

Upcoming Events

Rev. Bill Lyle's Cuba Mission Trip:

Our new senior Pastor Bill Lyle will be with us tonight at 6:00 p.m. to share about his upcoming mission trip to Cuba and to request our prayers.

Wednesday's Prayer Meeting:

We will meet in the sanctuary due to Christmas play practice.

Women in the Church Christmas Brunch:

All women are invited to the W.I.C. Christmas Brunch on December 7th from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

A Traditional Christmas Pageant:

Please sign up for our Traditional Christmas Pageant, next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. This will reserve your seat. Space is limited so please honor your reservation.

Fellowship Dinner:

Back by popular demand is our fellowship dinner—MARVelous Marco Music on January 11th. Along with sharing a dish for dinner we are hoping to have your participation. Please call Bonnie—389-0759 for participation details.

Learning God's Word

*Learn to Trust God with Any Problem

Children and youth are encouraged to learn how God's Word guides. Classes are available for each age group. Join us at 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning in rooms 1, 2, 5, 7, 8.

*Pastor's Class:

Pastor Bruce leads a new members class, 9:00 a.m. in room 10.

*Learning from Isaiah

Terry Johnson leads a study of Isaiah at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

*Learning to Defend the Gospel from Galatians

Pastor Jonathan leads a study of Galatians at 9:00 a.m. in room 6.

Men's Bible Study

The men have concluded their study. We wish all Merry Christmas! We look forward to meeting again Wednesday, January 9th at 7:30 a.m., a second study will begin January 8th at 7:30 a.m.

Ladies' Bible Study

The Friday Morning Ladies Bible Study will resume the Beth Moore study "Beloved Disciple" on January 4th at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall.

**Note: All Sunday School classes first meet for prayer in Fellowship Hall at 9:00 am.*

Serving One Another

Nursery Helpers Needed:

Sign up at the table in the foyer. Helpers get a free CD of the sermon.

Sunday School Helpers:

Would you like to assist our Sunday School teachers or serve as a substitute? If so, please sign up at the table in the foyer.

Library News:

A new DVD entitled: The Path of Jesus has been added to the video rack. In this presentation, the audience follows the path of Jesus from Bethlehem to Golgotha and beyond. Witness revealing moments and turning points in Jesus' life and ministry. This is a wonderful source for personal and group Bible study.

Christmas Play Practice:

Everyone will meet in the fellowship hall this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. for dress rehearsal.

Nativities Needed:

If you have any table-size nativities that we may use the night of December 9th, please bring them into the office no later than December 2nd. Don't forget to label your nativity with your name.

Island Christmas Parade:

Come share the Christmas message by helping us build our Christmas float Saturday, December 15th at 9:00 a.m. Also sign-up if you would like to ride on the float, arrive at 5:30 p.m.

Special Thank You

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers at our mother's memorial service. It was no secret that she loved each member of the M.P.C. family.

From the family of Pat Weeks

Community News

Youth Calendar Fundraiser:

It's back! The yearly God's Creation Calendars you have come to know and love are now on sale. Last year we ran out so don't wait, get yours today! We have pocket calendars too! Calendars are \$10 each.

5th Annual Violin Recital:

December 2—2:15 - 4:15 p.m. in the sanctuary of MPC. The students of Anton Sikuta will be performing varied classical violin selections accompanied by piano. Among the students are Lucca Delcompare, Grace Anne Delcompare, and Audrey Lucia Delcompare. Please come

People of the Week

Missionary

Paul Joiner (RUF)

Church Leader

Paul Flores

Ministry Leader

Linda Larson

Church Member

Ed Crane,

Ron and Joyce Daanen

Youth/Children

Gina Lammersfeld and Tim Mathews

Transition of Rev. Bill Lyle to Sr. Pastor

Government Leaders

U.S. Coast Guard

Prayer Requests

Strengthening:

Dottie Bell, Helen Bias, Duke and Lonnie Creekbaum, Rose Delello, Mary Fennell, Esther Fiol, Ginny Fluth, Sheila Gross, Margaret Hall, Don and Lynn Kolowsky, Gordon Parrish, Olga Vuknic, Tony Wauterlek

Recent Prayer Requests:

John Carl—Commit himself completely to the Lord; Craig Castillo and family—God's guidance and provision; Rose Delello; College plans for Matt & Bryan Flores; Ed Kingsbury—recovering from broken ankle; Don Petty—corrective procedure in January; Avril Williams—continuing improvement from kidney failure; Vern Van Kley—stroke recovery

Cancer:

Chuck Coates brother, Ron Daanen, Herb Gareiss (Bob Hartman's brother-in-law), Morrell Harris, Bruce Kane, Kim - (Nancy Meyers' niece's husband, lung cancer), Don Lance (Tony Wauterlek's brother-in-law), Marco (cousin of Betania Torre), Cary Martin (son of Lila and Arlan Martin), Sharon Nantz, Barb Natale, Janet Olson, Steve Sjoerdsma (Herm and Ardy's son), Richard Tuttle, Dorothy West (Dorothy Shellenberger's mother)

Pray for and Write to Our Missionary

Our missionary this week is Paul Joiner with RUF.

Please write him an encouraging word at:

pjoiner@ruf.org.