



The Golden Feather



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Chef: Randy Fowler & Finance Committee

October 19th

Baked Parmesan Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Country Gravy, Vegetable, Salad, Bread, Dessert
Chef Randy Fowler & Outreach Committee

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE

Pastor's Message

Hi everyone,

I am Pastor Cheng Yang. My “adult”, or literally translated from the Hmong language, my “old man name”, is Tzer-Cheng Yang. In the Hmong culture, we are all born with a birth name which is given to us by our parents. When we get marry and have our first child, our in-laws give us this “adult/old man” name. That’s where the name Tzer-Cheng comes in. It is often harder for non-Hmongs to pronounce, so addressing me as Pastor Cheng or just Cheng is perfectly fine with me.

I am married to Shoua Kong-Yang and we have three children. My wife has been a Logistical Supervisor for Pasco Scientific in Roseville, Ca for the past 10 years or so. She deals with the shipping & receiving as well as the inventory management of the company she works for. As for me, outside of the church, I am a Master Contractor that runs my own courier business in which I contract with different brokers in the area to provide courier and delivery services for them. I service as far south as Fresno, as far west as San Francisco, as far east as Reno and as far north as Redding. I’m not too fond of sending my drivers into the snow as it becomes a major issue for me so I try my best to avoid Reno when I can.

Our first child is Kayla Pang Kou Yang. She’s an adult now, as she claims, so you wouldn’t be seeing much of her. I guess she does have a point since she’s 18 now. But, she is attending Yuba College and has a job with Burger King in Marysville, Ca. So, she won’t be able to attend church in Oroville as much as I would like. But, she’ll attend when her schedule allows her to. She’s a really sweet and friendly person and she’s my only daughter which means I tend to be overprotective of her. In a nice way, of course!

Our second child is Simon Fujee (Hwjchim) Yang. His middle name means power in Hmong. He just turned 16 this September. He’s a sports fanatic so the way to his heart is through sports. If anyone wants to get to know him, talk SPORTS! He’s a big fan of Lebron James (we all tease him that Lebron is his man-crush). I have to confess that I failed somewhat as a parent here because I did tried hard to raise him up as a Michael Jordan fan with no success. He just won’t budge on this and insist Lebron is the man. Oh well, what can you do, right? He also is a big 49ers fan and he loves fantasy football.

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If anyone needs any help with

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE

Pastor's Message continued

The third child of ours is Eli Jintu Yang. Jintu (Tsimntuj) means “creator of the heavens” in Hmong. He’s three years old and is full of endless energy. It’s a day’s worth of cardio workout just to chase him around. At his current age, he’s still very attach to his mother. So, if you find his mother, you’ll find him most of the time. He likes superheroes, toy cars, elmo, cookie monster, and too many other things to list.

As for me and my pastoral experiences, I’ve completed my ministerial and pastoral studies with the, Church Leadership Academy, which is a theological extension seminary pastoral training program associated with the Christian & Missionary Alliance. I came to the United Methodist Church three years ago because many who knew me in the community greatly felt that I could be of help to the UMC. At the time, the Marysville Methodist Hmong congregation was struggling and many members communicated to me that they felt that sooner or later the congregation will have to close down. So I decided to join the Marysville Hmong congregation to see what I can do to help. Since joining, I’ve served alongside Pastor Chuckua Yang in Marysville and also been elected to be the vice-chairman of the Ca-Nev Hmong Caucus of the UMC. Together with Pastor Chuckua, along with other leaders in the Marysville Hmong congregation, we’ve been able to breathe some life back into the congregation. God has blessed us tremendously and as a result of this, the young couples of that church are starting to take a more active role in the leadership within the Marysville congregation.

Overall, I have 15 years of ministry experiences in numerous settings which include youth, young adults, and young couple’s ministry. In the past, I’ve worked with the C&MA in helping equip and develop the second generation Hmong churches. The second generation of Hmong churches are generally people who are now in their 30’s-40’s. This group of people was either born overseas to parents from Laos and grew up in the United States (such as myself) or was born in the United States to parents who were born in Laos. I’ve also worked and developed music ministries within the C&MA Hmong local churches in the past to train musicians and worship leaders. Many of these churches still utilize the same program that I set in place for them to enhance the musical aspect of their worship services.

