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As we finish the school year and move into the summer months, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for all the ministries that are taking place and for all of you who serve so faithfully in Christ's name.

Red Mountain United Methodist Church is a happening place!



We have continued our focus on ministries with children, youth and families, as well as on intergenerational events.

This past September, a wonderful group of people experienced the beauty and cool pines of Mingus Mountain for our "first" all-church family camp. Ranging in age from five months to over seventy, this intergenerational *family* of campers enjoyed incredible food, fun games, crafts, lots of singing and a beautiful outdoor worship service. We've already heard of so much interest for our next camp (*see page 2*) that we hope to double the number of people attending this September.

Our E.D.G.E. Nights at Red Mountain took off beyond our wildest dreams! We had about 200 people participate over the course of the year, being part of various classes and groups. I think most of the participants would agree that we came to look forward to Wednesday evenings -- to a good home-cooked meal and the delightful intergenerational fellowship in Madsen Hall, and then to one of the many offerings held each session.

The success of E.D.G.E. Nights prompted us to re-format our mid-week program for elementary age children. We moved from offering separate children's vocal choirs, handbell choirs, and a craft and science center to an all-inclusive program that all children could participate in together. The children and leaders have thoroughly enjoyed the new SPK (Shout Praises Kids!) format which includes music, movement, Bible stories, games, art and science. (*Be sure and check out their mural of Bible stories in Room 207.*)

The success of our Preschool has also been beyond our wildest dreams! In less than four years of operation, we reached our capacity for enrollment, and are now adding a Young Learner kindergarten-level class in the fall (*see*

page 5). We are so blessed with our director and teachers who help make sure every child knows he or she is a beloved child of God.

As your pastors, Dot and I are working at being more intentional in our ministry with families. Dot is doing home visits with each of our families and visiting with the children and their parents. And I hosted a get-together for families with young children, which turned into a very fun event. We gathered at my home and then walked to the nearby Falcon Hill Park where the children enjoyed the playground equipment and ran around chasing bubbles from a bubble machine.

Right now we are gearing up for Vacation Bible School. If you haven't been part of our VBS helper team in recent years, you don't know what you're missing. VBS at Red Mountain is something else! It's a blast! Actually, this year, it's a Galactic Blast (*see page 4*). After eating dinner together in Madsen Hall, the classes go on a rotation to different activities including music, science, crafts, games and Bible stories. Helpers eat with the children and then accompany the classes to the different areas. I invite you be part of this year's VBS; all ages are welcome -- from 0 to 99. I guarantee it will be one of the most delightful weeks you've ever had. If you're able to be a class helper, or to assist in the kitchen or with registration, please let VBS Director Marsha Lehman, Pastor Dot, Debbie Hollenbach or me know.

We continue with many other ministries for children, youth and families, including Sunday School, Children's Exploration, Confirmation, 5th and 6th grade Fellowship, Jr. High and Sr. High Fellowship, youth volleyball, summer camps, and mission trips. We are also looking for more ways to involve our children and youth in worship, and in worship leadership.

Do you know the names of the children and youth in our church? If not, I invite you to get acquainted. We have an amazing group of young people, and we have amazing families. I hope we will continue to be supportive of our young families in all of our ministries and in everything we do.

See you in worship,



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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR DOT...

Mingus Mountain Experiences



Camp Mingus, located on HC 76, Highway 89A in Prescott Valley is sponsored by the Desert Southwest Conference and the location of the following elementary and youth camps and our fall Family Camp

Registration is still taking place for these camps. Camperships are available:

June 7 -- 12: Senior High Camp -- For campers entering grades 10-12 and graduating seniors

June 14 -- 19: Elementary Camp -- For campers entering grades 3-6

June 28 -- July 3: Super Camp -- For campers entering grades 3-9

July 5 -- 10: Junior High Camp -- For campers entering grades 7-9

July 12 -- 17: Super Camp II -- For campers entering grades 3-9
(Pastor Dot is Dean of this camp!)

Camperships help a young person attend camp. Any amount can be given. Are you able to help? If so, just mark your check or envelope "youth campership".



Family Camp

INTERGENERATIONAL FAMILY CAMP

SEPTEMBER 24-26

MINGUS MOUNTAIN

Let me know of your interest **now** in attending the intergenerational family camp which will take place in September. Camp Mingus is lovely in the fall and wonderful activities are being planned. The weekend will include two nights lodging in group cabins and five delicious meals.... the best meals served at any camp! Cost will be family-friendly with camperships available. Contact me at the church office and let me know of your interest in experiencing Camp Mingus!

Grace and Peace,

Sunday Worship Schedule
7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am

**Theme: AMAZING GRACE – HOW SWEET
THE SOUND**
Lessons from Galatians

Sunday, June 6 Galatians 1:1-7
The Gospel of Liberating Grace

Sunday, June 13 Galatians 2:15-21
Christ-Centered Faith

Sunday, June 20, Father's Day Galatians 3:23-29
All Equal Children of the Promise

Sunday, June 27 Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Freedom Lived Out in Love
Rev. Gene Barnes, preaching

Sunday, July 4 Galatians 6:1-16
True Liberty

Theme: WHEN YOU PRAY, SAY THIS . . .
Lessons from Luke 11:2-4

Sunday, July 11
Our Father in heaven . . .

