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Be sure to check out the information for Fund a Flock — All church picnic on the gold sheet in the middle of this newsletter Sunday, July 11 one service at 10:30am





Dear friends,

Philippians 4:9 (NIV) says this: "Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

One of my sources of daily spiritual food is my subscription to "The Daily Text" from Seedbed (an arm of Asbury Theological Seminary devoted to sowing seeds for a great awakening in the US). J. D. Walt is the "Chief Sower," and writes the Daily Text. Here is something he wrote today that resonates with my soul:

"If you are anything like me, it's easy to read something, think about it, ponder it, enjoy it, be challenged by it, agree with it for the most part, register an intention to do something about it, and then check e-mail, send a few text messages, get busy doing other things, and all of a sudden it's already tomorrow and the process repeats itself."

With this, he asks a haunting question: "What are you putting into practice?" I have to confess there is a lot of me in Walt's assessment. It can be very easy to attend worship, hear a stirring sermon and passionate praise, understand the challenge and implications of the Gospel for my life, and then return to life and routine without actually putting anything into practice.

Christian living is not about studying and knowing the right things. It is about everyday, going-to-work, walking-around living that puts into practice the love and holiness of Jesus Christ. If we are not being changed, what is the point?

So, I have to ask myself (and you): What are you putting into practice? What practice in my life am I working on to better honor Jesus in my living?

The practice God is calling for might be something He is calling us to stop. Clean up the foul language or unholy jokes we join in with at work or the bowling alley. Admit an addiction and work the steps of recovery to finally get victory over it. Refuse to join in the gossip about fellow students or coworkers.

Or the practice might be something God is calling us to start. Set aside time every day to follow a devotional plan to actually begin to read Scripture for myself and talk to God in prayer. Get myself out of bed and join in worship every Sunday, and not just once a month. Intentionally do an act of kindness every day for someone around me who is broken or hurting or discouraged.

"Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

What are you putting into practice? Let's start with the one thing Jesus is nudging us to do and honor Him by putting that into practice. And may the God of peace be with each of us in new and fresh ways as we honor Jesus.

> All for Jesus! Pastor Mike



Greetings Church!

Wow – God is moving, and we are trying to keep up!

Our church family is supporting a ton of ministries, events and fundraisers to bless others! A huge hats off to all those participating in prayer, time volunteered and donations!

Just to name a few from May, upcoming and ongoing:

- 1. Teen Challenge Beef purchase of beef and processing to bless Teen Challenge with \$3,000 worth of beef and protein for meals.
- 2. SOBA Sick Of Being Alone kickoff event in May to bless and support single moms.
- 3. Launch of Livingstone Academy a Christian 3 day per week, k-12 academy and homeschool to bless our children and families with an opportunity for Christ centered education.
- 4. Let's go camping! Elementary, Middle School and High School Camp season is coming up.
- 5. Graduations Congrats to our High School and College Seniors graduating in 2021!
- 6. Food Truck Has been back in action for the last few months. Great way to bless others in need. Trinity and Teen Challenge are always blessed with remaining food that is picked up and taken to them after the event!
- 7. Starting Point be watching for the next time to welcome our newcomers with lunch after the 11am service.
- 8. Fund a Flock Sunday July 11th is an all church chicken dinner fundraiser to support pastors in Zimbabwe.
- 9. Dayton water bill support for those in need \$1,000 each month from our benevolence fund is supporting 7-10 families per month with water bill assistance.
- 10. Prayer & Repair just recently assembled 100 new chairs for The Shop! Nice new addition for The Shop and for the youth.
- 11. The Lafayette Great Banquet and Awakening weekends will be starting back up this fall! This is an awesome weekend to focus on God and grow closer to Jesus. Adults attend the Great Banquet and High School students attend the Awakening.
- 12. Several small groups and bible studies are available to join please see me, Pastor Eric or any of our staff members for help joining any of the groups or events mentioned above.

Way to go! Have a great June!!