My philosophy to ministry is always to engage, equip, and empower. My purpose is to make disciples who will go out to make more disciples. The five essential aspects that I find to be necessary for a church to be healthy and growing are (1) evangelism, (2) fellowship, (3) worship, (4) ministry, and (5) discipleship. I don’t think there is any one way to grow a church. But, like a healthy person, a church needs a balance of proper diet and nutrition for it to remain healthy and growing. Naturally, a healthy person is growing and the same thing can be said of a church. These five essentials are those nutrients that I find necessary for a church to remain healthy and growing. They can be Biblically traced to the young Jerusalem church in Acts 2:42-47.

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October 2016

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Pastor's Message continued

I am very excited about the opportunity to serve with the FUMC of Oroville. This will be my first time serving in an Anglo-Congregation which I see as a great learning experience for me. I know that with God's amazing grace, we will all grow together and learn from each other. I do look forward to learning many new things from everyone in the congregation and am extremely grateful to get the chance to share my faith and the Word of God with everyone.

I'm also immensely blessed to have Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler to mentor me as I make this transition to the United Methodist Church. I cannot thank God enough for providing me with someone like him to guide me to understand the background and tradition of the UMC. He has been a tremendous help for me.

I will also be helping out Pastor Chuckua Yang with the Hmong congregation and my hope is that we may be able to provide encouragement for the young couples, the young adults, and the youth in the church. These young people are the future of our church and without their enthusiasm for the faith, it will be difficult for us. But, with them, I do see a bright future for our church.

In conclusion, let me say this. Let our church become a praying church. Let us always pray for one another and let us continually ask for the Holy Spirit to guide us in all that we do so that we may bring nothing but glory to God. It's all about Him. It's not about us. God bless! May the Spirit of God continue to strengthen us and reveal to us more and more the knowledge of God's will.

In Christ,

Pastor Cheng Yang

P.S. I'm also attaching my work schedule with this letter so everyone is aware of what I'm doing in the church.

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Schedule

Pastor Cheng Yang

Monday morning

- Prepare the sermon and worship service bulletin(4 hours)

Tuesday morning

- Continue with unfinished tasks on Monday

Wednesday

- Finalize the worship service bulletin and get it out to the worship committee (2 hours)

Thursday

- OFF

Friday

- 10:30am - 5:30pm open door office hours (7 hours)
- After hours will be spent with the different ministry departments when needed. (1-2 hours)

Saturday

- Ministry hours such as outreach, visitations, etc.
- Meetings in office by appointment only
- Finalize sermon for Sunday worship
 - o 8 hour day

Sunday

- Church
 - o 4-6 hours

Total weekly hours = Approximately 30 hours

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

for updates please give the information to Erin or Jeremy Buis or
send to: umc@1stunitedmethodist.org

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| 1 | Nally Cha |
| 2 | Pahoua (Chamee) Yang |
| 2 | Linda Perry |
| 4 | Stu Shaner |
| 9 | Yer Vang |
| 10 | Pao Lo Vang |
| 11 | Lynn Shaner |
| 12 | Yeng Vang |
| 13 | Kristina Yang |
| 14 | Emily Erwin |
| 15 | Ellen Felice |
| 18 | Kham Vang |



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| 18 | Houa Yang |
| 19 | Ellen Muas Moua |
| 20 | Kayla Yang |
| 21 | Chris Barnes |
| 21 | Jane Muas Moua |
| 22 | Peyton Xiong |
| 23 | Kiea Lee |
| 23 | Patty Lewis |
| 24 | Joline Hibbert |
| 29 | Harriet Steiger |
| 29 | Aiden Vang |
| 31 | Valarie Weitze |

OCTOBER WORSHIP

October 2nd

Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler

Greeters: Betty Ledford

Coffee Hour: Wayne & Bev Smith

Lockup: Sem Xiong

October 9th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Bill & Sharon Cheek

Coffee Hour: Janet Short

Lockup: Gladeen Leboeuf

October 16th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Emily & Richard Fancher

Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford

Lockup: Susan Sharon

October 23rd

Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler

Greeters: Pat Gray & Emily Fancher

Coffee Hour: Emily Fancher & Rod Clay

Lockup: Jeremy Buis

October 30th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Gerry Miller & John Fowler

Coffee Hour: Carol Anderson

Lockup: Trustees

October Calendar
for English Worship Service:

October 2 - Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler (combine Hmong/English Service)

October 9 - Pastor Cheng Yang

October 16 - Pastor Cheng Yang

October 23 - Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler

October 30 - Pastor Cheng Yang

LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

STARTING THURS SEPT 22

FEATHER RIVER SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

1335 MYERS ST

11 AM TO NOON

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

PAT GRAY

530-712-1144

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Dinner @ 6 Schedule 2016 - 2017

September

7th Randy
14th Trustees
21st Randy/SPRC
28th Hmong Ladies

October

5th Randy
12th Randy/Finance
19th Randy/Outreach
26th Hmong Ladies

November

2nd Randy
9th Randy/SPRC
23rd No Dinner
30th Outreach/Disci

December

7th Randy
14th Randy/Finance
21st No Dinner
28th No Dinner

January

4th Randy
11th Trustees
18th Randy
25th Hmong Ladies

February

1st Randy
8th Randy/Finance
15th Outreach/Disc
22nd Hmong Ladies

March

7th Randy
14th Trustees
21st Randy/SPRC
28th Hmong Ladies

April

5th Randy
12th No Dinner
19th Randy/Finance
26th Hmong Ladies

May

3rd Randy
10th Randy/SPEC
17th Randy
24th Hmong Ladies

If anyone needs any help with
your dinner or advice please call
Randy 533-5921

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7th Annual

*Ross-Harmon
Educator of the Year*

Monday, April 25, 2017
Nominations deadline March 24, 2017

Nomination forms are online:
<http://ross-harmon.org/>

2016 Award Honorees

Andree Earley & Sandra Dysart – Oroville Union High School District
Catherine Diaz & Tabitha Vangunda – Oroville City Elementary School District
Sara Smock & Diana Noyer – Palermo Union School District
Ed Gregorio – Thermalito Union School District

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Contact:
Emily Fancher
to sign up for a Sunday



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The Turkey Dinner is coming soon. This will be our 81st annual dinner. How wonderful that our church has put on this dinner for so many years.

Sign ups for cooking the turkeys and the sides will be posted in October. I am also going to start advertising in October . Remember to talk to your friends and neighbors about our dinner.

Blessings, Erin Buis



"When we say grace, do we look
up at Heaven, or down
at the food?"

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**KYLE BUIS & LACEY CARROLL
MARRY IN ICELAND**

They will be here Sunday, November 13
for a reception during
coffee hour until 3:00pm.

COFFEE HOUR & GREETERS

Emily Fancher is now in charge of
coffee hour and greeters.
Please see her to sign up

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE

Salmon with Lemon Mushroom Sauce

Ed Ewalt

4 Tbsp chopped onion	1/4 C butter or margarine, melted
1 can (1lb) salmon, with liquid (may substitute 2 (7 oz ea) cans tuna, drained - use 1/2 C milk)	
3/4 C milk	2 C fine dry bread crumbs
3 eggs, lightly beaten	1/4 tsp poultry seasoning
1/2 C minced parsley	1/4 tsp salt
dash nutmeg	1 Can (10 3/4oz) cream of mushroom soup
1 Tbsp lemon juice	1/2 tsp paprika
4 stuffed olives, sliced	

Saute onion in heated butter until golden. Se aside. Drain salmon, pouring liquid into measuring cup. Add enough milk to liquid to make 1/2 C. Mix together onion, salmon liquid, bread crumbs, eggs, poultry seasoning, parsley, salt and nutmeg. Shape into 4 mounds and place in medium shallow baking dish. Mix together 1/2 C milk, soup, lemon juice, and paprika. Pour around salmon. top each mound with 3 olive slices. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 30 minutes.

NOTE: Good served with buttered green beans or cold asparagus salad and hot biscuits.

