



Asbury United Methodist

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Adult School 8:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School 8:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m.

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Daylight Savings: Daylight savings time begins Sunday, March 11. Remember to set your clocks up an hour.

World Day of Prayer: World Day of Prayer services will be held at Asbury on Friday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m. This year's service is written by women from the country of Suriname. Their theme, based on Genesis 1, is "All God's Creation Is Very Good!" & focuses on universal issues of climate change, natural disasters, pollution, & human abuse of the environment. Please join us for this ecumenical service!

Lenten Study: Asbury's Lenten study will be held on Tuesdays at 10:00 from February 20 to March 27.

UMCOR Sunday On Sunday, March 11, Asbury will receive a special offering to support UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief. (This offering was formerly called One Great Hour of Sharing). 100% of this offering is designated toward UMCOR to cover their unmet needs in worldwide disaster recovery and relief efforts.

Asbury Scholarships: Applications are now being accepted for Asbury scholarships. These scholarships are available to members of Asbury United Methodist Church, children, or grandchildren of Asbury members. If interested, go to www.asbury-wellman.com for your

application. If you have further questions, call 319-646-2417 or email asburyumc2@netins.net.

The Application deadline is April 1.

Methodist Student Scholarships:

The Iowa United Methodist Foundation has posted a list of scholarship opportunities for current and future college students. The deadline for these scholarships is March 15th. For details please visit <http://www.iumpf.org/scholarships>

Honduras Donations—Thank You!

Shauna and Tom are back from Honduras, where they joined an HOI service team in Coyolito, a vil-



lage of about 700 residents. Asbury stepped up and purchased a year's worth of school supplies for their school—and their teachers say THANK YOU! Asbury also sent along craft supplies for VBS; this saved the day when we learned we'd have 80 VBS kids, not the usual ~45!



Thank you for praying for our team and for the people of Honduras!

Pastor's Note

The fear of God.

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." Proverbs 9:10.

Is today's society raising a generation that is afraid of nothing? In Sports we see fans' caps that say, "NO FEAR". It's good for winning a sports competition. But are we leading them toward a society that has no fear of anything, no fear of firing a gun, no fear of death and no fear of God? If there is a fear that I wish everybody would overcome would be the fear to testify and preach the gospel.

If my child would live in a society that no longer fears God, I would be scared for him. I have met a family that opted for home schooling because of fear of various things that the children will be exposed to in school especially the anti-God teachings and now the school shootings.

The Bible has charged the parents to teach the fear of God at home. Hebrews 12:5-6—And you have forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons: "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, or lose heart when He rebukes you. For the Lord disciplines the one He loves, and He chastises everyone He receives as a son."

How to teach discipline and respect to children is not easy. But it is necessary for parents and superiors to discipline the children for their sake and for the sake of the society. When my son was competing in State Geography my wife and I were very excited to see our son and his coach in the State Final Round. Before the finals started everybody was taking position on the chairs facing the stage. The stage was decorated for the Geography competition. While everybody was looking for a seat, I took my camera and told my son to go up the stage and stand there and I will take his picture. Immediately the boy went, I took his picture and then he came back down to sit with us. The coach asked me, "How did you do that? My children would have raised all kinds of questions and complaints and that picture wouldn't happen. But you did it in a snap." I told the coach a story of how I planted the discipline in my son when he was 5 years old. It was within those years of my son that he was learning to turn on the television upon his wish anytime of the day. When I decided to turn off the TV he ignored me. He was getting addicted to it and I had to break it. I turned it off, and he insisted to turn it back on. It was an on-off fight and he was not giving up. When he turned the TV on again I pulled off the plug which he didn't see. I told him that we broke it because he wouldn't listen to my order and I will not repair it until he promise that he will obey what I say. He didn't believe me and he kept pushing the TV's button but it was dead. So I told him again that it is broken and I will not repair it until he promise that he will do everything I order him. He belted a loud cry. He was inconsolable, his mother took him aside and she told him yes it is broken but Daddy will repair it if he promise to obey his parents. For several days we didn't watch TV. The boy was sad but I knew I had to be patient so I announced that it will be repaired on Saturday. The boy waited for days and I felt it more painful than a rod. When it was very clear that the boy has agreed to the deal, that's when I plugged back the TV. From then on our orders to him were never had to be said twice.

The Bible commands to honor the father and the mother. This is important because parents represent God. All superiors of students such as teachers, principals, mayors, are representations of God. A society's youth that respect their parents and superiors will be easier to teach about the fear of God than those who grew up to fear nothing at all. Salvation is true when there is an experience of the fear of God. Amen.

EASTER SERVICE: Soloists and music skilled families coming home for the Holy Week, we would love to have you render a music in our service. Call Pastor Moody 319-458-0745.

Finance Summary March 2018

General Budget and Conference Claims

YTD Needs	20,592.00
YTD Gifts	15,411.00
Overall YTD shortfall	(5,181.00)



MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES!!!

- 5 Carl Yoder
- 9 Keaton Debler, Cozy Millice
- 12 Terry Palmer, Laurel Schlabaugh, Hilary McClellen, Kailynn Thiele
- 17 Judy Goodrich, Lucy Droll
- 18 Bob & Judy Goodrich
- 19 Cheryl Karr, Julie Swartzendruber, Zach Owens
- 21 Sandra Helmholz, Scott Hitzemann
- 22 Tyler Seward, Jacob Bauwens, Scott & Jenn Hitzemann
- 23 Chris Jirsa
- 24 Kym Kral
- 25 Jerry & Pam Nelson, Tom Javoroski
- 27 Kathy Smit
- 28 Pam Leyden
- 29 Dan Jirsa, Emma Droll
- 30 Rochelle Ulin-Millice

