

Prayer List

In hospital, Bob Schiffer, Forrest Duarte.

In convalescent care, Ruby Gregory, Betty Byrnes, Natta Lea McCormack, Marion Holsteen, Leonard Shaw, Howard Nolan, Adrianna Paine.

For health and support, Bill Chamberlain, Helen Nonnette, Irene Darton, Everett McCormick, Justin Garnett, Emily Shaw, Eli Sturman, Pat Williams, Ray Weakly, Lynn Ashworth, John Burch, Rob Smail, Peggy Ramsay, Shannon Barranco.

Rev. Ed Reeves, pastor of Riverside First Methodist Church from 1951 to 1959, has passed away. His memorial service is Friday, August 13, 2:00 PM, First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 241 Cedar Ave. Long Beach 90802.



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Keynote Message
from Pastor John

Are You Connected?

I am now completely up-to-date in the communications department. Scott, who makes sure that our church office computers and communications are up-and-running, came in the other day and connected my new laptop computer to the internet and got me set up with the church e-mail system. Here is how you can get hold of me and how you and I can stay connected. In fact, I have several e-mail addresses: my church e-mail is jyoon@fumcor.com. I also have personal e-mail addresses at yohan6063@aol.com, and yohan6063@blackberry.com. I have a cell phone/Blackberry at 909-641-4696; you can either call me or text me. My home phone number is 909-797-6797. I also have a desktop and a laptop at

home. You can of course call me at church, too. I'll receive a phone call from the car (only if it's urgent!), or during a meeting—you name it.

You know where I am going with this; there is no reason why you and I can't stay connected. With today's technology, we are hooked up like never before. But the other day, my son phoned from college. I told him I was on another call and said I'd get right back to him. A full eight hours or so lapsed before I remembered he had telephoned. When I called him back, he simply said, "it's ok dad, called mom, she took care of it." I paused for a moment musing on how reachable we are, how available, and yet how prone we remain to saying, "not now, I am busy" or "why is it so hard to get hold of you?"

Even with all these communication tools and means, we often fail to con-

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nect, and so we keep trying...Which leads me to this question: how are you in staying connected spiritually and with God? God has given us various spiritual tools to help us stay connected with one another and with God. John Wesley called it "Means of Grace." The means that God uses to give grace to us. Wesley named the chief means of grace: both private and public prayer; searching the Scriptures, reading, hearing, meditating, helping the needy; and the Lord's Supper. I can think of many other means of grace, I am sure you can, too. We should be up-to-date on spiritual communications.

And so we keep trying to stay connected with each other and with God.

*See You at Church,
Pastor John*

The ministers of this church are its members. Assisting them are Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, District Superintendent Bau Dang, and the church staff: Sr Pastor, John Yoon; Youth Director, Val Weise; Aldersgate Director, Alice Wymer; Organist, Marc Longlois; Bell Choir Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Secretary/ Receptionist, Ginger Mullen; Sunday School Superintendent, Barbara Jo Wilson; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.

Faith & Fellowship



Salad Luncheon August 15

following the worship service

**Bring: a favorite
"summer" salad to share.**

**Faith & Fellowship
will provide drinks, rolls,
and dessert.**



Michael Othon	1
Sonja Moore	3
Harold Jackson	6
Laurie Williams	6
Gregory Hice	7
Nancy Kennedy	7
Esther Rank	8
Iva Schoppe	8
Robert Nelson	9
Savannah Knight	11
Sarah Six	11
Peggy Ramsay	14
Ernestine Blake	18
Maryetta Ferré	21
Scott Kirkwood	21
Linda Kraft	22
Laurel McDonald	23
Gretel Noble	23
Tom Cahraman	25
Clinton Marr	28
Rory Wynne	30

SPRC Report

The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) wants you to know that we are still working with Rev. Bau Dang and Rev. John Yoon in securing a replacement for Pastor Sheila Kane. There are few choices at the present time. We need someone who can assist Pastor John with weddings, funerals, communion, and, occasionally, sermons when he is on vacation.

In the meantime, Val Weiss, who is a candidate for ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church of this conference, and sponsored by FUMCOR, will assist Pastor John on a temporary basis as needed. She will also be using this opportunity for strengthening her candidacy for ordained ministry.,

*Bessie Ridley, Chair
SPRC*

Michael Noble Recital Michael will give a joint recital with vocalist, Jason Lee at the Brandstater Gallery at La Sierra University on August 1st at 4 PM. Jason will be singing lied and some popular songs accompanied by Michael Noble. Michael will also be playing solo repertoire.

