

Spring 2009

MOORE'S



MESSENGER

OPEN HEARTS

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Pastor's Pen
By Rev. KyungMo Koo

As we begin our Second Pledge...

In 1 Kings 17:8-16, God sends Elijah to the village of Zarephath and tells him that a widow there will feed him. When Elijah came to the town gate, he meets a poor widow who is there gathering sticks. The woman wants to be hospitable, but when he asks for bread to go with the water, it's too much. She tells him that

she's gathering wood to bake the handful of meal and bit of oil that's left for herself and her son, and that they will eat this meal and await death.

However, even after her explanation, Elijah still insisted that she give up everything. Elijah responds with the reassurance of God's salvation, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small cake of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the Lord gives rain on the land.'"

Elijah asked her not to give him a part but to give him everything. She understands this to be the last meal for her and her son, yet she willingly follows

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Someone is praying for you

When you're lost or you're down
And you have no prayers left,
When your tears overflow
And nothing else is left,

Jesus cares and he knows
Just how much you can bear
With his love he'll look over us.

Someone is praying for you.
Someone is praying for you.

So when your heart, all alone, is broken in two,
Remember someone is praying for you.

(A Korean Praise Song translated by GaHye)



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Proceeds benefit youth mission trip to WV.

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God's plan, instead of focusing on herself. She went away and did as Elijah had told her. Miraculously, as Elijah promised, they ate for many days and the meal and oil were not exhausted. The decision that she has to make is not to set aside a part of your income, to share your dinner table with stranger, or to give away perishable food for poor neighbors. It is a life and death issue for her. It is to give up everything that she has and to give away her life itself, and even more, her son's life, too. It is an ultimate sacrifice. What would you do if you were this woman? What if your pastor claims everything that you have in the name of God. Would you still show faith to believe God's promise spoken by Pastor Koo that if you give your last penny to God your account would not run out? What would be your response?

Moore's Chapel just started its second pledge campaign and I'm so thankful that many of us have and are participating. We have faithfully engaged in the first pledge for the last three years. A total of 69 families pledged \$ 397,000, and \$374,000 has been received, which is 94% of the pledge. We undertook a variety of new fundraising campaigns and most of them were very successful to the amount of \$52,500. We also have our memorial fund (\$32,000), gifts (\$64,500), and interest (\$56,000). We started with seed money \$200,000 three years ago. Believe or not, we have raised \$579,000 over three years. The total cost of our new building was approximately \$1.5 million and we still owe \$720,000.

As we well know, we live in a financially stressful time. High unemployment rates, foreclosures, bankruptcy, closing business, plunging stock market, bail out plans, and the high cost of food and gas are on the news everywhere. We literally live in a time of economic crisis, in the midst of a recession. Frustration, hopelessness, concern, worry, anger, and uncertainty: that's what many people are feeling today. Just as was in the story of Elijah and the widow, this is definitely not a time to be asked for more financial sacrifice because everyone is struggling with their own monetary issues, and some of them are in desperate situations. This is probably one of the worst times to talk about money and ask people to pledge for the church and God's ministry.

However, our crisis becomes God's opportunity. Just as the widow totally trusts God to take care of her and her son, even in the most difficult of situations, we need to trust God even though we don't know how God will handle it with our limited amount of resources. We don't need to look at the problem only. We need to have wisdom to look at the Provider first! When God's demands are accompanied by a clear promise from God, we don't need to fear; we simply respond in faith, knowing that God will take care of us. I still remember

many pastor friends of mine say that it is joke for a church with an average of 150 worship attendance to pursue a 1.5 million dollar project. But we now are seeing that this joke is a reality for us. We need to learn and realize that this is not about money issues, but about the value of our faith in God.