Sunday, July 18
Hallowed be your name . . .

Sunday, July 25
Your Kingdom come . . .

Sunday, August 1
Give us each day our daily bread . . .

Sunday, August 8
And forgive us our sins . . .



Run to join the summer choir at its "Kick Off Event", **Wednesday, June 2**. A potluck supper will be served in Madsen Hall at **6:00 pm** and rehearsal will follow in the Choir Room at **6:45 pm**. The choir sings an anthem each Sunday morning for the **9:00 am Worship Service** and rehearses on **Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:15 pm** through the summer. E-mail Director Debbie Hollenbach at dhollenbach@azwildblue.com for more information.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

Amazing Grace – How Sweet the Sound . . . We begin the summer months with the apostle Paul's letter to the Galatians. As books of the Bible go, Galatians is very short: 6 chapters, 150 verses. You can read through the entire book in one sitting. Yet, this little book packs a theological punch. In it, Paul passionately proclaims that God's radical grace is the heart of the Christian faith. We are brought into right relationship with God, Paul says, not by anything we do, nor by following the law, but because of what God has already done *for us* in Jesus Christ.

Following an introduction in which he vehemently defends his apostolic authority and his beliefs, Paul speaks of the unmerited gift of God's grace that can only be received through faith. God's amazing grace is offered to everyone, and there are no distinctions between believers, for "there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus (Gal. 3:28)." Paul then concludes the letter by saying that we are to responsibly use the freedom that comes with grace by serving others -- by loving neighbor and living out the fruits of the Spirit. Here's your challenge: read Galatians this month, and think about grace and faith and freedom and love.

When You Pray, Say This . . . Many of us wish we really knew how to pray, or wonder if we're praying correctly. We're not alone in that concern. Jesus' own disciples, after observing him one day in deep prayer, asked him, "Lord, teach us to pray." He said to them, "when you pray, say this," and he then prayed with them what we know as the Lord's Prayer. Today, we say the Lord's Prayer so often that we may say it by rote and not pay much attention to the words. But the Lord's Prayer is the ultimate prayer, and when we truly understand and experience the meaning of the prayer, not only will our entire prayer life be enriched, but our whole way of living will change. If we Christians were to truly live out what we say in the Lord's Prayer, the world would be radically different.



FATHER'S DAY
-- JUNE 20 --
CELEBRATE
THROUGH MUSIC

Sunday morning, June 20 --
Vacation Bible School presentation . . . The children who attend our "Galactic Blast" Vacation Bible School will share several songs during worship. Be prepared to enjoy their enthusiasm and energy!
Preview performance by Concert Violinist Jaime Jorge . . . in all three worship services.
(read more on next page. . .)



Sunday afternoon, June 20
Father's Day Concert with
Jaime Jorge, Christian
Concert Violinist....

Following the morning preview, Jaime will share his story and dynamic music at a

concert in the Worship Center at **4:30 pm**. His forceful, expressive mastery of the violin has delighted audiences around the world. Jaime has had to choose between two lives--one dedicated to medicine or one dedicated to music ministry. Jaime has chosen to use his musical talents by sharing the love of God through sacred and classical concerts and special appearances. He was born in Cuba in 1970 and began violin studies at the age of five. When he was ten, Jaime's family immigrated to the United States and he began lessons with the eminent violinist Cyrus Forough, a student of the great David Oistrakh. His music will delight and move you. The concert will be followed by light refreshments in Madsen Hall. To learn more about Jaime Jorge visit www.JaimeJorge.com.



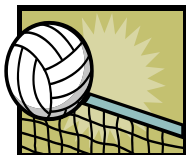
The E.D.G.E. Nights programs have been so successful that we have planned two fun nights of E.D.G.E. programming for this summer. The first of the two summer events will take place on **Wednesday, July**

14, with a church-wide **Talent Show**. We know there are many talented people in our congregation, so plan now to share your talents with your family and friends. To participate in the talent show, email Debbie Hollenbach at dhollenbach@azwildblue.com. Registration forms will also be available in the church office beginning **Sunday, June 6**. The Talent Show will begin at **6:30 pm** and will be followed by a time of fun, fellowship, and delicious pie and ice cream. If you're not participating, then come and be entertained by our talented performers.

The second event will be held on **Wednesday, August 18**, for an **E.D.G.E. Nights Preview evening at 6:30 pm**. Meet the teachers for the fall classes, find out about the new offerings for children, youth, and adults, and pre-register for the session beginning in September. And, of course, there will be refreshments served!

ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Join the new adult volleyball team when it practices on **Sunday, June 6**. The team will compete against teams from other churches beginning June 7. Games continue through the summer. Contact Pastor Dot in the church office with questions.



"GALACTIC BLAST!"
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 14-18

Hey! All you space cadets! Come aboard the Starship Galactica and journey with the rest of the Galactic crew through outer space, discovering the stories of the Bible. Vacation Bible School 2010 will be an exciting journey through space which will include science, crafts, singing, food, games and the exploration of new frontiers. The space odyssey will begin on **Monday, June 14** and end with our return to earth on **Friday, June 18**. Each evening begins at **5:30 pm** with a "space" meal in Madsen Hall and concludes at **8:00 pm**. Classes are available for 3-year-olds through 8th graders. Bring your friends on this awesome journey!

