

Calendar of Events

Calendar Highlights ~ (More info about these events elsewhere in this issue)

March 5 ~ Game Night, 6:30
 March 9-29 ~ Directory Photos
 March 11 ~ Women's Night Out, 6:30
 March 17 ~ 55+ Luncheon, noon
 March 19-21 ~ CHUM Men's Retreat
 March 23 ~ Upwards Awards Celebration, 6:30
 March 28 ~ Please return Great Big Food Drive donations
 March 29 ~ Appalachian Trail Open House, 6:30

March 28-April 4 ~ Holy Week

March 28 ~ Palm Sunday Worship
 April 1 ~ Maundy Thursday Worship @ 7:00 in Wesley Center
 April 2 ~ Good Friday Worship @ 12 noon in the Sanctuary and 7:00 in Wesley Center
 April 3 ~ Family Easter Experience
 April 4 ~ Easter Sunday Worship services @ 6:30, 9:30 & 11:00

Please note:

No dinner, children's or adult's activities or childcare on Wednesday, March 30.
 Music practices - check with leaders. Church office closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

Please ... Help us be good stewards!

You can view the CHUM Connection online at www.camphillumc.org. If you no longer wish to receive a copy by mail, please help us conserve everyone's resources by calling us at 737-5631 or sending an e-mail to chumc@camphillumc.org.

Camp Hill United Methodist Church

Rev. Tom Willard, *Senior Pastor*
 Rev. Brian C. Sweeney, *Associate Pastor*

Schedule of Sunday Worship

9:30 & 11:00 AM
 Celebration Services in the Sanctuary
 NewLife Services in the Wesley Center
 Sunday School at 9:30
 Children's Worship at 11:00
 Youth Activities - Sunday Evenings

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 Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 Friday, 9:00 AM - 12:00noon

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Camp Hill United Methodist Church

March 2010

Pastor's Notes

"While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set aside for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.' So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off."

I have often viewed this biblical moment as an example of the church at its best. The gathered congregation discerned and affirmed the specific call of God upon the life of Barnabas and Saul for ministry among the Gentiles. It was a clear departure of the practiced pattern of ministry. They were stepping out in a completely new direction, yet the encouragement and support of the worshipping congregation was highly evident.

I want to share a story. I have often viewed my experience at CHUM in light of this biblical story. Returning to the congregation wherein I was raised and initially discerned a call from God to pastoral ministry was not the pastoral norm. In fact, in 1997, moving away from a clearly defined call to local church pastoral ministry to live out a call to engage an emerging generation of young people with the Gospel was the largest step of faith I had ever been moved to take. The step was taken with a peace in knowing that God was in it, yet, unclear regarding the specifics of the call and financial sustainability of the new work.

It was amidst the personal questioning of sustainability that I received a call from Ron Bowersox asking if I would consider coming to CHUM to develop a comprehensive ministry among young people. Previous youth workers laid solid foundation in youth ministry at CHUM, but the ministry was hampered due to the limited availability and exhaustion of its leaders. It was communicated to me that if I would accept the invitation to come to CHUM, that CHUM would assume financial responsibility for the start up of Salt 'n Light Youth Ministry, Inc., the ministry that God was calling me to establish. An arrangement was struck for me to spend half of my time cultivating and deepening the youth ministry at CHUM and the other half to be focused on the development of Salt 'n Light. Amazingly, this offer was made from CHUM without any money previously committed in the budget to apply to this new work. Instead, through the permission- giving discernment of many wonderful leaders of that day, a new youth ministry emphasis arose within CHUM and for the start of a non-profit youth ministry that would work within and beyond the United Methodist Church.

Today, thirteen years later, I have few words to express the magnitude of my gratitude to God and to members of the Camp Hill United Methodist Church. Without the visionary, permission-giving, and bold leadership, which continue today, of the leaders, people and pastors from CHUM, the story would be radically different. It is my distinct honor to serve among the many at CHUM. Although my pastoral time at CHUM is minimal, the implications of our connection are monumental. **continued inside**

*"We serve as God's connection
with people in making disciples
of Jesus Christ."*

The Messages

**Please join us each Sunday at 9:30 and 11:00.
 Invite a friend to worship with you.**

March 7 ~ Third Sunday in Lent

Holy Communion
 Celebration ~ Pastor Tom Willard
 NewLife ~ Pastor Stephen Gallaher

