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November 2017



BANDING TOGETHER

Last month, Ric Seaver and I were blessed to attend the "New Room Conference" in Franklin, Tennessee, a suburb of Nashville. New Room is a conference and movement that has come out of Seedbed publishing, which is connected to Asbury Seminary in Kentucky. It is a fresh expression of Evangelical, Wesleyan, Spirit-filled Christianity and has some of the most exciting material available for we who are working for and looking for a new Great Awakening!

One of the main focuses of New Room is resurrecting the Wesleyan band meetings. Band meetings were the "engine" of the Wesleyan revival of the 1700's in England and America. They were part of a two-pronged strategy of John and Charles Wesley that included Class Meetings and Band Meetings. Many historians credit this strategy for the revival, at least from our human perspective (obviously, the Holy Spirit gets the most credit!). The Class Meeting was a small group of 12-15 people who gathered each week to ask the question, "How goes it with your soul?" and to watch over one another in love. The Band Meeting was an even smaller group of 3-5 people (all men or all women) who met each week to ask five questions, the first of which was "What known sins have you committed since our last meeting?"

What?

Yeah, that's right. The Band Meeting was formed to fulfil the biblical command of James 5:16, "Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed." We Protestants like to think that we only need confess our sins to God, but James clearly states that this is not enough. Why? Because there is healing power that transforms us when our sins are not safely kept in the dark! "For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed." (John 3:20)

Are you interested in "banding together" with other earnest Christians, seeking to grow in holiness? Ric and I have materials to get you started.

Blessings,

Pastor Glen



A United Methodist Community

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am—Classes
- 10:15 am—Awakening Hymn Sing
- 10:30 am—English Service & La Cima Service
- 10:50 am—Children & Youth Sunday School
- 3:00 pm—Vietnamese Evangelical Church of Fountain Valley



GIVING UPDATE

Listed below is the financial data for The Fount. This data is through Sept. 2017.

Actual Sept. Envelope Giving Budgeted Monthly Envelope Giving	\$ 25,508 \$ 22,470
Actual Loose Plate Giving Jan. thru Sept. Budgeted Loose Plate Giving Jan. thru Sept.	\$ 4,679 \$ 2,700

Actual Envelope Giving Jan. thru Sept. \$204,390 Budgeted Envelope Giving Jan. thru Sept. \$202,230



NOVEMBER MEETING SCHEDULE



Charge Conference	November 5	12:30 pm
Messy Church Team Mtg.	November 12	10:00 am
Physical Resources Team Mtg.	November 12	12:15 pm
Preschool Board Meeting	November 14	6:00 pm
Messy Church	November 17	6:00 pm

The events above are currently listed on the church calendar. Please check with the team leaders to confirm the dates/times of these meetings.

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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 5TH

Hurrah, we gain another hour of sleep the night of November 4th! Remember to turn your clocks back before you go to bed as daylight savings time ends at 2:00 am on Sunday, November 5th.





CHURCH POTLUCK

What a great way to fellowship with your friends here at The Fount. We will be hosting a baked potato bar potluck lunch after service on November 5th. We will be providing the baked potato bar and we're asking those who attend to bring a side salad or dessert dish to complement the baked potato bar. Our Church Charge Conference will be held directly after lunch. All are invited and encouraged to attend.





CHARGE CONFERENCE

A reminder, our annual church charge conference is scheduled for November 5th after service (approximately 12:30 pm). Please make an effort to attend this annual meeting. Our District Superintendent, Dr. John Farley, will not only be presiding at our conference this year, but will be giving the message at service prior to our Conference.

Come and participate in reviewing the past year's activities and exercise your right to question and/or approve any items presented at the conference. All members of the church are not only allowed but encouraged to attend and vote.



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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 12TH!

We will be taking the shoeboxes to the collection center the week of November 13th so please bring your shoeboxes to the church by November 12th. Supplies and literature on the program are available in the narthex. Please call the church office with any questions.

VETERAN'S DAY OBSERVED

Veteran's Day is Saturday, November 11th. The church office and preschool will be closed Friday, November 10th in observance of Veteran's Day,

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Make plans to help us decorate the sanctuary for the upcoming Christmas holidays. We will be gathering on Friday evening, December 1st at 5:30 pm. Those assisting will also enjoy a soup supper. Please come and help us adorn the sanctuary in holiday splendor!

