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UMCOR Responds to Haiti's Needs

Haitians Get Keys to Clean Water through UMCOR Partnership

A UMNS REPORT

By Kathy L. Gilbert*

January 24, 2010—In 20 minutes, Sharlene Jean learned how to save her community.

Jean, one of the thousands of Haitians living out in the open since an earthquake destroyed their homes Jan. 12, learned to take muddy river water and turn it into clean drinking water with Pur, a water purifying powder developed by Procter & Gamble Co.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), working with GlobalMedic, brought the key to life-saving water to Jean's community, which was sleeping in an open field.

"Safe, clean water is central to all we do. It is one way to make sure people do not get sick," said Sharad Aggarwal, executive with UMCOR.

Pur is one of several ways GlobalMedic, a Canadian first-response organization, helps furnish clean water. The group is also distributing tablets that replenish electrolytes in people who have become dehydrated and water purifiers that can work on a bigger scale.

A grant of \$20,000 will help GlobalMedic distribute 6 million packets donated by Procter & Gamble to people who have lost everything. One packet of the dry ingredients mixed into two and a half gallons of the worst water imaginable washes out the "germs and worms."

Jean was on the front lines of the tight circle that wound around a volunteer

demonstrating the process. She watched closely as he explained the ratio of packets to gallons of water—two packets to five gallons. She quickly learned the stirring technique, making sure the powder was well distributed in the plastic bucket.

After waiting for the water to still, she carefully strained it through a cloth and was amazed at the ugly sediment left behind. A wide grin flashed across her face when she was offered a taste. She was happy to share cups with the others.

QUICK AND EASY

Purification is quick, simple to do and requires only a clean bucket, Aggarwal said. The United Methodist Church has an emphasis on global health, so these types of projects are a good match, he said.

UMCOR works with organizations like GlobalMedic to bring quick response after a disaster. "GlobalMedic will be here for a short time; we will be here for years," Aggarwal said.

The power of watching dirty brown river water turn into good tasting water was not lost on Jean. After the team provided most of the community with a drink of water and handed out boxes of the packets, she led the group up the rocky hill to a smaller group of family and friends. Smiling proudly, she demonstrated how one small package of powder was the answer to their prayers.

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with **Open Hearts**
to the journey
of faith in
today's
challenging
world

with **Open Minds**
to the
transformation
God seeks
in the world
through us

with **Open Doors**
to be a
spiritual
home of
unconditional
love

We are the
people of the
**Ukiah United
Methodist
Church**

ABOUT UMCOR IN HAITI

United Methodists have had a long-standing relationship with Haiti through the Methodist Church of Haiti. The strong ties between the Methodist Church of Haiti and UMCOR helped in facilitating the opening of an UMCOR Haiti field office in 2005.

Visit [UMCOR's Haiti Emergency page www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org) for the latest news and information on UMCOR's relief efforts in Haiti. Resources include a church bulletin; a PowerPoint slide show; a poster; and a link to offering envelopes, which churches can use to collect a special offering for Haiti survivors.

Gifts to Haiti can be made online by visiting www.umcorhaiti.org. For gifts by mail, please make checks payable to UMCOR and mail to UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087. Please indicate **Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance #418325** on the memo line of your check. One hundred percent of gifts made to this advance will go to help the people of Haiti.

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The Chimes

THIS IS MY STORY, THIS IS MY SONG

We are offering a new means of participation, for musicians and non-musicians alike, called "This is My Story, This is My Song." All of you are invited to choose three songs which have played a significant role in the formation of your faith. Think about what drew you to these songs and why they are so important to you. Do you notice any similarities between them?

Once you have given it some thought, send me an email at matthew_rothstein@hotmail.com or music@ukiahumc.org, or call (###) #####, and we can schedule a time for you to share your song (either a recording or live performance) and story with the congregation. This is a great way for us to get to know our membership.

HOSPITALITY

By Maggie Cooper

The start of a new year seems a good time to thank all the folks who serve us food after Church on Sundays. Some have been doing it a long time, and some are fairly new. Our list includes Debbie and Pat, the Murphy-White family, Leta Sprague and Angie Lowe, Annie Gould, Sandy Ford, Linda Nagel, Marilyn Cowan, Janet King & the Koenig family, and our backup bakers Polly Mckibben and Ginger Masini.

Please thank these folks when you see them and think about being part of the team, we can always use backup.

