

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

AUC has been supporting Operation Christmas Child by packing shoeboxes for several years now. These boxes are filled with all kinds of things, and are sent all over the world to children in need. The gospel is shared as the boxes are given, but what's awesome is that it doesn't stop there. If OCC is allowed back in that area, they begin a Bible class during the year resulting in more kids and families coming to Christ. Starting today, you'll see info tables set up in the gym and main hallway. Then Saturday, November 12 we're having a packing event here at AUC. We're asking everyone to bring in supplies and items. They can be dropped off at either info table, or brought to the packing party itself. If you can't participate on Nov 12, there are still lots of ways you can be involved. You can still donate items for the shoeboxes, or you can help cover the shipping of the boxes (\$10 per box). You can also pray for the packing event here at AUC, for the boxes themselves as they're shipped, for the kids who will receive one of the boxes this Christmas and also hear the good news of Jesus Christ possibly for the very first time! We hope you'll join us in supporting this awesome ministry in any way! If you have questions please come by one of the tables or contact Pastor Mike (mike.motta@auc.org).

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

JAIME & MONICA ALMEIDA

We have recorded the Old Testament for the Quechua North Conchucos. Pastors from Huaraz came back on 9/18 to finish the recording. The following language recording will be for the South Conchucos Quechua, and we will start recording in November. Carlos Timana visited Bogota, Colombia in September to train two translators on how to build apps to tell stories in their language and promote to the new generation their language and culture. They will record the histories in audio, and people will be able to listen and read in their language. Carlos was invited to a conference in Mexico to train more people from different languages; he will travel on 10/20 for a week. Adolfo Bravo will visit the Asheninka Apurukayali group in the jungle of Peru to find good readers to record the New Testament. Please pray for Adolfo since He will fly to Iquitos and take a boat for three hours. Pray for his family since he will be away for a week. Thank you for Antonia's education donation to start school. We asked for your prayers for my wife; she will need physical therapy again. The medicine is not enough for Monica's therapy and effective treatment. I can't believe 20 years have passed! Thanks to you for all your support and prayers for us. In 2003 when we started recording the New Testament in Peru, we never thought it would expand to Latin America. God is faithful, and our goal is to keep providing God's Word in audio, so many languages can hear the Wonders of God. Jaime & Monica

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



SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION: Psalm 86:10 "You are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. "

CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN THIS MONTH

Anyone middle school age or older is invited! Our Christmas choir meets Thursdays at 7:30PM starting September 29, with a special rehearsal from 9:30AM to noon on October 1 (refreshments included). Our Sunday choir, which leads singing in many of our weekly worship services, has rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30PM. Contact Pastor Michael with any questions.

PERSONAL MONEY AND FINANCE CLASS | BIBLE SCHOOL

There will be a Biblically based adult class Bible School class on Budgeting, Tithing, Getting out of debt, and more. Phil Giambri and a panel will provide insights, tools, a proven framework, and some personal assistance will be offered to help you implement. This class will be downstairs in Fellowship Hall, 11AM to 12PM, on Sundays 9/25, 10/2, and 10/9.

AUC STUDENTS FALL RETREAT | OCTOBER 7-9

We're going back to High Point Camp for a weekend of Bible study, fun activities, good food, late night, and a bonfire. It'll be a great time to hang out with one another, and focus on Jesus! There is also a sibling discount, and scholarships are available. The cost includes sleeping arrangements, main meals, activities, retreat materials, and a t-shirt.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available starting in October. If you are interested in using envelopes and do not have them, please contact the church office (office@auc.org) by October 31.

KIDS WORSHIP HELP NEEDED

With the increase of kids joining our kids ministry, we would like to split Kid's Worship back into two classes: One for 3yrs-K and one for 1st-3rd grade. In order to do this, we need a minimum of five more regular volunteers. If you're interested in filling this need or would like more information, please contact Christy Kane christy.kane@auc.org.

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.

