



*“Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. Don’t quit in hard times; pray all the harder. Help needy Christians; be inventive in hospitality.”* Romans 12:11-13 (MSG)

I love this! It’s the Scripture passage we will be reminded of this week as the Oklahoma Annual Conference convenes on Monday, May 25th. The theme is “On Fire to Serve!”

Among other conference highlights this year will be hands-on mission opportunities alongside members of the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference, and the election of delegates for the 2016 General and Jurisdictional Conferences.

Worship is always a highlight of Conference. In addition to Monday’s Communion and Memorial service, we will be blessed through the Service of Retirement (Tuesday, May 26, 2 p.m.) and the Service of Commissioning and Ordination (Wednesday, May 27, Bishop Robert E. Hayes, Jr., preach-

## Cindy’s Chalkboard

ing). Additionally, we will begin Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30 a.m. in the OCU Chapel with a Service of Word and Table.

Our Wednesday afternoon mission is with the churches of the

the front page ad labeled “Watch Live Streaming of the Oklahoma Annual Conference”. You’ll be glad you did!

What can you do? Pray for your two lay delegates (Don and Linda Gregory), your clergy

### What Happens at the Oklahoma Annual Conference?

Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference (OIMC). At one of six locations, we will enjoy a delicious meal of Indian Tacos and experience singing and the story of the OIMC.

New Haven UMC, along with all other churches in the conference, has taken up a special offering that will go to the support our eight Oklahoma missionaries. Our two lay delegates, Don and Linda Gregory, will bring our offering to Conference and place it in the offering plate during worship.

If you really want to see what the Oklahoma Annual Conference is all about, log onto [www.okumc.org](http://www.okumc.org) and look for

delegates (Pastors Cindy and Suzanne), for the Oklahoma Annual Conference and it’s illustrious and awesome Bishop, Robert E. Hayes, Jr. and for the United Methodist Church as a whole. We are God’s people, “On Fire to Serve!”

Blessings,  
Pastor Cindy



**On Fire to Serve**  
Oklahoma Annual Conference 2015

## PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .



### OUR MEMBERS:

Bobbie Scott; Lana Gotcher; Karen Gibbs; Charlotte Erwin;  
Rick Davis; Nancy Gunter;

### Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea;  
Ruth Ann Field; Syble Perry; Betty Barton's daughter-in-law,  
Connie Barton; Greg Pape's mother; Joleen Taylor's mother,  
Darline Breeze; Peter Havlik's father, Ladislav Havlik; the  
homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

### Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Dot and Kelly  
Haynes; Bob Schwartz; Laurie & Mahcoe VanDyke; Dorothy  
Koons

## COURT DOGS!!!

If you want to learn about Court Dogs, you are in luck! The Hope Circle is hosting an evening to hear about the District Attorney's Court Dog Program. Make your calendar for Monday, June 8th at 6:00 in our gym. The speaker will bring trained court dogs for the program and you and your friends are invited to attend. It will be an interesting program!



## SOME "HUMOR" FOR YOU. . . .

Hospital regulations require a wheelchair for patients being discharged. However, while a student nurse, I found an elderly gentleman, already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital.

After a discussion about rules being followed, he reluctantly let me wheel him into the elevator.

On the way down, I asked him if his wife was meeting him. "I don't know," he said with a smile on his face. "She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown."

## ALLYSON'S ANNOUNCEMENT

I am taking donations of the following items for VBS:

TP / paper towel rolls  
Plastic gallon milk jugs  
(please rinse them out!)  
Baby food jars  
Monetary donations



### VBS MISSION: NEPAL

I recently read a story about a 10-year-old boy who lives in Nepal with his journalist mother. He is concerned that many will forget about Nepal and the devastation they are dealing with. To help people remember, he took his mom's phone and made a video, documenting the scenes that have impacted him. I was inspired not only to want to help the people of Nepal (that's what our VBS Mission Project is focusing on!), but also touched by the fact that a child had the conviction to let others know about what is going on in his country. Let us never doubt the impact a child can make for good!

If you'd like to see the video, go to <http://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2015/05/19/407934591/a-10-year-old-makes-a-video-so-we-dont-forget-nepal>

## DINNER AT THE DAY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

**Saturday, May 30th.**

### OUR MENU:

Chili  
Cornbread  
Applesauce  
Cookies

You may sign up at the hallway table to bring these items. The applesauce should be purchased in the individual foil-covered servings. If you haven't already signed up and wish to go, please call Phil Roberts at 918-671-2055.

