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\*Thanks to all who help make this newsletter happen.

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## April 2014 Newsletter *Pastor's Column*

I was looking over some papers while trying to sort them into categories and found something unique. We had a Gideon Speaker here on Jan. 19 and we took an open Bible offering for the Gideons and it came to \$177.00. This was a good offering from us to them. Again in January we had Teen Challenge with us for the morning and took an offering for them. They sent a thank you note with the offering amount of \$177.00!! Two different mission ministries and two offerings with the same amount of offering-very unique!! That probably would not happen again!

While thinking about missional offerings, I was reminded that we have six of them a year from the United Methodist Church. These six offerings go to very special missions. Our first one was Human Relations Sunday back in January and I did not say much about that so it was a small offering.

This time I want to emphasize it more for you to think about. It is called "One Great Hour of Sharing". This offering is used to help people get through times when disaster strikes. As you know UMCOR is a huge factor in helping after disaster strikes. And the money you give to UMCOR goes directly to those in need but what allows UMCOR to do that and operate? Your generous gift to the "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering covers the operating expenses of UMCOR. UMCOR is usually on the scene within hours after a disaster strikes. Lets keep that organization strong. The offering will be April 6! Thanks for helping!!

What other ways can we help people in need? There are groups right in our back yard. Christian Associates have a variety of ministries and there is Teen Challenge, the Boys Ranch, and Community of Hope and I am sure other organizations that help people.

During the Lenten Season lets pray for these organizations. Pray that people will find hope, joy, peace and love spread by people who care about people. Jesus cared enough for us to give His life for us, so we can have eternal life in His name. No greater gift can be found than what Jesus did. We are called to sacrifice our time and energy so others might have their needs met. Pray that we will use our resources well to help the world around us be better. May God add His blessings to our ministry!

*Pastor Jack*

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# Scriptures For The Month of April

Sunday, April 6: Ezekiel 37:1-14 • Psalm 130 • Romans 8:6-11 • John 11:1-45

Sunday, April 13: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 • Matthew 21:1-11

Sunday, April 20: Jeremiah 31:1-6 • Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 • Acts 10:34-43 • John 20:1-18

Sunday, April 27: Acts 2:14a, 22-32 • Psalm 16 • 1 Peter 1:3-9 • John 20:19-31



## Spring Garage Sale

**FRIDAY  
AND  
SATURDAY**

**APRIL 11 & 12**

Friday starting at 8:00 a.m.

Saturday will be a Sack Sale 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Monday, April 7- Need women to sort and price clothes and linens.

Tuesday, April 8- Men and women to set up items outside and in garage.

Wednesday, April 9- Finish setting up.

Thursday, April 10- Early shopping for members starting at 2:00 p.m.

Friday, April 11- Sale

Saturday, April 12- Sack Sale and clean up.

We need items for our sale! this is our last week to bring items. It would be greatly appreciated. If you have items to be picked up please call Beverly at 417-779-4104.

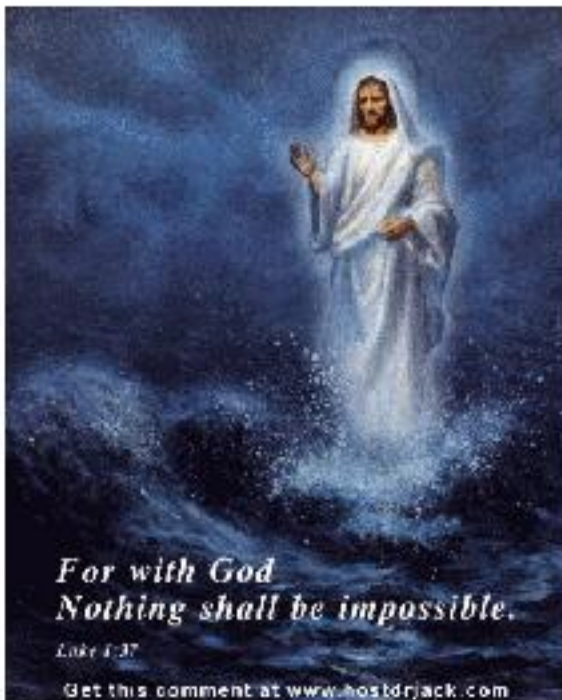
Please try to bring more items that will sell better in the Spring and save the winter items for our Fall sale.

**WE WILL HAVE A BAKE SALE AGAIN THIS YEAR SO PLEASE BRING BAKED GOODS!!!**

We will also have a food booth selling sandwiches, chips, drinks, etc.

