

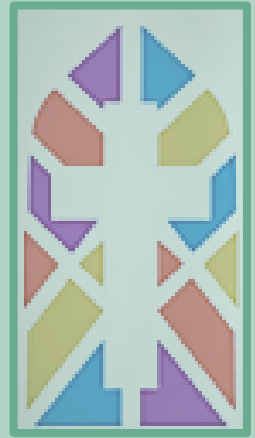
THE MESSENGER

AUGUST 2024

First Methodist - San Angelo, TX

A GMC Congregation

LOVE, WORSHIP, WITNESS



- 2nd Soup Kitchen – Wesley UMC. 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- 4th Communion – All services
- 5th GriefShare – Journey classroom @ 5:30 every Monday. Class ends this month.
- 6th Emmaus Gathering – 6:30 p.m. at Sierra Vista UMC.
- 7th Wednesday Activities – see below.
- 13th La Esperanza Mobile Clinic at Lighthouse
- 14th Wednesday Activities.
- 15th SAISD students back to school.
- 19th La Esperanza Mobile Clinic at Lighthouse
- 21ST Wednesday Activities.
- 27th Tidings of Last Tuesdays @ 1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Items needed listed on Page 12
- 27th Prayer and Healing Service @ 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- 28th Wednesday Activities.

Wednesday Activities

2:00 p.m. – Mah Jongg @ 2:00 p.m. in the library.

6:00 p.m. – Pickleball, Wednesday Night Bible Study, & music practices.

Methodist Assistance

Food Distributions are Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. This month: 1st, 6th, 8th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 22nd, 27th, and 29th.

Methodist Assistance Financial Distributions are Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This month: 1st, 6th, 15th, 22nd and 29th.

Lighthouse Food Pantry

Food Distributions are every Monday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. This month: 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th. Call Sherrie Walker or Lisa Lesosky at the church office if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

Services & Sunday School Hour

8:30 The Bridge – Sanctuary 9:30 - Sunday School for all ages

10:45 Traditional – Sanctuary 11:00 11th Hour - Celebration

Live streaming services

Firstmethodist.net - Tap for Sunday streaming

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FIRST METHODIST San Angelo

A Global Methodist Congregation

OUR PASTORS

Sermon Series for August **8:30 and 10:45 a.m. services** **FOCUS: Questions Jesus Asked**

August 4th Why do you Doubt?
August 11th Do You Still Not Understand?
August 18th Are You Also Going to Leave?
August 25th What Does Scripture Say?



Rev. Scott Bradford
Senior Pastor



Rev. Jim Noble
Associate Pastor



Rev. Cyndi Young
Associate Pastor



Rev. Dale Weise
Associate Pastor

SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS

- **Childcare** is available - all services.
- **Children** are welcome in services. We provide activity bags in the Sanctuary (front and back doors) and in Celebration Hall.
- **Coffee** is in First Place Café Hall.
- **Hearing Assistance** devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.
- **Holy Communion** is served the first Sunday of each month in all services.
- **Live Streaming** – All services live streamed through the website @ <https://firstmethodist.net>
- **Messenger Newsletter** – Hard copies are available in the Sanctuary and at the Service Desk near First Place Café. Also available online if you send a request to the church.
- **Sunday School at 9:30** for all ages. Adult, youth, children, infants & toddlers. See directional signs at church or call the church office at 655-8981 or visit www.firstmethodist.net
- **Upper Room Devotionals** are available in the Sanctuary and at the Service Desk near First Place Café.

To access the 2024 Methodist Lectionary, go to Discipleship Ministries | 2023 Revised Common Lectionary – Sundays &... (umcdiscipleship.org)

REV. SCOTT BRADFORD – Senior Pastor

Proverbs 29:18

“Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction.”

In June, the Lighthouse served about 550 meals, and July is expected to surpass that number. We have held mobile medical clinics; given away school supplies and clothing; story time with free books to take home, and on July 29th the new Lighthouse Food pantry is opening. The Wesley Nurse has served clients, and we have also partnered with Emmanuel Episcopal, the Child Advocacy Agency and Hopper House.

