



February 2013

Special points of interest:

- Feb 2- Hall Closet Thrift Shop
- Feb 5 Esther Circle
- Feb 6 Evangelism meeting
United Methodist Women
Choir
- Feb 7 – Keenager
Trustee meeting
- Feb 9 - Day of Visioning
- Feb 10—United Methodist
Women Sunday
- Feb 12 Sarah Circle
- Feb 13— Ash Wednesday
Service
- Feb 14 Lunch Bunch
- Feb 17— Candy order due
- Feb 18—Rachel Circle
- Feb 19 Jonah Bible Study
- Feb 28 Men of Orem

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DAY OF VISIONING

All the leadership of Orem UMC will meet to evaluate where we have been and what we have accomplished. We will also look forward to set goals for the coming year. It is important to come and be part of the process of growing together.

When: Saturday, February 9th

Time: 9:00AM to 1:00PM

Bring: Bible, note paper, pen or pencil

We also ask everyone to bring some sort of breakfast food or casserole so we can eat together.



Ash Wednesday Service will be held
at Orem UMC beginning at 7:00 p.m.
on February 13, 2013

A Bible Study to begin Feb 19th , Tues. Nights

Feb. 19, and 26th March 5th and 12. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. With closing session on Saturday March 16th 9 a.m. - 1:00p.m. Jonah is a very short book of only 4 chapters, and there is a wealth of information in those 4 short chapters. Let's fellowship together and learn all about it together. Bring your bible, a pen or pencil, and an open heart.

“Choose any path that you please, but choose one that leads you to the water...to the sea.”





Orem United Methodist Women

Happy New Year! Let us recap the year of 2012.

The United Methodist Women celebrated our 3rd UMW Sunday on February 13. We recognized Gloria Asbury and Don Schenning with Lifetime Membership pins. UMW members participated in worship as ushers and greeters.

We started collecting eye glasses for the New Eyes for the Needy Program during 2011. We continued this during 2012 and collected about 25 pairs eye glasses.

In April we held our first "Tea". The Rachel Circle chaired the event. We sold 50 tickets. Everyone enjoyed it.

In August we held a Peach Bake Fundraiser to raise funds for our missions. We baked and sold 28 Peach cakes and 36 Peach pies. We cooked on the same day that the thrift shop was open. We enjoyed Pit Beef Sandwiches sold by the Men of Orem and enjoyed the fellowship being together.

We also began a mission to make Pillowcase Dresses to Stop Human Trafficking. We made our first delivery of dresses at the end of October. 131 were sent to Cambodia on the ship LOGOS-HOPE to be distributed to the poorest areas. Keep sewing we will be sending out another batch of dresses in the spring.

In September we hosted a Covered Dish Fellowship/Hymn Sing Rev. Ann told us the history of each of the 10 hymns. Elaine Fischer played the piano.

In October we held the 4th Annual Pink Bag luncheon. This event is designed for Breast Cancer Awareness. We collected \$170.00 thru donations and the sale of items. This was donated to the Breast Cancer Center Bosom Buddies Program.

At our December meeting we collected 29 dozen Cookies to be donated to St. Rita's Supper Table. What a fantastic year! Thank you to everyone for enabling us to make 2012 such a wonderful year of giving to others. Our fundraisers make it possible to fund our missions and ministries and we thank you for your support as we expand our missions in 2013.

2013 Officers

Margaret Eney- President
Charlotte West- Vice President
Annette Falkenhan- Treasurer
Dottie Daiger -Secretary

Circle Chairs

Rachel Circle- Elaine Masson
Sarah Circle- Jean Milavec
Esther Circle- Donna Winner
Mary Circle- Tammy Brown

MOO NEWS

What is Men of Orem, MOO for short?

We had an organizational meeting in May of 2011. Our previous pastor wanted us to become certified through the conference, as United Methodist Men. We decided as a group, not to go that route, but to concentrate on raising and spending raised money on specific projects around Orem Church.

Since we began meeting, we have held 2 church-wide annual picnics during the month of August. Pit beef, sausages, hot dogs, and watermelon, was provided by the group with baked goods, and other foods brought in by those attending. The meats were provided from dues money and fundraisers. Due to the efforts of Wes Hart, the group has sold Pit Beef sandwiches, chips and drinks during warm weather months on the Saturdays that the Hall Closet Thrift Shop is open. We also had a fundraiser at Eikenkranz restaurant in Highlandtown.

