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To my FUMC Family:

I'm greeting you in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ the Savior

July first of each year is UMC pastoral charge transitions that appoint or re-appoint pastors to their new church. With this new appointment, I am so lucky to be re-appointed once again by the Bishop, to our FUMC here in the Oroville Hmong Ministry. Thus far, I am so proud of the church and is very excited to be part of it. I am looking forward to working with Rev. Donna Van Maanen, Rev. Laura Heffernan and of course all of you for the days to come.

As the new appointment's begin, I would like to encourage all to be strong and faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ, to stands side by side shoulder to shoulder hands in hands to love one another, and support to our church's mission as stated: "Our mission is to know Christ and make Christ known: To nurture our relationship to God and our commandment to Jesus Christ, to invite others into this community of faith, to equip, send and support Christians for daily witness and service. Together we will make a difference. Amen.

July 18-25, 2009, has been planed for the Hmong For Life Family Camp at the Mountain Retreat in the city of Arnold, California. This year retreat is only specialize for the pastors and its family. The theme is call, "Discipleship for Jesus Christ," and special focus for the pastors on clergy misconduct.

Because of school and works, has separated our family members to lived apart from each others through out the year, therefore August 1st to August 15th has been planed for my family vacation.

August, the first or the second weekend has been set for another Volunteer In Mission (VIM) project at my home to paint the exteriors.

Finally, I want to say thank you to all your love and supported to me and my family. As the hot summer is here, I wish you all the best and pray for all of you who are planning for your vacations, those at home or where ever you may be, to stay safe and healthy. *Have a good summer.*

"Passion in Jesus Christ, Compassion for All "
The 2009 Annual Conference theme

Pastor Chuckua Yang

Hmong Translation– Txhais ua lug Moob:

Txug kuv tsevneeg FUMC:

Kuv tuaj ntsib mej txhuatug ntawm peb tug Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe

Xyaahlintuj nubtim ib ntawm txhua lub xyoo yog Yunametudiv kev tsaab hab hloov xwbfbw moog rua lwm pawgntseeg losyog tsaab rovqaab rua pawg qub. Nrug rua kev tsaab zag nuav, kuv kuj raug tsaab rovqaab rua pawgntseeg qub ibzag ntiv lug ntawm tug Thawj Tsaavxwm Hauvpaugsab kws yog rovqaab ua xwbfbw rua pawgntseeg Oroville Yunaimetudiv Cov Moob. Kuv muaj lug zoo sab qhuas pawgntseeg kev ua tau dlejnum zoo hab kuv kuj zoo sab kws muaj feem nrug hab. Kuv npaaj yuav nrug Kxf. Donna Van Maanen, Kxf. Laura Heffernen hab mej suavdlawg ua dlejnum uake rua yaav tom ntej.

Thaus tug xwbfbw tshab yuav pib dlejnum, kuv thov nquahu mej txhuatug yuavtau tuav mej txujkev ntseeg Tswv Yexus kuas ruaj khov, lug sawv uake sibpuag xwbpwg sib tuavteg ibleeg hlub ibleeg, hab txhawb peb pawgntseeg lub homphaj rawsle kws tau teev tseg hastas: “Peb lub homphaj yog ua kuas suavdlawg paub Tswv Yexus Khetos hab ua kuas Tswv Yexus Khetos paub moog thooob nplajteb: kws yog txhawb peb kev phoojywg nrug Vaajtswv hab peb tej lug cogtseg rua Yexus Khetos, caw lwm tug lug koom covntseeg, txhaab kevntseeg, xaa hab txhawb covntseeg rua teg dlejnum kws najnub ua timkhawv hab kev pehawm Vaajtswv.” Yog peb suavdlawg lug koom uake sibpaab peb yeej yuav ua tau. Amees.

Xyaahlintuj nubtim 18-25, 2009, yog npaajtseg rua Moob Rua Txujsa Tsevneeg Kevkawmtxuj nyob rua Mountain Retreat kws yog huv lub zog Arnold, California. Xyoo nuav kev kawmtxuj yog tshwjxeeb rua cov xwbfbw hab puab cov tsev tuabneeg. Lub ntsablug rua kev kawmtxuj hu ua, “Yexus Khetos cov Tubkhai,” hab tshwjxeeb yog rua cov xwbfbw yuav kawm txug xwbfbw kev tsi ceevfaaj rua kev nkaujntseeg.