**Email or drop your favorite recipe with Erin or Jeremy Buis
so it can be shared in the next Feather!**

Breakfast Burrito with Salsa

for crowd

10 large eggs	10 oz (2 C) frozen corn
1 lb turkey bacon, diced into 1/4 pieces	12 oz fresh green peppers, diced
14 oz onion diced	1 Tbsp fresh tomato, diced
1/4 C prepared mustard	2 tsp granulated garlic
1 Tbsp hot pepper sauce	2 tsp salt
50 at least 1.1 oz flour tortillas	1 lb mild salsa

In a mixer, using a paddle attachment, blend eggs, corn, milk, turkey ham, green peppers, onions, tomatoes, prepared mustard, granulated garlic, hot pepper sauce and salt.

Pour egg mixture into an oiled 12x20x2 inch steam table pan. Cover tightly with foil or metal lid. To bake:
Conventional Oven: 350 degrees for 60 minutes. Convection Oven: 325 degrees for 50 minutes
Compartment Steamer: 30 minutes

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE
CHURCH SHARE CARDS**



**GOOD NEWS ON
RALEY'S AND FOOD MAXX
SHARE CARDS**

During May 2016 we received a check for our Food Maxx Share Cards for \$196.05. Our Food Maxx Program has made \$434.97 year to date so far this year as a fundraiser for our church budget. We receive a check about once every three months. We no longer can use the shares card. Just put in the church phone number (530)534-9455 in the keypad and touch the green button when you pay for your groceries. The Raley's Something Extra Card has made \$151.13 so far this year for our church budget. We receive a check about once every three months for the Raley's card. We received a check from Raley's just last month. We still have a card at Raley's. If you don't have a Raley's card ask for a card the next time you shop at Raley's. You are required to designate how much you want to come back to the church when we use our Raley's card. You can do this from your own computer. If you don't have a computer or if you are having trouble setting this up ask Jeremy Buis to help you. We get money from Food Maxx and Raley's every three months. The UMC Market has made \$23.10 so far this year for our church budget. The UMC Market is when you purchase things on the internet. Many stores participate. See the article of what stores in the feather. You can read about the UMC Market in The Feather each month.

Remember Food Maxx, Raley's and UMC Market when you shop. Put all three together and we have made \$609.20 so far this year for our church budget. What an easy to help our church budget.

Thank you

John S. Fowler

Chairman Finance Committee



**SHOP AT YOUR FAVORITE
ONLINE STORE
AND DONATE FOR FREE**

UMC Market Place is a shopping market that is linked to the Methodist Church that rewards the local church for your online shopping. Go to www.umcmarket.org register for the site and register to **First United**

Methodist Church of Oroville, CA. you then go to the list of stores and do your shopping. OverStock pays up to 75%, Macy's pays 4%. This time of year when people are shopping online for gifts is a time to also think of the church earning dollars. Please consider using this site to do your online shopping you just go into the site each time you begin your shopping.



Staples

Shopping at Staples? Use the Church's phone number 534-9455 and the Church will receive Staples Rewards credit.

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Month	Recycling \$\$\$
May/June	
July/Aug	
Sept	\$60.35
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Nov.	
Dec.	
Jan.	
Feb.	
Mar.	
Apr/May	
Year to Date	\$60.35

SUBMITTING ITEMS TO THE GOLDEN FEATHER

An article can be submitted to the Golden Feather in many ways. Here are a few:

- ❧ in the body of an email and sent to umc@1stunitedmethodist.org
- ❧ a picture in jpeg form and emailed to address above
- ❧ written on a piece of paper and left in the office for Jeremy Buis
- ❧ if more information concerning your article please include the link.

All articles must be submitted on or before the third Sunday of the month. Any questions please check with Jeremy Buis. He will be happy to help you.

SHOWING VIDEOS AT CHURCH

There has been a form submitted so we will be able to show videos on the church site. If this form was not submitted there would be a strong fine for showing videos without the form.

By having this form, we could show family films during the summer with a BBQ or just popcorn. Admission would be by donation.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be put on the email or phone list to be informed of Prayer Chain requests for prayers please let Linda Perry know. linlap@comcast.net or 532-1298.