March 14 ~ Fourth Sunday in Lent

Celebration ~ Pastor Tom Willard
 NewLife ~ Pastor Brian Sweeney

March 21 ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent

(Men's Retreat)
 Celebration ~ Bishop Neil Irons
 NewLife ~ Marty Willard

March 28 ~ Palm Sunday

Celebration ~ Pastor Tom Willard
 NewLife ~ Pastor Brian Sweeney

April 4 ~ Easter Sunday

Celebration ~ Pastor Tom Willard
 NewLife ~ Pastor Brian Sweeney

Special Holy Week Services

April 1 ~ Maundy Thursday

7:00 in Wesley Center

April 2 ~ Good Friday

12:00 in the Sanctuary

7:00 in Wesley Center

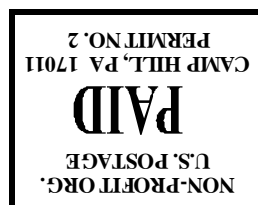
April 4 ~ Easter

Son-Rise Service at 6:30
 Continental breakfast to follow

"Rooted in Jesus Christ...Relating with Each Other...Reaching into the World"

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Don't see a particular ministry area listed below? Check elsewhere in the newsletter. If you still can't find it, let us know and we'll try to include it in a future issue.

Adult Spiritual Growth ~ 2010 got off to a good start with many of our study groups participating in the CHUM-wide study of Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations by Bishop Robert Schnase. As groups studied the five components of Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risk-taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity we found that CHUM was doing a pretty good job, but there is always room for improvement. Many suggestions and solutions were offered and some are already being carried out. Thank you to those who led, those who participated, and those who have stepped forward to help make CHUM the best we can be. Remember...we all have a part in making the church more radical, passionate, intentional, risk-taking and extravagant in all of our ministry areas. The new spring session of studies has begun, but there is always a chair waiting for you. Please check the Adult Spiritual Growth display in the Gathering Space and/or the website for current offerings. The Purpose Driven Life Encore will begin on March 17 at 6:15 in room 117. Tom Mowery will take you through the book at a slower pace. Focusing on one daily reading per week the group will discuss and mine the richness of that reading. Please look elsewhere in the newsletter for more details. Register for the class at the ASG table in the Gathering Space or by contacting Sandy in the CHUM office. *Sandy Zirbel, szirbel@camphillumc.org.*

CHUMChildren ~ Experience Easter Hands-On ~ Families, join us on Saturday, April 3, from 9:30-12:30 to experience Easter together. More details will be available later in March but the format will be similar to 2009, involving hands-on activities, family worship, picnic lunch and Easter Egg hunts for children of all ages. It will be a great time to prepare for Easter with your family and to fellowship with others. And an excellent opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor. In case you missed it:

Caleb Kenneth Coombs was born on January 30, 2010. He weighed 8 lb. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long. Miss Hope and Mr. Kenny are doing well and enjoying parenthood. We look forward to seeing them back soon. In the meantime, questions or ideas can be directed to Children's Ministry assistant Jenny Robeson at *jennyrobeson@gmail.com* or 919-8304.

CHUMC Youth ~ THANKS BE TO GOD!! By the Grace of God we have had an incredible last month. We brought 39 students and six adults to Camp Hebron for our "Rescued Winter Retreat," named after our weekend verses, Colossians 1:10-14. Our main goals as leaders were: Go out of our way to create an environment and space for students to connect with Jesus Christ, scripture and each other. Also to teach this group what worship is all about and to memorize Colossians 1:10-14 over the course of the weekend. I believe that we had great success in achieving our goals because we made them on behalf of Jesus! We had wonderful and reverent times of worship through music. Great authenticity from four students who shared from their hearts at our four group sessions and great fun and success in memorizing scripture. I am very impressed by many of our youth and I count it a privilege to walk along side of them. Overall there were many great relational connections that happened, and I hope they continue happening! In addition, we had leader prayer times before each session, and I thought that the variety of leadership was outstanding. Credit goes to Kathy K, Tim V, Ashley T, and Keely F for letting Jesus work in and through them. If you are interested in joining our youth leadership team please call or email me to just talk about it. Thanks, *Drew Robeson, 919-8303* or *andrew_robeson@yahoo.com*

