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*We seek to shepherd all  
To worship God  
To follow Jesus Christ  
And grow in faith  
Through the Holy Spirit*

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# Temecula United Methodist Church THE MESSENGER

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## ***MONKS' SEMINARIAN GRADUATES***



For the past three years, the TUMC Monks have helped a seminarian from the Nuevo Pacto Methodist Church in Tijuana, Mexico, with tuition and expenses at the Juan Wesley Methodist Seminary in Monterrey, Mexico. On June 25<sup>th</sup>, Eric Rosenweig Miranda graduated with top honors from the Seminary.

He was awarded a scholarship by the Dean of the Seminary, but the Bishop of the Northern Mexico Annual Conference called him to become a pastor in one of the churches in the Conference.

Zoila and Sarah Hillier and Rudy Martinez attended the graduation ceremony and represented TUMC. Rudy presented Eric a gift from the TUMC Monks.

Picture number one shows Eric giving the Valedictorian address during the ceremony.

Picture number two shows Eric with Zoila Hillier and Rudy Martinez.





**Sunday Schedule  
Worship 9:00 a.m.**

Nursery Care  
Sunday School - two classes - 3-11 yrs.

**Worship 10:30 a.m.**  
Nursery Care

Combined Jr. & Sr. UMYF 6:00-8:00 p.m.

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## Lay Representative Report

from  
2006 Annual Conference

The 20<sup>th</sup> annual session of the California-Pacific Annual Conference was held at Redlands University, Redlands, California, June 21-25, 2006. The theme this year was again "To be the cup overflowing – with grace, compassion and justice." We celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of full clergy rights for women in the Methodist tradition. Each session opened with the innovative and beautiful music of Ken Medema. Each morning's Bible study was presented by Dr. Marjorie Hewitt Suchocki, who gave thoughtful and clear understanding on the Gospel of John.

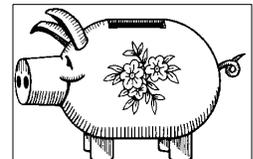
The Rev. Chris Cumbest and his wife, the Rev. Sheila Cumbest, reported on clean-up efforts from Hurricane Katrina in Mississippi. A video was shown that depicted the devastation from the storm and the needs it created. It showed how a group from Tennessee, working around the clock, rebuilt the Methodist church at Cleremont Harbor in one week. An offering was taken which, added to \$15,000 in reserves from Cal-Pac benevolences, came to over \$27,000 to go toward relief efforts in Mississippi.

On Friday 27 items were presented on the consent calendar for approval, after being considered in Legislative sessions. All items were approved. Included was a resolution to support the Global Aids Fund.

On Saturday, other items were considered separately that had not been approved in Legislative sessions. Of particular interest to TUMC was a recommendation from the Board of Camping that Camp Virginia near Julian be sold and the proceeds used to purchase property adjacent to Camp Cedar Glen to add more camping facilities there. There was quite a bit of discussion, with a lot of sentimental feeling about Camp Virginia, but it was pointed out that it has fallen into disrepair, was not being used very much and was a financial drain on the Conference. It was approved by 80%+.

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**UM Women World Thank Banks for August:** - Ten cents for every cooking pot you own.



# Fall All TUMC Church Campout Lake Skinner Campground

**September 8 – 10, 2006**

Be sure to mark your calendar now to attend the Fall All Church Campout scheduled for the weekend after Labor Day at the Lake Skinner Campground. The weekend will begin on Friday afternoon, September 8<sup>th</sup> and continue through Sunday noon. We will have camp sites reserved for the overnight campers and an area during the day. Even those who only want to come out during the daytime will be able to participate. Please plan to come and attend for the Fun, Food, and Fellowship!

Watch the Sunday morning bulletin, website and September Newsletter for more information.



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There was also a resolution, which was approved, to reorganize our Campus Ministry into six regional boards in order to serve more campuses. A resolution on U.S. Immigration Policy for the Cal-Pac Annual Conference to call upon the U.S. Congress and the President to adopt comprehensive immigration reform was also approved.

Two proposed resolutions were referred to the Board on Church & Society: *Taiwan Security, Stability and Self Determination and Support of Hotel Workers at Turtle Bay Resort in Hawaii.*

*We passed a Conference Budget for 2007 of \$12,447,314, a 1% increase from 2006.*

*Last, but not least, Pastor Randy was reappointed to TUMC for another year.*

## A HUGE SUCCESS!

Submitted by: Donnie Weaver

“What”, you ask? Why, the “All Church Yard Sale” held July 15, 2006!

Thanks to all who donated items, made pick-ups, sorted/priced, helped sell, and clean up. Without your help it could not have been done. Special thanks to Doris Elder for her organizing, advertising, coordination, and countless hours of work. Special thanks also to Cliff Elder, Bill Steele, John Weaver, Sharon Cooney, Rea Douglas, Judy Hernandez, Hallie Seban, and Mary Kottman for all their help and support.

A wide variety of items offered made the sale very appealing. The boutique and furniture areas attracted a great deal of attention. The parking lot was full at 6:30 am with people ready to spend their money!

