



**A&M**  
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# Mid-Month News

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JOIN US FOR **GOD'S GREAT GET-TOGETHER**

Join everyone at **God's Great Get-Together** for a week of creating, connecting, and coming together.

There is a place for you at **A&M United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School**  
**June 14-18, 2010**  
6:00-8:15 p.m.

Registration forms available at [www.am-umc.org](http://www.am-umc.org)



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# Music Makers

## July 5-9

Watch for registration information soon!

## Dates to Remember

- April 28 - Men's Prayer Breakfast
- April 30 - Parents' Nite Out
- May 1 - College Graduation Celebration
- May 2 - Elijah Partner Banquet
- May 5 - D.M.A. Luncheon
- May 10 - WDS Mother's Day Luncheon
- May 16 - Confirmation Sunday
- May 23 - Youth Senior Sunday
- May 26 - Men's Prayer Breakfast
- June 5 - VBS Training
- June 6 - Promotion Sunday  
- Church Picnic
- June 14 - Vacation Bible School begins
- June 21 - District Camp begins
- June 28 - JUMMP begins
- Thursday's @ Noon - Brown Bag Bible Study

## Prayer Concerns

### Prayers of Healing for:

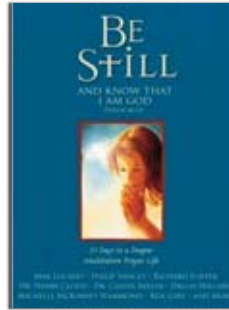
**Prayers of Comfort for:** Lynn Knowles and her family on the passing of her father, Bob Hood; Deb Simmons and her family on the passing of her father, Leslie Crockett; Bob Hoffman on the passing of his wife, Toby Hoffman; Amy Swinford on the passing of her aunt, Marge Lawless; Marie Storey and her family on the passing of her husband, Benton Storey; Bruce Norton and his family on the passing of his step-father, Emil Mostek.

**Prayers of Joy for:** the birth of Jacqueline Anne Cuthill on March 27, daughter of Darcy and Kary Cuthill and granddaughter of David and Anne Brooks; the birth of Hunter Lawrence Snell on March 28, son of Sarah and Scott Snell and grandson of David and Anne Brooks.

**Ongoing Prayers for:** Tex Owens, Ellen Horner, Robert Zinn, Glenna Brundidge, Rev. Kip Gilts' mother, Kathy Giesey, Hazel Owens, Elaine Waggoner, Frances Henry, M. R. Calliham, Nelson and Annie Durst, Pat Sargent, Jean Gresham, Kathleen Pratt (sister of Harry Jones), and Fred Kettleborough.

*The Prayer Team thanks you for your prayer requests and asks you, when possible, to call or email prayer request updates which can be shared with the Prayer Team.*

## Studies You Might Be Interested In



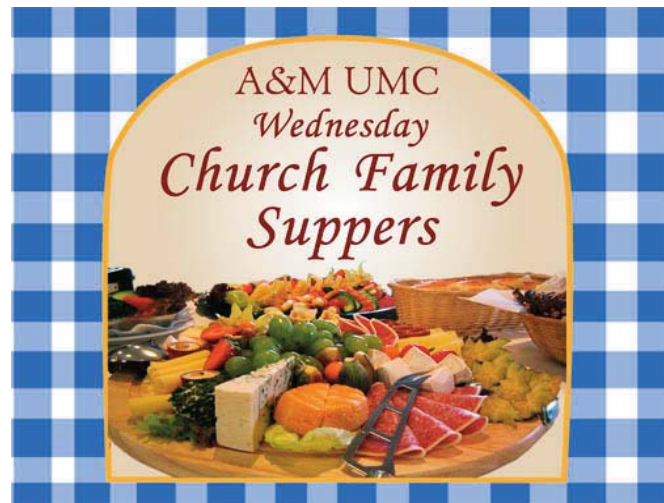
*Be Still*, a study on prayer meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm after Wednesday Night Supper. This group is led by Lou Blinn, and features insights from Christians of different denominations ranging from Quaker to Baptist. This study is following the current Prayer sermon series and ties in nicely with our Church Family Dinners, so grab some food and join us for this engaging and uplifting study.

