

Behold!

Spring Valley United Methodist Church / Dallas, Texas



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We worked to make a difference in Bolivia!



Anita from Colorado UMC, George and Nancie DeCourcy, middle and right, bend rebar for use in the structural column for the construction of the hospital laundry.

On right: George DeCourcy, and Frasier (from Colorado UMC), are tying the rebar after it's bent for use in the structural columns.



Roger Martens, Mark French, Anita, along with a doctor, nurse, and driver from the Mallico Rancho Hospital, ready to make rounds to rural areas. These visits monitor the healthcare for children under the age of five so they have a better chance of reaching adulthood with good health. It is not an easy task to reach some of the areas with the transportation and reluctance of the natives.

What's up for YOUTH...

We had a great time this past week serving God in Grundy, Virginia. The Lord was certainly with us as we hammered, sawed, and sweated throughout the week. Thanks to all who made this trip possible through your prayers and support.

Attention Parents: We have a parent's meeting on August 21 from 5-6pm. We look forward to discussing fall plans with you, as well as getting your input on a number of items. Please make every effort to attend.

Mark your calendars for July:

- 24, 5-8pm - Summer Celebration BBQ at the Neuner's (Meet at Church)
- 27, 7-9pm - Swimming and Scripture at the Reece's
- 28-31, Weekend of the Cross in Shreveport
- 31, 6-8pm - Putt-Putt Golf (Meet at Church and bring \$15)

August

- 4, 9am-3pm - Mission and More (Bring Swimsuit and Lunch)

MTLBYAKY, Megan and Jared



Spring Valley Preschool announces openings

Spring Valley United Methodist Church Preschool has openings for the 2005-2006 school year in the following classes:

Monday/Wednesday Toddlers, 12 months & walking

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Crayons, 2 years-old by

August 31, 2005

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday -Butterflies, 3 years old by December 31,

2005 & potty trained

3-day 3's, Tuesday/Wednesday/ Thursday - 3 years old by August 31, 2005

& potty trained

5-day 4's, Monday through Friday - 4 years-old by August 31, 2005 & potty

trained

If you'd like for us to mail a brochure, please call the school office at 972-233-2317. You can also find out about our preschool by going online at www.svumc.org/preschool.



Olivia Guerra plays Amyrillis, and Jennifer Leedy is playing Marion Paroo.

Upcoming UMW meetings slated for summer

The UMW morning group will meet on August 8, with guest speaker Brad Stater from C.C. Young presenting the program.



Prime Timers want you!

August 24 - We will eat lunch and hear about the Hopkins County Stew Cook-off and Fair. We will eat stew cooked by Ben Dickerson, and salad. Y'all come!

September 17 - Trip to Sulphur Springs for the Hopkins County Stew Cook-off and Fair. We will have a sign-up sheet for this trip soon. Save the date!



Hispanic Ministry planning garage sale

The Hispanic Ministry needs items for their garage sale on August 13. Please bring your donations to the church or call Carlos Nascimento at 972-239-9440. Thank you.

Upcoming Music

July 24

- 8:30 & 11:00 - Chancel Choir, *Here's One*
Fred Wratlaw, Clarinet
- 8:30 & 11:00 - *This is My Father's World*,
Fred Wratlaw, alto saxophone

July 31

- 8:30 - Beacon Class Choir
- 11:00 - Chancel Choir,
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

The Music Man tickets on sale

SVUMC's summer musical is slated for August 4-6. There are just a few \$18 and \$15 tickets. Until July 15, \$10 tickets will be reserved. After that, \$10 will be for general admission only.

Has your email address changed?

If so, please be sure to contact Paula Huffaker in the church office, 972-233-7671, x14, or by email, Phuffaker@svumc.org, to insure your receipt of the weekly *Behold* newsletter.

Please note summer Behold schedule

The Behold is being published every other week until August 14. Please make sure your articles are submitted to jpatton@svumc.org in a timely manner. The remaining deadlines are at noon on August 1 and 15. Thank you for your cooperation with the summer schedule.

Extending God's Path

Budgeted year to date \$ 556,146

Total received to date 537,768

Received July 17 18,681

Give God what's right, not what's left

NSCI helps with school supplies

For the last several years, Neighbor Service Council (NSCI) has assisted needy families with school supplies. Once again, Spring Valley is invited to help.

Perhaps you were one of those children who went to school without basics because the household budget couldn't stretch that far and you remember the embarrassment. Many of the NSCI children need our help to make that first day of school truly successful.