Marsha Lehman is the director of our space exploration. You will find her on Sunday mornings taking registrations on the patio. Be sure to sign up NOW! Marsha is also recruiting adults and senior high youth to volunteer to help with the program. Give her a call at 480-993-3907 or email her at paperisart@gmail.com and offer your assistance. Be a part of the fun!

EMERGENCY TRAINING PROGRAM
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Mission Committee is looking for volunteers who are interested in helping RMUMC provide aid to local residents who may be in need of temporary shelter, food, and/or facilities should a disaster occur. A training course to teach skills and information needed during an emergency will take place **Saturday, June 5, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm** in Madsen Hall. Lunch will be provided.

The first part of this Red Cross training course involves classroom activities such as what roles are needed should a disaster occur along with what jobs that can be done during an emergency. The second part of the training course involves actually placing someone in a leadership role and simulating emergency situations that would better train persons to understand what was taught during the morning session. If you have any questions regarding this training or you wish to register, please email Nick Whittecar at Nick.Whittecar@gmail.com or call him at 480-415-3426. Nick is available any time after 5:00 pm during the week or on Saturdays.



UNITED METHODIST MEN

The monthly United Methodist Men's group met on May 15 in Madsen Hall for breakfast and a slide/video tour of the Holy Land hosted by Paul Bullis. Thanks, Paul, for beautiful slides and meaningful insights.

Although the group cannot always promise "made to order" eggs and a slide show of the Holy Land, they promise you a great time and a chance to visit and fellowship with each other. The UMM will next meet at **8:00 am on Saturday, June 19**, in Madsen Hall for breakfast and discussion of their first mission project, serving a hot dinner to the New Leaf Men's shelter. If you are looking for a way to serve others while getting to know other men in the church, please plan to attend. Email rmman@cox.net with questions.

CLASSICS SUMMER EVENTS

The Classics, our adult fellowship group, have planned the following events for June and July!

Saturday, June 12 – Potluck at the Mason's – Join the fun for dinner, games and fellowship. Watch for a sign up table on the church patio beginning in June.

Saturday, July 31 – Hale Theater's production of "Annie, Get Your Gun" -- Tickets will be available on the church patio at a cost of \$25.00 per person beginning in July. Watch your Sunday announcement page or go to the church website for more information or details about the Classics events. All are invited to attend!



Youth Mission Trips

Early Sunday morning, July 4, the **Senior High youth** will embark on their summer mission trip to Cortez, Colorado. Working on the Ute

reservation, the youth will be assisting in the leadership of a Vacation Bible School, as well as doing light carpentry and painting for local residents. The mission trip is part of YouthWorks, a Christian youth mission organization that focuses not just on physical work, but on building relationships and sharing God's love. Following the mission part of the trip, the youth will enjoy some fun time in Durango and beautiful south-western Colorado. Later in July, the **Junior High youth** will be heading to Flagstaff, where they will be staying at Trinity Heights United Methodist Church, helping with some Flagstaff city projects, and enjoying all that northern Arizona has to offer.



*Submitted by Lisa Knowles
Preschool Committee Chairperson*



The Preschool has finished a great year with 54 students! The Preschool Committee and staff want to thank you for your support this year and give you an update on what is happening in the fall.

This will be our **5th year** of offering classes to young children. As of this newsletter printing, we already have **31 children pre-registered** for fall classes and our new Young Learner Class has an enrollment of nine! The Preschool is also getting closer to its fundraising goal of \$8,000 for the new Young Learner Class. We still have the need for scholarships and various items for the fall, so if you haven't yet made a donation to The Preschool, I invite you to give today!

What was first envisioned as a Kindergarten class has been modified to a Young Learner Class. After some careful review and prayer, it was decided to re-design the program so that children turning five after September 1 would be able to participate in a program that was cut last year by Mesa Public Schools. The curriculum for the Young Learner Class will be at Kindergarten level, but families may choose this program as a step before Kindergarten. They may then choose to see if their child is eligible to test into 1st Grade the following year.

In an attempt to meet the needs of families with the current economic "crunch", we have reduced tuition by reducing the length of the school day. The families who were registered for our Kindergarten class in the fall have now moved their registration to the Young Learner Class. We also are advertising at local schools, newspapers and on our website about our new program.

The Preschool is in the process of hiring a Lead Teacher for the Young Learner Class and a Teacher Assistant for the Preschool classroom. Applications are available at the church website or in the church office.

This summer will be a busy time for The Preschool preparing the classrooms, hiring staff for the fall and enrolling new students. Thank you again for your support of The Preschool, celebrating year five!



TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR HYPERTENSION

Submitted by Lois Wing

The National Institutes of Health urges you to check your blood pressure and “if your blood pressure is not lower than 140/90, ask your doctor why.” High blood pressure affects about 50 million or 1 in 4 American adults. Of these, about 68% are aware of their condition, but only 27% have it under control. The reasons for not having normal blood pressure are:

- Not knowing blood pressure readings
- Not changing life style
- Not taking drugs as prescribed
- And/or not taking a medication that sufficiently lowers blood pressure.

