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Temecula United Methodist Church THE MESSENGER

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RICK'S RAMBLINGS

Striving to End Spiritual and Physical Hunger

Our Bishop, Grant Hagiya, presented the Theme "Ending Spiritual and Physical Hunger" as we, of the California-Pacific Conference, discover how to live out this vision in our churches. As a matter of fact, we have been asked to develop a short video of how we are living out this theme to be shown at our annual All Church Conference on Wednesday, December 7, 7:00 PM. As I reflected on this theme, I was stirred by the Spirit to bring this opportunity for us to explore how we live out the hope and love of Christ by striving to end Spiritual and Physical Hunger. What ministries, missions, and programs are we currently offering that are living this out? What other possibilities can we grow with the gifts and strengths we have as individuals and as a church family to live this vision out?

Prior to receiving the invitation to create a short video, I invited our Church Family to come together to begin this exploration and think through how we might live out this vision. So, on the last Saturday of August, sixteen of us came together to begin to define what this vision of ending spiritual and physical hunger means. What are we already doing and where can we find new opportunities to grow this vision? The following paragraphs are notes of what came from that first meeting. The new offerings will be explored further by the Church Council to begin to set priorities and look at what established team/committee or new task force might take up some of these possibilities. The Church Council will also look to you to help in this process and offer other ideas that we may have missed.

Some notes: We need to make sure we are branding the church, getting the message out about who we are, what our mission is, and how are we serving the community. When people come to the Church, they put on a smile as individuals and as a Church family, so people feel welcomed when they

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Rick's Ramblings continued

come to be part of the family for the first time or returning. We are exploring and developing ways we can grow this vision as we expand ways to reconnect individuals and families in our community to a relationship with God in Christ. To continue to build on our programs, ministries, and missions that strive to end spiritual and physical hunger and to discover new possibilities with our gifts and strengths. Some of the ideas we raised we'll be able to implement immediately or in the near future. Some will require more coordination and connecting with other faith communities and secular organizations. These programs, ministries, and missions can be one-time, short-term, seasonal, or long-term in nature. In today's society, the one-time, short-term, and seasonal are usually the most effective for those who are unchurched or church "exiters."

List of Possible Ministries, Missions, Programs:

- 1. Clean up the information table in the breezeway and display informational brochures about current church programming, ministries, missions, and church structure.
- 2. Community Garden (Produce)
- 3. Business/Calling Cards
- 4. One-day services for the homeless with resources such as medical, dental, optometry, haircuts, grooming, etc.
- 5. Feed breakfast and lunch, and have background music. This will take a wide resource effort and planning with other organizations and faith communities involved.
- 6. Offer meeting space for the LBGQIA+ community (PFLAG)
- 7. Ice Cream Social
- 8. Parents Night Out
- 9. Mentorship Program
- 10. CPR/AED, First Aid Training
- 11. Evening Bible Study
- 12. Youth Leading Worship
- 13. Children and Youth Community Events

What we are already doing to live out the vision:

- 1. Worship Services
- 2. Tuesday Ladies, Sunday Morning, Wednesday Morning Bible Studies
- 3. MONKS (Men's Group)
- 4. United Women in Faith
- 5. Supporting Community Mission of Hope/Rancho Damacitas
- 6. Supporting St. Vincent De Paul/St. Catherine's Food Pantry
- 7. Prayers and Squares

- 8. Fourth of July
- 9. Backpacks for Sherman Indian Residential School
- 10. Hygiene Kits
- 11. Interfaith Council Participation
- 12. Golden Baskets to support local and global missions and ministries
- 13. Making facilities available for Support Groups and other Non-Profits i.e., Cub and Girl Scouts, PALS pre-school

Peace & Grace Pastor Rick



Worship Scriptures and Themes

October

2 Scripture: Luke 17:5-10 Theme: Increase our Faith

9 Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Theme: Grace

16 Scripture: Luke 18:1-8 Theme: Never Give Up

23 Scripture: Luke 18:9-14
Theme: Humble Ourselves

30 Scripture: Luke 19:1-10 Theme: Finding Jesus

November

6 Scripture: Daniel 7:1-18
Theme: God Is In Control

From The Breezeway

Opportunity to Serve the Least Among Us

Lennar Builder has renovated all the Empowerment Village Homes at Rancho Damacitas. Now the finishing touches on the inside need to be done to allow the new moms and their kids to move in by November 1. CMOH/Rancho Damacitas Director Allison Willets is inviting congregations and organizations for volunteers to adopt at least a room (10X10) to paint. We will pay for the paint, and they will choose the colors. If you are interested, contact Pastor Rick or Sally and we will arrange for a day or two to get this done. Remember, many hands make the work light, especially when we are the hands of Christ.

