

THE CALLER

JULY 2009



From the Pastor's PC . . . Freedom for Ministry

Cornwall UMC
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James Heath, Pastor
Sunday Morning Schedule
Informal Service—8:00 AM
Contemporary Service—10:15 AM
Traditional Service—10:30 AM
Office Hours: Mon.; Wed. Thurs.
8:00 AM—2:00 PM
Tues. 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

It's a lesson that I must learn over and over. I am a hands-on leader and sometimes, I have difficulty with pulling back as capable leaders emerge. The most recent example was with the mission trip.

As late as the day we left for West Virginia, I was asking Randy Stroh, who led the mission team, if we thought to bring shovels for the digging we had to do. Randy assured me that we had everything we needed and that all I had to worry about was getting myself ready. A lesson learned... again.

I want to commend Randy to you as a very capable leader. He oversaw the whole mission team. There were 31 people, 3 major job sites with leaders assigned to each, materials to order, people to assign to each work site, coordination with Mike Miller, the Director of Heart & Hand Ministries, and keeping Pastor Jim on track. Randy did an excellent job.

When I was first appointed to the Cornwall Church in the spring of 2003, I was told that the lay leadership of the church was very strong and that the role of the pastor should be to encourage individuals to grow to understand their giftedness, their calling, and then set them free for ministry. My hands-on style is effective in beginning new ministries, but then I must be willing to turn them over to those whom God has called to serve.

As the Cornwall UMC continues to grow in ministry, I as your pastor, the staff, and the lay leaders of the church should focus more and more on identifying, encouraging and training new leaders. If you are not currently involved in some area of service in ministry either in the church or in the community, please pray about your interest and giftedness and create the time in your schedule to begin serving God now. Contact me or Bryan Stevenson, the Director of Equipping Ministry for guidance and support.

We're on the Web:
www.cornwallchurch.org

"THE 711 PROJECT NEEDS YOU"



Saturday July 11th from 8:30 - 3:00 the Cornwall United Methodist is scheduled to work on the Apostle Build Project....."Please call Matt Pflieger at 278-4449 to put your name on the work crew list, or if food service is your expertise I need providers of lunch that day".....please call me today!!!

What is an Apostle Build Project you ask...???.....The Lebanon Habitat Faith Relations Committee sponsors an Apostle Build home. Several congregations work together (CUMC included) to raise funds and provide the labor to rehab a small one bedroom home on Church Street. If you would like to be a part of this local mission and you cannot work the Saturday project, anyone can drop in at the site on Tuesdays from 8:30 - 3:00 to help. Dedication of this home is scheduled for Habitats building on Faith week in September.

If you forgot to support the June mission giving for Habitat for Humanity of Lebanon it's not to late mark your envelope and it will get directed to this great local mission.

Mission Trip Thank You

Thank you to the entire Mission Team that went to West Virginia this year.

Randy Stroh for coordinating the event and overseeing the work sites. Dena Yohn for feeding us so well. And for the entire team of workers:

- Beanna Acker
- Bob Fichthorn
- Jim Heath
- Judy Heath
- Jay Heberling
- Anna Ruth Hockley
- Skyler Jenkins
- Mark Jocham
- Mike Kniley
- Kolin Kriner
- Chelsey Kriner
- Dan Lehman
- Bernie Linn
- Kory Miller
- Chris Miller
- Dannette Moore
- Amanda Nein
- Allison Snavelly
- Cliff Snavelly
- Luke Steinke
- Amanda Stevenson
- Mark Stone
- Lauren Stroh
- Hannah Stroh
- Crystal Troxell
- Josh Troxell
- Katie Weaver
- Rick Yohn
- Dena Yohn

Thank you also to all those who prayed for our safety. To Mary Lynne Kniley for making us a special batch of her wonderful spaghetti sauce to take along. To all of those that sent the wonderful cookies and desserts. God has richly blessed us and allowed us to bless those that we were able to serve.

**Tanzania Mission Trip:
Matching Gift available for Gifts during July and August**

It is a very exciting time in Tanzania for the Ndaro family. Lucas and Limi are scheduling contractors to do the initial site and foundation work for our project next August. About sixty-five people came for the *Out of Africa-Into Africa Dinner* in early June and more people are going forward all the time to express interest in going on the trip. It is exciting to think that in just about a year, Lord willing, there will be a team coming to Nassa to help make the dream of a Family Life Counseling Center a reality. The initial fund-raising for this project is very important and has gone well. To stimulate this early effort, the church has received a pledge of \$5000 as a matching gift for the first \$5000 collected in July and August. This is an opportunity to stretch your gift and double its significance. Just write a check to the Cornwall United Methodist Church designated for the Tanzania mission trip. Or check the appropriate box on your offering envelope. Hopefully we can give the authorization for this initial work to be done in the next thirty days.