There is a true story of two wealthy Christians, a lawyer and a merchant from America, who happened to be traveling in Korea. One day, they saw in a field by the side of the road a boy pulling a crude plow, while an old man held the handles and directed it. The lawyer was amused, and took a snapshot of the scene. "That's a curious picture! I suppose they are very poor," he said to the missionary who was the interpreter and guide to the party. "Yes," was the quiet reply. "They are a very poor family. When the church was being built they were eager to give something to it, but they had no money so they sold their only ox and gave the money to the church. This spring they are pulling the plow themselves." The lawyer and the businessman by his side were silent for some moments. Then the businessman said, "That must have been a real sacrifice." "They did not call it that," said the missionary. "They thought it was fortunate they had an ox to sell."

Because the widow took God's promise seriously and gave up all she had, God allowed the widow and her son to have enough while all around them many did not. When she learned to live by faith, she was supplied by the hand of God. God demands the same from Moore's Chapel as He did from the widow. I stand before you as an Elijah. This is not a comfortable place to be, and it is always awkward to talk about money. But this is what God has demanded of me, that I stand in a place of discomfort to ask from those who have already given so much. I am willing to suffer this discomfort and to pledge along side of you, in order to fulfill the vision God has given us.

For some of you He may demand according to your ability. For some of you He may expect more than you think you are able to do. For some of you, He may demand that you give up all you have for the Lord. Respond to whatever God asks of you! Let us do our best and see how God will use and multiply our small amount of resources for Him and His church, Moore's Chapel.

In Christ's Love,



Rev. KyungMo Koo

Introduction to Stephen Ministry



The Stephen Series is a complete system for training and organizing lay people to provide one-to-one Christian care to hurting people in and around your congregation.

The Stephen Series provides congregations with the structure, training, and resources to set up and administer a complete system for lay caring ministry (called Stephen Ministry) in the congregation. In Stephen Ministry congregations, lay caregivers (called Stephen Ministers) provide one-to-one Christian care to the bereaved, hospitalized, terminally ill, separated, divorced, unemployed, relocated, and others facing a crisis or life challenge. Stephen Ministry helps pastors and congregations provide quality caring ministry for as long as people need it.

Who Benefits from Stephen Ministry?

People Who Need Care . . .

- Receive quality, Christ-centered, confidential care for their hurts and needs
- Find hope, healing, and a new sense of self-worth through the support of a Stephen Minister
- Know they are remembered and supported by their congregation in times of personal difficulty
- Receive ongoing care for continuing needs long after the onset of a crisis, when many others have forgotten about them
- Grow in a deeper relationship with their Lord as they experience God's unconditional love for them through their Stephen Minister

Your Pastor . . .

- No longer shoulder the entire burden of caring in the congregation, as if the pastor were the only one able, willing, or called to do this ministry
- Receive support and care from the lay people who are part of the congregation's Stephen Ministry Team
- Reach more members of the congregation with quality Christian care
- Experience renewed joy and satisfaction as they equip others and so extend the reach of their own ministries
- Have more time to focus on the ministries that only the pastor can do

Your Lay People . . .

- Discover, cultivate, and use the spiritual gifts they have been blessed with
- See themselves as active partners in the mission and ministry of the church
- Find all aspects of their lives enriched by the distinctively Christian caregiving skills they learn and practice
- Experience great joy as they see God working through them to bring hope and healing to a hurting person
- Grow spiritually as they experience the Lord's loving presence in community with other Christian caregivers

Your Entire Congregation . . .

- Discovers that many members want to be involved in meaningful ministry and will respond to the call to become a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader
- Becomes a more loving community that is more sensitive and responsive to people's needs for care
- Is able to provide more quality Christian care, so that fewer people slip through the cracks
- Is able to reach out to the unchurched who are hurting and introduce them to the healing love of Jesus in their time of need
- Sees itself as not only being served by the pastor, but as a caring body of believers actively involved in serving one another in love
- If you know anyone who would like to have a Stephen Minister including yourself or for more information, Please contact Pastor Koo at 410-620-3126 or at the church 410-398-7245 or by email at pastorkoo@mooreschapel.org

SECOND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BEGINS

“Growing in Faith, Building for the Future” has been our motto for the Underwood Education Building project that now is a reality for Moore’s Chapel. For three years dedicated pledges and generous contributions have made the building possible with the first Capital Campaign ending February 28, 2009.