Vim tej kev sibncaim ibleeg nyob ibqho ntawm tsev tuabneeg ibxyoo dlhau ibxyoo, yog le lub Yimhlintuj nubtim 1st moog txug 15th yog tau muab npaajtseg rua kuv tsevneeg moog su uake.

Lub Yimhlintuj, thawj lub limtam losyog limtam ob tau muab teemtseg rua lub Koomhum Kev Sibpaab (VIM) yuav tuaj pleev xim rua kuv lub tsev saab nrau.

Thaus kawg nuav, Kuv uatsaug rua mej txuatug tej kev hlub hab txhawb rua kuv hab kuv tsevneeg.

Lub caij ntujkub tub lug txug lawm, kuv thov kuas mej tsuas tau txais kev zoo xwb, hab kuv thov Vaajtswv rua mej txhuatug cov kws yuav npaaj moog su uasi, cov nyob huvtsev losyog txhua qhovchaw kws mej nyob, kuas mej tsuas tau txais kev nojqaab nyobzoo. Thov kuas mej muaj kev zoo sab rua lub caij ntujkub nuav.

“Kevhlub rua Yexus Khetos, Kevtusab rua suavdlawg” *Xwbfbw Tshavkuam Yaaj*

Nursery

We need nursery adults in the Nursery a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We nobody misses worship more than once a month. Teens may assist, but there must be two adults. Please let Pastor Laura know if you are willing to help in the Nursery. Another option is the pray for the finances to hire a Nursery supervisor.



Update

workers. We need two each Sunday from 8:30 can take turns so that

One-Room Summer Sunday School

We have a One-Room children this summer. to help with this in Rooms L & M on 8:45. We are having a our play: painting stars, hearing from angels, learning new songs, and everything else. The children will present “A Shepherd’s Story” in combined worship on August 30. Plan on being there. You won’t want to miss the fun.



Sunday School for the If you would be willing project, please join us Sunday mornings at great time preparing for backdrops, making



The children of Children’s Church and Summer Sunday School will be working on School Kits for Sager-Brown this summer. They need bags made and they will have fundraisers and school-supply Sundays to collect for the Kits. These kits will go to

children who do not have school supplies to begin school. Thank you ahead of time for helping our children learn to work to give. If you can help with making bags, please see Pastor Laura. We have a pattern provided by UMCOR.

Vacation Bible

July 13 - 17

9:00 a.m. –



School

12:00 p.m.

Our Sonwalkers leading Vacation Bible to bring your children, neighbor’s children, all the children. The cost will be \$5 per child or \$20 per family. Those families that need scholarships can speak with one of the pastors. We will need some assistance from the adults, so if you can help let Seng Yang or Pastor Donna know. We want to serve a small free breakfast each morning before the fun begins, so we will need help with preparation of breakfast and also snacks.

VBS Preparation July 5 After Worship

All youth and anyone else who would like to help, please plan to attend

Joy's & Concerns

Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Margaret & John Brown's daughter Rachel - has a kidney infection & their grandson's staph infection is responding to antibiotics; Harriet Steiger - needs prayers; Gladeen LeBoeuf - back in church now & doing better; Robin Rich - moving & needs prayers; David Dewey - prayers for city employees facing the loss of their jobs; David Jacobsen - has diabetes & a foot infection, but feeling much better now; Chuck Bailey's friend Lou Haney - having back surgery; Emily Heffernan - prayers for transitioning into high school; John Brown - recently hospitalized but home & better now; Ye & Penny Vang's daughter Michelle - sick with a fever; Christl Yates' sister-in-law Anita Messerschmidt - at Mayo Clinic with rare disease & came close to kidney failure; Tyler Yang's father in hospital with cancer. Joan Azevedo with a possible spider bite on her wrist. David Dewey's father - home now & doing better. Please keep Pastor Donna & Pastor Laura & Emily & Selena in your prayers, they have been on vacation and have all been very sick with the flu, they are being delayed in returning home until they are feeling better.

Those with ongoing concerns: Kenneth Felice; Max Smith; Wright & Elaine Larkey; Theresa Abernathy; Skip Shelton; Tim Witzche; Por Yang; Kathleen Sharkey; Alice Pittman; Roy Stai; Sara Green; Spencer Bateman; Ann Boudrot; Darin Petty; Tracy Hayes; Katie & John Voos; Haley Warren; Ted Beall; Michael Grainger; Avinah Yang; Gwen Howard; Fugate Family; John Church; Mac McComas; Bobby Ludolf; Loraine Hiett; Ross & Wendi Ewalt; Jeremy Buis; Bruce Barton; Pat Foster; Lynn Barnett; Chris Barnes; Mary Ruth Heffernan; Betty Ball; Gail Leonard; Virginia & Emery Field & daughter Arlene; Doris Miller; Sue Fredericksen; Baby Body.