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Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Pat Gray has asked for prayers for a new Low Vision Support Group she has started. They will meet at the Senior Center downtown; **Glenda Ott** – prayers for her as she is having trouble with her arm again, pray for a quick recovery; **Cristl Yates** – pray for **her mother-in-law Twila Yates** as she has vertigo and pray for **Cristl's father Rudi Messerschmidt**, as he is having tests; **Sue Frederickson** – prayers for her ex-daughter-in-law, **Brandy Marshall**, who had a stroke & is home now. She has difficulty using her right arm & remembering things. She is the main parent to their grandson Rhylan; **Erik Pieper** – prayers for relocation to Hawaii; **Ginger Ewalt** – prayers for her friend **Ruth Martin**, who had cancer surgery on her face, which included the removal of an eye; **Pastor Chuckua** -- prayers for his **daughter Eve** – pray for her health; **Chet Ainsworth** – recent surgery and still recovering, continue to pray for healing; **Stu & Lynn Shaner** – **Stu** is currently in Oroville Hospital waiting to go to Extended care for rehab. Continue to pray for healing. Pray for **Lynn & her family** to have patience with this process; **Georgia Nelson** – prayers for her friend **Truly**, who is in the end stages of cancer and is in hospice care; **Helen Beall** – prayers for **Ted's general health**;

Pray for those with ongoing concerns:

Mee Lee & Tong Xiong; Emma Spencer; Gary Azevedo; Bruce Barton; Jeremy Buis; Pastor Chuckua & Poyee Yang; Luisa Shaner; Buz Manwell; Chris Barnes; Steve Ewalt; Norman Rieck; Chris Christian; Barbara Thompson; Jeffery Felice; Roger Byrd; Joan & Doug Jacobsen; Adrienne Hoke; Hayden Wyman; Joshua Springsteen; Chet Ainsworth, Joan Smith, Rick McGrath, Rick Roeth, Dave & Nancy Jacobsen, the Bowen Family, Stephen Jackson, Stephanie Couris, Debbie Mays, Cody Fredericksen, Rhylan Fredericksen, Charlene Sehorn, Bernice Green, Mick Moore, Mick Trainer, Faith Radiance, Jinx Diliberti, Tou Yang, Chuck & Marie Bailey, Bernice Green, Haydon Wyman, Terry Winfield, Alice Mitchell, Larry Thomas, Ted Beall, Diane Becerra, Phil Azevedo, Stu Shaner, Jeff Bruggeman, Sandra Hays, Connie Longshore, Cathy Santos, Linda Perry, Frank Johnson, Jim Henneker, Pat Foster's family, Alma Short & all of Bill's family and the family of Virginia Field.



Pray for our military at home & abroad and for the families of our missing ones, our POW's & MIA's who never came home. They serve, so we can be free. Also, pray for all law enforcement and firefighters, who daily put their lives on the line just to keep us safe.

Our hearts & prayers go out to those in our church family who have lost a loved one in the recent weeks:

The family of Sean Taylor, who was a former member. Sean passed away in Kansas City at the age of 57 following a diagnosis of cancer; pray for Connie Scherer & family upon the passing of her husband Ronald Scherer. Some will remember Connie (Hazeltine) as she attended our church years ago; Pray for Pat Foster's daughter Alice Mitchell & family, as Alice just lost her husband to cancer and her mom Pat died a few months ago; prayers for Liz Holdaway as she recently lost both her brother-in-law John Holdaway and her grandmother the next day. Pray for her & her family. Liz is our custodian.

Continue to pray for our overall church finances. “Every person shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God, which He has given you”. Deuteronomy 16:17

Good wishes and prayers for success to Angel Yang, Pastor Chuckua & Poyee's daughter as she has headed off to attend college at the University of the Pacific.

BIBLE ROUNDTABLE

IS CANCELED

**Thursday Morning
Bible Study**

For more information
you can call or speak to
Joan Azevedo, 589-5509.