The Campaign was very successful with more than 94% of the pledged \$397,000 contributed by the 69 families participating in our first campaign.

We are now in the beginning of the second Capital Campaign, but as of March 22, only 35 families have replied with their pledge. We know that probably in the past 80 years, there couldn’t be a worst time to start a campaign.

However, if we are to realize our mission, we must all participate, as we are able. Our first campaign was successful with pledges from \$5.00 a week to many thousand a year. All pledges are confidential and are between you and God.

While it is our hope that pledges will be maintained, we understand that circumstances may change and adjustment may be necessary.

Thanks to your monetary commitment we have paid off over half the building costs. We still face a mortgage of \$720,000. With your continued support and prayers, our goal will be met.



JoyShop Ministries is coming to Moore’s Chapel for a 2-day event

**Friday, April 17, 7-8:30 P.M.
Saturday, April 18, 9 A.M to 2:30 P.M.**

Under the leadership of Anita Keagy, this ministry exists to encourage and motivate men, women and youth to **“SEEK GOD FIRST”** on a daily basis.

JoyShop Ministries is based in Lancaster County, PA but carries its message throughout the United States. Keagy recently led a workshop at Youth Quest, a Brethren in Christ teen event in Washington, D.C. The ministry goes to churches, youth groups, conferences, Christian colleges, retreats, and prisons.

Keagy studied at Messiah College and with Anne Graham Lotz, Billy Graham’s daughter.

Men and women and youth in grades 6 and up are invited to attend. Registration and a fee of \$20.00 is required and due no later than April 7th. This covers materials, honorarium, and lunch. This program is sponsored by Moore’s Chapel and Elkton Presbyterian Churches. Refreshments and lunch will be served.

Brochures and registration forms are available in the back of the church or call 410.398.7245 for more information. You can also log on to www.joyshop.org to learn more about JoyShop Ministries.

Pondering the meaning of “Sacrifice”

SunAe Lee-Koo

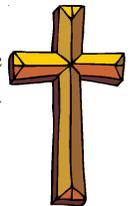
During this Lenten journey, I think of the word “sacrifice,” which is inseparable from the Christian faith, especially Lent. The instantaneous impression people usually have from the word “sacrifice” is negative, as *Webster’s English Dictionary* defines it as “an act of offering to a deity something precious: the killing of a victim on an altar” or “destruction or surrender of something for the sake of something else.” Hence, we engage the word in telling of parents’ sacrifice for their children, a husband’s sacrifice for his wife and vice versa, or the heroic sacrifice of many other people in war. Of course, there is the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who died on the Cross for the sake of our sins.

By confessing Jesus as the Lord, we, Christians, hope to follow the way Jesus lived; some people even keep WWJD (What Would Jesus Do?) on their bracelets or pins. Sacrificing, however, does not come easily. For what do we sacrifice? Is it worth sacrificing? What will be the benefits at the end of the day if I sacrifice this now? Those are the thoughts we may have in front of the challenges of unwilling loss. Further, even though we overcome challenge, sacrificing for someone else’s sake, our hearts are not always filled with joy from following Jesus, our Lord.