## Things COLLEGE

**Didn't Teach You** - Join us for a tuition-free course on topics not covered in college. Whether you have been on your own for some time, still have a few years of college left, or are about to graduate, this class will be a great tool. We meet from 12-1:30pm on Sundays after church in the Youth Commons Room of the CLC. The finish date will be May 9th.

### LUNCH IS INCLUDED!

If you need any information, contact Lindsay Kirkpatrick at [Lindsay-Kirkpatrick@am-umc.org](mailto:Lindsay-Kirkpatrick@am-umc.org).



**WEDNESDAY CHURCH FAMILY SUPPERS**  
PLEASE PLAN ON BEING PART OF CHURCH FAMILY WEDNESDAYS AND MAKING CHURCH FAMILY SUPPERS A PART OF YOUR WEEK. MEALS ARE PROVIDED FOR \$5 PER PERSON WITH A MAXIMUM OF \$20/FAMILY.

## College Ministry

### College UM ARMY, May 16-22

This mission trip is for all college students and any adults wishing to participate. A&M UMC College Ministries will attend May 16-22 in Houston at Westbury UMC. We will join others from across the Texas Conference and work on local mission projects in the surrounding area. Last year this was a very successful mission and a total of 180 students and adults participated. We are looking forward to another amazing work week!

Forms are available at [www.am-umc.org/college](http://www.am-umc.org/college) as well as in the Welcome Area and at the Visitor Desk outside the Great Hall if you would like to participate. For information on this mission trip contact Katy-Marie at [Katy-Marie@am-umc.org](mailto:Katy-Marie@am-umc.org).



### Hire-a-Hand

This past Saturday College Ministries had their annual **Hire-a-Hand** workday and fundraiser. Around 15 students joined in various projects ranging from housework to pulling weeds in the yard. Due to the congregation "hiring" students, we were able to raise over \$1000 for missions. Money raised will be used for our missions and outreach, including The Coffee House and our upcoming participation in College UM ARMY. We would like to thank the congregation for their support and a special thanks to all of those who took part in **Hire-a-Hand**.

### College Men's and Women's Retreats

This past month College Ministries had Men's and Women's Retreats. These retreats are designed to allow the young women and men a chance to have their own retreats focused on spiritual growth as a woman or man of God. Both retreats went very well and were very meaningful for both groups. We would like to thank Don and Paula House for allowing the Men's Retreat to be held at their barn, and we would like to thank Harry and Judy Jones for allowing the women to use their lake house for their retreat.

### College Hours:

**The Coffee House** closes this semester Wednesday, May 12 at 4pm. Summer Coffee House hours will begin Tuesday, June 1 and will be Monday- Friday 10 am – 4 pm.

**College Sunday School** for this semester ends May 9 and Summer Sunday school will begin June 6 through August 8.

**Summer Mosaic** begins Thursday, June 3 and goes through August 6. We will meet in The Coffee House at 6:30 pm to grab dinner on Northgate (or you can bring dinner) and Bible Study will begin in the Coffee House at 7:30 pm.

## Children's Ministry

**We need you!** Jamie and Beverly Gracia have been teaching Kindergarten Sunday School for more than 10 years and they are taking a much deserved break. We need someone to take over the Kindergarten Sunday School Class beginning on May 2. Please Contact Joy Williams [joy-williams@am-umc.org](mailto:joy-williams@am-umc.org) or 220-2119 if you are able to help Children's Ministries or have any questions.



