

## The Salem Stimulus

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# Member DIRECTORY

## SALEM'S ONLINE DIRECTORY

Have you been trying to contact a member but the contact information listed in the directory is no longer valid OR he/she is a newer member and are not included in the directory? With our new ONLINE Directory, member information will be up to date all the time! It is easy to access and easy to activate your information for others to view!

## How to sign in:

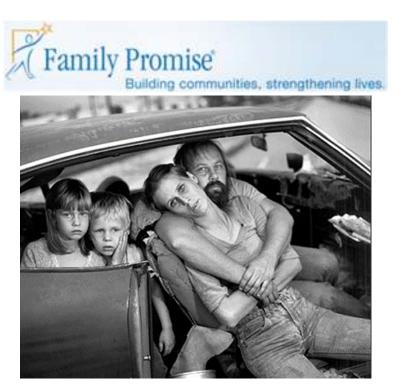
- Log into our membership site at www.onrealm.org/fishingcreekumc
- Scroll down to the bottom of the Sign in Screen and click **Register Now**.
- Complete the registration screen by using the email address that is on file in the church office (it is important that you use the email that is on file in the office, otherwise a duplicate profile will be set up.) If you are unsure of the email on file, please contact the office before signing in. An email address is *required* to register. If you do not have an email address, contact the Church Office.
- Assign yourself a password as directed.
- You will be directed to check your email for further instructions to complete the registration process.
- Follow the instructions and you will be brought automatically into your Profile screen showing your personal information. Your account is activated.
- To select the contact information that you want to be visible to other members, move your curser to the upper right of the Contact Information line. Click on the pencil icon.
- If there are changes to your contact information, you may update your profile at this time.
- Beside the Address and Phone section you will see an icon that looks like a pad lock. Click on the lock. Currently your privacy should be set on "Group Leaders & Church Staff". If you would like others to be able to see that field information, click on "Everyone in the Church". Do this for both fields (Address & Phones).
- Be sure to scroll to the bottom and click "Save" when you are finished making all updates.
- You can find other members who have activated their profiles by typing their name in the "Search" field at the top of the page.
- When you are finished in the database, click on your name in the upper right corner of the screen. Then click "Sign Out".

## Need help??

Our Tech team will be available after each worship service on May 8th, 15th & 22nd to help you register and answer questions. See them in the Welcome Center on these dates from 9:15-9:45am & 12:00-12:30pm OR in Fellowship Hall from 10:30-11:00am.

## **CONSECRATION SUNDAY REPORT**

Our Consecration Sunday was a testimony to the generosity and the love of the people of Salem. 116 Estimate of Giving Cards were offered as a commitment to Jesus' work here at Salem. As the promises that were made are kept, we expect to realize a *14% increase* in the funds we have available for ministry in the coming year. Thank you to all!



## Make an impact on homelessness in our area!

Seventy five percent of Family Promise families get back on track to their own homes within 90 days! By driving the van, making a meal, staying overnight, providing breakfast and lunch donations, assisting with set-up and tear-down, and/or serving as an evening host – YOU are making a difference!

Salem will host **May 22-29** – and will provide families with a safe place to stay, meals, transportation, love and care. To get involved, connect with Laurie Murry or see the sign-up sheet at: <u>www.volunteersignup.org/4DWYQ</u>



# Great Opportunities for Salem to Serve & be Involved in Our Community!

- August 2 National Night Out Last year, over 2,000 people attended the event at Roof Park. This year, Salem would like to host game booths! Plan to become a part of it!
- September Newberry Community Day Fair Last year, over 300 people stopped by Salem's games and played! A fantastic way to reach out to the community!

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS Coming Summer 2016

Members of the Valley Green Townhouse community in conjunction with Fishing Creek Salem UMC invite all teens and their families to a cookout on Monday, May 23rd at 6:00 pm at the neighborhood pavilion (North Conley Lane) as we kick off a new program designed for teens to connect and have fun in a positive, uplifting and organized way.