These are all the things that have deeply affected people and our clients want to be at the Lighthouse not only for great food assistance, but the love they are receiving. We also held a four-week afterschool program and are gearing up a nutrition program for the Fall.

I must also thank our partnership with Methodist Healthcare Ministries (MHM) and generous donors who have contributed over the last three years. These individuals have caught the vision and responded generously.

To make this possible we have now completed 100% of the three-year renovations and are poised to be “fully open” with the goal of being a major mission resource in the North side of town in the Lake View High School feeder area.

In 2019 it was just a vision, and is now a reality and many, many volunteers are making it possible. The Lake View Lighthouse is a vision that has come to be and is now empowered for a bright future.

That vision will soon be expanding with what I hope will be a “dinner-church” and an opportunity to feed more than bellies, by reaching the soul.

I pray the Lighthouse will continue to be a beacon to the Northside of San Angelo for Christ for decades to come.

Pastor Scott



Main room (old sanctuary) ready for guests in 2022. Have hosted free lunches last year and this year.



Pastor Dale & Jimmy Von Gotten enclosed a space for a food pantry in 2022/2023. Behind the new wall is now a complete pantry with a refrigerator for fresh and frozen foods. Pantry opened July 29, 2024.



REV. JIM NOBLE – Associate Pastor

Hello Church!

I am continuing a sermon series based on 2 Corinthians titled, "Power, Pain, & Apostleship." As I said last month, 2 Corinthians is a raw, transparent, emotional book. You can, almost always, watch 11th hour services during or after the fact at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@firstmethodistsanangelocon2703>

Paul was traveling when he wrote much of this letter. I have been and will be traveling quite a bit myself! The mission team and I recently returned from the youth mission trip. Unfortunately, many of us brought COVID home with us.

My symptoms are mild/medium and hopefully improving. A big thank you to Rev. Cynthia Young for stepping in to preside over the funeral for La Rita Wilder (La Quita Shelburne's sister) and to Rev. Mike Thomson for presiding in 11th Hour.

I am immensely proud of our youth! They all worked hard in high heat and humidity and quite a petri dish of an environment. You name it and accomplished the task. They were on the roof, put up siding, painted, and cleaned. Sadly, COVID prevented us from enjoying the fun end of the trip at Schlitterbahn in New Braunfels. Perhaps another time!

One of my other main activities in coming days is preparing for the inaugural General Conference of the Global Methodist Church. Just yesterday, I printed 600+ pages of petitions to review. If you see me in a daze or with my eyes spinning in circles, it is not you. It is General Conference!

It's a blessing to be one of your pastors!

Rev. Jim Noble



REV. CYNTHIA YOUNG – Associate Pastor

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES - ONE ANOTHER SHARING MINISTRY

“Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for Him.” Isaiah 64:4

I was laughing with my daughter this week of the periodic episodes of toy failure we would have in our home years ago. Sometimes it was a worn-out hot wheel that lost a bumper due to a daredevil leap from the top bunk. Other times a brand-new doll would lose an arm from two kids playing tug-of-war.

The mishaps were initially accompanied by volumes of tears or disgust. Then trustful, hopeful eyes would look up and plead, “Can you fix it?”



A sketchy outline of the next hour’s agenda would unfold like this:

8:00 - 8:05 - Gentle soothing of tears and assuring promises the broken toy could be repaired.

8:05 - 8:10 - Laying out newspaper on the kitchen counter, unearthing the super glue from the infamous kitchen junk drawer, and answering, “Is it done yet?” - twice.

8:10 - 8:14 - Opening the super glue and laying it aside to prepare for impending surgery.

8:15 - 8:35 - Shrieks as three tiny fingers are now stuck together by the infamous glue - and the toy’s repair must be laid aside for awhile. (Have you ever had the joy of ungluing the webbed fingers of a two-year-old?)

8:35 - 8:45 - Persistent (and critical) preschool advice is being exhorted on how the job should be done. Interferences from their “help” lengthens the project considerably. Then they convey their doubts that we even want to help them at all.

8:45 - 8:55 - The toy is restored and ready for a rest during its post-surgical/recovery phase so the glue can adequately set.

