

# News From The Rock

Solid Rock United Methodist Church • Warren, Indiana

September 2012

## Youth Fellowship

We had a great time at our annual UMYF kickoff at the Tincaps game in August. Lily and Carson both caught foul balls and everyone really enjoyed all the good food, fellowship, and fireworks.

We have started studying The Seven Checkpoints during our UMYF meetings. The first checkpoint is Authentic Faith, based on Proverbs 3:5-6. If you would like to read along with us this month, please look through these verses: Job 1:6-22, Hebrews 4:14-16, and Hebrews 11:1. We will be talking about Circumstantial Faith, A Sure Foundation, and Faith Confidence and Wishful Thinking.

We are starting up our after-church Bible Study on the fourth Sunday of each month. There will also be a daily Bible reading post on Facebook for all youth to follow in connection with the Bible study.

If you haven't turned in your permission/health form yet, please do so ASAP to Marie. Remember that UMYF is open to all youth in grade 5-12. Be sure to come join us and bring a friend!



## UMYF Schedule

- **August 19:** Meeting, 2:00-3:30
- **August 26:** Bible Study after church
- **September 9:** Pizza after church
- **September 16:** Meeting, 2:00-3:30
- **September 23:** Bible Study after church
- **September 30:** Meeting, 2:00-3:30

## Solid Rock group assists with house build

Solid Rock United Methodist Church was one of four churches to assist with a summer house build through Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. Under the direction of organizer Mike Tribolet, 12 members of Solid Rock spent the week of

July 29 through August 4 sanding drywall, painting, installing flooring, and doing finish work on the front deck of the home in which a young mother and her son will reside. Several members of the group also assisted with a variety of tasks on the Henderson campus.

Henderson Settlement was founded by Rev. Hiram Frakes in

1925 after he observed the extreme social, educational, and medical needs of residents of this Appalachian valley. Ministries of the Settlement, which touch hundreds of families in the region, include thrift stores, a craft shop, agricultural resources, a food pantry, medical assistance, new mother and infant care, and a variety of educational and social opportunities. Hundreds of individuals volunteer at the Settlement each summer, fulfilling needs at the Settlement and in the community.

Solid Rock is in a covenant relationship with missionaries Vicki and Gary Stephenson. Vicki is Director of Mission Advancement at Henderson, and Gary maintains all Settlement vehicles. Vicki led the group on a Settlement tour on Wednesday morning.

Participating in the work camp from Solid Rock were David Spahr, John and Susan Mills, Jeff and Sydney Walter, Art and Rose Broyles, Steve Holmes, Bonnie Zeller, Gary and Rosalie Walter, Pastor Kathy Newton, and Connie Herr from Dillman UB Church.

The Solid Rock congregation generously supported the project, providing \$7,000 to purchase building supplies, contributing to campers' living expenses, and donating school supplies, personal hygiene items, as well as items for the food pantry, recreation program, and baby pantry.

## Baptisms

Congratulations to Evan Gifford, Parker Gaston, and Rylan Gaston, who were baptized on August 5 at Solid Rock.

Just Leaning  
on the Rock!

by Pastor Kathy Newton



Can you believe it's Labor Day? We (the U.S.) have been celebrating Labor Day since 1894 thanks to a unanimous vote in Congress and the efforts of Grover Cleveland. This all occurred as the Pullman Strike came to an end. As you know, we perceive this holiday as the end of summer, and some of us even see this holiday as the beginning of

NFL and college football. Others of us see it as an extra day added to our weekend. Still others of us know it to be the weekend of the tractor pull.

So what does this have to do with God and church? Let's look to see what Scripture has to say about labor and rest. Job pleaded with God to leave him alone that he might find some happiness as he worked his way through his life. "Why don't you leave us alone and let us find some happiness while we toil and labor?" (Job 14:6) The author of Hebrews however had a better view of God's intention for laborers. "But God has promised us a Sabbath when we will rest, even though it has not yet come. On that day God's people will rest from their work, just as God rested from his work. We should do our best to enter that place of rest, so that none of us will disobey and miss going there, as they did." (Heb 4:9-11)

Since God rested from God's work, so then will we one day rest from our labor. It will be so much more than just Labor Day; this Labor Day will surpass all Labor Days. Every one of us will be allowed to rest in a place where there is no more pain, illness or even death. Hallelujah! However, our job for now is to see that others get the Message so they too will "enter that place of rest".

Shalom,  
Pastor Kathy

## State Fair Participants

These 4-Hers from Solid Rock exhibited at the Indiana State Fair:

- Mary Kate Sieberns, merit, child development and merit, photography
- Walker Spahr, blue ribbon, photography
- Merisa Walter, blue ribbon, photography

## Fifth Sunday Sing

A Fifth Sunday Sing will be held at Heritage Pointe on September 30. Consider attending for singing, readings, refreshments, and fellowship. Heritage Pointe residents enjoy the presence of Solid Rock members!

