

**LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**LAKESIDE LANTERN**  
**SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD IN OUR 55TH YEAR**

**JULY**

**Lay Delegate Annual Conference Report 2013**

It was my privilege to, once again, represent Lakeside UMC at the 2013 Florida Annual Conference in Lakeland, June 13th to 15th. Pastor David and Nanci Branson along with Barbara Russum and Nancy Gettys (both District Lay Delegates) also attended. This year's conference was entitled, "Becoming Disciples of Jesus Christ". The overall theme of the conference was conveyed thru personal testimonies that were given both personally and video throughout the entire event. In previous years, the focus of the conference was often "outward thinking" in terms of missions and our connections to other faiths. But this year the focus really was getting back to the Wesleyan approach which is at the very core of our faith walk as Methodists. Intentional discipleship and Wesleyan Small Groups were large parts of our conversation and it is clear that the new Bishop will be focused on both as we move into the coming years.

Bishop Ken Carter and his wife, Pam, will be an excellent "shot in the arm" for our Florida conference. Everyone that I spoke with agreed there was a certain sense of change in the air causing excitement on the conference level. For her part, Pam Carter has gotten involved with "A Million Reasons" which is a year long mission of the Florida Conference to pack 1,000,000 meals to fight hunger. These meals are packed in an assembly line manner with about 40 volunteers. As the bag is passed along the volunteers pour in the ingredients to create a healthy, hearty meal. The meals can be kept up to two years and cost of \$.25 per meal. During the two day conference, 101,306 bags were prepared. (I think this could be a wonderful mission for Lakeside to get involved with in the coming year!)

Approximately 83% of local churches paid their apportionments 100%. Lakeside UMC was part of that group and I bring a big "Thank You" from the Treasurer for our connectional giving to the Conference.

The highlight of each conference was Friday evening's Ordination, Licensing and Commissioning service. 30 individuals were ordained, commissioned or licensed to go out into our "mission field" and serve.

So, in conclusion, this year's annual conference was not heavy with resolutions or new policies. But rather, a time to look at ourselves as United Methodists and to start re-evaluating our faith walk thru intentional discipleship and focused small groups. We were challenged to come back to our local churches and start a small group and see the difference it would make.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent Lakeside UMC as your Lay Member delegate.

In Christ,

Bob Going



You're invited to step right up with  
Lakeside United Methodist Church  
For Our  
Everywhere Fun Fair  
Where God's World Comes Together!

Explore and Experience God's Welcoming Love at VBS!

When: Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Time: 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Ages: Pre-K through Upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

Includes: Dinner & Snack

For more information about our **FREE** Vacation Bible School, or to register,

Call Robynne Ryals at (561) 585-7519

Or email [Lakesideumc.vbs@gmail.com](mailto:Lakesideumc.vbs@gmail.com)

Or visit [www.2013.cokesburyvbs.com/LakesideUMC](http://www.2013.cokesburyvbs.com/LakesideUMC)

**The Capital Campaign** was kicked off on March 8, 2013 for the refurbishment and replacement of Sanctuary Sound and Lighting systems as well as a replacement for the Dishwasher in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Our goal is \$20,000 for this much needed work. To date we have raised \$6,588.92 toward our goal with the generous giving of our faithful congregation. I pray that God would touch each of us to join in on this crucial part of our ministry here at Lakeside UMC to make our worship service and activities the best they can be. We honor God when we strive to give our best for His glory. I pray God's richest blessings upon each of you as you prayerfully consider your gift to this much needed work.

Blessings, Pastor David

### **Mission Jar Focus**

The Mission Jar Focus for July-Sept. will be School Supplies. We start collecting early because that is when we see the sales at our local stores such as Walgreens, CVS, Wal-Mart, Target, Dollar General, etc. We collect and deliver supplies to our local elementary schools (Barton, South Grade, Highland, and North Grade) as well as Lake Worth Middle.

Suggested items are: crayons, markers, scissors, pencils, spiral notebooks, back packs, school glue, hand sanitizer, boxes of tissues, rulers, folders, composition books, paper, etc. Donated cash will be used to purchase supplies for these schools. Thank you for your generous support. We have many needy children in our area.

The Finance Committee

### **Attendance**

Have you noticed the new Connect Cards in your Sunday Bulletin? This is for regular attendees, members, and visitors. PLEASE sign the card each week. If any of your information changes, note it on the card. These cards are used to record attendance for membership and end of the year reports to the Florida Conference.

Encourage any visitors sitting near you to also sign the card. A post card is sent to visitors thanking them for coming to Lakeside and welcoming them to return again!

**MATTHEW MEALS—**

We are blessed each month to be able to serve our community by giving them a hot cooked meal. Now that several of our helpers have returned up north, we could really use your help. Lakeside's next Matthew Meals will be on Saturday, July 27th.

Volunteers are needed to prepare the food, serve the meals, and clean up the kitchen afterwards. Cooking begins around 1:30pm. The meals are served 4-6pm. in the Fellowship Hall. Prayerfully consider helping with this great outreach to our community. All are welcome.