We will be offering hot dogs, chips & drink at the picnic for teens on the 23rd on a first come, first serve basis and we will share the schedule for upcoming summer events we have planned.

Some of the event we are looking into ... A 3v3 basketball tournament, a pool party, and more!



# PRAYING FOR YOUR

# MISSION TEAMS

By Chris Hefner

Salem Church has several mission trips planned for this summer. Teams going to Haiti (August), Kentucky (August), and York (July). Prayer is the primary ingredient for spiritually successful mission trips, and the Fishing Creek Salem congregation is being asked to join in prayer over these trips. In the next three issues of the Stimulus, prayer ideas will be shared. Please take the time to incorporate the mission teams into your prayer time.

1. **Pray that the mission team will not let the platform take the place of the mission**. In Matthew 28:18-20, Jesus commissioned us to make disciples. That's our mission. Oftentimes, compassion ministry, construction, or other need-based ministries are the "platforms" that give opportunity for mission trips. But success in meeting these needs is not our "mission." Our mission is disciple-making (evangelism, teaching, baptizing) connected to a local church. It is easy to let the need (platform) become the focus. Pray that your mission teams will not forget the "mission" in lieu of meeting the need.

2. **Pray for the spiritual preparation and development of the mission team.** There's a reason Paul's prayer for spiritual boldness in proclaiming the gospel (Ephesians 6:19) followed his treatment of Christian armor and spiritual warfare. Mission trips are not for the spiritually weak—they require recognition of the spiritual war we are facing. Pray that your teams will be spiritually prepared for the work and war they are sure to face.

3. **Pray for the financial support of the mission team.** When Jesus sent out his witnesses, he told them to trust the provision offered in the villages for their wages and sustenance (Matthew 10:9-10; Luke 10:4-8). International mission trips cost money. And I believe in a God who owns everything. Pray that God would meet the financial obligations of each team member and mission trip.



# Do you have a HEART FOR MISSION?

Salem is forming a *Mission Support Team*. This is an <u>active</u> team of people who will become a vital link between those "going" on missions and the "sender", Salem Church. We are seeking people who will become connected with those going on local, national, and global mission trips, and who will offer prayers, encouragement, assistance with fundraising, and more. If you feel called to participate, please connect with Laurie Murry at Imurry@fcsalem.org



Item of the Month: Cleaning buckets are sent from Mission Central to people all over the world who need to clean up after a flood or hurricane. Mission Central is in low supply of reusable wipes CORNER (hand-wipes) for those kits.

Please place the Handi-wipes in the bin marked "Mission Central Item of the Month" located at the end of the hall outside Nursery School rooms (rooms 112-114).



Who is ready to go spelunking through dark caves with Jesus as your light at Cave Quest Vacation Rible School!

Kids learn Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives us hope for each new day. His love illuminates when the path is dark. Cave Quest VBS encourages kids to follow Jesus where ever he will lead them!!?!

It is that time of year again...VBS preparation is in full swing! There are so many ways that you can get involved. Of course we need lots of volunteers the week of Vacation Bible School...but there is a lot of prep work to been done in the next month § a half...perhaps you will be out of town the week of VBS but you would like to be involved in leading about 225 children to follow Jesus!! WOW, doesn't just the thought of connecting ONE child to Jesus just excite you! Oh....I LOVE this!! Here is how you can get involved...sign ups to do so can be done by contacting Tracey Michelsen <u>tmichelsen@fosalem.org</u> OR via our weekly connection

cards found in the Sunday Bulletins.

## Donate Food items for the Volunteer Dinners...what a

ministry this has become! Each evening we feed over 100 people dinner so that the Volunteers can have a nice meal with their families and fellowship with other volunteers before beginning their evening of serving Jesus. FYI... A please bring it website will be created the first week of May and will be published in an upcoming

## ITEMS TO BORROW

These items will get returned to you after VBS week is complete. PLEASE put your name on these items so we know who's is who's.



## **ITEMS FOR DONATIONS**

These items are needed to be dropped off in the donation bin located in Mission Corner as soon as possible to be used for VBS Prep unless otherwise indicated.

