



# The Journal

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## DAN'S DOODLES

I bring you greetings from Bishop Schnase and the delegates of the Missouri Annual Conference, who met in Springfield the first weekend of June! We had a wonderful Conference this year and I thought I would take a minute to share with you a little bit about that. Our Bishop is challenging every United Methodist Church in Missouri to “make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.” And he has outlined 3 general expectations of each local church body for the coming Conference year; namely — that in our community and beyond — each local church body will strive for:

FRUITFULNESS, ACCOUNTABILITY, and EXCELLENCE

FRUITFULNESS is identified by Jesus as one of the evidences of Christian discipleship. Jesus told his own disciples, “This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. (John 15:8). “Spiritual fruit” can be thought of in 2 ways: as those qualities of life that the Holy Spirit develops in our lives as we abide in Christ from day to day, or as those persons who give their heart to Jesus Christ as a result of our witness in their lives.

ACCOUNTABILITY is the recognition that while the Christian faith is intensely personal, it is NOT private! We need each other in our on-going spiritual journey toward greater intimacy with Christ. The passages in Romans 12:3-8 and 1 Corinthians 12:12-20 are two places that substantiate this truth.

EXCELLENCE is the desire to “give God our best” in our service to Jesus Christ. I think that is what the apostle Paul meant when he wrote, “Whatever you do, work at it WITH ALL YOUR HEART, as working for the Lord, not for men” (Colossians 3:23). Jesus Christ is worthy of our adoration and our whole-hearted devotion!!!

These 3 expectations of those of us who would honor Jesus Christ with our lives just seem right and good to me. Will you pray with me that God will show us ways to honor Him through striving for excellence and fruitfulness in our ministry, as we hold ourselves accountable to the body of Christ! GLORY TO GOD!!!

IN REMEMBRANCE OF CHRIST,

Pastor Dan

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## JULY GREETERS

*July 4 - Peggy McNeary &  
Sally Burke*

*July 11 - The Sherry Austin Family*

*July 18 - Becky Story &  
Annette Robertson*

*July 25 - Sallyanne Naile &  
Annette Robertson*

## COMMUNION AT THE MANOR

We will serve Holy Communion at the Charleston Manor on Wed., July 7, 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

**CHARLESTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**2010 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

***ALL HANDS ON DECK!***

Please join us for VBS to Explore the Mighty Love of God.

**Sunday, July 11 thru Thursday, July 15**

**5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**\*\*Early Registration Suggested**

Call 683-6188 for more information or to register!

***HELP FEED OUR VBS CREWS!***

We're gathering a boatload of snack supplies to feed all the hungry kids who come to our High Seas Expedition VBS. Next time you're at the grocery store, drop a few of the items listed into your cart, then bring them to the church office by Thursday, July 8.

4 boxes of Pringles Baked Wheat Stix  
 4 bags of bite-sized square pretzels  
 4 bags of M&M's  
 4 boxes of Honey Nut Cheerios cereal  
 5 bags of bite-size blue corn chips  
 10 large boxes blueberry Jello  
 6 large tubs of regular whipped topping  
 4 boxes of round vanilla wafers  
 4 bags of gummy worms  
 4 boxes of chocolate graham cracker crumbs  
 4 jars strawberry topping  
 3 containers handwipes  
 2 boxes sandwich bags  
 8 dozen 9oz. Clear plastic cups

(For Thursday): 4 dozen bananas  
 5 cans chunk pineapples  
 bunches of red & green grapes

(Check the bulletin board outside the church office for a list of items to check off as you donate them.)

**HELP NEEDED!!!**

Vonna Hunter is in charge of decorating for Vacation Bible School and is in need of some volunteers to help her. If you are willing to help, please call her or the church office.

**THANK YOU!!!**

Thank you some very much for all the graduation gifts I received from the church family. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated..

Andy Klunk

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers during Marion's illness. Thank you for prayers for me. I really wasn't ill, just wanted some attention, I'm told.

Thank you Ladies who created the prayer shawls. We love ours. Marion, immediately, wrapped his around him.

Thanks so much Rev. Dan for your call and your prayers.

Marion & Paula Waggener

Dear United Methodist Church Family,

Thank you so much for the personalized blanket! It is so cute and will be really nice to have when I am at Mizzou. It was very sweet of you all to think of me during this time. Thanks again!

Chelsea Stallings

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the graduation reception you held for us. That blanket was so thoughtful. It meant a lot to all of us.

Thanks,

Jettie Brink

Dear Church Family,

Thanks for the prayer shawl, prayers and the bowl of goodies. I also appreciated Annette bringing them to me.

Sincerely,

Polly Raffety

**NO MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST UNTIL AUGUST 14!!!**

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*Open Hearts, Open  
Minds, Open Doors*

*MAKING  
DISCIPLES*

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*MAKING  
A DIFFERENCE*

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**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 - Lee Nix & Tom Story
- 2 - Edward Marshall
- 3 - Lee Story & Lester Goodin
- 4 - Don French & Suzanne Boren
- 5 - Chelsea Stallings & Ryan Austin
- 6 - Amanda Hurley
- 7 - Nathan French
- 8 - Glenn Ault & Wilson McNeary
- 9 - Cathy Frazier
- 11 - Lee Goodin
- 12 - Chanoia Marshall, Dick Bethune, Jeanne Starr & Jimmy Seabaugh
- 13 - Leslie Pemberton & Lindsay Goodin
- 15 - Billie Russell & Brent Brown
- 16 - Sara Chandler
- 17 - Layton Jones
- 19 - Kevin Miller, Linny Brown & Shelby Alexander
- 20 - Jim Cullison
- 21 - Jim Robertson & Charlie Samons
- 23 - Dee Goodin & Carletta Samons
- 24 - Kim Bryan & Laura Coon
- 27 - Pam Barrett
- 29 - Richard Combs
- 30 - Kathy Slaten
- 31 - Cliff Banta & Stewart Coon

**UMW NEWS**

The treasurer, Phyllis Halliday, has sent to the District Office the pledge money for the quarter of \$400.00, \$135 collected from the Call to Prayer and \$500.00 for the Candle Burning Memorial. \$407.50 was raised and the UMW added \$92.50 to make it \$500.

The UMW ladies received a certificate from the District recognizing them as a 2009 Five Star Unit. This is based on their Pledge to Mission, World Thank Offering, Gifts in Memory, Gifts to Mission and Special Mission Recognition. This means that they have participated strongly in each of these areas.

**CENTRAL METHODIST UNIVERSITY JUNE-AWAY**

Recently, 3 of our former members, Mary Lee Burke Vivian, Sarah Michael Dovin & Shelby Michael Alexander, went on the June - Away with Central Methodist University. The group of 46 spent 5 days in New Your City taking in the sites & several Broadway Shows.