**Pop Tabs:** We are still collecting pop tabs from soda cans, soup cans, etc... They are used for the aluminum in them. The McDonald House is the charity that benefits from these. Please give them to Kathy Chandler.

**Card Ministry**

A very special event is taking place! Mr. Bill Valentine will be celebrating his 100th birthday in a few weeks! We want to shower him with 100 cards! Stop by the "Card-Signing Table" in July, choose a birthday card, and sign it! The cards will be delivered to Bill in time for his birthday. If anyone wishes to get him a small gift, Teresa will take that to him as well.

There will still be the regular Get Well/Thinking of You cards that everyone signs each Sunday. It doesn't matter if you are personally acquainted with the card's receivers; We are ALL brothers & sisters in Christ!

Again, thanks for the stamps, cash, and card donations. This has become a very appreciated ministry at Lakeside UMC!

**Volunteer Bereavement Committee being formed.**

Our mission is to help ease the burden on families after the death of a loved one by offering the family a meal. These meals will be provided by volunteers of Lakeside United Methodist Church as requested. If you would like to be called on to help with a Bereavement Meal by providing a dish, helping with set-up or clean-up, please contact Jean Crawford (561-584-4458) or Betty McMurchy (561-968-9497).

**HELP NEEDED:** The Trustees could use some helpers to remove wallpaper from the walls in the outer room of the women's bathroom in the Sanctuary. Please contact Garfield King 512-8960

**Changes on Lakeside's campus—** Oakstone Academy Palm Beaches has out grown us. They have moved to another building at the Holy Name Church on Military Trail. We want wish them well in their endeavors.

We are looking forward to welcoming another school soon provided all of the permits and inspections go through. We will keep you informed on their progress and hope that you will make them feel welcome.

**UMW Reminder:**

The Red Bird Mission in the Mts. of Kentucky thanks you.

We send them BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION and LABELS FOR EDUCATION. They redeem these for equipment and supplies.

Look for them on the following products: General Mills cereal; Pillsbury refrigerated dairy products; Betty Crocker meals and baking products; Kleenex boxes and Campbell Soup Labels.

So far in 2013 we have mailed in 696. No Cost to you, just a commitment to look and act.

The deposit envelope is to the right as you enter the Narthex.

**KASC (Keenagers Adult Summer Camp)**

A dozen adults came to KASC last month! Wow!

We worked on several craft projects for the Fall Bazaar. Some "campers" brought their own projects, too! There are more activities planned for July, but we need your help. Metal bottle caps are needed (about 100), as well as red, green, white, pink, & dark blue yarn, and leftover fabric of any color. We are also looking for unfinished projects that you no longer wish to complete. One of our crafters will complete it and sell it at the Bazaar. Give these items to Teresa Wilhelm. You can find her in the Nursery or at the Card-Signing Table.

KASC is open to ALL adults, 18+, in the neighborhood/community. Crafting and chatting begins at 11:00am. Around Noon, we break for our sack lunches (Drinks and chips are provided) and more chatting. After lunch, campers are welcomed to do more crafts or play cards until 2:00.

The next camp date for KASC is Wednesday, July 10, 2013. Pack a sack lunch, bring a friend, and come to camp! You don't have to be "crafty" to come to camp. It is just a fun way to get acquainted with those folks you've seen in church, but never really knew them! See you July 10th at 11:00 am for KASC!

**United Methodist Men**  
will not meet in July.

**Men's Breakfast Group**

Saturday, July 6th at 8 AM at the IHOP on Federal Hwy. and Hypoluxo Rd.

**Coupons For C. R. O. S.**

Keep those manufactures' coupons coming! We also collect coupons for fast food restaurants. These help extend food dollars for those that are struggling. Continue to place them in the box in the Sanctuary Foyer. Ask an usher if you do not know where to find the box. An extra "Thank You" goes out to those of you that take the time to cut out the newspaper coupons!

**Family Movie Fellowship TBA**



SUMMER 2013

**JULY: DESPICABLE ME 2 Storyline**

The return of Gru (Steve Carell), the girls, the minions and a host of new characters.

**Take Me Out To The Ballgame!!**

**Ballgame and Fireworks  
At Roger Dean Stadium  
on Wednesday, July 3rd  
Gate open at 5:30 PM  
Game starts at 6:05 PM**

**All are invited for a night of fun!**

**Tickets \$5.50**

**See Pastor David if interested.**



**THANK YOU**

The Youth would like to thank everyone who supported them and donated to help them make it to summer camp this year.



**Thank you to the Trustees and Finance Committee for all their hard work at keeping things cleaned up, repaired, replaced, and looking good around the church. We know it's a never ending job with little praise. You're the Greatest!**

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL-**

The Ice Cream Social was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who donated food and helped with the social. You all are the greatest!

**Condolences**

Our condolences to Beverly Knapp on the death of her brother, Arthur on 06/26/13.

**FOOD PANTRY**

The next date for the Food Pantry will be Friday, July 19th. The Food Pantry will be open 10 am to 12:30 pm. We gave out food for 51 families last month. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach ministry.



