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LEADERSHIP TEAM

Carol Bowman	Moderator	2014
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Ivan Bowman	Financial Secretary	2014
Velda Braun	Social Action & Outreach	2015
Ken Neher & Kevin Hall	Property	2015
Lois Tate	Hospitality/Celebrations	2015
Esther Gregory	Worship/Christian Ed Rep	2015
Jeri Sapp	Bazaar Committee Rep	
Bob Jackson	Deacon Representative	
Michael Titus	Pastor	

DEACONS

Peggy Doane*	Gene Gnagy*
Marian Gillin*	Bob & Edie Jackson
Al & June Hampton*	Ordo & June Stutzman*
Jeri Sapp	Bess Parsley
<i>Deacons Emeritus</i>	



**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS WHO
ARE UNABLE FOR HEALTH REASONS TO
COME TO CHURCH.**

***Bonnie Eschwig, Al & June Hampton,
Gene Gnagy, Forrest & Marvel
Stallings.***

~Slim & Sandy Erickson~

Slim fell and broke 2 bones in his left leg. He is in physical therapy at CWH. Prayers are with Slim and Sandy.

~David & Lois Brown~

David is recovering at home after back surgery. Prayers are with David & Lois.

~Larry & Vera Fern Holland~

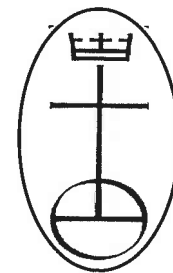
Vera Fern is a home healing from a broken leg bone.

~Colleen Michael~

Colleen is at CWH being treated for an infection.



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JANUARY, 2014

There are a couple of things that I'd like to talk about in this newsletter article. The first is about just how fortunate I feel to be pastor of such a generous and faithful congregation. The vote, at our Congregational Forum, to give me a significant raise was very much appreciated. You stepped out in faith and made a decision that must surely have stretched everyone's comfort level. Yet the decision was made, and in that decision Merry and I felt loved and cherished. I feel as if you all have renewed your commitment to my ministry. And I just want you to know that my commitment to the Sunnyslope Church and to this ministry is also being renewed. None of us knows what the next few years will bring, but to the extent that it is up to me, I will continue to serve this faithful congregation to the best of my ability. As a congregation, we seem to believe that our calling is to care for one another and to extend that circle of care as far as possible. This is my vision as well. Thank you for allowing me to be your partner in promoting the idea that God is still speaking in our world, calling us to a new way of living. May we be a light on a hilltop, calling those who can hear to simplicity, peace, and togetherness with us.

The second thing I want to discuss briefly is our Adult Sunday School Class. At our last Leadership Team Meeting Mary Katherine asked about what we are studying. She suggested that folks might be more inclined to attend if they knew what we are doing. I agree. We have a nice, but small class that enjoys getting together and discussing the bible and the faith. We use the Guide for Biblical Studies quarterlies. We begin by reading through the lesson together out loud. That way, we are all on the same page whether we found the time to read before class or not. Then we discuss what we have read. The truth is that often someone comes to class with something on their heart that doesn't necessarily relate to the lesson. But we talk about it anyway. It is a time to ask questions, share concerns, and know each other more deeply. It is usually a good time. Joel Kline, pastor of the Highland Avenue Church in Elgin, IL., wrote these lessons. In December, we looked at the first couple of chapters of Luke to talk about Advent and Christmas. In January we will continue with Luke and look at ways in which Jesus ushers in the reign of God. In February we will have four lessons from the Book of James as we consider living justly in the reign of God. I encourage you to join us. We really do have a lot of fun.

May 2014 bring good things to you and to the Sunnyslope Church.

Shalom, Michael



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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:25 AM - CHURCH SERVICES - 10:25AM

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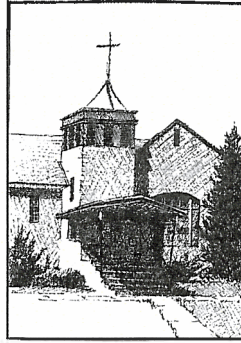
MONDAY - THURSDAY

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:25 AM



WORSHIP SERVICE
10:25 AM

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Esther Gregory	1st
Louise Harlow	4th
Conner Harlow	4th
Chad Stutzman	5th
Adam Stutzman	5th
Galen Miller	7th
Ben Green	9th
Anna Whitehall	10th
Kevin Bowman	10th
Kurt Bowman	10th
Bridget Lund	10th
Christina Tangen	11th
Carley Neher	27th
Brandon Douglass	28th

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

NO JANUARY
ANNIVERSARIES

DECEMBER OFFERINGS

12/01/2013	(39)	\$1,977.00
12/08/2013	(41)	\$2,530.50
12/15/2013	(41)	\$1,167.99
12/22/2013	(46)	\$ 497.00
12/29/2013	(32)	\$1,447.00

SPECIAL OFFERING DEC. 29, 2013
BLANKET SUNDAY \$70.00



From: John Braun

Date: 12/16/2013 1:03:39 PM

To: Dave Haven; Annette Eggers; Sharon Browder; David Morrow; Wenatchee Brethren Baptist Church; Leanne Ford; Linda Vickery; Mike Titus; Sunnyslope Church; Edie Jackson; Carol Bowman; Steve & Esther Gregory; Lois Tate; Mary Katherine Deen; Ivan Bowman; Joseph Roy; Rosemary Zook; Jon Schmidt; Anthony; Tracy Faulkner

Subject: THARS International Mission Dinner, Jan. 22, 2014

THARS Supporters and Friends:

Tracy has invited us back to Wenatchee First United Methodist Church for another jointly sponsored mission dinner. It's a unique opportunity, supported by several churches, to join efforts on behalf of **Trauma Healing and Reconciliation Services** in Burundi, Africa. In addition, please include *THARS International* as part of the mission outreach each of our churches supports.

Some in this e-mail list are, or have been, work camp team members supporting construction of the **THARS Training and Retreat Center, Gitega, Burundi**. We now have 15 members with reservations and commitments for the February, 2014 work camp! We expect to be matched by 13 of THARS (Burundi) volunteers plus 2 members of a new Congolese peace-oriented church. Some of our work now goes indoors, because the kitchen/dining room building is up and covered (see attached picture). We'll also establish the parking lot and create a large garden for sustainable food. But, most exciting for some on the team, we are sponsoring an 8-day, afternoon day camp for at-risk kids, providing food, English language and spiritual learning with fun activities, music and teams doing brief service work together.

You will be impressed with the growth of our mission, through some of the pictures and reports we have to share. Included will be a brief insight into the 5 1/2 week, USA cross-country trauma healing seminar tour that I experienced with David Niyonzima this fall. One of the seminars was held in Wenatchee on October 17th, with 25 participants. 13 professionals received CEU certificates for participating.

Please spread the word and post information once again in the FUMC, Celebration Lutheran, Sunnyslope and WBBCU newsletters:

**MISSION DINNER TO SUPPORT TRAUMA HEALING SERVICES
IN BURUNDI & East AFRICA**

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

6:00 p.m. - free-will offering

Wenatchee First United Methodist Church

941 Washington St.

**Hear about the growing impact of our partnership together with
Trauma Healing and Reconciliation Services (THARS) in East Africa**

"Without Healing There Is No Peace"

*Thanks for all of your support and encouragement. We are making an impact that is gathering attention across the country and in Canada. Two members of the new work camp team come from B.C. Also, THARS International is affiliating with **World-Wide Missions Canada** and will have a presence at **Mission Fest Vancouver, Jan. 24-26, 2014**. Last year about 44,000 persons participated in that convention.*

John

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