

**February 7, 2010**

**Greeters:** 5:25 Sanctuary - Bruce Fratanduono  
9:30 Sanctuary - Lois Schroder, Harry & Catherine Yost  
10:55 Sanctuary - Mary Wadel, Russ Campbell

**Acolytes:** 5:25 Sanctuary - Katie Hummler  
8:00 Bower Chapel - Madison Frederick  
9:30 Bower Chapel - Brandon Bishop  
9:30 Sanctuary - Christine West  
10:55 Sanctuary - Carolyn Simmet

**Flowers:** The rosebud on the altar is in honor of the birth of Colin Edward born on February 2, 2010. Colin is the son of Michael & Heather (Barber) Fagan and grandson of Hank & Ann-Marie Barber.



Helping Christians Grow & Helping Grow Christians

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**COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP**

Join us in the Family Life Center (downstairs) for coffee, refreshments and lots of conversation between worship hours. Meet the people who worship with you, greet old friends, and make new ones. Coffee hour is for all ages - snacks for children will be offered as well. Come for coffee and get to know your church neighbors.

**We hope that you enjoy worshipping with us here today and will experience God's love to be real in song, fellowship and word.**

## Prayer News

### **CIRCLE OF CONCERN:**

#### **New Concerns**

John Ambrozates & Family

Linda Hall

Guy Reinert

(Diane's husband, Lauren's dad)

- grieving the death of his mother
- prayers as she begins cancer treatment
- Prayers for his health

#### **Ongoing Concerns**

Mike Rubin

Janet Long (Norm's sister)

Kerry Lyman

Prayers for the people of Haiti and for the relief workers

Prayers for the unemployed

- at home, continued prayers
- prayers for her comfort
- recovering from hip replacement surgery



## Prayer Focus

### ***Intergenerational Retreat***

**February 19 - 21, 2010**

- Thank God for those who plan and organize the Intergenerational Retreat, including all who carry out the Sunday Soup Lunches.
- Lift up Allen Puy as he prepares to lead the weekend study sessions on WORSHIP.
- Offer praise for the Black Rock Retreat Center and for all who work there to make a place for us to study and worship away from our everyday lives.
- Petition the Lord to open the hearts and minds of all who will attend so that the weekend may be a time of spiritual renewal, unity, and bonding for families and friends.
- Pray for safety in travel, good weather, and good health for the retreat leaders and participants.

Pray the SCRIPTURES - Matthew 18:20, I John 4:7-19

<b>All are Welcome!</b>	<b>Service of Hope &amp; Healing - Bower Chapel (10:55 AM)</b> <b>Testimony, prayer and Holy Communion</b> <b>Led by Pastor Vicki Pry</b>	<b>Special Music:</b> <b>John Honer</b>
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**This Weekend**

**February 6**

5:25 Contemporary - Sanctuary

**February 7**

8:00 Traditional - Bower Chapel

9:30 Traditional - Bower Chapel

9:30 Contemporary - Sanctuary

10:55 Contemporary - Sanctuary

**Contemporary Services**

*“Denial - Not a River in Egypt”*

Mark 14:66-72

Pastor Barbara, Speaker

**Traditional Services**

*“What’s Love Got to Do with It?”*

Song of Solomon 8:6-7

Pastor Steve, Speaker

Sacrament Schedule - Holy communion will be offered on February 20-21, as that is the first weekend in the next season of the church year: the Season of Lent. Holy communion will not be offered this weekend, February 6-7, except in the chapel service at 10:55 AM. Remember: Eucharist is celebrated *every* Sunday at Hopewell UMC in the service of Hope and Healing.

**Next Weekend**

**February 13**

5:25 Contemporary - Sanctuary

**February 14**

8:00 Traditional - Bower Chapel

9:30 Traditional - Bower Chapel

9:30 Contemporary - Sanctuary

10:55 Contemporary - Sanctuary

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**Ash Wednesday Worship**  
 Wednesday, February 17 - 7:00 PM  
 Main Sanctuary

## **Hopewell Weekly Calendar for February 7, 2010 through February 14, 2010**

### **Sunday, February 7**

8:00 AM Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel  
9:00 AM Baked Potato Bar begins  
9:30 AM Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel, Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary, and Sunday School (all ages)  
10:55 AM Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary, Hope & Healing Service in Bower Chapel  
2:00 PM Hopewell Men's Basketball Practice  
6:00 PM Faith Quartet, Bible Study, CR Monthly meeting