CHUMC Scrip Gearing Up for Children's Summer Camping Registrations ~ Conference Camp registrations are beginning to arrive in the church office and Scrip funds will once again be used to cover half the cost of every one of them. Last year that was over \$5000. Please support us in this effort by using CHUM Scrip whenever you can. Remember:

we have the following cards in stock for immediate pickup: GIANT, KARNs, WEIS, Red Robin, Panera Bread, Applebee's, Macaroni Grill, Outback Steakhouse, Carrabbas Italian Grill, Dunkin Donuts, Texas Roadhouse, Bath & Body Works, Lowes, Sheetz, iTunes, Arby's, Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Wendy's, VISA, Subway, Papa John's, Home Depot, Borders, Chili's, Wal-Mart and Starbucks. Stop by the CHUM SCRIP table (in the upper lobby) to purchase these cards, or to place an order for any of the 100+ stores that are participating in our fundraising program. *Rose and Spencer Stevens*

Finance Team ~ The end of January found our church finances in good shape for the start of the year. Your giving over the five Sundays in January reached \$131,869 and exceeded the budgeted amount of \$117,530. In addition, we were thankfully able to keep expenses below our budget (\$108,354). We expect to see increased expenses in February relating to the snow removal expense for the parking lots and roof, seasonal fuel costs, as well as an organ expense of \$21,000. We will continue to have monthly organ project expenses of \$14,000 to \$21,000 until June. Because of your generous giving during January, we were able to raise \$11,200 for Haiti relief in a single month and we added another \$1300 to the Team Panguma mission. Together, we have raised a total of almost \$65,000 for Team Panguma. We thank you for your generosity in supporting these special projects in addition to supporting the on-going missions and operations of Camp Hill UMC. *Jeff Stoner, chairperson, CHUMC Finance Team*

Trustees ~ The Board had a very long and busy meeting in February. We still have a problem with the heat pump serving the west wing of the building (action: as long as heat is adequate, delay replacing pump until the spring/summer); the hot water heater serving the "old" (pre-2000) section of the building (action: price replacements, both conventional and on-demand, and move on this soon to restore clean hot water); the roof leaks in the area of the elevator-custodian office (action:

continue to work with roofers as soon as the snow melts). At the request of the daycare center (CACCC) we are reviewing options for addressing the erosion and repairing the fencing on the 22nd St. side of the playground (action: since CACCC has legal requirements to meet and will be assuming much of the expense, Director Barb Hallahan was asked to investigate options in addition to those suggested by Board members). The Trustees approved a hanging Wheelchair Ramp sign, a request to operate summer Kids Kamp and the reservation of six Visitor Parking Spaces (three on each side of the steps in front lot). Board reviewed the plan for improved building security; this is a large issue and still under study. *Jamie Berrier, CHUMC Board of Trustees*

Faith at Home (F@H) update ~ Well, we have a new Faith at Home link on our CHUM website. Check it out. I've detailed what Faith at Home is all about and shared the vision moving forward. To help you begin your Faith at Home journey, I've put together a Prayer plan. I am working on a Bible reading plan soon. Look for that and more after I return from Sierra Leone and get back into a more normal work schedule. *Pastor Brian*

Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren

Beginning Wednesday, March 17 @6:15 in Room 117 - Facilitated by Tom Mowery

Five years ago the church led a six week church-wide event that involved 750 people, 65 small groups and reached across the congregation including adults, youth and children. It was the buzz around the church. People were connected and lasting small groups formed. It was the largest and most unifying event the church had conducted up to that point. It was the body of Christ in action. The event was the 40 Days of Purpose and was centered on the Purpose Driven Life (PDL) book and study series by Pastor Rick Warren.

The PDL book is designed to be read over 40 days as a daily devotional. The original study called for groups to meet once a week for six weeks to discuss the materials read during the week and share inspirations borne out of the readings. Upon reflection, it is our belief that each of the daily reading is so rich in substance that learning and growth opportunities were diminished by following the 40 day schedule. With PDL Encore, it is our intention to recast the original group meeting scope into one daily reading per week. At each weekly group session we will discuss and mine the richness of the one daily reading.

There are five major purposes identified in the book with seven daily readings per purpose. The plan is to offer five eight- week sessions over the course of the year. Participants could plug into sessions of their choice.