The word, “sacrifice,” comes from Latin origin, *sacrificium*, (*sacr-*, *sacer* + *facere*), meaning “to become sacred; to make holy.” The Old Testament witnesses to this meaning as priests made an animal that was to be offered on the altar, holy. If the original meaning of sacrifice is “to make sacred (holy),” then it suggests a more concrete application in our lives of sacrifice: to be sacred. When our question about “sacrifice” implies a question of how to make ourselves sacred or holy, our wording of “sacrifice” does not hold its negative connotation any longer. However, we also need to pay attention to the meaning of the word, “sacred.” What does it mean to be sacred? Can we become holy? *Webster’s English Dictionary* describes “sacred” as “dedicated or set apart for the service or worship of a deity” and “devoted exclusively to one service or use.” “Sacrifice,” then, can be defined as “to be set apart for the worship of God.” Sacrifice becomes the content of the life of sanctification that is pleasing to God, and is possible only through the help of the Holy Spirit.

To become holy, sanctified, or sacred, requires us not to conform to the world, but to be different (set apart). Becoming a different person, setting apart from the world that entices our attention in the name of culture or trend, for the glory of God is a sacrifice acceptable to God. Therefore, it is with the help of the Spirit of God we become sacred, holy, and set apart, which may involve patience, suffering, and loneliness. By asking for the grace of God that the Holy Spirit may work in us so that we may live sacrificial lives (making our lives holy), I am reminded of a Bible verse from a recent reading: “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed”(Proverbs 16:3; Psalms 37:5). To commit everything I do to the Lord is to become holy and sacred. Because I am nothing, whatever I do cannot be good; only in God can there be any good. We easily respond to Proverbs 16:3: “Wow! God will help our plans be successful!” But God wants us to commit our plans, “whatever [we] do,” to Him. What we commit to God must be sacred, for it is being committed to the Lord whose name is Holy.

I pray that the 2009 Lent may be a special journey in God in knowing that the meaning of sacrifice may become applicable to my own life, and to my friends’ lives, in such a way that each of us becomes holy in God and follows Jesus Christ the Lord, who sacrificed Himself for us.



“Lord, make possible for me by grace what is impossible to me by nature. You know how little I can bear, and how quickly I become discouraged by a little adversity. I pray You make every trial lovely and desirable to me for Your Name’s sake, since suffering and affliction for Your sake is so profitable to the health of my soul” (Thomas à Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ*, III, 19).

God has a positive answer:		
<u>YOU SAY</u>	<u>GOD SAYS</u>	<u>BIBLE VERSES</u>
You say: 'It's impossible'	God says: All things are possible	(Luke 18:27)
You say: 'I'm too tired'	God says: I will give you rest	(Matthew 11:28-30)
You say: 'Nobody really loves me'	God says: I love you	(John 3:1 6 & John 3:34)
You say: 'I can't go on'	God says: My grace is sufficient	(II Corinthians 12:9 & Psalm 91:15)
You say: 'I can't figure things out'	God says: I will direct your steps	(Proverbs 3:5- 6)
You say: 'I can't do it'	God says: You can do all things	(Philippians 4:13)
You say: 'I'm not able'	God says: I am able	(II Corinthians 9:8)
You say: 'It's not worth it'	God says: It will be worth it	(Roman 8:28)
You say: 'I can't forgive myself'	God says: I Forgive you	(I John 1:9 & Romans 8:1)
You say: 'I can't manage'	God says: I will supply all your needs	(Philippians 4:19)
You say: 'I'm afraid'	God says: I have not given you a spirit of fear	(II Timothy 1:7)
You say: 'I'm always worried and frustrated'	God says: Cast all your cares on ME	(I Peter 5:7)
You say: 'I'm not smart enough'	God says: I give you wisdom	(I Corinthians 1:30)
You say: 'I feel all alone'	God says: I will never leave you or forsake you	(Hebrews 13:5)

Ray of Hope Mission Center, Inc.