9:00 - Childlike impatience wins out and the toy is snatched to see “if it’s done yet” - only to begin the whole process once more.

Sound familiar?

As a parent, I wish I could have conveyed to my young children that I could fix their broken toys and meet their various needs. They did not comprehend how they hindered the progress by lending their advice, giving over-zealous assistance, and interrupting with the burning question “is it done yet?”

When I get on my knees before God and give Him the hurts, failures and needs that are breaking my heart, I mirror the drastic impatience of my little ones.

Sometimes I give Him advice on how best to solve the problem. I get my hands in the way - starting to act instead of waiting on His timing. And somewhere along the timeline I find myself questioning “When??” or “Is it done yet, Lord?”

Isaiah 64:4 says, “Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for Him.”

If you have given a problem to God, step back, trust Him and by faith, praise Him for the work He is doing. You may not be able to see immediate answers to your needs. . . but I assure you, God is at work on your behalf!

Blessings to you as you serve others this week!

Pastor Cyndi



Children's Ministries

Barbie Hari - Director Children's Faith & Formation Ministries
barbiehari@hotmail.com



Loving on God's children every time they are here!



Sunday, August 11th

Bring your backpacks! Pastors will be blessing back packs and handing out special tags in all three services.

Wednesday, August 21st

Ignite program begins again. Meeting in First Place Café each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Parents can pick up children on the 2nd floor at 7:30 p.m.

I will provide a light dinner for the children on August 21st and August 29th @ 5:45 p.m. in First Place Café. Family meals will begin September 4th at 5:15 p.m. in Heritage Hall.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

To all the wonderful volunteers and staff who came to build and decorate, play music and sing, assist with crafts or maintain a group of wild animals. You don't monkey around when a big project is happening. I could not have done this event without you! I am also especially thankful for all the parents who brought their children to Vacation Bible School.

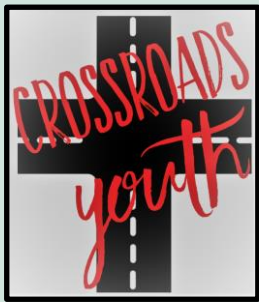


Lions and tigers, and monkeys and skunks. Giraffes and parrots and snakes, what a bunch! Didn't see bears, but sure they were there – maybe helping the cooks to get a free meal.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL – FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Summer lessons begin at the end of May and run through August. All classes will study **The Fruits of the Spirit**. Join us for fun-filled lessons, games, and crafts.

3 - 5-year-olds, Kinder, 1st & 2nd graders in Room E201. 3rd to 5th graders are in Room E203. You can check your child in on the 2nd floor just down the hall from the office!



Youth Ministries
Mark Noworatzky
Director of Youth
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Mission trip to San Antonio to work with Blueprint Ministries which is committed to making homes healthier, safer, and drier for San Antonio neighbors.

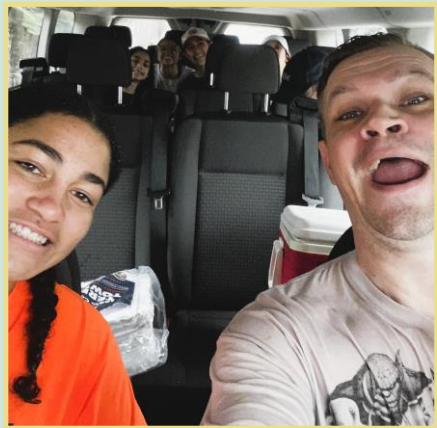
The trip southward to San Antonio was great, but the trip home was slightly crazy. COVID reared its ugly head and a few of us were affected, myself being one. Pastor Jim, Karen Clark, Jackson & Jon Hari were also symptomatic.

Luckily, the work had been completed before being slapped with the virus.

The work was challenging, but our youth and sponsors rose to the occasion. Painting and roofing (nail guns NOT provided) so slinging a hammer was perhaps a new skill for many. Working in rain or shine, playing in puddles of water, and sharing themselves with each other and members of the community blessed my soul.

Question to the team members:
How was the mission and what did you learn?

