



# The Messenger

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## PASTOR'S PEN



*"Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For . . . your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things"*

*(Matthew 6:31-32).*

When people think of their dads, I suppose they have a variety of memories and reflections. However, most of us probably think of our fathers as providers. By their hard work on the job and their labors in the yard and home, they provided us with housing, food, clothing, and so much more. My dad provided me with love, discipline, and a sense of safety. Dad provided an example of integrity and responsibility, a can-do attitude, and pride in his handiwork. Dad provided me lessons in penmanship, swimming, biking, hiking, and fishing.

So, when I read Jesus' description of God as a Father who provides, it makes sense to me. I hope it does to you too. I know there are some fathers who don't provide well for their families for a variety of reasons. If that was your experience, I pray for forgiveness and healing in your family. And I hope that you can perceive God's fatherhood through the many good men in our church and world.

Thank you to all you fathers in our church who provide love, care, and a positive example of God to us. We celebrate you!

Happy Father's Day!

Rev. Kim



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023

We are ready to celebrate God's greatness at VBS! Thank you to everyone who has or will be supporting us through meals, supply donations, decorating help, and volunteering during June 5-8. We couldn't have done it without you! If you have a child that wants to attend but hasn't registered yet, please reach out to Brenda at 801-866-9698 or [b.boren34@gmail.com](mailto:b.boren34@gmail.com) ASAP!



## JUNE MISSION EMPHASIS IS WORLD VISION VBS

The Mission Emphasis for June is the VBS mission project – collecting funds to provide school supplies for children and teachers on Native American Reservations. A shiny new notebook, colorful pens, a rainbow box of crayons. There's something fresh and exciting about back-to-school lists. They're more than supplies; they represent all the potential and possibility of a new year and a bright future. But for some kids in North America, basic school supplies are hard to come by. Something as simple as basic school supplies can represent real hope.



Due to World Vision's key partnerships, \$1 can supplement school supplies for one child for a whole year! Your donation will

make a monumental difference for kids on reservations in North America. Loose change in the offering plates and designated donations will support this month's mission emphasis. Look for the giant pencil in the sanctuary, beginning June 3.

## OVERNIGHT YOUTH GROUP

The UMC Youth Group of Meridian, Idaho, will sleep overnight in our church June 30. They will spend a week on a mission trip in northeastern Colorado. Then, on their way home, they will lay out their sleeping bags on our FUMC floor.

## MTN SKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE



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This year's Annual Conference will meet June 22-25 at First UMC in Colorado Springs. Peggy Carr, our FUMC Lay Leader,

will be our Lay Member to A.C. Richard Carr will accompany her and will serve as a UTWCO District Equalization Member. Both of them will be full voting participants. Rev. Kim will attend too, and will be away from the church office June 21-June 27.

## GUEST PREACHER JUNE 25

While Rev. Kim is gone to Annual Conference in Colorado, Rev. Christine Tegeder will fill the FUMC pulpit on June 25. Rev. Tegeder lives in Morgan and is the chaplain at Ogden Regional Medical Center. She is an ordained Presbyterian minister.



## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH



United  
Women  
in Faith

United Women in Faith will not meet during the months of June, July and August. During the days of Vacation Bible School

we thank members of UWF who will provide food and background support. Sharing meal support with other groups in the church for these children is always a priority. THANK YOU!

**REMINDER:** Summer is a great time to begin or finish crafts as we prepare for the annual Craft Fair in October. Search your closets and attics for possible Silent Auction items to donate. Proceeds from this church-wide event helps women, children and youth in the greater Ogden area. Need more information? Linda Gates is a storehouse of information and can offer assistance.

## NOTES FROM THE UNITED METHODIST MEN



The UMM are planning a summer outing later this summer to a **Raptors baseball game** some time probably in August; stay tuned

for more information as time gets closer.

**Attention students:** The William H. And La Dean Stobaugh Scholarship application is available on the church website. If you are starting/continuing your college education, please check out our scholarship program. If you have any questions, please ask any one of the UMM and we can answer any questions you may have.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL



The Adult Sunday School Class, led by Steve James, is studying the Minor Prophets of the Old Testaments. "Minor" doesn't mean unimportant. It refers to the fact that the last 12 books are the shortest writings of the Old Testaments. Come and get acquainted with the themes and messages of those spokespersons for God. The class meets on Sundays at 8:45-9:45 a.m. in the Wesley Room. We have some nice large-print Bibles in the room to use. You are welcome to participate!

## PINECLIFF CAMP



Pinecliff Camp, an outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church, is located 18 miles east of Coalville, UT, about a one-hour drive from Ogden. Campers

will come to know and understand the God of creation. Campers will join cross-age family groups and same age cabin groups for activities. Explore God's presence in all aspects of life, meet old and new friends in singing, stories and sharing. Dates and costs are listed below. Camperships (scholarships) are available. Contact Brenda Boren for more information and registration forms. For more information about Pinecliff Camp, visit [www.pinecliffcamputah.org](http://www.pinecliffcamputah.org).

Elementary Camp: (Grade K-6) July 17-21, 2023. Fee before July 1, \$200.00.

After July 1, \$225.00 (Note: Kindergarten campers must have an adult stay during camp.)

Junior/Senior High Camp: (Grade 6-12) July 24-28, 2023. Fee before July 1, \$200.

After July 1, \$225.00.

## CUMC NEWS



Community UMC in Washington Terrace will have a pastoral change this summer. Rev. Steve

Reinhard will retire June 30. Beginning July 1, Rev. Paul Brunner will be appointed as an interim pastor to the congregation for one year. Rev. Brunner will be coming from Holyoke & Haxtun UMCs in northeastern Colorado.

## THANKS FOR DONATIONS TO CUBAN MINISTRY



The Missions Committee is pleased with how the Cuban potluck dinner went on May 7.

