



Overture

The Pretty Much
Fortnightly Newsletter of

Old Orchard Church

October 16, 2011

Welcome!

Guests, we welcome you and thank you for coming! If you would like to find out more about Old Orchard and what we are about, please fill out one of our visitor forms in the lavender or blue pads on the chairs or in the hymnal rack.

We invite you to use our **child care services** for infants through children in kindergarten, located in the church building basement. Please see nursery details below. Sunday School meets at 9 a.m.; please see page 2.

Sundays @ a glance

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (SEE PAGE 2.)

10:15 a.m. Worship

Make It In...
see page 5

Old Orchard Church

Church Office/Milligan House.....314.962.3795

Church Building, 640 Amelia314.961.6932
(no answering device at this number)

Web Site.....www.oldorchardchurch.org

Ron Lutjens, Pastor

see print copy for contact info

Mark Robertson, Director of Ministry to Youth & Family

see print copy for contact info

Durinda Hood, Administrative Assistant

314.962.3795

office@oldorchardchurch.org

Children's Ministry

NURSERY is offered for infants & children through kindergarten age. The nurseries are in the church building's basement.

Infant nursery for babies, crawlers, and very early walkers.

Toddler nursery for children who are walking up to three years of age. Children who turn three

from January-August are invited to attend preschool worship starting September 1.

Children who turn three from September-December are invited to attend preschool worship starting January 1.

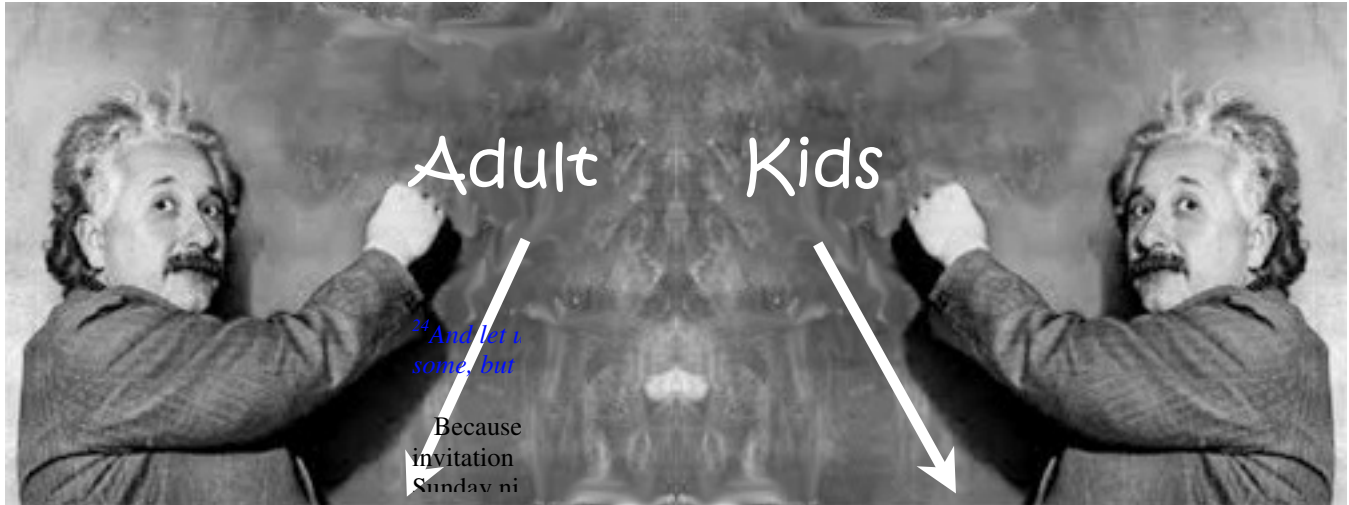
Preschool worship for age 3 through

kindergarten. Three-year-olds (see above) and four-year-olds are welcome during the whole service. Five-year-olds remain upstairs in the worship service until dismissal at 10:50 a.m.

Children's Worship. Children in grades 1-5 will be dismissed to the Milligan House around 11:50 a.m. See Mark Robertson.