## Corner



Dear Wanting to Know,

Project Transformation is a summer camp program with a special emphasis on literacy held at Southern Hills United Methodist Church, 6160 S. Lewis Ave. in Tulsa. The students attend Marshall and McClure Elementary Schools. Daily, each child is paired with an adult volunteer to read for 30 minutes. There are four sessions or groups of children in the morning. Activities during the morning session include arts and crafts, computer skills, science, fitness, and nutrition education. Additional activities are offered in the afternoon including field trips. Students receive breakfast, lunch, and a snack daily. College students serve as interns and become Americorps members. Through the affiliation with the United Methodist Church, Project Transformation offers interns opportunities for spiritual growth and church involvement.

How you can help support Project Transformation:

Be one of our 12 summer reading volunteers (New Haven's dates are July 13 – 16) – look for sign-up sheets in June and July on the table in the hallway.

Provide lunch or dinner for the interns (Dinner July 19 @ 6 p.m. for 15 interns; lunch dates are July 13 – 16 for 15 interns). Please note that one is a vegetarian this year.

Provide snacks and drinks for the children during our scheduled week (snacks for 64 and drinks for 64) – we'll have a sign-up sheet for each day of our scheduled week.

Help with the fundraiser activity at New Haven – our goal is to raise \$1,500 for this mission. Please contact Becky Puryear at 918-747-3949 or rapuryear@yahoo.com. Event and dates forthcoming.

Volunteer to be the afternoon chaperone (we need 5) on Thursday, July 16 (12:30 – 3 p.m.) for a fire station tour with the children – look for a sign-up sheet for this activity as well.

Blessings,

Missy

### Upcoming Events:

**Day Center** – Saturday, May 30, chili supper at the Day Center for the Homeless. If you have not signed up to help prepare and/or serve the dinner and want to help, please contact Phil Roberts at 918-671-2055 or phil.roberts@cox.net

Come and

Experience It!

## Opportunities of the Week May 31 ~ June 7

### SUNDAY, MAY 31

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and Children's Church  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship and Children's Church  
3:30 pm VBS Music Class  
4:30 pm Bible Experience for Children  
5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study  
6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner  
7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

### MONDAY, JUNE 1

- 9:00 am-12:00 pm VBS!!!  
6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

### TUESDAY, JUNE 2

- 9:00 am-12:00 pm VBS!!!  
6:30 pm Mission's Group/Parlor  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym  
7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

- 9:00 am-12:00 pm VBS!!!  
6:00 pm Youth Group  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
7:00 pm ACOA/206

### THURSDAY, JUNE 4

- 9:00 am-12:00 pm VBS!!!  
6:00 pm Praise Band  
7:15 pm Yoga/210

### FRIDAY, JUNE 5

- 9:00 am-12:00 pm VBS!!!  
7:30 pm AA/Gym

### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

- 10:00 am Men's Brunch Bunch/Parlor

### SUNDAY, JUNE 7

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



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1. Kelly Haynes
2. Joel Roberts
4. Carla Hefley
6. David Roberts  
Audrey Quinalty  
Carson Russell  
Jone Friesen
7. Ron Cunningham
8. Jean Roberts
11. Pat Thomas
12. Stacey Schifferdecker  
Bill Gotcher
15. Tonya Ford  
Deena Smith
17. Mekenzie Blanchard
19. Patty Lewis  
Machoe VanDyke
20. Joseph Stevenson  
Barry Puryear
23. Melba Turner
25. Marjorie Hughes
26. Stevi Smith



## SOUND BOARD HELP

We are seeking volunteers to run the computer and sound board during church services. If you are interested, please come up to the balcony before a church service. It is easy to learn!

## ATTENDANCE

### MAY 24, 2015

**8:45 am—76**

**11:00 am— 72**

**TOTAL— 148**

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**TOTAL: 50**

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

**Room 185: Discovery Class**  
Galatians

**Room 209: Fellowship Class**  
Proverbs, Prophets, & Parables

**Room 210: New Friendship Class**  
"How Jesus Became God"

**Parlor: Christian Living Class**  
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 161 Interlude Class**  
"The Will of God" by Leslie Weatherhead.

**Room 205: Journeys Class**  
"Stressed Out" by Serendipity  
Focus Group

You may email articles for the Spire (no later than Sunday evenings, please.) Sending your article on a "Word" document as an attachment works best. Please email your article to [pat.bates@newhavenumc.org](mailto:pat.bates@newhavenumc.org). Please note "Spire Newsletter" on the subject line. While we make every effort to include your request, we reserve the right to edit or delete articles due to space

## New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
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