

# CROSSLINES



February 2010



## Walk to Jerusalem 2010

Mountain View's Walk to Jerusalem will begin this year on February 14<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday and end on April 4<sup>th</sup>, Easter Sunday. Everyone can participate! You can walk, swim, bike, do chair or other exercises, they all count towards miles, 15 minutes of any exercise qualifies for 1 mile. We know from our previous walks that we need to

cover 7500 miles to get to Jerusalem from Cottonwood and if we all walk together we'll get there and hopefully back! So get out your pedometer and start to rev up for our walk. This program's goal is to encourage more daily physical activity while also cultivating spiritual growth by focusing on daily Bible verses. We'll provide the verses and a log sheet for you to track your progress in these 7 weeks. Watch for more information coming in the weekly report.

Anyone interested in joining the Congregational Care Team please call Diane Swigart at 639-1466.

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February 14th Valentine's Day

Potluck at 12:00 for the Domino Party and Family Ministries

A-L Dessert M-Z Main Dish

After the Potluck you can go to the Family Ministry Activity or to the Domino Party



## WORSHIP *TIMES*

PRAISE - 9:00 a.m.

TRADITIONAL - 11:00 a.m.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP - 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10:00 a.m.

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Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m. Praise

11:00 a.m. Traditional

6:00 p.m. Praise & Worship

Sunday School

10:00 a.m.

Preschool—6th Grade

Harmony Class (Adult)

Bible Study

Tuesdays (Men's) at 6:30 am

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

**Pastor:**

Rev. Michael Anderson

**Pastor Emeritus:**

Rev. Frank Cartwright

**Retired Pastors:**

Revs. Ed Womack, Bill Birdsey,  
Paul McCleary, David Treadwell,  
Jean Dumas

**Church Secretary:**

Sue Shortridge

**Finance Treasurer:**

Carol Hagberg

**Praise Band Leader:**

David Flores

**Choir Director:**

Gayle Benjamin

**Organist:**

Beverly Hall

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Monday-Thursday 8am-noon

*Our Pastor is available at other times*

*by appointment and any time for  
emergencies.*

## A Note from Pastor Michael

### ***A Prayer for the People of Haiti***

by Taylor Burton-Edwards

The seas roar, the earth shakes,  
buildings crumble, roofs topple  
and walls turn to dust.

Have mercy on the people of Haiti, O God.

Nations watch, alarms sound,  
traffic halts, utilities stop,  
and news is hard to verify.

Give us compassion to weep with those who  
weep, O God.

People die, families mourn,  
mountains split,  
infrastructure and superstructure alike are  
gone.

Make us swift to help and persistent to rebuild,  
not just things and structures, but lives, O God:  
Through Christ, the solid Rock. Amen.

Let us count our blessings and be grateful. Then  
let us pray for the people of Haiti and all of the  
humanitarian efforts to help renew and sustain  
life in this torn apart country.

*Pastor Michael*

## 2009 Financial Report

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Checking Account Balance	\$22,850.90
Reserve I/O Balance	\$15,674.47
Restricted Balance	\$58,315.83
Preschool Checking Balance	\$2,385.49
UM Federal Credit Union	\$201.64
Annual General Budget	\$291,062.65
Needed Each Month	\$24,255.22
December Income*	\$30,006.89
*(Includes Catch Up Fund \$5,954.76)	
December Expenditures	\$21,281.19
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	\$8,725.70
2009 Income	\$272,838.47
2009 Expenditures	\$269,359.38
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Receipts over Disbursements	\$3,479.09
Mortgage as of 12/31/09	
Monthly Principal Payment	\$2,433.13
Monthly Interest Payment	\$1,834.59
Total Mortgage Payment	\$4,267.72
Worship Center Loan Balance	\$202,877.90

<b>February Birthdays</b>	
<b><u>1st.</u></b>	<b><u>22nd.</u></b>
Herb Browning	Karen Steele
<b><u>2nd.</u></b>	<b><u>26th.</u></b>
Kim Brasher	Nancy Hagberg
<b><u>8th.</u></b>	<b><u>27th.</u></b>
Tom Spring	Howie Usher
<b><u>10th</u></b>	<b><u>28th.</u></b>
Dick Ritchey	Freida Killingsworth
<b><u>12th.</u></b>	Lois Starz
Joyce Anderson	Kelsey Wolstencroft
Christina Hagberg	<b>Anniversaries</b>
Steve Jackson	<b><u>February 2</u></b>
Jimmy Woodburn	Ted and Janet
<b><u>17th.</u></b>	Martinson
Angie Hillman	<b><u>February 20</u></b>
<b><u>18th.</u></b>	Larry & Mary Keim
Frank Falkner	<b><u>February 29</u></b>
<b><u>19th.</u></b>	Herald & Norela
Ivan Boothe	Harrington

## Be Our Valentine!

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**To sign up with eScrip**

1. Go to [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com)
2. Click on: Sign Up - It's Free!
3. Enter the Group name: Mountain View United Methodist Church and ID # 9609306
4. Follow the instructions to register your Safeway grocery cards and your existing credit/debit cards.