PUT A COMPUTER OUT OF BUSINESS: READ A BOOK!

(SEE PAGE 6.)



Adult Sunday School News

Please join us for Sunday School! We have begun a 9 week look into the idols of our hearts by reading and discussing Tim Keller's book *Counterfeit Gods: The Empty Promises of Money, Sex, and Power, and the Only Hope that Matters*. For questions please contact Margaret Killeen or Jonathon Shumate.

Childcare **will be provided** and each person who signs up for the class will be asked to volunteer for one week during the Sunday School hour to care for the children.

What about Youth Group??

Youth Group meets (most) Sunday Nights from 6 to 8 pm

- October 16 – *No Youth Group*
- October 23 – Serving at Creve Coeur Manor
- October 30 – Youth Group Halloween Spectacular (6th graders invited)

Children's Sunday School News

Dear parents of children ages 3-grade 5,

Children's Sunday School resumed on Sept 18, but it is not too late to participate!! We have a GREAT set of teachers, who are very excited to come alongside you and disciple your children, if you will give them the opportunity by bringing your children each **Sunday at 9 am!** This year, **all classes will go to the basement first**, across from the two nurseries, for singing together. (If arriving after 9:15, children go directly to their classrooms.) Each week, every class collects an **offering** that goes toward our **sponsorship of Ana Beatriz Silva Menezes** through Compassion International. The teachers and I count it a privilege to work with your children!

- PreK class (ages 3-5) meets in the Preschool Nursery with Jessica Burdette & Anna Norris
- Early Elem. Class (K-2nd) meets in basement with Sue vanHoornebeck & Alyssa Catlin
- Upper Elem. Class (3rd-5th) meets in 2nd floor of Milligan with Matt Philip & Russ Tamm

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at any time:

Abby Bishop, Children's Sunday School Coordinator
See print copy for contact info.

Next Lunch @ Milligan House

Sunday, October 23, after worship, with Betsy Tevebaugh hosting.

Sign up today!



MEN'S



It's time to connect with one another while relaxing (fishing, hiking, or canoeing) at Camp Trinity in New Haven, MO (about one hour and fifteen minutes drive from St. Louis), so please join us for "Friendship with God and Men: reflections from our own men and time to enjoy one another." There are two lodging options: a dorm-style cabin and a campground. \$35 covers three meals and the dorm-style cabin; \$20 covers meals for those camping on the grounds. Pick up a green registration form today. Cabin space is limited.

Turn in your registration form to the church office (639 Amelia) by **today, Sunday, October 16** to reserve a spot. Cabin space limited.

See Ed Killeen for more information.

RETREAT



News You Can Use



Congratulations!

Jonah Mills Smith was born, October 9 at 8:43 p.m. to Dan & Brittany Smith: 8 lbs., 5 oz.; 20.5 inches.

Next Lunch at Milligan House

The next lunch at Milligan House will be held on Sunday, October 23, Betsy Tevebaugh hosting. Sign up!

Moms' Group News

Moms, if you're interested in the Moms' Group, please contact Kathleen Shumate. Location to be e-mailed. Please email Kathleen. (see print copy for e-mail) Thanks!

Next Overture!

You are invited to write for any issue of our newsletter, the *Overture!* We welcome submissions of articles, art, short essays, poetry, etc. All submissions should be signed by the person submitting them. You can place your signed articles in the *Overture* box (in the coat room), or email them to the church office. The next issue will be out Sunday, November 6; Liz Romines is editor. Deadline is Sunday, October 30.

Next Overture Editor...

...**COULD BE YOU!** If you can take a turn once every couple months editing the *Overture*, please let Durinda Hood know. The new editor would begin in the rotation beginning in January 2012.

Winter Shelter Needs You!

Winter months are coming! The Grace & Peace Winter Shelter will open November 8. Volunteers for meals, evening and overnight volunteers will be needed during its season of opening. Pray for them--for necessary completion of construction work, funding, volunteers. Contact Melody Perkins if you want to volunteer. She can be reached at or 314.367.8959 x 21. Posted is a copy of their September letter and volunteer form on the Mercy Ministry bulletin board.

