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Cindy's Chalkboard



Come join us in the planning stages
for our *new*
small group ministries here
at New Haven UMC!

*Ever wanted to be part of a small group setting - no agenda -
other than a time of fun and fellowship
focused on similar interests?*

TRY OUR SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES!

Think of the possibilities. Your group could meet in your home, or café, or other setting. You choose how often you will meet, and what day. What works for you?
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WANT TO BECOME INVOLVED? GREAT!!!!

Here's what you need to know:

January 25th, 6:30 pm: Intro and Training Session

Call the Church office 743.6491 or sign-up in the hallway
by January 12th to register.
Childcare is available.

Local Church Leaders Workshop
January 22, 2011
Boston Avenue UMC
8:00 am – 12:30 pm

It's not too late to sign up for the upcoming Local Church Leaders Workshop! Have you ever wanted to learn more about...

...how to use online tools in the church to harness the marketing power of the internet?

...explore what's working in youth ministry right now and ways to incorporate them into the church?

...two dynamic UMC ministries that are transforming lives in our community through Project Transformation and Restore Hope Ministries?

...insights regarding the local church, the Oklahoma Conference and the UMC denomination through conversations with our own Bishop Robert E. Hayes?

...effective hospitality in the local congregation and to share experiences and ideas to help strengthen local churches in Oklahoma?

All this, *and much more*, is offered during this very informative event. **We encourage all of our leadership here at New Haven UMC to attend this workshop**, and also invite any others that would like to attend. New Haven will cover the cost of your attendance. Please pick up a brochure in the church office for more information, and let our secretary, Pat Bates know which sessions you would like to attend!

SOME IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW ABOUT.....

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13TH

- **UMW SUSANNA CIRCLE**
10:00 A.M.
DEVOTIONAL BY KELLY SARTAIN
PLEDGE CEREMONY
FELLOWSHIP
ALL NEW HAVEN LADIES INVITED TO COME TRY THIS EXCITING GROUP!!!
- **CHURCH LIFE MEETING**
6:00 PM (PLEASE COME AND SHARE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTIVITIES FOR NEW HAVEN UMC IN 2011.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH

NEW HAVEN GARAGE SALE!
START SAVING ITEMS NOW TO DONATE AND SAVE SOME TIME TO HELP WITH IT, TOO!

Dear New Haven Family,

You are invited to the ***Celebration Benefit Luncheon*** for Laurie VanDyke and family on Sunday, January 30th from 12:00-1:00 pm. As most of you know, Laurie has been home for about 4 weeks now. She is doing alright, but will need extensive speech therapy and will also benefit from more rehab with walking. She is very alert and has a wonderful smile! Her singing has surprised her children since her speech is limited. The 2 youngest, Isabelle and Quinton, ages 4 and 5, sing to her the song, "When You're Happy and You Know It Clap Your Hands". They are delighted and in awe when mommy sings with them!

Her kind and devoted husband, Machoe, is at her side and takes on many roles. Machoe, a veteran of the Gulf war, came home with a brain injury and after extensive brain surgeries still has seizures. They are both so grateful for all the love and kindness you have already shown them.

The Indian UMC that we were in mission with last summer is excited to cook the wonderful tacos we all loved for the luncheon for Laurie. Awesome! We'll be in mission together again! (We'll provide hot dogs for the children).

You may sign up for the next 2 Sundays at the Outreach table in the hallway to attend the luncheon. If you aren't able to come and would like to send a monetary donation, please put "Benefit Luncheon/Laurie" in the memo line of your check.

Praise God for this opportunity and thank you, brothers and sisters for your love and concern for this, our family!

Adriaan Duiveman

Small Group Ministries!

The beginning of our Small Group Ministries is just around the corner, and we are so excited!! At our last All-Church gathering, we talked about where we believe God is leading his church here at New Haven UMC this coming year. One of the suggestions that came up was to focus on additional ways to get to know one another in smaller settings. So, it's time to put that into action!

Men's group, Married with Children group, Merry Crafter's group, Red Hatters group, Needle-work group.... are just a few of the examples! Let us know what group interests you, or create your own. Then, come to our introductory meeting on January 25th at 6:30 pm and we will train you in how to lead and/or be a part of a small group. What a great way to get to know others in the congregation! Call the church office or sign-up in the hallway today. You will be SO GLAD you did!

CHRISTIAN LIVING AND FELLOWSHIP CLASSES!

On January 16th, these two classes will combine during Sunday School for a special program! Our guest speaker will be Rev. Rob Walker, son of Bob & Eileen Walker. Rob has written a Lenten study for 2011 entitled "Blessings of the Cross". Come and hear Rev. Walker give us a preview of the scripture readings for Lent and Easter in this new book. ALL are invited to join these two classes. We'll meet in the parlor.

Umpteenagers

January 18th at 11:00 a.m.

Come to the Parlor for ham & beans, cornbread & dessert and play "Name That Tune"! Prizes will be awarded!

Cost: \$3.00 Sign up in classroom or call Pat Thomas.

MEMORIAL GIFTS WERE GIVEN FOR THE FOLLOWING:

A Memorial Fund gift in memory of Bob Ess was given by David Swezey.

A Memorial Fund gift in memory of Bart Barton was given by an anonymous donor.

A Memorial Garden gift in memory of Lewis Cleveland was given by Martha Vaughn.

Opportunities of the Week

Jan. 16 ~ 23, 2011

SUNDAY, January 16

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church
- 9:45 am Sunday School
Rev. Rob Walker Sunday School guest speaker/Parlor
- 10:45 am Traditional Worship & Children's Church
- 1:00 pm Trustees/Parlor
- 2:30 pm Finance/Parlor
- 4:00 pm Footprints/Sanctuary
- 5:00 pm Children's Choir
- 5:00 pm Disciple I & II
- 5:30 pm Bible Blast
- 5:30 pm UMY

MONDAY, January 17

- 6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

TUESDAY, January 18

- 6:00 pm Day School Council/Parlor
- 7:00 am Boy Scouts/Gym
- 7:30 pm AA/ Rooms 185, 209, 210
Alanon/ Room 205, 206

WEDNESDAY, January 19

- 6:00 pm Bell Choir
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:00 pm A.C.O.A./206

THURSDAY, January 20

- 4:15 pm Guitar Lessons
- 5:00 pm Youth Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

FRIDAY, January 21

- 7:30 pm AA Gym

SATURDAY, January 22

- 8:00 am Local Church Leaders Workshop
at Boston Ave. UMC

Youth Day Trip to OKC/time TBA

SUNDAY, January 23

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WORSHIP
ATTENDANCE
Friday, Dec. 24th

Sunday, January 9th

8:45 am-70

11:00 am-101

Total-171