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Join us in building strength in  
Our Prayer Life now thru May 23

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Shelley Outlaw

**Chapel Worship:** 8:45 AM  
**Morning Worship:** 10:45 AM  
**Sunday School:** 9:30 AM  
**Bible Adventure:** 10:45 AM

**Ushers:**

**8:45 AM**                      **10:45 AM**  
Gary Etter                      Kendall Cobb  
Arlene Uldrich                      Greg Goodner  
Charlene Brown

This past Sunday, during our worship service I invited all who were worshipping together to join in praying fifteen minutes a day now through May 23<sup>rd</sup> using the guidelines below. I also asked them to meet together each Sunday for worship & prayer either at our 8:45 or 10:45 service, & conclude on Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, which is Pentecost Sunday.

I am extending this invitation to the rest of our Greenmont-Oak Park family and friends who were not present with us last Sunday to join us. Who knows what God will do when we all gather together in prayer? But I believe we will be experiencing more abundant living. - Your friend and Pastor, Greg

**The Secret to Abundant Living: Learning How to Ask  
Ten Steps to God**

Many people feel they should pray, but few know how. The following steps, if used fifteen minutes daily for fourteen consecutive days, enable you to experience God's peace, joy, and power in a way you have never known before. As you begin the adventure, remember that prayer is an experience, not an idea. Prayer is like riding a bicycle. You only learn by doing it, never by thinking about doing it.

Few people experience God's presence as fully during their first three or four days as they do after several days of practice.

1. In preparation, set aside fifteen minutes in a location where you can be physically relaxed and uninterrupted. Read one or two chapters from the Bible, listening for what God says to you. This helps to erase distracting thoughts from the blackboard of your mind. The following passages are especially helpful in preparing for prayer: John 14, Psalm 23, Matthew 5:1-12, Romans 8:35-39, 1 Corinthians 13, Psalm 46, Romans 12, John 15, Psalm 27, Psalm 103, Psalm 121, Isaiah 55, Luke 15, Psalm 84, John 1:1-18, Psalm 90, Psalm 19, 1 John 4:7-21, Psalm 139, Luke 24, Psalm 130, and Luke 18:1-17.
2. Close your eyes and give thanks for three personal blessings of which you are especially conscious today. This helps you move toward God by moving away from a sense of your own self-sufficiency.
3. Ask God to help three other people you feel need God's help today. This helps you move toward God by moving away from self-centeredness.
4. Ask God to forgive specific mistakes and sins from the last 24 hours and give you the strength to forgive others.
5. Ask God to help one person whom you find it hard to like. Ask God to give that person insights into his or her personal problems and ask for the power to let God's love flow through you to him or her.
6. Ask God to give you sensitivity to the needs of one person today with whom you can share God's love in word or deed.
7. Ask for insights into your personal problems.
8. Ask for help in achieving your personal goals.
9. Ask God to tell you the most important thing you need to do today to "seek first his kingdom"(Matthew 6:33).
10. Conclude by listening intently for three minutes to what God may say to you.

**Everyone Counts— Statistics**

**Attendance—April 4, 2010**

8:45 — 19  
10:45 — 81  
Sunday school — 32

**Offering—operating income**

(Monthly budget need is \$15,858)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Jan. '10	\$22,844	+ 6,986
Feb. '10	\$12,189	-3,669
Mar. '10	\$13,117	- \$2,741

**Happy Birthday**

Charlene Brown—Apr. 20  
Kay Rearick—Apr. 20  
Aaron Steinbrunner—Apr. 21  
Tim Keltner—Apr. 23

**In Our Prayers**

Doris Alexander  
Robert Andino  
Cheryl Barnett  
Glenda Boddie  
Nolan Butts  
Harriett Edwards  
Joshua Elliott  
Fran Ericson  
Jim Farra  
Donna Foskuhl  
Gene Gibson  
Jamie Geswein  
Beverly Guffey  
Vern Hine  
Carol Hildebrecht  
Marilyn Jones  
Mary Lehman  
Barb Lyttle  
Paul Marcum, Jr  
Lauren McClure

Linda George  
Dawn Gilmore  
Judy Hirshman  
Bernadette Harawa  
Loren Houck  
Dustin Knowlton  
Nancy Lyttle  
Mantia family  
Bob McCray  
Marcella Miller