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT July 2016

Checking Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 852.03
Income Deposits during July 2016	8,978.45
Transfer from Gen. funds Reserves Acct.	3,096.90
Checking Expenses during July 2016	12,367.37
Checking Balance July 31, 2016	560.01

Liabilities

Parsonage Loan	\$ 26,796.23
2010 Pension	7,285.70
2011 Pension	7,596.00
2013 Pension	6,712.87

Fundraisers

Food Booth Fireworks over Lake Oroville	\$ 528.50
Church Rummage Sale	1,478.49
Food Max Share Cards Year to Date	462.09
Raley's Share Cards Year to Date	235.13

We do not receive a check from the state preschool in June and July while the school is on summer vacation. Our income is down during the summer months. During the rest of the year we put money into our general funds reserves account each month so we have funds during the summer months. I transferred \$3,096.90 into our general fund from our general funds reserves account so we could pay our bills in July. As a result we were able to pay our bills in July. We had a great fundraiser in July with our food booth during the fireworks over Lake Oroville on the 4th of July. In August we had a great fundraiser with our annual church rummage sale. We need fundraisers during the summer months.

Thanks for your help with our church finances.

John S. Fowler
Church Treasurer

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT August 2016

Checking Balance August 1, 2016	\$ 560.01
Income Deposits during August 2016	14,815.20
Checking Expenses during August 2016	13,133.73
Checking Balance August 31, 2016	\$ 2,241.28

Liabilities

Parsonage Loan	\$26,610.44
2010 Pension	7,285.70
2011 Pension	7,596.00
2013 Pension	6,612.87

Fundraisers

Church Rummage Sale	1,508.49
Food Max Share Cards Year to Date	493.26
Raley's Share Cards Year to Date	235.13

We had a very successful rummage sale in August making over \$1,500.00 for our church budget. Our share cards have made over \$700.00 this year so far. Remember when you shop at Food Maxx to put the church phone number (530) 534-9455 in the key pad as soon as they start scanning your groceries and touch the green button. We had a tough summer but now that we are all back in church for the fall remember your church.

Thanks for your help with our church finances
John S. Fowler
Church Treasurer



**CHANGES TO THE SHARES CARD
FOOD MAXX PROGRAM**

There have been some changes to our Food Maxx Shares Card program. The shares cards are no longer being accepted so please dispose of your shares card. Now all you have to do is put in a telephone number. You just put a telephone number in the key pad when you pay for your groceries and touch the green button.

If you want to use your own telephone number you must log in on your own computer at www.escrip.com. Then sign up to use your own phone number. You must have an e-mail to do this. If you don't have an e-mail to make it easier for you Jeremy Buis has set up the church phone number for all of us to use. Just put in the church phone number in the keypad 5305349455 and hit the green button. That is all you have to do. I tried it and it works. I tried signing up but I had problems so I just use the church phone number. This is a great fundraiser for our church budget. We make about \$300.00 every three months for our church.

5305349455 THEN TOUCH THE GREEN BUTTON.

Thank you
John S. Fowler
Chairman Finance Committee

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE

Roots (1736–1816)

The United Methodist Church shares a common history and heritage with other Methodist and Wesleyan bodies. The lives and ministries of John Wesley (1703–1791) and of his brother, Charles (1707–1788), mark the origin of their common roots. Both John and Charles were Church of England missionaries to the colony of Georgia, arriving in March 1736. It was their only occasion to visit America. Their mission was far from an unqualified success, and both returned to England disillusioned and discouraged, Charles in December 1736, and John in February 1738.

Both of the Wesley brothers had transforming religious experiences in May 1738. John's heart "was strangely warmed" at a prayer meeting on Aldersgate Street in London. In the years following, the Wesleys succeeded in leading a lively renewal movement in the Church of England. As the Methodist movement grew, it became apparent that their ministry would spread to the American colonies as some Methodists made the exhausting and hazardous Atlantic voyage to the New World.

Organized Methodism in America began as a lay movement. Among its earliest leaders were Robert Strawbridge, an immigrant farmer who organized work about 1760 in Maryland and Virginia, Philip Embury and his cousin, Barbara Heck, who began work in New York in 1766, and Captain Thomas Webb, whose labors were instrumental in Methodist beginnings in Philadelphia in 1767. African Americans participated actively in these groundbreaking and formational initiatives though much of that contribution was acknowledged without much biographical detail.

