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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY POSITIONS at BUMC

The following part-time positions are open for applicants to apply in the area of Children's Ministry at BUMC:

- Administrative Assistant in the Children's Learning Center
- Nursery / Pre - K Coordinator
- Kindergarten - Third Grade Coordinator
- Fourth - Sixth Grade Coordinator

Send applications to <ccoats@broadmoor-umc.org> or mail to:

Cheri Coats, Director of Children's Ministries
10230 Mollylea Dr
Baton Rouge, LA 70815

If you have any questions, please contact Cheri Coats at 926-5243.



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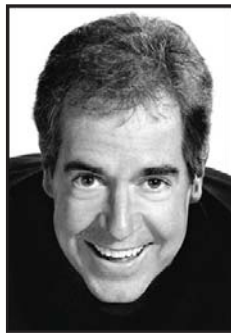
Celebrating Recent Accomplishments

Here is a list of just some of our recent accomplishments since Bill Easum's recommendations for Broadmoor UMC:

- Re-energized traditional services with David Shaler as worship leader
- Established team for consistent use of projectors in traditional services
- Parking lot repainted
- 100 new chairs for worship center (now 200 total)
- Started Kidz Worship at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday
- Planned Fresh Start Sunday for September 12 (Doubleday - meant to double our first time visitors)
- Diaper changing stations in men's bathrooms
- Approved spending to fix lighting and air conditioning in the Sanctuary
- Approved spending to start on welcome center
- Established a parking lot greeter team
- Added an extra screen and projector to worship center
- Using one produced video every week in Casual Service
- Receiving bids for creation of a new website
- Strategic planning meeting to write mission statement
- Restructured Children's Ministries staff to better meet our needs

COMEDY NIGHT Coming to Broadmoor!

Sunday, August 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gym



Come hear the hilarious, clean, family-friendly comedy of Robert G. Lee from Los Angeles. Robert has been Hollywood's top warm-up comic for almost 20 years, entertaining audiences on the sets of shows such as *Just Shoot Me*, *Becker*, *The Drew Carey Show*, and *The New Adventures of Old Christine*. He is also active as a writer and director, providing material for the popular kids video series *Veggie Tales*. He has released six comedy videos and travels the country entertaining at churches and corporations. Robert combines humor with Biblical insights to communicate

the joy of the Lord. This is a great outreach tool for our time, so plan on bringing friends and neighbors! Snacks will be served. For more about Mr. Lee and to see clips of his comedy, check out his website at www.robertglee.com.

The Good Dark

Somebody taught us a lie. We've been taught that the dark is bad. The night belongs to monsters, burglars, and mischievous children. "Nothing good ever happens after dark," our parents taught us. Dark represents evil and depression. Shakespeare referred to Satan as the prince of darkness.

I disagree. There is a good dark. As a child I learned of those nocturnal angels who assisted Santa in placing Christmas gifts at night. Those angels assisted the Easter bunny to hide eggs and even gave money for a pulled tooth. As a teen I could hardly wait for the dark so my car radio could receive that special AM station. It was only in the dark that you could go to a drive-in theatre and steal a kiss from your girl. Often times it was only after dark that the fish would bite. And only after dark could you really see the stars.

Genesis tells us that the dark is good. Creation began in the dark as "a wind from God swept over the face of the waters." It was following the good dark that God said, "Let there be light." God separated light from dark and concluded seeing that everything he had made was very good. Why is it that we are so quick to thank God for the light and almost never thank God for the dark?

I want to argue for a dark night savings time that balances out daylight savings time. Though neither dark nor light can actually be saved, we could be grateful for both. If light is the metaphor for understanding, then dark should be the metaphor for faith. In the same way that light follows dark, understanding follows faith. Martin Luther would phrase it this way: *fide querens intellectum*, faith seeking understanding.

We should not be afraid of the dark whether literal or metaphorical. It is in the dark where God seems to be most creative. It is in the dark where we are called to be most faithful having to trust where we cannot see. Humans have never really had a problem with darkness as such. It is just that we cannot bear our own lack of understanding, we cannot tolerate not being "in the know." This may be the central reason that we do not like change. The great temptation of Adam and Eve was not the taste of fruit, but the taste of never having to not be in the know, never having to be in the dark. And they were willing to gamble paradise for a potential taste.