Many thanks
from the Hospitality Committee

SHELTER MEAL

By Trudy Morgan

Our next meal at the Buddy Eller Homeless Shelter will be on Saturday, February 13th, at 6:45 p.m. Please see the sign-up sheet in the social hall, or call Trudy at ##### for more information. You can also send an email address to morganmiller@saber.net to be included in our Shelter Email Notification Group.

A BIG Thank you to everyone who helped with the shelter meal in January:

Micah Warner-Carey, Joshua Warner-Carey, and Sawyer Koenig. We are always happy to have young people join us!! Your enthusiasm is contagious!!

Thanks to these adults:

Diane Whitney
Daphne MacNeil & Jim Werner
Holly Fagan
Molly Stegner
Leta Sprague
Laura Bianchi Limbird
Angie Lowe
Jean Stirling
Jackie Whitley
Sandy Ford
David Taxis
Freddy & Bobbi Mallace

And as always, **Many Thanks to our neighbors at Unity Church**, the little white building on the corner of N. Bush and W. Henry.

UMW

By Maggie Cooper

Our United Methodist Women's group had an active year in 2009. Although we are few in number we accomplished allot. First of all, we prepared 62 packets for Project Sanctuary, with the help of many or you who contributed items. We supplied approximately 30 pounds of coffee for Church Coffee Hours,(again you contributions were appreciated)..From our Memorial funds we helped purchase the new Microwave for our kitchen, and paid for the repair of the Dishwasher.

Our 2 collections for UMCOR (June & November) yielded \$175, and your generous donations during an October Sunday service amounted to \$300 for UNICEF.

Leta Sprague, our Vice-President and Program Chair, has brought us many interesting programs, including: Noted Women in History; Setting Goals for our lives; Visiting Nepal with Melody Ishahara; and 2 speakers for Community Care. Our December program was Christmas music played for us by Holly Fagan and Pastor Lisa, a real treat!

Please consider joining us on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10 a.m., either in the Choir Room of the Library.

USHERS

Needed

Would you like to usher at a worship service once a month? If so, please talk with David Taxis call ##### or email youngrey @ pacific.net. A big thanks to our new ushers Angie Lowe and Patti Nichols.

LUCY'S BOOTH

By Marilyn Cowan & Pastor Lisa

Lucy's Booth is here for members of the church family to use while working on church projects, having meetings, or as a place to be in between church events.

Computer & Phone

The computer, phone, and other supplies are here for all to share. The phone extension is **105**

Computer info:

- The network password for UkiahUMCfriends is #####
- The printer to choose if you want to print to the office Xerox/printer is **Xerox 432**
Please use good judgment in using the computer:
 - don't download programs unless you KNOW for sure that they will not interact badly with something else on the computer – if you do download something, please make a note of it on the computer log sheet so that we can troubleshoot later if something does go wrong.
 - Do not go to any site that has content inappropriate for children – we don't want those cookies or history files on our computers.
 - Don't leave personal information on the computer such as credit card numbers or id and passwords.
 - If you enter user id's or passwords while using the computer make sure that you log off of those sites when you leave.
 - Damien is a good person to ask how to use the computer, print etc.

Personal Use of Lucy's Booth:

We understand that Lucy's Booth will sometimes be used for personal business. We ask only that these uses be in moderation and that priority for use of the room is always

given to those needing to work on Church projects.

Heat, Lights, Air-Conditioning

None of these things are free for the Church – we paid over \$12,000 in utility costs last year. Please make sure to turn off lights, heat, and air-conditioning when it is not being used. Even if the heater is not running – please double check that the dial is turned to off before you leave.

THANK YOU NOTES

To the Ukiah United Methodist Church Congregation:

"I would like to thank all who helped in giving out these gifts. I truly appreciate it.

Thank you
Regina"

"Thank you so much for the gifts you gave my children!! They thank you too!! Have a wonderful x-mas!!

From
The Norton Family"

"Thank you very much for the Christmas presents. It means alot. Thanks again for your thoughts hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New year.

Love Always
Ging, Sierra, Makenzie"

Thank you!!

I appreciate it!! I'm sure my son will like it!! Merry Christmas and Have a Happy New Year!!

Love Always & forever
Leanna Henderson"

"I would like to say Thank you very much for the gift to my child. It was a A big help.

Thanks Artina & Arieona"

PROJECTION?