--submitted by Durinda Hood

Website News

At the request of a member, we recently began each week to put on the OOC website (www.olderchardchurch.org) the upcoming sermon title and text. It is on the right hand side of the front page. It usually will appear by Thursday of the week before that Sunday's worship so please don't look for it before then.

--Durinda Hood. Administrative Assistant, for the website keepers

Photo Albums – Your Help Is Sought!

Continue to collect photos—through the end of the year!

Thank all of you who have submitted photos! We'd like to get more and put in a scrapbook. So you still have a chance to find that old photo and give us* a recent photo of your family! And don't forget the little "write-up" each household is asked to submit.

Each household attending OOC is invited to contribute two photos: one of your household around the time that you first came to OOC and a second photo of your family now, in 2011. (Please write on a separate paper the date of photo and your names.) You may include grown children even if they do not attend OOC.

The third item is to answer two questions:


- (1) When and how did the Lord bring you to Old Orchard Church? and
- (2) How has the Lord used Old Orchard Church in your lives?



These are meant to be brief of course! See samples on the wall in the vestibule. And watch for more photographs on the wall!! Thanks for your help!!

Other photos from various years are also wanted.

Please submit photos to Barb Winters or Durinda Hood.

 *Please note: all photos submitted become the property of Old Orchard Church. We'd prefer photographic paper copies. Thank you so much!

OOO Directory

If you are new and want to be added to the Old Orchard Church Directory, please e-mail the church office (office@oldorchardchurch.org) and we will e-mail you a form to complete and return to the office. If you don't have access to e-mail, please see to Durinda Hood. Or if you are currently in the directory and have changes, please e-mail them to the church office.

Men's Bible Studies

Both meet at the Milligan House (639 Amelia 63119)

- 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 7:15 – 8:30 a.m., a study in Revelation. Hal Pendergrass leads. Meets 11/5.
- 2nd and 4th Fridays from 6:00 – 7:15 a.m. a study in Joshua and starts this Friday, October 28.

Men's Monthly Social

1st Fridays 5-6:15 pm at Llywelyn's Pub, 17 Moody, Webster Groves 63119; starts November 4.

For questions about the Men's Ministry, see Ed Killeen.

M
I
N
I
S
T
R
I
E
S

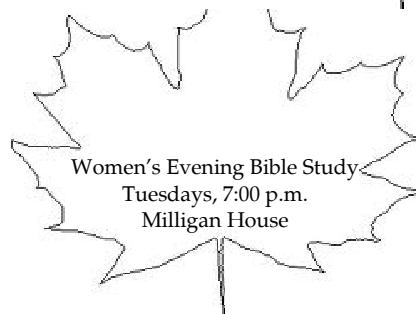
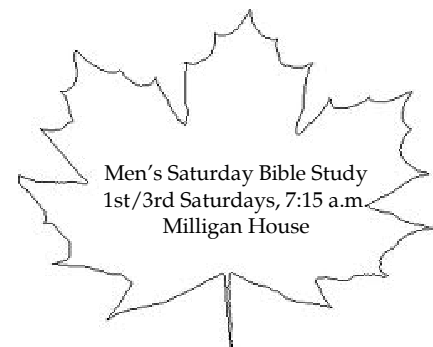
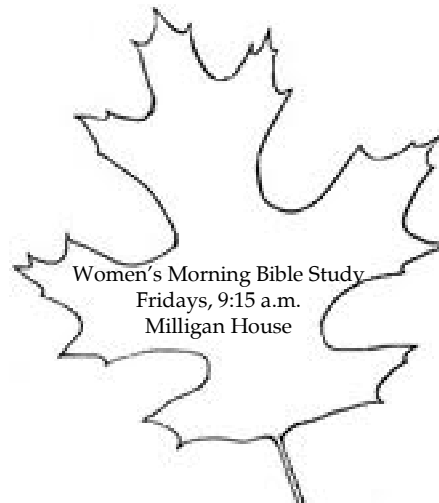
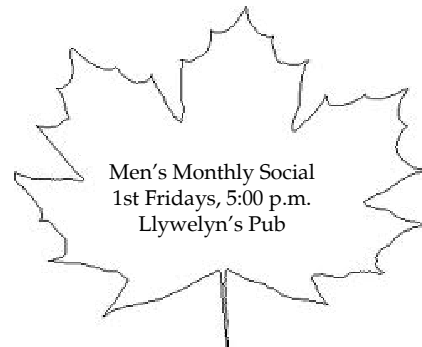
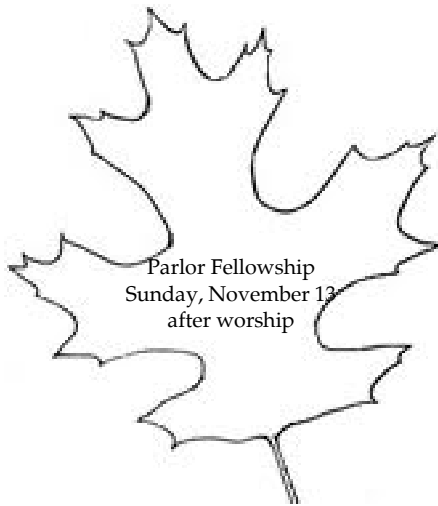
Women's Bible Studies

