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**“Great is Your love towards me,
O Lord. Your faithfulness
endures forever.”
Psalms 117.2**

“Nothing is too great and nothing
is too small to commit into the
hands of the Lord.”

—A.W. Pink

CAVE QUEST
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
FOLLOWING JESUS
THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Sunday, July 10th – Thursday, July 14th
5:30pm – 8:30pm

**Registration for participants is online at winterfieldumc.org
Register NOW!!**

Work nights for decorating start Wednesday, June 1st and each Wednesday after.
Work week will start July 4th

We need Volunteers for Station Leaders/Crew Leaders/ Kitchen Helpers/Registration/Decorating

Please contact Regina McWhorter with any questions
Email regina@winterfieldumc.org or Call 903-753-4825

THE WITNESS

AMAZING
LOVING
STRONG
HAPPY
SELFLESS
GRACEFUL

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Go, Share God's Love, help those in need, and make Disciples of Jesus Christ

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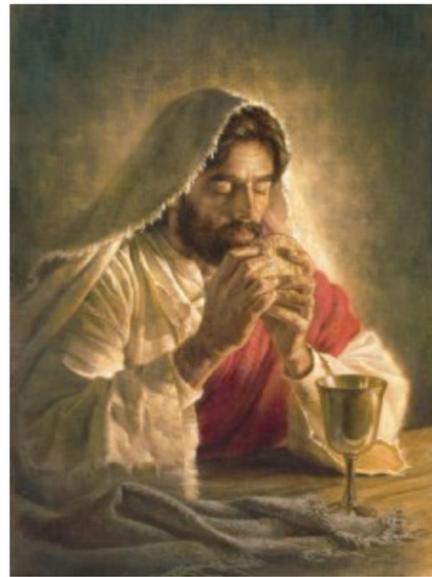


From David's Desk:

My wife Melissa took a class in Judaism last year. You see, she has always known she had a bit of Jewish blood in her, but it wasn't until recently that she found out just how strong her Jewish heritage really is. So Melissa, being who she is, determined that she should discover her roots. She met with the Rabbi Neal Katz in Tyler and he responded by setting up a class just for her — a sort of one-on-one 6 month long crash course in Judaism. How determined are you to delve into your Christian roots? How many of you read voraciously, as my wife does, studying everything you can get your hands on? I know for certain that no one has asked me to teach a special class. I pray that something sparks inside each of us — inspiring a determination to search out and claim our Christian and rich Methodist heritage and to study and act in such a way that causes us to be excited and full of joy! This cannot happen in committee meetings, Sunday school, Sunday morning worship, or times of fellowship. It will take a hunger for a different kind of commitment.

Are you hungry? (see Luke 24:41)
Grace & Peace,

David



United Way is Now accepting applications for Finance Director

Ideal candidates will possess the following skills:

- Bachelor's Degree in accounting or related field
- 3-5 years experience in accounting, human resources, technical management, database management
- Technical, budget development, management, and financial analysis skills.
- Well versed in QuickBooks, Excel and other data analytics

Strengths

- Organizational skills
- Communication skills
- Integrity
- Work ethic

Interested persons may submit resumes to dsharp@longviewunitedway.org
Qualified applicants will be notified via email.



We are called to pray for each other (James 5:16). Listed below are people we are aware of who need our prayers. If there are others you know about please fill out a prayer card located in the pews or call the church office (903)753-4825. Due to legal privacy issues we ask that you have their permission to make their name public before putting their name on the prayer list.

Concerns for Members & Constituents

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| Anonymous Members | Ken & Shirley Allen | Bobbie Akers |
| Marilyn Bagley | Jean Bazzell | Wanda Bledsoe |
| Deby Koon | John Bryson | Bonnie Cain |
| Ken Clark | Matthew Cole | Connie Crawford & Family |
| Dale Dewey | Nancy Dewey | Zachary Day & Day Family |
| Tony DiBella | Helen Everett | Roger Goetze |
| Sonya Hale | Phil Happel | Frankie Herrin |
| Bonita Hicks | Hardy Hooffman Family | Jess & Judy Ingram |
| Joyce Irvin-Hospice | Jamie Koon | Gloria Layman |
| Madge Leffler | Mike & Karen Munn | Mary Miller |
| Anne Newman | Shirley Patterson | Audrey Rainey |
| Mary Rasco | Kent Rose | Melvin Rowland |
| Virginia Russell | Mark Spier | Mary Ann Spier |
| Jack Strong | Frances Summers | Joyce Ware |
| Bobby Welch | The Anchor | The Weedon Family |
| Winterfield MDO | Winterfield UMC | |