To strengthen the Methodist work in the colonies, John Wesley sent two of his lay preachers, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmore, to America in 1769. Two years later Richard Wright and Francis Asbury were also dispatched by Wesley to undergird the growing American Methodist societies. Francis Asbury became the most important figure in early American Methodism. His energetic devotion to the principles of Wesleyan theology, ministry, and organization shaped Methodism in America in a way unmatched by any other individual. In addition to the preachers sent by Wesley, some Methodists in the colonies also answered the call to become lay preachers in the movement.

The first conference of Methodist preachers in the colonies was held in Philadelphia in 1773. The ten who attended took several important actions. They pledged allegiance to Wesley's leadership and agreed that they would not administer the sacraments because they were laypersons. Their people were to receive the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper at the local Anglican parish church. They emphasized strong discipline among the societies and preachers. A system of regular conferences of the preachers was inaugurated similar to those Wesley had instituted in England to conduct the business of the Methodist movement.

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<http://www.umc.org/who-we-are/roots>

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Roots (1736–1816)

Continued

The American Revolution had a profound impact on Methodism. John Wesley's Toryism and his writings against the revolutionary cause did not enhance the image of Methodism among many who supported independence. Furthermore, a number of Methodist preachers refused to bear arms to aid the patriots.

When independence from England had been won, Wesley recognized that changes were necessary in American Methodism. He sent Thomas Coke to America to superintend the work with Asbury. Coke brought with him a prayer book titled *The Sunday Service of the Methodists in North America*, prepared by Wesley and incorporating his revision of the Church of England's Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion. Two other preachers, Richard Whatcoat and Thomas Vasey, whom Wesley had ordained, accompanied Coke. Wesley's ordinations set a precedent that ultimately permitted Methodists in America to become an independent church.

In December 1784, the famous Christmas Conference of preachers was held in Baltimore at Lovely Lane Chapel to chart the future course of the movement in America. Most of the American preachers attended, probably including two African Americans, Harry Hosier and Richard Allen. It was at this gathering that the movement became organized as The Methodist Episcopal Church in America.

In the years following the Christmas Conference, The Methodist Episcopal Church published its first Discipline (1785), adopted a quadrennial General Conference, the first of which was held in 1792, drafted a Constitution in 1808, refined its structure, established a publishing house, and became an ardent proponent of revivalism and the camp meeting.

As The Methodist Episcopal Church was in its infancy, two other churches were being formed. In their earliest years they were composed almost entirely of German-speaking people. The first was founded by Philip William Otterbein (1726–1813) and Martin Boehm (1725–1812). Otterbein, a German Reformed pastor, and Boehm, a Mennonite, preached an evangelical message and experience similar to the Methodists. In 1800 their followers formally organized the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. A second church, The Evangelical Association, was begun by Jacob Albright (1759–1808), a Lutheran farmer and tilemaker in eastern Pennsylvania who had been converted and nurtured under Methodist teaching. The Evangelical Association was officially organized in 1803. These two churches were to unite with each other in 1946 and with The Methodist Church in 1968 to form The United Methodist Church. By the time of Asbury's death in March 1816, Otterbein, Boehm, and Albright had also died. The churches they nurtured had survived the difficulties of early life and were beginning to expand numerically and geographically.

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Our mission is to know Christ and make Christ known: to nurture our relationship with God and our commitment to Jesus Christ, to invite others into the community of faith, to equip, send and support Christians for daily witness and service.

Sunday Service Schedule

Adults & Children's Sunday School	8:45 a.m.
Hmong Service	8:30 a.m.
Chancel Choir Practice	9:45 a.m.
Hmong Adult's Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
Hmong Youth Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
Combined English/Hmong Communion Service 1 st Sunday	10:30 a.m.
English Service	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church (after Children's Sermon)	‘ 11:00 a.m.
Church Council (First Sunday)	Following Service
Trustees (Second Sunday)	Following Service
Coffee Hour & Fellowship	Following Service.

Monday Schedule

Finance Committee (Second Monday)	5:30 p.m.
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Wednesday Schedule

Chancel Choir Practice	6:45 p.m.
Dinner @ Six each Wed. Sept. to May	6:00 p.m.

Thursday Schedule

Bible Study & Breakfast	7:30 a.m.
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Friday Schedule

Community Prayer Service (room L/M)	6:00 p.m.
Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Young Adults	6:00 p.m.
Hmong Women's Choir	6:00 p.m.