Hypertension can lead to stroke, heart failure, or kidney damage. To help prevent those things from happening, blood pressure must be lowered to less than 140/90 mm Hg. So, what can you do to be as healthy as possible? Be sure to check your blood pressure at least yearly. Lose weight if you need to. Become physically active. Choose to eat foods that are lower in salt and sodium and limit alcohol intake. Of course, your doctor is an important part in helping you to control your blood pressure.

It isn't easy to make changes, but you can do it! God gave us a great body and all he asks of us is to believe in him, turn to him when we need help, and take care of the body he gave us. A very good web site on the subject is: <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov>.

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE

The Health and Wellness and Staff Parish Relations Committees are seeking a volunteer to serve as our Faith Community Nurse (formerly Parish Nurse). This is a volunteer position, working 8 to 10 hours per week, with reimbursement for license, insurance and mileage.

Qualifications: The person must have a current Arizona RN license (a BSN is preferred) and three-years experience in community health nursing. He/she needs to have an understanding of Parish Nurse practices and approaches. It is important to have some managerial experience, computer competency, organizational and public speaking skills, good interpersonal communication skills and be able to maintain necessary data and reports.

Contact the church office for a job description and/or application and return the application with a resume to the church office by **June 15**.



CIRCLE OF PROMISE

*Submitted by
Roy Schlessman*

There are times in people's lives when they are more responsive to estate planning and planned giving than at

other times. Key moments of receptiveness in a person's life might include:

- Marriage
- Birth of a child
- Birth of a grandchild
- Death of a family member or friend
- Divorce
- Planning a long trip
- Receiving a large inheritance
- Having the last child leave home
- Changing occupations/unemployment
- Changing residences
- Setting a retirement date
- Change in tax laws
- Major illness
- Suggestions by an advisor
- The need to liquidate assets
- Selling the family business
- Reaching one of the “big birthdays”

Unfortunately, no one knows exactly when any of these moments occur in life, since they occur at different times for different people. This is why our Circle of Promise program offers an Endowment Fund Program and a Planned Giving Committee to help you plan for your future and the future of your family and loved ones.

Keep up with your church--

**Visit Our Web Site at
www.RMUMC.COM**

- **View the church calendar**
- **Read the church newsletter**
- **Find a class or study group**
- **Link to the Daily Devotional**
- **Become a fan on Facebook**
- **Follow us on Twitter**
- **Sign up for weekly e-news**



Submitted by
Phil Hartley, Treasurer



Easter Sunday is behind us and most of the “snow birds” have flown north for the summer. The church now prepares for summer programs. There is always something to look forward to and plenty of jobs for those who want to get involved in the church. I know many people who don’t like to go to committee meetings and believe that if they volunteer, this is what they will be signing up to do. Well, that’s not the case. There are many tasks around the church that don’t require meetings. There are many tasks that don’t require you to make a commitment to a specific day or time. Some people have created their own job by looking around and seeing a need, something that would make our church more attractive, more inviting or more appealing to others. Some jobs have been done by people for years. Maybe they would like a change. The opportunities are limitless at RMUMC. All you have to do is volunteer. As you can see in the chart below, our financial picture is looking rather good as we prepare for the summer months. Please keep your estimate of giving up to date. Summers are always a time of worry for finances as our balance traditionally falls below zero. This means we have to borrow from our interest-drawing funds to pay our bills. Obviously, we would rather not do this.

General Ministries Fund

	<u>April '10</u>	<u>April '09</u>	<u>Total to date '10</u>	<u>Total to date '09</u>
INCOME:	\$ 53,395	\$ 48,995	\$197,006	\$196,073
EXPENSES:	\$ <u>41,906</u>	\$ <u>45,642</u>	\$187,851	\$197,487
CHANGE:	\$ 11,489	\$ 3,353	\$ 9,155	\$- 1,414

We have also done well with our Mortgage Fund so far this year. It would certainly be nice if we can continue to pay our mortgage bill without having to borrow from other funds.

Mortgage Fund

	<u>April '10</u>	
Received:	\$ 17,382	Fund Balance: (\$561)
Dispersed:		
Interest:	\$ 5,542	Total Mortgage
Principal:	\$ <u>7,728</u>	Principal: \$1,103,346
Monthly Mortgage:	\$ 13,270	
Excess	\$ 4,112	

You might think it odd that the Treasurer’s report would talk about the importance of volunteering. But, if you think about it, this is just another way of fulfilling your promise to give the church your time, talent and

resources. Think of how much it would cost the church if we had to pay people for all the time the volunteers put in. Volunteering is a wonderful way to help your church and grow spiritually at the same time. Please look around and find a place where you could serve or talk with one of the pastors. You will be surprised at the rewards that you’ll receive.



WAY BEYOND STEWARDSHIP

Submitted by Marilyn Husted,
Co-chairperson of
Stewardship Committee

This is the second of a series of articles in answer to “How has the church changed your life?” Please contact Marilyn Husted at 480-654-0342 if you would like to share your story.