### **Monday, February 8**

9:00 AM & 12:30 PM Hopewell Christian Preschool  
6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery Step Program  
6:30 PM Finance Committee  
7:00 PM Bible Study (Faller), Cub Scout Pack 8, Care Team

### **Tuesday, February 9**

9:00 AM & 12:30 PM Hopewell Christian Preschool  
9:15 AM Tuesday Morning Moms Group  
6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery, Creative Arts Program  
7:00 PM Sports League

### **Wednesday, February 10**

9:00 AM & 12:30 PM Hopewell Christian Preschool  
1:00 PM Children's Council Bible Study  
6:00 PM DISCIPLE I Bible Study, Pioneer Club  
7:00 PM Church Council  
7:00 PM Genesis  
7:30 PM Praise Band

### **Thursday, February 11**

9:00 AM Hopewell Christian Preschool  
11:30 AM OAM Luncheon  
6:30 PM Divorce Care  
6:45 PM Wesley Ringers  
7:00 PM Children's Everything Sale Meeting  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

### **Friday, February 12**

6:30 AM Men of Faith  
9:00 AM & 12:30 PM Hopewell Christian Preschool  
5:00 PM Upwards Sports Ministry  
7:00 PM Hallelujah Gathering

### **Saturday, February 13**

8:30 AM Upwards Sports Ministry  
5:25 PM Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary  
5:30 PM Parents' Night Out

### **Sunday, February 14**

8:00 AM Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel  
9:00 AM Love Brunch begins  
9:30 AM Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel, Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary, and Sunday School (all ages)  
10:55 AM Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary, Hope & Healing Service in Bower Chapel  
2:00 PM Hopewell Men's Basketball Practice  
5:30 PM Youth Praise Band  
6:00 PM Children's Choirs, Faith Quartet, Youth & Children's Ministries Programs, Bible Study



## Join us for our Super Potato Bowl - TODAY!

10:30 am - 12:30 pm in the FLC

Help “mash out” hunger by supporting Hopewell’s first ever Potato Bowl! Feed the hungry by feeding yourself at the baked potato and sundae bar with all the fixin’s. Donations help support the food cupboards in Downingtown and Coatesville.



Can you believe it - starting our third year already? Just a short time ago, we were only a small group meeting on a weekly basis. Little by little we reached more hearts. And we grew. Today, we continue to meet every Tuesday night, but now we have three step-study groups for women and one for men to minister to various hurts, habits and hang ups. Two years of making a difference in peoples lives. Join us in the FLC for some celebration cake Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Your prayers have made a difference.

### ***Tuesday Time Apart: A Lenten Opportunity and Commitment***

***24 Hours That Changed the World***

*Series based on the book by Adam Hamilton*

Beginning Tuesday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Bower Chapel and continuing every Tuesday evening during Lent, our Time Apart Worship Service will focus very specifically on the impact of Christ’s passion and death as he endured those last 24 hours of his earthly life.

This worship time calls us to embark on a personal journey: to listen as God speaks to us through the story of Jesus’ final day. This Jesus, son of God, gave his life to redeem and save the human race from the brokenness and sin that have left us alienated from God and from one another.

Come. Journey with us in a time of quiet worship each week as we consider the most tragic, moving and powerful story ever told. It is the story that changed the world.....

### **Hopewell United Methodist Church Strategic Map/Long Range Plan**



**Goal:** Partner with other local churches to provide a sports ministry for children.

**Result:** The 2010 season of Upward Basketball and Cheerleading is underway! Over 1,000 children are registered league-wide as we partner with three local churches to manage this vibrant ministry. This year Hopewell will once again host Saturday game days each week, January through March. We will also host some team practices on Friday nights. As we welcome many community families through our doors each week, please join us in praying that the love of Christ shines through in all that we do.

**It makes a difference to have a PLAN!**

## **COLLEGE MINISTRIES**

As Valentine's Day approaches and we are reminded of our loved ones and friends, please keep in thought and prayer our college students. For those of you who have college "adoptees," this is a wonderful time to remember them with notes, cards, e-mails, or packages. Thank you so much from College Ministries to all who are keeping in touch with our college students.