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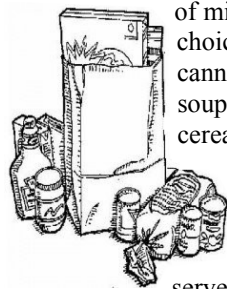
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News deadline for the October newsletter: September 23

## Bread of Life Food Pantry Update

The Pantry's goal for June, July, and August was to help families whose children received free or reduced lunches during the school year. Each family received a gallon



of milk and bags of "kids choice" food items (such as canned spaghetti, ravioli, soup, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, macaroni and cheese, Ramen noodles) besides the regular pantry-requested items. We

served 68 homes in our community, including 94 children between the ages of five and 18.

Thank you for all the special donations, and giving of freewill offerings at the fish and tenderloin dinners (Salamonie Church of the Brethren and First Baptist Church). A family gave proceeds from a garage sale and recycling of aluminum cans. Support was received from the concession stand at the Summer Festival tractor pull. One family donated the proceeds from the sale of 50 bushels of soybeans, and another donated 4-H chickens and fresh eggs. Four businesses gave 250 pounds of sausage.

Thank you for volunteering to help at the Pantry, visiting with clients, filling orders, stocking shelves, unloading my trunk, and taking groceries to clients' cars. Without your help, ideas, prayers, designated tithing, donations of canned foods, personal hygiene items, fresh fruit, and produce the Bread of Life Food Pantry would be like the pantry we worked at in Frakes, Kentucky, working at emergency level and waiting for donations to come in to be able to help their neighbors with a minimal box of food items to last for one month.

Thanks again for your support. God bless each of you.

Rose Broyles

## Labor Day Weekend

The annual Labor Day weekend tractor pull will be held September 1 through 3, and Solid Rock will host the concession stand. On Sunday, September 2, a free breakfast will be served starting at 8:30, followed by worship on the hill, next to the Knight-Bergman Center parking lot, at 10:00.

## Bazaar

The annual Fall Bazaar will be October 20. Keep working on craft items and planning the food items you can bring. Plan to participate in this day of fun and fellowship!

## Pray for our students

These students are receiving Solid Rock scholarships for the Fall 2012 semester:

- Liz Bolinger, sophomore, Huntington University
- Rachel Decker, sophomore, Manchester University
- Erica Hensley, sophomore, Ivy Tech Community College
- Colin McIntire, sophomore, Ball State University
- Kailey Neff, junior, Indiana University
- Mallory Preston, freshman, University of St. Francis
- Brandi Richardson, freshman, Ivy Tech Community College
- Emma Sabinske, senior, Manchester University
- Spencer Sabinske, freshman, Ball State University



Pray for these students as they face challenges during this school year.

## College correspondence

Dear Dad,

*School is really great. I'm making lots of friends and studying very hard. With all my stuff, I simply can't think of anything I need. So if you'd like, you can just send me a card, as I'd love to hear from you. Love, Your Son*

Reply:

*I know that astronomy, economics and oceanography are enough to keep even an honor student busy. Do NOT forget that the pursuit of knowledge is a noble task, and you can never study enough. Dad*

## United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women of Solid Rock Church met August 2, 2012, in the Calico Room of Heritage Pointe at 9:30 a.m. with 10 members present. President Myrna Neff reminded us of a point stressed by Doris Rapp in her presentation to us in June: "We never go through adversity alone," based on 2 Corinthians 8:14-15. Missionaries' birthdays were recognized: Virginia Moore at St. Clairsville, OH, and Geneva Williams of Orangeburg, SC—both serving as Deaconesses, Mission Focus of our worldwide work was recognized in the World Council of Churches Youth Desk, doing resource development through support and training in the Global South, Geneva, Switzerland.

Barbara Hart shared information about the Henderson Settlement of southern Kentucky as our "Mission Moment." Solid Rock volunteers will be going there this week to build a small house for a young mother and her son. Solid Rock Church is contributing \$6,500 to the project. Henderson Settlement is part of the Red Bird Missionary Conference. Solid Rock supports two covenant missionaries at Henderson.

Lucille Pinkerton gave the lesson entitled "A Home for Jesus," and this is the story of an older woman who made a decision to be a foster parent as her destiny. She took a 14-month-old boy named "Jesus," or "T.J." ("Tiny Jesus" now). She has had 26 children in all over periods of a week to years. Parents may have been dead, or abusive, or in jail. The Oklahoma helping service where she worked was a child care agency. Lucille herself said she and her husband had adopted two children, who are now ages 62 and 64!

