



CONNECTIONS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
OF WESTERN HILLS UMC

Reaching... Nurturing... Transforming...

October 2015

ways to help with the
AUTUMN BAZAAR

Book Sale

DONATIONS OF USED BOOKS CAN BE
BROUGHT TO THE SFLC:

Sunday, October 4: 2pm - 5pm

Monday - Wednesday, October 5, 6 & 7: 10am - 3pm

Thursday, October 8: 10am - 5:30pm

Friday, October 9: 9am - 7pm

Bake Sale

BAKED SALE GOODS CAN BE
BROUGHT TO THE SFLC (*wrapped and labeled*)

Friday, October 9: 10am - 4pm

& Saturday, October 10 before 9am

Don't miss this year's
Autumn Bazaar.

OCTOBER 10
9AM—4PM
SFLC

Vendors
Book Sale
Crafts
Bake Sale
Door Prizes
Silent Auction
Sobremesa Cafe
& more!

ADMISSION IS FREE



NEED PRAYER?

If you have a prayer request or would like to be a part of our Prayer Chain, email ZDMFHM@aol.com or call 915.581.3051.

Our mission is to reach out with the love of God to those beyond our church, to nurture our church body in the Christian faith and life, helping all to be transformed participants in the mission of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Scan the QR code to be taken to our electronic giving website.



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OUR FAITHFULNESS IN MINISTRY

WITH OUR PRAYERS

SYMPATHY

- *Don & Sherry Collins, in the loss of their son, Tol
- *Bill & Helen Dunham & Family, in the loss of their sister-in-law Diane Skaggs
- *Suzy Snow & Family, in the loss of Suzy's father, Tom Terronez.
- Paddy Littlefield & Family in the loss of her husband, Bill
- Family & Friends of Jimmy Smith

Shannon Oxborrow , cousin of Jamie Pelfrey, health concerns

FAMILY & FRIENDS with cancer
Derek Allen, nephew of Nancy Haegele

Joann Davis , sister-in-law of Tom & Pollyanna Davis

Duane Coleman
Barbara Barnhill
Linda Snow, cousin of Rick Snow
Juan Morgades

Kim Hamilton, cousin of Rick Snow
George Norris
Barbara, mother of Pam Hooten
Jan Johnson, aunt of Bobbi Rettig
Grace Gan
Bill Bostick
Bill Kipp

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

- *Esther Reynolds
- *Louise Wikstrom
- Debbie Platz, surgery & healing
- Tootie Fields, health concerns
- Mona Lindly, healing

THE WORLD

Syrian refugees
People in the city of Juarez

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- *Tim Farmer, healing
- Gabriela Farber, health concerns

** indicates a new prayer request this week.*

**prayers are listed for 3 weeks, cancer concerns for 2 months, unless otherwise specified.*

WITH OUR PRESENCE

September 6, 2015
Worship..... 226
Sunday School 100
The Ridge..... 98

September 20, 2015
Worship..... 241
Sunday School 111
The Ridge..... 106

September 13, 2015
Worship..... 282
Sunday School 130
The Ridge..... 97

September 27, 2015
Worship..... 237
Sunday School 100
The Ridge..... 107

WITH OUR GIFTS

August 2015 Revenue: \$55,320.17
August 2015 Expenses: \$63,145.34

YTD Revenue: \$456,273.29
YTD Expenses: \$497,871.46

2015 Revenue Budget YTD: \$474,318.46
2015 Expense Budget YTD: \$519,568.25

If you would like further detail, please call Laurie in the church office. (584.2133)

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Sobremesa Café

UMW Fall Bazaar—Saturday, October 10th

Can you help make our vision for a Food Truck Ministry at WHUMC become a reality? We will make, bake and serve snack bar food to raise funds for a truck. Cooking, set up and clean up, service and hospitality teams needed.

Operation Turkey Sandwich

Wednesday & Thursday, November 25 & 26

Gather to cook, assemble and deliver fancy sack lunches to those in the community who have to work on Thanksgiving Day.

Cooks, assemblers, delivery drivers needed.