- "Eye opening, hopeful, grateful, hard work." **Niera**
- "It was a great opportunity to learn new skills and connect with others. This trip has opened the eyes of some and helped them realize the things in life we take for granted." **Eris**
- "I learned how to put down asphalt shingles. Things work better as a team. It feels good to help others." **Jackson**
- "I enjoyed helping fix a woman's house. I also learned how to use various tools." **Jorden**



San Antonio Youth Mission Trip Team

Sydnee Moore, Rev. Jim Noble, Mark Noworatzky, Jon & Jackson Hari, James Dusek, Bishop Grant, Jake, Travis & Colsen Koehn, Zane Wegner, Emma Shannon, Eris & Niera Lecroy-Arredondo, Aurora Lindsey, Ella Noble, and Jordan Hernandez, Jim Brown (Pastor Jim's father-in-law) and Karen Clark.



Methodist Healthcare/Wesley Nurse
Health Ministries
lparry@mhm.org - Lesa Parry

If you need to reach me, please call 325-215-4835. Offices at both First Methodist Church at 37 East Beauregard or Lakeview Lighthouse at 263 E. 40th Street

"MY HEALTHY CHILD": Is an on-going class and space is limited. To check availability and register, call Lesa Parry, Wesley Nurse, 325-215-4835. The program needs pullups size 3T-4T, pullups & size 6 - Huggies brand only. (These are for children with allergy to other brands).

LIGHTHOUSE AND GOLIAD ELEMENTARY
MINISTRIES



Summer Meals for Kids: The Lighthouse Kids summer feeding program has ended for this year. Many families made their way to eat lunch (Pastor Scott's article confirms), read books, and enjoy a craft. Special thanks to **Dana Bollinger** for cooking, cleaning, and lining up a host of volunteers and building so many relationships with the families.



Lighthouse Food Pantry: The soft opening of the food pantry was July 29th. The food pantry needs are as follows: 5 oz. cans of tuna and 5-ounce cans of chicken. Nutritional cereals are nice to have (without tons of sugar) like Cheerios, Rice Krispies, or Corn Flakes. We will soon be asking the families of the community what they would like to be stocked in the pantry.

Goliad Elementary: With school beginning August 15th, First Church is planning on making their first days awesome. If you would like to help, contact Sherrie Walker in the church office.

Community Partnerships Additional organizations, such as the TGC Library, La Esperanza Clinic, Concho Valley Council of Governments (application assistance and benefits renewals) and more, will be at the Lighthouse certain days during the summer offering educational programs and information for parents. Ambleside School Summer Campers, and a cook team from Emmanuel Episcopal Church are also helping this summer.

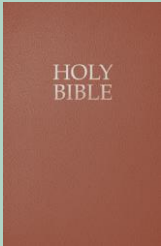
FMI or to sign up to help with programs at the Lighthouse, please contact Sherrie Walker in the Church Office. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available in the First Place Café and the Church Office. The food pantry will be open on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

La Esperanza mobile clinic will be coming to the Lighthouse on August 12th. This is another opportunity to meet the parents and let them know what great opportunities are coming to the Lighthouse.

Diapers needed for My Healthy Child parenting program. Our greatest need is size 3, 4, and 6 diapers. Any diapers, gift cards or monetary donations to help purchase can be dropped off in the main church office. Please indicate that these are for the Wesley Nurse when leaving them in the office. Thank you for the support to help the families in need and continue the Wesley Nurse programs that help our families to grow and thrive.

Lesa Parry

August 2024 Adult Sunday School Class Updates



Bayith/Fellowship

The Bible, The Whole Bible, and Nothing but the Bible, led by Buster Peek. This class studies the Bible to understand who God is, gain wisdom, learn to receive guidance, and to see and follow Jesus.

Cheers

The Cheers Class will begin *In the Footsteps of the Savior*, by Max Lucado, led by John Walker. Enrich your faith by walking with Jesus in the Holy Land. In this video study, you travel with Max through Capernaum, Galilee, Bethany, Jerusalem, and more. Max will guide you to walk where Jesus walked and ponder the promises he made.



Chi Rho

The Chi Rho Class is studying *Don't Look Back* by Bible teacher, international speaker, activist, and bestselling author Christine Caine. This study will motivate you to stop looking back, get unstuck, and keep moving forward into God's promises and purpose for your life. It is being taught by Giovanna Lecroy.