WELCOME HOME, SEAN

A few words on the banner in front of our church caught his eye . . . “Divorce Care classes. . .” He felt compelled to stop and go to the office to find out if it was too late to enroll, how much it would cost, etc. The pastor greeted him warmly and assured him that he could start the class at any time and at no cost to him.

Sean Graczyk had been married for only 18 months when his wife left. The divorce was painful and he was at a low point in his life. The leaders of Divorce Care gave him hope and suggested that he might try going to the 10:30 contemporary worship service. “I had never attended church,” Sean said. “I had this preconceived notion of what organized religion was all about I was wrong! Everyone was so friendly and I had this hard to describe, good feeling whenever I was there.”

After a few weeks, Sean decided he needed to give back to the church that was helping him so much. He began cleaning up after the pizza lunch that follows The Third and started meeting lots of great people. He was encouraged to go to the 9:00 am Sunday School class which led to an invitation to become a cast member of the drama that was given on Holy Thursday. “All along, I was figuring out who I really was in life. I was experiencing a huge support system and a sense of community. I realized that I could not miss going to a worship service on Sunday or my week would not be complete.”

The decision to join the church came naturally. “I had experienced shining ‘God’ moments,” Sean stated. “It was the right place and the right time for the transformation to begin. The church was calling me and I needed to respond.” Sean was baptized and became a member of our church family on April 25. **Welcome home, Sean.**



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

(Articles submitted by Sue Killebrew)

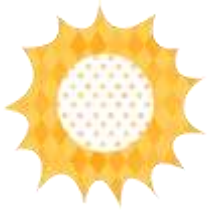
OUR PURPOSE

The organized unit of United Methodist Women is a community of women whose **PURPOSE** is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

UMW UPCOMING EVENTS

July 22-25 -- School of Christian Mission – Faith, Hope, Love in Action – Hilton Hotel in Mesa

SUNSHINE WOMEN RETURNS FOR THE SUMMER



Mark your calendars now for these fun and exciting events this summer. A potluck salad dinner will be served at **5:45 pm** each evening followed by a unique speaker from our own congregation. You won't want to miss this special evening to

socialize with others and learn something new and fun at the same time.

Thursday, June 10 – Look Again

Lisa Knowles, an Interior Decorator, will be talking about her creative eye for decorating along with some hints and tips.

Thursday, July 15 – Joys and Concerns of Pet Care

Ann Griffin, a Veterinarian, will be sharing stories about the animals she encounters and her experiences with them.

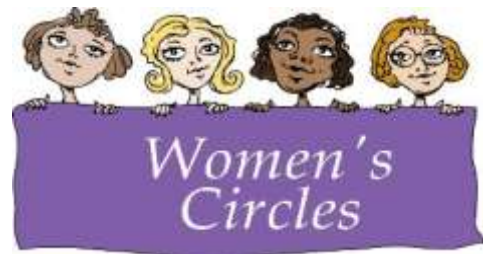
Thursday, August 5 – People, Places, Things

Memories shared by Carolyn Ball and Bobbi Heppe about their experiences of living among other cultures.

Thursday, August 26 – You were a Marine?

Bettie Lerdall will be sharing her story about life in the Marines.

Sunshine Women is for women of all ages. You do not have to belong to a circle or to UMW to attend.



All Circles take a break during the months of June, July and August. Look for their schedule to resume in September.

SUMMERTIME—TIME TO READ!

“Summertime...and the living is



easy”....or at least a time to read a good book, and you will find many good books on the UMW book cart located in

Madsen Hall. Grab and book and read, read, read this summer! The books are part of the reading program that our unit participates in. All books focus on enhancing and growing in spirituality, concerns for social action and community, and missions which are all an integral part of the purpose of United Methodist Women. Please be sure to sign out the book you choose to read, but please only take ONE BOOK at a time and return them in a timely manner for others to enjoy.



WOMEN’S RETREAT **OCTOBER 8--10**



***“SHE SELLS SEA SHELLS
DOWN BY THE SEA
SHORE”***

What do sea shells have to do with lessons about the needs, gifts, obligations and aspirations of women? You will just have to join us in October at our annual women’s retreat to find out!

This is a great, exciting weekend where women of all ages gather together in the mountains near Prescott at the Methodist Church camp on Mingus Mountain. Sharing, laughing, games, and a spiritual lesson are the focus of the weekend.

Cost of the weekend is \$95.00, however, scholarships are available. The fee includes two nights lodging in the beautiful and well-furnished retreat cabins and five delicious meals served in the dining hall by our fabulous camp hosts. No cooking or clean-up involved!

Plan now to join us **Friday-Sunday, October 8-10**, for a restful, cool, spiritual, and fun weekend sharing with other women! To find out more or to register for the weekend, contact the church office.



UMW SOCIAL ACTION PROJECTS

A part of our UMW mission is to be supportive of social action projects. These are the projects that our unit supports. Please help us with your support too!