Thanks to all of you who tasted Cuban food, brought your own specialties, and enjoyed the fellowship. Thanks also for the donations and pledge cards turned in that day, before, or after. More donations and pledges will be received happily, so we can build up a fund to sponsor Yusimi's two sons Mikael (22) and Christian (16), along with Yainier's sister Yisel (31) and niece Alisson (5). They, like most Cubans, are suffering horribly from lack of food, water, electricity, clothing, and phone/internet connection. Those who speak out against the failed government put their lives at risk, and have to flee, as did Yainier and Yusimi. Any help you can give is much appreciated!

## BEEKEEPING MINISTRY NEWS

Our First UMC Beekeeping Ministry has been busy at the hives. We have three hives now with the addition of one more in May. We also had to replace a queen bee in a hive that lost theirs. The bees are now finding lots of nectar and pollen and honey production is starting. In the kitchen, the beekeepers made a batch of Honey Strawberry Jam that is for sale on our website at: [www.kristenshoney.com](http://www.kristenshoney.com).



We hosted a group of middle school students from Venture Academy on their Day of Service at the hives and church garden. The students helped with weeding and planting in the garden, removing the invasive Dyers Woad from our fields and took a trip to the hives. The learned about our ministry

and also had a taste of honey. Fun!

Did you know that bees provide many benefits? They pollinate 1/3 of the food we humans eat. This pollination increases fruit and vegetable production. Bees provide income and food. Honey has many health benefits. Unfortunately, bees are declining worldwide. The reasons are loss of wild places for bees to forage, the use of pesticides, bee diseases and warmer temperatures. This is the mission of our ministry, to educate others on the importance of bees and increase the number of bees in our area. Come join us!

Kristen Bell, the Queen Bee  
Bell4m@comcast.net

## FELLOWSHIP HOUR



Fellowship time host sign-ups for **June and July** are now available on the clipboard table in the narthex.

Thank you, May hosts – the Missions Committee and all who provided food for the Cuban dinner, United Women in Faith, the Finance Committee and the Worship Committee. The coffee and treats after worship services are much appreciated!

## FUMC GARDEN NEWS



Progress is being made in the FUMC garden! Thanks to those volunteers who have pulled out weeds, rototilled, and started seeds and plants at home and planted in the church garden. A motion-detector water spray

system was installed to deter the hungry deer. Dean Stephens, our official leader, is still healing from his leg surgery. We're praying for you, Dean!

## DISHWASHER FOR SALE

Our new commercial dishwasher has now been installed and is ready for use. We hope it proves to be easier to use. We know the three-minute cycles will be appreciated. The residential dishwasher is now available to sell. It is nearly like new because it has been used very little. It is a Whirlpool 24", with fingerprint resistant stainless steel, top of door control, and 110-volt connection. FUMC paid \$843 for it. We'd like to get \$425. If you or someone you know might be interested, please speak with our Trustees Chair, Gary Phillis, at 801-391-1465 for more details.



## BOOK TALK

The Book Talk book of the month is *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Join us on Monday, June 12, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Cheryl Thompson. Contact Cheryl at [801-389-9864](tel:801-389-9864) for further information.



## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School in-person & Zoom  
10:00 a.m. In-person Worship and via Facebook Live  
10:00 a.m. Children in Worship for the summer



# Hens for Friends

April 20, 2023



by Sally McConnell, MSC East Angola Advocate

Quessua United Methodist Mission was destroyed during Angola's war of independence and its civil war. Once a renowned place of learning, its buildings and agricultural fields were demolished and surrounded by land mines. In 2005 the rebuilding began. In 2015 Kutela Katembo, an agriculturalist from Congo, was commissioned in Helena, Montana, as a missionary with the United Methodist Church. Since then, he has transformed the area around the mission into productive agricultural land and is introducing ways to improve the lives of Angolans.

Villagers in Angola need protein! Agricultural possibilities in Angola are great, but there are many challenges in reaching its potential. Kutela is working hard to provide simple, effective agricultural technologies to improve community lives.

Malnutrition, especially in children, is a scary, growing problem. To address this, Kutela wants to introduce raising chickens to provide eggs to families. Eggs are an affordable protein for villagers in Angola and the project will also be a learning opportunity for the agricultural students at Quessua.

The project will happen in two phases. Phase one is the construction of a chicken coop building. Phase two is layer production, raising the chicks into laying hens. We need you to be part of bringing better nutrition to the children in villages around Quessua. Kutela plans to raise 2000 chickens. A \$10 donation will buy 10 chicks. Let's fill the hen house for our friends in Angola!

You may give using [Advance #3022272- Quessua Agriculture memo: Poultry](#)

## Thank You!

We want to thank everyone that has been faithfully bringing their aluminum cans to the church for recycling. This money is put toward our general fund for all kinds of uses. It's a great way to support the church and save the planet at the same time! Find the bin in the Wesley Room. (REMINDER – aluminum cans only!)



Methodist Church friends,

Thank you for prayers and well wishes. My hip surgery went well. I'm still sore but on the road to recovery.

Hello to all and again – thank you!

Sharon Stewart

Dear Rev. Kim & all my church family,

Thank you for all of your cards, phone calls, visits and hugs after the deaths of my daughter Sherry and granddaughter Melissa.

It's been a hard couple of months and your prayers have helped so much. I especially want to thank Ed and Margaret Weimer for being such good friends to Melissa and taking her into their hearts for the last 2 or 3 years. You are all wonderful.

Love, Peggy Davis

Hello,

We wanted to send in a small donation for our group to say thank you for letting us use your wonderful church building for our meetings. The room and the ability to use ZOOM have been so helpful. Thank you again so very much for your generosity and kindness.

God bless,

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# SUMMER

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