**IN THE MAIL-**

Dear Friends in Mission:

Thank you for your generous gift to United Methodist Committee on Relief. 100% of your contribution will go to UMCOR, through The Advance, the designated giving channel of The United Methodist Church.

Because you gave, UMCOR is able to "Be There" and "Be Hope" on your behalf. UMCOR programs provide food for the hungry, help farmers grow plentiful and nutritious food, and support people left destitute by natural disasters and war. Your gifts go a long way to bring healing and hope to people in need. We give thanks for your generosity.

This gift will bring hope to those who need it most.

Grace and Peace,  
Roland Fernandez, General Treasurer  
United Methodist Committee on Relief  
General Board of Global Ministries

**Palm Beach County Food Bank**

Lakeside has applied to become a partner agency with the Palm Beach County Food Bank. This agency collects and distributes food at no cost to dozens of agencies that feed the hungry. Food distributed includes non-perishable canned and dry goods, refrigerated and frozen product when available and fruit and vegetables. This food can be used for our food pantry, Matthew Meals and even our Vacation Bible School.

Partner agencies must be non-profit organizations with a current tax-exempt 501 (c) 3 status and must have operated a food pantry or meal program for at least 6 months. Other requirements include proof the organizational staff has attended a safe food handling program within 6 months of application approval, agree to an annual visit and inspection by the PB County Food Bank, show proof of regular pest control at the address and in the area where the food is stored. Each time food is given out the total number of households and number of people in a household will be recorded and submitted to the PB County Food Bank to help determine the amount of food Lakeside will receive the next month. At least 2 volunteers must go to the warehouse in Lantana to pick up the food.

Contact Sally Chennell if you have questions about the Palm Beach County Food Bank.

**Nursery News**

Sunday mornings are very exciting in the Nursery! There is joyful singing and praising coming out of the mouths of babes! The children are learning about our loving Savior through songs & poems.

A special thanks goes out to Lane Laubscher & Barbara Short for stepping up and volunteering to help out when Chrissy or Teresa are absent! You are much appreciated!

**Youth & Family Ministries**

Over the summer, the youth will continue their monthly movie outing. All Lakesiders are invited to go to the movie theater. Bring a neighbor & his/her children to the movie with you. It's fun! Can't you just smell the popcorn? Yummmmmmm!

Lakeside will celebrate Youth Week, July 22-26, 2013. A different activity is planned for each evening. Invite your neighborhood children! Family Week is planned for August 5-9, 2013. Again, a different activity is planned for each evening. See Christina Harden for more details.

**Father's Day Dinner**

"Play Ball!" was the theme of the evening last month at the dinner honoring fathers. Once again, Christina Harden decorated the Fellowship Hall and tables and made us feel like we were at a sports arena! The background music was reminiscent of that heard at the sports stadium. At halftime, we stomped and clapped to "We Will Rock You" and then our head cheerleader (& her assistants) led us in "The Wave!" All guests received "Cracker Jacks" to munch and a magnetic clip imprinted with Lakeside's information to take home.

Our meal consisted of Bud's Chicken, corn fritters, baked beans, cole slaw, macaroni salad, deviled eggs, lettuce salad, and the desserts were cupcakes decorated for baseball, football, soccer, and basketball. Special thanks goes out to those ladies that donated food for this event! The "entertainers" did a great job as well!

A drawing was held to choose our MVP at Lakeside. The lucky winner was Lane Laubscher! He received a special baseball cap and a statue depicting the various sports. As it turns out, there were 3 generations of his family present that evening! Congratulations Lane!

Everyone enjoyed a great evening of funny jokes, football trivia, and fellowship! Thank you, Chrissy, for organizing such a fun-filled activity! We all had a blast!



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**We have a Place for  
You!**

**Sunday Small groups**

**8:45 AM**

**Sunday worship**

**10:00 AM**

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

- 5 Edgar Breese
- 13 Bunny Carr,  
Dorothy Lione,  
David VanVleet
- 16 Destiny Harden  
Leona Ohren
- 18 Beverly Knapp  
Ladelia Becraft
- 23 Sally Chennell  
Brandon King
- 24 Max Moretz



Did we miss your  
birthday? Please let us  
know.

Happy Birthday!

- 25 Brandon Call,
- 26 Seth Hagen

**He Knows Your Name**

by: Author Unknown, Source Unknown

When you are having problems  
And feel there's no help around.  
First take one step forward.  
To get to higher ground.

If you think that God doesn't hear you.  
Then that, is really a shame  
Not only does He hear every Prayer you  
say;  
But, He knows you, by your name.

It does not matter just where you are  
When you call upon the Lord.  
He will be listening with a well-tuned ear.  
And will understand every word.

Be ready to listen to what He says,  
As He tells you what to do.  
For that will be your instructions.  
Because the rest will be up to you.

You should thank Him for His kindness,  
Because He was standing by.  
And not, as you thought; He had turned  
away.  
And would never hear your cry.

Even though you have made so many  
mistakes.  
He will not hold you to blame.  
For now, you are fully forgiven.  
And remember, He knows your name.

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE  
CLOSED ON JULY 4TH  
FOR THE INDEPENDENCE  
DAY HOLIDAY.**