Youth News

UMYF—August 1

Methodist Night at the Inland 66ers

Riverside District Youth are sponsoring this event, which is open to TWEENS, Youth, Young Adults, Families...everyone! Game time is 6:05 PM and tickets are only \$7. Our group can buy 5 tickets / get 1 free. See Val to reserve tickets.

UMYF—August 8

Lunch & A Movie

Watch for details.



Articles for the next *Messenger* (issue date September 5, 2010) must be in the church office no later than Wednesday, August 25. Thank you!

SUMMER CAMPS & MISSION TRIP

This summer ten of our children and youth participated in the Riverside District Summer Camps. Our Elementary, Junior High and Senior High youth spent a week at beautiful Camp Wrightwood and have wonderful stories and experiences to share. Our elementary campers have great bear stories!

Our mission team will be serving in Mexico the first week of August. They will be traveling to Jaramillo where they will weatherproof homes, work at churches and provide VBS. We look forward to hearing of their experiences and the people they served.

Thanks to your support this past year we were able to provide almost \$2000 in camperships and over \$5000 for the mission team. We offer a special thanks to Church & Society for a donation of \$1000 to the Mexico Mission Project and a member donation that covered the expenses for one van. Your kindness and generosity are appreciated.

Val Weise
Youth Director

Bells & Chimes – Come & Join A Note from the Bell Director

It's that time of year when I start planning the bell & chime program for the next season, which starts in September. We finished last season with a bang (or a shake) with our end-of-year bell concert. The groups had a good time preparing the various selections for your enjoyment. Thank you to all who attended the concert and who supported us all year long.

In September, we will return to having three groups: Allegro Ringers (adult), Youth Bells and Children's Chimes. Below is information regarding each group:

The Allegro Ringers are the adult group that meets on Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM. We have openings for three new ringers. No previous musical experience is required, although it is helpful. I will teach both the music and the instrument to any one interesting in joining. Childcare is available during rehearsals.

The Youth Bells are for our youth 7th grade through 12th grade. The Youth Bells meet on Sundays at 8:45 AM. Musical experience is not required as I teach both the instrument and the music. All youth are welcome to join.

The Children's Chime Choir is for those in grades 2nd through 6th. The Children's Chime Choir meets on Sundays at 9:30 AM. This group starts

Mission Moments from UMW

The United Methodist Women in Jinja District, Uganda, recently came together and decided to put up a multi-purpose training and community center. Guided by the National United Methodist Women's president, who is one of the very few female architects in Uganda, the women built a multi-purpose center. Men were recruited by the women to work on this building! The center is now operational and serving the needs of the women as they are being trained to become self-sufficient. It is also serving the needs and enhancing the social life of the community. *Elmira Sellu, Kampala, Uganda, Regional Missionary.* Submitted by *Peggy Ramsay, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.*

by teaching the children basic music reading as well as playing the instrument. All children at least in 2nd grade are welcome.

To join, simply contact me on Sundays or via the church office.

Gayla Lonsbery
Bell Director

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship & Communion—S 11:00 am VBS Party—Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—Adult Lounge 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	2 6:30 pm Discipleship Class—Koinonia	3	4 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury 6:00 pm Sit n Sew Quilters—Mary's Kitchen	5 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	6	7
8 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship—S 11:15 am Evangelism/Discipleship—AL 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	9 6:30 pm Discipleship Class—Koinonia	10 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 6:00 pm Faith & Fellowship Committee—Bales home 7:00 pm SPRC—CR	11 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury	12 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	13	14
15 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship—S 11:15 am Church&Soc/Missions—AL 11:15 am Salad Potluck—FH 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	16 6:30 pm Discipleship Class—Koinonia 7:00 pm Christian Education—Mary's Kitchen	17 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR	18 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury 5:00 pm Finance—CR	19 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	20	21
22 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship—S 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	23 6:30 pm Discipleship Class—Koinonia 7:00 pm Church Council	24 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR	25 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury Articles for the Messenger due today!	26 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	27	28 Hunger Ministry
29 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Family Worship—S 11:15 am Pancake Brunch—FH 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	30 6:30 pm Discipleship Class—Koinonia	31 8:30 am Messenger Volunteers—Mary's Kitchen 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR	2 6:00 pm Sit n Sew Quilters—Mary's Kitchen	3 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR		

