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MEET THE DUMC TEAM

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And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

A LETTER FROM YOUR LEAD PASTOR



Dear Friends,

In October, we all begin to transition fully into fall and brace ourselves for colder weather in November and December. Being pretty warm-blooded, I fully enjoy sweater weather, so the middle of October through the winter to the end of April is my comfort zone. You summer-weather-90's-plus-lovers are welcome to shake your heads and pray for winter not to be too cold as you put away your flip flops and pull out your layers of winter clothing. I'm going to enjoy the fall!

And I'm going to enjoy some of the highlights of church life here at Dayton UMC during October!

First, on Saturday, October 5, our Impact Sports ministry is sponsoring a **Father-Son Basketball Tournament**. The tournament tips off at 9:00 am. You can find details and register for the event at www.daytonumc.org or www.facebook.com/daytonumc.

Membership Classes began on September 22, and continue through October 20. We will **receive members on Sunday, October 27**, in whichever service the new members attend.

The **Walk for Freedom**, which raises awareness and funds for A21 (a faith-based organization that battles human trafficking) is Saturday, October 19. The **Walk for Freedom** begins at Riehle Plaza in downtown Lafayette at 9:00 am. The Walk should conclude about 11:00 am. You can get more information from Pastor Eric Schneider.

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Saturday, October 26, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Watch the worship folder, the announcements in worship, the church web site or Facebook page for additional details.

Our **worship series in October** will be "God of Covenants." The series, which began on September 22, will focus on the great covenants of Scripture and how we relate to our covenant-making God. Here is the October lineup:

- Oct 6 – "Moses—Covenant of Obedience"
- Oct 13 – "David—Covenant of Kingship"
- Oct 20 – "Jesus—Covenant of Redemption"
- Oct 27 – "The Other Type of Covenants"

I hope God will bless you abundantly and use you mightily as you grow and serve in October! Now I just need to double check my sweaters to be sure they are ready for cooler weather!

All for Him,
Pastor Mike



A LETTER FROM YOUR YOUTH PASTOR

Hello church family.

Students have been engaged with our series we have been doing on Sunday nights. In Pursuit. We have been looking at different Bible Characters and what they were in pursuit of from Jesus. We have the amazing discussions during our small group times.

We had extended time together as a group as we participated in the Box-a-thon. 31 students and 4 adults spent the night at the church in boxes in front of the church. We raised \$1,043 for teen challenge. We had a night of fun, food, worship, prayer and devotions.

Thanks to everyone who was able to give towards the fundraiser. Because of the event, our bottle water and cases of soda has been depleted. **If your able to help by donating water or soda, please let me know.** Enjoy the pictures of the Boxathon.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Ray

Overhaul Student Ministry Schedule

October 6 – “Nicodemus” pursuing eternal life (John 3: 1-21)

October 13— “Disciples” pursuing peace and comfort (Matthew 8:23-17)

October 19 — Walk For Freedom

October 20 – Corn Maze 4:00-7:00pm

October 27 – “Jonah” pursuing a second chance (Jonah 1-3)





Kid News!

Hello Church Family,

It has been a year since we changed our children's curriculum to Gospel Project for Kids. In that year we have only covered seven books of the Bible, Genesis through Judges. Here are some reminders (or new information) about this chronological Bible curriculum:

- 1 **It is Jesus Centered.** Luke 24: 27 says, *And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.* Throughout all seven Old Testament books we have studied so far, there is a Christ Connection or a way to see Jesus in the Old Testament. This helps kids and adults see the entirety of the scriptures. Look for the Christ connection on the papers your kids bring home each week!
- 2 **It is Gospel Transforming.** Luke 24:32 says, *They asked each other, 'Were are hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?'* Hearing the Good News of Christ, something changes in our hearts. Gospel Project is heart transforming, not behavioral modification! This curriculum as well as the mission of our church is to give the gift of the message of Jesus to change the position of the heart. A heart full of gratitude for what Jesus did on the cross and through his resurrection will change how a child lives and behaves.
- 3 **It is Mission Driven.** With videos throughout the year, the opportunity to know that God placed YOU on a mission wherever you are, whether at school, a sport's field, or in your neighborhood! Continual learning about sharing the Good News is something Gospel Project and our church aspire. As the Gospel sinks deeper in our hearts, so will our desire to tell others. Our elementary class has just started collecting offering to raise \$50 each month to support a classroom in Guatemala. Each week we hear a little more about Guatemala, and we will have correspondence with the class as well.