OCTOBER



Anniversaries

Bret & Cris Argenbright	10/07
Dwight & Charlie Weaver	10/24
Rick & Sally Malec	10/27

BIRTHDAYS

Kenneth Gorman	10/01
Naila Tayrien	10/01
Jose Manacop	10/02
Lynn Ferguson	10/03
Evelyn Sayne	10/03
Zana Easley	10/05
Monica Roderos	10/05
Cheri Toberman	10/10
Julia Monson	10/13
Diana Roderos	10/13
Anita Accordino	10/14
Dan Henley	10/14
Maxine Heiller	10/16
Katie Turner	10/16
Barry Adams	10/17
Lilo Aumoecualogo	10/17
Patricia Hill	10/18
Adam Hathorn	10/20
Nicole Roderos	10/20
Charlotte Saeger	10/20
Joyce Little	10/22
Cole Anderson Dubots	10/27
Frank Gruber	10/27
Sandy Dodson	10/28
Channing Manacop	10/29
Renee Eisenberg	10/30
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United Women in Faith



October 13, 10:30 a.m. Board meeting in Room 6

October 20, 10:30 a.m. General meeting in Room 1

Our gathering for this event is "Prayer and Self Denial"

Please bring your envelopes for this event. All women of the church are encouraged to attend. Come and join us!



Introducing a new opportunity for 3 to 4 minutes on Sunday morning. Share your faith story with everyone. Maybe it was long ago, or maybe it was last week. The precious moments of "touching the hem of the garment," the moments of feeling God's Presence, the spiritual aha that was meaningful or.... Spiritual stories from those we know are deeply meaningful.

As we share our stories, we strengthen and encourage one another. In these perilous times, it is so important to lift one another.

There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table. Please give us the gift of your stories.

If you are too shy, write up a paragraph and send it to the office to be in the newsletter.

We pray you will give the gift of yourself and your stories to your spiritual family here at TUMC.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Rick or Marlene Oaks.

Golden Baskets for This Month

October

- 2 World Communion Sunday
- 9 UMCOR U.S. Relief and Recovery
- 16 Rev. Andrew Soon Lee, Missionary
- 23 Magdalena's Daughters
- 30 El Porvenir Safe Water and Sanitation

World Communion Sunday



Together our reach is beyond measure!

This offering supports diverse mix of national and international ethnic young adults to make a global impact for Christ. Half of the offering benefits World Communion Scholarships for

graduate students from the U.S. and other countries; the remainder assists Ethnic Scholarships for U.S. and international undergraduates studying in the U.S. and Ethnic In-Service Training.

Christ Ministry Center Services Provided by CMC:



- Good Neighbor Center
- Spiritual Ministries
- Free Clinics
- Brother's Keeper Clothes
- Prison, Detention, Recovery
- The Welcome Home
- Safe Harbor Loft
- AbundantHELP and much more

To learn more visit their website at

https://www.cummc.org/

Missionary - Rev. Andrew Soon Lee



We have been sponsoring Rev. Lee since September 1, 2021. Rev. Lee is from our conference and he is currently serving in Cambodia working with three missionaries and eight local staffs. He is serving as the country director for the Cambodia Mission Initiative, he is collaborating with other Methodist mission

agencies (Singapore MC, WFCMC, KMC, CONNEXIO) to bring about an autonomous Methodist denomination in Cambodia. As a result of this effort, Cambodia Methodist Church (MCC) has been established and it's on the right track to become its own Annual Conference. For more information about what Rev. Lee is doing go to

https://www.facebook.com/DreamCambodia or https://umccambodia.org/

Magdalena's Daughters



Their mission is to provide therapeutic residential services, life skills, and education to transform the lives of sexually exploited and at-risk female foster youth. To find out more about this organization click on the link

https://www.magdalenasdaughters.org/



El Porvenir believes all people deserve clean water, safe sanitation, and the knowledge to sustain it for the generations to follow. We partner with the people of Nicaragua so that they can build a better future for themselves through the sustainable development of Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WaSH) education projects. To find out more click on link https://www.elporvenir.org/



Family Ministries Update

The Fourth of July was a success as we had several families and children show up. Our plan is to have more days like this to bring in

younger families, with our first being a trunk or treat to be held on Halloween night. My neighbor has a car club, and I am looking to see if they can come and set up their designer cars to have the kids trunks or treat from their trunks. Of course, I will also be asking all of you who would like to come and decorate your trunks to do so as well. **Trunk or Treat, October 31, 2022**

5 PM - 7 PM. I will also be planning a kid's afternoon on December the 24th. This is where I will have fun things for kids to do and give parents a chance to do last minute shopping as well as wrap presents without having to be up half the night to do it. I will charge a small fee to cover food and, of course, activities. I will be looking for volunteers for this as well. Sunday school is still a hit or miss, but I hope that once we have these other activities out there, the families will know we are here and will bring them more regularly.

On September 26th, I will be starting the grief group again. It will be held on the last Monday of every month. If it grows and we need to extend the days, we will do that also.

Tiffanie Roman Family Ministries Coordinator