CONSECRATION SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH

This year, our annual Financial Campaign will be "Consecration Sunday." We will have testimonies of how God has blessed through giving and will have a speaker come and lead us through the process of dedicating a percentage of our "produce" for the kingdom.

As a culmination, there will be an all church luncheon on November 26th after worship, to which everyone will be invited. It will be a time of consecrating our gifts and celebrating what God is doing in and through The Fount.

Put it on your calendar now, and watch for more information!

PRESCHOOL NEWS

The fundraiser for the preschool proved to be a great success thanks to your support. We raised \$3,095 to make improvements in the classroom and buy additional teaching aides. The cookie dough (and other goodies that were available) will be delivered to the preschool the week of November 13th. Once the delivery date is set, you will be able to pick up your order between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm on that date.

We also had another great "Trunk or Treat". If you didn't get to come and witness the students dressed in costumes parade around the back parking lot, you missed out on a fun and happy event.

All students are allowed to participate in vision screening by Elks on November 15 and 16. What a great way to make sure all our preschoolers are able to read their Bibles they received from The Fount!

The staff of the preschool also wish to thank The Fount for recognizing them during Preschool Sunday, October 29th. Your support for the staff throughout the year is a true blessing for all staff members.

The preschool will be closed on Veteran's Day, November 10th as well as Thanksgiving week (November 20-24). The staff and students at the preschool wish to extend their heartfelt wishes to all of people of The Fount for a happy, and safe Thanksgiving holiday!





BEACH CITIES INTERFAITH SERVICES (BCIS)

BCIS is one of the organizations supported by The Fount. They received an eviction notice in July saying they had 60 days to vacate their current location. After a Huntington Beach (HB) City Council meeting on July 5th, they were given an additional 6 months to relocate. They do not have to complete their relocation of their facility by the end of the six months, but do have to end services to the homeless population at their current location on Gothard (near the Library and Sports Park) as of January 8, 2018. [In 2013 the HB City Council evicted BCIS from their former location on Main Street in downtown Huntington Beach.]

BCIS assists with finding housing, giving out bus passes, food and clothing for families. Please pray that BCIS finds an alternative location to continue their work with the homeless and low income population in Orange County.





The United Methodist Men (UMM) are beginning a new ministry to assist those in need in our community, and we need your help. We are looking for opportunities to build, repair, paint, fix, install, clean, or whatever else it takes to help people who need those services. This may include painting a room or a house, building a ramp, repairing furniture or other home fixtures, cleaning a garage, doing plumbing work, or any other number of things.

If you would like the UMM to help you with hanging Christmas lights this year (nothing fancy or too big, please) the UMM will assist with that as well.

If you, or anyone you know, could use some help, please contact the Church office and let us know! Also contact the office if you need assistance with handing Christmas lights.



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ST. BONAVENTURE'S ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

The St. Bonaventure Catholic Church will be hosting their 33rd annual craft fair on Saturday, November 11th from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Their address is:

St. Bonaventure Church's Parish Hall 16400 Springdale Street Huntington Beach, CA (Northeast corner of Springdale & Heil)

This year's event will feature the following hand-crafted treasures:

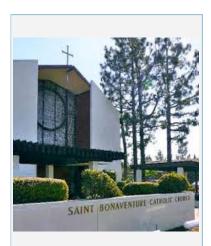
Holiday Gifts & Decorations Victorian Collectibles Candy & Baked Goods Clothing and Jewelry American Girl Doll Clothing Stocking Stuffers Tole-Painted Keepsakes
Soaps & Candles
Greeting Cards
Homemade Jams & Jellies
Christmas Ornaments
Knitted & Crocheted Items

Opportunity Drawings will be held as well.



BCIS ANGEL TREE

We will be placing the BCIS Angel Tree is in the narthex the week of November 13th. Please feel free to take one or more of the angels which will have the age range (and whether the gift is for a boy or girl) for a deserving child. These gifts do not need to be wrapped and are for needy children here in Orange County. BCIS will be hosting their Christmas store beginning December 11th and it will be open to needy families until December 22nd. The Fount will accept gifts until December 8th for delivery to BCIS by their requested date of December 9th.





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MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT—A REPORT FROM JEFF & KATTIA KROUSE

Jeff and Kattia Krouse are two of the missionaries The Fount supports through Global Teams ministry.