Those suffering loss of a loved one: Continue to pray for the friends & family of Peter Gibson-Hudson, especially Mike & Todd; pray for Michael & Cari Erwin & family upon the recent loss Michael's grandmother Ruth Erwin.

Joys: Robin is in her new apartment & is very happy.

Joan & Gary Azevedo celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 14th; and Jim & Joline Hibbert celebrated their 12th anniversary on June 14th. Congratulations to both couples!!

**HIGHLIGHTS OF TRUSTEE MEETING
MAY 11, 2009**



Meeting with VIM workers regarding Pastor Chuckua Yang's roof. Plans made for that project to happen over the Memorial Day weekend. Estimated supplies cost would be \$3000. plus. Chuck Bailey is the point man for the roof project. Alma Short will coordinate the meals and housing for the volunteers who will come. Plans made for the building materials, permits, volunteers from the church, and the time line for VIM volunteers. the washer at the Parsonage is leaking all over the floor. It is a stackable and needs to be bigger for a family size wash. We will check at A1 for the sale coming up.

The sink in the hallway bathroom at the Parsonage is leaking from the hot water faucet. Chuck and Richard to check on that.

The Youth will mow the lawns at the Parsonage on a weekly schedule.

Tyler, the janitor, will have different work hours during the summer.

The Hmong women are working in the garden. There is a family who would like to plant strawberries in the back of the church property.

The small palm tree is gone and the other palm tree has been trimmed.

The cost will be about \$3000 to construct a new sign for the front of the church.

The Hmong congregation has donated to the new roof at Pastor Chuckua's home.

A newer computer is needed for the Finance desk.

The corner door of a preschool classroom closest to the playground will not lock. It needs a new lock.

The pastor's would like a screen door to put on the front door of the Parsonage.

Next meeting of Trustees is set for June 1, 2009./Alma Short, Secretary

July

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat
			1 Wednesday Service Schedule	2 Thursday Service Schedule	3 Friday Service Schedule	4 
5 Sunday Service Schedule	6	7	8 Wednesday Service Schedule	9 Thursday Service Schedule	10 Friday Service Schedule	11 Birthday Celebration for Gladys James
12 Sunday Service Schedule	13	14	15 Wednesday Service Schedule 5:00 pm Hand Bell Practice	16 Thursday Service Schedule	17 Friday Service Schedule	18
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26 Sunday Service Schedule	27	28	29 5:00 pm Hand Bell Practice	30	31	



SOUND BYTES
soundbuds@att.net

🎵 Thank you Kyle Buis for your donations to the sound system.

🎵 Sad to say we have to repair damages to the sound booth. This is an ongoing

Still in the works:

Completion of the sound booth

🎵 Building a cabinet in the Social Hall for a permanent sound system setup,

🎵 2 more speakers in social hall,

🎵 Rewire the speakers in the social hall,

🎵 More microphones (both wired and wireless) for sanctuary and social hall

ITEMS NEEDED TO IMPROVE SOUND QUALITY			
PRODUCT	QTY	PRICE EACH	TOTAL
YORKVILLE C170 SPEAKER (SOCIAL HALL)	2	\$135.00	\$270.00 + tax
1/4 IN CABLE:			
3'	15	\$6.00	\$90.00 + tax
6'	15	\$7.00	\$105.00 + tax
20'	8	\$10.00	\$80.00 + tax
XLR CABLES			
20'	10	\$15.00	\$150.00+ tax
DOMINION WIRED MICROPHONES	5	\$150.00	\$750.00 + tax
WIRELESS MICROPHONES:			
SENNHEISER SKP 100 G3	2	\$300.00	\$600.00 + tax
SENNHEISER ew 115 G3 LE	3	\$750.00	\$2250.00 + tax
WILLIAMS SOUND FM SYSTEM	1		\$1970.15

🎵 **Have a need for additional media for a Sunday Service or special occasion?**

Please contact Jeremy Buis by leaving a message at the church or email at the above address.

Please have a list of media items you will need and the date(s) and time(s) you will have a need for this service.

If you are not sure what you will need, he or an associate will meet and go over it with you.