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP WITH THIS SALE. IT IS OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER AND WE NEED HELPERS!!!**

Thank You,  
Beverly Gunther



*For with God  
Nothing shall be impossible.*

Luke 1:37

Get this comment at [www.hostdrjack.com](http://www.hostdrjack.com)

# Addition Updates

As of the last update the footings were done. Now, we are glad to report that the foundation walls were poured and as of today, March 20, our concrete floor was poured. As they work on finishing the floor they are also working on framing up the sidewalks. So, a lot of progress has been accomplished. The weather has been a problem but God's timing is always better than our timing. Now, it becomes our task to frame up the building. Keep us in your prayers as we begin that process. More updates and pictures next month!

## Christian Associates

It has been a while since we have collected anything for Christian Associates. Here is a list of things they need. Please bring some items to the church so we can deliver a good amount to this great organization that helps feed people in our community.

- Canned Meats (especially Tuna)
- Canned Fruits
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Ramen Noodles
- Pasta Sides (this is the dry noodles in bags)

Thank You so much for anything you can do!!!



# FACEBOOK

Be sure and check out the Open Doors UMC of Blue Eye Facebook page. You can get information and see the upcoming events if you don't have your calendar handy. PLEASE if you have facebook find us and "like" our page. Feel free to post things about our church and information you might have as well.

Also be sure and check out our website:

[www. blueyeumc.com](http://www.blueyeumc.com)

**PLEASE BE SURE AND CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE AND THE FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ANY INFORMATION DURING THE WEEK. NOON LUNCHEON CANCELATIONS, CHURCH SERVICE CANCELATIONS, MEETINGS, ETC.**



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If you have an address of someone who you think would like to receive this newsletter please give that information to the church office, church secretary or pastor.

We would like to increase the number of people who receive our publication.

Thank You!

## MINISTRY IS HAPPENING!!!

We have many committees and teams working to bring a well rounded ministry to our church. Thanks to those who are willing to serve. If you would like to be on a committee or team please contact a member of those teams or committees, they would love to have you join them.

# Trustees Update

The trustees have a few items on the agenda for this summer:

- 1) We need to sand and varnish all window wood casings in the basement.
- 2) We need to sand and varnish all window wood casings in the Chancel Area (up front altar area). The window casings in the sanctuary itself are fine.
- 3) We need to replace a stool in the hallway bathroom of parsonage.
- 4) There are 3 sliding doors in the parsonage and all three need some attention.
- 5) We still need members for mowing team #1.
- 6) Pastor Jack and his brother Dwane will finish gazebo.
- 7) The addition will need work teams as it progresses.

These are a lot of items but taken one at a time by people who can help, we will accomplish all and keep our church and parsonage in excellent condition! Thanks!!



## Chili Cook-Off



The Chili Cook-Off was a huge success! Everyone had a great time while we raised money for the Women's Ministries and the Building Fund. Carol Elven won the Judge's Award, Shelly Fransen won the People's Choice Award, Frankie Oldani won the quilt raffle and Dwight Chapman won the Lamp raffle. Looking forward to doing this again. Thank You to the Hospitality Team for doing this event. Keep up the good work!!

Thank You to Dwight Chapman, Dwane Smith & Kevin Green for judging the chili for us!!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 	2 Office Hours 9-5 Noon Luncheon 12:00 Choir 6:30	3 Office Hours 9-5  Al-Anon 7:00	4	5 MEN's BREAKFAST 8:15
6 Sunday School 9:15 Worship Time 10:30  COMMUNION	7 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30  Building Committee 1:30	8	9 Office Hours 9-5  Choir 6:30	10 Office Hours 9-5  Al-Anon 7:00	11 GARAGE SALE 8:00 a.m.	12 SACK SALE 8:00-NOON
 13 Sunday School 9:15 Worship Time 10:30	14 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30 Hospitality 4:00	15 Building Supplies is being delivered!!	16 Office Hours 9-5 Noon Luncheon 12:00  Choir 6:30	17 Office Hours 9-5  Al-Anon 7:00	18	19
 20 Sunrise Service 8:30 Breakfast 9:30 Easter Worship 10:30 Blue Sunday	21 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30 Building Committee 1:30	22	23 Office Hours 9-5 Noon Luncheon 12:00  Choir 6:30	24 Office Hours 9-5 Al-Anon 7:00  MAUNDY THURSDAY Communion 7:00 p.m.	25 GOOD FRIDAY	26
27 Sunday School 9:15 Worship Time 10:30 POTLUCK 11:45  Church Council 12:30	28 Office Hours 9-5 Bible Study 10:30 Women's Ministries 12:30	29	30 Office Hours 9-5 Noon Luncheon 12:00  Choir 6:30			



Happy Anniversary

# April 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			Pam Rast		Jack Smith	Debbie Juneman
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
			Frankie Oldani			Jeff & Valeri Sletto
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Dave Rast			J.D. & Janice Settles Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Peg Smith	
27	28	29	30			
			Ken Hensiek	