We use our money for projects around the church. With teaching assistance from Dottie Lay and Merle Vickers, we were able to purchase supplies and provide handmade corsages to hand out for Mother's Day. The group has given money from our treasury (\$300) toward the replacement of windows from vandalism in May. Our group along with others, helped during the cleanup of the broken glass. The refurbishing of the front doors of the Sanctuary was paid for through funds raised as well as the painting of the basement windows of the sanctuary and fellowship hall. We also paid for the painting of the doors and frames around the building, and purchased the large Trash container to enhance the appearance of our building. We have already voted to replace the heavy and hard to move tables that we currently have to something lighter. We should have that project complete in 2014. This past December, we took part in the Hall of Trees. We decorated our Christmas Tree for Spirit of the Season with Repair and Tool themed items. It was a great tree.

All men are welcome to join us on the fourth Thursday of every month and join our group to continue in our good faith effort to keep Orem church a fun place to come and worship and enjoy a great night of fellowship. Our January meeting was held at the Double T Diner on Pulaski Highway. We had a great meal and good fellowship. Our next scheduled meeting is February 28th at 7 p.m. We hope to see you there.

Secretary Carl Horst



Angel Tree Thank You

The Martin Boulevard Elementary School Family sends their thanks for the Christmas food and gifts. The families were very grateful and truly appreciated the generosity of our church. It is always great to see the smiling

faces of the families who receive this assistance. Once again we thank you for your thoughtfulness in sponsoring our families. Your helpfulness has helped make this a memorable holiday for them.

Have wonderful 2013

Karen Donoho, Principal

Ann Riddleberger, School Social Worker

Amorita McClam, Parent Service Coordinator



Rehearsals have begun on Wed evenings at 7 p.m. with our interim organist Warren Glock.

CROSS TRAINING FOR ELEMENTARY AGE CHILDREN will now be combined with JAM during Worship time. Our children will attend worship then leave after the Children's message to attend JAM. Youth will still meet for classes at 9 am. Seekers meet at 8:45 am

Food Pantry

Our pantry is being restocked .

Here is the list of needed items: stews and soups, pancake mixes, syrup, instant potatoes, pork and beans, Tuna, Canned Hams, canned Chicken, Boxed Juices, canned fruits of all kinds, cereals, biscuit mixes, Jello and pudding, jelly and peanut butter, and saltine crackers.

Newsletter Deadline
For MARCH news is
February 15th.

OCYM (Orems Church Youth Ministry)

We were so excited to be able to send the \$500 we won from the "Spirit of the Season" tree decorating contest, plus \$10 of our own money, to Compassion International. We used the money to purchase two large gifts.

The first gift of \$280 will be used to provide a family with livestock (pigs, chickens, goats etc). By providing livestock to a family, we help the parents become self sufficient, leading to healthier children who are more involved in school and their community.

Children in rural Ethiopia typically travel an hour each way to collect water and it is usually contaminated and makes them ill. The second gift of \$230 will be used to help fund building a water reservoir for a community of over 20,000 people in Ethiopia. Our gift is estimated to cover the cost of 10 families and will give them clean, safe water.

Thank you again for all your love and support.

In His Name,
OCYM (Youth Group)

Disciples of Yarn News

Our Christmas Prayer Shaw Mission was well received. I took care of several of our church family members who were having a difficult holiday season. Nell Norwood was in the hospital during this time and Nikki Hart took her one. It brought her comfort while she recovered. I had 5 remaining shawls and Nikki took them to Franklin Square Hospital. I plan to do this again next year. Our mission is always ready to serve you. Stay Well!

God's Blessings

Mildred Shephard

Dear Disciples of Yarn,

Several times when I have had friends that were very sick or troubled, my mom has picked up prayer shawls for me. They are wonderful and have provided comfort to so many. Myself included! I want to thank you and everyone who contributes to this amazing work. Words cannot express the joy, comfort and peace you all provide with your prayers and talents.

Thank you all! I grew up in Orems Church and even though I haven't lived there for 33 years, I still think of Orems as home. Its special people like you that make Orems Church. Thanks and God Bless! Doris Jean Meade

Daughter of Jean Milavec



MEMORIAL FUND

The following memorials have been given in memory and in honor of loved ones:

In memory of:

David Vigue given by Orem's United Methodist Women, Esther Circle, Nikki and Wes Hart, Ralph and Merlyn Campbell, Butch and Fran Frank, Sarah Circle, Donnel and Donna McArthur, Norman & Linda Miller, Orem's Choir,

Robert L. Glenn Sr. given Norman & Linda Miller

Mary Plott Porter by David & Judith Plott.