Lucas, Limi Ndaro and a Growing Family

It is a very exciting time in Tanzania for the Ndaro family. Lucas and Limi are serving the Lord faithfully as administrators and teachers at Nassa Theological College. There are a growing number of people seeking education there so they can serve the Lord in East Africa. Joseph and Peter are doing very well at the Rift Valley Academy in Kenya and enjoy their studies and occasional visits from the rest of the family who are a ten hour drive away. Having a vehicle now to use has made that trip much more possible. They also continue with the slow process of adoption for little Sophia. LJ is doing well with his homeschooling as well.

It was so encouraging for them to have messages and gifts from home when the Ladds visited in March but it was also a reminder of how much they miss all the great friends from Cornwall. It is exciting to think that in just about a year, Lord willing, there will be a team going to Nassa to help make the dream of a Family Life Counseling Center a reality. They also hope it will be possible to come and visit everyone here in a few years when Joseph looks for colleges.

One of the most exciting new challenges is an opportunity for Limi to get practical experience in counseling. She has been hired part-time by a firm that does counseling as an employee benefit for corporate clients in Tanzania. The firm, located in Dar es Salaam, assigns clients in the Mwanza area to Limi. This allows her to expand her training she received at Evangelical Theological Seminary and give her experience that will be useful when the Counseling Center is a reality.

This entire ministry is only possible because of the loving support from the friends at Cornwall and beyond. Life is hard in Tanzania and Lucas and Limi are committed to serve their people and demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ through their service. They covet your prayers and are eternally grateful for your continuing financial support.

MISSION GIVING			
MISSION	May 2009	YTD	2007 YTD
Ndaro	\$1,998.16	\$7,100.16	\$7,970.00
Tanzania Mission Trip	\$1,593.16	\$6,801.66	\$0.00
One Great Hour	\$0.00	\$1,254.50	\$1,083.00
Agape House	\$0.00	\$860.50	\$959.00
Mission Support- Bob Kniley	\$109.00	\$800.00	\$325.00
Habitat	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00
Griffiths	\$134.00	\$1,972.00	\$2,111.00
Heifer Project	\$0.00	\$6.00	\$0.00
Mission Project - Youth	\$279.50	\$712.50	\$1,875.00
Heart and Hand	\$5,786.14	\$5,886.14	\$0.00
Mission Support - Kristina Kniley	\$154.00	\$1,801.50	\$0.00
TOTALS	\$10,158.96	\$27,324.96	\$14,323.00

Did we Forget?

Any articles needed or wanted to be published in the local newspapers should be sent to Gayle Kohl, 218 Karinch St, Lebanon, PA 17042, e-mail at hilde10@comcast.net or phone 269-0210. Please submit all articles by the 15th of the month.

George & Kathryn Bordlemay

George and Kathryn are native Lebanonites almost. George was born and raised in Lebanon but Kathryn was born in Reading but moved to Lebanon before she was school age. Kathryn was born on December 16, 1927 to Joseph and Margaret Plante. George was born on February 20, 1926 to George and Nora Bordlemay. They have 3 children – John, Thomas, and Cathy. They also have 5 grandchildren – 4 boys and 1 girl. George and Kathryn both graduated from Lebanon High School.

As a boy, George had a paper route and worked on a farm for 10 hours a day at \$0.20/ hour. During high school he stocked shelves at the local grocery store. After graduation he entered the Navy and served several years. He joined Bethlehem Steel in 1949 and was paid the grand sum of \$0.96/hour. He worked there for 27 years until the Grace Mine closed. They bought their first house in the 1950's in Miners village for \$3260.00. It was then that they joined the Cornwall Church. George showed me a note that they received from Rev Bashore thanking them for all that they do at the church.

George and Kathryn met while ice skating on the North 7th street pond which no longer exists. They were married on April 17 1948. George says that it was not a fancy wedding. It was just the minister, another couple and them.

