

Out Of The Mouths of Babes



God's children seek to worship Him as Ethan Domeij excitedly asks, "can we go to the dancing place?"



2008 MISSION MEETING

Some of the travel plans for the coming year are:

- Glades, FL** in March
(light construction, painting and cleanup)
- DOOR Miami, FL** in March (various lt. projects)
- North Dakota** in June (various lt. projects)
- Overseas** in July (light construction)
- Red Bird, KY** in September
(various lt. projects)

If interested, Contact : Lee Schneider (386) 689-5458
Kay Wingard (386) 253-3162

MEMBERS OF OUR LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

We are very proud of those who serve on the Leadership Council at Covenant UMC. Their responsibilities are the overall administration and programming for the church.

Listed here are our Council members and their area(s) of responsibility:

- Ida Carveth*, Adult Ministries
- Jon Domeij*, Assimilation
- Carol Faircloth*, Prayer and "Sacred Spaces"
- Kathy Freeman*, Co-Chair Trustees
- Rebecca Hyvonen*, Assistant Pastor
- Sue Macchiarella*, Administration/ Missions & Outreach
- Frank Mercer*, Council Chairman/ Worship / Lay Leader
- Vic Miller*, Co-Chair Trustees
- Paul Pollock*, Senior Pastor
- Leigh Slayback*, Worship & Music
- Donna Spencer*, Education and Youth
- Joan Varley*, Council Secretary & Attendance Records
- Gary Walker*, Staff Parish Committee Chairman
- Kay Wingard*, Missions/Outreach/ Ushers & Greeters

COVENANT TRUSTEES	
2008	
Pat Conway	George Holm
Kathy Freeman	Vic Miller
Bill Fricke	Richard Motley
James Harbour	Jack Weiler



Ponderings With Pastor Paul

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Forty years ago (literally 1968) the Methodist Episcopal Church became The United Methodist Church. At that point we had 12.8 million members in the United States. Since 1968 we have steadily lost members until now we have only 8.5 million members.

I guess you could say that like the Hebrew people who "wandered in the desert" for 40 years, we, as United Methodists, have also been "wandering" for 40 years. It's time for us to "enter the Promised Land !!" But, the people called United Methodists need to remember that The Promised Land could only "be taken by The Lord" and to remember that "the battle belongs to The Lord !!" Our only choice is to PRAYER-FULLY humble ourselves in HIS presence, confess that we have wandered from HIS Truth and again do things HIS way.

During April 23rd - May 2nd we will need people here at Covenant to "build a Base Camp of Prayer" in Port Orange and have as many people as possible go to Texas to be prayer delegates at General Conference. As Paul writes in II Corinthians 10:3-5, "For even though we live in the world we are not carrying on a worldly war; the weapons of our warfare are NOT worldly (prayer, fasting, obedience, meditating on God's Word, putting on the whole armor of God) but they DO have DIVINE POWER to destroy strongholds, to destroy arguments and every proud obstacle that comes against the knowledge of God and take every thought captive in obedience to Christ Jesus."

PRAYER CAN CHANGE GENERAL CONFERENCE. WILL YOU ACTIVELY RESPOND??

Start NOW; See Carol Faircloth, Pastor Paul or Pastor Rebecca on "how" and "where" you can help !!
Pastor Paul

Seeking 40 People For Texas Prayer Mission for General Conference

Some people feel called to go but are not able to pay for either part or all of the cost. If you would like to donate money to help send those who cannot afford to go, please contact Sue Macchiarella at 767-8544

Infinite Grace 2008 May 16 – 17

Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena
Jacksonville, Florida

"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed". II Corinthians 9:8

Women of Covenant let us fellowship with one another at the

Women of Faith Conference.

In November, 38 women went to the Amazing Freedom, Women of Faith conference, in Tampa. Each lady expressed that she was glad she went and is looking forward to this new conference. We want even more ladies to come and experience this year's conference; to laugh, cry, be inspired and be blessed. This is an opportunity to bring that sister or friend along for whom you have been praying. Each year thousands make first time decisions for Christ at these conferences.

Featured Speaker:
Patsy Claimont, Nicole Johnson, Marilyn Meberg, Sandi Patty, Luci Swindoll, Shelia Walsh, Allison Allen

Special Guests:
Max Lucado, Nicole C. Mullen

Conference Times: Friday: 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Conference Price: \$65.00 – The group/early bird price must be paid by March 3rd.

Questions, call Pauline McNally – 322-4952 or 383-7658 evenings or weekends

Venetian Bay area
CHURCH START
NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS
 Launch date is
October 2008

Let all of us, together at Covenant, grow and give birth to a new church to glorify God!

If you are interested and want more information, call Rebecca: 767-8544 or 756-5632

MISSION WORK WHILE YOU SHOP!

Halifax Urban Ministry (HUM) is a year-round ministry solely supported by local churches in the Volusia County area, including Covenant UMC. Whenever possible, add to your shopping list some on the following items. Canned or plastic containers are best.

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| Cereal | Grits, Oatmeal |
| Pop Tarts | Breakfast Bars |
| Beef Stew | Complete meals with meat |
| Soups | Spaghetti & Meat Sauce |
| Tuna | Canned Chicken Breast |
| Peanut Butter / Jelly | Canned & Dried Beans |
| Rice | Mashed/Scalloped Potatoes |
| Vienna Sausages | Complete meals with meat |
| Corned Beef | Cornbread/Muffin Mix |
| pudding Packs | Diapers (all sizes) |

The food you bring can be left on the shelving in the old narthex of our church. A greeter will be glad to assist you in finding the location.

GOOD READING FOR 2008

1. Any Max Lucado book (there are 20 in the library collection) The newest edition—Titled 3:16. Also, a CD titled “Songs of Hope”
 2. “Mending Your Heart in a Broken World” by Patsy Clairmont
 3. “The God Moment Principle” by Alan Wright
- You'll find these in the following categories:
 SG—DE—B—and CD

Covenant
United Methodist Church

Offers members and visitors three Sunday morning worship services and a Wednesday evening service, plus Faith Building Classes for adults and children

FAITH BUILDING CLASSES/ ADULTS & CHILDREN...9:45
 WORSHIP SERVICE.....8:30, 10:00 and 11:00
 SERVING A GROWING CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION

- Rev. Paul Pollock.....Senior Pastor
 Rebecca Hyvonen.....Assistant Pastor
 Leigh Slayback.....Director of Music Ministry
 Nate Mudge.....Media Director
 Donna Spencer.....Education & Youth Ministry
 Rick RosengrantMaintenance
 Jim Saucier.....Maintenance
 Sue Macchiarella.....Administrative Director
 Elaine Kinion.....Administrative Assistant

- MINISTERS -

ALL PEOPLE OF OUR CONGREGATION

- NEWSLETTER -

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The church office is open Mon.-Thurs.

9:00 a.m. - 12 noon; 1:00-4:00 p.m.;

Fri 9:00 a.m.– 12 noon

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