Harmony

In mid-August, The Harmony class will begin *The Quest: An Excursion of Intimacy with God* by Beth Moore. The Quest is a cross between a curriculum and a journal, between a classroom and a prayer closet, with three primary objectives: 1) To promote deeper intimacy with God; 2) To help foster a sojourner mentality to aid as comfort that we are only passing through this world on our way somewhere else. This is not our home; and 3) To foster an adventurer-mentality as royal subjects of royal blood unrecognized by the world but headed to an unshakable kingdom worth the arduous trip (Acts 14:22).



Journey

The Journey Class is currently studying Revelation led by David Huckaby.



Seekers

The Seekers Class is using the NOOMA video curriculum, by Rob Bell. NOOMA is a series of short films that explore our world from a perspective of Jesus. NOOMA is an invitation to search, question, and join the discussion. Led by various class members.

S.T.E.R. (Scripture, Tradition, Experience, Reason – The Wesleyan Quadrilateral)

The STER class will be studying Missionaries from all times led by various class members. Contact Cathy Hubbard FMI at 3721cathy@gmail.com.

Union

August study to be announced.

“My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.” Psalms 3:1-2

Class Locations:

- 3rd Floor above Celebration Hall: Cheers, Harmony, Journey, Bayith/Fellowship
- 3rd Floor Education Building: S.T.E.R, Union, Chi Rho
- 2nd Floor Church Office Conference Room: Seekers
- All classes meet on Sundays at 9:30am

WEEKDAY CLASSES – Tuesday & Wednesdays

Tuesday Morning Fall Bible Study for Women

The Morning Glories women's group is wrapping up their summer study and will begin a new study on August 20th. Max Lucado's *Experiencing the Heart of Jesus Revised and Updated: A Year Long Bible Study* is a 52 weeklong study but will have periodic breaks for holidays and Advent. Jaci Cortese is leading, and meets weekly. Books will be available soon for \$11.00. All women are welcome. Childcare available if requested in advance. FMI contact Jacie Cortese @ jlouco60@gmail.com or the church office for more information.

Wednesday Afternoons: Mahjongg at 2:00 p.m. in the library. All are welcome regardless of your skill level. Seasoned teachers will aid you in mastering this amazing game. Snacks provided. Childcare available with advanced notice.

Wednesday Night Group: Class is currently studying *Gideon* by Priscilla Shirer. This eleven-session study will encourage you to recognize your weakness as the key the Lord gives you to unlock the full experience of His strength in your life. Instead of ignoring, neglecting, or trying to escape your weaknesses, learn to see them as gifts given specifically and strategically by God. If you have ever felt insufficient, ill-equipped, incompetent, or outnumbered, this study is for you. Contact the church or SherryannMiller@angelo.edu for more information.



Wednesday Night Pickle Ball: The Pickle Ball program is continuing Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in playing, contact Clay Hubbard @ 325-650-2556 for additional info. Childcare available with advanced notice.

CHURCH MUSIC

Wesleyan Handbells - Led by Laura Burkhalter. Practice is Wednesday evenings @ 6:00 p.m. in the handbell room – 1st floor. Contact Laura for more information @ burkhalterl@yahoo.com.

Sanctuary Choir - Led by Adam Chappell. Rehearsals are held @ 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room on the 1st floor near the sanctuary. For more information, contact Adam @ adamchappell@hotmail.com. Fall practice begins August 21st.

The 11th Hour Praise & Worship Band

An eclectic group of various aged musicians who present contemporary music in a casual service. Practice in Celebration Hall. Looking for new musicians and vocalists. Contact Pastor Dale (655-8981) at the church office for more info.

The 8:30 Bridge Musicians

Various musicians contribute to a blended musical style of both traditional and contemporary songs. Practice is called as needed. You may contact Pastor Cyndi at the church office (655-8981) for more information.

APPLICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT

CUSTODIAL STAFF (Immediate Need) – Contact Pastor Scott at the church office or go to <https://firstmethodist.net/careers>

NURSERY WORKERS & VOLUNTEERS - Sunday mornings and other times as needed. Contact Barbie Hari @ 325-655-8981.