Large, Appliance sized cardboard boxes

Left over Water Based Paints/Foam Paint Brushes Bristle Paint Brushes

8 Hula Hoops (can be used)

Christmas Lights;; working colored or white

White flat Sheets/white fabric to be upcycled

 $250\,\mathrm{CLEAR}\,\mathrm{plastic}\,5"\,\mathrm{dessert}\,\mathrm{plates}$ 

500 White Paper Dessert Sized Plated

White Glue for paper mache project

Rock Speckled Spray Paint...any color

Clear MATTE spray paint

Tarps (old paint tarps would be great or old plastic tarps)

Black sheets or large pieces of dark colored fabric

4 ounce cups (A LOT J)

LOTS of Newspaper and even the glossy coupon pages

## HANDS ON HELP

\*Volunteer for the week of VBS \*Take Home Crafts with directions \*Paper Mache project at the church \*Painting Sets; at the church \*Craft prep work; at the church or at home

\*sign up to be part of our set up team for Saturday 6/11 & Sunday 6/12 \*sign up to part of our tear down crew for Sunday 6/19 in the afternoon or evenings that next week PRAY for the VBS Team of Adults § Youth AND the hearts of the little children that will be joining us for a week that will change their lives!

If you have any questions feel free to reach out to the Director of VBS Tracey Michelsen 717-938-1928 or tmichelsen@fcsalem.org



# for 2016 Salem Dinner Theater Tuesday, May 10 at 7 PM



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN! TIME TO THINK ABOUT TAKING THE PLUNGE AND STEPPING ONSTAGE! TAKE A TURN IN THE SPOTLIGHT AND BE A PART OF THE 2016 DINNER THEATER AT SALEM.

THE PLAY THIS YEAR WILL BE ANOTHER COMEDY, SO BE READY TO LAUGH! AUDITIONS WILL BE ON TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016 AT 7:00 PM AND IS OPEN TO ALL ADULTS (POST HIGH SCHOOL). IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO AUDITION, PLEASE CALL JEANNIE PELEN AT 579-5164, EMAIL AT <u>JPELEN@PTD.NET</u>, OR DROP A NOTE IN HER CHURCH MAILBOX. IF YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS AND ARE UNABLE TO MAKE IT ON MAY 10, CALL JEANNIE TO MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.



Find a complete list of Salem's Small Groups at www.fcsalem.org. Follow the "Adult" tab to the link.

If you need more information about any group or what it's studying, contact Susan Ryder at <u>sryder@fcsalem.org</u> or through the church office.

## Rev. Dr. Paul Stanley Wilcox Memorial Scholarship

The Rev. Dr. Paul Stanley Wilcox Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a deserving youth or young adult from Fishing Creek Salem UMC who has been accepted to their first year of post-secondary education. This scholarship is established in honor of Pastor Paul's love for youth and education and to support and encourage the ministry and calling of all persons. Applications and guidelines are located in the wall rack by the South Entrance. Deadline for applications is June 15th.



## UPWARD SPORTS INFORMATIONAL MEETING



We'd like to bring Upward Sports to Salem! If you are interested in volunteering to help start a program in the fall, there will be an informational meeting on May 22nd at 5.30pm in Room 210. If you are interested but not able to attend the meeting please contact Matt & Tara Durlin (mtdurlin@gmail.com)



## CHRISTMAS CLOSET BINS ARE BACK!

The bins are now out everyday in the Mission Corner and upstairs outside the Ministry Workshop area. Drop off donations anytime, at your convenience.

As you are spring cleaning, please consider donating items to Salem!

<u>We're especially looking for:</u> Toys, kids clothes/shoes, bikes, linens, adult/kids jewelry, kitchen items, household items, baby items, and holiday decorations.

NEW items wanted: Toys, towels, baby items.