Concerns for Family and Friends

(Names are removed approx. each quarter—please notify our office if you wish a name to reappear)

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| David Bass' Father | Dave Charles Family | Pete & Wanda Case |
| Martha Collier | Michael Davis Family | Charlie McKinley Davis |
| Winona Hickerson | Dr. Mike Hudson | Mark Iwan |
| Noreen Jackson | Kennedy Jones | Debbie Laframboise |
| Bobby McDonald | Tony Miller | LaVonna Morales |
| Ruben Morales | Susan Perkins | Jimmy Robinson |
| Toni Sanchez | Larry Stewart | Pam Surles |
| R.E. Thomas | Brynn Woods Family | |

Special prayers for those battling addiction & their families.



"Frankly, Edna, I think it's more noticeable than your shoes not matching your dress."



nance, housekeeping and the kitchen crew- have traveled far from family and friends to be in ministry. Creating and fostering a vision for ministry here at camp takes many people sharing their hearts and lives. During the course of a summer these staff will invest into our campers in very meaningful ways. Doing so will leave them physically and emotionally exhausted. Our Adopt-A-Summer-Staff Program encourages our staff in their ministry and helps them feel appreciated during the summer. We'd absolutely love to see all 60+ of our summer staff members "ADOPTED!" You can support Lakeview's Summer Camp Ministry in a meaningful way by adopting a summer staff person. By doing so, you commit to three things: 1) Pray for this adopted staff member daily; 2) Send notes and cards of encouragement; 3) Send an occasional care package. Please contact Bradley Doherty, Director of Program & Ministry, at bradley@lakeviewmcc.org if you would like to Adopt-A-Summer-Staff at Lakeview.

2016 Summer Camp Dates

- Texas Conference Choir Clinic | June 6-10
- East/West District Camp | June 13-17
- North X Northwest District Camp | June 20-24
- South District Camp | June 27-July 1
- Southeast District Camp | July 4-8
- Tri-District Camp | July 11-15



PHOTO CONTEST

Winterfield will be printing it's own calendars next year, instead of ordering them at a higher cost. We are looking for pictures of our beautiful church and events held at our church. We will start taking submissions in July. There will be more information coming soon!

NEWSLETTER NEWS

The Winterfield Newsletter will now be by email and available online for those out of town members who wish to receive it. If you do not have access to either of these, please contact the church to continue to receive a hard copy of our newsletter. Local members may opt for this choice if you would like to receive the newsletter this way. The Winterfield Witness is always available on our web page: www.winterfieldumc.org.



Wouldn't you, your family, or your church group like to "ADOPT" a Lakeview staff member this summer?

The mission of Lakeview can only be accomplished through the support, dedication and hard work of our summer staff. We have over 60+ staff travel from all over Texas and beyond to come serve and make Lakeview their home for the summer (June-August). These dedicated young adults - program staff, maintenance, housekeeping and the kitchen crew-



It is hard to believe that in just a few short weeks we will have our last day of school! Our second year has been amazing! Our classes were full of sweet children and wonderful teachers! The kids learned, they grew, they made new friendships, they developed new skills, and hopefully they felt loved. We will have 12 sweet babies who will be a part of our Pre-K graduation on May 18th. These boys and girls will head off to kindergarten next year and we will miss them so much. We are proud of each one of them!

We hope you will join us for our end of year program and graduation! All of the children will be on stage singing some of our favorite songs. It will be on May 18th at 10:30. This will be our last day for the summer. Registration is still going on with classes filling up quickly! We will start back our

3rd year at the first of September! Have a wonderful summer!



NEEDS:
Cookies and fruit for refreshments at our end of year party.

Your friend in Christ,
Liana Niblett
MDO Director
[903-753-4825](tel:903-753-4825)



- "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6



Children's Fund
100,000 Pennies

We are collecting for our next mission. As we come close to our goal we will let the children choose from a selection of mission projects in need. Please continue to bring your pennies and loose change! God bless and THANK YOU!

..... longview fumc presents

SUMMERSLAM!