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March 13, 2009

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and in peace with our Lord. As you well know times are tough and the economy is like a merry go round. Here at the Mission we are also having a tough time keeping up with the demand. We have seen a 30% increase in families needing help but our donations have fallen 80% compared to last year. In the 11 years I have been the director of the Ray of Hope I have never seen such a shortage of food and monetary donations as we are presently experiencing. **We really need your help.** At the present time we have enough money to keep the mission functioning until possibly the end of this month. These certainly are desperate times and I know that everyone is feeling "the crunch" and has had to adjust their own lifestyles in order to survive. So as you can see we at Ray of Hope, who rely on the generosity of our community to help those less fortunate, are struggling along with the rest of you. I thank God that many of you still have jobs and are able to feed your families and pay your bills. However, many of our neighbors have lost their jobs, or are sick, disabled and are finding themselves in real trouble. Many of the clients at Ray of Hope are working people who just have trouble making ends meet. We support their efforts by trying to be a temporary source of help. In these hard economic times the needs are obviously greater and becoming harder to supply.

I said all of this to ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation to help us keep the Mission's doors open and our business running. Our average monthly expenses are \$25,394.00 and should we have a few more weeks like we have had this past month it is likely, that after 11 busy, successful years, the Ray of Hope Mission Center could very well have to close its doors. With over 3,000 people depending on us each and every month I would certainly hate to see this happen.

I appreciate any help you feel you could send our way. Please keep us in your prayers and ask God daily to bestow His blessings upon us.

May God's peace and blessings cover you and support you each day.

In Him,
Frank Rinaldi, Jr.
Director



Dear Friends at Moore's Chapel,

Today, March 14, 2009, is a day I will never forget.

A week and a day ago, following a bible study at Ruth Ann Johnson's, we had our usual request for prayers. After several requests for very serious concerns, I hesitantly asked for prayers that I would have the strength to deal with all the challenges facing me regarding my property now that I am alone. I was feeling a little overwhelmed at the scope of work needed to get things back under control.

The very next day I was approached by Lois Taylor and Sue McDade telling me that the folks at Moore's Chapel wanted to help me through their Random Acts of Kindness. Today, spearheaded by Lois, 19 members descended on my property with ladders and tools in hand to prune my almost out of control orchard and take down a structure which once protected a row of blueberries from the birds – huge jobs!

What I had concluded was likely an impossible task for one day was completed by these good people in about four hours of strenuous work, under the supervision of John Rierison and John Bilas. Everyone did a phenomenal job – more than I could have imagined. Pastor Koo worked side by side with Doug Young, Tom McDade, Leigh Bates, Daryl Lehr and others.

I'll never forget the sight of Lois working like a man in the top of an apple tree or some of the incredible positions I saw Ed Costello and Harvey Arter assume to balance themselves in treetops. I'm sure there were many other such scenes I missed as I was running back and forth for who knows what reasons. My regret is that I didn't think ahead to charge my camera batteries for the event, because it was quite a sight.

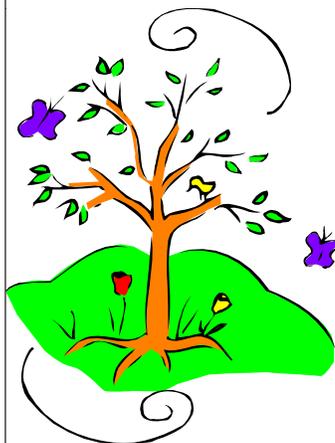
Other women who came and moved an unbelievable amount of debris were Rosie Rierison, Suzanne Lamborn, Sandy Costello, and my daughter, Anne Bean. (Ray Ramberger is going to have a fun time shredding that gigantic pile of branches!) Youth on board were my granddaughter, Darby Bean, and Jacob and Jared Costello. They were amazing! My son-in-law, Mike Bean, was a great help, too, as he reduced two very tall ornamental bushes by half as well as working on the trees and doing some other jobs.

My emotions ran from being touched by all the people who were so kind and worked so hard to help me, to some degree of embarrassment, tremendous gratitude, and a sense of relief. This experience renewed my faith that prayers are answered in ways we can never imagine and we should not spend a lot of time worrying. God is Good. And so are the people of Moore's Chapel. I think this church feels more and more like family as time goes by. As we learned in our bible study, you prove your Christian faith by your good works. These folks surely did that today abundantly.

