

AUMC

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CATCH THE SPIRIT
ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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At the age of 15, John Stoddard made a list of all the things he wanted to accomplish in his life. He envisioned himself as a great explorer and put down things like: explore the Nile, climb Mt. Everest, visit every country in the world, visit the moon. His list had 127 goals.

When John was 60, he had become an author and lecturer and had made many explorations. He often smiles when asked about the list he made many years ago. “Nearly everyone,” he says, “has goals and dreams, but not everyone acts on them. There are things on the list I will never do: Star in a Tarzan movie or climb Mt. Everest. Goal setting is like that. Some may be beyond your reach, but you don’t have to give up on the dream.”

Every year we all make attempts to obtain new goals for the upcoming year. This year is no different than any other. However, I challenge you to set your goals in reasonable steps. Instead of proclaiming that you will read the entire Bible in one year set an easier goal for yourself, perhaps reading a complete book of the Bible in one month, a goal far easier and more rewarding to reach.

Challenge yourself to become more involved with reaching out to those who need the gospel. Place a goal on your life to make a difference in your community, your church, or your friendships.

We must first be willing to dream and then have a desire to complete the dream.

Desiring to Dream in 2014,

Pastor Terry

**Church Council
Members:**

Chair: Dale Lanning

Vice Chair: Mary Nice

Lay Leader: Eddie Bradshaw

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SPPRC Chair: Eddie Bradshaw

Men in Mission: Dean Kernan

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Youth Rep: Sabrina Medley

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Renee Young

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Worship Chair: Linda Lanning

Recording Secretary: Linds
Brooks

Annual Conference Delegate:
Lindi Kernan

Pastor: Terry Evans

Thank You to each of the singers from our church who came to my house December 15th. I really enjoyed it and it was special to me that you got out in the cold to do that.

**in Christ love,
Betty Willett**

*Thank
you*

Recharge Wednesday



Beginning Wednesday January 15 @ 6:30 p.m. We will be offering a new style of worship. This exciting new worship opportunity will offer upbeat presentations of the scriptures, energizing music, and power to recharge your spiritual batteries.

This worship service will be presented the third week of each month. Join us and get recharged!

New Year Scrap-a-thon!



We are planning a Scrap-a-thon January 3 from 6 pm - ? and January 4 from 8 am – 2 pm at AUMC. Bring your photos and supplies and a “brunchable” type snack to share. And why not bring a friend? Come for one session—or both!

Never scrapped before?? All you need are photos, a scrapbook/photo album, some scrapbook paper, stickers and a tape runner. We will also have a Cricut Cutting Machine to use as well! Please RSVP so we know how many tables to have set up - for more information, contact Annetta at arevans427@aol.com or 629-2709. Hope to see you!

All Committee Members Meeting:



Each year we are blessed with several changes that occur on our various committees. Everyone that has served on any committee in 2013 and those who will be joining committees in 2014 are encouraged to attend Tuesday Jan 28 @ 6:30 p.m. Our meeting will give each team time to welcome new members and explain details of projects that we were working on last year. We will also be electing new chairpersons for the various committees at this time. Anyone having any questions or concerns please contact Pastor Terry

AUMC TACKLES HUNGER

Every day in our community someone goes hungry and you can help prevent this from happening. During the month of January we encourage you to purchase cans of soup and bring them to church with you every Sunday. These acts of love will be placed in the chancel area and prayed over to bless those who receive them. Then on Super Bowl Sunday these items will be delivered to the Alwood food pantry for distribution to those in our community needing a good hot meal. Let's work together and tackle the needs of those around us.



Youth Fundraiser

The holidays were a great kick-off for the youth gift card fundraiser. You can purchase gift cards to use for your weekly Wal-Mart, Target, CVS/Walgreens, gas and restaurant trips; for donation to the college student boxes during finals week; for donation to UMW for support of Cunningham Children's Home. It's a WIN/WIN opportunity!



Why not help out our youth program while doing your routine shopping and gift giving? Order forms are available in the fellowship hall. If you have questions, please contact Annetta at arevans427@aol.com or 629-2709.

THIS MONTH'S USHERS

Bill & Tracy Harmon

January Liturgists: 5th: Dale Lanning 12th: Cathy Jordan
19th: Angie Althaus 26th: Ian Yoder

January Birthdays:

- 05: Ella Bradshaw
- 08: Catarina Pruett
Pyper Swanson
- 11: Penny Hunt
- 15: Terry Evans
- 22: Ron Buban
- 23: Dawson Medley
- 26: Eddie Bradshaw
Joella Holdsworth
- 27: Mark Atchison
- 28: Gary Barton
- 30: Angie Taflinger
- 31: Ian Yoder

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

Jan 21st



Community Dinner
Jan 4th

Mission Meal
Jan 12th

January Anniversaries:

16: Dave & Julie Cole

January Host & Hostess

- 05: Outreach
- 12: Need Volunteers
- 19: Need Volunteers
- 26: Parris & Desirae Silvis

Humility of Mary

Jan 28th



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Be sure to check out the church website!
There have been many updates done to meet the needs of our church family and community. Please contact Lindsy Brooks if you want anything added to it!



2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Happy New Year!!	2 NO AWANA	3 6:00pm Scrap-a-thon	4 8am-2pm Scrap-a-thon 5:00-7:00pm Free Dinner
5 6:00pm Philippians Study	6 6:30pm Boy Scouts	7	8 6:30p Cub Scouts	9 1:30 UWM AWANA "White Night" 6:30-7:30pm	10	11
12 Mission Meal After Worship 6:00pm Philippians Study	13 6:30pm Boy Scouts	14 5:30 Worship Team	15 6:30pm Recharge Service	16 AWANA "Aloha Night" 6:30-7:30pm	17	18
19 6:00pm Philippians Study	20 6:30pm Boy Scouts	21 <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>	22	23 AWANA "Inside out Night" 6:30-7:30pm	24	25
26 7:00am Men in Mission 6:00pm Philippians Study	27 6:30pm Boy Scouts	28 6:30pm All Committee Meeting Humility of Mary 4:15pm	29	30 AWANA "Hippy Night" 6:30-7:30pm	31	

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Terry Evans, Pastor

Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. All Sunday School Classes Begin

10:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our new Web site?
Lindi Brooks is the creator and manager of our Website.
Our Web address is alphaumc.org



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