SOUND TECHNICIANS - Will train. Contact Pastor Scott at the church office @ 325-655-8981. This is a paid part-time position. For more information, go to <https://firstmethodist.net/careers>.

The church nursery will be open each Wednesday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

MISSION MINDED METHODISTS

BLESSING BOX - Located in the front of the church outside the courtyard. Nonperishable foods can be taken to the church office. Please only pop top cans and snack size items. Please do not purchase family size items.

CHANCEL FLOWERS - You can honor or memorialize someone, or a specific group, by placing flowers at the chancel area in the sanctuary. Call Dori Wegner (254-718-6189) or email her @ dori@swcia.com.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES – Meals for children temporarily removed from homes. Call Brenda Stone for more information @ 325-656-0679.

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CAR CLINIC – Contact Jason Hari for more information by calling the church office.

COMMUNION DELIVERY – Folks needed to deliver communion to our beloved shut ins. Communion elements are sacked and ready to pick up and deliver the first Sunday of each month.

COMMUNION STEWARDS – Needed for 8:30 and 10:45 services. Call Cathy Hubbard @ 325-450-3590.

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIPS – Like to travel? Love people from other cultures? Contact Pastor Dale at the church office for more information. Team travels in the summer (July or August).

LAUNDRY LOVE- Contact Candis Hicks for more information @ 325-763-7387 or email her at heritageparksanangelo@gmail.com.

METHODIST ASSISTANCE - In First Place Café, a basket is available to drop off canned foods that are donated to those in need who stop by FUMC during the week. See calendar for distribution dates. Items needed: Canned tuna or chicken (5 oz. cans) or packaged tuna or chicken. Contact Lisa Lesosky at 325-315-6561 for more information.

NOTEWRITERS – Contact Shelly Sanford via the church office for more info on how you can help with this comforting ministry.

SOMEBODY'S RUSTY - Contact Candis Hicks @ heritageparksanangelo@gmail.com or call 325-763-7387 for info. Always a need for good walking shoes (tennis shoes), underwear and new socks in the packaging.

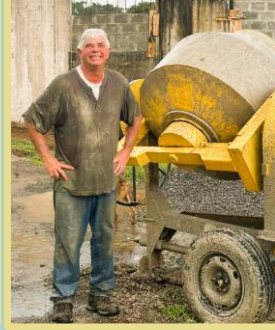
SOUP KITCHEN - Dates for 2024 are the first Friday of each month. Wesley UMC – 301 W. 18th MLK Blvd. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact Beth McCrea at edgemama@hotmail.com or the church office @ (325) 655-8981.

TEXAS RAMP PROJECT – Contact Pastor Dale at the church for the next ramp build @ 655-8981.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS – Kitchen helpers always needed. Contact Kitchen Coordinator, Lisa Lesosky, if cooking and serving meals is something you enjoy. 325-315-6561 or lisalynette4@gmail.com.

Summer & Ongoing Missions - Both Near and Far Costa Rica, San Antonio, Lakeview Lighthouse and First Church

The Costa Rica Team miraculously moved gravel & rock, made concrete, friendships, memories, meals and music in both rain and heat. Kelly Butler, Bianca, Delaney, & Kevin Grimes, Seth Hernandez, James & Jason Hari, Doug & D'Ann Kuhlman, Tim & Laura Malloy, Jan Pipkin, Laynee & Kevin Porche, Mattie, Shelly, & Todd Sanford, Jimmie VonGonten, Dale & Shelly Weise, Karee & Will Wiggins, Lorrie & David Zemke. A full report available when the team has feet back on Texas soil. Enjoy these images which should denote the trip was successful.



Somebody's Rusty – Current needs

- Men's jeans, shirts & shorts in all sizes, tennis shoes or sturdy walking shoes and caps.
- Men's new boxer/brief underwear in the packages in all sizes.
- Women's new packaged underwear in all sizes, tennis shoes or sturdy walking shoes and caps.
- Canvas bags or totes
- Tee shirts (men's or women's)
- Pop top cans of meat or fruit
- Do not need socks at this time.
- Tidings of Last Tuesdays – The last Tuesday of the month at First Church. Clothing and food distribution from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Volunteers always needed and appreciated.