Proceeds from the sale in the amount of \$5,100 are designated for the TUMC General Fund. This impressive amount will greatly aid TUMC programs and ministry yet this year.

It was a lot of work, but the cooperation, excitement, fun, and profit were well worth it! **THANK YOU!**



# *Church-wide Meetings*

## *TOPIC: Sunday Morning Worship and Church School Schedule*

### *August 13 and 27, 2006*

On January 10, 2006, the Church Council discussed performing a review of the current Sunday Morning Worship and Church School schedule and offerings. The goal of this review is to determine what changes, if any, could be made to expand and improve our Sunday morning overall Worship and Christian Education offerings. The Council not only wanted to review the programs we now offer on Sundays, worship services, Church School for Adult, Children, and Youth, but also those areas where we would like to add additional opportunities for older adults and young adults.

The Church Council has scheduled opportunities for the congregation to provide their input to the process on August 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Two sessions will be held each day. For those attending the 9:00 am Worship service and Sunday school hour, a session will be held at 10:30 am in Room 1. For those attending the 10:30 AM service, a session will be held beginning at 11:45 am. The sessions will be held at the same times on both Sundays.

We hope that everyone will take time to attend at least one of these sessions and provide your input to the discussion of these important topics. An evening meeting will also be held on Sunday evening August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in Celebration Hall.

## *Power Through Prayer*

Someone has said that, if Christians really understood the full extent of the power we have available through prayer, we might be speechless.

In W.W.II there was an advisor to Churchill who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing every day at a prescribed hour for one minute to collectively pray for the safety of England, its people and peace.

There is now a group of people organizing the same thing here in America.

If you would like to participate:

Every evening at **9:00 PM Eastern Time (8:00 PM Central) (7:00 Mountain); (6:00 PM Pacific)**, stop whatever you are doing and spend one minute praying for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens, and for peace in the world.

If you know anyone else who would like to participate, please pass this along. Our prayers are the most powerful asset we have.

## Fall Classes

### John Wesley *Holiness of Heart & Life* by Charles Yrigoyen, Jr.

Beginning in September, a course in Methodism will be offered for everyone in the Congregation. The book entitled, *John Wesley, Holiness of Heart & Life*, by Charles Yrigoyen, Jr., will be used as the guide to lead the discussion on Methodism. This book examines the historic roots of United Methodism in the life, thought, and ministry of John Wesley (1703-1791), the founder of Methodism. Wesley can teach us much about who we are, whence we have come, and what God calls us to do as we celebrate God's grace and witness for Jesus Christ. As we consider Wesley's ideas and his practice of Christian faith and mission, we hope to discover a vision for the renewal of our personal lives and the life of our church.

Through the use of quotes from John Wesley's sermons and other writings and the hymns of Charles Wesley, Charles Yrigoyen, Jr., presents the nature of the faith, the mission of the church, and the doctrine and theology of United Methodism.

The class will begin September 17, 2006. Bill Steele, our Lay Leader, will be leading the discussion. Be sure to mark your calendar and plan on attending this informative class on our Church's history. The class will be offered during the 9:00 am hour. After class enjoy the 10:00 am fellowship hour and then attend the second service beginning at 10:30 a.m.

**SUNDAY ADULT CLASS** with Joe Hughes in Room 6. They are presently discussing *The Purpose Driven Life* which has 40 Chapters. The group is reading Chapter 13-14 on August 6th.

### **LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

Ladies Bible Study resumes Tuesday, September 12, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 8. Led by Karen Benvenuto, the class will center around Bill Hybel's book, *Too Busy Not To Pray*. The book and study guide are \$17.00.

### **PASTOR RANDY'S BIBLE STUDY**

Pastor Randy's Bible Study resumes Tuesday, September 12, at 10:30 a.m. in the Music Room.

### **REWARD OFFERED: INTRODUCING UMFCU**

Earn \$20.00 for every person you refer who joins the United Methodist Federal Credit Union. This new program is designed to partner with churches and individual members, and give the UMFCU more exposure to eligible non-members. Individuals can participate by sponsoring their family members or fellow members of the congregation to join.

For more information, contact UMFCU at 909 946 4096 or 800 245 0433.

Also, if you are thinking of buying a hybrid, give UMFCU a call for added discounts.

# ANNUAL UMW RETREAT

Save this date: September 16, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the UMW Annual Retreat at Vina de Lestonnac. The retreat center is located at 39300 De Portola Road, Temecula.

Rev. Gwen Ehrenborg will be the leader of this year's retreat which has as its theme "The Scarlet Cord: Women of the Bible in Jesus's Bloodline".

The cost is \$40.00 and partial scholarships are available. This includes lunch and snacks. The sign up sheet is in the breezeway and questions should be directed to Diane Martinez.



## 2006 SSP TRIP

This year's SSP group departed one day early to reach distant Pendleton, Oregon, by way of an over night stay at Davis United Methodist Church. Another stop, Saturday night in Bend, Oregon, involved an encounter with one group of UMC kids coming from SSP and another going on with us. After a prayer service, everyone joined in games, ate the pizza and bonded over other goodies. The tough drive was relieved by the beauty of the Oregon scenery.

