

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

### MEN'S MINISTRY

The men's ministry has seen an encouraging uptick in attendance this past year. We are averaging about 23 men for Tuesday morning Bible Study (6:30-7:30). We have picked up about 4 men from two other churches that attend our Bible Study. Special thanks to Bill Pennington who schedules different speakers for each month of the year. After the Bible Study, many men go out to breakfast for an extra time of fellowship.

The Saturday Man Up group is also growing. We are now averaging 15 men per week. Four facilitators share teaching lessons each week. The current group of facilitators are Rich Brinsfield, Bob Garrity, Bob Tyson, and John Sykes. The group takes on book studies, videos, and more. "Just Like Jesus" is the next study for 12 weeks.

In September the men's group will be looking to tackle maintenance repairs or upgrades that would normally be outsourced. This effort will help keep costs down at AUC while improving our facility properties. This extra effort will take some of the burden off the current maintenance staff. October 14 will be our Men's Bible Conference from 8:30AM-2PM. Our speaker is Rev. Steve Sherman.

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

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We thank the Lord for His goodness. This year, we've enjoyed fruitful Summer camps (January and February). We reached nearly 600 campers. Then, we regrouped and planned for the ministry year ahead and started working towards getting all the preparations done. By April, all our ministries were in full swing. We started Pennies for Peru, Bible clubs, and began classes for our Ministry Training Center. We are also partnering with a school that provides God-centered homeschool material. We are working together to create Bible Lessons. As a bonus, we are also working with BCM International's children's ministries office to create a new online Vacation Bible Club. During these months, we also enjoyed going on a trip to Brazil for a conference where we connected with many other ministries and partners. We had a visit with BCM International's new president and were thrilled to share how the ministry is going in Peru. Now we are in the USA, sharing with churches, families, and friends about the ministry in Peru and the great opportunities to partner with us as we continue "Pointing children to Jesus, and pointing churches to children." We are excited to be in this beautiful country and pray that this will be a great time to grow closer together as a family and help our children grow spiritually and mentally. Please pray for God's care and provision while we are in the U.S. and as we travel. Pray for the missionaries and the ministry in Peru while we are away. Thank you for your prayers and support! *You may send a word of encouragement to [jonatanodicio@gmail.com](mailto:jonatanodicio@gmail.com) or [shartieda@gmail.com](mailto:shartieda@gmail.com)*

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



**JULY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION:** Romans 8:31 "What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? "

### BOLIVIA TEAM

Thank you for your contributions of finances and supplies to our Bolivia missions team. Please continue to pray as we prepare to leave on July 27. Our team members are Rob Burton, Tracey Foreacre, Ed Lochmoeller, Scott & Robin Lowery, Joe & Nancy Nath, Michael & Asher Nelson, Amber Nelson, Jim & Molly Olshefsky, and Sandra Verdi. Please contact Joe Nath ([jwnath@aol.com](mailto:jwnath@aol.com)) with any questions about the trip.

### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

The food pantry will be open on the following dates: Sunday, July 30 from noon to 1PM.

### YOUNG ADULTS BBQ | AUGUST 12

Join us for a BBQ Social at Marsh Creek State Park in the afternoon and evening. For more details, please talk with Mikayla Lyons or Rob Lowery or call the church office. Young Adults include ages 18-32.

Please take a moment to 'Check In' to the morning worship service and Bible School either through the Church Center App or at the Welcome Center. You can also submit donations to the church through the Church Center App. If you need help visit the Welcome Center in the Foyer.

### **AUC KIDS & STUDENTS AFTER IN THE PARK | JULY 23**

Following our evening service in Providence Park we will have snacks in the park. This is open to families with children in both Kids and/or Student ministry.

### **STUDENT MINISTRY**

We have a lot of fun Student Ministry events planned for July and would love to see you there! These events are for students in grades 6 through 12, including new 6th graders this fall.

### **AUC STUDENT SWIM NIGHT | JULY 24 | 6:30-9PM | MUIRS' HOUSE**

Transportation will be provided. We will meet at the church, and leave at 6:30PM.

### **AUC STUDENT BONFIRE NIGHT | JULY 29 | 7-9PM | LINSKYS' HOUSE**

Please refer to the directory or contact the church office for the address.

### **STUDENT & FAMILY MINISTRY PASTOR SEARCH**

Please be in prayer for the search committee as they continue to meet and conduct interviews.

### **KID'S MINISTRY**

We have a variety of family friendly events happening this July. Join us if you have kids from Kindergarten to fifth grade!

### **AUC KIDS COLOR WAR | JULY 24 | 7PM | PROVIDENCE PARK**

We'll have a mini version of the student color, war so please make sure to dress your kids in clothes that can get color powder on them.

### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

#### **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30-7:30AM | CHAPEL**

Our teacher for this week is Walt Huddell. Coffee is provided.

#### **MAN UP | SATURDAYS | 9-11AM | CHAPEL**

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc.

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL CONFERENCE | SEPTEMBER 30**

Our speaker will be Karen Knight, an inspirational speaker, singer, actress and author. Karen is probably best known for one of her leading roles at Sight and Sound theaters in Lancaster as Mrs. Noah. Her inspirational singing and storytelling have taken her all over the US, Italy, Germany, South America, Asia, and Israel. Please join us for her presentation of *Courageous and Contagious Christian Women*. The conference is open to all women, and cost is \$20 which includes lunch. More details to come!

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### **THANK YOU NOTE**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Aldan Union Church,  
Phil and I want to express our sincere thanks for the words of encouragement and hope that have been expressed to us throughout my illness, surgery, and continued recovery in the past few months. Thank you for your emails, cards, notes, phone calls and visits that have blessed us beyond words. We have felt the Lord's presence, care, and compassion going before us in each step of this journey and ask for your continued prayers as I begin chemotherapy on August 1.

Thank you also for the beautiful cards we received for our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. What a surprise for us to receive so many cards with such thoughtful and kind words! Thank you all for making our day so special.

We miss being with you all at church and pray that we will be able to be back with you before too long.

With our love and thanks, Lynn and Phil Giambri

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