Here is a quote from Jeff: "It continues to be a pleasure and motivation to serve the emerging communities of followers of Christ within Muslin life and culture. Growth is slow but sure and we have come a long way in meeting the urgent demand for translation of Scripture that satisfies the concerns of Muslin readers. We are continually thankful for your support and companionship which have enabled us to remain faithful to the call."

The Old Testament Abridgement has been printed three times and is awaiting a fourth print and transfer to digital media. There are partners in three major hubs that distribute these in the Krouse's location and two neighboring countries have welcomed the translations as well.

Jeff's current duties include:

- Collaborating with numerous Muslin-background partners to carry out a process of testing and review.
- Doing interlinear word-for-word translation from the Greek seeing the original text is crucial for the translation to be credible to Muslim readers.
- Converting the Old Testament Gospels abridgement to a mobile app so people can more easily access and distribute our "Scripture as Story" translation.

Jeff is scheduled to visit his country of service over Thanksgiving to continue training Shepherd Brothers Humble and Rose as well as others in testing methods. It is urgent for them right now to collect community feedback on three things:

- Articles that introduce the translation to readers. Do they make sense and appeal?
- Terms used to present God as "Father" and "Son". Do people understand these terms and their implications?
- The visual layout of many components on each page. Is it appropriate? Can people find their way around? Do they perceive the translation as authoritative?

MESSY CHURCH

Last month we celebrated a Messy Church wedding! Not a wedding between a man and woman though, a wedding between Christ and His bride, the Church. Out text was about being ready for Jesus return because no one knows the hour or the day but we took it a bit farther to talk about how the Church is connected to Jesus. We were visited by a new family! Karen and Shawn, friends of Betty, came to join us and we were so thankful!

Next month we'll be Thankful for the gift of the Holy Spirit and read out of John 14. We'll talk about how one of Jesus purposes on the Earth was to prepare his followers to receive the help that the Holy Spirit would give them in fulfilling Jesus commandments. I also have a special gift for everyone in attendance that will help their family dinner times be more Christ centered. Hope to see you there!



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Prayer Requests

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM THE KROUSE TEAM

Visa: Ask the Lord to provide quickly so I can travel on the critical dates, as well as find a good window to visit Vince.

Vince: Intercede that he will find comfort and encouragement this second semester as he focuses on Greek and Hebrew.

Speed and skill: As our team has negotiated a two-year extension to complete and publish a partial NT translation (Gospels, Acts and Revelation) pray with us that God will guide and empower each person to apply our gifts in the race.

Protection & Provision Inside the Muslin Communities: As outsiders, we must maintain a certain distance, so we ask you to pray most intensively for Humble and Rose who juggle all manner of pastoral concerns supporting numerous fellowships throughout the region.

Krouse Family: Thanks for remembering us in your prayers. We advocate for our son Nathan with his dual diagnosis of autism and Down Syndrome. Kattia's teaching position complements our support and provides a healthy outlet for her as she galvanizes the Spanish program in Nazareth. May the Lord open doors as we travel to share the vision and connect with new partners.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We have received requests for prayer for the following people: Betty Loy, the Mulaks, the Laffoon family, Bill Speicher, Nancy Jarachovic, Mendy Nehrbass, JJ Martin & the Martin family, Grace Yamashiro, Merna Young, Nancy Fones, Mercedes Friedrich, Kathleen McFarland, as well as friends/family/coworkers of many of our church and staff members.

Please also pray for our church, La Cima, the Vietnamese Evangelical Church of Fountain Valley, those serving in the armed forces, the church staff, the preschool staff and the small groups meeting at The Fount.

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

A Biblical family of joyful servants, sharing the love of God in a broken world.



Leslie Heitmann	3
Marguerite Marcus	5
Joy Goebel	6
Pat Stoaks	6
Karl Baumgardner	14
Nathan Haworth	20
Jerry Jensen	20
Adrienne Kupper	20
Alaine Gohn	24

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The ministers of our church are its members. They are assisted by:

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Lead Pastor

Jonathan Kupper

Worship and Music

Ric Seaver

Family & Children

Coleen Kaae

FVUM Preschool Dir.

Stephanie Parsons

Childcare

Pat Stoaks

Administrative Assist.

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