



I came across a devotional recently that struck a chord

with me. I hope it does, with you as well.

How many times have we asked the “What-if...” question in our lives? Julia Attaway has some words of wisdom for all of us as this new school year begins:

“It’s the first week of school here in New York. Maggie started sixth grade at her new middle school yesterday, and Mary begins high school today. It’s exciting but also a bit scary—and not just for them!

In the midst of thinking about Maggie’s terrific curriculum I find myself wondering, What if

Cindy’s Chalkboard

those tween girls are mean? As I smile about Mary’s small classes I worry, How will she balance academics with all her dancing? Then I stop myself and say:

For what lies ahead is no mystery to God. There will be crosses to bear, and I know he will help me carry them. I don’t need to wonder what will happen—I know: whatever comes, I

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There will always be unknowns.

There will always be things outside my control.

There will always be bumps in the road.

Whatever comes, I will deal with it with God’s help.

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(GuidePosts Magazine Sep 5, 2012)

Indeed, God is with us as we begin a new school year and a new season here at New Haven UMC! Blessings on the journey.

—Pastor Cindy

New Connection Groups to Begin Sunday, September 25th at 9:45 AM!!

Not already connected to a Sunday Morning Small Group? Come join a new Connection Group beginning on **September 25th, at 9:45 am** for coffee & donuts! Help us launch these new groups with your prayers, input, and suggestions!

For more information contact Rev. Robin Stevens:
rltstevens@mac.com

New Connection Group 1:
For Baby Boomers!
For those in their 50’s–70’s
Discussion Format
New Haven UMC Gym



New Connection Group 2:
For those in their 30’s & 40’s
Discussion Format
Upstairs in Room 206





Support our New Haven Active Service Member: SPECIALIST

Macie Bailey is a 19 year old member of our church & grew up in NHUMC. She went through confirmation and was active in the youth group. Macie's military unit: A Company 777 was called up for active duty and she is now

deployed to Kuwait City, Kuwait for 1-year. Macie's job while there is Petroleum Laboratory Specialist. Macie has given her friends a list of items she would like sent as a care packages and I thought the church might like to contribute by donating items from her list and writing cards of encouragement and support. Thank you for praying for her and supporting her.

Macie's Care Package List:

Hair Supplies: Hair ties (brown), Bobby pins (brown)

Food/ Snack Items: Gatorade chews (blue), Granola Bars, Canned pineapple, Gold Fish Snacks, Popcorn, Candy

Personal Hygiene Products: Makeup remover wipes & baby wipes (to be used when showers are not possible) Toothpaste, Shampoo & Conditioner, Body wash/ Soap, Face wash soap, Antibacterial soap, Razor blades, Lotion, Chapstick, Moisturizer Lotion, Loofah, Face Mask, Deodorant

Entertainment: Movies/ DVD's, Magazines, Adult Coloring Books & Coloring Pens/ Pencils

Additional Items: Band aids, Ibuprofen, Socks (black & cover ankles size 8-10) Icyhot, Laundry detergent, Fabric softener, Dryer sheets

Cash donations will also be accepted to be applied toward the shipping costs of these care packages. There will be a box in the hallway for your donations this week and all through September. Thank you for supporting Specialist Macie Bailey

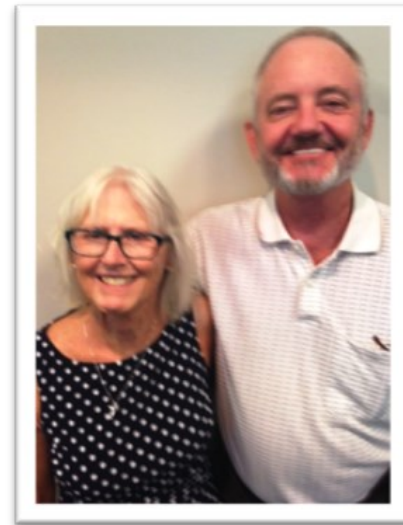
UMW MEETING

The Susanna Circle will meet at **10 am** on **Thursday, September 8th** in the parlor. The group will have coffee and help the Day School teachers while they talk about plans for mission work this

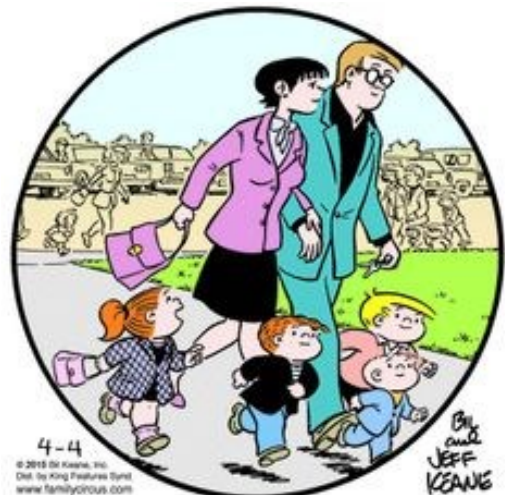
UMPTENAGERS

Mark your calendar.....we will meet on **Tuesday, August 30th at 11:00 am** instead of our regular third Tuesday of the month. August 30th is when Pastor Cindy can meet with us. We will have lunch in the church parlor, then plan our schedule for the coming year. Bring your ideas of places to visit!