*To all the people who came to help me, I give you my deepest thanks. May
 God bless you all.*

With much love,

Barbara Tschirschnitz





Christian Radio

By Jane Bellmyer

I have a confession. I am a music nut. Music has been a part of my life for as long as I can remember. My mother used to sing in the choir of the church in which I grew up. As a teenager I spent far too many hours with headphones stuck over both ears listening to albums on the stereo...or 8-tracks!

So when I became a Christian 11 years ago the first conviction I felt was to get rid of all the unwholesome music in my personal collection. That was the easy part when compared to finding replacements. I wanted to listen to Christian music but could not envision myself curled up with the Gaither Trio or Sandi Patti. Nothing against either but it's not my style. I was working in radio at the time so I sought out Christian radio and found WRBS in Baltimore. (95.1 fm) At the time they played very little music. I was also told about WDAC in Lancaster (94.5 fm). They too played very little music, focusing on Bible teachers and preachers.

I was frustrated. I asked the Lord to help me out here. He answered me through a co-worker who told me about another Lancaster station.. He said they were hard to pick up but I should try to find them. I found WJTL at 90.3 fm. They were on the verge of boosting power so they could reach a wider audience. WJTL played lots of music. And once they got the boost I could hear them at home very well and in my car from Perryville to the outskirts of Elkton. Of course they are easy to pick up in Oxford! I am a huge fan of WJTL radio.

For me Christian music is like having an IV line of the Holy Spirit flowing to me all day. I listen in the car, in the kitchen, it's on my alarm clock, my MP3 player. It is as much a part of my day as coffee and toothpaste.



Now I am not saying you are less of a Christian if you don't listen to Christian radio. However, these radio stations are ministries in and of themselves. They supply a need with positive programming and spirit-filled music. It's family safe radio without all the salacious stuff you hear on secular stations. If you have never listened before you may be surprised to hear the songs sung at Moore's Chapel on Sunday mornings are sung by nationally known Christian artists such as Casting Crowns, Mercy Me, Paul Baloche, Bebo Norman, Leeland, and Stellar Kart.

When I first got saved and was struggling to reinvent my music choices a dear friend came up to me, asked me to hold out my hands and gifted me with a CD by Carman. She explained that she had purchased the disk searching for gentle praise and worship music. Knowing my taste for guitars and heavy drums she felt this was something I would enjoy. Remember those Memorex commercials in the 70s of the guy placing a cassette into his stereo and when the music began his tie flew behind him, the floor lamp tipped, and his hair went skyward? That was me in the car going home, listening to R.I.O.T. by Carman. It's not your grandmother's Amazing Grace. I was a new fan of Christian music, and it has been a love affair ever since.

So I encourage you, no I beg you to listen to Christian radio. You can even listen online to most stations. In Cecil County there are two Christian stations. The former WSER at 1550 am is now WXHL-am. While it broadcasts ESPN Radio, the commercials and other programming from the local end is Christian. It is owned by The Reach FM Network operated by Faith City Family Church near the Christiana Mall. The Reach FM has a frequency operating in North East at 100.9 fm. It's one of 24 frequencies simulcasting from the studios in Delaware.

Get connected with Christian radio. You'll be hooked too. I promise.



Upcoming events:

- Children singing at the end of early service. Please have children arrive by 8:45 on 3/29/09
- Children singing at the beginning of late service on 4/5/09. Please have children arrive at 9:45.
- Easter egg hunt 4/13/09 Bring your basket!!!
- Children's Day on 5/17/09 (combined service at 10:30)

Needs:

- Help with Vacation Bible School
- Teacher for the High School class

Note to Parents:

