

“Every Church a  
Mission Station --  
Every Community a  
Mission Field”

# Footnotes from the Foothills



September 2010

## Upcoming Events:

### CHARGE CONFERENCE

October 23 at  
The Plains UMC  
October 24 at  
Rolling Plains UMC

### LAY SPEAKING CLASSES

Basic—Oct. 15-16  
Advanced & Basic  
Refresher-Oct. 16 at  
The Plains UMC

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## From Dennis' Desk

Can you remember a time that you found the 'perfect' gift for someone? That special something that you knew would blow them away? Maybe it was a girlfriend or boyfriend, a spouse, a child, or a close friend. You were probably more excited than they were. You couldn't wait to see their eyes and expression as they took in the majesty of that 'perfect' gift. Cost was immaterial, and everything else took a back seat for the 'perfect' gift.

I know it sounds corny, but that's how I am feeling as we approach this fall in the Foothills. It's not the coming fall leaves or cooler evenings, but a sense of something great is about to happen. Can you feel it yet?

...the Foothills are Alive!

We are going to be unfolding an opportunity for all of the churches of the district to get in touch with that 'perfect' gift that God gave us in His Son. We will be focusing the Foothills District Churches in getting back to God through prayer and sharing our faith in real-time practice. And I am excited that Terry Teykl will be here in the district to lead us in a Prayer and Evangelism teaching event at our Charge Conferences this October. In his book, "Pray the Price," Terry issued a call to United Methodists, not just to prayer, but to dynamic, radical dependence on God. This is a challenge to all who are not willing to give up on the mainline denomination, but who are ready to be united in "new" prayer for spiritual awakening.

...the Foothills are Alive!

My prayer is that we, as a grouping of churches within this Foothills District open this 'perfect' gift and that we see an awakening that will go far beyond the economic struggles, financial struggles, and apathy to bring alive the never-ending spirit of hope and faith.

...the Foothills ARE Alive!

Can you sense it yet?

Can you feel it?

May God's Blessing pour out in ways that we can only begin to imagine!

*Dennis*

an ENCOUNTER  
presented by Terry Teykl

October 23—9:00-12:30  
The Plains UMC

October 24—2:30-6:00  
Rolling Plains UMC

## Not Your Typical Charge Conference!!!

We are extremely honored to have Terry Teykl as the guest presenter at both of the Foothills District Charge Conferences.

Terry has spent his life encouraging and teaching the local church how to develop a passionate and meaningful relationship with the Father. His warm humorous style makes Terry one of the most sought after speakers and seminar leaders in the country. Terry has authored an entire line of prayer resources that make it possible for leaders at the local level to build prayer into the everyday life their congregations. The hallmark of a Teykl presentation is a deep abiding love and passion for those who are yet to know Jesus. Terry resides in Houston, TX with his wife Kay, close to his children and grandchildren and not to forget his beloved Labrador Retrievers.

Terry was a pastor for 28 years and has been in full time prayer ministry since 1996. Terry's passion is contagious as he communicates foundational principles and practical

ideas. He'll make you laugh, but you will come away from the experience knowing that you have had an encounter with of the Holy Spirit, convinced that you can make difference in your church, your life, and the lives of those who are yet to find faith in Jesus.

Terry's Ministry and Mission is to

- Build the Church in Prayer
- Engage people to pray for those who do not know Jesus
- Teach people to minister to the needs of others through prayer
- Ensure that pastors are intentionally prayed for and
- Facilitate the building of places of prayer

The Charge Conferences are open to **everyone** in the church—not just your officers. We encourage you to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Carpooling is recommended due to limited parking, especially for the Oct. 23 session.

## Meigs County Youth Make A Difference

The Southern Youth Group from Racine Ohio, East Letart United Methodist church along with Racine United Methodist Church and other denominations (God's Youth Hands) has returned from the first ever Youth work Mission Trip from Meigs County Ohio. The projects were around community work in Pittsburg, Ohio where they restored a Community Park and play ground. In Gordon Ohio they helped restore the old church to be used as a Community Youth Center. The youth worked in the Southern area to help raise funds for the mission. The youth would like to thank all the churches in Meigs County, businesses, individual loving people and other ministries who supported this mission trip. We would also would like to thank Grace United Methodist Church in Ithea, Ohio for their hospitality where the youth stayed. Next year's plans are already in the making for this to become a county wide youth trip going out to help other communities. The Youth Group is also working on having a youth day in Meigs County to help with community work. This ministry is working to share what has been given to them for other people. Pastor Bill Marshall would like to also thank all the adults and team leaders that made this a mission trip a success in making Meigs Countians proud.





United Methodist Rural Fellowship, United Methodism's advocate for town and country ministry, will hold its annual legislative consultation November 9-12, in Tampa, Florida.