## **HILLTOP HERALD NEWS**

The February issue of the Hilltop Herald is available in the Bower Chapel and Sanctuary narthexes. You can also read the Herald online at [www.hopewellumc.org](http://www.hopewellumc.org)



## **TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!**

You may have heard: the Philadelphia Phillies have been in the World Series back-to-back years! Because of that, season ticket sales have increased tremendously and single-game seats are much harder to attain in 2010... but, Hopewell UMC has already secured a block of tickets for you to attend the annual United Methodist Night at the Phillies on Saturday, July 10 at 7:05 PM. These seats are in section 309 between first base and the foul pole and are \$30 each. As the summer approaches, remember to hold the evening of July 10th for UM Night at the ballpark (Phillies vs. the Cincinnati Reds). Four dollars from every ticket will be rebated to the Conference for Men's ministries.



### **Intergenerational Retreat (IGR) News**

Sign up NOW to attend the Hopewell Intergenerational Retreat for 2010. The dates for the IGR are Friday, February 19 through Sunday, February 21, 2010. As in the past, the Retreat will be held at the beautiful Black Rock Retreat Center, located in nearby Quarryville, PA.

Check out Black Rock Retreat's web site at [www.blackrockretreat.com](http://www.blackrockretreat.com). For the 2010 IGR, Hopewell's own Allen Puy will be the Adult session leader. IGR representatives will be downstairs at the IGR table in the Information Center after the services to answer your questions and take your reservations. Space is limited, so please sign up early! If we miss you at Church, or if you need any additional information about the IGR, please feel free call Sandy and Bill Bradley at 610-873-9347, or send an email to [sbradley1976@gmail.com](mailto:sbradley1976@gmail.com). THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our February "Dine Out" at Pizzeria Uno!  
Join us for our next "Dine Out" opportunity at the new Applebee's in Lionville on March 3<sup>rd</sup>!

### **SERVING BEYOND THE WALLS**

Pastor Vicki will be the guest preacher at Tel Hai's mid-week service on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

### **DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE IN ACQUIRING HEALTH BENEFITS?**

In an effort to reduce costs at Hopewell, the church office is looking for a Hopewell Member who has experience acquiring health benefits to help in researching the possibility of providing health insurance in-house rather than going through the conference. Please call Sheri Kentner in the church office at 610 269-1545 or email [sheri@hopewellumc.org](mailto:sheri@hopewellumc.org) if you can help us.



### **GROCERY SHOP AND HELP YOUTH MINISTRIES!**

Buy your groceries at your local **Giant, ACME or Wegman's** and Youth Ministries will receive 5% of your purchases. All you need to do is purchase the gift card here at church and use it at the store! Your gift cards can be picked up here at the church or sent to you. Contact Johnson at the church (610-269-1545) or by email at [Johnson@hopewellumc.org](mailto:Johnson@hopewellumc.org) for more details and to buy your gift cards!

**Gift cards are also available for purchase during the week in the church office.**

## YOUTH NEWS

Director: Johnson Dodla, [johnson@hopewellumc.org](mailto:johnson@hopewellumc.org)  
Assistant: Kristin Smith, [kristin@hopewellumc.org](mailto:kristin@hopewellumc.org)

### **WHAT'S HAPPENING: TODAY - FEBRUARY 7th**

9:30 AM Sunday School in the Upper and Lower Level Youth Spaces

### **NO SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH PROGRAMS TONIGHT!**

### **NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 14th - YOUTH WORSHIP**

Join us next Sunday night at 6:00 PM for basketball in the Family Life Center or just hang out! At 7:00 PM, we will be having a special worship service in the Cornerstone Café. You don't want to miss this special evening of worship together!

### **2010 SUMMER MISSION TRIP COMMITMENT SERVICE**

On Sunday, February 21st at 7:00 PM, we will be having our annual Summer Mission Trip Commitment Service. Join us for a service of worship where we commit ourselves to serving God this summer in our local community, in Pittsburgh, and in Maine. *We will still have basketball and hang out time beginning at 6:00 PM.*

### **30 HOUR FAMINE - FAMILY STYLE**

This year we are very excited to offer a NEW opportunity! This year we are inviting **FAMILIES** to join us for the 30 Hour Famine. It will be held on Friday, February 26th and Saturday, February 27th. For members of your family who choose to fast, we will begin fasting after lunch on Friday at 1:00 PM. We will have a family worship service Friday night at 7:00 PM in the Cornerstone Café. On Saturday night, we will join together again for another family worship service at 7:00 PM and then we will break the fast together at a "Hunger Banquet" beginning at 7:30 PM. The "Hunger Banquet" is open to ALL church members. We hope that your family will join us for this unique experience! Sign up online! Contact Kristin at [kristin@hopewellumc.org](mailto:kristin@hopewellumc.org) if you have any questions.