SSP is one week we spend a year anticipating because packed into it are lessons on how to serve God and others, how to be cooperative, how to accept things, how everyone takes part in making the world work, how sometimes leaning on others is a good thing, just as being depended upon is necessary. Life is mixed with trial and triumph.

It is easy to return inspired but the challenge is doing what we learn in a week all year. Sure, we help people at SSP, but what is important is what happens after SSP among us back home. This was a big point this year.

This was my fifth and final year at SSP. As long as high schoolers continue to have the desire to help, God will be pleased. I will always remember my SSP lessons.

Stacy Conrad

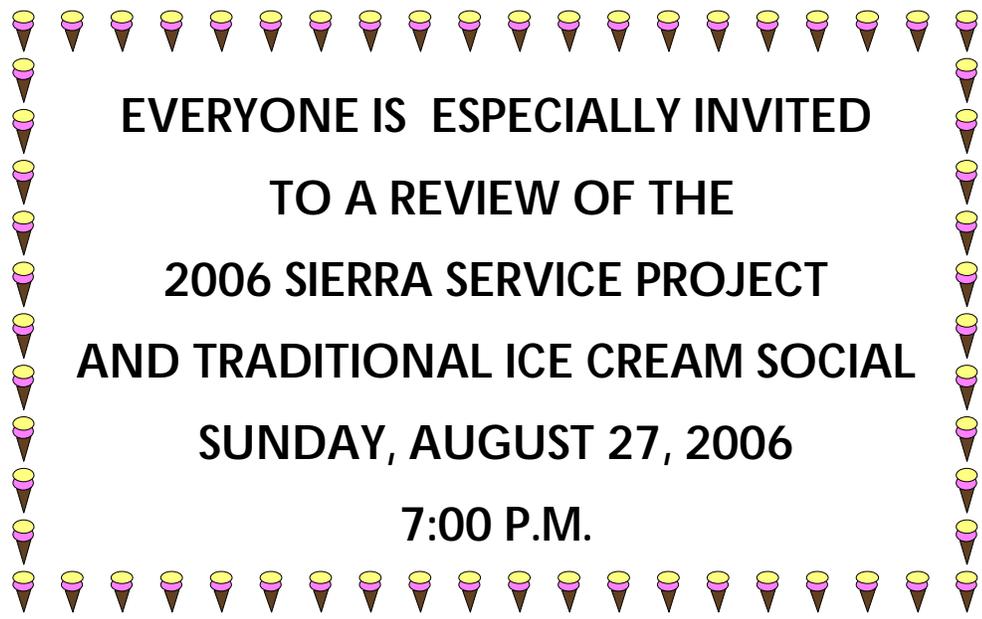
**Dates to Remember**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 8/2 12:00 p.m. "Out to Lunch Bunch"
- 8/3 10:30 a.m. UMW Circle
- 8/6 9:00 a.m. *The Purpose Driven Life* w/Joe Hughes
- 8/7 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 8/9 6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting
- 8/12 8:00 a.m. Monks of TUMC Breakfast
- 8/13 9:00 a.m. *The Purpose Driven Life* w/Joe Hughes
- 8/14 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 8/16 6:30 p.m. Staff Relations Committee
- 8/20 9:00 a.m. *The Purpose Driven Life* w/Joe Hughes
- 8/21 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
- 8/23 7:00 p.m. Church Council
- 8/27 9:00 a.m. *The Purpose Driven Life* w/Joe Hughes
- 7:00 p.m. SSP Review and Ice Cream Social
- 8/28 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Committee
- 8/30 9:00 a.m. UMW Board

<b>August 2006</b>						
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*September Messenger  
deadline is August 15.  
Everyone is welcomed  
to submit articles.  
E-mail to [tumc@temeculaumc.com](mailto:tumc@temeculaumc.com)*



**EVERYONE IS ESPECIALLY INVITED**

**TO A REVIEW OF THE**

**2006 SIERRA SERVICE PROJECT**

**AND TRADITIONAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2006**

**7:00 P.M.**

	<u>Aug 6</u>	<u>Aug 13</u>	<u>Aug 20</u>	<u>Aug 27</u>
<b>USHERS</b> 9:00 a.m.	Jessie Martinez John Weaver Oscar Loud Thelma Loud	Monks	Youth	Pat Hill Sam Hill Ethel Takeguchi Milton Takeguchi
<b>USHERS</b> 10:30 a.m.	Cliff Elder Richard Sharpe Dan Gutierrez Ashley Lewis	Monks	Youth	Pat O'Brien Bea Waite Steve Minder Hallie Sebanc
<b>LITURGISTS</b> 9:00 a.m.	Doris Elder	Monks	Youth	Jan Martinez
10:30 a.m.	Peggy Cowherd	Monks	Youth	Joan Jessup
<b>GREETERS</b> 9:30 a.m.	Rea Douglas & Joan Jessup	Monks	Youth	Jean Williams
10:30 a.m.	Ray & Pat Steed	Monks	Youth	Sue & Jake Turteltaub

*If you cannot serve as assigned, please call John Cloutier for ushers  
and Jan Martinez for liturgists & greeters*

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