Laity and clergy are invited to the working consultation to draft legislation in support of town and country ministry for the up-coming 2012 General Conference.

Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk will host the three-day event, which also includes a fund-raising auction and a general business meeting. Cost for double occupancy, four meals, and snacks is \$365. (Commuter cost is \$250.)

More information is available at [www.umrf.org](http://www.umrf.org). Registration may be done online at [lyle@hintoncenter.org](mailto:lyle@hintoncenter.org) or contact the Hinton Rural Life Center, PO Box 27, Hayesville, NC 28904.

## Women's Time at Otterbein—October 8-10



Need to take a break? We have just the event for you.

Join the women of Albany UM Church on **October 8-10, 2010** for Women's Time at Camp Otterbein—a weekend retreat.

Check in is Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. and we will close with Worship on Sunday and depart around 11:00 a.m.

Come experience wonderful Christian fellowship, Bible study, crafts, singing, a book exchange, good food and lots of opportunity to relax and enjoy the beautiful fall scenery

at the camp.

Registration forms are available at the district office or by calling Susan Penix at 740-698-6236, 740-590-1029 or by e-mail at [istamp@frontier.com](mailto:istamp@frontier.com)

**Registration deadline is Sept. 25.**

## Mission Opportunity

The Southern Equal Opportunity Ministry of Racine Ohio is planning an adult mission trip to the Gulf Area to assist in the clean up of the region. The mission will be headed up by God's Hands Ministry that are already working in the Southern area building ramps for the disabled. SEOM has grown to over 15 ministries serving the area making ministry a priority. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Bill Marshall 740-949-1329.



## Campus Center Otterbein University, Westerville, Ohio October 9, 2010

West Ohio's once-a-year invitation to everyone for learning, fellowship, sharing, celebrating with a purpose: Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.  
Matthew 25:40

Festival Of Sharing Highlights—9:00-Noon Collection of Church World Service Kits - West Parking Lot  
9:00 A.M. Construction of the Church Playground Equipment  
9:00 -Noon Potato Drop - bring in your 10 lb. bag of potatoes for the hungry  
9:00-Noon Building The “Wall Of Food” - bring your cans of food  
9:00-Noon Campbell Soup Label Collection - at the Red Bird Display  
9:00-10:30 A.M. Information Missions Displays & “Scavenger Hunt”  
10:45 - 11:15 Chef Jane And Her Cooking Show  
11:30-Noon Worship Service - University Chaplain Montgomery Bradley



**For the FIRST time** - This year the Festival will be collecting Campbell Soup Labels for Red Bird Mission. Bring your labels to the display in the Campus Center at Otterbein University. We will cover any shipping.



### Wall Of Food Cans! Can! Cans!

Can you help the hungry with cans? How many cans does it take to make a “Wall Of Food?” Yes We “Can!” We need a diversity of fruit and vegetable canned goods for the food pantries! The wall of canned goods will be distributed among West Ohio food pantries. How big a wall can we build and how many people can we feed?



**Festival Of Sharing Website** - <http://westohioumc.org/FOS10>

Our website is growing - you can find there:

- ◆ The newly revised Festival of Sharing Handbook And Tally Sheet
- ◆ Instructions for the contents of Church World Service kits
- ◆ Directions and maps to the Festival of Sharing
- ◆ Posters and Videos which can be downloaded for publicity
- ◆ Pickup sites in the districts which have been established
- ◆ Photo galleries of the St. Andrews Gleaning Project Hunger Fighting Resources
- ◆ Photo galleries of last year's Festival
- ◆ Listing of items being sold at the mission display tables (future)

### Drop Off Location/Dates—If you can't attend the festival:

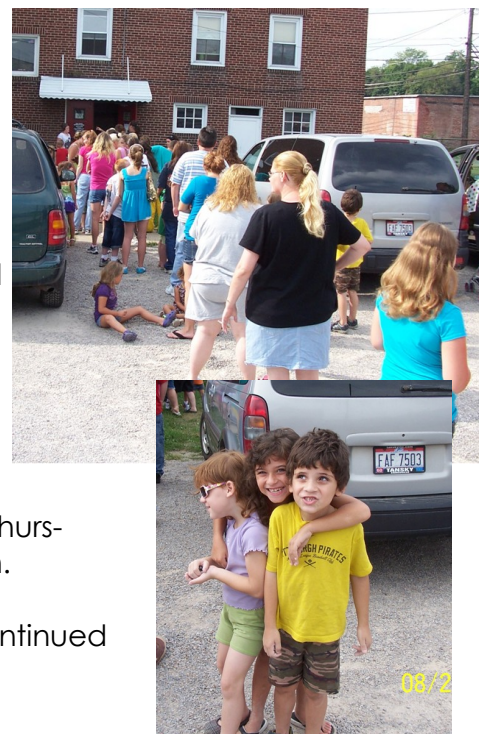
Kits may be dropped off anytime at the **Foothills District Office through September 17**. Kits will not be accepted at this location after that date. Kits may also be delivered during registration at the UMW fall meeting on **September 18 at Zanesville Coburn UMC** on Maple Avenue in Zanesville.