## Parents' Night Out - February 13th

The youth and adults of Youth Ministries are providing childcare for YOU to have a night to spend however you choose! For your kids, a night filled with dinner, snacks, games, crafts, gym, play time, movies, and more! **CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN INFANT TO 11 YEARS OLD!**

Please pre-register by February 10th. All children ages infant through 3 years old must be pre-registered. Walk-ins for children over the age of 3 are welcome.

**COST IS ONLY \$35 PER FAMILY!!!**

Cost is \$20 for families with only one child attending.

**CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE FROM 5:30 PM TO 10:30 PM.**

YOU CAN DROP OFF AND PICK UP AS NEEDED.

**\*\*This event is open to everyone in the community as well. Tell your friends!\*\***

**ALL MONEY RAISED SUPPORTS OUR 2010 MISSION TRIPS!**

Contact Kristin at [kristin@hopewellumc.org](mailto:kristin@hopewellumc.org) for more information

February 7, 2010 – Update from South Africa

*“Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth.” - Psalm 86:11*

When I was home over Christmas, I spoke about the students in my Bible classes at the Promosa Primary School and their love for learning God’s Word. As soon as school began this year, in the middle of January, students began asking when the classes would start again. What a joy it is to teach children with such an enthusiasm for learning! Again, we will be providing a Bible program to a large 4<sup>th</sup> grade class during their scheduled ‘computer time’ on Mondays. Because of lack of funding, the school does not have working computers and thus the students have 1 hour open each week. The after-school programming will continue, also on Mondays, for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Last year we worked through the Old Testament stories and ended in the early chapters of the Gospels. This year, our focus will be Jesus’ life and ministry and alphabet Bible verse memorization. Each week, we will learn a verse that begins with the letter for that week. For example, our verse last Monday was, “**A** - All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” (Romans 3:23). The children were terrific and they are looking forward to memorizing more!

New this year is an outreach to the 1<sup>st</sup> grade students! After discussing various possibilities with the head of the 1<sup>st</sup> grade classes (there are 8 classes), we decided that after-school programming was not feasible because many of them receive transport home in ‘taxis’ (picture that old yellow bus I spoke about in September or small pick up trucks in which they cram 15-20 kids...sometimes more). I will be working with the teachers of the 8 classes (each with about 35-40 children) during the last period of class on Thursdays. Each week, I will visit a different 1<sup>st</sup> grade class and work with that particular teacher to present a Bible story and activity. This is exciting because it will involve more students and encourage and empower the staff of that whole department to continue Biblical education with their students long after I leave.

Thank you for your prayers for this ministry!

God bless,  
Jen

*Note: You can visit Hopewell's website ([www.hopewellumc.org](http://www.hopewellumc.org)) and click on the link for “Hopewell in South Africa”, (Jen’s blog) for more detailed updates and pictures!*

**Jen Lisowski’s New Address:**

Jen Lisowski  
86 Smit Street  
Potchefstroom, 2531  
South Africa

## ADULT MINISTRIES

Contact Person: Shauna Ridge ([shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org))

*We provide many opportunities for spiritual growth here  
at Hopewell UMC where our mission statement is  
“Helping Christians Grow and Helping Grow Christians.”*

If you are interested in leading a study or a small group, please contact  
Jeff Krol at [jeff.krol@astrazeneca.com](mailto:jeff.krol@astrazeneca.com) or Shauna Ridge at [shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org).

