

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Angie Smith



Angie, a niece of Karen Zimmerman, moved to Greentown, IN from Louisiana and is a student at Eastern High School. She enjoys music and writing and is already a member of our choir. Even with her busy schedule, she finds time to participate in youth activities and also baby-sits. She was welcomed in to our Grace family on April 19, 2009.

Megan Whitehead & Justin Shacklee

Megan and Justin joined our Grace Family on April 19, 2009. They are planning their wedding for 2010. Megan is working on her teacher's degree at IUK and is employed at CVS Pharmacy on Markland Ave. Justin also attends IUK and will receive his degree in accounting. He works in sales at Andrews Jewelers.



Dave & Cindy Lovegrove



Dave and Cindy became members of our Grace family on April 19, 2009. They both grew up in the Kokomo area. Dave works at Shearer Printing & Office Equipment and Cindy is the Grace UMC Office Manager. They have 3 daughters, Cassie Huddleston, Rachael and Amy Lovegrove. They are the proud new grandparents of Addie Huddleston who was born in March and look forward to a new grandson to be born this October.

Robert & Larissa Williams

Robert and Larissa joined our Grace family on April 19, 2009. Robert attended Grace as a youth and graduated from Northwestern High School. Larissa is from Texas. Their daughter, Noel Rose, was recently baptized at Grace. We welcome this young family in to our Grace Family.



21-Justin Raney
Logan Younce

22-Richard Fretz
Darleen Donaghy
Jerry Jackson
Rev Larry Newberg
Jennifer Hartzog
Nolan Rakestraw

23-Kirby Alexander
Langley Good

24-Peter Bradshaw

25-Dale Kingseed

26-Barb Bourff
Adam Parrish
Matthew McCleary

27-Connie Wall
Nancy Van Horn
Marianne Christie

28-Gerry Harlow

29-Pat Pierson
Pamela Brown
Jacob Van Horn

ENDOWMENT ALERT

About 2 years ago, the Trustees voted to place special emphasis on an education program for endowments to GUMC. They asked Kirby Alexander and Dale Kingseed to develop, implement and oversee that program.

The program is ready to “kick off”. The Trustees, Administrative Council and the Pastors have put their stamp of approval on the plan.

This article is the first step. There will be monthly articles in Grace Notes, a sermon emphasizing “Endowments” in August followed by a presentation to Added Grace at their September meeting. Following that, we will critique where we are and determine next steps.

Far too often, a committee is established, they work out a plan, tell the congregation about it once and then set back and wonder why nothing happens. We do not plan for this to be the case. The goal is to educate our congregation on how endowments can be beneficial to them and to GUMC. We plan to keep before you the value and importance of endowment funding in support of the mission and ministry of our church.

Feel free to contact Kirby and/or Dale if you have questions.

STAY TUNED

YELLOW BAG UPDATE



Yes, we are “Shopping With Joy for Missions!” My, what a wonderful response Grace members continue to show by bringing in needed items for local Mission organizations! Recently, the Mission Committee

has taken about \$265 worth of items to CAM, \$360 to Kokomo Urban Outreach and \$135 to Open Arms and the Kokomo Rescue Mission. You can probably imagine the joy on the faces of these organizations when we bring them basic food, cleaning and paper items! Thanks for sharing your love with those less fortunate in the Kokomo Community.

Thanks,
Mission Ministry Team

HENDERSON SETTLEMENT WORK CAMP

The Grace UMC missions committee will be sending a work team to Henderson Settlement for a week this fall to assist with campus and local resident needs in the very poor area in and around Frakes, Ky. The tentative work camp dates are either the week before the Labor Day week or the week following Labor Day week.

Past work teams have typically tried to complete one campus project to improve Henderson’s infrastructure and their ability to serve the community and also one or more projects to help needy local residents. One campus project that is being considered is building a 10’ X 24’ deck with a hand-capped ramp on the lower level of the community center and potential projects to assist needy residents will be investigated a bit latter.

The cost of room and board for work team members hasn’t been determined for this year yet but last year it was \$165 per person.

We are in the process of putting together our work team for this fall. If you would be interested in joining the Grace work team please contact Paul Zimmerman, Mark Brown, Bill White, Dave Brownfield or Kirk Grotenhuis and indicate which of the tentative weeks mentioned above would fit your schedule best.