## Lifewell Free Store—School Supply Giveaway

The Free Store had a wonderful back to school giveaway day on. At 10:00 a.m. We had a line of 73. We gave away 85 backpacks, 92 gallon zip bags filled with supplies & a package of 5 notebooks to each of the 92 students. In total we gave 1,842 school supplies away during August. The free store had 122 shoppers during the same 3 hours and gave away 538 items. We served lots of cookies, ice water, and coffee to the joyful shoppers.

We are in need of **children's clothes and shoes**. Also any "gently used or new back packs" that you can spare would be appreciated. If you can donate clothes, shoes or backpacks, please contact us at 740-452-7117 for delivery or bring during store hours: Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

God bless you for your continued support.



## Muskingum Valley Scout Reservation Chapel Renovation

For many summers I have served as chaplain at the Muskingum Valley Scout Reservation. It is just south of Coshocton, Ohio but the scouts that attend include those from several counties in the Foothills District: Muskingum, Perry, Morgan, etc.. The Boy Scout Council office is in Zanesville.

The current capacity, depending on the age of scouts, is about 240 for the current 24 benches in the chapel area. My goal is to add 20 more benches of the same size, which could increase the capacity to as much as 440. I wish to modify the current rectangular setting into an amphitheater shape. In order to complete the work as envisioned, filler material would be needed to build up the two sides of the current area (as much as 32 cubic yards of material could be necessary).

You probably already know that Scouting is for boys from about age six through eighteen, but young women age fourteen and older may join Venture crews and have attended camp and do use the facilities. Also included are many, many adult volunteers.

Anyone interested in assisting in some way financially could donate funds designated for the chapel to the Muskingum Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America. They have a web address: [www.muskingumvalleycouncil.com](http://www.muskingumvalleycouncil.com).

Ed Mulholland, the scout executive is also interested in establishing a committee to advise the council on religious affairs, such as exists for several other Scout Councils in Ohio and is recommended by BSA standards. The camp adviser is Lynn Coulter who works on staff for the council. They can be reached at 740-453-0571.

Pastor John Rozewicz, Southern Charge (Meigs County)



## Good Works—A Community of Hope

Greetings from Good Works—a community of HOPE! As we labor in love with our neighbors, I wanted to write to share this story with you. Each day, hope knocks on our door, and it is the task of the faithful to hear her, to let her in, and to listen to her story. And it is friends, and babies, like these who make the heart deeper, who turn our ear towards mercy, and who reveal to us the Kingdom in our midst...

*Joseph and Allison had a good life, not easy, but good. Their children were with them, and while money was tight, they always got by. Drugs changed that, and plenty more as well. The children were taken, and placed with other family members. There was jail and rehab, and now Allison was expecting a child.*

*They arrived at the Timothy house with heavy hearts, with hard-fought sobriety and little else. And there was the child. Allison was eight months pregnant, and the two would soon be three with nowhere to go. Both Joseph and Allison are striving to change, to repair broken relationships, to maintain their sobriety, to continue their education and find full time jobs. There have been many dead ends; for them nothing is certain, everything must be earned. But, they are learning patience; they can now accept prayer, even if they are not ready to offer it publicly. They want to start going to church but are still nervous about the next step.*

*Their child is here, healthy and beautiful, yet another gift directly from God. They have not accepted Christ, but I am convinced that they already know His goodness. The family returned to the Timothy House on the third day of their daughter's life. Her name means "Christ is with her;" we all believe that He is.*

I wish I could say that hope always comes easily. But some days, the voices of despair and dead ends seem so loud. But it is in these moments that we cling to the promises of Christ, that we look to His body for mercy, and that we rest in His presence.

And I thank you for your support of us in this. We are trying to create places where people from all walks of life can connect with our neighbors who are struggling. We are trying to create spaces where discipleship can happen, where the Kingdom can be experienced, where mercy can be tasted, and where the hope of Christ can shout: "Behold, I make all things new."

Keith Wasserman  
Founder & Exec. Dir.

### **CASSETTE TAPE DUPLICATOR AVAILABLE TO GOOD HOME**

Rolling Plains UMC has a Telex Copyette — a 4-bay cassette duplicator that they would like to bless another church with. It copies 3 cassettes at a time, and includes rewind. The overall size is 14 1/2" x13" and is 'office beige.' Great if you duplicate tapes for your shut-ins. If you are interested, please contact Melody at 740-453-4192 or e-mail at [rpchurch@rroho.com](mailto:rpchurch@rroho.com)

# SECOND ANNUAL CANAANVILLE UNITED METHODIST MISSION FUN RUN/WALK

Saturday, October 16, 2010

## PURPOSE:

The purpose of the 5K and 1 mile races are to fund a mission trip to Nicaragua along with funding mission supplies.