Blessings,

Theresa



ATTENTION: DATE CHANGE! Pastor Eric goofed when figuring out TSC's Fall Break. So, to have Trunk-or-Treat not on Fall Break, it will be on Saturday, October 26 from 4:00-6:00 pm.

Trunk-or-Treat is a ministry of Dayton UMC to our community. It serves multiple purposes. First, it is an outreach ministry to show the love of Jesus to the families of the Greater Lafayette area. We do this by hosting a trunk. We park our cars on the south side of the parking lot, decorate them, and hand out candy or gifts to 600-700 kids. We do this with smiling faces, lots of love, and a heart to share Jesus with the community.

Second, it is a Halloween alternative. Our culture puts a huge emphasis on evil and horror during Halloween. To many, it is simply a fun activity. Those in the culture do not realize that there is real evil in the world. There is a spiritual battle going on all around us that we cannot see. To dress up like evil things is to invite that evil to come and be a part of our lives. Part of our membership vows is to fight evil in whatever form it presents itself. So, Dayton's Trunk-or-Treat is to be counter cultural. We are not going to participate in evil, but offer an alternative of positive and good things. (Dressing up and decorating as a sports theme, police officers, fire fighters, etc.). Let us show off Jesus and not give Satan any publicity!

Third, we want to give kids a safe place to experience Halloween. The world is a scary place. We want all of the families to feel safe and loved while they are on our property. One way we can be a safe place is to make sure every car participating in the trunk decorating is parked no later than 3:30 pm. Families arrive early and start to line up, so we must be sure to be in place early. We don't want any vehicles moving once children arrive on our property.

You can sign up to host a trunk by signing up in the lobby, calling the church office, or contacting Pastor Eric. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Eric at 765-430-0072 or eric.schneider@daytonumc.org. Thank you for making this event a great success.

A²¹ WALK **FOR** FREEDOM

The Walk For Freedom is here! Will you join Dayton UMC as we publicly take a stand against the evil of human trafficking. (Human Trafficking is modern day slavery. People are tricked, forced, or taken and made to work for another with little or no wages from their work. Much of human trafficking involves the kidnaping of children or young women and forcing them to be sex slaves, servicing up to 30 men a night.)

The Walk For Freedom is October 19 at Riehle Plaza in Lafayette at 9:00 am. Registration begins at 8:30 am. You can sign-up to walk at a21.org/Lafayette. The physical walk is less than two miles. It goes over the pedestrian bridge to West Lafayette, back over the State Street Bridge, around downtown Lafayette, then back to Riehle Plaza. You can sign-up to help with the event by contacting Pastor Eric at 765-430-0072 or email him at eric.schneider@daytonumc.org. Questions are always welcome.

You can make a difference! You can give a voice to those who have none. You can show that Jesus and the Church care about the oppressed. Will you walk this year?



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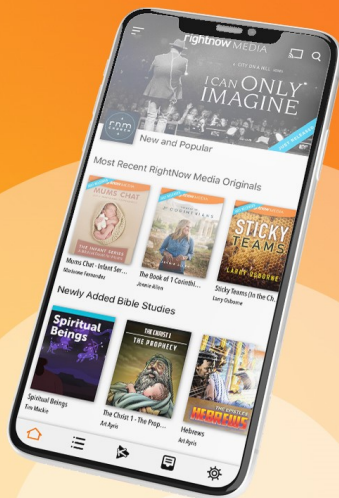
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A21.org/WALK

NOTEWORTHY ITEMS

MEN'S FRATERNITY

Men, it is not too late to jump into Men's Fraternity. This is a class you do not want to miss. It addresses almost every issue you can think of that we struggle with as men. This class helps us to become the men that God created us to be. Don't say you are too busy. Don't say you'll do it later. Now is your time! This class is for you. Come Thursday evenings at 6:30 in Conference Room B. You won't regret it. Contact Pastor Eric with questions at 765-430-0072 or eric.schneider@daytonumc.org.

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One of our goals at Dayton UM Church is to provide our members with discipleship resources, which is why we're giving all of our members access to @RightNow Media!





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11:00 AM | Sundays

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