**Welcome New Members
Jim & Sue Leach**



New Haven UMC is thrilled to welcome our newest members **Jim and Sue Leach**, who joined at the 11:00 am service Sunday, August 28 by transfer from another Christian denomination.



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"I like it when everyone in church sings about that Ollie Louya guy."

Mission Corner



Dear Missy,

I've heard lots of talk on In-Service Sundays. What is In-Service Sunday and when is the next one?

Signed,
Ready for Service

Dear Ready,

Periodically, the entire New Haven congregation is involved in "doing worship" through hands-on projects. Pastor Cindy will end our regular worship services a few minutes early and then everyone has the opportunity to get up out of the pews and "do" worship by participating in the service project. The next In-Service Sunday is set for **September 11 and will benefit La Puente Home.**

La Puente Home is in the San Luis Valley of Southern Colorado and is located in Alamosa, Colorado. Eleven members of our congregation will be serving there from September 25 through October 1. The Home provides assistance to a number of homeless and underserved people in the San Luis Valley. The organization focuses upon points of poverty in the area by meeting immediate needs, providing crisis stabilization and homeless prevention services. Our Mission Team will serve in a variety of projects throughout the week.

You can help by participating in the upcoming In-Service Sunday and by donating **children's DVD movies**. A collection box will be on the hallway table through Sunday, September 11. "We don't have to engage in grand, heroic actions to participate in the process of change. Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world." – Howard Zinn

Come join us as we worship together.

Blessings,

Missy

Come and

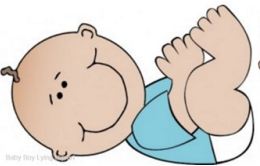
Experience It!

Oh joy! It's going to be A Boy!

Momma Lori and Baby Archer's Wish List

Registered at BabiesRUs (under Lori Dey and David Duncan)

- ♦ Gift cards from: Walmart, Target, BabiesRUs
- ♦ Diapers (any size or brand)
- ♦ Baby wipes ♦ Infant toys
- ♦ Infant socks ♦ Infant baby clothes



Join Lori, David, Kyler and Baby Archer
for a Baby Shower at 3:00 pm on
Sunday, September 11th ~ at New Haven UMC
Please RSVP to Kelly @ 918.851.2364

Opportunities of the Week September 4 ~ 11

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:45 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship & Children's Church
5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner
7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 LABOR DAY/OFFICES CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

10:00 am Grief Support Group/Parlor
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
7:00 pm Bell Choir
7:00 pm ACOA/185

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

10:00 am Susanna Circle/Parlor
6:00 pm Praise Band/Sanctuary
7:15 pm Yoga

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:30 am Men's Breakfast Bunch/Parlor
3:00 pm Respite Care/Gym

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New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
Rev. Suzanne Davis	Retired Pastor
Jennifer Payton	Business Manager
Stephen Merrick	Music Director
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director
Paula Fox	Children's Director
Pat Bates	Adm. Assistant
Ann Martin	Financial Secretary
Mary Ann Cunningham	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Kacie Kendrick	Day School Dir.
Joan West	After School Care
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian

September Birthdays

1. Ovella Followell
2. Danny Hall
3. Doyle Boyd
Susan Savage
4. Christopher Boyd
Rich Foster
6. Liz DeWitt
8. Don Gregory
9. Greg Pape
Dallas Quinalty
Ace Quinalty
Alexander Hensley
12. Sylvia Hensley
15. Carolyn Toalson
19. Linda Parmele
20. Cohen Grafton
23. David Johnson
28. Wayne Love
Jan Sellers
29. Jack Cearing

PLEASE PRAY FOR. . . .

Members: Jean Roberts; Pat Thomas; Greg Gotcher; Ruth Ann Field's family on her death on Sunday, August 28.

Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Peppa Smith; Bob & Eileen Walker's daughter, Margaret Allen; Linda Parmele's daughter, Angela; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Marjorie Stewart
Ovella Followell
Rosemary Tarr
Dot and Kelly Haynes
Dorothy Koons

ATTENDANCE

August 28, 2016

8:45 am - 53
11:00 am - 99
Total: 152

Sunday School

Adults - 44
Youth - 9
Children - 10

Adult Sunday School Come join us at 9:45 am!

Room 185: Discovery Class
Galatians

Room 209: Fellowship Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 210: New Friendship Class
Different Views of St. Paul

Parlor: Christian Living Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 103 Interlude Class
"Revival" by Adam Hamilton

Room 205: Journeys Class
"The Will of God"

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