By Pastor Lisa

PROJECTION TEAM MEETING

There is a small team of people who work hard to project the lyrics of songs, images, announcements, and occasional videos during worship. Annie Gould runs the projector most weeks (and has for over 5 years!!!) Kathy Rothstein, Frank Yancy, Kevin Murphy, Chris Warner-Carey, and Becky Koenig have also filled in occasionally. If you would like to help with the projection team – please talk to Lisa and/or come to our meeting on **Feb 14th at noon in the choir room.**

WHAT-WHEN-WHO?

ALTAR DECORATIONS

- 7th Belva Frische
- 14th Pat & Debra Meek
- 21st Nancy Commons
- 28th Valerie Keehn

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

- 7th All Church Potluck
- 14th Debra & Pat
- 21st Leta & Debbie
- 28th Linda Nagel

COUNTERS

- 7th Sandy & Janet
- 14th Linda & Sherwood
- 21st Ruth & Jackie
- 28th Sandy & Lili

GREETERS

- 7th Belva & Sherwood
- 14th Nora & Bill
- 21st Gloria & Marjorie
- 28th John & Ina

RIDE LINE DRIVERS

- 7th David Taxis
- 14th Nancy Commons
- 21st Estelle Clifton
- 28th Kevin Murphy

USHERS

- 7th Paul Holden
- 14th Angie Lowe
- 21st Patti Nichols
- 28th

SNOOZING GOD

By Annie Gould

WIBGI SNOOZE ALARM MEDITATION

Here's an idea I am adopting this New Year. I'm going to consciously meditate when I'm snoozing in the morning. I've got 9 minutes between buzzes, and that's too short to really fall back asleep. Instead, I'm going to let my body relax and feel God's light filling me. I'll use a little yoga imagery and my own colorful associations for the Holy Trinity as I wake up in my warm bed. This feels like a better use of the time than what I've done in the past, which was mainly trying to cram 2 hours of missed sleep into 18 minutes and 3 buzzes.

Today I snoozed twice, dreading the end when my feet hit the cold floor, already late. Of course too many snoozes cut my prep time by a third, so I really had to hustle.

Tomorrow, it will be different. Tomorrow, when the alarm rings at 6:00, I'll just lay there quietly. "Back to sleep?" will be replaced by "Breathing deep". I'll stretch from head to heel, and feel my exhaled breaths lengthen. It will be so relaxing, so invigorating, so spiritually fulfilling, that after 9 minutes of breathing in the Holy Spirit, God's light & love, I'll be floating as I arise onto the cold floor. Then I'll smile beatifically at both merging traffic and errant pedestrians.

In the Lisa tradition, let me invite you to join up, those of you with a snooze alarm in your morning routine. Next time, use Snooze Alarm Meditation in the interval

between the buzzes. Instead of going back to sleep, get in your quiet, reflective God time. Try it for a few days, and let's compare experiences.

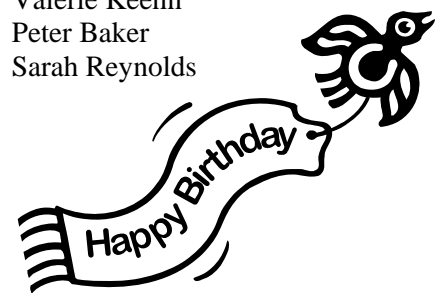
PS. Now it's 3 days later & this has been a real positive change for me!

See you at Church!



WE WISH A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Karl Schindler
Tori Bastion
Anais Monlux
Noah Taxis
Melody Ishihara
Gertrude Lynn
Vicki Bastion
Lotus Thomas
Clark McConnell
Ira Hill
Valerie Keehn
Peter Baker
Sarah Reynolds