## COURSES:

The 5K and 1 mile courses begin and end at the Canaanville United Methodist Church, 15650 McAfee Road, Athens, Ohio.

The one mile kids fun run/walk will be at 8:45 a.m. with the 5K scheduled for 9:00 a.m.

## REGISTRATION:

Entry fee is \$13.00 if application is received before Wednesday, October 13, 2010. Race day entry fee is \$15.00. Federal Hocking students can participate at a reduced rate of \$5.00 (No T-Shirt). If one member of an immediate family enters the race at the \$13-\$15 fee, each additional family member can participate for only \$5.00 (No T-Shirt). Entry fee for the kids 5K run/walk is \$5.00 (No T-Shirt). Please make checks payable to the Canaanville United Methodist Church. Send completed applications and entry fees to: Jim Patsey, Race Director, P.O. Box 55, Stewart, Ohio, 45778.

## T-SHIRTS:

The first 50 runners/walkers in the 5K race paying \$13-\$15 entry fee will be guaranteed a T-shirt.

## AWARDS:

Overall Top 3 male and female runners

Overall Top 3 male and female walkers (Walkers must be designated on registration form)

Age Divisions - Awards will be given to the top three runners and walkers in each age division.

Men	Women
14 & under	14 & under
15-19	15-19
20-29	20-29
30-39	30-39
40-49	40-49
50-59	50-59
60-69	60-69
70 & over	70 & over

## KIDS ONE MILE FUN RUN/WALK:

Kids 12 and under can participate in the one mile fun run/walk. Awards will be given to the top three male and female participants. All participants will receive an award for completion of the one mile. No T-Shirts available for the Kids One Mile Fun Run/Walk.

## DIRECTIONS:

Traveling from Athens take Route 50 and 32 east after traveling approximately three miles turn left onto route 690 toward Amesville and another immediate left onto McAfee Road (Township Road 605). After traveling approximately one quarter mile on McAfee Road you will see the Canaanville United Methodist Church on your right.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size

Age On Race Day \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ (If Applicable)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ S M L XL

Sex: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Runner \_\_\_\_\_ Walker \_\_\_\_\_

5K \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Mile \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE:** I know that running or walking a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run/walk unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to safely completing the race. I assume all risks associated in participating in this event including, but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, traffic, and the conditions of the roads, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of you accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the **Canaanville United Methodist Church** and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims of liabilities of any kind arising out of m participation in this event.

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARENT SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

(If participant is under 18 years old)

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## Prayer Concerns

Please remember Rev. James “Jeep” Graham and his wife Anna. Anna lost her sister recently to a heart attack. She was 51 years old and had two children. The children, one 18 with mental disabilities and a 16 year old are currently residing with Jeep and Anna. In order to obtain permanent custody however, they will have to build on two rooms to their home. On top of all of this, there was no insurance money to help bury the sister. They need a financial miracle from God. If you have any resource information that may help them or if you are led to contribute to the families need, they have set up a charity account at community bank in Zanesville under the “Kemble Kids”. Also building supplies would be helpful. Anything would be a blessing.

## Got a Knack for Interior or Exterior Design?

Please contact Brent Watson (Assistant to the DS) at the Foothills District office if you would have some interest in helping churches who are looking for:

- 1) advice on how to better decorate their churches in order to create a warmer atmosphere inside their church buildings or
- 2) 2) advice on how to create a more inviting exterior in regards to their landscaping, building and grounds.

Some of you have a gift/expertise in these areas that can lead to honoring God in ministry. We want to give you an opportunity to utilize what God has given to you.

Please give Brent a call at 1-888-868-1225 or email him at

[watson@foothillsdistrict.org](mailto:watson@foothillsdistrict.org)

## Practical Immersion—Engaging in Ministry With the Poor Training Event United Methodist Church for All People—Columbus, Ohio November 1-2, 2010

The Church for All People was founded in 2003 with the mission of being the church at the heart of both community renewal and personal transformation. From housing to health to music, its programs provide a model and inspiration for urban ministry across the world.

### Training Components:

Becoming a Mission Congregation

Creating a Community Development Corporation

Interwoven throughout are foundational values, key Biblical principles and ministry with (not for, to or over) the poor.

Cost is \$145 per person for first 4 people, \$120 for each additional person

For more information and/or a brochure/registration form, contact UM Church for All People at 614-445-7342 or e-mail at [office@4allpeople.net](mailto:office@4allpeople.net).

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Office Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Lunch 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

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