Take time tonight to find some dark. See how difficult it is to truly find. Consider the mystery of God and creation. Give thanks for your lack of understanding. If what existed was only that which we could understand, it would be a pitiful and boring life. Have faith in the One whom no one understands. Be patient in times of change. Nothing good ever came about without change, including God's good creation, including you. And remember Christ's promise: "Behold, I make all things new." Let's work with God, both day and night.

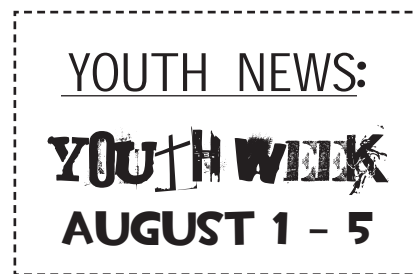


Newsletter Changes Coming Soon!

Beginning with our September 2 issue, our newsletter *The Beacon* will become a **monthly** publication, which will be released on the first Thursday of every month. The new deadline for article submission will be the 15th of every month. Example: The deadline for the September 2 issue will be August 15. But that's not the only change! The rest will just have to be a surprise.

H.O.P.E. Grief Support Groups

Grief support groups will be offered through Hospice of Baton Rouge on Thursday evenings from July 29 through October 21 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102 of the Adult Education Building. For more information, call Hospice of Baton Rouge at 767-4673.



LIVING REMEMBRANCES

Broadmoor United Methodist Church gratefully acknowledges the gifts made during the month of June 2010 "in memory of and in honor of" special persons who have played an important role in the lives of our members. Memorial or honorarium gifts are accepted at any time and in any amount.

In memory of Mr. Thomas Bickham, father of
Mrs. Beverly Hansen
Mr. John Tyner

In memory of Mr. Larrie Butler
Friends

In memory of Mrs. Clara Borchers, mother
of Mrs. Charlotte Villaume
Frank and Jenola Duke

In memory of Mr. Clyde Broyles, father of
Mr. Allen Broyles
Mark and Freda Montgomery
Mr. and Mrs. James Abbott

In memory of Mrs. Juanita Crawford, step-mother
of Mr. Grady Crawford
Mr. John Tyner

In memory of Mr. Harold "Buddy" Gibson,
husband of Mrs. Sandy Gibson
Bob and Cherry Hilborn

In memory of Mrs. Beth Hansen, parents of
Mrs. Linda Manes and grandparents of
Mr. Eddie Manes and Mr. Robert Manes
Frank and Jenola Duke

In memory of Bob and Beth Hansen, parents of
Mrs. Linda Manes and grandparents of
Mr. Eddie Manes and Mr. Robert Manes
Mrs. Katherine Roberts

In memory of Mr. Frank LaGrone, husband of
Mrs. Jan LaGrone
Frank and Jenola Duke

In memory of Mrs. Gladys Maloney, sister
of Mrs. Ruth Nelson
UMW Love Circle
Mrs. Ruth Nelson

In memory of Mr. David McKeithen, son of
Mr. Billy McKeithen
Mr. John Tyner
Mrs. Ruth Nelson
Mildred Taylor and Billy McKeithen

In memory of Mrs. Pamela Donaho, sister of
Mr. Michael Cockrell
Friends
Mark and Freda Montgomery
Bruce and Limda MacMorran
Mrs. Janis Copenhaver
Explorer's Sunday School Class
Mr. John Tyner

In memory of Mrs. Dena Holt, daughter of
David and Dee Ann Roberts
Friends
Mr. John Tyner
Trudie and Sid Osterberger
Ed and Hope Kinberger
Mrs. Janis Copenhaver

In memory of Mr. Alex Kovacs, husband of
Mrs. Lora Kovacs
Mr. John Tyner
Raymond and Rosemary Pillow

In memory of Mrs. Barbara McNary, mother
of Ms. Linn McNary
Lee and Marcia McKinzie
Mrs. Sally Stacey

In memory of Mrs. Myrtle Morgan, sister of
Mrs. Katie Reid
Frank and Jenola Duke
George and Myra Florentine