Preteen Mission

12-15TH OF JUNE

CHILDREN ENTERING 4TH, 5TH, AND 6TH GRADES ONLY \$75

Scholarships available, contact Regina McWhorter

PRETEENS WILL LIVE AT LONGVIEW FUMC IN THE "MISSION LIVING CENTER" WHILE PERFORMING COMMUNITY SERVICE AND LIGHT CONSTRUCTION WORK IN THE GREGG COUNTY AREA

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN: CHECK-IN
MON: WORK DAY
TUES: WORK DAY
WED: FUN DAY SPLASH KINGDOM

Sign up NOW - June 1ST BY CONTACTING REGINA McWHORTER
email: regina@winterfieldumc.org phone: 903-753-4825

Asbury House Wish List

- Construction paper
- Large paper clips
- Glue sticks
- Paper towels
- Zip lock bags
- Cereal
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Juice
- Donations for our annual zoo trip
- Prizes for Good Behavior Chest

LONGVIEW COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

We are collecting the following items for 2016:

- 18 oz Peanut Butter
- 15-20 oz Canned Chili
- 15-20 oz Beef Stew
- 14-18 oz Cereal
- 7.25-11 oz Macaroni & Cheese
- 10-18 oz Canned Soup
- 14.5 oz Canned Fruit (Apple Sauce)
- 5 oz Tuna
- 15 oz Canned Vegetables
- 15 oz Canned Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes
- 6 pack of Bottle Water
- 1-2 lbs White Rice
- 1-2 lbs Beans
- Jars of Jelly
- Cake/Cookie Mixes
- Snack Items (such as Crackers)
- Coats, all sizes



From Our
Financial Secretary
Frances Day

FINANCIAL REPORT—
MARCH, 2016

Due to extenuating circumstances, there is no financial information available at the time of this printing. We will update everyone as soon as we can. Thank you for your patience and understanding at this time.

- Church Office

ATTENDANCE AT WINTERFIELD WORSHIP SERVICE—APRIL

03	143
10	109
17	143
24	

FLOWER & BULLETIN CALENDAR

May	Flowers	Bulletin	Event
01	taken	taken	Communion Sunday
08	open	open	
15	open	open	
22	open	open	
29	open	open	

Cost of the Sunday bulletin, just \$5. Please call the church office, if you would like to sponsor the Sunday Morning flowers or bulletin.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies Night Out is back!

You are invited to join us for a fun night of ladies fellowship. Watch your bulletin for a date and place. We meet at the chosen restaurant at 6pm, or the church if needed. Please contact Becky Butler if you have any questions.

PUSH FOR PENNIES

Children's Penny Fund - In memory of Sarah Happel

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This summer's Preteen Mission—

SUMMERSLAM

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We are less than \$200 from obtaining our goal! Please help in bringing your spare change or sponsoring a child for the SummerSlam Preteen Mission project this June.

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Our Winterfield children will be partnering with other Methodist churches in participating in hands on community service and outreach. Thank you for your support in helping our children learn to be the hands and feet of Christ.

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

TURN IN YOUR ARTICLES EARLY!

REMINDER:

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS

Thursday, May 26th

Winterfield UMC Staff

Pastor
Rev. David Urban

Associate Pastor
Rev. Larry Day

Administrative Secretary
Stacy Sustaire

Financial Secretary
Frances Day

Music Director
Claire Bates

Accompanists
Harlene Welch
Vicki Thornton

Director of Children's Ministry
Regina McWhorter

Youth Director

Custodian
Brian Whitenack

Missionary
Becky Harrell

Mother's Day Out Director
Liana Niblett



Recyclables

You might have some of these items ready to trash or recycle. **WAIT!!** We can use them!