This study will be an informal and highly interactive study. There will be much conversation around the important points in the reading material, referenced scripture and the 'Points to Ponder' and 'Questions to Consider' presented by Rick Warren at the end of each daily reading. To get the most out of the each session, you should expect to read the daily reading for the week including the referenced scripture, reflect on the insights presented, memorize the daily 'Verse to Remember' and prepare yourself for open discussions with the group.

Recreational Ministries

Interested in the outdoors? Many people find a deeper connection to God and to fellow believers by spending time in God's creation, away from the distractions of modern society. Several members of CHUM have expressed an interest in forming a group to plan and lead a variety of outdoor activities, everything from short day hikes on local trails suitable to all age groups, to longer and more far-reaching trips requiring greater physical abilities and outdoor knowledge. If you are interested in participating or helping organize our outdoor ministry, please contact Matt Haar at *mhaar@saul.com* or 737-1006.

Do you like to play board games and fellowship with others? Then come to GAME NIGHT on Friday evening, March 5th from 6:30 - 9:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite game and a snack or drink to share. All ages are welcome - bring the whole family! Some of our youth will be available to organize games for the younger kids. We look forward to seeing you there! Any questions, contact Barry or Ellen Iorfido 938-6037.

Sheltering Arms, our quilting/sewing/knitting/crocheting ministry meets at 1:00 in the Fireside Room on Thursdays. The group welcomes men and women of all ages and skill levels as they craft blankets, infant items, prayer shawls and other items for distribution to the CHUM family and to a variety of missions. Contact Ann Huff at 763-1343 if you have questions.

Wesley Basketball plays in Wesley Center on Tuesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. Contact is Ryan Lindell at *ryan.lindell@dla.mil*. Co-ed. New players invited anytime.

Wesley Volleyball plays in Wesley Center on Thursday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. Co-ed, new players welcome. Contact Randy or Kelley Calaman at 732-4509.

Men's Ministry

2010 Men's Retreat, March 19-21 ~ The Rev. Bob Kapp will lead the 2010 Men's Retreat, focusing on the subject, "Running the Race." Once again the group will gather at the Mt. Asbury Retreat Center near Newville (just south of Carlisle), with plenty of good food, wonderful accommodations, great Christian fellowship, and inspiring sessions drawn from God's Holy Word. Fee to attend varies according to the room accommodations you choose. Scholarship help is available. Sign ups are taking place right now at the Men's Retreat Table in the Gathering Area.

"The Quest for Authenticity" ~ A men's Bible study intent on identifying how men can live lives in this day and age that reflect how Jesus would live if he were walking the earth today. Current study: Paul's letters to the early churches. Meets Monday @ 7:30 in room 2. Contact Fred Clark at clarkfh@verizon.net.

BraveHearts ~ Current study is The Truth Project, a DVD-based small group curriculum comprising 12 one-hour lessons taught by Dr. Del Tackett. This study, sponsored by Focus on the Family, is the starting point for looking at life from a biblical perspective. Each lesson discusses in great detail the relevance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life. Please come to the Adult Spiritual Growth table in the lobby or check the website for a more complete description of each lesson. Meets at 6:30 Wednesday in Room 2 off Fellowship Hall. Contact is Ron Gallagher @731-5471.

Band of Brothers is a men's group bound together by faith in God and dedicated to a men's ministry that creates relationships that minister to all men. The group provides a comfortable environment for the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and heal our souls as we share our lives with each other, Brother to Brother. Welcome! Meets Mondays @ 7:00pm in the Fireside room. (With an occasional night out, too! Stay connected for information.) The contact is Pat Harry @737-5437.

Tuesday Morning Breakfast Group ~ Summit Restaurant at 6:00.

Friday Bible Study @ Jon Seltenheim's home, 6:30. Contact Jon at jonsct@aol.com.

Women's Ministry

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

- **Martha Circle** will meet on Monday, March 22 at 1 pm in the Fireside room at Bethany Village for fellowship and a surprise program.
- **Deborah Circle** will meet on Tuesday, March 23rd at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. A special Lenten Program, "Our Deepest Fear" will be led by Jean Marquart.
- **Elizabeth Circle** will meet on Wednesday March 24th at 10 am in the Fireside Room. They will continue their new study of the Book of Ruth.
- **Hannah Circle** will meet on Thursday, March 4 at 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room where we will practice "Praying in Color" from the book Praying In Color: Drawing a New Path to God, by Sybil McBeth. MacBeth, a left-brained math wiz and self-avowed "third grade artist," encourages the use of lines, shapes and colors as a way of centering and of keeping the individual or situation being prayed about before God. Come and try this new visual prayer list with us.