**24 Hours**  
That Changed the World

**Classes start the week of  
Ash Wednesday  
February 17th  
Throughout the Lenten Season:  
Experience the Greatest 24 Hours in History**

At Hopewell, we have a better appreciation than most churches for the Passion of Christ due to the long standing Passion Play. This year join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a new opportunity to experience the last 24 hours in the life of Jesus. The congregation will be meeting in small groups for seven sessions during Lent to experience ourselves in this history. How are you like those that were around Jesus in his final hours? Are you like one of the Disciples, a Pharisee, the Roman Soldiers or a Thief on the next cross? There will be several small group opportunities for you to participate in Adam Hamilton's "The 24 Hours that Changed the World". Honor the tradition of the Passion Play and experience the life changing gift of our Savior.

**Register today in the Family Life Center or  
on-line at [www.hopewellumc.org](http://www.hopewellumc.org)**

*See the insert in today's bulletin for a list of dates, times and places—which will you choose?*

**For more information,  
contact Jeff Krol at [jeff.krol@astrazeneca.com](mailto:jeff.krol@astrazeneca.com) or Shauna Ridge at [shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org)**

## DAVE RAMSEY LIVE! NATIONWIDE SIMULCAST

Coatesville Bible Fellowship  
March 13 - 12:00-5:00pm  
Coatesville Bible Fellowship  
6 North 4th Ave., Coatesville, PA 19320

**Grace Café**  
**Join us TODAY - February 7th, 2010**  
**We'll watch the Super Bowl while we serve!**

We are once again partnering with Arch Street UMC in Center City Philadelphia to serve dinner to their homeless guests at Grace Cafe. We gather in the kitchen here at Hopewell to prepare the meal at 3:00pm. We leave at 4:30pm and drive to Arch Street UMC where we begin serving at 6:00pm. **On January 3<sup>rd</sup> we were able to provide a hot, home-cooked meal to the 120 guests on one of the coldest evenings of the year.** We encourage you to join us anytime, all are welcome for any part of the day or evening. If you are able to contribute food items to be used for these dinners, please check the back page of the bulletin each week for a list of current needs.

Please contact Shauna Ridge at [shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org) or 610-662-5679 if you plan to join us and/or contact Donna Johnson at [donnadesigns101@comcast.net](mailto:donnadesigns101@comcast.net) if you can help with the meal in some way.

**We are committed to this Sunday evening ministry on**  
**March 7th, April 4th (Easter Dinner) and May 2nd.**  
*Mark your calendars and plan to join us!*

**Tools for Ministry – Conference-wide Training Event**

**February 26, 2010 – 9:00-2:30 pm**

**West Grove UMC, 300 Guernsey Road, West Grove, PA**

There is something for everyone, there are workshops on Children's Ministries, Evangelism, Church Finance, Stewardship, Trustees, Youth Ministries, Church Visioning and Staff/Parish Relations.

*Join us for this opportunity to learn and grow with others  
from our conference serving in your ministry area!*

To register or for more information contact  
Shauna Ridge at [shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org) or 610-269-1545

**Good Works—Next Work Day is February 20th**

Please note the following leaders and please be in touch with them to serve!

**Donna Johnson – Volunteer Coordinator**, contact her at [donnadesigns101@comcast.net](mailto:donnadesigns101@comcast.net) or 610-942-9756 to sign up for work days.

**Dawn Eiswerth—Lunch Coordinator**, contact her at [dawny70@aol.com](mailto:dawny70@aol.com) or 610-873-4172 to make lunch for the crew

**Mary Ann Fisher – Work Crew Leader**, she will be helping with administration at the work site

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

Director of Children's Ministries: Patty Wiehler (patty@hopewellumc.org)  
Assistant: Kelly Rohrbaugh (kelly@hopewellumc.org)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:30** – Sunday school is offered during the 9:30 worship hour for all children ages 2 years to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Room assignments are posted throughout the church hallways.

**JUNIOR CHURCH @ 10:55** – Junior Church is offered during the 10:55 worship hour for all children ages 3 years to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Children should proceed to worship with their families and then join our Junior Church leaders at the specified time in the order of worship. Junior Church will be held in rooms Adam & Bethlehem (upstairs).

**Please say a special thank you to our volunteer teaching staff. Their service in HIS name is a profound gift to our children!!**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIRS** – Will not meet tonight.

**SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP** – Will not meet tonight.

**CREATIVE ARTS FOR CHRIST** – resumed on Tuesday, 1/12/09 as we began a 6-week Drama class. All 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us each Tuesday night from 6-7:00 pm. Detailed information and registration forms are available at the Children's Welcome Center in the church lobby, or on our website at [www.hopewellumc.org](http://www.hopewellumc.org).

**UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING**– The 2010 season is underway!!! This year Hope-well will once again host Saturday game days each week from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. We will also host some team practices on Friday nights. Detailed information and online registration for the 2010 season is available at the Chester County Upward website at [www.upwardchestercounty.org](http://www.upwardchestercounty.org), or pick up a registration packet at the Children's Welcome center in the church lobby. As we welcome many community families each week, please join us in praying that the love of Christ shines through in all that we do.

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> GRADE RETREAT** – is Friday and Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars and watch for more details in February.

### **PIONEER CLUB NEWS**

**PIONEER CLUB REGISTRATIONS** – Children ages 3 years (by 9/1/09) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade gather each Wednesday night from 6-7:30 pm. Detailed information & registration are available at the Children's Welcome Center in the church lobby, or visit our website at [www.hopewellumc.org](http://www.hopewellumc.org).

## MISSIONS

Dear Hopewell community,

My name is Joshua Beideman and I am a youth here at Hopewell. I want to share with you the news that I will soon be taking a trip to The Holy Lands with sixteen (16) students and four (4) teachers from Westtown School. I will be journeying all around Israel and some of the West Bank from February 22 through March 8, visiting numerous Muslim, Christian, and Jewish communities as well as living with different host families. I will be visiting various religious sites (including the place where Jesus was believed to be crucified) and the Western Wall. The purpose of the trip is for relational and political studies, as well as a personal religious journey for me. After talking with Pastor Steve, I am asking for donations to help me with this trip whether it is financial aid, personal items for the trip, or just prayers for a safe journey. All is appreciated. I will be returning with hundreds of photos, journals of my travels, and much more. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about this special opportunity. Thank you, Hopewell! ~Joshua [Joshua.beideman@westtown.edu](mailto:Joshua.beideman@westtown.edu)



### Hope Village Work Camp

April 28 – May 8, 2010

**Join  
us in  
Africa!**

Do you feel the call to go to South Africa? Have you been on one of the prior trips and long to go back? Whether you are new or a repeat visitor, we would love to have you experience this incredible mission opportunity! A team is being assembled to head to South Africa. We will be working with Meyer and Louise Conradie and other South Africans to help build house #3 of Hope Village. Ask anyone who has been to South Africa about their experience and you will see how they were blessed and were a blessing. It's a life changing experience that will help deepen your faith and give you a chance to serve beyond the walls. The cost of the trip is \$2,500 which will cover all expenses (transportation, food, lodging).

Please contact Tony Brantzeg (610-942-0658, [tcms.brantzeg@comcast.net](mailto:tcms.brantzeg@comcast.net)) or Glenn Wadel (484-678-0440, [wadelglenn@comcast.net](mailto:wadelglenn@comcast.net)) by February 14<sup>th</sup> if you are interested or have any questions

### Recent Visitor to Hopewell UMC

Luci Barnitz

*Welcome!*

## FINANCE

### Operations:

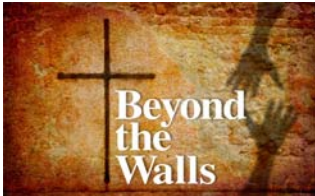
	<u>January &amp; YTD</u>
Total Income Forecasted:	\$ 101,294
<b>Actual Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 95,997.02</b>
Total Expenses Forecasted:	\$ 93,775
<b>Actual Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 84,742.67</b>

**January Designated Giving** Each January, we begin the new year with a favorite missions project: the work at Camp Corson in Puerto Rico. Your designated giving last month supports the large team of United Methodists who make an annual pilgrimage to Puerto Rico in order to upgrade the facilities and to bring medical services to the local residents.

An Update on the UM Mission in Puerto Rico - There is a team in Puerto Rico right now! Their focus is primarily working on the medical clinic just outside Camp Corson, in preparation for several doctors and dentists who have volunteered their time in the near future. This team will make good use of funds that Hopewell has budgeted for 2010, as well as your designated giving dollars this month. Thank you for your gifts of \$373.