The staff will gratefully accept your donations of paper, pencils, pens, blunt scissors, color crayons, etc. For more information, call Janis Dumas, 972-233-7671 ext. 25, or visit the web site at: www.nscikids.org

VNA has volunteer opportunities

For 17 years, Spring Valley has hosted the Visiting Nurse Association, (VNA), Holiday Project in Wesley Hall, and that will happen again this year. Please note that this year's project is scheduled earlier and will be held November 29-December 2.

Before the main event, there will be a preliminary gift wrap event.

Friday, August 5, 1:00pm to 8pm

Visiting Nurse Association

7610 N. Stemmons, at Mockingbird Lane, 5th floor

Please join us for the VNA's first ever *Holiday In August* kickoff for our annual Holiday Gift Project. Come wrap gifts for our patients and clients.

Bring your holiday spirit and full-size toiletry donations:

Shampoo bar soap toothpaste adult white tube socks
hand lotion washcloth toothbrush

For information, or to volunteer, please call Betsy Cox at 214-689-2210 or coxbe@vnatexas.org.



Join us for Sunday school

An updated list of all Sunday school classes is now available at the Visitors desk. Some current offerings include:

Aldersgate Class - Room 206-08

July 24 - Bobby Worthington will talk about the Dallas Life Foundation.

July 31 - Jim Veach will present "The Work of Jesus Christ," covering the purpose of Jesus' mission.

Aug. 7 - We will have a classroom brunch to honor the SVUMC Guatemala Mission Team. The team will be commissioned at the 11am worship service.

Christian Parenting - Room 210

We are studying Dawn Billings' book, *Greatness and Children*

Come As You Are Class

July 24 - Soren Kirkegaard

July 31 - Isaac Pennington

Aug. 7 - Gregory of Nyssa

Aug. 14 - John Chrysostom

Aug. 21 - Charles Spurgeon

Aug. 28 - Watchman Nee

All lessons are located in the *Devotional Classics* book.

Friends Class

All young adults, 20s-40s, married and single, are invited to join us for the video series, *That the World May Know*, by Ray Vander Laan. This is a history of the Old Testament and its applicability to the New Testament and our lives today.

Parents of Teenagers - Room 192

We are studying a book called *Making Love Last a Lifetime*, by Adam Hamilton, which began on June 19. We will go to lunch following church, so we hope you can join us.

Seekers Class

July 24 - Don Coke, Controversies - Homosexuality

July 31 - Anna Butler, Controversies - Abortion



Matthew Stephens at the Capricorn Equestrian Center

Joys and concerns

Call Alice Cromwell, 972-239-7332, or email her at dallasal@swbell.net for any prayer concerns. These concerns will stay on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

Hospital

Frances Dale

Audrey Rozelle

Mable Bradley

Jo Ellis

SVUMC Church Family

Jan Apthorp

Kenny Schneckner

Ann Michele King

Prissy Shafer

Mildred Eubanks

Catharine and Ted Gebhardt

Homebound members

Extended Church Family

Alex Mulvenna

Lois Murphy's friend, Alyssa

Tabu Ngandi's family

John Tarver's mother, Sarah

David Armstrong's father, Paul

Hilda Beverly's daughter-in-law, Marsha Beverly

Frank Andersen's mother

Charles Hudgins' uncle, Loy Cavett

Jan Hudgins' grandmother, Beth Mayberry

Alan Moore's friend, Dick Barrett

Former member, Jan Bosque

Bethann DeFoe's mother, Betty Lee Brandt

Betty Hopper's son and daughter-in-law,

Gary and Jacqui Hopper

Bruce and Gina Tucker's neighbor, Hallie Riggs

Tom & Donna Campbell's friend,

Gary Wilson, and his daughter, Ashley

Jo Alice Patton's friend, Sandi Frank

John Huffhines' friend, Lively Brown

Rebecca Turner's friend, Jennifer

NSCI teenagers at My Time Camp

Janis & Jack Davis's daughter, Jennifer

Guy & Betty Garrett's daughter, Allison Howes

Jessie & Monica Porter's daughter, Tania

London, following the bombings

All persons serving in the military

SVUMC missionaries, the Savutos

Slany United Methodist Church

Those with ongoing concerns

Congratulations to:

Betty and Bevo Burrage as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on July 28

John & Bobbie Hodge on the birth of two grandchildren, Paige Allison & Carson James

Sympathy to:

Doris Simonsen in the loss of an important person from her childhood.

Betty Hanna and family in the death of her husband, Wilson