George related the story of his first car. It was an Austin that he bought for \$50.00 while he was in high school. It was a small car and he said he often came out after school to find the car sitting on the sidewalk. His “friends” had lifted it there.

George and Kathryn have been married for 61 years and we wish them health and happiness for the future.

Trustees' Timeline for Major Projects

As we look down the road, what are the big projects that we need to plan for in terms of our church buildings and grounds? In February a Long Range Planning committee was appointed to consider this question and to prioritize needs that should be included in future budget requests. That group set up a timeline for major projects and for ongoing maintenance. This was submitted to the trustees, who made a few adjustments and then endorsed it. Next it was taken to the Administrative Board, which also approved it. So now we have a roadmap to follow for the next 5 years. Each year the plan will be updated to include one more year into the future.

So what are the priorities?

The plan does provide a schedule for ongoing needs, such as window cleaning and updating technical systems. But the items of greatest interest are probably the plans for tackling some very significant improvements to our building. Here are the “biggies” –

- The **sanctuary** has needed some “sprucing up” for quite a while, but those needs kept getting pushed to the back burner until we paid off the mortgage. But now the time has come! This year we are pulling together a group to determine what is needed and to obtain cost estimates. Improvements should include pew cushions, painting and wall repair, carpeting, window cleaning and stained glass windows evaluation/repairs. We plan to begin making these changes in 2010.
- The other thing we will do in 2009 is to form a committee to review and assess the condition of our present **furnace** and to recommend possible boiler options and upgrades. Don Coopey is heading the committee that will be looking into this. They hope to have recommendations prepared in time to submit a budget request this fall so that work can begin in 2010.
- Anyone who has ventured down to our **youth center** (in the basement of the original building) is well aware that it has become pretty shabby! Next year we will establish a committee to plan how to refurbish the youth room and related areas. Improvements should include painting and wall repair, ceiling upgrade and removal of partition grids, carpeting or tile floors, and electrical upgrades. This group will also assess needs and possible upgrades for the youth director office area and consider reducing the size of the old kitchen so that we could make the rear portion into an office or storage area. Preplanning will start in 2010 and hopefully work will begin in 2011.
- The last major project included in the current Long Range Plan is to consider possible upgrades to the new building. The Sunday morning “**traffic jams**” in the foyer by the elevator have been a problem for years. We will consult with the architect who designed the building to see if he can help us devise a solution to this and other problems. This research will begin in 2010 and it's possible that work could start as soon as 2011.

If you would like to see the entire Long Range Planning document and timeline, they are posted on the bulletin board in the open office downstairs.

Kid's News Flash

VBS

Crocodile Dock was a huge success. We had 78 children registered for the week. Every night we met some new animals that Mr. Dale brought with him from Zoo America. There was a Bible point each night that was emphasized in each activity they participated in every night. Miss Tisha was a fabulous story teller. She had the children act out parts of each of the stories and really dug deep into teaching the children the importance of knowing Jesus. Miss Chelsey was so energetic with her Swamp Stomp singing time. The kids sure do know how to scream! Miss Jennifer lead in fun game time. They played water games, musical chairs and even got messy with silly string. Mr. and Mrs. Walton made some tasty treats throughout the week for snack time. Miss Amy and Miss Linda were very creative in craft time. Thank you to everyone who helped make our VBS a success!! I hope you had a great experience....we know the kids did!

Veggie Tale Movie Morning

When: Saturday, July 25

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Where: Fellowship Hall

Come join us for a premier of the new Veggie Tale movie coming out in August. We will be playing games, eating snacks and having a blast. Bring a pillow, blanket and anything else that will get you comfortable to watch the movie. You are welcome to bring a friend too!!

If any parents are willing I could use a bit of help for crowd control and organizing things. Just see me in church and let me know.

Gretna Glen Celebrates 50 Years

Gretna Glen Camp will host a celebration on September 27, 2009. We will gather at the Tabernacle in Mount Gretna at 3 PM. for a service of thanks and reminiscence. Following the worship time, we will travel to the camp where a reception will welcome all, and a banquet at 5:30 PM. in Newcomer Lodge, our first building on site will finish the evening. Come and enjoy old sights and sounds, dear friends and memories galore!

Join us for all or part of the day. If you plan to stay for the meal, please reserve a spot by calling Anne at the Gretna Glen Camp office at 273-6525 or email camp@gretnaglen.org.