**February Designated Giving** On February 19-21, many folks from Hopewell UMC will enjoy a weekend retreat together at Black Rock Center in Lancaster County. This intergenerational retreat is always a highlight in our year, and participants receive a significant discount on their registration costs because of fundraisers throughout the year and Designated Giving. Your dollars received in this month will allow some new faces at Hopewell to share in the 2011 Intergenerational Retreat.

**Haiti Donation Deductions** In the days since the earthquake in Haiti, the congregation of Hopewell UMC has shown their immense generosity with almost \$10,000 in donations! We thank you for this outpouring of support to those in such great need. The church office has been made aware of new policy that was passed in Washington recently that allows donations given after January 11 and before March 1 of this year to be deducted from their 2009 income (if that is desired). This legislation will allow taxpayers to receive the tax benefit from donations made to the Haiti effort in this tax season, rather than having to wait until they file their 2010 tax returns next year. Of course, you may choose to deduct your donations in the year that they were made (but not both years). Please contact Suzanne in the church office (610-269-1545 or [suzanne@hopewellumc.org](mailto:suzanne@hopewellumc.org)) if you would like to include your donations to Haiti on your 2009 giving statement.



A Capital Campaign  
*with a twist*

*“We are what he made us to be:  
created in Christ Jesus  
for good works.”  
(Ephesians 2:10)*

## **Beyond the Walls - Year II**

**It's all about the Mission:**

- ♦ Safe Harbor    ♦ Good Works
- ♦ Camp Innabah   ♦ Katrina Relief
- ♦ Bridge of Hope

♦ South Africa, including our fulltime missionary

**Pledged so far: \$147,959.00**

**The DREAM goal: \$210,000.00 (again!)**

**Received to date: \$159,925**

**We have surpassed our  
pledged goal for Year 2!**

**Praise  
God!**

**From the Church Fathers...on wealth and giving:**

*“Wealth is by its very nature *ad extra* - it is meant to go out from you, like a light that dispels darkness. Once wealth is locked up within the walls of your own spirit, it becomes evil...if you would rise, shun luxury, for luxury lowers and degrades.”*

*~ John Chrysostom (AD 347-407)*

## DONATION STATION

Located Downstairs by the Family Life Center

*Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."*

Matthew 25: 34-36

### Health Kits for Haiti

We are collecting the following items to make Health Kits for UMCOR. These items may be left in the collection bin marked "HEALTH KITS for HAITI."

Hand towels (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27", No kitchen towels), washcloths, combs (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized), nail files or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers), bath-size bars of soap (3 oz. and up), toothbrushes (single brushes only in original wrapper, No child-size brushes), and 6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages.

### NEW! - Over-the-Counter Medicines for Haiti

For the next two weeks, we will be collecting the following over-the-counter medical supplies for Haiti. They will be sent to Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church in South Carolina where Jamila Rowell's sister is part of a medical team that was to go to Haiti before the earthquake. These supplies will help with the Haiti Children Project, a United Methodist ministry supporting an orphanage, hospital and home for the elderly in Haiti. These supplies will be collected in the church office.

Band Aids, Ace Wraps, Gauze Tape, Tylenol Chewables, Tylenol, Motrin, Advil, Benedryl, Antibiotic ointment, Monistat, Lotramin, Cortaid, Cortizone, Alcohol wipes, Multivitamins - Adult and Children's, Ferrous Sulfate, Feosol Iron, Mucinex, Zantac, Pepcid, Prilosec, Tums

### Socks for the Savior - LAST CALL

Please help decorate our sock tree in the Donation Station. All new foot warmers will be distributed to the local shelters. **We need your donations by TODAY.** Can you help? - You'll be glad you did!



### Grace Café

Cold weather is here and this homeless ministry run out of Arch Street United Methodist Church in Philadelphia is in need of new warm socks, gently worn or new "hoodie" sweatshirts and men's pants of all sizes. We are also collecting the following items which will be used to serve dinner each time we go down: peanut butter, jelly, boxed pasta, pasta sauce, parmesan cheese, Bisquick or Jiffy mix, brownie mix, sandwich bags, foil, plastic wrap, cases of water and thick ply garbage bags. *Please contact Shauna Ridge at [shauna@hopewellumc.org](mailto:shauna@hopewellumc.org) if you are planning to join us. If you are able to donate food, please contact Donna Johnson at [donadesigns101@comcast.net](mailto:donadesigns101@comcast.net) or 610-942-9756.*

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