise more precious than some old pot of gold

And the seasons and sky were especially lovely

Magnificent sunsets and white clouds so fluffy

Bird colors too seemed more vivid than ever

Time watching them gives us such pleasure

So we're very thankful and especially so

For the sweet baby Jesus we're privileged to know

He came as a babe and grew into a man

All in accordance with His Father's plan

He went to that cross to save us from sin

And gave us the chance to be born again

And so there's the reason for our celebrations

Honoring Jesus for His gift to all nations.



*"Then pealed the bells
More loud and deep
God is not dead
Nor doth He sleep;
The wrong shall fail
The right prevail
With peace on Earth
Good will to men!"
- Longfellow*


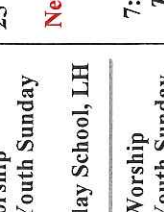
Happy New Year - 2021!

Be Merry & Bright

*SKEETER
ARMSTRONG
and Betty*



January 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FYI: Each Sunday: Inside Worship is at 9:30 AM in Sanctuary & live-streamed in Legacy Hall. <i>Drive-In (tune radio to 89.3 FM)</i> Online on the Memorial UMC Facebook page or MEMUMC.ORG					1  Church office closed	2
3 9:30 AM – Inside Worship, Sanctuary 9:30 AM – Children's Sunday School, enter above Daycare Entrance. (Youth in service)	4	5 8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall 9:30-11:00 AM – Church Office Staff Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery	6 5:30 PM – Handbell Practice	7 8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall	8	9
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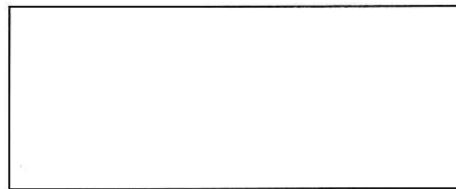


Sunday, in-person worship at 9:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

Enter at front entrance (Court Street);

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