Endowment Fund

In 1908, Isabel Freeman and Margaret Buckingham started a perpetual trust fund for the Cornwall Church with \$4,000. Over the next 28 years, they contributed a total of \$40,000 to the fund. The earnings from this trust were designated for the general fund, and the principal was to remain intact. Over the years, the fund has grown to \$250,000. The fund was originally managed by the Lebanon County Trust Company and, after many mergers, is presently managed by Wells Fargo.

One hundred and one years later, another trust fund has been established - the CUMC Endowment Fund. All contributions to this fund will remain in the fund, and only earnings from investments will be distributed. The distribution from this trust will be used to enhance the ministry and mission of our Church. This includes outreach programs and Christian education. Just as donations from 1908 are helping to augment the general fund today, a donation to the Endowment Fund will help to spread the Word of Christ over the next 100 years.



Church News & Happenings

Church Picnic:

The annual church picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August the 23rd. The picnic will be held on the church grounds and will begin following the late morning worship services. Hotdogs and drinks will be provided. Bring a desert or salad to share. Feel free to dress informally and plan to stay for the fellowship and games. More information will be coming in the August Caller.

National Night Out:

Cornwall Church will be the site of the National Night out sponsored by the Cornwall Borough Police Department. The date is Tuesday, August the 4th. National Night Out is designed for those persons who live in the Borough to gather together and be informed of the many programs we have in our community.

Wanted: Phone Volunteers:

I am in need of volunteers to answer the phones on a Tuesday or Friday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. If you can help out one or more days in a monthly rotating schedule, please call Kim in the church office at 272-0148 or email cornwallumc@comcast.net.

Bravehearts Picnic:

Calling All Bravehearts and their Ladies, for a time of fellowship, conversation, food, maybe a campfire and maybe some friendly competitions: **When:** Sunday July 19, beginning at 4:00 PM and ending after dark **Where:** Ladd's Farm, 640 Zinn's Mill Road, Lebanon **Food:** Hotdogs, burgers and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad or desert. **Games:** Quoits, volleyball, croquet, story telling

Annual Conference News

We say that the United Methodist Church is a connectional church. This is certainly a true statement. It was very evident as the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church met in June. Resolutions from the General Conference which was held last year came to us as amendments to our Book of Discipline. We discussed 'Nothing But Nets,' a campaign to provide bed nets in order to prevent malaria in Africa and other under developed areas around the globe. Closer to home, the Annual Conference budget was adopted, Ministry and Mission focuses were presented, and votes were taken on ministerial support, including the very difficult issue of rising health care costs and the pastors' payment into the program. Bishop Johnson was commended for her leadership and enthusiasm for the ministry to the poor.

The issue of gambling in Pennsylvania received much discussion. There were several personal testimonies regarding the addictiveness of gambling the intention of our state leaders to increase the types of gambling and the locations where one can legally gamble in our state. Pastor Jim receives emails on a regular basis which are designed to keep the local churches informed about gambling in Pennsylvania. If you have an interest in helping to keep our congregation informed through Caller and bulleting articles, please contact Pastor Jim.

Please keep the United Methodist Church in your prayers; its leadership, ministry, mission outreach, and its commitment to sharing the Gospel of Christ to a needy world.



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"The Stone Church with a Warm Heart."

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UM Night at the Phillies

7/11/2009

Saturday July 11, 2009 @ 7:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia Phillies vs. Pittsburgh Pirates

Sponsored by:

THE UNITED METHODIST MEN FOR MEN'S MINISTRIES

Up to \$5.00 from each ticket sold will benefit Conference UMM Ministries.

Download the ticket order form at www.epaumc.org/pdf/UMMPhillies.pdf and mail the [TICKET ORDER FORM](#) to: PHILLIES GROUP SALES METHODIST NIGHT Citizens Bank Park One Citizens Bank Way PHILA., PA 19148 or fax to: (215) 463-9878 or e-mail: methnix@phillies.com

NEEDED - MEN TO SING NATIONAL ANTHEM:

Please support the "United Methodist Night at the Phillies" sponsored by the United Methodist Men on July 11th. This is a great night of fellowship for United Methodists and fund raising for men's ministry. All men who wish to sing the National Anthem down on the field prior to the game are urged to do so by reporting to the Right Field Gate of Citizens Bank Park at 6pm with their ticket and wearing a white shirt. All men and boys are welcome. A Choir Director will rehearse the men for an hour prior to the game. Please forward this announcement to your church. For more information, contact Ross