Peace and Blessings, Matt Bowers, Business Manager

DESTINATION DIG DIGEST

Pack your bags and grab your gear, VBS 2021 is headed to present-day Israel where an epic adventure of discovery awaits. At Destination Dig, kids will unearth more than just dirt. They'll discover real-life archaeological finds that have helped to uncover the truth about Jesus. Stories from the Bible will leap off the pages as kids explore where Jesus walked and examine artifacts that bring the world of the Bible to life. As junior archaeologists, kids will study tangible pieces of the past to learn the truth about who Jesus is and why He came. Along the way they'll discover the truth of Jeremiah 29:13 that God reveals Himself to us when we seek and search for Him with all our hearts!

VBS will be July 5 - 8, from 6:00 - 8:30

Kids ages 3 -12 may participate!

Watch for registration information on Facebook, in the church foyer and on the website, www.daytonumc.org

Even though VBS is mostly for kids, it is a time where the church family comes together to serve kids who are part of our congregation and their opportunity to grow, and also serve kids who will come to us for the first time to find out who Jesus is and what church is really about. Please consider joining us for these four short evenings. There are many ways to serve. Please consider the following:

Making snacks Leading a group of kids through the experience Crafts Games Set Up **Decorating Team** Tear Down Advertising **Encouraging Leaders** Childcare Pre-School leader Registration VBS Chef and Sous-Chef Cutting and painting back drops And more!

Prayer

Please contact Theresa at theresa.cornell@daytonumc.org or call/text 765-427-5965.

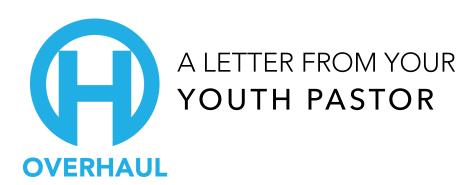


Once again, while we are having VBS here in Dayton, the children in India will be on our hearts. Kids will have a wonderful opportunity to give small amounts of money (\$5 is all it takes for one child) for VBS in India, where not only do they get to know Jesus, but receive a meal each day. Kids love to sponsor other kids for this most important mission!

One last opportunity to serve. Destination Dig is in need of some borrowed items. If you would like to loan any of these items. Please mark items clearly with your name and phone number, and place them in the wagons in the foyer.

Woven rugs Large baskets Large pottery jars Natural colored painting canvases Wooden buckets Wooden crates

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Hello!

Summer is officially here! As schools begin to wrap up their years, and students are now free to enjoy their freedom, we are looking forward to an amazing summer here at Overhaul Youth Group! One of the best parts about summer is camp. We are so excited for the opportunities we have this year to jump back into our Middle School and High School Camps.

Middle School will be heading to Green Lake, WI to participate in The Great Escape Camp. High School will be heading to Jackson, TN to participate in MFUGE camp, a camp that combines serving opportunities in the community with awesome community, worship, and teaching times. We hope you will join us in prayer for all the students going. Praying that God will provide safety but even more so that He will work in powerful ways in the student's hearts and lives. There is nothing like a week away from the distractions and "normal" of life. God uses times like these to reveal Himself in big ways. But we know that God doesn't just work during these awesome weeks over the summer. Be praying that these weeks are launching points for students into deep personal faith in Jesus, life change, and motivation to share Jesus' love like never before!

Along with partnering with us in prayer, there are also other ways to help provide financially and through some supplies and snacks needed for the camps. In the lobby, we have set up a "Camp Partner Wall". This wall has envelopes labeled with specific giving amounts. Inside those envelopes are also some prayer points to be praying specifically for students going to camp. If you are led, the wall is available for you to take an envelope, and partner by giving but also committing to pray for those students throughout the rest of the summer. We hope you will consider partnering with us!

Thank you so much for your support and prayer for the students of this congregation and beyond! We are so excited for all that God has planned!

In Christ, Pastor Caleb

John Walls' reflections of Roy Hatke's life

Melinda and I have wonderful memories of our times with Roy and Marietta. When we came to Dayton, in June of '88, they were part of the congregation and very welcoming. It didn't take long for me to realize that Roy loved the Lord, and had a heart to reach people for the Kingdom.

