

Registration Packets for VBS

are available in the office and on our website. You may also visit the VBS table in the patio after Sunday worship to pick up registration and **volunteer** packets.

VBS is

July 26-30

9:00 AM-12:30 PM *each day*

Directors:

Barbara Jo Wilson & Lee Ann Salmon

Theme: GALACTIC BLAST,
A Cosmic Adventure Praising God!



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Keynote Message from Pastor John *A Journey of Faith*

Hello! My name is John Yoon. I am your new pastor and, more importantly, I hope to be your friend for many years to come at FUMCOR.

First of all, I want to thank God and all of you for this opportunity given to me to be here with you all. I am truly honored and privileged, and at the same time excited, to be your new pastor, to serve and worship our Lord Jesus Christ together.

I know it's impossible to tell you all about myself and my family in the next few sentences, but let me try.

I am an ordinary person who, like you, loves Jesus Christ and tries to follow His ways, loves his family and his church. You will soon discover

that I also make mistakes. I enjoy playing golf, working out, watching sports on television. I like eating most kinds of food: Korean BBQ, hamburgers, hot dogs, pastas, potlucks, sushi, etc.

My wife and I just celebrated our 20th Anniversary. My wife's name is Mina, and I am pretty sure you will like her a lot. We have two wonderful sons: Christopher, 19, a sophomore majoring in biochemistry at UCLA; and Joshua, 17, who will be a senior at Yucaipa High School.

My previous experiences and appointments in the United Methodist Church include working with Woodland Korean United Methodist, Marn-Baek Sung Korean United Methodist in Staten Island, NY, Del Rosa United Methodist in San

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Bernardino, and UMC of Yucaipa. I served as Youth Pastor, Associate Pastor, and Senior Pastor.

I was born in Seoul, Korea to a Methodist pastor's family. Our family immigrated to the United States when I was 14 years old as my father became the pastor of a small Korean Methodist Church in Detroit, MI. And now here I am in Riverside, California.

Indeed, life has been a journey for me and my family, which is why the story of Abraham and Sarah is one of my favorite stories in the Bible. And perhaps, also, because I find myself as an ordained minister of the United Methodist Church required to move whenever the call comes. I know we are called to move at various times in our lives. We make many moves: going off to school, a new job, a new relationship, a new pastor, new church or simply a new beginning.

But there is another kind of move we are all called to as Christian peo-



ple. It doesn't have a definite destination or time of arrival. It is a journey of faith. We are called by God to move—to go where he tells us to go with our faith and with our lives. God doesn't tell us when we are

going to get there, often we aren't even sure where it is we are going.

And so Abraham and Sarah were asked to pack their bags, leave their home and country, venture off to a land unknown, and to trust their future to God's guidance. They were asked to simply journey by faith.

And so we—you and I—are asked

to venture off to a land unknown, simply by faith... Oops, I am running out of the allotted space, but I look forward to sharing more of my stories and hearing your stories of faith and journey soon.

Pastor John

Fourth of July Fireworks

Come and join the fun
in our parking lot
on the evening of July 4th
to view the Fireworks
from Mt. Rubidoux
beginning at 6 PM

A \$5.00 donation per car
is appreciated.

In Our prayers

In hospital, Bill Chamberlain

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

For health and support, Irene Darton, Helen Nonnette, Phyllis Chandler, Marlene Bardarson, Emily Shaw, Myra Williams, Lorraine Armata, Eli Sturman, Frances Longbotham, Susan Shuckett, Christopher Naus, Nina Freeman, Kris Thompson, Marge Elliott, Rob Smail, Max Hinton, Mary Spangler, Radha and Gita Spencer, Ray Weakly, Bob Schiffer and Dusty Beals.

Our sympathy and prayers go to the family & friends of Ralph Hughes, who passed away May 19.

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 Choirs Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Receptionist, Ginger Mullen; Sunday School Superintendent, Barbara Jo Wilson; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.

Mission Moments

from UMW

Here's a re-run I'm submitting. It gives one a warm feeling to know that these children felt such excitement in the gift of a toothbrush — an item that we take so much for granted.

Yema led the Department of Nursing at Kenya Methodist University (KEMU) to bring oral hygiene awareness to Mwithumwiru Primary School, about four miles from the university. One hundred eighty of the 600 schoolchildren were each given a toothbrush and toothpaste tube. The lecturers and students from the Nursing Department at KEMU taught children the anatomy of the mouth and how to brush their teeth. Yema brought containers of clean water and cups for the demonstrations. You could see from the excitement that some of the children were using a toothbrush for the first time! *Lahi and Yerna Luhahi, Meru, Kenya, Missionaries. Submitted by Peggy Ramsay, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.*



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Welcome

Join us as we meet and greet incoming Senior Pastor John Yoon and his wife, Mina. A welcome reception, sponsored by SPRC, will be held July 4, immediately following the worship service, and a cookout and ice cream social, sponsored by Faith & Fellowship, will be held after services on Sunday, July 18 in Fellowship Hall.