**If you do not have internet, please call the church office and we will sign up for you.**

## United Methodist Women News

The UMW Board will meet Tuesday, February 9th at 9:30 a.m. in the Mingus Room. There will be no General Meeting in February. Circles will meet on Tuesday, February 23rd in various locations - to be announced later.

On Tuesday, February 9th at 11:00 a.m. in the Mingus Room, the women will be

doing a workshop on learning to make prayer shawls and baby blankets. These items have been requested from the UMW National Assembly, to be distributed to the needy all over the world. Pat Donaghe will be leading this workshop and all women are invited to help with this project. Pat assures us these are very easy to make and some fabrics won't even need stitching.

For more details on this project, call Pat at 634-1476. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy the project with the group or get the directions and work at home. Completion date is April 15th.

Shirley Emshwiller, UMW  
Publicity Chair

### Prayers for Our Churches

The Conference Laity Team and District Superintendents are requesting that your church commit to praying for other churches in your district. Several churches will be listed each month for your prayer concerns. Please pray for the pastors, congregation and the community. For February please pray for: AJO Federated Church, Ajo; Calvary UMC, Phoenix; Trinity UMC, Yuma.

## News from the United Methodist Men

Tuesday morning Bible study and fellowship continues to grow. We have had as many as 34 men in attendance between both functions. Remember, **Men's Bible Study** at 6:30 am and **Men's Fellowship** at 7:30, every **Tuesday!**

A new project this year that the UMM will be heading up is the manning of the **Upper Room 24 Hour, 1-800 Prayer Line**. This requires a minimum of 12, 2 people teams to spend a 2 hour shift monitoring the telephone. At a given 24 hour period, the 1-800 prayer line will be routed to the Mtn. View UMC phone where the prayer partners will receive the request, pray with the individual and log the call. It would probably be a period of 6 pm Friday night to 6 pm Saturday night, once a month for starters. We will receive training on how to handle the calls and

requests. If you feel led to participate in this, give David Treadwell a call at 634-1447. We pray that we can implement this project in the next couple of months.

Baseball season is right around the corner and Ron Black is researching the best dates for some car pool/light rail trips and also the annual bus trip. More news will be forthcoming on this from Ron.

The UMM are also collecting small tools in advance for the **Annual Joint UMM/UMW Yard Sale**. If you have a garage or shed with tools that are no longer in use, let us know as we have a place to store them for the sale. Small tools are the only items that are being collected in advance for the sale.

David Treadwell



Wilma Dart is looking for a small dog but not a Chihuahua. Lives in Christian Care Apartments. 634-0750.

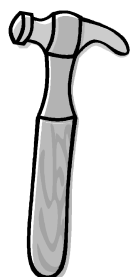
*To my Church Family,  
I want to thank all of you for your love and concern for me after suffering such a great loss. The love you have shown to Iona will never be forgotten. Our 62 years of married life was one in a lifetime. I appreciate all of the love from my church family and friends.*

*With much love,  
Herb Browning*

Thank you to Mountain View United Methodist Church for letting us use your facilities for our monthly meetings.

Compassionate Friends

**Welcome New Church Members:**  
Steven Tolbert and Steven Dumas



### **TOOL COLLECTION**

Do you have old or tools not being used at home and want to donate them to a worthy cause? The Methodist Men are beginning to collect tools only now in preparation for their Annual Fall Garage and Parking Lot Rummage Sale. Any tools power or hand tools that are in working order can be donated by simply calling Ron Black(928)232-9915, Bill McCully(928)254-1542 or Jim Kreunen (928) 649-2357 to ask for a pick up. Please no broken tools.

### **UMYF will meet February 7th and 21st**

**4:30—5:45 p.m.**

The UMYF group is open to all students in grades 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. We have many exciting events planned between now and the end of the school year . We will be using Devonize which is the teen version of the Upper Room for part of each of our meetings. Information about subscriptions can be found in the Upper Room. Your new youth leaders are Angie Hillman and Vonne Zimmerman. You won't want to miss the fun! Call Angie with any questions at (928) 274-1071 or email her at [athillman@q.com](mailto:athillman@q.com)

### **CREATION CARE - COMMENDATIONS**

Commendations to congregation and staff of Mt. View UMC. Electrical usage in 2009 was reduced by 30% from 2008 for a savings of \$3018. Natural gas consumption was down by 15% for a \$700 savings (gas figures are for Feb. – Dec.)

This is the time of the year we receive the annual usage reports and graph from APS showing the previous year's usage-- and perhaps a good time to make some new energy goals for our homes. We also might be surprised how much energy usage and dollars we could save.

