

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

For the last few years AUC has been supporting Operation Christmas Child (OCC) by packing shoeboxes. These boxes are filled with things like school supplies, toys, hygiene items, t-shirts, and socks. OCC sends these boxes all over the world to children in need. When the boxes are given, the Gospel is shared with the kids and families present. Some of them even come to know Jesus as Savior! But what's awesome is that it doesn't stop there. If there's interest and OCC is allowed back in that area, they begin a Bible class for the kids during the year resulting in more kids and families coming to Christ. Last year AUC packed over 150 boxes!

Even though the impact of COVID-19 is still on going, OCC is happening in 2020! Starting September 20th we invite you to pick up boxes, packing instructions, and other info about OCC at one of two locations here at AUC. On Sundays, we'll have a table set up in the hallway across from the nursery. On weekdays, you can come by the office during normal operating hours, and we'll have the same info there. This year's shoebox deadline is Sunday, November 15th. If you have questions, contact Pastor Mike (mike.motta@auc.org).

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

SONNY ACOCORO, BCM INTERNATIONAL-CANADA (RETIRED)

Judy Edinger recently spoke with Sonny. It was such a blessing to see him and find out how he is doing now. Sonny lives with his daughter, Faye, in Calgary. He is practically blind, so any emails or correspondence have to be read to him by one of the family. Sonny prays a lot for the Philippines and the work there. He misses being able to serve the Lord like he used to. Sonny is thankful for the many years he and Ruthy served the Lord. Please pray for Sonny and his health needs. Pray for daily grace. Thank the Lord for the excellent care he is getting. He is very grateful for our prayers and thanks us for remembering him. *You may send a card of encouragement to Sonny % Mrs. Faye Vecino, 143 Cranberry Way SE, Calgary, T3M 1K3 Canada.*

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, pick up a copy of each week's *Missionary Moments* located at all of the Sanctuary doors and check out our *Missionary Wall* located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Our memory verse for September is John 10:9, "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

As fall approaches we are preparing to begin the New Members Class again. So that we meet the covid restrictions, the class will be held in the Chapel (plenty of room for social distancing). The classes will start on Sunday September 20 at 10:45 AM. To sign up, call the church office (610-259-8010) or for more information, call Ed Lochmoeller (610-256-9060).

GRIEFSHARE MINISTRY

The GriefShare Ministry provides grief recovery support to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. The program consists of 13 sessions. GriefShare will be starting up again on October 3, 2020 then meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month at 1 PM via Zoom and free Conference Calling. You are welcome to begin attending our group at any point. Register online at www.griefshare.org/groups/124033 or contact a Group Leader at griefshare@auc.org or 610-259-8010.

NEW SMALL GROUPS TO CONSIDER:

Young Women's Small Group: PLANT. GROW. BLOOM - This small group is geared toward young women in their 20's and 30's. Planting seeds of faith that are cultivated with kindness and encouragement, fertilized by God's Word, and watered with prayer. Join us as we sow and grow together in our love for God and others. We meet in the Chapel every other Sunday evening. Contacts: Janice Tyler (sjlmc522@gmail.com) or Beth Guida (elizabeth.guida20@gmail.com).

Married Couples: This group is for married couples of any age or any number of years married. We will especially focus on how to have godly responses to our spouses. It will be limited to the first 8 couples who sign up, and the plan is to meet in person at the church on a day and time that works best for all those who are in the group. Couples with children will need to obtain their own child care. If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact Pastor Kevin (kevin.brock@auc.org).

CHILDREN & STUDENT'S BIBLE SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS "MEET AND GREET"

We will have a "Meet and Greet" time for all of the children and their parents from Beginners through High School today from 1- 3 in the afternoon. Parents can just drive into the church parking lot in the back by the carport that enters by the Gym anytime during that 2 hour period. You don't have to stay very long, and we will all keep social distancing (and masks!), Hope to see all of you there!

GOLFERS

AUC Men's Ministry will again be supporting HVMI by attending the HVMI Charity Golf Outing on Tuesday, Sept.15 at Tanglewood Manor Golf Club. We will be leaving the church at 10 AM and returning by about 8 PM. Cost for golf and dinner is \$125. Please contact Bill Pennington (wkpii@yahoo.com) or John Sykes (sykfam1@yahoo.com) to sign up.

ADULT BIBLE SCHOOL CLASSES ON ZOOM

Most of our Adult Bible School classes are meeting each Sunday by Zoom. If you are not a part of one of these classes but would like to join one by Zoom, please contact the church office (office@auc.org), and you will be put in contact with a class.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES

If you would like a copy of the 2020 Church Directory, there are a few extra available. Please contact the church office to arrange pick up. Also if you would like access to the directory online please contact the church office at office@auc.org.

MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM CHAPEL

Our teacher for September is Tony Rizzo.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE | SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19 | 9:00 AM-12:30 PM

Registrations are now being accepted for this year's conference *THE TOTAL WOMAN: BODY, SOUL AND SPIRIT*. Our speaker will be Rosa Maria Faulkner. This year's conference will be both on campus and through live stream! Our modified format will not include lunch and is free and open to women of all ages! Those attending in person must register either by going to; auc.org/womensconference2020 or by contacting Loretta Stott at stott1@comcast.net or Pennie Lochmoeller at penniemail@verizon.net.

THE CROCHET GROUP | TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22 | 7:00 PM

All women from beginners to seasoned crocheting and knitting enthusiasts as well as those who are looking for a new hobby are welcome to join us in Fellowship Hall on September 22nd. There will be extra yarn, knitting needles, and crochet hooks available for instructional use or practicing! Come and see what projects we can do to serve others or bring your work in progress. For any questions contact Bonnie Sharp (bonnie3350@aol.com).

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 9:45 AM-11:00 AM CHAPEL

Women are welcome to join us beginning September 23rd from 9:45 AM -11:00 AM. We will be meeting in the Chapel due to COVID-19, and masks are required. No refreshments will be provided. Any questions call Nancy Armentario at 610-622-2049.

MOTHERWISE

Moms of all ages and stages are welcome to join us on the 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings on ZOOM from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. We are studying Priscilla Shirer's *Armor of God*. Please contact Lysa Burton and let her know you will be joining (rlrsburton@verizon.net or 484-995-5165).

MOMS IN PRAYER

We will be starting again on Monday nights from 7- 8:30 PM on the 1st and 3rd Monday nights on ZOOM. Any mom, grand mom, aunt, etc. we would love to have you join us. Please contact Lysa Burton at rlrsburton@verizon.net or 484-995-5165 and let her know you will be joining.

THANK YOU NOTE

"We want to thank you, church family, for your many acts of love and kindness shown to Erma and me during my recent back surgery. Your many prayers, rides, meals, visits, phone calls, e-mails and many cards with encouraging notes have meant so very much. Thank you all again," John & Erma McDaniel

HOMEGOING

Kenneth E. Smith went home to be with the Lord on August 22, 2020 in Statesville, NC.