ANSWERS IN GENESIS CONFERENCE | MARCH 30-APRIL 1

The annual Answers for Women conference will be March 30-April 1, 2023, titled "Abide", in Williamstown, KY at the Ark Encounter. The conference will focus on abiding in Christ and holding fast to the anchor of our souls through suffering and persecution. With an early bird group discount, the registration would be \$100 per person, and the early discount deadline is 9/30! More information is at AnswersforWomen.org, and if you have any questions or are interested in joining our group, please let Ashley Detwiler know (ashedetwiler@gmail.com). Transportation from AUC may be available, and some financial assistance is available from AUC Womens Ministry.

GRIEF SHARE MINISTRY

Our GriefShare Ministry provides grief recovery support to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. The program consists of fourteen sessions and are on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 1-3 pm in the Chapel, starting October 1, 2022 through April 15, 2023. There is also a special session for Surviving the Holidays on November 19, 2022. We are here to listen to how you are dealing with your loss and to provide prayer and support. The workbook is \$15.00 and can be purchased through the GriefShare website or from us. If you cannot afford a workbook, a scholarship is available. Please register at <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/156692>. Just know that you do not need to go through your season of grief alone. Many struggle for years with the pain of grief. Allow us to come along side of you. Looking forward to meeting you. Please feel free to bring someone with you, who is also suffering. Contact a Group Leader at griefshare@auc.org or 610-259-8010.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 | 9AM- 3PM

Considering finding out more about AUC or considering joining the church family? Join us for our 1 DAY membership class on Saturday October 22. Pastor Joe will share various doctrines, practices, and functions of the church that are helpful to know before applying for membership. Lunch will be provided. Register online or contact the church office at office@auc.org. Also, let us know if you would need nursery care during the event.

MINNESOTA SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Warren and Barbara Day serve at a food shelf where it is very cold and many of the people who come need warm gloves and hats. If you would like to donate, please place warm hats, scarves, and gloves/mittens in the bin by the Women's Ministry table across from the Nursery.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAG SICK/SHUT IN SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Items will be collected now through October 30. A collection bin will be located at the Women's Ministry table. These items will be wrapped November 11 at the "Just Us Girls" gathering. Visit the Women's Ministry table for a list of items needed.

MEN'S MINISTRY

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

Our teacher for this week is Tony Rizzo. 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

WOMANWISE | 1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS | 9:30-11:30AM | LL09

We are doing a DVD study of Exodus. Childcare is available up to preschool age. If you have any questions, please contact Lysa Burton at rlrsburton@verizon.net or 484-955-5165.

MOMS IN PRAYER | 2ND & 4TH MONDAYS | 7:00-8:30PM

This prayer group is designed anyone who wants to pray for our children and what they are dealing with today. Contact Lisa Burton (see above for contact information) with any questions.

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

Join us for refreshments in the Chapel, followed by Bible Study (Life on the Highest Plane by Ruth Paxson) in the Large Conference Room. Any questions call Nancy Armentario (610) 622-2049.

SIDE BY SIDE is our Women's Mentoring Ministry and is based on Titus 2:3-5, where a spiritually mature woman comes alongside a younger Christian woman in a six-month mentoring relationship. God encourages these intergenerational relationships so that we all come to live in a way that honors Him. Who does God want you to come alongside, to share your life experience, to encourage, and to help find strength in Him? Be in prayer about your participation in our mentoring ministry...it's a potentially life-changing opportunity for you and a younger sister in Christ! Sign ups begin next month, so be on the lookout!

PLANT.GROW.BLOOM

Ladies in their 20's and 30's are welcome to join us Sunday evenings for Bible study, application and fellowship. We begin meeting **TONIGHT** at 5:15PM in the first floor of the Manse. Questions, contact Debbie Pruette

FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF :: Al & Doris Irwin, Parents

REMEMBERED BY :: Elaine Irwin

FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF :: Matthew & Christopher, Our Sons

REMEMBERED BY :: David & Barbara Gingrich