- Newspaper
- Brown or gray packing paper
- Small or medium cardboard boxes
- Paper grocery bags
- Wrapping paper/carpet/fabric cardboard tubes
- Spray paint –
black/brown/gray/greens/purples/blues/pink
- Empty 2 liter plastic bottles
- Twinkle or Icicle lighs –
clear/multi-colored/green/purple

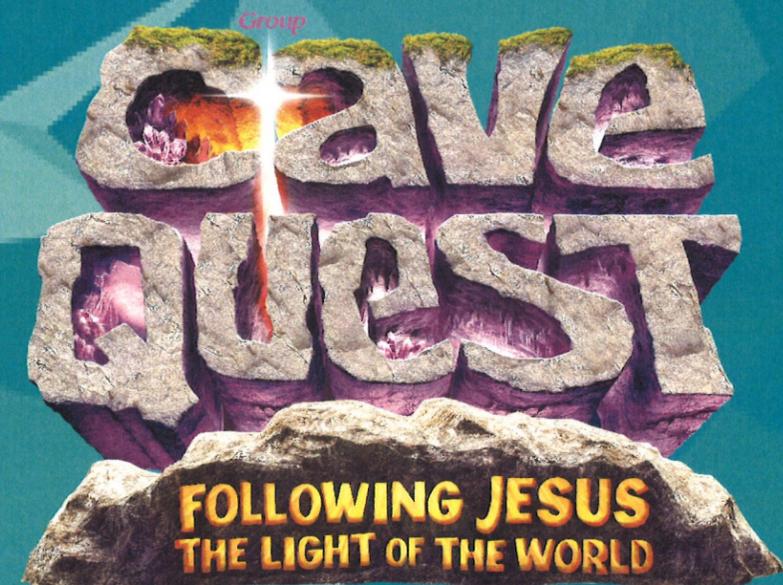
We appreciate your help in making VBS great!

Bring supplies by church office or leave near Children's office

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

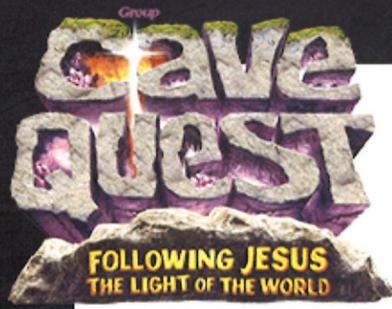
July 10th – 14th



Join the adventure!

Volunteers are already signing up. Contact Regina McWhorter to sign up to help.

Registration for kids coming soon!



Imagine...

- ...a child discovering for the first time that Jesus is the light of the world.
- ...kids worshiping in powerful ways.
- ...children praying for each other in the challenges they face.
- ...adults and teens modeling Jesus' love to children.
- ...the kids in our church showing God's love to families in need across the United States.
- ...children serving each other.

This summer at Cave Quest VBS, kids will go on an over-the-top underground adventure where they'll discover Jesus can be their trusted guiding light through life! Be a part of vacation Bible school at Winterfield UMC during July 10th – July 14th. It's an adventure that'll help **everyone** involved to begin or grow in their relationship with Jesus!

We're praying this awesome VBS program will touch children's hearts and lives with Jesus' love and power. Help kids in our community discover that

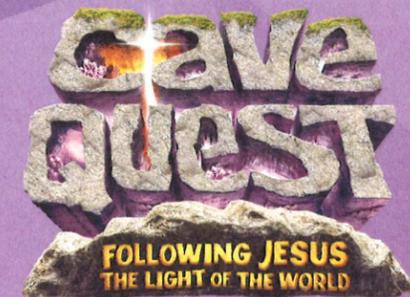
- Jesus gives us hope.
- Jesus gives us courage.
- Jesus gives us direction.
- Jesus gives us love.
- Jesus gives us his power.

As we plan and prepare for Cave Quest, our team would cherish your prayers. Pray that God would give us wisdom in planning. Pray for the right staff members to join our team. And pray that God would begin working in the hearts of the children who will come to Cave Quest!

Watch for more information about this exciting ministry event!

Blessing!

Regina McWhorter
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VBS NEEDS

Borrowed Items

You might have just what we need. Do you have any of these items we could borrow (Not Keep) for VBS? If so, please bring them by the church with a label and we will take good care and get it back to you as soon as VBS is over. Most will be used for decorating and props.

- **Rope lights – clear/purple/green/blue**
- **Twinkle or Icicle Lights- clear/purple/green**
- **Black lights**
- **Flashlights**
- **Battery operated lanterns**
- **20 ft. rope**
- **Hanging bats (maybe in your Halloween decor)**
- **Hammers**
- **Canoe or small boat**
- **Toy shovels, scooper, and buckets**
- **Spelunking Gear – to be used for decoration**
head lamps/ hard hats/ ropes/ boots/
backpacks/ gloves/ walking sticks/
small tent/ carabiners/general climbing or
hiking gear

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