

### St. Paul United Methodist Church

Empowered by the love of Jesus Christ, St. Paul United Methodist Church opens doors of service, justice and peace to the world, and windows to a life in Christ for all people.



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### MISSIONARY'S VISIT ENCOURAGES LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF THE HISPANIC/LATINO COMMUNITY IN DAYTON

Two meetings were held in Dayton, Ohio, on April 7, 2015 on occasion of the visit of **Manuel Padilla**, Missionary for Strategy and Ministry of the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church:

1) The Miami Valley
District Hispanic/Latino
Ministry Luncheon
Meeting at Belmont
UMC: Eleven leaders



listened as Manuel gave his presentation which focused on an overview of the Hispanic/Latino community in the U.S., the fastest growing segment of our population. The presentation included an overview of Hispanic faith and culture, including the diversity of cultures within Latin America. For example, Mexican culture, although similar, in many ways is different from Brazilian, Puerto Rican, Cuban and Central American cultures. Manuel then opened the meeting for sharing about the specific ministries represented at the meeting. Several leaders expressed concern that some of the schools are regressing to the practice of segregating Hispanic and Black children into separate schools with the excuse that they are "bringing down their test scores" and making it "more difficult for the schools to receive funding." Another leader emphasized the need to practice holistic ministry – the spiritual element must go hand-in-hand with the social justice aspect for transformation to occur.

2) St. Paul Hispanic Ministry Dinner Meeting: Manuel first conducted a Question and Answer Session with over 20 members of our Hispanic faith community. The following are some of the questions that were asked: Q. What can the church do to better serve your needs? A: Provide transportation; provide more activities for children and youth; be consistent with programs; promote unity; find ways to assist families in crisis. Q. What can the Hispanic community itself do to make us a better church? A: Be committed to attend Bible study and other programs; promote unity; find ways to help others in the community. Q. What do you like about St. Paul, and what could be better? A: St. Paul is here for us and we like to come here; liked it more when there was transportation; liked it more when we had special events/field trips for the children/youth; it would be better to find ways to gear our programs to the children and youth by having music they like, shortening the programs, and including the youth in the life of the church. After the Q & A Session, more than 40 members of the community enjoyed a delicious Mexican dinner together, which was provided in honor of Manuel. Thanks to the District's donation of extra food left from the luncheon at Belmont, attendees were even able to fill carryout containers to take home with them. God is good!

YPC
Partners
with
Big Brothers/
Big Sisters

The Young Peacemaker's Club (YPC), St. Paul's after school program, has a wonderful partnership with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters **oragnization** at University of Dayton. Each of our children is paired with a Bia Brother/Big Sister to mentor them during the program. Nearly one third of our children are Hispanic, and they each have been assigned a bilingual Big. This is particularly helpful for homework purposes because many of our Hispanic parents are not able to help their children with homework in English. Education is the key to success for all of our children. The Big Brothers/ Big Sisters provide positive role models, attentive mentorina, and cultural sensitivity.



### 50/50 Missional Partnership Equipping Workshop

### Best Practices in Transformational Community Engagement Locally & Globally

Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27 St. Paul United Methodist Church, Dayton, Ohio

**Good intentions are not enough.** How do you empower others without creating dependency? The paradigm shifting 50/50 Partnership equips your church to move from short-term, needs-based charity to long-term, asset-based development.

It's a game changer! Thousands of clergy and laity across the United Methodist Church are using 50/50 to transform their outreach ministries into disciple-making movements with long lasting impact in their local neighborhoods and around the world. Join the movement!

**All are invited**, so mark your calendars! More information to follow.



The **Spring Fling Dinner**, sponsored by the Dayton LGBT Center, will be held at Harmony Creek Church on Bigger Road beginning at **5:30 p.m.** on **Saturday**, **May 16.** 

### Do you have an email address? Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter!

Please help us be good stewards by signing up to receive our e-newsletter. By doing so, we will be able to save on mailing costs and directly apply the savings to support the missions of St. Paul United Methodist Church.

Signing up is easy! Just send an email to saintpauldaytonnews@gmail.com with the word SUBSCRIBE in the subject line, then include your first and last name in the body of the email, as well as your mailing address and phone number to help us keep our records up-to-date.

#### Miami Valley District United Methodist Women



# Resurrection Women Revisited

A Spiritual Growth Opportunity

Union UMC 222 Shaw Rd. Union, OH 45322 Saturday, May 23 Gathering—9:30am Program—10am-2pm

You are invited to a spiritual growth retreat designed to increase your understanding and commitment to mission as you revisit the women of the Bible through study, song, and prayer.

This is a free event hosted by Union UMW. The program, all materials, and lunch will be provided by the Miami Valley District Lead Team members as thanks for all you do. Just bring yourself, a friend and your Bible. A free-will offering will be collected for the World Thank Offering.