We need at least one week's notice to prepare

August

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat
						1 UMVIM Painting Pastor Chuckua's House
2 Sunday Service In Hammond Park @ 10:30 am Potluck to follow at 12:00 pm	3 11:00 Worship Committee 5:30 pm Trustees	4	5 Wednesday Service Schedule	6 Thursday Service Schedule	7 Friday Service Schedule	8 5:00 pm Stewardship Barbeque
9 Sunday Service Schedule	10	11	12 Wednesday Service Schedule	13 Thursday Service Schedule	14 Friday Service Schedule	15
16 Sunday Service Schedule	17 5:30 pm Finance Committee	18	19 Wednesday Service Schedule	20 Thursday Service Schedule	21 Friday Service Schedule	22
23 Sunday Service Schedule	24 6:00 pm Marlys Circle @ Alma's Potluck & Swim	25 6:00 pm Church Council	26 Wednesday Service Schedule	27 Thursday Service Schedule	28 Friday Service Schedule	29
30 Sunday Service Schedule	31					



THINGS FROM OUR ATTIC

(Thank you Linda Perry for scanning the albums to disk.)

JUNE 11, 1937

Methodist Church Mothers' Club And Children Picnic



Members of the Mothers' Club of the First Methodist Church went on a picnic a week ago, but before they left they posed for a Mercury cameraman. In the group are: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stollar, Elsie and Lionel Stollar, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tarr, Wendell and Eva Lu Tarr, Mrs. John Wilkins, Jack and Dick Wilkins, Mrs. Fred Dealey, David Dealey, Mrs. Jud Carman, Betty Sue Carman, Mrs. J. W. Childs, Jo Ann and

Laura Lee Childs, Mrs. L. F. Vaughn, Dick Vaughn, Mrs. Chester Hoar, Helen and Joycelin Hoar, Mrs. Darrel McLeod, Helen McLeod, Mrs. Charles Gasho, Jeanne and Nancy Gasho, Mrs. Nick Ruckman, Richard, Barbara and Verna Lee Ruckman, Mrs. Marie Elmslie, Gary and Karen Elmslie, Mrs. L. J. Conley and Patty Conley.



DILIGENTLY WORKING — These women are busy making preparations for a rummage sale, sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, slated for April 6, 7 and 8 in the old Oroville Grocery building on Montgomery Street. Workers are Mrs. L. M. Hendricks, left, and Mrs. Lawrence Steingasser, general chairman of the sale.



Walter Shaner Family,
Thermalito S.Supt, May 16,
1958

Oroville Methodist Family of
the year - 1957 to 1958

Rummage Sale

Our Rummage Sale will be on September 3rd, 4th & 5th. If you have rummage to donate you can bring it to the church and store it in "Room F". Please do not put any rummage in the Social Hall until after the Stewardship Barbeque on August 8th. Now is the time to clean out those closets and cupboards, garages and attics of those unwanted items that you no longer use. If you have questions about the Rummage Sale see **Barbara Thompson**.



UMVIM Project Phase II Pastor Chuckua's House

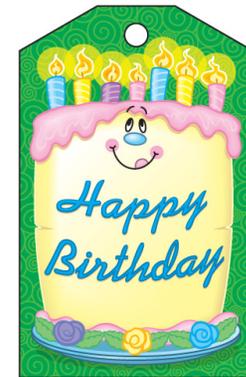
We will paint the house on August 1-2. Worship will be held in the Hammond Park on 2nd Street in Thermalito near Pastor Chuckua's house on Sunday morning with a potluck to follow. We will need volunteers to sweep, caulk, spray wash, spray paint, paint trim, paint ironwork, and clean up; as well as, homes to sleep volunteers, meals prepared, worship setup, etc. We will have sign ups in July. Everyone can help.

Thank you

Merle Caborn appreciates the visits and cards from her FUMC friends honoring her 100th birthday. Many thanks to all for making this a special occasion.

July Birthdays

- 1 Gladys James
- 5 Mary Lazan
- 6 Maurice Vang
- 7 La Verne Battinrich
- 9 Tou Yang
- 10 Gail Leonard
- 15 Joel Valder
- 19 Chuck Bailey
- 20 Helen Parker
- 21 Doris Miller
- 22 Betty Driver
- 23 Zongchang Yang
- 23 Ye Vang
- 24 Chao Moua
- 24 Tsom Moua





Please join us to celebrate the 95th birthday of Gladys James!