You do not need to be a Circle member to attend. All women of the church are invited. For further information please contact Ann Huff 763-1343.

Spiritual Enrichment Day ~ Sunday, March 21st at 2 pm the United Methodist Women of CHUM will host the New Cumberland cluster UMW Spiritual Enrichment day in Fellowship Hall. Marty Willard will speak on Food and Faith.

Women's Night Out (Men invited, too. Read on.) ~ Thursday, March 11 with dinner at 6:30 and program starting around 7:10. Can Any Good Come Out of Suffering? Five year CHUM members Randy & Kelley Calaman both serve on our NewLife support teams; Randy with media and Kelley with ushering. Randy and Kelley will be sharing about the blessings God has provided them through the frightening and painful journey they and son, Darren, have been on since Randy was diagnosed with a rare (1 in a million) form of spinal cancer. This story has a happy ending. You will be blessed and encouraged by what God has placed upon their hearts to share with us. In light of the fact that Randy has been brave enough to serve as our first male speaker, we have decided to break tradition and invite other "brave" men to join us as well...if you dare! Cost of meal \$7.00. (No charge for program only) More information and registration forms are on the Welcome Center. Please complete and return to the Welcome Center or contact Jan Uhlinger at 730-8697 or jjuhlinger@yahoo.com.

Since our last issue

We welcomed into the CHUMC family:

Caleb Kenneth Coombs, born January 30 to Hope and Kenny Coombs. Hope is our Director of Children's Ministry.



We extended our prayers, love and sympathy to the following:

George Smith on the death of his wife, June D. Smith, on February 2. George and June became members of CHUMC in 1951. June had celebrated her 90th birthday on January 22.

Marty Willard, whose mother, Ruth Slagenweit, died on February 14. Ruth was 94 years old and a resident of Messiah Village.

Phyllis Eckstine, children and grandchildren, on the death of their husband, father and grandfather, Ed Eckstine, on February 17. Ed had been a member of CHUMC since 1955 and was our Facilities Manager.

We continue to remember in special prayer all those serving abroad and their families, including:

Jean Wiener's grandson, **Todd Olsen**, serving in Afghanistan

Tom Plant's son, **Capt Thomas Plant**, serving in IRAQ

Scott & Lora Harper's nephew, **Sergeant Derek Smith**, serving in Afghanistan

Remember that the Pioneer Sunday School Class mails care boxes each quarter to military personnel in Iraq or Afghanistan. CHUM members and their relatives are eligible for this project. Complete military mailing addresses should be sent to Bill Williams at 100 Fairway Drive, Camp Hill, 17011-2066, or Welsh877@verizon.net.

If you go to this web site, <http://www.letsaythanks.com/> you can pick out a thank you card and Xerox will print it and it will be sent to a soldier that is currently serving in Iraq. You can't pick out who gets it, but it will go to a member of the armed services. It is FREE and it only takes a second.

Seeking Team Members to Help Plan Summer Concert Outreach ~ Steve Kunkle (717-649-2412) is building a team with a passion for community outreach to plan an outdoor concert event for our community this summer. His vision includes involving a variety of Christian bands, free or low cost food, activities for kids, etc. Contact Steve if you'd like to help CHUM improve our community outreach.

Anyone & Everyone 55 and over ~ You're specially invited to our March luncheon—Wednesday, the 17th at 12 noon in the Wesley Center. Our program will be provided by Camp Hill High School music department. Program of music Join others around the tables for good food and fellowship.



The 2010 Camp Hill UMC Church Pictorial Directory is coming soon!

The photographer will be here March 9, 11, 12, 16, 18 and 19 from 2:00 until 8:30 (those dates are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday dates) and March 13 and 20 (Saturdays) from 10 until 5:00. You can still schedule your appointment on-line at the church website www.camphillumc.org (click on the directory icon). Or you

can call 1-800-866-2263. There are many benefits to the directory program. We get a current pictorial record of our church family, plus updated contact information, and at no cost to the church budget. You will come to the church only once for photography and portrait viewing. Plus, each participating household will receive a free directory and a complimentary 8X10 portrait. We look forward to seeing everyone in the directory.

Things to be aware of:

Olan Mills representatives will call to remind you to schedule your sitting if you haven't done so. They will also give you a reminder call shortly before your appointment.