Roy was instrumental in the growth of DUMC. Not long after we began our ministry, here, I will never forget how Roy stood up and addressed the congregation one Sunday morning. With tears in his eyes, he said in his very straightforward way, "While I was mowing this week and praying about the church, the Lord spoke to me and I need to say this. 'There's too many chiefs and not enough Indians in this church, and God has sent John Walls here to lead us—so, we need to get behind him." At that time, there were no doubt some folks who didn't appreciate those words, but it was a pivotal moment in the life of the church and DUMC began to grow!

In those early years of ministry, Roy & Marietta were part of a daily prayer group that met each morning at the parsonage, and Roy would fix his delicious biscuits and gravy for the men's Sunday morning prayer group that met before Sunday School each week. Only Heaven will reveal the effect those prayer meetings had in the Dayton community!

As everyone knows, Roy had a great sense of humor! He almost always had a corny joke to tell me—some of which I couldn't share from the pulpit!! He loved to laugh and could also laugh at himself. When the saddle club started, in our church, Roy and Marietta bought a couple of Tennessee Walkers and became an active part of the group. One day Roy said to me, "You know, I can go out in the field to catch those horses, and they run from me, but Marietta goes out there and they come right up to her." I said, "Roy, get a clue! If you were a horse, who would you rather carry around all day—you or Marietta?" Roy laughed, and we often reminisced about it over the years.

Roy was a faithful brother who served in my leadership group for over 20 years. This was the group of men that I met with, regularly, to pray and discuss issues in the life of the church. Like Aaron and Hur lifted up the arms of Moses, this group of men were there to challenge me and to lift me up when I grew weak. On occasion, Roy and I would literally be yelling at each other, in those meetings, but it never had a negative effect on our relationship, because "iron sharpens iron."

I have always loved Roy like a brother, because He is!! He was a brother that I could always count on—through thick and thin! The book of Proverbs says, "...there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother" and Roy was both friend and brother. In this Christian life, we don't have to say "good-bye" instead, we say, "I'll see you later." I look forward to that day when we'll be on the other side, together, rejoicing in the presence of Jesus, our Lord!

You Asked For It Summer Sermon Series 2021 Lineup

Date	Title	Topic
June 6	Equal Opportunity Sinners Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Anonymous Teen—Is there Scripture that directly says that all sin is equal in God's eyes?
June 13	Total Surrender Pastor Ryan	You Asked For It: Makenna Jachim—Specifications on total surrender: how can we do it and how do we know we've done it?
June 20	On Spiritual Blindness Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Kris Bowers—John 12:40 – If God has blinded certain people from seeing Him or understanding Him, how are we to witness to them?
June 27	What If? Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Cindy Jones' Class—What if Abram refused to pick up and move? What if Joseph had divorced Mary? (several other questions)
July 4	Digging Deep Pastor Ryan	You Asked For It: Theresa Cornell—A message to kick off Vacation Bible School on the theme: "Destination Dig"
July 11	Discipleship Lab Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Gay Ellen Stulp—Where do small groups fit in the Church's life?
July 18	Timeless Truth Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Zack Rottler—Are the words of the Bible absolute, or are they more of a fluid reference point?
July 25	Go to Them Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Gay Ellen Stulp—Church Discipline? Scriptures these are based on.
Aug 1	The Old and the New Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Tom Kawsky—What exactly is the new covenant? What exactly is the first covenant? What are the differences?
Aug 8	What God Did at Church Camp Pastor Caleb	Testimonies by children and teens who attended Church Camp this summer
Aug 15	Gifts of the Spirit Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Gay Ellen Stulp—Teaching on the gifts with scriptures.
Aug 22	The Cross and Our Sin Nature Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: Rosalie Etter—Since Christ died to take away our sin, could that also include original sin?
Aug 29	Aaron's Faithfulness Pastor Ryan	You Asked For It: Julie Hamilton—Reading Numbers 18 and seeing all the responsibilities/duties of Aaron. It's amazing how God called on Aaron—and he listened!
Sept 5	A Person and Their Work Pastor Mike	You Asked For It: John Cummings—A message about working for a living. "A living" including God, family, co-workers and myself at my workplace.



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