Greg Moldovan  
Karolina O'Donnell  
Nancy Pratt  
Cindy Ramono  
Harriet Shawhan  
Mike Shroyer  
Iris Traylor  
Danny Tomaz  
Gloria Van Camp  
Flo Warner  
Evelyn Wheeler  
Vera Westfall

**Those in Nursing Care**

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.  
Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek  
Margaret Dill – Masonic Home  
Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek  
Opal Hunter – The Sanctuary  
Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett  
Will Jaeger – Grafton Oaks  
Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing  
Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods  
Charles Warren – Vlg. Of Westerville  
Wilma Yost - Kingston of Miamisburg

**Military**

Ian Beall – Iraq  
Michael Beall – Iraq  
Scott Certain – USA  
Andrew Hayden – Iraq  
Tyler Mantia – USA  
Michael Mantia – USA  
Adam Reeves – Iraq  
Ryan Stites – USA  
Kevin Stites - USA



For those households with computers, remember you can find the Chimes newsletter on the church web site, along with the upcoming events web-page. Add us to your favorites list.

Our web address is:  
[www.greenmontoakpark.com](http://www.greenmontoakpark.com)  
Since the old office computer crashed, I am rebuilding my email contact list, if you would like the church to have your email address, please send us a Hello message, so we can add your address to the list, thank you. - Nova

Email to:  
[office@greenmontoakpark.com](mailto:office@greenmontoakpark.com)

**Rubate, Kenya , Africa  
 Mission Trip news**



The SONKA team is hard at work, fundraising for the team's trip costs. Each member needs \$3,300 to go on the trip. Greg Goodner has raised \$1,300 toward his trip so far.

They are also asking for UCC churches to consider donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss and used/new (reading) eye glasses to take with them for the Rubate Health Clinic. These donations can be brought to the church office. Thank you.—Greg Goodner & the SONKA Global Partnership Team


**We're Gathering Graduation Info.**

It is Graduation time, and the church would like to recognize these achievements. We need to know who will be graduating from, 3rd grade, high school and college this year. We will need the information by May 25th. Send in your information to the church office.

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Donations of some small children's clothing are needed for the nursery. Clothing for children age 5 and under is needed to have on hand in the nursery for occasions of spills or little accidents. If your child has outgrown his or her clothing, please donate a few items for our supply. - Barbara Richards

**“Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.”**  
**Matthew 22:37**




**“Live CLUE”  
 Game Night  
 This Saturday,  
 April 17 , 6:30 pm**

**Door Prizes + Silent Auction**

Come for a mysterious & fun night of solving crimes by playing the “Live CLUE game” with the youth of Greenmont church. Our church will be the site of mysteries, and many Sherlock Holmes, Inspector Clouseaus, and Columbos will be needed to solve them.

Come refresh yourselves with some delicious chocolate desserts, and coffee or punch while you solve the mysteries. There will also be silent auction items from local businesses to make bids on. There are many local restaurant items. Also everyone in attendance is eligible for door prizes.

This fundraiser event will benefit their summer youth programs/camp. The cost is \$8/ adult ticket and \$5 for seniors/ youth 12 to 17.

The kids really enjoy this event, they work hard to bring the game to life, so bring some friends along & have a fun evening, while supporting the youth.

**Take me out to  
 the ball game!**



The Dayton Dragons game is Sun. June 6th at 2pm. Tickets are \$11 and include a coupon from Dairy Queen for ice cream after the game. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office or call Jamie Medlin @252-4657 with any questions. We only have 50 tickets so make sure to sign up early!!

**The All Church Tent Sale  
 Will be April 23 & 24.**



**SAVE YOUR UNWANTED  
 TREASURES FOR THE SALE**

Our tent will be set up on Monday, April 19th. We will begin accepting your items on Tuesday, if you can bring them yourself, you may stop by the tent any time that is convenient for you, but if you need pickup service for your items, please call the church office, 252-6705, and we will make arrangements for you. Volunteer help is needed all week in the evenings, if possible stop by for a couple hours, thanks. - Trustees



**In Residence at GOPCC**

We have been chosen to be the home of a mallard duck family, out in the triangle garden area. The nest is tucked in near the tree and hidden by the daffodils. Mother is sitting on at least 7 eggs last count. The nest was first noticed the week of Easter, so there should be some new ducklings around the end of April. Please give our new family space and peace as mother and babies grow. Isn't God's gift of spring wonderful!