Needed for Directory ~ Recent candid photos of CHUM activity. Group activities, proud parent photos of Children's Church, etc. Ideally in digital form by e-mail or on a disk. Please send to Susan in the office or spigott@camphillumc.org by March 20. Thank you.

APPALACHIAN TRAIL OPEN HOUSE at CHUM

Featuring the new National Geographic movie, "Wild Spaces: The Appalachian Trail." This acclaimed film features breathtaking views of the entire 2,175 mile trail. It follows hikers as they tackle the trail and the many volunteers who maintain it.

Presented by Cumberland Valley Appalachian Trail Club, in partnership with other trail and environmental groups. Presenting Partners [so far]: Appalachian Trail Conservancy, Appalachian Trail Museum, Central Pennsylvania Conservancy, Keystone Trails Association.

When: Monday, March 29, 2010, 7 p.m., doors open 6:30

Where: Camp Hill United Methodist Church, Wesley Center

Cost: Free, reservations encouraged. Make reservations online at <http://atopenhouse.eventbrite.com/>

Jim Foster jimhfoster@yahoo.com

Center Stage Opera presents

The Pearl Fishers by George Bizet

Thurs, Fri, Sat, March 4, 5, 6

at 7:30pm

Camp Hill UMC Sanctuary

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Sara Bupp

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April CHUM
Connection
Deadline is
March 19.

Pastor's Notes continued...

CHUM serves as the home for Salt 'n Light. Because of your gracious and generous support of this ministry, we have witnessed thousands of young people commit their lives to following Jesus Christ. We have stood alongside many who received a call from God to some defined form of Christian ministry. We have preached in, consulted with, and encouraged hundreds of congregations to rethink their ministry among young people. "We have seen remarkable things..." unfold in the lives of the young and the old alike.

It comes down to this for me, "thank you!" I say thank you to God for His wondrous love and amazing grace. I say "thank you" to the wonderful current and former SnL Board members from CHUM (Jane Ackerman, Jerry Dincher, Karen Gunnison, Carole Jones, John Kulicki, Steve Kunkle, Wina Mowery, Fred Powell, Jon Seltenheim, Kerwin Stetler, and Susan Thomas) who help(ed) to guide and support this ministry in so many ways. I say "thank you" to the pastors, leaders and members of CHUM, who provide marvelous support and encouragement and who, by virtue of our connectional relationship, help to inspire and present the gospel of Jesus Christ to thousands of teens on an annual basis.

I close with a scripture which has served as a source of deep inspiration in fulfillment of this call. "One generation will commend Your works to another; they will tell of Your ministry acts. They will speak of the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and I will meditate on Your wonderful works. They will tell of the power of Your awesome works, and I will proclaim Your great deeds. They will celebrate Your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of Your righteousness." Psalm 145:4-7

By the grace of God, to be continued....

Stephen Gallaher
www.snlym.com

We thank God for Ed Eckstine and grieve his loss

Ed Eckstine had been a fixture at CHUM for more years than many of us have been alive. He even helped to build our sanctuary fifty years ago. Over the years Ed worked diligently to make sure that the condition of CHUM's buildings and grounds were conducive for ministry that honors his Lord and Savior. Ed took great pride in being able to serve Christ with his hands in this way. Through his countless hours devoted to keeping our facility in good repair, Ed made it possible for most of the rest of us simply enjoy this wonderful facility as we worshipped and served the Lord over these years. Because Ed's work was mostly behind the scenes, many of us had little conception of the amount of time he devoted to keeping things operating smoothly here. Although he was just a part-time employee, Ed spent countless hours doing any and everything that needed to be done to keep things operating smoothly here. Throughout Ed's long illness, the staff and Trustees came to understand more and more clearly just how very much we depended on Ed's expertise and dependability. There is almost no aspect of the Church, parsonage or Potter's House that doesn't reflect Ed's meticulous care and devotion to Christ and this church. Although we rejoice that his suffering is at an end and that he is now in the presence of Jesus, Ed's passing leaves a gaping wound not only in Ed's family, but also in the heart of this congregation. Ed was always so involved in keeping this facility in good repair for the use of God's people, that it somehow seems very appropriate that Jesus' promise to Ed (and us) is that there are plenty of rooms in his Father's house, and that Jesus has gone on ahead to prepare a place for Ed and us[John 14:2]. We extend our sincere love and sympathy to Ed's family as they mourn his loss: to his wife Phyllis, to his daughter Tammy Gardner and husband Bob, and to son John & his wife Debbie Eckstine - all of whom are members of this congregation - and to his daughters Pam and Wendy and all his grandchildren.