(submitted by the Green Team)

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## WELLNESS NOTES

“The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul--” Psalm 23: 1-3

**FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH:** Every year we focus on heart health, our cardiac status, healthy blood pressure, and being aware of our heartfelt caring. The Lord’s Prayer reminds me that we can take a more MIND-BODY-SPIRIT look at our heart , as the center of our wellbeing. This year, as we enter the Lenten Season with preparing our hearts for the glory and hope of Easter, let’s look at how we can improve our general wellness.

**HE MAKES ME LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES:** As we rest in that green pasture may we be reminded to: Sit in silence at least 10 minutes each day; Sleep for 7-10 hours; Take a 10-30 minute walk every day---and when you walk, SMILE. Eat breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince, and dinner like a beggar. Eat more food that grows on trees and plants & less manufactured foods. When you awake each morning ( in your beautiful green pasture) Rejoice, Thank God, and Be Happy.

**HE LEADS ME BESIDE STILL WATERS:** As our mental image allows us to meander beside the still water: Drink plenty of water daily (throw away the plastic bottles & use stainless or glass reusable bottles); Walk with Energy, Enthusiasm, and Empathy; Take time to read a good book; Invest your energy in the positive present moment instead of negative thoughts you cannot control. Dream more while you are awake; forget issues of the past, practice forgiveness and make peace with it; Call your family and a friend often. Each day give something good to others; Spend time with people over 70 and under 6; Try to make at least three people smile each day. Rejoice in stillness, focus on scenes of flowing clear water, and pleasant landscapes.

**HE RESTORES MY SOUL:** Know your heart and soul sustain you on the journey. Do the right things; Get rid of anything that isn’t useful, beautiful, or joyful.

**GOD HEALS EVERYTHING:** The best is yet to come; When you awake in the morning renew your spirit with thoughts of blessings; Allow your soul to be nourished with THE WORD, Good Sermons, Positive news, and Support from others. Take a deep breath often and fill your heart the soul with God’s Love.

May your heart be happy, healthy and whole!!

Alice Stephenson BSN,RN,CDE,PN  
Parish Nurse Consultant

*The following is taken from the UMC web page:*

## **We Have a Mission**

Why does the church exist? According to Matthew's Gospel, the risen Christ made it clear: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you" Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciple-making occurs"

### **1. We reach out to people and welcome them into the church**

We have a direct responsibility for people of the "world" around our church, the community in which we and others study, work, shop, play, and so forth. In this world are people with many hurts, doubts, and questions. Our mission is to reach out to them, listen to them, accept them, share the gospel in word and deed, invite them into the family of faith, and joyfully receive all who will respond.

### **2. We relate people to God and help them deepen their relationship with God**

Through worship, prayer, study, and honest sharing, we help one another discover that the Holy Spirit is not far off but present with us, wanting an open and loving friendship with each of us. Through our congregation's various ministries we encourage one another to give our selves to Christ, to ground our lives in the living God.

### **3. We nurture people in Christian living**

We come to church not only for our own personal enrichment but also to prepare ourselves to do the work of love and to get ready to be Christ's disciples in the community. Through worship, baptism, Communion, Bible study, prayer, and other means of grace, we're strengthened for ministry.

### **4. We support people in their ministry**

As members of the congregation, we're sent into the community to serve those in need and to make our community more loving and just. We believe that the Holy Spirit empowers and guides us in these ministries and that wherever there's need and suffering, we meet Christ, already at work.

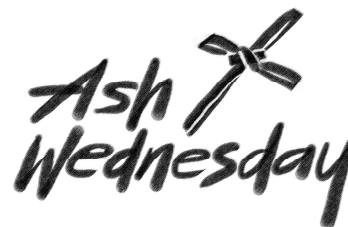
## **ANGELS' ATTIC FEBRUARY 2010**

It's that time again for the Angels to meet and begin their creating and planning for our Fall sale. We will start to meet the second and fourth Monday of each month from 9am-2pm in Verde Hall taking turns to provide lunch and snacks for the group.

My Christmas gift giving this year had a lot of items made by Angels' Attic and I know many others took advantage of our handcrafted and inexpensive items to give to family and friends.

We welcome new members and need ideas and suggestions for our projects. Please join us for good fellowship, good fun and good use of talents. There are things to do that can use a variety of skill levels so don't let thinking you can't contribute keep you from coming.

Please call Stephanie Kreunen at 928-649-2357 or e-mail at [Stephanie.kreunen@gmail.com](mailto:Stephanie.kreunen@gmail.com) with any questions or suggestions. We hope to see you on February 8<sup>th</sup> for our first meeting of 2010.



Ash  
Wednesday

**Ash Wednesday**

**February 17th**

**Lenten Dinners**

**Start**

**February 24th**

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8:00 a.m.—noon

Monday—Thursday

Publication Deadlines

Weekly Announcements:

Tuesday at Noon

Monthly Newsletter: 15th of the

preceding month.



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Service to Bring Everyone Closer to God  
Through Jesus Christ

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