### STUDENT MINISTRIES PASTOR SEARCH

As our latest candidate recently accepted a position at a church close to where his family is already established, we are still looking to fill this gap in our ministry staff. Please be in earnest prayer that the Lord will provide just the right man, at just the right time for us.

I would like to thank all those who have stepped up to fill the void and keep our youth ministries going as we continue to search.

Pastor Joe

# **MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK**

#### **CALEB AND KAYLAH OLSHEFSKY**

On September 16, we welcomed our daughter, Eden Grace! She weighed 9 lbs and was 21" long. Kaylah and Eden Grace are doing great, and Eden Grace has been sleeping and eating well. The kids have loved having her around, and we are so thankful that God has blessed us with a fourth healthy child! Please praise the Lord with us for his kindness in providing the healthy delivery of our baby girl. October 21 was our fall conference. The event this year was sold out, with about 460 students attending. We thank God for the opportunity to share the Gospel with non-Christian students. Pray for Kaylah and Caleb to have the energy and stamina to care for the children and a busy fall schedule. Pray for Caleb's hand. On the way to work, he fell off his bike the other day and fractured a knuckle in his left hand. Pray that he would heal quickly from this injury. You may send a word of encouragement to Caleb and Kayah at colshefsky@gmail.com



**NOVEMBER SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION:** Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

### CHURCH WORK DAY | SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 9 AM-NOON

There are many indoor and outdoor projects for all ages to participate in, so bring a rake or other tool. Come early to Fellowship Hall for refreshments, and we'll break at noon for lunch (Lunch provided).

#### THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE | WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 | 7PM

In addition to singing and reading God's Word together, there will be an opportunity to share something about God that you're personally thankful for, so come prepared! Children of all ages will remain with their families for this service.

#### **DECEMBER EVENTS**

Please visit *auc.org/christmas2023* to see what's happening at AUC during the month of December, including our Christmas drama (December 9 & 10), Choir Concert (December 17), and Christmas Eve service. We kick off the season with a Blue Christmas Service on December 1 in the Chapel. This service is especially designed for those struggling with grief, infertility, job loss, mental illness, and other challenges for whom the joy of this season can be difficult to comprehend. We will acknowledge the trials while offering the hope of Jesus. All are welcome.

#### PRIMARY & JUNIOR DEPARTMENT BREAKFAST | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 | 9AM

The kids from 1st grade to 5th grade and their families will come out eat some pancakes and decorate the kid's Bible school classrooms for Christmas. Please join us as we come together to celebrate Jesus' birth!

#### AUC STUDENTS CHRISTMAS RIOT | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 | 4:30-7:30PM

Students and their friends are invited to come out to Christmas RIOT for a devotional, food, games, cookie decorating and so much more! This is a great outreach opportunity!

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 FAMILY MUSIC FESTIVAL | ALL AGES WELCOME

Your musical gifts are needed for an evening of Christmas music presented by our church family on Sunday night, December 3. If you sing or play an instrument (solos, duets, or small groups too!) and have a Christmas song you'd like to share, contact Pastor Michael by November 12.

## **MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS FUND**

Every year we send a special gift to each missionary family at Christmas time. We encourage you to contribute to our Missionary Christmas fund, in addition to your regular support. You can give online or by check. We are collecting this money from now until Thanksgiving.

# **MISSIONS CONFERENCE**

It's never to early to save the date for next year's Missionary Conference. From March 9-17, 2024 we will have our 88th annual missionary conference in which we will hear from our church sponsored missionaries and other missionaries with various missions organizations.

## **MISSIONARY NEED**

Raul Torrejon and his family will be coming to Aldan soon. They will be spending time with family and visiting supporting people and churches over the holidays. They are in need of a car during their stay from Nov. 30-Jan.16. Contact Dave Gingrich or Jonatan Torrejon for more information.

## FOOD PANTRY

We will be open Monday November 6 from 6:30 to 7:30PM, Tuesday November 14 from 6:15 to 7:15PM, and Sunday November 26 from noon to 1PM. Thank you in advance for your continued donations.

# FAMILY THANKSGIVING DINNER | NOVEMBER 23 | 3PM

We'd love for you to join us for Thanksgiving dinner! Members and regular attenders are invited to the Chapel at 3PM on Thanksgiving Day. We ask everyone to contribute something, so please see Carolyn or Fran Heron to sign up by November 19 and let us know what you'd like to bring.

# **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

We invite you to pick up boxes, packing instructions and other information about OCC at the table in the Gym during Connect time! You can also donate items for the kids and students to pack some boxes or gather a group of friends to pack boxes. Filled shoeboxes can be dropped off at the table in the Gym. The deadline for shoeboxes is November 19. Contact the church office.

## HELP IN THE NURSERY

Looking for a place to serve in our church body? We need volunteers to help care for infants and toddlers Sunday mornings. We need help for special services in December too. If you are interested in serving our church families this way, contact Brittni Nelson (brittnijnelson@gmail.com).

## WINTER COAT DRIVE

Men's Ministry is hosting its annual coat drive through the month of November. New and slightly used coats for girls, boys and adults are needed for those less fortunate. Coats will be distributed to the Snyder Avenue Church in Philadelphia. Any questions contact John Sykes or another men's ministry member.

### **STUDENT MINISTRY**

# MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY | 7PM

Students are welcome to join us every week for Bible Study on the Student Floor. We will continue our study in the book of Proverbs this Wednesday!

### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

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

Our teacher for this week is Sunny King. Coffee is provided.

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

We meet Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### JUST US GIRLS | NOVEMBER 10 | 7PM | GYM

We will meet Friday evening at 7PM in the gym. We will be wrapping gifts for our Christmas service project. Please bring a roll of wrapping paper, scissors and tape if you can. Also, since we will need energy to do this, a batch of cookie would also be welcomed!! Please reach out to Pennie or Loretta to let us know if you are coming so we can plan accordingly!!!

### MOMS IN PRAYER | 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS | 7:00-8:30PM

This prayer group is designed for anyone who wants to pray for our children and what they are dealing with today. Contact Lysa Burton (484-995-5165 or rlrsburton@verizon.net).