What if we invested more time in prayer every day?

What if we invested more time in reaching out into the community?

What if we invested more of our resources into helping those in need?

What if we were willing to listen to the concerns of others and offered ourselves to help?

What if we were servants to all?

What if we not only talked about Jesus, but we live like we know Jesus?

These are just a few thoughts to consider, and I know that as we journey together we can come up with many other what ifs that will change the world.

What if???

What if means we live in the now - not yesterday or tomorrow. Like Jesus said…don’t worry.

So…What if we lived faithfully?? If so, we will spend time allowing God to use us to change this world. Like Jesus said…live for today!! 😊

Shalom,

Pastor Dale
**December 2013**

### Sunday

**1st Sunday of Advent**
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. Cantata Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study
- 8:00 p.m. AA-FH

### Monday

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Team
- 6:00 p.m. Distr. Ministers' Christmas Banquet
- 7:00 p.m. Scouting

### Tuesday

- 3:00 p.m. MDO
- 11:00 a.m. SC Women’s Club, FLC
- 6:30 p.m. UMW
- 7:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting

### Wednesday

- 4:00 p.m. Disciple 3
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice

### Thursday

- 5:00 p.m. Disciple 3
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice

### Friday

- 6:00 p.m. Disciple 1

### Saturday

- 7:00 p.m. Church Office Close

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**Note from Jeannette:**

Proverbs 3:5-6

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all Thy ways acknowledge Him and HE SHALL DIRECT THY PATHS.”

Let us allow Him to show us the Star of Bethlehem in our lives daily.

Merry Christmas, and you are loved.
Fred and Linda Mullins gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Alcibee Tharp and Helen Foss.

Chris and Carolyn Haerr gave to the General Budget in memory of Ronald Roberts, Alcibee Tharp, and Helen Foss.

Bill and Patty Crowder gave to Special Designated Gifts (Defibrillator Fund) in memory of Alcibee Tharp, Helen Foss, Ronald Roberts, Darrell Boles, and Mackie Brown.

Josephine Young gave to the General Budget in memory of Alcibee Tharp.

Ross and Betty Bernhard gave to the General Budget in memory of Alcibee Tharp.

Edna Wayne Gilmore gave to the General Budget in memory of Alcibee Tharp.

Bette Gilmore gave to the General Budget in memory of Ronald Roberts.

Kevin and Lesia Garrison gave to the General Budget in memory of Ronald Roberts.

Theresa Slater gave to the General Budget in memory of Alcibee Tharp.

Jim and Teresa Smith gave to the Prayer Shawl Ministry in memory of Evelyn Lynch.

Gray and Sharon Cowart gave to the General Budget in memory of Alcibee Tharp, Ronald Roberts, Mackie Brown, and Darrell Boles.

Norman and Peggy Bowman gave to the Bereavement Fund in memory of Darrell Boles.

Clyde and Wendy Thurman gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Darrell Boles.

The family of Alcibee Tharp (mother of Tia Gilmore) wishes to express our appreciation for all your heartfelt thoughts and prayers during our time of loss. We also appreciate your visits, cards, flowers, memorial gifts, and the wonderful food donations. A very special thanks to Pastor Dale for his constant support and comfort and to the King’s Trio and Eldeena Perry for the gift of beautiful music at the funeral service. You are truly an amazing and caring church family and it has been comforting to know that you were supporting us at this time.

With grateful hearts,
Gary, Tia, and family

MONTHLY REPORT
GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED
OCTOBER 2013

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**NET INCOME** = $-5,146.67

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

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COATS FOR KIDS: If you would like to help keep a child warm this winter you may donate a new coat or give money (make check payable to SCUMC with “Coats for Kids” on the memo line). There will be boxes at the side entrance and at the FLC for the new coats. Dr. Beth Casady will deliver the coats to Spring City Elementary and Middle Schools.

TOY DRIVE FOR SPRING CITY’S CHILDREN is now underway with applications available at City Hall or Cash Express. Online for applications is December 7 at 4:30 p.m. New unwrapped toys can now be placed in toy boxes at most local businesses, or you may give cash donations at First Bank (ask for Starlyn Matthews). Contact is Helen Kincannon at 365-0197.

KIWANIS CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS: It’s that time of year again, and the Kiwanis Club has begun to plan for another year of helping those in our community in their time of need. We began receiving requests for an application in July, and it appears this year will be another 200 basket delivery. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will help provide food to our needy.

MORGAN-SCOTT TOY DRIVE: Please bring toys for Morgan-Scott Counties so children who live there may have a happy Christmas. Boxes will be at the side entrance and at the FLC for your donations. If you want to make a monetary donation, mark your check “Morgan-Scott toys.” The last day to bring toys is Sunday, December 15.
Let’s Do Lunch (LDL)

Ladies, 60 and up, met for LDL, Tues., Nov. 19, at noon, in the FLC-Gym. Patty Crowder’s devotional on flowers was perfect for the Flower Show, which followed the meal. Caren Ruffner decorated each table with flowers and small pilgrim centerpieces. Cookie Smith prepared a delicious meal of mango chicken, creamed corn, green beans, rolls, and a choice of desserts. After lunch the attendees enjoyed viewing all the pretty floral exhibits. The next LDL is Tues., Dec. 17, noon, in the FLC-Gym.

Free Admission

Museum Annex

150 West Rhea Avenue

Grand Opening Saturday
Dec. 7 from 6-8 p.m. With Santa
Sundays, Dec. 8, 15 1-4 p.m.
Thurs & Fridays, Dec. 12, 13 & 19, 20 from 2-5 p.m.
Santa Saturdays, Dec. 14 & 21 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Don’t Miss the Grand Opening of Christmas on the Rails at the Museum Annex from 6 - 8 p.m., on Saturday, December 7. Performers include The King’s Trio, with pianist, Eldeena Perry, and Judith and Ronnie Barger’s granddaughter, Alexandra Tallent. They will sing holiday favorites you are sure to enjoy. Miss Spring City for 2013, Kaitlyn Couch, will also be present at the Grand Opening. Hope to see you there on Sat., Dec. 7, at 6 p.m.!
Our Puppet Ministry Team, Cheryl Southers, Sheila Larson, and Linda Booker, traveled to Nashville, Saturday, October 19, for a Puppet Training Workshop at Creative Ministries Festivals, which was held in the Nashville First Church of the Nazarene. Cheryl, Sheila, and Linda learned many tips and tricks of puppet ministries and watched performances of local competitors using skits and songs.
Pastor Dale, Frank Snyder and Edward Gibbs are shown below looking at numerous jars of peanut butter, and Anna Cash is happily placing her family’s contribution with all the others. Thank you for your phenomenal support of Peanut Butter Sunday, November 24th. We exceeded our goal and donated 480 jars of peanut butter to Our Daily Bread, which will help feed those in need in our community. May God bless you for your love and generosity!

Kay Hesselbach, Staff Parish Team Chairperson, is shown above as she presented Pastor Dale with a special card and gifts on behalf of the congregation on Pastor Appreciation Sunday, October 27, 2013. Top right photo shows the card and some of the gifts Pastor Dale received. The Puppet Ministry Team sang, “Preacher Man”, to honor Pastor Dale since he is so beloved by the congregation.

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