--Pastor Tom

Reaching into the World

Team Panguma ~ As we prepare this issue of the CHUM Connection, the eight members of our Sierra Leone mission team are on their way to Africa. We are excited for them and have been praying for them and their families and the mission itself for a long time. We look forward to their return on March 6 and the many things we will learn from them. We don't know how much we will hear from them while they're away but you can check the Team Panguma Update page on the CHUM website (www.camphillumc.org). In the meantime, please continue to pray for safety and blessings for Shawn Berrier, Fred Clark, Jim Foster, Beth Notarfrancesco, Denise Paran, Carolyn Shover, Pastor Brian Sweeney and Mark Vickrey.

Haiti Relief ~ Thank you for continuing to support the UMCOR relief efforts in Haiti. Our total is approaching \$15,000. Maybe we can reach that number soon. Please continue to give as you are able. You can also donate directly to UMCOR (the United Methodist Committee on Relief) through new.gbgm-umcor.org/umcor. Other ways to help are included on UMCOR's website. Mission Central in Mechanicsburg continues to assemble health kits. Information about the kits is available at the display in the lobby and on the Mission table. Please help as you are able and please pray for the Haitian people, the aid workers and all those affected by the earthquake.

Souper Bowl of Caring ~ Our CHUM youth raised \$1080 in their collection on Sunday, February 7. This money will be divided between Helping Hands Ministry (a local ministry providing hot meals for those in need) and UMCOR Haiti Relief. Thanks to the youth for this effort and to all who contributed.

Great Big Food Drive 2010 ~ CHUM is gathering food for the Ecumenical Food Pantry again this year. Bags with a list of needed non-perishable food items to support the pantry will be available in the Gathering Space beginning February 28th. Request contributions be returned by Palm Sunday, March 28th. Contact Ernie or Martha Speck with any questions, 766-4922.

Quarterly Mission Projects for January, February, March

	<u>Goals</u>
Sierra Leone Initiative	\$2,000
Thank you for your gifts over the past six months to support our mission work team's trip in February! Your gifts this quarter underwrite our fourth annual commitment to salary support for Sierra Leone pastors, including Panguma.	
Give Ye Them to Eat, Puebla, Mexico	\$1,000
"GYTTE" offers training that prepares village women as community based health workers. Your gifts will provide a village woman with the complete course, teaching materials for her village and first aid supplies.	
Neighborhood Center	\$1,000
This UMC mission in Harrisburg serves at-risk, low-income and inner-city children, youth and families through education, cultural activities, home services, and recreational programs.	
Ecumenical Food Pantry	\$1,000
Established in 1972 in Harrisburg and completely staffed by volunteers, the pantry provides emergency food each month for 2,500 people. Your gifts help offset the increased demand and higher cost for food which impacts its ability to serve our neighbors in need.	

Summer Camp 2010 Registration is Open ~ Summer camp brochures are in the mail. Online registration is OPEN. There is a wide variety of camp opportunities for fun, fellowship, and community. Talk with your friends. Invite them to be part of the summer fun. Register early so you will have the best selection of weeks. Register at camps@cpumc.org or by returning paper registration to church office. Half payment is required at time of registration; as in past years CHUMC will use Scrip proceeds (one good reason to support the Scrip program) to cover the remaining half for one camp per child.

Interested in Pastor Tom's email broadcast? It will include such things as inclement weather announcements, up-to-date prayer concerns, information about Sunday's sermon for both Celebration and New Life worship services, who's sick and/or hospitalized, other breaking information, etc. To be included on the mailing distribution list, go to the church website at: camphillumc.org and click the 'CHUM Link' button on the left side of our home page below the "Give Now" button. Thanks for your partnership in helping to improve how well we communicate here at CHUM!

Would you like to go to see Joseph at Sight & Sound on Wednesday, May 19. The bus will leave CHUM at 11:30 with the show starting at 1:00. We will stop to eat after the show on your own. Tickets for the show are \$57.00. Only 23 tickets available so call soon to reserve your seat on the bus. Must pay at time of reservation.