

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

AUC has been supporting Operation Christmas Child by packing shoeboxes. 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. During COVID, AUC packed over 100 boxes!

Starting today, you'll see the info table set up across from the nursery. We are adding a new element! On Saturday, November 20th we're having a packing event here at AUC. We're asking everyone to bring in supplies and items, tubs will be sitting out by the table for the shoe box items. We invite y'all to come back to the event and we'll pack the boxes together! If you can't participate on Nov 20th, there are still lots of ways you can be involved. You can help out by donating items for the shoeboxes, or help cover the shipping of the boxes (\$9). You can 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 the OCC table during Connection Time or contact Pastor Mike ([mike.motta@auc.org](mailto:mike.motta@auc.org)).

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

### JAIME AND MONICA ALMEIDA

Thank you for much for your prayers and support of us and the ministry. We finished the audio recording for the Old Testament in Quecha of Huamalies. We are so thankful that we did not have any problems during the three months of recording. Pastors are very happy to have the whole Bible in audio in their language. We have started a new Old Testament recording for the Quechua of Huaylas. These recordings are possible because of God's provision through generous people like you. We also praise God for some resources to build a fourth sound booth. These four sound booths enable us to have four pastors recording simultaneously. We have more room on the third floor of the house and would like to build another bedroom. Wilfredo is a contractor, and I have asked him to come and prepare a budget for making this room. Thank you for your prayers for Monica. The new medicine is working well. Monica is the Administrator, and it is such a blessing to have her working with me in the building. Please continue to pray for me, Monica, and our daughter, Antonia, that God would give us health, wisdom, and grace for the ministry. *You may send a word of encouragement to Jaime and Monica at [jaime\\_almeida@aeilmav.org](mailto:jaime_almeida@aeilmav.org)*

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 Psalm 119:30 "I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your rules before me".

### PRAYER NIGHT | FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST | 6:30-10 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

We will be having a Night of Prayer as a church family. There will be different prayer stations which will focus on various prayer topics, such as missions and the persecuted church. You can pray as individuals or as a family.

### NEW MEMBERS CLASS | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND | 9AM-1:30PM

Considering finding out more about Aldan Union Church or considering joining the church family? Join us for our first 1 DAY Membership event on Saturday October 2. 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. To sign up call 610-259-8010 or email the church office at [office@auc.org](mailto:office@auc.org) and let us know you're planning to attend. Also, let us know if you would need nursery care during the event

### COMMUNION ON OCTOBER 3RD

Next Sunday, October 3rd, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the early part of our morning Worship Service while all children are present. Parents, please speak with your children in advance so they will understand why they should or should not participate.

### NURSERY MINISTRY

We are in need of more willing adults and teens to help serve our families who have young children. If you're willing to care for our infants and toddlers on Sunday mornings or during special events, please contact Brittini Nelson at [brittinielson@gmail.com](mailto:brittinielson@gmail.com) or 717-818-9837.

### KIDS WORSHIP HELP NEEDED

Kid's Worship during the morning service is in need of volunteers! As of now we are combining children from 3 years old to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in one group due to a lack of volunteers. We would like to split this into two age appropriate groups so a commitment of one Sunday a month would be a huge help! We need both Bible teachers and volunteers to spend time with the kids. Please contact Christy Kane [christy.kane@auc.org](mailto:christy.kane@auc.org)

## **VIDEO EDITOR NEEDED**

Do you have both the skills and heart for video editing? We are looking for someone in our church family who can edit and refine our monthly announcement videos along with our other video content that we use and post online. If you have gifts and skills in this area please contact Pastor Mike Motta in the church office or at [mike.motta@auc.org](mailto:mike.motta@auc.org)

## **WANTED: ESL SNACK COORDINATOR**

Job includes finding volunteers to bring a snack to class, creating a schedule, sending reminders, providing snack selection information and clean-up responsibilities. Contact Molly Olshefsky [molshefsky@gmail.com](mailto:molshefsky@gmail.com) for more information.

## **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 meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://www.griefshare.org/groups/124033) or contact a Group Leader at [griefshare@auc.org](mailto:griefshare@auc.org) or 610-259-8010.

## **SECURITY**

For the sake of security and safety we had begun locking most doors, except for the Sanctuary (front, rear and side), just before COVID locked us down. Starting this Sunday please remember to enter the building through one of the Sanctuary doors, as all other doors will remain locked. The outer office door will be open for those who need to check mailboxes.

## **CHRISTMAS CHOIR**

Have you ever considered joining the choir at AUC? Saturday, October 2nd is the perfect time to try it out! We'll meet from 9:30 am to noon in the choir room to get started rehearsing for our Christmas program. No audition or prior musical experience is required! Light refreshments will be provided. In addition to singing together, we'll also spend some time in the Word, in prayer, and in fellowship as a family. There's no obligation to continue if you find the Lord isn't calling you to serve at this time. Contact Pastor Michael with any questions. ([michael.nelson@auc.org](mailto:michael.nelson@auc.org))

## **STUDENT MINISTRY**

### **FALL RETREAT | OCTOBER 8TH-10TH**

Fall Retreat is BACK! We're going to High Point Camp in Geigertown, PA 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 will be an option to come late or leave early if needed. To register for the fall retreat visit [auc.org/smevents](http://auc.org/smevents).

## **MEN'S MINISTRY**

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

Our teacher for this week is Tony Rizzo. Coffee is provided.

### **MAN UP | 9:00 AM-11:00 AM | CHAPEL**

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc. This month we are studying in the book of Romans.

### **YOUNG MEN'S SMALL GROUP | 6:30PM | HIGH SCHOOL ROOM**

Our kick off meeting is tonight. We typically meet every other Sunday Evening. Our group is geared for guys in their 20's and 30's and consists of discussing the challenges men face in today's world by having a biblical perspective on dealing with them. Prayer, fellowship and support are also the strengths of this group. The study book we will be using is entitled "being God's man...by standing firm under pressure". Any questions, contact Larry Belluscio 610-306-6062 ([johnbellusciosr@gmail.com](mailto:johnbellusciosr@gmail.com)) or Mike Motta ([mike.motta@auc.org](mailto:mike.motta@auc.org))

## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

### **SIDE BY SIDE**

Be in prayer about your participation in our mentoring ministry this year which will begin on November 21st! Ask God who it is He would have come alongside you for a six-month period so that you both "may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith" (Romans 1:12). Mentors need to be church members and mentees need to be regular attendees of AUC who desire to grow in their walk with the Lord, while encouraging another in an intentional friendship-building relationship. Sign-ups will begin next Sunday, throughout the month of October, and will end the first Sunday in November.

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

Women's Fall Dinner—October 15th 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Craft Coffee House—November 12th 7pm in Fellowship Hall

Game Night—November 19th 7pm in the Chapel

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

**REMEMBERED BY ::** Elaine Irwin

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

**REMEMBERED BY ::** Dave & Barbara Gingrich

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