In memory of Mrs. Matha LaRue Napper, mother
of Mr. Jim Napper
Friends

In memory of Mr. John Payne
Mr. John Tyner
Frank and Jenola Duke

In memory of Mrs. Leona Settoon, mother of
Mrs. Ann Abernethy
Rev. and Mrs. Jerry M. James
Tinker and Christy Harelson

In memory of Mr. Jack Zollinger, brother of
Mr. Bill Zollinger
Mr. John Tyner

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In memory of Mr. Harvey Lee Luke, husband of Mrs. Ollie Jean Luke, father of Mrs. Sally Streete and Mrs. Julie Brown

William and Brenda Chandler

Mike and Rhonda Amis

Mrs. Marty Badon

Mark and Freda Montgomery

Ben and Mary Seward

Mrs. Myrtle Luke

Robert and Diane Brown

Vance and Brenda Ericson

Laurel and Robert Herrington

Mrs. Sally Stacey

Ms. Jeri Shread

Mrs. Sally Streete

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook

Jim and Ann Miller

In memory of Mrs. Nancy Ohler, mother of

Mrs. Debra Towe

Ed and Hope Kinberger

Mark and Freda Montgomery

In memory of Mrs. Margaret Pultz

David and Lisa Pultz

In memory of Mr. Dan Markland

David and Lisa Pultz

In memory of Mrs. Linda Sciple, wife of Mr. Tim Sciple and mother of Ms. Amy Sciple and Mr. Matthew Sciple

Mr. John Tyner

Frank and Jenola Duke

Raymond and Rosemary Pillow

Jim and Sally Pelton

Mrs. Katherine Roberts

In memory of Mrs. Mary Singletary

Mrs. Charlene Cappel

In memory of Mr. Harry Sumrall, brother of

Mrs. Nell Doughty

Frank and Jenola Duke

In memory of Mr. John Thompson

Mrs. Llewellyn DeFoe

In memory of Mrs. Maudie Gardner, aunt of

Mr. John Morgan

Friends

In memory of Mr. J. W. Torbet, Sr.

Mrs. Rosemary Pillow

In memory of Mrs. Janice Narozniak, wife of Mr. Eddie Narozniak

Mr. John Tyner

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kogler

Raymond and Rosemary Pillow

In memory of Miss Stephanie Roberts, granddaughter of Mrs. Katherine Roberts

Mrs. Katherine Roberts

In memory of Mr. Norman Sisson, husband of

Mrs. Margaret Sisson

Mrs. Katherine Roberts

In memory of Mrs. Anne Westall, mother of

Ms. Barbara Westall

Mrs. Katherine Roberts

In memory of Mr. H. J. Warren

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson

In memory of Mr. J. E. Wilson

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson

In honor of Mrs. Martha Anderson

Friends

In honor of Ed and Willery Capron

Mrs. Charlene Cappel

In honor of Mr. Paul Hicks

Mrs. Chesney Varnado

In memory of Mr. Max Miller

Ron and Renee Miller

In memory of Mr. William Molpus

Allen and BJ Posey

In honor of Mr. Raymond Pillow

Mrs. Rosemary Pillow

In memory of Mr. Allen Posey, Sr.

Allen and BJ Posey

In memory of Mr. Stan Groves

Mrs. Frances Groves

The next Beacon will have a publication date of Thursday, August 5. The deadline for article submission of that issue is Thursday, July 29.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

The church office has been notified that those members listed here are in the hospital, have been hospitalized in the past two weeks, or will be having surgery.*

Church Women United

Church Women United will celebrate Human Rights Day on Friday, August 6 at Francis Asbury United Methodist Church (15477 Old Hammond Highway). The program "Living the Challenge Differently Enabled, Uniquely Called" starts at 10:00 a.m.

Julie Brown	Claudia Jack	Robin McDonald	Hazel Robinson
John Cadle	William Kemp	Don Morgan	Robert Stockstill
Terrell Copenhaver	Fran Kogler	Margaret Morgan	Alice Story
Lois Finlay	Jim Massengale	Bob Powell	Lyndon Williams

Give the Gift of Life

The third BUMC blood donation Sunday of 2010 is scheduled for August 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Room 101 of the Adult Education Building. We are 29 blood units short of our current goal so we encourage everyone who is able to participate to do so.