REMINDER: We do NOT accept adult clothing, adult books, or large household items. Anything we do not use will be donated to Community Aid.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, December 3, 2016

Stav ir touch with

Each Friday, Salem sends out an *Email Blast* which highlights upcoming events & announcements. If you aren't receiving this blast and would like to, mark your Connection Card in the Sunday worship folder accordingly (be sure to include your email address) or contact the church office.

## LIBRARY NEWS By Kathy Alford



Several acclaimed DVDs have joined our library collection. Please take time to check them out!

## Son of God

From producers Mark Burnett and Roma Downey comes the most important chapter of the Greatest Story Ever Told for a whole new generation of families to enjoy. Acclaimed Portuguese actor Diego Morgado delivers a spectacular portrayal of Jesus as this powerful and inspirational feature film depicts the life of Christ, from His humble birth through His teachings, crucifixion and ultimate resurrection (138 minutes).

### A.D. The Bible Continues

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This spectacular 12-part series picks up where *The Bible* left off. This powerful spiritual journey begins with the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ, chronicling the heroic acts and sacrifices of His early followers during the most tumultuous of times as they change the course of human history. Featuring an extraordinary international cast, thrilling action and astonishing visual effects, this is an epic story for the ages and inspiring entertainment for everyone (600 minutes).

#### War Room

From the creators of *Fireproof* and *Courageous*, comes *War Room*, a compelling faith drama filled with humor and heart that became the #1 movie in U.S. theaters and received raving reviews from audiences of all ages. Tony and Elizabeth Jordan have it all—great jobs, a beautiful daughter, and their dream house. But appearances can be deceiving. Their world is actually crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. While Tony basks in his professional success, Elizabeth resigns herself to increasing bitterness. But their lives take an unexpected turn when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara, and is challenged to establish a "war room" and a battle plan of prayer for her family. As Elizabeth tries to fight for her family, Tony's hidden struggles come to light. Tony must decide if he will make amends with his family and prove Miss Clara's wisdom that victories don't come by accident" (120 minutes).

#### Unbroken

Academy Award winner Angelina Jolie directs and produces this epic drama that follows the incredible life of Olympian and war hero Louis "Louie" Zamperini who along with two other crewmen, survived on a raft for 47 days after a near-fatal plane crash in WWII—only to be caught by the Japanese navy and sent to a prisoner-of-war camp. Adapted from Laura Hillenbrand's enormously popular book, it's the inspiring true story about the resilient power of the human spirit (2 hrs. 18min.)



## BACK TO THE BIBLE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS NEWS Kathy Alford

Beginning in May and going through July, we will be studying *Journey Through the Bible: Colossians through Jude. Journey Through the Bible* uses the NRSV to study the Bible book by book. Each volume Contains 13 sessions. It highlights pivotal points in the Scripture and lifts up the Bible's most significant stories, themes, events and people. The study features questions and describes the historical and cultural setting. The lesson includes the original language and what the passage meant for its first readers. It gives insight into possible life applications for individuals, congregations and communities and maps out a daily personal journey plan for those interested in reading the whole Bible, verse by verse.

Please join us for this insightful study. Visitors are always welcome. Study materials are provided. We meet every Sunday morning from 9:30-10:30 in room 213.



Salem Seniors Lunch

The Salem Seniors will be meeting on Thursday, May 19th at **11:00-11:15am** at Duke's Grille in Wormlesyburg. Please contact Fay & Jake Brown (938-1190, fayjake@ptd.net) to make your reservation by Tuesday, May 17th. *Please note the time change at request of Duke's Staff so they can better accommodate us.* 

ALL seniors are invited to join us for a wonderful afternoon of fun and fellowship.

The United Methodist Women will NOT meet in May due to the Mother/Daughter Banquet.

> Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 9th for our Annual Picnic !