WOMEN OF SERVICE

Red Mountain UMW's theme for 2010 is "Women of Service". We are focusing each month on women who have been instrumental in their service and dedication to UMW and/or Red Mountain UMC. This month's focus will be on several women who participate in a variety of Circles. *Be sure to check out the UMW bulletin board in Madsen Hall with pictures and more about these faithful servants as they answer the question: **WHAT DOES BEING INVOLVED IN UMW AND/OR CIRCLES MEAN FOR YOU?***

Carolyn Ball (Doves Circle) – Fellowship time, spiritual growth, and mission service with UMOM (United Methodist Outreach Ministries) and getting to know others who have similar spiritual interests.

Doris Broschat (Irene Circle) – I like the focus we put on missions and service but also the fellowship with other women.

JoAn Coffey (Hope Circle) – I started with a UMW young mother's group fifty years ago and I appreciate not only the friendship of the gals, but also the focus of our service and giving.

Georgiann Crouse (Grace Circle) – Getting to meet new women and getting to know others better.

ELane Michel (Hope Circle) – Being a part of a group of women who are Christ oriented and able to share that Christian love, and reaching out to people in need.

Myra Moir (Hope Circle) – The fellowship we share as women and the missions we focus on as a group.

Ramona Summers (Hope Circle) -- I like getting to know the group better, building friendships and that our Circle is devoted to helping La Mesita Family Shelter.

Kay Ulmer (Faith Circle) – The sharing of concerns and joys with a friendly and outgoing group of women.

Jan Vineyard (Rebecca Circle) – The fellowship is important to me but also the building of spirituality and faith development.

Sue Webb (Faith Circle) – The opportunity to meet and know women from all three services and develop friendships with women we can count on when we need them.

NEW! UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL BOOKS:

Have you finished reading the Upper Room devotional and have old issues lying around your home? Bring them to the church and look for the basket marked "Justa Center." UMW is collecting these books to be distributed to the families at the Justa Center in Phoenix.

SHOES: It's summer now and time for wearing sandals so bring those old, tired tennis shoes to our collection box in the church Narthex. These shoes will be delivered to the drop site in Tempe to support the Nike Shoe Recycling project. Keep your shoes out of the trash and recycle them in an earth-friendly manner!

CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS: Soup is good all year around but don't forget these other participating product labels that are being collected: Franco-American, Spaghettio's, Swanson, V8 beverages**, Prego, and Pepperidge Farm. Please bring in the entire label or cut the UPC bar code and bring it in. (*It is the bar code that is needed.*) These labels are given to the Wesley Community Center in Phoenix which participates in the *Labels for Education* program. So far, the Center, using 70,050 points, has been able to obtain a digital camera, a karaoke machine, an electronic key-board camcorder, a two-way radio and much more. WCC has been participating in the program since 1995. (**the lids are needed from V8 juices.)

HOPE CIRCLE PROJECT

The first batch of care packages have gone out! Hope Circle met last month and sent packages to our military friends in Iraq. The circle plans to continue to send care packages to our service men and women but need your help. Please inform the church office of the APO addresses for family and friends that you know who are serving in the military. Thanks for your help.

DO YOU HAVE EMAIL?

Do you know you can receive your *Red Mountain Matters* delivered directly to your computer? Some of the advantages of receiving it electronically are:

- **Promptness** – it will arrive earlier than the U.S. Postal Service can deliver it!
- **Less expense** -- it will save the church mailing costs!
- **Going "green"** – less paper will be used!

Notify Cris in the church office that you would like your *Red Mountain Matters* electronically (be sure we have a current email address!) and it will be done!



AID FOR VICTIMS

If you would like to help UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) bring help and supplies to those who were victims of floods, tornados, earthquakes or other disasters, go online at

<http://secure.gbgmumc.org/donations/umcor/donate.cfm?code=901670&id=3018992> or give a donation through the church, marking your check or envelope "UMCOR Relief" (*Make your check payable to RMUMC.*).



MESA HYDRATION CAMPAIGN

With temperatures close to triple digits, the City of Mesa is working with nonprofit agencies to provide supplies of water to the homeless and unsheltered. The fourth annual Mesa Hydration Donation

campaign will begin on **Tuesday, June 1**. Residents will be asked to donate water at various drop-off locations throughout the city:

- Mesa Fire Department Volunteer Center
2830 E. Adobe (located behind Fire Station 206 at Lindsay and Adobe)
24-hour drop-off in parking lot
- Red Mountain Multigenerational Center
7550 E. Adobe
5:30 am – 9:00 pm, Monday – Friday
8:00 am – 1:00 pm, Saturday
- United Food Bank, 245 S. Nina Drive
(north of Broadway between Extension and Alma School)
7:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday
Collection bins will be available on weekends
- Paz de Cristo, 424 W. Broadway
9:00 am – 6:00 pm, Monday – Friday
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Saturday – Sunday
- A New Leaf – MesaCAN, 635 E. Broadway
8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday

Last year, more than 60,000 bottles of water were donated during the campaign. The water is distributed through United Food Bank to numerous agencies in the valley, including A New Leaf-East Valley Men's Center, Paz de Cristo, Saint Vincent de Paul, Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS) and City of Grace Church.

The Mesa Hydration Donation Campaign will be collecting water until **Friday, August 27**. For more information, contact Mesa Neighborhood Services Management Assistant Mischelle Durkovic at 480-644-3983 or mischelle.durkovic@mesaaz.gov.