We are so blessed to have such nice facilities for Sunday School! Although the classroom doors are closed during class, it is only for the purpose of noise control. Please feel free to stop by and check out what is happening in our classes. If your children are hesitant to attend class, feel free to join them for a couple of weeks to increase their comfort level. We have noticed that our attendance at Sunday School has been waning lately. This deeply concerns us as this is an opportunity for children to build a foundation in faith and Christianity. Some of us have been using a new curriculum over the past year which has been very exciting. Lessons include games, songs, crafts, and interactive stories from the Bible. The lessons do, however, build on one another in an effort to give the children an understanding of a timeline, and make the learning contextual. Frequent absences may interfere with children gaining a firm understanding. Please consider inviting friends or neighbors as we want to reach as many children as we can, and we always have extra materials for just this reason. Lastly, we would like to thank you for the awesome job you are doing with your children! They are kind, respectful, and generous. We really enjoy working with them!

Yours in Christ,
Teresa DiFilippo
Anne Bean

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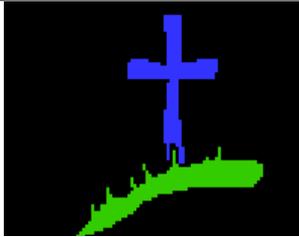
Join us for
**Vacation Bible
School**



July 6-10
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Ages 3-high school seniors

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"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Youth



Schedule

All Activities are held at the church unless otherwise specified.

Any questions about Youth Activities please contact Jen Arter at youth@mooreschapel.org or 410.398.7245.

March

Fri.	Mar. 27	5:30-9:30 p.m.	Janes UMC Spring Spectacular, leaving Moore's 5:30 p.m.
Sun.	Mar. 29	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation

April

Thurs.	Apr. 02	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Set up for Elevation Chicken BBQ. Bring baked goods.
Fri.	Apr. 03	12noon-8:00 p.m.	Elevation Chicken BBQ for WV mission trip. Kids report after school.
Sun.	Apr. 05	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	Apr. 12		No Elevation. Happy Easter!
Fri.	Apr. 17	7:00-8:30 p.m.	JoyShop Workshop(more info. pg 4)
Sat.	Apr. 18	9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	JoyShop Workshop
Sun.	Apr. 19	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	Apr. 26	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation



May

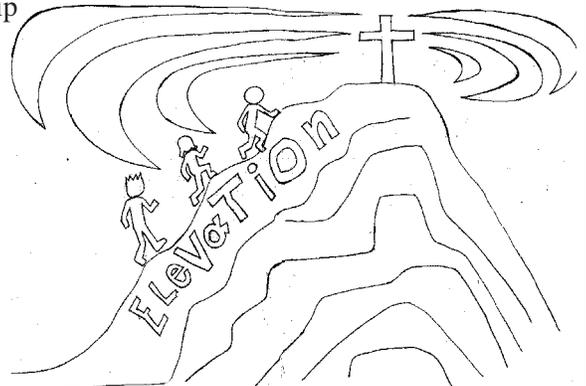
Sun.	May 03	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	May 10		No Elevation. Tell your mother you love her!
Sun.	May 17	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	May 24	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	May 31		No Elevation

June

Sun.	June 07	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	June 14	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Go Higher
		6:00-7:30 p.m.	Elevation
Sun.	June 21		No Elevation. Tell your father you love him!
Wed.-Sat.	June 24-27		Creation Trip

We welcome everyone grades 6-12 to Elevation, come join the fun!!!

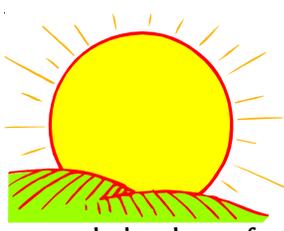
Go Higher (aka Youth Praise Band) is open to everyone ages 9-18.