## Youth Ministry

### What Difference can one week make?

So what can a group of junior high or high school students really accomplish in one week? More than you can imagine. Unless you've experienced JUMMP (Jr. High trip) and UM ARMY (Sr. High trip), it's hard to believe how much these youth do in one week. They paint houses, build wheelchair ramps, and help wherever they are needed. More importantly, they share the love of Christ with people in need. Hearing the testimonies of the people the youth serve reveals that the purpose of the trip goes far beyond just the construction site. Not only do the clients see the youth as the hands and feet of Christ, but it is also an amazing experience for all the youth and adults on the trip. Every year, we come back moved and changed by such a rewarding and spiritual experience. Come join us this summer! We still need adult help at each camp. You can help on a worksite, serve in the kitchen, or be a tool coordinator. JUMMP is June 28-July 2 (forms due May 2) and UM ARMY is July 25-31 (forms due May 5). Forms are at [www.am-umc.org/youth](http://www.am-umc.org/youth).

### District Camp

Sign up for a great week at Lakeview! Summer camp is a place to make friends, have tons of fun, and deepen your relationship with God. Start making Lakeview a summer tradition! The week is full of fun events and games, Bible studies, and great worship. Camp is June 21-25 and forms are due May 9th. Go to [www.am-umc.org/districtcamp](http://www.am-umc.org/districtcamp) to download forms.

### Shares of Stock

Imagine deciding to purchase stock in Apple right when the company started, but then forgetting to send in your check. No investment would have been made and there would be no change in your future. B-u-m-m-e-r. Many people committed to purchasing shares of stock in the youth program but have forgotten to send in their checks. Each share was \$10. Don't miss this opportunity to invest in the lives of youth! Please write "Youth Missions" in the memo line and make checks to "A&M UMC."

## Men's Prayer Breakfast



Men's Prayer Breakfast  
April 28, 2010 at 7 am  
Fellowship Hall  
Lindsay Kirkpatrick, our  
Pastoral Intern, will give a  
presentation on the Perkins  
Divinity School at SMU.

## Books for Belize

The books are packed and on their way to Belize. Watch for more details and pictures when the group from A&M UMC returns from Belize. They plan to help set up the library for the books at the local school.



## Last Parents' Nite Out for this Semester

Last Parents' Nite Out for this Semester is **Friday, April 30**.

Deadline to register is Tuesday, April 27

Registration forms are available at the Visitor Desks in the Welcome Area and outside the Great Hall or at [www.am-umc.org](http://www.am-umc.org), just click on Children.



## Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, or in celebration of an occasion, please contact Vickey Tesh at 846-8731

or [vickey-tesh@am-umc.org](mailto:vickey-tesh@am-umc.org). You may also dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp by contacting Vickey. The donation for an altar flower arrangement is \$30 and a Sanctuary Lamp dedication is \$10. Payments can be dropped in the offering plate or dropped off / mailed to the church office. Please write "Altar Flowers" or "Sanctuary Lamp" in the memo section along with the date of the dedication.

## We Are...

- more than 30 local churches providing a loving environment for the distribution of food to those below the poverty line in Brazos County regardless of race, color, creed or cultural background
- fortunate to obtain food through the Food Bank, USDA and donations
- currently serving 3,400 families each month
- staffed by volunteers (more are always needed and bi-lingual is very useful)
- open 6 days per week  
Mon. & Wed. - 1pm to 2:30pm  
Tues., Thurs. & Fri. - 9:30am to 11:00am  
Sat. - 10:00am to 11:30am



**BRAZOS CHURCH PANTRY**  
304 A W. 26TH ST  
BRYAN, TX 77803  
(979) 822-2660  
"FEED MY SHEEP." John 21:17

**Would you like to volunteer?**  
Please, complete information below  
and place in offering plate.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your donation of food, service  
or money\* is always appreciated**

*\*Our buying options enable us to make  
your cash donations go much further.*

**EP**  
Elijah Partners  
Banquet

**Elijah Partner  
Banquet**  
May 2, 12:15 pm  
in the Great Hall

## We need pictures!

If you have taken pictures of recent church events or just random pictures of things happening that pertain to A&M UMC, please send digital copies to Vickey Tesh. They may show up in the newsletter, bulletin, or pictorial directory. **Note:** Pictures taken off Facebook are in a low resolution and do not publish well. ([vickey-tesh@am-umc.org](mailto:vickey-tesh@am-umc.org))