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Temecula UMC  
Community**

Temecula UMC is a caring community dedicated to God's work. We welcome all by creating an atmosphere rooted in the fruits of the spirit. We are a positive, visible presence in our community and a place of comfort and peace. We provide spiritual fulfillment through worship, education, fellowship, missions and actions. We are people of God that live out our faith every day following Christ.

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## ***CHANGE AND A NEW JOURNEY***

***Rev. Rick Malec***

Sally and I were both born and raised in California. We met in 1978 and were married in October, 1979.

We planned that I would continue to work for Alpha Beta (a chain of grocery stores for those who are too young to remember). Sally would begin her career as a nurse. But then God came knocking.

I returned to school to finish my undergraduate work in Criminal Justice with an emphasis on Juvenile Justice. Our journeys took off when we went to Evanston IL, a suburb of Chicago, for my seminary work at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary where we were for three years. We then went to the San Fernando Valley to serve at Reseda UMC and thereafter to Camarillo UMC. After those three years, we moved to Redondo Beach and Rivera UMC for another three years, and then moved again to Escondido UMC for two years. Finally, after nine years at Julian UMC and six more at San Luis Rey Valley UMC in Oceanside, we have come here to Temecula UMC.

We have one son, Kenn, who is an aspiring writer in Hollywood.

Sally and I enjoy travelling, movies and being together. She finds joy in her art which she has a passion for. I enjoy sports like a junkie. I like time at the beach, serving the community and being with friends and family.

I have learned some things during my journey following God's call. The first is that the way from point A to point B by a straight line is not the fastest. It is not about being fast. It is about receiving God's invitation and following God's way and plan. It is about God's timing.

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

### 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sunday School Classes (EVERY SUNDAY)  
Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1–4 yrs.)  
Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd)  
Older Elementary Class (4th-5th)

### 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Childcare: Toddlers—younger elementary,  
Toys and books available for children.

### Sunday Evening UMYF

Please contact Pastor Rick  
for information on  
UMYF

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The second thing is that we never journey alone. God is always with us. That is the promise that is part of the covenant God made with Abraham. Besides, God gives companions for the journey. For me it has been Sally, our son Kenn, and other family and good friends.

We do not always know the call or the journey we will be asked to travel. The journey may be local or it may be thousands of miles away, but God will be with us to guide us, protect us, and give us hope and strength to follow obediently.

So we do not need to feel hurried to get everything we think needs to be done right away. We can relax, discover and get to know one another. We can have some fun in serving Christ and we shall discover where God is calling us to.

It is through our passions and where we have fun in our faith and life that God reveals our gifts for life and ministry. I have a passion for working with and serving youth and young people. I like sports very much. So for fourteen years I have coached soccer and baseball. I coached the Julian High School soccer team for seven years, and both soccer and baseball for three years. I was the inaugural soccer coach at Mission Vista High School in Vista for a year.

It is my love to serve young people and I believe my call from God has solidified through this passion. It brings much joy to me to walk beside young people, to help them discover and grow in

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their faith and their relationship with Christ and living out their faith as they grow in the family of Christ.

Finding and growing this strength has led me to ministry and has helped me find other strengths and gifts that have grown to fulfillment of my calling to serve Christ.

I invite you to discover a place that you have a passion for, something you have fun doing. I believe that when you realize the passion and joy you have living that passion you will discover a gift you are using to serve Christ. You will discover one or two more gifts you would like to grow to continue your growth in serving Christ. This may be a passion you already have within the life of this Church family. Or it could be a passion for doing something within your community or neighborhood. When we discover our gifts and strengths together, we shall know the direction of the ministry to which God is calling us.

But, remember, we cannot be in a hurry, regardless of what has happened before in our lives or in the life of the church family. First and foremost, God wants us to get to know each other as family, discover our passions, strengths and gifts for life and for ministry. God wants us to have good times over the years we shall be family together.

## ***2014 CRAFT FAIRE***

The Craft Faire Committee would appreciate books donated for this October's faire, be kept at home until after August 1st due to lack of storage space.

If you have special requests, kindly contact Doris Elder.

***OCTOBER 25th  
17th ANNUAL CRAFT FAIRE  
9 AM—3 PM***

Interested vendors can call Doris Elder or Heather Bjorkland.

## ***LET'S GO TO ISRAEL: A TRIP OF A LIFE TIME***

Pastor Rick and Sally in partnership with Pastor Rick Hill invite you to join them for a trip of the Holy Land. Spend 10 days in Israel visiting Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, the Sea of Galilee and so much more.

The date of the trip is November 12 – 21, 2015; the cost is \$3925, which includes round trip air from San Diego, all buffet breakfast and dinners, transfers, deluxe transportation in country, 4 and 5 star hotels and tips. A \$500 deposit is due at time of registration and can be made at any time now. You can guarantee your spot on the trip by registering and making your deposit.