* * * S P R I N G E V E N T S * * *	Fri.	Apr. 03	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Elevation Chicken Barbecue
	Thurs.	Apr. 09	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship Service 7 p.m.
	Fri.	Apr. 10	7:00 p.m.	Community Good Friday Worship Service 7 p.m. held at Moore's Chapel.
	Sun.	Apr. 12	7:00 a.m. 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service at Rock Presbyterian Easter Worship Services at Moore's Chapel
	Mon.	Apr. 13	1:00 p.m.	Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt
	Fri.	Apr. 17	7:00-8:30 p.m.	JoyShop see page 4 for more information
	Sat.	Apr. 18	9:00-2:30 p.m.	JoyShop
	Sat.	May 02	4:30-7:30 p.m.	Taste of Italy Dinner
	Sun.	May 17	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Children's Day (combined service) Praising at the Pond
	Sat.	June 20	8:00 a.m.	Moore's Chapel Golf Tournament Scramble
Mon.-Fri.	July 6-10	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School	

**Christmas in April
April 25, 2009**

Christmas in April is one of the new ways Moore's Chapel has found to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community. Last year we helped an Elkton homeowner by performing some much needed repairs to both the inside and outside of her home. This year house captain Leigh Bates is looking for willing hands and servant hearts to help with this year's project. Christmas in April will be Saturday April 25. See either Leigh Bates or Jane Bellmyer to sign up. The only requirement is that you be at least 14.



**SunFest
June 6, 2009
9 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Yes we will be at SunFest this year. Rising Sun's annual day-long festival takes place June 6, with the parade at 9 a.m. and festival with booths of all kinds, entertainment and food from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Moore's Chapel will be represented there this year. If you would like to be in charge of the parade float, or help with the booth talk with Jane Bellmyer or give her a call at 443-553-8420. We will use this chance to tell about our new building, the golf tournament, vacation bible school and many other exciting things happening at Moore's Chapel.

Praising at the Pond



**May 17, 2009
6 p.m.**

A worship service with a message, praise and hymn singing, special music and refreshments is planned for Sunday, evening, May 17. Come for light refreshments at 6 p.m. with worship service at 7 p.m. Join us at the Montgomery Pavilion (this is where the Summer church picnic is held). Bring chairs, blankets and warm clothes too. The weather may be cool. Evening worship was a tradition at Moore's Chapel in the past. Plan to be a part of this special evening of praising God and fellowship with our Moore's Chapel Family.

**Moore's Chapel 10th Annual Golf
Tournament Scramble**

**Saturday June 20, 2009
8 a.m.**

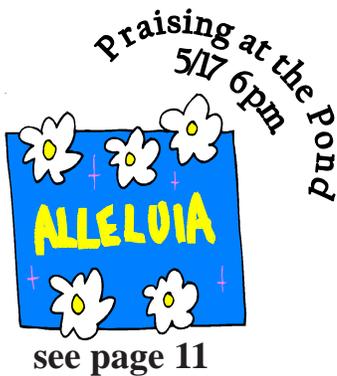
**Furnace Bay Golf Course
Perryville, MD**



**Mark your calendar!
This is always a wonderful day
of fun and fellowship!**



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Taste of Italy Dinner

Where: Moore's Chapel, UMC
392 Blake Rd.
Elkton, MD 21921

When: **Saturday May 2, 2009 - 4:30-7:30 p.m.**

Mark your calendar, bring your family and friends to this fun dining experience. Italian Villa atmosphere, strolling musicians, good Italian cuisine, and of course...desserts!

Adults - \$13 Children - \$6 (ages 4-10) 3 and under - free
For tickets contact: Cooky Howett 610-932-4326

Directions: From Fair Hill take 273 West, turn right at Mendenhall's Garage onto Blue Ball Rd., then Right onto Blake Rd. , ¼ mi on Right. From Oxford (4.5mi): take 5th Street toward Maryland, turns into Barren Rd, turns into Blue Ball Rd, make left onto Blake Rd, ¼ mi on Right.



*All proceeds benefit the building Fund.
Moore's Chapel is looking forward to spreading God's word
and expanding outreach to our community through the
Underwood Educational Building.*