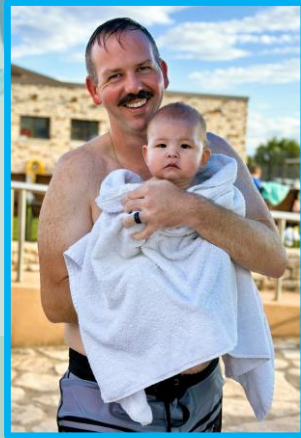
Lakeview Lighthouse Food Pantry – Current Needs

- Loaves of bread
- Canned tuna in the flat 5 ounce cans
- Canned chicken in the flat 5 ounce cans
- Fresh fruit – bagged like apples and mandarin oranges
- Fresh fruits and veggies (if you have a garden and need a place to donate)
- Boxed cereals – Walmart brand of corn flakes and cheerios are great
- Personal items – Shampoo/Conditioner – Suave or Alberto VO5 (least expensive brands)

Can bring on Sunday and we will deliver to Lakeview Lighthouse on Monday. Please make the bags and leave in First Place Café.

Fabulously Fun Times in July with First Church Family

Pool Party & Pizza - The young and the old older came to swim, visit, eat, and listen to music by our in-house disc jockey, Mark Noworatzky.



Vacation Bible School – Floating around with Noah – Genesis 6:19-22

“You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. Two of every kind of bird, animal, and creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive. You are to take every kind of food to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them. Noah did everything that God commanded.”





Prayer & Healing Service

August 27th @ 6:00 p.m.

Calling All Prayer Warriors – Can you spare 15-30 minutes on Sunday mornings to pray? Each Sunday there will be a time of prayer in the Chapel from 8:30 a.m. until noon. We want to pray for our pastors, leaders, and those in the sanctuary and 11th Hour. We want to pray for all in attendance for their

salvation. There will also be a board in the Chapel with specific prayer needs. No need to sign up, but if you are moved to pray, please do so.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING (HEALTH CONCERNS)

Ann Williams (Allen Martin's sister), Becky Cole, Betty Andrews, Candis Hicks, Carolyn Teagler, Rev. Dick West, Dominic Barnes & Family, Gale Hartman, Harold Moore, James Hernandez, Jamie Schultz, Jerri Emerson (Lisa Lesosky's cousin), Rev. Jim Noble, Jo Ann Motl, Lorene Snodgrass, Mary Witt, Pat & LaVerne Adams, Pauline Herron (Laurel Bradford's stepmom), Shannon Robbins (wife of Rev. Tom Robbins), Sherry Peyton, Shirley Mohler, Shirley Riddle, Sue Sims.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CANCER

Barry Kleypas, Bill Humble, Bonnie Kennedy, Briana McCall, Carol Smith, Caryl Guisinger, Connie Weams, Dawn Jackson, Duder Duderstadt, Ethan Miller, Fred Gudmundson, Jay Moore, Jeff Peters, Jeff Ward, Jennifer Cooper, Jerry Tindel, Joe Lynch, Jo Ann Motl, Jose Perez, Kevin Halfman, Kinsley Baker, Linda Rogers, Lisa Melton, Lynda Hughes, Mark Sisson, Maria Roberts, Melissa James, Michaela Rigsby, Michelle Elkins, Nicole Kleinsmith, Pamela Adams, Pat Adams, Raul Najera, Ron Hoelle, Rosura Gonzales, Roy Shannon, Sherrie Walker, Sheryl Bragg, Shirley Kennedy, Susan Armstrong, and Todd Cummings.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

National Guard Texas: Daryl Bradford; **U.S. Air Force**: Tyler Barden, Chris Cavaness, Josh Mort, Ryan Gandy, Zane Jarvis; **U.S. Air Force Reserve**: Javi Nagore. **U.S. Marine Corp**: Danielle Pozun; **U.S. Army**: Johnny Goldthrite, Ryan Tallant, Savannah Gideon; **U.S. Coast Guard**: Weston McIntire; **U.S. Navy**: Jason Bird, Matt Kuehas. Thank you all for your service and dedication to our country.