WE WISH HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO

Edward Dick & Ina Gordon
Viola & Gene Richardson

MAY CALENDAR OF CHURCH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Time	Event Name	Room(s)
Monday, February 01, 2010		
4:00 PM	Space Class	Social Hall
Tuesday, February 02, 2010		
10:00 AM	Bible Study	Library
11:30 AM	Widows' Group	Library
11:30 AM	Lunch Bunch @ Thai	
5:30 PM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
Wednesday, February 03, 2010		
9:30 AM	Caring Ministries	Library
6:00 PM	Handbell Choir	UC5
7:00 PM	Midweek Service	Chapel
3:30 PM	Boy Scouts pk64	Youth Room
5:30 PM	SPInstrumentalist Rehearsal	
Thursday, February 04, 2010		
6:00 PM	Choral Rehearsal	Choir Room
6:00 PM	Play Reading Group	Library
Saturday, February 06, 2010		
9:00 AM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
5:30 PM	Movie Night	
Sunday, February 07, 2010		
10:00 AM	Worship/Sunday School	
11:15 AM	Potluck	
11:30 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, February 08, 2010		
4:00 PM	Space Class	Social Hall
Tuesday, February 09, 2010		
10:00 AM	Bible Study	Library
11:30 AM	Lunch Bunch @ Forks	
5:30 PM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
7:00 PM	Trustees	Library
Wednesday, February 10, 2010		
5:30 PM	SP Instrumentalist Rehearsal	
6:00 PM	Handbell Choir	UC5
7:00 PM	Midweek Service	Chapel
Thursday, February 11, 2010		
10:00 AM	UMW meeting	Choir Room
6:00 PM	Choral Rehearsal	Choir Room
Saturday, February 13, 2010		
9:00 AM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
5:30 PM	Movie Night	
7:00 PM	Contra Dance	Social Hall
Sunday, February 14, 2010		
8:30 AM	UM Men's Breakfast	KIT
10:00 AM	Worship/Sunday School	
11:30 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, February 15, 2010		
4:00 PM	Space Class	Social Hall
Tuesday, February 16, 2010		
10:00 AM	Bible Study	Library
11:30 AM	Widows' Group	Library
11:30 AM	Lunch Bunch @ North State Cafe	
5:30 PM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
7:00 PM	Finance Meeting	Office

Wednesday, February 17, 2010		
3:30 PM	Boy Scouts pk64	Youth Room
5:30 PM	SP Instrumentalist Rehearsal	
6:00 PM	Handbell Choir	UC5
7:00 PM	Midweek Service	Chapel
Thursday, February 18, 2010		
6:00 PM	Choral Rehearsal	Choir Room
Saturday, February 20, 2010		
9:00 AM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
10:00 AM	Mend Co Art Association	LC3
5:30 PM	Movie Night	
Sunday, February 21, 2010		
10:00 AM	Worship/Sunday School	
11:30 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, February 22, 2010		
12:00 AM	Chimes Deadline	
4:00 PM	Space Class	Social Hall
Tuesday, February 23, 2010		
10:00 AM	Bible Study	Library
11:30 AM	Lunch Bunch @ Ukiah Garden Cafe	
5:30 PM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
7:00 PM	Council Meeting	Library
Wednesday, February 24, 2010		
5:30 PM	SP Instrumentalist Rehearsal	
6:00 PM	Handbell Choir	UC5
7:00 PM	Midweek Service	Chapel
Thursday, February 25, 2010		
6:00 PM	Choral Rehearsal	Choir Room
Friday, February 26, 2010		
9:00 AM	Soroptimist Int. Luncheon	KIT/SH
Saturday, February 27, 2010		
9:00 AM	Pickle Ball	Social Hall
5:30 PM	Movie Night	
7:00 PM	Team Rock Men's Group	SH
Sunday, February 28, 2010		
10:00 AM	Worship/Sunday School	
11:30 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	

RECURRING EVENTS IN THE BUILDING

Manzanita Services			
10 AM	Mon-Fri	Social Hall & Choir Rm	
Community Care-Independence Plus			
2:30 PM	Mon-Fri	LC 2 & Kitchen	
OA Meeting			
5:30 PM	Mondays	George Smart Room	
AA Meeting			
12:00 PM	Mon to Fri	George Smart Room	
AI-Non Parents Meeting			
6:00 PM	Wednesdays	George Smart Room	
NA Meeting			
7:30 PM	Tue & Wed	George Smart Room	
AA Meeting			
9:30 AM	Sat & Sun	George Smart Room	
AA Young Persons Meeting			
7:30 PM	Fridays	George Smart Room	
SAA Meeting			
6:00 PM	Sundays	George Smart Room	

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THE BUDDY ELLER HOMELESS SHELTER NEEDS OUR HELP!

By Trudy Morgan

A wish-list for the homeless shelter was published in a recent edition of the Ukiah Daily Journal. Several of the items do not need to be new. If you have things to donate, you can drop them off at my house, or call me at ### for help with delivery. If we each donate a little, it will add up to a lot! Thank you very much! --Trudy Morgan

Buddy Eller Homeless Shelter Wish List

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|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Twin Sheets | 6. Pillowcases | 11. Laundry Soap |
| 2. Men's coats | 7. Toiletries | 12. Coffee |
| 3. Sleeping bags | 8. Personal hygiene supplies | 13. Cereals |
| 4. Blankets, comforters | 9. Socks, underwear | 14. Milk |
| 5. Pillows | 10. Towels | 15. Bread & pastries |