Membership Committee  
**Church Mug Sale**

The Membership Committee has purchased some very nice ceramic mugs that have the church logo on one side, and information about the church on the other. A portion of these mugs will be used as one of the items placed in our bags that are handed to any visitors attending one of our Sunday morning worship services. The rest of the mugs are for sale to the congregation. Proceeds will be used to cover the cost of the periodic mailings of church advertisement pamphlets to the community. The mugs will go on sale beginning this Sunday, March 28th, at a cost of \$5.00 each. A table will be set up in the Gathering Place immediately following the 10:45 service. Thanks in advance for your help in our efforts to attract more people to our church.

**Request Process is Open"**

GOPCC Endowment Fund Committee will be meeting in April with possible earnings to be distributed, according to its by-laws, for programs and outreach beyond the general operation of the congregational budget. If you wish to make a recommendation for distribution of these earnings. Please contact the church office for a "Request Form".  
- Pastor King



*Women's Fellowship*  
**The Women of Faith Conference, Columbus, Ohio**

Spring Retreat Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> –May 1<sup>st</sup>

If you are signed up to go to the WOF Conference please plan to stay for a short meeting after 2<sup>nd</sup> service on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> we will be going over some important details for the trip.

**"All Daughters' Luncheon"**  
**Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 2010**

Our theme will be "When Life Gives you Lemons Make Lemonade!"

Using Philippians 4:11 *"I am not saying this because I am in any need, for I have learned to be content in whatever situation I am in."*

Has life ever handed you a lemon? Many have had enough lemons to make the juice! Please join us in having fun with this theme and celebrating Mother's Day! Oh, just for fun...wear yellow if you can!

The sign-up sheet will be posted on the WINGS bulletin board by Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. For catering and planning purposes we'll need a definite count, so if you're planning to attend, please be sure to sign-up. We'd love for every one of you to be there! You may pay for your tickets in advance, after 2<sup>nd</sup> service on Sundays, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ticket pricing is \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 10 and under.

If you have any questions please contact me or any of the WINGS officers. In Christ, Nikki Taylor

**Parks Clean Up Day– Apr. 17**

Mark you calendars and plan on attending the Five Rivers MetroParks 21st Annual Clean-up. For the past couple of years, the Social Action Committee has coordinated a group that had gotten together to do this as part of our Earth Day Recognition. Last year alone, we were part of 1,700 men, women, and children that picked up trash, removed invasive species, and prepared garden beds. We helped pick-up 20,000 pounds of non-recyclable trash and 15,000 pounds of recyclables. We truly helped make a difference!!!

This year's clean-up is scheduled for **Saturday, April 17th from 9-11:30 AM**. If you are interested in participating, please sign-up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board or contact Suzanne Dull at 434-5368. Please sign-up by **April 2nd** to guarantee the free t-shirt. We will receive information about where we will be stationed once our group is registered. Please plan to participate in this worthwhile event!!!



**Many Sundays Still Available for Flower or Bulletin Donations**

See the sign-up charts on the bulletin board across from the church office, if interested in donating flowers or bulletins for our worship services.

The cost of Altar flowers is \$20 and the bulletin cost is \$14. There are still many Sundays open. If donating flowers, you may take one or both bouquets home with you after the services, or offer them for shut-in visits or to bring cheer on a hospital visit by the Pastor.

This simple way of serving our worship services is meaningful. Thank you to all who make donations and bring this beauty to our services.—Worship Comm.



**Congratulations!**  
**"It's a boy"**

We extend our prayers and blessings to the Toni & Angie Bane family upon the birth of Noah Brendon Bane, on March 31. Noah was 7 lbs. and 8 oz. We give God thanks for this joyous event. Congratulations also to big brother and sister, Jacob & Eleanor.

**"Dear Friends"**

I want to say "Thank You" for all of you that stayed at the church for my "Surprise Birthday" celebration. Several also came to my daughter, Cindy's home. I counted my cards, there were 71 and also 16 flower arrangements. My house looked like a florist shop. I shared them with dear friends: Mildred Heath, Margaret Cob, Wilma Yost and Dottie Gastineau. I gave three more dozen to my dear neighbor, to give to patients in a nursing home where she is employed. Thank you all so much and God bless my church family. Love Edna