Contact Pastor Rick, 760-415-0602 or by email [rick.malec@gmail.com](mailto:rick.malec@gmail.com) for more information or to arrange an orientation for yourself or a group. You don't want to miss out, register today!

## ***CHRISTIAN EDUCATION***

### **Sunday**

**Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes** at 9 a.m. in Room 6. All are welcome. We will be beginning a new study: "Jeremiah, The Fire In My Bones" with Rev. Adam Hamilton. This is a sermon series that takes a detailed look at the Book of *Jeremiah* in the Old Testament.

**Adult Tagalog Bible Study** meets in the Youth Room at 9 a.m. Mission: To grow in Christian faith and watch over one another in love by studying and living the words from the Bible. Contact Dan Gutierrez.

**Sunday School** meets during the 9 a.m. service. At 10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Aimee Jones Sunday mornings while Diana Walker is on vacation.

### **Youth Group**

Kindly contact Pastor Rick for more information on our youth group.

### **Monday**

**Welcoming and Outreach Committee** meets next on Monday, July 21st at 10 a.m. in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

### **Tuesday**

**Ladies Bible Study** at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1. All women are welcome to join us. The current study is the "Power of A Praying Woman" by Stormie Omartian. Contact Karen Benvenuto for July schedule.

**Book Discussion Group** meets August 5th at 6:00 p.m. - "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak will be discussed. Host will be Diane Martinez.

### **Wednesday**

**Chancel Choir** will have a group sing on July 6th and then be on summer break until September 3rd.

### **Thursday**

**Out to Lunch Bunch** meets at noon the first Thursday of each month at a different restaurant for friendship and sharing. Thursday, July 3rd, we will meet at the Red Lobster.

## ***UM WOMEN CORNER***

**July 17-20** - Mission U, Korean, all other languages July 18-20. If you would like to attend this Mission Study, contact Dorothy Smith for registration forms.

There will be no Executive Board Meeting nor General Meeting for July and August. UM Women will meet in September.

## ***MONKS Men of Nurturing Knighly Spirit***

**July 4th** - Parking Passes are available from Dan or Barry Adams between worship services or from the church office during the week.

**Monthly Planning Meeting**— Tuesday, July 8th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 6.

**July 11th —All Church Storm Night of Fellowship Baseball**—Tickets on sale between worship services until July 6th. Contact Ken Johnson.

5:30 p.m. Tailgate Party - \$1.50 for hot dog & all the fixings, chips & drink.

7:05 p.m. Game—Tickets \$7.00

VIP Parking costs \$4.00 (optional).

**September 19th**—Eighth Annual "Birdies for Bread" Golf Tournament at Pala Mesa Golf Resort, Fallbrook, CA. Please see information at [www.birdiesforbread.com](http://www.birdiesforbread.com)

## *A SPECIAL THOUGHT*

Lord, keep me from the habit of thinking that I must say something on every subject, on every occasion.

Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point!

I ask for grace enough to listen to the tales of others' pains. Help me to endure them with patience. But seal my lips on my own aches and pains, they are increasing and my love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.

Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally it is possible that I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint, some of them are so hard to live with, but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil.

Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places, and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so.

Make me thoughtful, but not moody; helpful, but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

Author unknown

## *For God's Sake — WARM IT UP!*

Historically, Methodists were known to be warm... people with warm hearts, warm fellowship, warm worship, warm music, and warm outreach. John Wesley's life was changed when his heart felt strangely warmed. Having and conveying that feeling was one of the major factors in growing the church.

Warm churches are truly fellowship. They understand the bond that brings them together and the purpose of their mission. Although they have many different personalities, their hearts are one. They are relaxed and glad to see one another and enjoy sharing what's going on in their lives.

Warm churches are joyful. There's joy in their liturgy, joy in their singing, joy in their response to preaching and joy in their hearts when they go into the world to be the church in everyday life.

Warm churches give generously and serve faithfully. They don't get lost in survival and self. They preach a warm and personal Jesus. They preach his calling to build the Kingdom of God and take the social action necessary.

Warm churches do something better than any clubs or organizations. They create a level playing field for all people... an environment where no one is better, smarter, richer, or more important than anyone else. To be the Body of Christ means we are warm in our being, warm in our methods, and warm in our touch.

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 INDEPENDENT STYLIST

July 2014						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28	29	30	31		



**SSP 2014**  
**DESTINATION**  
**Wesley UMC, Urban LA**  
**July 13th—July 19th**

This year our youth will do their Sierra Service Project in urban Los Angeles at Wesley UMC. We support their efforts in many ways. We encourage you to Write a card to each youth attending SSP at the below address. Cards should be mailed early to arrive by July 13th.