Contact Pastor Amy to volunteer for one of these projects

915-584-2133 or amy@westernhillsep.org



SOCKTOBER

NEW SOCKS

for the

Opportunity Center

- men's socks only
- no dress socks please

BLUE BIN
COLLECTIONS

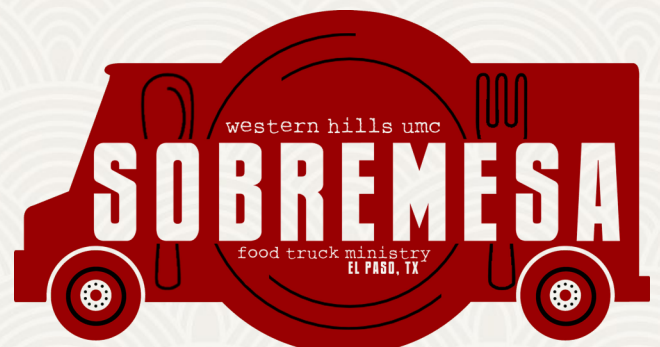
SOBREMESA: WHUMC FOOD TRUCK MINISTRY

Sobremesa means "over or around the table," but it also means the time spent in conversation at the table, enjoying each other's company. For us, how we interact with each other and if everyone has enough to eat is as important as what we eat.

Help us develop this "holy hospitality on wheels" ministry.

Nutritious and tasty food carried and shared with our neighbors...

- local college campuses during finals week
- stranded travelers at the airport or bus stations
- ministries within Segundo Barrio
- special meals at Sidewalk SS in Westway
- dinners for the Opportunity Center



Parenting the
Love & Logic
Way



Sundays at 7pm

October 4th thru November 15th

John Wesley Room (off of the Narthex)

\$10 fee for the workbook
couples can share a book

Childcare is available at no cost in Rm. C7

Facilitator: Nancy Bloch

RSVP: Colleen McGuire 584-2133



*Positive, loving tools for raising happy and well-behaved kids.
Built around the science of caring, respectful relationships.*

i will praise
the name
of god
with a song,
and will
magnify
him with
thanksgiving.
psalm 69:30

Trunk *or* Treat



October 23rd

Contact Jamie Pelfrey at (432) 260-5190
for more information.



WHY Fellowship
Sunday Evenings
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Stewart Family
Life Center

Sun., Oct. 11
La Union Corn Maze
4:30 to 7:30 p.m.
\$9.00, Meet at Church

Sun., Oct. 18
Special Guy/Girl Night
Times/Places TBA

Sun., Oct. 25
Trick-or-Treat for
Canned Goods



NEWS FROM THE Children's Ministry

Who wants to go to the War Room with me? No, I'm not talking about the movie that's out right now. Although, I am touching on what the movie is about. Going to the War Room is equivalent to going to your prayer closet. When I was in college I received a letter from my second grade Sunday School teacher telling me she was praying for me. Wow! I was and am still so humbled by that. Her name was Vernie and she went to war for me. As a Sunday School teacher she saw me and the other children as her mission field. I would like us to do the same for our children here at WHUMC. **I would like to invite you to join me around the altar each Monday from 10:00-10:30am.** I understand many of you work and are unable to come at that time. So wherever you're at or whatever you're doing please take a few moments during that time and ask God for His blessing and protection for our children.

Colleen McGuire



LOVE



GROW



SERVE

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES MISSION STATEMENT
**TO LOVE THE LORD OUR GOD WITH ALL
OUR HEART, WITH ALL OUR SOUL, WITH ALL
OUR STRENGTH, AND WITH ALL OUR MIND.**

VIEWS FROM THE RIDGE

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—"

1 Timothy 2:1



As we become a people more and more dependent upon God, prayer becomes an integral aspect of our personal and corporate faith. Over the past few weeks, we have been drawn into numerous times of prayer as a community. We have prayed for students who will receive backpacks; for faculty, staff, & administration of our schools; for our college students as they begin a new semester; for people young and old who are struggling with life and death health issues; for dear friends who are moving and taking their love of God and his people to another town. We also loved having the opportunity through WHUMC to be in prayer for our nation. As we pray, we put into practice what we believe when we say "with God, all things are possible!" God bless us all, and let's keep on praying! — Pastor Bill Case



IT'S NOT CHURCH. IT'S HOME.

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Come Sunday

Songs of Faith and Joy

Acclaimed mezzo-soprano & UTEP professor Cherry Duke, pianist Casey Robards and special guest flutist Erin Nyren perform an inspiring concert benefitting Musicambia's prison outreach.

Musicambia is a non-profit dedicated to teaching classical music to prison inmates to promote healing and social reform. Come celebrate community and diversity with these effervescent, uplifting American songs that unite people and defy definitions of classical, pop, Broadway and jazz.

Friday, October 23, 2015, 7pm

Western Hills United Methodist Church
524 Thunderbird Dr., El Paso, TX 79912

Sunday, October 25, 2015, 2pm

St. Paul's United Methodist Church
225 W. Griggs Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005

All profits
from donations
made at the concert
directly benefit
Musicambia.

www.CherryDuke.com/Come Sunday

WESTERN HILLS UMC GARAGE SALE

aka Grandma's Attic

Friday, March 11 & Saturday, March 12

Start saving your donation items/treasures now!