To reserve your seat at the table email  $\underline{vanolibeth@gmail.com}$  or call/text 937-901-9649.





When you give on **Peace with Justice Sunday**, your gift makes possible our critical kingdom work in the world:

- •Methodists spearhead a peace ministry uniting Arizona border communities
- •United Methodists in Liberia are equipped to implement the denomination's Social Principles to address social-justice issues
- •Pennsylvania students educate their community about sextrafficking at home and abroad

Your Giving Makes Possible the Proclamation of Christ's Peace

Follow this link to donate online:



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Sunday         monday         tuesday           Office Hours:           M-F:			wednesday thursday		1	2 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 9 a.m. Served by Belmont UMC Sub Making Project
3 WORSHIP CELEBRATION 11 a.m.	4 SR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m.–6:30 p.m. ESOL CLASSES 6 p.m.–8 p.m. Huffman Historic Neighborhood Meeting	5 WORSHIP 11:20 a.m.  LUNCH — 12 noon Served by Mt. Calvary Baptist Church  JR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m.—6:30 p.m.	6 SR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m.–6:30 p.m. SPANISH BIBLE STUDY 6:45–8:15 p.m.	7 KOFFEE HOUR 11 a.m. JR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m.–6:30 p.m. ESOL CLASSES 6 p.m.–8 p.m.	8	9 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 9 a.m. Served by Englewood UMC
10 WORSHIP CELEBRATION 11 a.m.	GOVERNING BOARD MEETING 2 p.m.  SR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m6:30 p.m.  ESOL CLASSES 6 p.m8 p.m.	12 WORSHIP 11:20 a.m. LUNCH 12 noon Served by Aley UMC  JR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m6:30 p.m	13 SR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m6:30 p.m. SPANISH BIBLE STUDY 6:45–8:15 p.m.	14 KOFFEE HOUR 11 a.m. JR. PEACEMAKERS 4 p.m6:30 p.m. ESOL CLASSES 6 p.m8 p.m.	15	16 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 9 a.m. Served by Normandy UMC
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24 WORSHIP CELEBRATION 11 a.m.  25 WORSHIP CELEBRATION 11 a.m. PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY	25  MEMORIAL DAY  CHURCH CLOSED	26 WORSHIP 11:20 a.m. LUNCH 12 noon Served by Faith Community UMC LAS AMIGAS 6:45 p.m.–8:15 p.m.	27 SPANISH BIBLE STUDY 6:45–8:15 p.m.	28 KOFFEE HOUR 11 a.m.	29	30 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 9 a.m. Served by St. Charles Catholic Church



Marilyn Morris, 83, gets the St. Paul newsletter ready for mailing every month. This means folding newsletter pages, stuffing and sealing close to 400 envelopes for mailing. Until recently, this also meant stamping each envelope in two places

for bulk mailing.

Marilyn works from home here in the Huffman Historic Neighborhood. She is a long time member of Antioch United Methodist Church and the mother of Vicki Morris, a volunteer in the Food Pantry and a member of the Governing Board. Marilyn is a retired executive secretary for the publisher of the Dayton Daily News. She is the mother of two daughters, seven grandchildren, and three greatgrandchildren. She has resided in the Huffman Historic Neighborhood for three years, loves gardening and has a beautiful yard on Linden Ave. that reflects her skills. Thank you, Marilyn, for volunteering your time and talents for the ministry at St. Paul UMC!



volunteer spotlight

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## At a glimpse.

During March 2015, with your support, St. Paul UMC

- served 1379 nutritious hot meals at Tuesday lunch and Saturday breakfast;
- provided groceries for 9975 meals; 1159 lbs. of donated food; 2275 lbs. of donated bread and pastries through the Emergency Food Pantry;
- put over 1000 pieces of good used clothing and household items into the hands of many grateful people and made \$257.00 for the Outreach Ministry. Big sales were held to clear out winter items.





### Pantry needs list . . .

Boxed Potatoes
Canned Beans
(Pinto, Black,
Great Northern)
Canned Fruit
Canned Meat
Canned Soups
Canned Veggies
Cereal
Dish Soap
Drink Mixes
Hot Chocolate
Jam/Jelly

Lotion
Oatmeal
Pancake Mix
Pasta
Peanut Butter
Rice
Saltine Crackers
Shampoo &
Conditioner
Sloppy Joe Sauce
Sugar
Syrup
Toothpaste

Church Needs:
Electric roasters
Heavy duty
extension cords
Plastic water
pitchers
Plastic & paper
grocery bags
Sewing supplies
for Las Amigas:
Material,
thread, notions,
craft items

### **Servant Opportunities**

- Tutors to teach English
- Food Pantry Escorts
- Host/Hostess for the Pantry waiting room
- Evening and Saturday childcare workers for Hispanic Ministry —

  12+ hours

12+ hours per week/ 8 mos. a year — \$8.10 per hour/Must be 18+, reliable, able to pass background check.