**Address:** 112 West 52nd Street  
 Los Angeles, CA 90037-3819  
**Phone:** 323-231-9321  
**Youth:** Grace Lloyd  
 Hannah Sheaffer  
 Aaron Thielemann  
 Megan Lloyd  
 Nambu Dakota

**Counselor:** Meghann McCullough

- 7/1 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study  
 10:00 a.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted by Jan Clark-George
  - 7/3 12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch
  - 7/4 Church offices closed in observance of Independence Day  
 5:00 p.m. July 4th All Church Party
  - 7/6 WELCOME PASTOR RICK MALEC  
 Chancel Choir Group Sing  
 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes  
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:45 a.m. Missions Committee
  - 7/7 7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting
  - 7/8 6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
  - 7/9 3:00 p.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted By Robert & Sharon McCarthy
  - 7/12 8:00 a.m. MONK's Monthly Meeting
  - 7/13 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes  
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:45 a.m. Stephen Ministers meet
  - 7/15 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
  - 7/17 1:00 p.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted by Earl Fields
  - 7/20 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes  
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
  - 7/21 10:00 a.m. Welcoming & Outreach Committee
  - 7/22 10:00 a.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted By Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
  - 7/25 11:00 a.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted by Joyce Little
  - 7/27 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes  
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
  - 7/28 6:30 p.m. Church Council
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- 8/5 6:00 p.m. Get-to-Know Pastor Rick hosted by Book Group & Diane Martinez

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	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27	
<b>USHERS</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
	Ken Boyle	MONKS	Youth	Sam Hill	
	Bert Bjorklund			Pat Hill	
	Larry Messersmith			Oscar Loud	
	Lloyd Bradshaw			Thelma Loud	
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
	Janet Galbraith	MONKS	Youth	Gloria Galvez	
	Dan Little			Raul Denisac	
Joyce Little			Dick Mohammed		
Dan Gutierrez			Steve Jones		

<b>LITURGISTS</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
	Bill Steele	MONKS	Youth	Adam Hathorn	
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 .M.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
	Aimee Jones	MONKS	Youth	Judy Hernandez	

<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
	Donna Peyton	MONKS	Youth	Pat Hill	
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
	Joan Jessup	MONKS	Youth	Pat O'Brien	

<b>SOUND TECH</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
	Mark McCullough		Youth	Edmonds Family	
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
	Lloyd Family	Boyle Family	Youth		

<b>VISITOR TABLE</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	
	Hazel Hailstone	Jean Williams	Dorothy Smith	Hazel Hailstone	

*If you cannot serve as assigned, please call Erik Toberman for 9 a.m. and Marilyn Barger for 10:30 a.m. ushers and Hazel Hailstone for liturgists & greeters .*



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# Essayist's 'I Am the Nation,' for Fourth of July

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"I Am the Nation" by Otto Whittaker

'I was born on July 4, 1776, and the Declaration of Independence is my birth certificate. The bloodlines of the world run in my veins, because I offered freedom to the oppressed. I am many things and many people. I am the nation.

I am 213 million living souls – and the ghost of millions who have lived and died for me.

I am Nathan Hale and Paul Revere. I stood at Lexington and fired the shot heard around the world. I am Washington, Jefferson and Patrick Henry. I am John Paul Jones, the Green Mountain Boys and Davy Crockett. I am Lee and Grant and Abe Lincoln.

I remember the Alamo, the Maine and Pearl Harbor. When freedom called, I answered and stayed until it was over, over there. I left my heroic dead in Flanders Field, on the rock of Corregidor, on the bleak slopes of Korea and in the steaming jungle of Vietnam.

I am the Brooklyn Bridge, the wheat lands of Kansas and the granite hills of Vermont. I am the coal fields of the Virginias and Pennsylvania, the fertile lands of the West, the Golden Gate and the Grand Canyon. I am Independence Hall, the Monitor and the Merrimac.

I am big, I sprawl from the Atlantic to the Pacific... my arms reach out to embrace Alaska and Hawaii...3 million square miles throbbing with industry. I am more than 5 million farms, I am forest, field, mountain and desert. I am quiet villages – and cities that never sleep.

You can look at me and see Ben Franklin walking down the streets of Philadelphia with his breadloaf under his arm. You can see Betsy Ross with her needle. You can see the lights of Christmas and hear the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" as the calendar turns.

I am Babe Ruth and the World Series. I am 110,000 schools and colleges and 330,000 churches where my people worship God as they think best. I am a ballot

dropped into a box, the roar of a crowd in a stadium and the voice of a choir in a cathedral. I am an editorial in a newspaper and a letter to a congressman.

I am Eli Whitney and Stephen Foster. I am Tom Edison, Albert Einstein and Billy Graham. I am Horace Greeley, Will Rogers and the Wright Brothers. I am George Washington Carver, Jonas Salk and Martin Luther King Jr.

I am Longfellow, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Walt Whitman and Thomas Paine.

Yes, I am the nation, and these are the things that I am. I was conceived in freedom, and God willing, in freedom I will spend the rest of my days.

May I possess always the integrity, the courage and the strength to keep myself unshackled, to remain a citadel of freedom and a beacon of hope to the world.



**FUN BEGINS  
5 P.M.**



**4<sup>TH</sup> OF  
JULY**



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