Riverside District Summer Camps

Summer Camps will soon begin. If you haven't registered, please do so immediately. Late fees of \$50 will be applied to Jr & Sr. High campers not registered by July 3. Camperships are still available, contact Val Weise for more information.

Elementary Camp: July 11-17

Jr. & Sr. High Camp: July 18-24



Disaster Plans

Just a reminder: FUMCOR has a plan should a large disaster such as an earthquake occur in the Riverside area.

Care Groups have been set up according to neighborhoods, and two team leaders have volunteered to lead each Care Group. Should a large disaster occur, team leaders will call each member on their list. The calls are not only to check on each other's safety, but to see if any help is needed.

These concerns will then be reported to the office.

This process may take several days even a week to accomplish. Many team leaders will need to find their way home, check on their family's needs, and then begin the calling. Many of you have already given the office your cell phone numbers and out-of-state emergency contact information, if you would like to provide this information to the office, contact Ginger or Barbara. If you have any questions or suggestions concerning our Disaster Plan contact Val Weise.

Our hope is this plan never needs to be activated, but just in case, a disaster plan is in place. More information on earthquake preparedness can be found on the church website (www.fumcor.com).

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earthquake preparedness
on the church website
(www.fumcor.com).**

Mexico Mission Trip, August 1-7

FUMCOR will again be sending a group to the San Quintin Valley in Baja for a week of mission. The group will leave Sunday, August 1 and return Saturday, August 7. Registration fee for youth and adults is \$255. This mission trip is open to all youth, young adults and adults. Camper-ships of \$200 are available. Contact David or Val Weise for more information.

Mexico Mission Trip Expenses:

In addition to registration fees, there are other fees involved with this mission trip. These expenses include van rental, travel insurance, gas and miscellaneous expenses. The expenses for one van is approximately \$750, and this year we may need two vans to accommodate our growing mission team. If you would like to make a donation for these added expenses, please contact Val Weise.

July Youth Happenings

July 4th Bring friends and enjoy the fireworks from the best view in Riverside—our parking lot!!!!

July 11 Youth Group will not meet.

July 18 No Youth Group; Jr. & Sr. High Camp

July 25 UMYF welcomes Pastor John! Tweens, Youth and College-Age Young Adults welcome Pastor John with a BBQ and games on the front lawn.

TWEENS—Youth—Young Adults:

Mark your calendars! Riverside Youth and Young Adults will be enjoying a 66er's baseball game on Sunday, August 1. Game time is 6:05 PM. Invite all your friends. Tickets are only \$7. Sign up on the patio or contact Val Weise for tickets.

United Methodist Women

Handcrafters meet July 7, 14, 21, 28, 9:30 AM in Asbury.

There will be no Unit or Executive Meetings, or Almond/Wesleyan Branch Potluck, or Citrus Branch in July.

JULY

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
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| | Articles for the next <i>Messenger</i> (issue date August 1, 2010) must be in the church office no later than <u>July 21</u> . <i>Thank you!</i> | | | | 1 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfst —Mary's Kitchen | 2 | 3 |
| 4 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship/Communion 11:15 am Meet & Greet Yoon Family —Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm Covenant Group—AL 5:00 pm Fireworks—Parking Lot | 5 July 4 - Holiday Observation | 6 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR | 7 9:30 am Handcrafters—AS 6:00 pm Sit n Sew Quilters —Mary's Kitchen | 8 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfst —Mary's Kitchen | 9 | 10 | |
| 11 7:00 am UMM—FH 8:45 am Sunday School / All Ages 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Evangelism—Adult Lounge 5:00 pm Covenant Group—AL | 12 7:00 am Worship Committee—AL | 13 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 7:00 pm SPRC—CR | 14 9:30 am Handcrafters—AS | 15 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfst —Mary's Kitchen | 16 | 17 | |
| 18 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Church & Society—AL 11:15 am Cookout/Ice Cream Social —Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm Covenant Group—AL | 19 | 20 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 5:00 pm Finance Committee—CR | 21 9:30 am Handcrafters—AS Deadline for Messenger Articles | 22 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfst —Mary's Kitchen | 23 | 24 Hunger Ministry | |
| 25 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Family Worship 5:00 pm Covenant Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC | 26 7:00 pm Church Council —Adult Lounge | 27 | 28 | 29 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfst —Mary's Kitchen | 30 | 31 | |
| <h2>Vacation Bible School</h2> | | | | | | | |