Prayerful consider leading one or more of these ministries beginning October 2025, (with time to learn and grow into leadership over this next year). Candis Hicks who has a heart for these ministries and led them has indicated in October 2025 she is moving closer to her son and his family. I would like to begin to prepare to continue these ministries. Here is a brief intro to each ministry, and if you would consider leading one or all of these ministries, please let Candis or Pastor Scott know:

- **Somebody's Rusty** - Serves the homeless & families in crisis, Distributes food, clothing & hygiene products. **Tidings of Last Tuesdays & the Blessing Box** are part of this outreach effort.
- **Laundry Love** is a twice a year event held at a local laundry mat where coins as well as detergent are provided for guests to wash & dry clothes. Supper, medical personnel, haircuts, hygiene bags, socks and underwear, foot washing and a portable shower are provided.
- **Tidings of Last Tuesday** - Held on the last Tuesday of the month at the church from 1-2:15 p.m. is a time that clothing and food is distributed
- **Blessing Box** –is in the church courtyard as a food distribution venue. The box is replenished by different volunteers Monday-Friday. A Friday volunteer is needed. Food is provided to the volunteer to take to the box.

MESSAGE BOARD & UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMERTIME & FALL EVENTS

August 13th
September 4th

September 8th

October 31st
November 18th

La Esperanza mobile clinic at the Lighthouse
Wednesday Night Fall Academy begins/ Ends
October 23rd

Pecan Creek Pavilion Church Gathering with
supper and music by **Take 2.**

Truck or Treat – details to follow next month

Branson Christmas Shows Tour – Contact Pastor Cyndi for more
information.



New program for Moms

Contact Barbie Hari for more
information.

MOMCO MEMBERSHIP 101

MomCo San Angelo
Location: First Methodist Church
<https://www.facebook.com/grouper98121084403>

The Community

- Access to access in-person MomCo groups- including meetings, playdates, and more! nights out
- Connect face to face and heart to heart with other moms like you.

The Encouragement

- Quarterly print magazine subscription
- Bi-monthly encouraging texts
- Access to the MomCo Membership Website- MomCo online meetings, mothering classes, videos, articles, devotions, media library, downloads, and more.

PERKS OF MOMCO MEMBERSHIP

- Guest Speaker
- Decorations
- Craft Supplies
- KidsCo Crafts
- KidsCo Snacks
- Leadership Training
- Publicity Materials
- Event Supplies
- Paper Goods
- Thank you gifts
- Scholarships
- *Childcare provided for children all ages 0-18!

Why Do We Charge Dues?

Don't let fees keep you from joining our group. Scholarships and payment plans are available. Email us for more information.



Lester Langley
joined FMC 7/7/24
during the 11th
Hour Service.



Welcome aboard.
Sierra Rocha joined
our custodial staff
mid-July.



Check out our website online giving option

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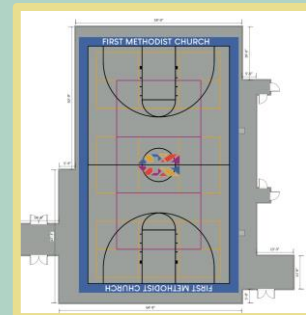
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Youth Ministry



Layout of
proposed
new gym
update.

Editor's Editorial:

I do not always include my reflections, but also do not like dead space in a publication. I have been privileged

To have a birds-eye view of the happenings at First Church over the past months. Abounding miracles, marvelous mission trips, a flourishing Methodist Assistance, bountiful blessings through Somebody's Rusty, and Vacation Bible School hitting a perfect mark with Noah.

I've witnessed the vision of a mission church in the Lakeview area with the successful Lighthouse Kids Meals plus the opening of the Lighthouse Pantry. **That vision that is now reality.**

In my weekly Bible study group, I have learned to open myself to the workings of the Holy Spirit and waiting on God's perfect timing. Our church has waited patiently to build these ministries with planning and trust.

Are you waiting upon the Lord? Psalms 27:14 " Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!"