## THE WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

The Woman's Book Group is about to start a new year. It was originally started by Susan Schell and is open to women 18 years or older. We meet on the Third Thursday of each month at 7 PM. For more information contact Marsha Uber (938-3108 or uber2495@epix.net.) The Books for the next months are:

May 19, 2016 - The Witches: Salem 1692 by Stacy Schiff

June 16, 2016 - Water From My Heart by Charles Martin

Corrine Armes Max Beam Zachary Bloom Angela Briggs Dylan Bryson Gabriel Bryson Rachel Cuomo Daniella Higgins Shawn Hostetter Colton Howard Natalie Mann Zachary Martin Chase Maynard Chase Michelsen Alyssa Pechart Charlotte Sadler Madison Taleff Christine Williams Nathan Young



PRAYER CHAIN

Please keep in your prayers these people who have had prayer concerns in the last month:

Aiden (Karen Pepperman's grandson), Armes family (mom-mom, pappy), Robert Armes, Art of Marriage Study, J.J. Baker, Barbara, Carlton Barron, Brittney Benton, Judy & Tom Benton, Samantha Benton, Ellen & Joe Betcke, Bethesda Women & Children Shelter, Georgene Bingman, Scott Binns, Olivea Blount, Marian Brinkley, Broken Family, Fay & Jake Brown (death of cousin Larry Sheibley), Betty Campbell (Jo Small's cousin), Carl, Cheddar, Velma Coffman, Lynn Craker (Sue Taylor's cousin), Crossroads Middle School student's mother, Culp Family, Melanie Cunningham, Marc Dalton (Nikki's brother), Desiree, Linda Edmondson, Carolyn & Wally Funk, Tom Gahring's family (Linda Young's nephew), David Gaskill's boss's mother, Ginny, Teresa Green, Victoria Green, Hendrickes Family (Karon Haring's co-workers), Melanie Hepburn's mom, Ashley Hill, Family of Doris Horn, Rose Horn's mother, Jessica, Lynda Jones' daughter, Judy (Deb Oakley's mother-in-law), Gene & Kate Kenney, Kline Family, Arlene Kowal, Tim Kozich, Ellen Lance, Larry, Sue Lucas, Marvis Maghan's daughter, Patricia Markley, Mason, Gene Milisavic (Bonnie Moody's dad), Dottie Morrette, Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church, Noah Musselman, Deb Oakley & family, Rick & Alice Orlandi, Debbie Parks, Ron Patrick (Gail Rosenberry's brother), Jeannette Payne's co-worker, Amy Peffer's father, Karen Pepperman, Ryan Pepperman, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Sue Preun, Schreffler Family, Sharon & Ed, Shirley & Paul Sheaffer, Shelley, John Shank, Mark Shank, Tina Shank, Ryan Shank, Sharon Stone, Paul Siegle, Dee Smith (Sue Taylor's friend), Sophia, Special Needs Child, Heidi Stahl, Steve, Tammy (Kathie Hoke's daughter), Aunt Terri, Christian Trepiccione (Janel Clemens Trepiccione's triplet son), Maria Valentin, Dale Walsh, Leroy Welter, Julie Wentzel's father, Kitty Wert (Diane Wert's sister-in-law), Jason Woods (Marsha Young's son), Kyle Young, Ped Young, Sr., SalemCares Ministry, Stephen Ministry & Salem's Military.

Do you have a prayer concern? Please call the Prayer Chain Coordinator, Fay Brown at 938-1190 or call Salem's Church Office at 938-1928 or email at www.office@fcsalem.org.

#### Dear Pastors & Church Family,

Thank you so much for your prayers, Members of FCSUMC, cards, concern, visits and offers of help. We really appreciate it. Praise God! Through your prayers ous monetary donation. Thank you for your con-God has given Rick the gift of no pain. There con- tinued support of our mission. In March we tinues to be ups and downs on this cancer jour- served 136 families that totaled 344 people. ney, be we remain hopeful.

In Loving Thanks, **Rick & Alice Orlandi**  Dear Pastor Heisley-Cato, Pastor Overman &

Thank you so much for your very gener-Nina Myers & Deb Trimmer

Co Directors of the RL Food Ministry







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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED** 

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Sunday Worship at 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00 AM Sunday School for all ages at 9:30AM; Adult Class at 11:00AM