If you have a little extra time, Our Lady of the Lake is bringing two Trima cell separators which will allow a donor to make the equivalent of *two* donations using the same amount of blood normally donated.

Both previous and new donors are welcome to come and give the Gift of Life. You alone can make that gift. Giving the Gift of Life will make someone else's burden lighter, and you will feel good for having done so.

Remember to eat a healthy breakfast prior to donating blood.



We Express Our Deepest Sympathy to:

Bettie Lane in the death of her husband and Ruth Bass in the death of her father, *George Lane*

Dan and Vonda Lackey in the death of her mother; Matthew Smith, Danielle Lackey, and Sarah Lackey in the death of their grandmother, *Margaret Walters*

Infant Arrivals:

Baylee Avonne Osborne was born July 6, 2010 to Scott and Hollee Osborne. Proud grandparents are Bud and Lucy Dunaway. Baylee was welcomed home by her big sister, Allison.

United Methodist Women

All ladies are invited to attend a monthly circle meeting of your choice on the following dates:

Day Circle – Tuesday, July 27 at 9:30 a.m.

Charity Circle – Adult Education Building, Room 101

Hope Circle – home of Janis Mayeux, 4308 Lake Limestone Drive

Grace Circle – home of Vallan Corbett, 7810 Walden Road

Night Circle – Monday, July 26 at 6:45 p.m.

Love Circle – Adult Education Building, Room 102

Night Circle – Tuesday, July 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Faith Circle – home of Joanne Cowgill, 1491 McMichael Drive

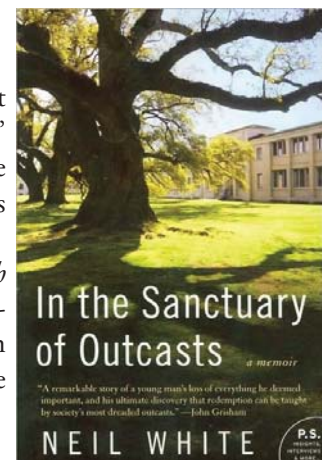


A nursery is provided at the church upon request by calling Kathy Stewart at 755-1615.

Read, Relax, and Relate

The BUMC book club will be discussing *In the Sanctuary of Outcasts* by Neil White at our next meeting on Monday, August 9. This book is currently the "Baton Rouge One Book, One Community" selection, and there are lots of local events going on around the city that tie into the book. The discussion will be held in Room 107 of the Adult Education Building at 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming reads: *Evidence of Things Unseen* by Marianne Wiggins on September 13 and *No Such Thing as Impossible* by Jairo Alvarez Botero on October 4. It is the inspiring story of this seventy-year-old Colombian immigrant and Baton Rouge businessman who is living proof that the American dream is not a myth. Mr. Botero will also be speaking to our book group this evening and we welcome participants!



Financial Peace University Returning This Fall

Sign up now for the Fall 2010 class of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University being offered at Broadmoor United Methodist Church. The class covers all facets of personal finance and will meet weekly in Room 101 of the Adult Education Building from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Sundays starting August 15 and running until November 21.

The course is \$93/family, and covers all materials required for the class. A nursery will be provided. Checks can be made to BUMC and materials will be given out on the first night of class.

For more information, or to have information presented to your small group or Sunday school class, call the church office at 924-6269 or Robert Manes at 288-1308.



Encourage An Educator

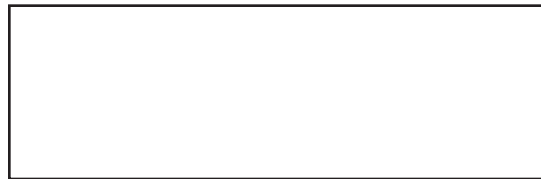
15 female and 5 male volunteers are still needed for an easy, powerful prayer ministry called Teacher/Staff TLC. An “encourager” is paired with a teacher or staff member at Broadmoor Elementary in these ways:

- A. Pray for your partner daily.
- B. About once a month, send a note or card of encouragement in their job and remind them of your prayers.
- C. Meet with your partner and provide a small token of appreciation at the beginning of school, at Christmas, and at Teacher Appreciation in May.

Contact Mary Wroten at 925-2238 or <twwroten@cox.net> if you would like to participate.

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