Regular monthly joys, concerns and prayers were received and given by Carolyn Winters. Margaret Bell read last month's meeting minutes, which were approved, and called the roll. Barbara Hart gave the Treasurer's report, noting a current treasury balance as of July 31 of \$602.56.

Unfinished business was a pleasure—seeing the supplies which have been readied for the school bags going into the lovely sturdy bags made by Mary Emma Holmes. Myrna had done the shopping for the impressive collection of school supplies



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which are going to needy areas in Africa (a total of 12 bags, expensive to fill but helpful to each child's school success). The bill, which was \$161.27, was approved upon motion by Ann Brauchla Slaughter, and paid to Myrna, and a "thank you" note will be sent to Mary Emma. Future dates and programs were considered before adjournment.

Margaret Bell, Secretary

## Men's Fellowship

The Solid Rock Men's Fellowship met on August 11, 2012, at Heritage Pointe with 15 men in attendance. Dale Smith opened the meeting with prayer. Breakfast was served by Kim's Katered Affair.

Marion Bell shared devotions, "Traveling Light," based on Psalm 23 from a book by Max Lucado. Closing prayer was offered by Gary Walter.



Men's Fellowship

The next meeting will be September 8, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe. Reservations need to be made with Steve Holmes (375-2766) not later than September 6. All men of the church and invited!

## July Financial Update

General Offerings .....	\$14,978
General Fund Expenses .....	\$10,366
Building Fund Contributions .....	\$9,024

## Spelling spree

A kindergartner was practicing his spelling with magnetic letters on the refrigerator. He'd formed the words cat, dog, dad and mom for his family to see.

One morning, the boy greeted his proud mother with arms outstretched. In his hands were three magnetic letters: G-O-D. "Look what I spelled!" he exclaimed.

"That's wonderful!" Mom said. "Now go put them on the fridge so Dad can see them, too." Happily, she thought, "That Christian education sure is having a great impact."

Just then, a little voice called from the kitchen. "Mom? How do you spell '-zilla'?"



## Name that animal

Play a fun drawing game about animals mentioned in the Bible.

### What you need:

- Bible
- Paper strips
- Chalkboard and chalk (or dry erase board, pen and eraser)
- Timer or stopwatch

### What you do:

1. On each paper strip, write a Bible verse that mentions an animal (see list below for ideas).
2. Form teams. Take turns looking up each verse and drawing for your team, getting one point for each correct guess.
3. Time each player. Take turns among teams.

### Possible verses:

Numbers 22:21 (donkey); Deuteronomy 32:11 (eagle); 2 Samuel 17:8 (bear); Job 8:14 (spider); Job 39:13 (ostrich); Psalm 20:7 (horse); Psalm 58:8 (slug/snail); Proverbs 6:5 (gazelle, bird); Proverbs 26:11 (dog); Proverbs 30:25 (ant); Proverbs 30:28 (lizard); Isaiah 7:18 (fly, bee); Jonah 4:7 (worm); Matthew 10:16 (sheep, wolf, snake, dove); Matthew 10:29 (sparrow); Matthew 23:37 (hen, chick); Luke 13:15 (ox, donkey); Luke 13:32 (fox); 1 Peter 5:8 (lion).

"I must do something" always solves more problems than "Something must be done."



## Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

Knight-Bergman Luncheon  
Sunday, September 9  
11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

- Stuffed Chicken Breast
- Roast Pork
- Potato
- Green Beans
- Jello
- Cole Slaw
- Homemade Desserts

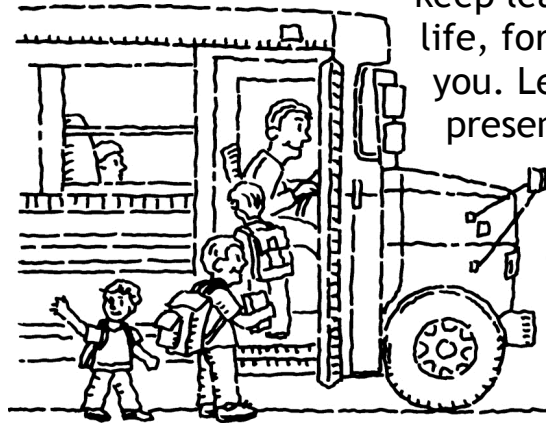
Adults—\$8

Children—\$4

*Carry-out Available*

## Prayer for Students

God of Light and Truth, thank you for giving me a mind that can know and a heart that can love. Help me to keep learning every day of my life, for all knowledge leads to you. Let me be aware of your presence in all things and at all times. Encourage me when work is difficult and when I am tempted to give up; encourage me when my brain seems slow and the way forward is difficult. Grant me the grace to put my mind to use exploring the world you have created, confident that in you there a wisdom that is real. Amen.



- Charles Henderson

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