Date: Saturday July 11, 2009

Time: 2:00 pm

*Place: First United Methodist Church of Oroville
Social Hall
45 Acacia Ave., Oroville CA 95966*

We would be honored for all those who know and care about Gladys to join us for an afternoon of celebration.

No gifts please. Instead, we invite you to share your pictures and good stories about Gladys for inclusion in a book to celebrate her 95th birthday. If there is anything you would like to share, you may bring it to the event or mail it to the address below.

If you cannot attend, you are welcome to send your best wishes to Gladys. We are sure that she would love to hear from you. We hope you can attend!

Love, Judy, Alex, Scott, Ying and Stevie

Please RSVP to Scott Mossman at srmossman@yahoo.com by phone at 510-409-7737 or mail at 3938 Burckhafter Ave, Oakland, CA 94605

Tri-Tip Barbeque

The Stewardship Team is planning on A Tri-Tip Barbeque on **Saturday August 8th**, 5 - 7 PM. Please mark this date on your calendars. The tickets will be out soon. We are asking the congregation for donations of inexpensive gifts that we can use as raffle items that will take place during the Dinner. We need the congregations support to make this Tri-Tip Barbeque a success.

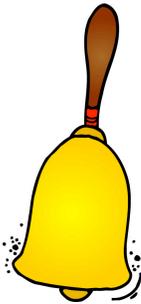
Thank you very much for your help and support.

Stewardship Team

Cynthia, Georgia & Randy

Hand Bell Choir

The Handbell Choir is no longer on vacation. Practice will resume on Wednesday, July 15, at 5:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Anyone who has played bells or would like to begin to learn to play bells is welcome and encouraged to come and learn and continue to learn. John and Elaine Schmidt are



the gatherers for the Bell Choir. If you would like to begin to learn and want to have "private lessons" before joining the group, please contact John and Elaine at 533-5571 to set up some times to get together. We would love to help you get started!



Heifer Project

We are continuing to collect recyclables for the Heifer Project. There are bins located in the Social Hall next to the kitchen doors to place your items. They will be cashed in and the money saved for the children's Heifer project this fall. Thank you for your donations.

July Worship

July 5th

Greeters: Thao Xiong, Pao Vang & Mong Vang

Coffee Hour: Staff Parrish Committee

Liturgist: Jeremy Buis

Lockup: Sem Xiong

July 12th

Greeters: Bill & Alma Short

Coffee Hour: Bill & Alma Short

Liturgist: Thoa Xiong

Lockup: Richard Fancher

July 19th

Greeters: Don Pinney & Betty Ledford

Coffee Hour: John & Margaret Brown

Liturgist: Scott Wirths

Lockup: Susan Sharon

July 26th

Greeters: Betty Ball & Virginia Bias

Coffee Hour: Lynn & Stu Shaner

Liturgist: Cari Erwin

Lockup: Kyle Buis

August 30th

Liturgist: Elaine Klein

Lockup: Stu Shaner

August Worship

August 2

Greeters: Betty Ledford & Helen Bealle

Coffee Hour: Emily & Richard Fancher

Liturgist: Rev. Laura Heffernan

Lockup: Sem Xiong

August 9th

Greeters: Lynn & Stu Shaner

Coffee Hour: Emily & Richard Fancher

Liturgist: Betty Ledford

Lockup: Richard Fancher

August 16th

Greeters: Gerry & Darby Miller

Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford & Helen Bealle

Liturgist: Betty Ledford

Lockup: Susan Sharon

August 23rd

Greeters: John & Elaine Schmidt

Coffee Hour: Karen Green & Glenda Ott

Liturgist: Elaine Klein

Lockup: Kyle Buis

August 30th

Greeters: Jim & Doris Henneker

Coffee Hour: Jim & Doris Henneker

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Oroville

Celebrating Over 150 Years Serving The Oroville Community

Sunday Service Schedule

Adult's & Children's Sunday School	8:45 a.m.
Hmong Service	8:45 a.m.
Children's Bells	10:00 a.m.
Hmong Adult's & Youth Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
English Service	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church	11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Schedule

Bible Study & Breakfast @ Hofbrau	8:00 a.m.
Bible Round Table & Prayer	10:30 a.m.
Dinner @ Six each Wed. Sept. to May	6:00 p.m.

Thursday Schedule

Bible Study & Breakfast @ Cassidy's	7:30 a.m.
Community Prayer Service	4:20 p.m.-5:20 p.m

Friday Schedule

Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting	5:30 p.m.
Hmong Ladies Choir Practice	5:30 p.m.

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