All ladies are invited to attend either the morning or evening Bible study on the book of Luke. Both studies will be using the same material and a similar discussion format. \$20 materials fee (confidential scholarships available). Both classes meet at Milligan House:

- Friday mornings: 9:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Free child care.
- Tuesday evenings: 7:00 p.m. No child care offered.

For questions, please contact
Melissa Nelson (somenelsons@gmail.com)
or
Jessie Swigart (jessieswigart@gmail.com).

Autumn Calendar Events Just Drop In!



You've got...



...mail

To the women of Old Orchard,

Thank you so much for the lovely baby shower. It means so much to me that you share in our joy and excitement as we anticipate the arrival of our son. Thank you all for the wonderful gifts and for the time of fellowship and celebration. You all are an amazing blessing to me.

With love, Tami Smull

.....

Dear Old Orchard Community,

Tanya and I greatly enjoyed our time with you during the anniversary weekend. O, how we miss Old Orchard Church! Celebrating thirty years of ministry at OOC is a privilege for us, even though we have only experienced the last four. OOC is to us a wonderful example of a congregation of followers of Jesus who understand their place in God's great mission to the entire world. Your concern for his work in other places is evident, and the Lord is faithful to work through you to accomplish his purposes.

It is humbling to receive a portion of the 30th anniversary offering. As we reflect on what God has done at OOC, we see his faithful work to prepare his Bride for the coming wedding feast. We pray that your gift will further this work in Russia, as he gathers those who are truly "blessed" to be "invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." (Rev. 19:9) What a celebration we will have together at that supper that is to come!

"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure." (Rev. 19:6-8)

New Library Books!

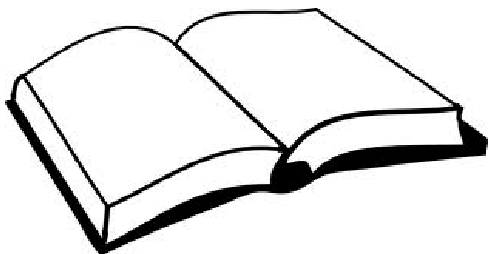
(These will be displayed on the small bookshelf in the vestibule, outside of the kitchenette.

***When checking out library books, please be sure to write the following information on the GREEN CARD in the back of the book:

1. **DATE YOU CHECKED OUT BOOK,**
2. **YOUR TELEPHONE #, AND**
3. **YOUR NAME.**

Then place the Green Card in the Card File Box.
THANK YOU AND ENJOY!

--OOC Library Ministry



FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING, THE by J.R.R. Tolkien. Does this really need an explanation?

LAST BATTLE, THE by C. S. Lewis, this is not a new book, but an additional copy.

LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE, THE, by C. S. Lewis, this also is an additional copy.

SON OF HAMAS, by Mosab Hassan Yousef, This is a true story of Mosab Hassan Yousef. Mosab reveals new information about the world's most dangerous terrorist organization and unveils the truth about his own secret role, his agonizing separation from family and homeland, his dangerous choices, and his belief that the mandate to "love your enemies" is the only way to peace in the Middle East.

BATTLE FOR THE BEGINNING, THE, By John MacArthur. Many Christians who claim to believe the Bible seem willing to allow modern scientific theories to replace the Genesis account of creation. MacArthur believes such compromises present a great danger. He asserts that in Genesis 1-3 we find the foundation of every doctrine that is essential to the Christian faith – the vital foundation for everything we believe as Christians. In this book he draws a clear line on today's theological landscape and calls on his readers to help him defend it.

WHEN GOD DOESN'T MAKE SENSE, by Dr. James Dobson. An immensely practical book for those who are struggling with trials and heartaches they can't understand. Why does disease, divorce, rejection, death or sorrow seep into our lives when we are trying to serve the Lord? This book deals unflinchingly with life's most troubling question – "WHY?" Drawing on his long experience as a Christian psychologist Dr. Dobson brings hope to those who have almost given up. **WHEN GOD DOESN'T MAKE SENSE** also helps believers avoid "the betrayal barrier," the sense that God is abandoning them amidst the storms of life.

SECOND COMING, THE, by John F. MacArthur. This book is a straightforward, in-depth exploration of the key biblical texts regarding the Second Coming, most notably, Christ's longest and most important eschatological message. As you are exposed to the Word of God on these matters, and as you study His Word yourself, it will stir in your heart an earnest longing for Christ's return-as well as a certainty about how to live expectantly until He comes again.

FIRST LOVE, by John MacArthur, Jr. Have you ever felt as though your day-to-day relationship with Christ is stuck on autopilot? Or perhaps serving God has lost its luster as you sense it growing more mechanical and less meaningful. When it comes to your relationship with Christ, have you lost the exciting and motivating first love you once enjoyed? In **FIRST LOVE**, John MacArthur persuasively asserts that what's been lost **CAN** be found. This book can help you restore the fire and conviction of your first love for Christ by helping you develop a clearer understanding of His character, His glory, and His love for you.

ALONE WITH GOD, by John MacArthur, Jr. Prayer anchors the soul while lifting us to the very throne of God. It's the language of heaven and the key to unleashing God's power in our lives. In **ALONE WITH GOD**, John MacArthur explores the anatomy of effective prayer and presents a refreshing, biblical model, a powerful tool for greater fervency and frequency in your communion with the Lord.

POWER OF SUFFERING, THE, BY John MacArthur Jr. John MacArthur examines the reality of pain and trials in the Christian life and, offers a plausible, thoroughly biblical explanation for the deep valleys each of us inevitably cross. This book will not only help you better understand the unique and important role suffering plays in your life, but it will also equip you to cherish your trials and prepare you to comfort and encourage others!

VANISHING CONSCIENCE, THE, by John MacArthur Jr. The once-clear line between right and wrong has faded to a dismal, uncertain gray. Why? Because psychological double talk and a national obsession with self-esteem and moral neutrality have rendered guilt, sin, and person responsibility obsolete. According to today's wisdom, criminals are not villains at all – they're victims. The author graphically documents the current movement away from the biblical truth about sin, and urges us to find peace and freedom by dealing with sin the way Jesus taught.

LOVE OF GOD, THE, BY John MacArthur Jr. God will do whatever it takes to Make Us Holy. In **THE LOVE OF GOD**, you'll find a passionate, well-argued defense for what the love of God is-and what it is not. **THE LOVE OF GOD** tackles the difficult questions head-on and provides frank, thoroughly biblical answers.

DOROTHY L. SAYERS, Her Life And Soul, by Barbara Reynolds. This is a biography of Dorothy L. Sayers, a writer who created Lord Peter Wimsey, and "*Whose Body?*" She was also an impressive Christian scholar and one of the first women to be awarded a degree from Oxford University.

