

The Shepherd's Messenger

January 2011



Pastor Sunny's Rays

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Isn't self-improvement what becoming a Christian is suppose to be about? As I was thinking about this I went looking for biblical guidance in this. I found the following:

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Prayer Requests

Our World situation
The Rothfus Family

to those at other residences...



Cuba CMH:

Lucille Wildrick
Laura Clayson
Pearl Franklin

Eden Heights-Buffalo

Jane Wright

Waters of West Field

Dawn Durkee

Bath VA

John Visser

Absolut Houghton

John Lawton

Eden Heights of Olean

Evelyn Steen

Olean Pines

Adaline Wakefield

Military personnel and their families...

Bob Aaronson
Daniel Bunk
Kevin Desautels
Brad Frank
Mark Keenan
Karl Linderman
Justin Linza
Car Randall
Alfred Reynolds
Greg Rogers
Nolan Searl
Brandon Snyder
Justin Sweet
Dan Thompson
Ron Truax
Miles Ward
Eric Young



Our continued prayers go out to ALL military personnel who are serving our country by active duty & reserve status, both in the States, and abroad. Our List of Military Names is provided by the Weekly Prayer Group for our Military men and women and our world situation. Gatherings are held on Monday's at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Roman Catholic Church at 50 South Street in Cuba. All are welcomed to attend. For more information, contact Ray Perkins at 585-968-1467



January Celebrations

Birthdays:

2 - Jeff Hewitt
3- Ericka McKelvey
4 - Eliana Whitford
8 - Mayme Giles
Chris Hulburt
10 - Justin Freeman
11 - Karl Hodge
14 - Marcia Loftis
Ray McKelvey
Todd Mosher
15- Lisa Ricci
Vanessa Clement
16 -Derek Edwards
Kristin Whittaker
17 - Amanda Clayson
18 - Janet Enderle
Meghann Warren
19 - Butch Holden
20 - Erin LaFave
Brittany VanNess
21 - Edward Dalton
Will Landon
Mary Naud
Brock Stadler
Thomas Steen
23 - Jessica Clayson
Art Higby
25 - Pete Simmons
Maggie Watson
26 - Carol Fisk
Pastor Sunny
27 - Stacy James
28 - Kayla Noll
Andrew Thornton
30 - Diane Karle
Elizabeth Ray
31 - Pearl Hamilton
Bernie Hawks
Kimberley Sweet

Anniversaries:

8 - Butch & Mary Ann Pfouts
16 - Leo & Christie Reynolds
18 - Bruce & Patti Metler



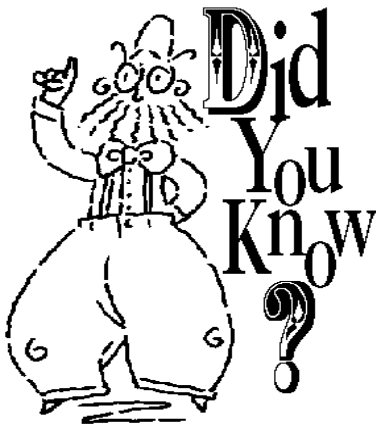


UMW NEWS

Submitted by Maggie Watson

The UMW would like to thank the congregation for their contribution to the Holiday Assistance program. This program donates gift cards to two families in need. For those of you who don't know and for some of you who might have forgotten, the two rummage sales that we have donates the difference. Thank you very much for your help.

The next UMW meeting will be Jan 8, 2011 at 10 am. New faces and new ideas are always welcomed and the food is always great.



*Submitted by
Dean Wildrick*

Terence Juan Cochran's pride was apparent as he looked at the 12 African-American teens making history for Troop 914, the Boy Scouts of America and St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church in Dallas. "I never imagined we would get to this point," said Cochran, a Troop 914 Eagle Scout since 2005, as he viewed the boys. The ceremony marked the second time ever this many African-American Boy Scouts were bestowed the Eagle Scout rank at one time, according to the Boy Scouts of America National Council. Just 2 percent of Scouts worldwide achieve the rank.