FAIR TRADE ITEMS

The Mission Committee will be selling fair trade coffee, teas and other items on **Sunday, June 27** between services. Monies made from the sale will be used for mission projects throughout the year. Stop by and take a look at what's new on the table.



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

A temporary site for this program, packing meals for those who are hungry, will open at 7965 S. Priest Drive, Suite 106, in Tempe (just south of Elliot Road) on **June 17** and go through **December 4**. Volunteers are needed to pack meals on:

- Thursdays -- 6:00 to 7:30 pm
- Fridays -- 6:00 to 7:30 pm; 8:00 to 9:30 pm
- Saturdays -- 9:00 to 11:00 am; 11:30 am to 1:30pm; 2:00 to 4:00 pm; 4:30 to 6:30 pm

The goals for the program are to pack 1.5 million meals, enough to feed more than 4,100 starving children for an entire year! Every packing session needs to be filled with 50 volunteers. Funds are needed to help cover the cost of the meals packed and to start the process of obtaining a permanent site. Contact Janine Skinner at JSkinner@fmsc.org to volunteer or make a donation of any kind.



Annual Conference

Our United Methodist Desert Southwest Annual Conference will be held in Glendale **June 24--27**. This year's theme is ***Extravagant Hospitality: God's Abundant Grace***. Attending the Conference from Red Mountain UMC will be Pastors Mary and Dot, Dean Richardson, George Stickney and Nathan Perez. Cara Coleman will also be attending as a Young Adult representative from the Central East District.

The Conference begins with a Service of Remembrance honoring clergy and clergy spouses who have died within the past year, and then moves into plenary sessions presided over by Bishop Minerva Carcaño. During the Conference, special guest Clif Christopher will lead a study on "Faithful Stewardship in a Challenging Economy." Saturday evening will be the service of ordination, and Sunday morning ends with a communion service and the "fixing of clergy appointments" by the bishop.

RECENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL



**Larry Lininger
George Blare
Clint Berndt
Anita Hadley
Lara Creaser
Pat Wagner
Ed Moerder
Jim Broschat
Laura Lucas**

**Ginger Abraham –
death of her mother**

**Martha Phillips –
death of her father**

**Dallas and Meghan
White-Oxford – death of their son**

Jerry Pendergrass—death of his father



*Notes from our
church family...*

Dear Red Mountain Church family,
Thank you to Pastor Mary and Pastor Dot and all of my church family for their prayers, cards, and concerns for me while I have been sick. I am always thankful to God for blessing me with such a caring church community.

Jenny Peterson

A long overdue and resounding thank you to Pastors Mary and Dot and all the great parishioners who prayed for me and helped me and Micki these last few months before, during and after my surgery. We have been doing so well, thanks to all of you and our precious Lord Jesus.

Linda Lease

Dear Red Mountain UMC,
Dean and I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, phone calls and concerns during Dean's stay in the hospital in April. While it was a scary experience, it was made easier knowing that we were being lifted up in prayer by our wonderful church family. We also thank Pastor Mary and Pastor Dot for their visits and their prayers. God's blessings to all,

Dean and Phyllis Richardson

To our dear friends in Christ,
We want to thank you all so much for your love, prayers and concerns for George and me in the past few months. Pastor Mary and Pastor Dot have been so caring and so many of you, our dear church family, have also blessed us with your calls and love of the Lord. It has been a rough ride, but we truly praise the Lord as He has been in it all and has sustained us and has given us YOU! We thank Him and you for all your blessings to us! May God Bless and keep you! **George and Edna Blare**

Please remember...

When you change your mailing address, your phone number or your e-mail address, please notify the church office. Also, let us know of births, deaths, marriages, hospitalizations or omissions of birthdays or anniversaries. Call the church office at 480-981-3833 so we can keep our database current. Thanks!



CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

2010 UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Stephanie Ball-Sitzler -- Washington University

Master's of Music in Vocal Performance

Amy Heinz – University of Arizona

Master's in Science as Nurse Practitioner

Blair Moses – Arizona State University School of Law

Juris Doctor Degree

Tom Sitzler -- Washington University

Master's of Music in Vocal Performance

David Bullis -- Arizona State University

BA in Communication

Shane Durkin -- University of Arizona

BS in Molecular & Cellular Biology

2010 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Cassandra Bloomer -- Desert Ridge High School