Edward Wisbeck given by Donald & Leona Egner

Russell Dick given by Virginia Dick

Sharon Ashby given by Sue Rose, Norman and Linda Miller

Evelyn Marschke given by Donald & Patricia Marschke, Rob & Dawn Schafer, Gary & Myrna Mac Sweyn, Joseph & Kathleen Terlizese, Dan & Marcella Ledwell, Beth & Stuart Taub, Sandy & Don Hanky Jr.

Clara DeVore given by Virginia Hare, Don & Karen Chilcoat, Ruth & Charles Robertson, Marco Hunting Fishing Club

William Young given to Youth group by Dale Young

**Thank you for your thoughtfulness,
Yours in Christ**

Donna Winner

Memorial Fund Treasurer

Orem's Church office received an email from Florida. The email was from the daughter in law of Orem's church members Jack and Anne King. It is with deep sadness that I inform you of the passing of both Jack and Anne King. Jack Sr., my father in law passed away at the age of 90 on August 6th 2012. Anne was in a nursing home in Florida and had been there for a few years. Since Jack, Sr. visited her twice a day, she became very sad and lonely and passed away on January 4, 2013 at the age of 91. They were married for 34 years. Both were buried at the VA cemetery in St. Petersburg Florida. Please inform those who knew them.

I have fond memories of Orem's Church as I grew up in Aero Acres and walked to church with my sisters. I remember "Mother Kool" and the Tom Thumb weddings. You always had a terrific children's program and wonderful Bible Schools in the summer.

Thank you, Gloria King

Dear Members of Orem's

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, calls and cards in the death of my sister, Sharon. She will be missed by her family and friends. So thankful for my Church family.

Blessings to all,

Donna Winner and Family

Dear Family at Orem's Church,

Magic happens when two hearts become connected. And memories can never be erased. Thank you for your cards, thoughts, prayers and flowers. Most of all your love, at the loss of Ford.

Linda Edwards and Family

Dearest Orem's Church,

Thank you to all, it was great to have nice people to work with and who let you know that they care.

Thank you all for your Christmas gift. Buck and Leodia

Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Update

Children in Angola await boxes



Thank you for all your generous help with the Shoe Box ministry. If you want to know if these shoe boxes make a difference, just read the stories below. Our shoeboxes went to children just like those in this photo. Children with very little. Children who now know the love of Jesus Christ because of a simple shoe box delivered to their hands this year. YOU were a part of that. Thank you for helping to spread the word of Jesus Christ.

Our Shoeboxes went to Angola. Angola received 429,159 shoeboxes this Christmas. The boxes we tracked were four of those boxes.

The Miracle after the Shoe Box

Gwedolina may never forget the day Operation Christmas Child brought gift-filled shoe boxes to her town in Angola. The transformation that took place in her life will last even longer than the memories. "I am thankful because I realize there are children in other countries who really care about us," she said. "And I am very happy because now I know Jesus."

Gwedolina is among the millions of children who have begun a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through our evangelistic literature and follow-up discipleship program. Along with the shoe box gifts, we offer colorful Gospel storybooks called *The Greatest Gift of All* that have been translated into 72 languages. We also provide a 10-lesson Bible study courses to churches that distribute boxes. These courses are designed to help children understand God's Word and become faithful followers of Christ.

Not One Gift, But Two

When 14-year-old Maria attended a shoe box distribution at a local church, she received two gifts. The first was a gift-filled shoe box and the second was a relationship with Jesus Christ. "Jesus Christ lives in my heart. I have never felt the way I am feeling now that I know Jesus," she said. "My parents have even taken notice of my behavior and have seen a change in me since I accepted Christ." Following the distribution, Maria enrolled in an Operation Christmas Child discipleship program sponsored by her church. After completing the Bible study lessons, Maria received a New Testament and made a commitment to read her Bible every day.



**Give “The Gift of Sweets” to
the men of the
Streets of Hope Mission**



The Orem's United Methodist Women are selling Log Cabin Easter Candy. Deadline for all orders and payments is Sunday Feb 17, 2013. There is NO Sales Tax as we are Tax Exempt. Please make all checks payable to Orem's UMW. Candy will be delivered by March 1, 2013.

This year we have the opportunity to share our treats with those less fortunate. Purchase a 6 pack of Log Cabin Easter Eggs (\$4.00) and Designate it “**The Gift of Sweets**”. The candy will be given to the homeless men in the Streets of Hope Mission. It's a “SWEET” way to give the message that we care!

Whether you are buying the candy as a family treat or as a donation we would like to say a big thank you for your support! When you support fundraisers such as this you are helping to fund UMW missions and ministries like the Funeral Luncheons, Ruth Bundick Memorial Scholarship, Pink Bag Luncheon, St. Rita's Supper Table and many others.

Orem's United Methodist Women