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Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him to help you do it and he will. – Psalm 37:5

Commit your work to the Lord, then it will succeed. – Proverbs 16:3

Real commitment to God and His Son, Jesus Christ is truly giving our lives over to God, living the life he sent us here to live, reaching out to the marginalized, the oppressed and depressed, doing the things Christ left for us to do. We make promises/resolutions to God almost daily and we never really keep them, never really commit to them. What happens when we stand before God on our judgment day and God asks us where those promises went, why didn't we fulfill them? God has **NEVER broken a promise to his creation**, unfortunately his creation has broken their promises on an almost hourly basis. And yet he loves us and will give us another change to come to that total commitment to him. John Wesley says we should always be striving for perfection in all aspects of living the life God has given us.

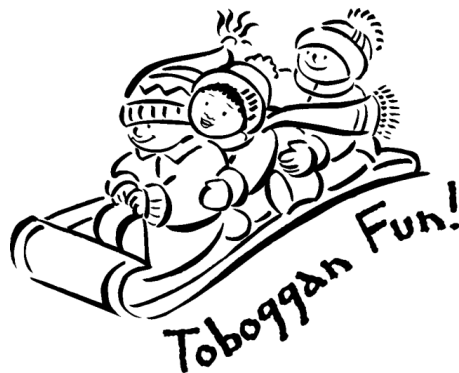
So for 2011, I would like to recommend we, here at Cuba United Methodist Church make the following resolutions in that striving for perfection:

1. Spend a full hour each day in prayer.
2. Read at least one chapter of scripture each day.
3. Ask for forgiveness each day, (we are all sinners)
4. Ask someone if they would like to come to church
5. Share the story of Christ with someone.
6. Help someone less fortunate than us
7. When there is a function at church we will participate
8. Commit a random act of kindness each day.
9. Tell your family how much you love them
10. Allow God to take up all the space in your heart.

If we could honestly make and KEEP these resolutions for this year, I completely believe that we would experience a change in ourselves, each other and most importantly a change in the world. But don't just give them lip service. If we can't keep or decide we don't want to keep them then, please, let's not make them. I matters more what we do than it does what we say.

Larry, Heather, Jasmyn and I wish each of you a very blessed year in 2011. May God watch over you and bless you, may you walk always in the light and may you always remember that you are a child of God. Also, remember that God loves you and so do we.

Pastor Sunny



Liturgist

2: Rob Cornell
9: **Reserved for you!!**
16: Patti Petroni
23: Cindy Dutton
30: **Reserved for you!!**

Ushers

Sandy Tsujimoto
Rob Cornell

Acolytes

2: Katelyn Cornell
9: Andrew Clement
16: Michael Hupp
23: Jasmyn Dorsey
30: Josh Enderle

Coffee Hour

Louis & Patti Petroni
Nick & Liz Abraham

Sign-up sheets are always located in the back of the Sanctuary. We have a lot of blank spaces, **So hurry up and sign up today!!!**

Children's Moments

2: **Reserved for you!!**
9: **Reserved for you!!**
16: **Reserved for you!!**
23: **Reserved for you!!**
30: **Reserved for you!!**

Nursery

2: **Reserved for you!!**
9: **Reserved for you!!**
16: **Reserved for you!!**
23: **Reserved for you!!**
30: **Reserved for you!!**

Greeters

2: Barb Spateholts
9: Dean & Cheryl Wildrick
16: Pattie Petroni
23: Dale & Cindy Dutton
30: **Reserved for you!!**

Altar Flowers

2:
9: Gary & Joyce Enderle
16: Alan & Judy Zayac
23: Sunny & Larry Mauser
30:







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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9 Worship 10:0am One Room School 11:15	10	11 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45am	12 Choir Practice 7:00pm	13	14	15 Kung Fu 6-8am
16 Worship 10:0am One Room School 11:15	17 Newsletter Deadline	18 Bible Study 11:45 Angel Food Deadline	19 Choir Practice 7:00pm	20	21	22 Kung Fu 6-8am Angel Food Distribution 9am
23 Worship 10:0am One Room School 11:15	24 Trustees 7:00pm	25 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45am	26	27	28	29 Kung Fu 6-8am
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Happy New Year

If it didn't bring you joy
just leave it behind
Let's ring in the new year
with good things in mind

Let every bad memory
that brought heartache and pain
And let's turn a new leaf
with the smell of new rain

Let's forget past mistakes
making amends for this year
Sending you these greetings
to bring you hope and cheer
Happy New Year!

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