Lara Creaser -- Skyline High School

Samantha Horsburgh -- Desert Ridge High School

Taylor Hutter -- Red Mountain High School

Theresa Lintala -- Red Mountain High School

Ashley Meyer -- Red Mountain High School

Quinn Michel -- Skyline High School and

East Valley Institute of Technology

Todd Monk – Red Mountain High School

Nicole Moses -- Red Mountain High School

Natalie Shubert -- Highland High School

Courtney Smith – Mesa High School

Joseph Swope – Red Mountain High School

Andy Wooton – Mountain View High School



JUNE

1 Marissa Fullford

3 David Peterson
Lois Wing

4 Ashley Reisig

5 Esther Blind
Callie Brandt
Mabel Eley
Chyrl Stikna

6 Gregory Cooley
Kalli Gilson
Irene Rogers-Bauder

7 Kay MacKenzie
Reed Wade

8 Rocky Fransen
Jonathan Shields
Natalie Shubert
Pat Wagner

9 Don Mays
Alexis O'Neil

10 David Kretz
John W. Moore

11 Bob Taylor
Tom Torbert

12 Joseph Swope
Tony Williams

13 Ellen Bolen
Georgia Meyer

14 Margaret Chlarson
Virginia Gertsma

15 Katelyn Downin

16 Neal Rathjen
Robert Sweet

17 Ronald Chambers
Ray Smith

18 Jennifer Baptist
Richard Clauson
Christian Ferm
Marsha Lehman
Glen Meyer
Brenden Michel

19 Jo Ann Epperson
Don Methfessel
James Moses

20 Barbara Carpenter
Larry Coffelt
Karen Johnson
Mackenzie Mansfield
Dorothy Tucker

21 Ashley Acosta
Dan Civalier
Kathren Coleman
Daviette Davis
Calle Durkin
Laurel Kretz
Carl Larson
Gladys Lusk
Justin Turner
Viola Wallace

22 Judi Willis

23 Ken Lamaak
John Skinner

24 Dennis Martinsen
Robert Ruttman

25 Marilyn Alexander
Barb Eshelman
Viola Kreider
Ruth Schram

26 Angela Fout
Eloise Houser
Matthew Roberto

27 Laurel Birnbaum
Isabella Harvey

28 Erma Wade

29 Jerry Birnbaum
Ian Creaser
George Russell

JULY

1 Lauren Norris
Penny Serpa

2 Melanie Cooley

3 Zachary Bossung

4 Laura Anne Fransen
Dean Richardson
Shirley Zachar

5 Lisa Brooks
Tom Ulmer

6 Carolyn Koehn
Jerry Pendergrass
Taylor Tokach

7 Clint Berndt

8 Doris Henderson
Elle Stevenson
Megan White-Oxford

9 Karston Chandler
Georgina Cuaron
Barbara Ellis

10 John Durkin

11 Kaitlin O'Neil

12 Dorothy Albright
Lori Blankenship
Lindsay French
Jole Fullford

13 Aubrey Quadlin



CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE

- 15** Erik Knowles
Chase VanLuven
- 16** Kendon Benson
Hayden Bryan
Donna Kohlhasse
- 17** Taylor Kimmel
Neal Smidt
- 18** Jim Broschat
- 19** Cassandra Holste
Lawson Thomason
- 20** Thomas Gill
Ellen Haran
Ethan Harrington
Aedan Kolton
Courtney Smith
- 21** Amy Hinze
Bettie Lerdall
- 22** Sterling Davis
Rosamond Osman
- 24** Lillian Decker
Cole Hamel
Cindy Roberto
Kathleen Shubert
Aymara Ubom
- 25** Dalton Fransen
Pauline Martin
- 26** Caitlynn Taylor
- 27** John Groenenboom
Morgen Prinsloo
- 28** Bruce Mason
Margie Mays
- 29** Dionysus Birnbaum
Jeffrey Franklin
Marcene Myers
- 30** George Stickney
- 31** Debra Park

- 1** John and Sharon MacVean
-- 42 years
Chris and Karla Scarff
-- 8 years
- 6** Russ and Darlene McRoberts
-- 57 years
- 7** Roger and Barbara Ellis
--41 years
- 8** Terence and Barbara Byas
--25 years
Burton and Sally Lee
-- 42 years
Don and Evelyn Methfessel
-- 52 years
- 11** Reed and Erma Wade
-- 61 years
- 14** Dale and Pat Barrows
-- 2 years
- 15** Melvin and Wilma Steinle
-- 53 years
- 16** Michael and Debra Bossung
-- 20 years
John and Barb Skinner
-- 24 years
Mike and Kathy Wooton
-- 26 years
- 20** Myron and Maudy Williams
-- 57 years
- 22** James and Barbara Carpenter
-- 42 years
John and Cheryl Durkin
-- 25 years
Stephen and Tina Wibe
-- 8 years
- 23** Herb and Rosamond Osman
-- 53 years

- 24** Larry and Debra Norris
-- 21 years
- 27** Robert and Jan Gradle
-- 30 years
John and Debra Park
-- 29 years
- 28** George and Edna Blare
-- 57 years
- 30** Robert and Barbara Carroll
-- 26 years

JULY

- 3** Lee and Linda Munsil
-- 50 years
- 6** Robert and Michelle O'Neil
-- 25 years
- 8** Tony and Jill Williams
--21 years
- 10** Mark and Tresha Schroeder
-- 11 years
John and Valerie Tokach
-- 18 years
- 14** Dennis and Dona Martinsen
-- 26 years
- 18** Jon and Margi Woodyard
-- 18 years
- 20** Neal and Maxine Rathjen
-- 58 years
Jack and Kitty VanBlitterswijk
-- 61 years
- 27** Dennis and Janet Crippen
-- 42 years
Lee and Donna Kohlhasse
-- 25 years
- 30** Bill and Barb Cooley
-- 29 years
- 31** Denny and Marty Nelson
-- 45 years



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10:30 a.m. – Contemporary Worship

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