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DECEMBER EVENTS

Every week
Tuesdays @ 11:15am exercise in choir room
Tuesdays @ noon golden agers in fireside room

Dec. 1: Advent Bible Study starts @ 10:00am in the Fireside Room for 4 Fridays. See Sheryl Meadows for details.

Dec. 2: UMW Unit meeting @ 10:00am

Dec. 3: Trustees in lounge @ 11:30am

Dec. 9: Paper Drive @ 8:30am & Workday

Dec. 13: Maggie Lu fellowship @ 11:30 at Black Angus

Dec. 16: UMM breakfast @ 7:30 in FH

Dec. 16: Community Outreach 10am-12pm

Dec. 17: Christmas box distribution @ 1:00pm

Dec. 17: Christmas caroling @ 2:00pm

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve candle light service @ 7pm

Dec. 30: UMW exec board @ 10:00am in lounge

Upcoming in January:

Jan. 5: Friday Bible Study @ 10:00am in FH

Jan. 6: UMW unit meeting & Installation @ 10:00am in FH

Jan. 6: Paper Drive @ 8:30am

Jan. 27: North District Workshops @ Northridge

Jan. 28: UMW Sunday Service

c-$100, a bike for a pastor. Bikes can help rural pastors’ travels to reach out to their parishes. Most of them are in charge of many (up to 25) distant local congregations. Sometimes, it takes one month for some of them to go around and return back home to see their families.

d-$1000, for school repair, school furniture, or healing center clean water.

December 10, Madagascar items sale

December 17, Madagascar items sale and Christmas Bread Sale
As you are preparing for your Christmas gifts, please consider to make one that will impact people’s life in Madagascar. With the list below, you can multiply as much as you wish the items of the project you would like to support. Any donation is precious and lifesaver. Please write your check to Reseda FUMC with a memo Madagascar Mission, and your chosen item letters.

a- $1, one day food, or one session vacation Bible school for a child.

b- $10, a birth certificate for one child enabling them to have access to education, and later to get identity card, job,

1 Dennis Jensen
Dick Kush
4 Joan Briers
5 Anjana Christian
7 Christine Coronel
18 Marisa Johnson
22 Sue Cunningham
25 Elane Pierce
29 JoAnne Hines

December Birthdays

19 Sue & John Cunningham
22 Randy & Angela Brard
22 Mathew & Sheila Stonehocker
27 William & Suzanne Sutton

Anniversaries
**Christmas Party**
Saturday, Dec. 16
10 am - 12 noon
*Fiesta de Navidad*
Cookies, arts, crafts...
Santa is coming
**FREE/GRATIS**

**Christmas Caroling**
Sunday, December 17, 2 - 4 pm
Join us for
Christmas Caroling
We will bring Christmas songs and good cheers to our homebound.

**Christmas Eve**
Sunday, December 24
- **10:15 am**
  Morning Worship Service
- **7:00 pm**
  Candlelight Service
  Wear international or traditional attire

**GOLDEN AGE DOINGS**

The Golden Agers love to have fun. Some days they ask trivia questions, some days they play bingo. They don’t care, as long as they are having fun! Remember, all are welcome. They meet every Tuesday at noon, just bring your lunch.
Saturday, December 2nd, will be a Christmas program and toy donation.

Wednesday, December 13th will be the holiday luncheon for the Maggie Lu fellowship at Black Angus @11:30. Contact Sheryl at 818-521-2032 if you wish to join us.

Saturday, January 6th will be the installation of officers by Amybeth Lake, district UMW president.

Sunday, January 25th, we will celebrate UMW Sunday. Our speaker will be Heather Wilson, who has spoken at the church in the past.

Help Wanted
Are you willing to be an usher or as greeter? Talk to Sheryl Meadows or Jerry Gable to find out more and to volunteer. NOT a fulltime job.

Food Pantry News
Looking for a few good helpers. With long time worker Joe leaving to move up north, he is leaving a big hole in the workforce. Fran is looking for people willing to help pick up bread and other items. She also needs help on Wednesdays, as Joe used to keep an eye on things, help check folks in, and help to maintain order. Interested? See Fran Wildroud after church on Sunday or call her at 818-342-6368.

Winter Camp
Is on its way! Save the Date: February 10-11 at Wrightwood. More details to come.
JOYS AND CONCERNS

A wonderful joy as Marybeth Godwin called to say she is now a proud grandparent, joining the ranks of many here. Little Bernard Godwin IV made his appearance on October 15th. Marybeth says they are calling him ‘Quattro’ to avoid any confusion!

A THANK YOU FROM CHARLOTTE

I want to thank all of you that helped me set up and sell Annie’s household items. It has been a huge job. I couldn’t have done it without you. The money all goes to our church.

There is furniture, dishes, lamps, and pictures (not Annie’s paintings) left. If you are interested, please call me and let me know. Thank all of you that came and shopped. In a couple of weeks it will all be gone.

Charlotte Delmonte

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IMPORTANT!

Do you have suggestions for articles for the Circuit Rider? Please let Sheryl Meadows or the office know. If you do not want your birthday or anniversary to be published, please call the office or let Sheryl Meadows know.

The same holds true if you are unsure if we have the correct dates and you wish them to appear.

ESTIMATE OF GIVING

As of this printing, I am pleased to announce that the estimate of giving for 2018 from the pledge cards is $60,298. It is not too late to turn one in. See an usher any Sunday or call the office to have one sent to you.

MEET THE SEW N SEWS!

Our group meets every Tuesday at the Moose Lodge from 9-11 am.

We are making baby quilts, baby gowns, diaper covers and sweaters. We will put items together in one kit to distribute locally.

This blanket was crochet by Evelyn and we also plan to distribute blankets, if possible.

We welcome new crafters to join our sewing group and would appreciate any donations of flannel, yarn, rickrack, bias tape and cotton prints.