CHILD'S STORY BIBLE, THE, by Catherine F. Vos. This is a Bible storybook which goes through the Old and New Testament. It is both faithful to the inspired Word of God and successful in conveying the dramatic excitement and human warmth of these most wonderful of all stories. "Let the little children come to Me," He said. "Do not forbid them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to just such as they are." Then Jesus took the little children in His arms, and laid His hands on their heads and blessed them.

LITTLE VISITS WITH GOD, by Allan Hart Jahsmann. This is a book of Devotions for Families with small Children. This book will help children not only to know about God, but also to love Him and to trust in Him. It cultivates right attitudes and shows how the Christian faith is to function in daily living. They touch the heart as well as reach the mind. They are childlike without being childish. They lead to Jesus, the Savior and Good Shepherd. And it is through childlike trust in Jesus that we are saved.

ANGELS WERE SILENT, AND THE by Max Lucado. **AND THE ANGELS WERE SILENT** takes you on Jesus' final walk. It's the final week. All of heaven watches. It is the long-awaited week. A week when no angel dared sing.

DIFFERENT BY DESIGN by John MacArthur, Jr. Lured by the world's acceptance and a national obsession with fairness, we've replaced the once-clear biblical boundaries between men and women with a confusing, frighteningly secular hybrid. DIFFERENT BY DESIGN sets aside prevailing cultural standards and helps you understand and apply the biblical principles for men's and women's roles.

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE, THE, by Sally Lloyd-Jones invites children to discover for themselves that Jesus is at the center of God's great story of salvation-and at the center of their story too.

SHEPHERDING A CHILD'S HEART, by Tedd Tripp. This book is about how to speak to the heart of your child. The things your child does and says flows from the heart. This insightful book provides perspectives and procedures for shepherding your child's heart into the paths of life.

RECKLESS FAITH, by John F. MacArthur. Scripture and reason-the two together comprise the formula for true discernment. Yet in many American churches, reason has been abandoned for something more digestible: faith that feels good. John MacArthur calls this "reckless faith"-and it leads people away from the one true God.

JUST LIKE JESUS, by Max Lucado. Where did we get this idea that we can't change? And thus come statements such as, "It's just my nature to worry."; "I can't help the way I react." Such thoughts are not from God. God loves you just the way you are, but he refuses to leave you there. He wants you to have a heart like his. He wants you to be JUST LIKE JESUS.

MISSING LIBRARY BOOKS/DVD'S

The following list of books/DVDs are missing from the library. If you assume that each book or DVD would cost a **MINIMUM** of \$5.00 to replace, then this would come out to at least \$55, which is approximately 28 % of OOC Library Ministry's budget. So, we would appreciate it very much if everyone could please check to see if possibly you have any of them. If found, please return them to the RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS boxes located either in the church vestibule (book stand) or Milligan House Library on top of the filing cabinet. Thank you very much,

--OOO Library Ministry (Jan Rau & Melissa Nelson)

THE HIDING PLACE, by Corrie Ten Boom

WHAT CHRISTIANS BELIEVE, by John Balchin

HARD SAYINGS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT, BY Walter Kaiser

CELEBRATE JESUS! AT EASTER, BY Kimberly Ingalls Reese

CHRIST IN THE PASSOVER, by Ceil and Moishe Rosen

PARENTS IN PAIN, by John White

FROM FEAR TO FREEDOM, by Rose Marie Miller

MARTIN LUTHER HAD A WIFE, HARRIET BEECHER STOWE HAD A HUSBAND, By William Petersen

EACH FOR THE OTHER, by Bryan Chapell

AMAZING GRACE, (DVD), by Walden Media & Bristol Bay Product

RUST (DVD), BY Corbin Bernsen

Foreign Missions Prayer Requests for October, 2011

1. Jon and Tanya Coody – St. Petersburg, Russia. Praise that their support level is nearly to 50% after an encouraging trip last month. Pray for open doors and new partners. Pray for Tanya, as she endured some emergency dental issues during the trip and will have more work done this week (10/4).

2. Wilma Cross – Santiago, Chile. Pray for physical and spiritual strength and protection as Wilma has a heavy schedule of teaching seminars, speaking and counseling. She plans to spend November in the US spending time with her elderly mother. Pray that the Lord will guide others to help in the various aspects of her ministry. Pray for someone to help prepare the DVD's that have been made of her seminars.

3. Rob and Tünde Futo – Budapest, Hungary. Pray for an evangelistic outreach from their church this month, with difficult topics being discussed by Rob each Sunday night. Pray that people will respond to posters advertising these events. Pray that the Lord will help Tunde overcome some copyright issues that have arisen over music in the Christmas CD that the choir is hoping to distribute soon.

4. Gerry and Ruth Gutierrez – Huanta, Peru. Praise the Lord that the doctor's last report on Ruthie's condition (8/21) is that the cancer is not advancing. We have no news since then. Pray for God's continued grace for Ruthie, Gerry and the family, that they will all be strengthened to accept God's will for Ruthie's life, whatever that is.

5. L'Abri Fellowship – England and Switzerland. Pray for both students and staff as the fall terms get under way. Pray for good relations between the guests. Pray that the staff will be sensitive to the needs of the students and have wisdom in dealing with them. Pray for the Lord's provision for financial needs, especially in the Swiss branch.

6. Dawn Miller – Madrid, Spain. Pray for Dawn for wisdom as she juggles studies at Covenant and ministry with college students at SLU through Cru (the new name for Campus Crusade). Pray for wisdom in saying yes and no to various commitments. Pray for Brigid and Liz who recently trusted Christ. Pray also for Juhyan (Ju) and Jing as they consider Christ and recently attended the Cru fall getaway.

7. Joseph and Elfi Muutuki – Nairobi, Kenya. Pray that a godly Indian pastor can be found to pastor the multi-racial church that Joe has founded. Also pray that a good, Christian permanent home can be found for Inishma, the young girl who the Muutuki's rescued from an abusive father (who has since died).

8. Luciano and Luciene Pires – Goiania, Brazil. Praise that they have found and already moved into a new (to them) apartment that is very suitable for both their work and their family. It is larger than their former house and expenses will be less. Pray for provision for moving expenses and for adjusting to life in a new location.

9. Rene and Lani Quimbo – Mindanao, Philippines. Praise that Lani was spared a potentially serious health problem last month. Pray that the work will continue to be fruitful in their various places of ministry, both among students, poor Muslim families and farmers in the mountains. Pray that new believers will grow and withstand temptations. Also pray for the Lord to meet their financial needs.

10. Joel and Jessica Rinn – Verona, Italy. Pray that the Verona Bible studies will begin this month in an appropriate location and that there will be new participants. Pray for the church plant with military personnel in Vicenza, that an appropriate location for worship will be found. Pray for more financial support.

Presbytery-wide Worship Service

²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Because we believe this exhortation (from Hebrews 10) is critical for all ages of the church we want to extend a heartfelt invitation to all the churches of the Missouri Presbytery and any friends who would like to join with us, to gather together on Sunday night, **October 30 from 6-7:15 pm** for a Presbytery Wide Worship Service Celebrating the Reformation.

This year's service will be held at **Memorial Presbyterian Church** on Skinker Road just across from Forest Park. The service will be co-led by many local PCA pastor's and musicians and our preacher for the evening will be Dr. Jimmy Agan III, Associate Professor of New Testament and Director of Homiletics at Covenant Seminary. In addition to the ministry of the word we have planned a thoughtful service of worship that will highlight the great doctrines of the Reformation and include the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

A **nursery** is available for children up through age 2 and a **children's church** program will be offered for children age 4 thru 3rd grade. Those interested in singing in the **joint choir** can come for rehearsal at 4pm.

Please extend this opportunity for mutual encouragement to all the members of your congregation and make plans to join together on October 30 to glorify and worship the ***Mighty Fortress who is our God!***

Rev. Chris Polski, for the Cooperative Ministries Committee of the Missouri Presbytery