

## **COOKIES FOR KAIROS**

The women's prison visitation is scheduled for 9/24 and the men's visitation on 10/15. Your cookie donations must be store-bought without icing or powdered sugar on them. Please place them inside the Missions box in the Narthex. Thank you for your prayers and support of this ministry.

## **TILE SETTER NEEDED**

Our Endowment Committee is seeking a tile setter to work on our Visionaries Society plaque wall. We would like to place the Society name on a Narthex wall, set in tiles. If you are an experienced tile setter and can help us, please contact Eric in the church office at 726-2522. Thank you.

## **SOUND MINISTRY UPDATE**

Bill Frantz, our church's Sound Tech, is always seeking helpers to help run the soundboard and run the PowerPoint graphics on Sunday mornings. Would you be interested in this? You'll be trained to run the systems and a schedule can be arranged to fit YOUR schedule. It's really fun and you'll have a great view of the Sanctuary! Please stop and see Bill in the sound booth on a Sunday or feel free to call him at 637-2512 and get additional information.

## **SEMI-ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS**

The giving statements have been printed and are in your mailbox, across from the Scroll Bookstore. They are sorted by the first letter of your last name. Some statements were mailed in the US Mail. So, if you do not receive a statement in the mail or can not locate yours here, please contact the church office at 726-2522. Thank you.

## **"FOUR STAGES OF PLANNED GIVING"**

Planned giving, sometimes called differed giving, consists of the charitable gifts we arrange from our accumulated assets, to be distributed after our deaths.

Our planned gifts to our church are created while we are in the prime of our lives and are differed until we have been reborn into eternal life.

**30's-40's--Wills and estate plans** usually are drafted when Christians are in this age range. Some decide to express their gratitude to God by naming their church in their will or living trust for a portion of their estate.

**50's--60's--**People near retirement often find a **Charitable Gift Annuity**, with payments differed until retirement, as an attractive complement to their savings. Those who have achieved success in their careers and investments often are at an age when **Charitable Remainder Trusts** are attractive as a way to minimize taxes, maintain a good income for life, and make a substantial gift to their church.

**65--75--**Retirement years may bring a desire for gift arrangements that provide tax deductions and a steady income for life that is also partially tax free. A **Charitable Gift Annuity** may be the answer! Those who own real estate or other investments may decide to transfer those assets and create a **Charitable Remainder Trust**, enabling them a good income, tax benefits, and the satisfaction of continuing to be a good steward--long after their deaths.

**75 and older--Charitable Gift Annuity** payout rates are highest at these ages. Many Christians review their estate plans with thoughts about the next generation and the role of the church in helping to make the world a better place for all God's people. Life insurance

policies no longer needed and Ira's and 401k may also be assigned to the church.

Whatever stage of life you are in, FUMC Inverness and the Florida United Methodist Foundation are in partnership to assist you in your planned giving. Feel free to call Don Beaudet, Endowment Committee chairman with your questions--637-6974. You can also call the Foundation, 866-363-9673. They will answer your questions and it will be "pressure-free!" As always, be sure to discuss your situation with your financial planner and/or attorney when considering any gifts to your church.



## **UNITED METHODIST VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION Leader Training September 11 & 12, 2009 Warren W. Willis Camp Fruitland Park, FL.**

Are you interested in leading a United Methodist Mission Team?

UMVIM Leader training prepares volunteers to lead Volunteer in Mission teams to projects in the United States and around the world. You will learn the "ins and outs" of organizing a mission trip from recruiting the team, to picking the location, getting support, staying safe, planning the work and much, much more. You'll also enjoy a wonderful time of fellowship with other mission-minded folks in a beautiful camp setting.

Participants stay in dorm-style lodges with bunk beds. Cost is \$55 per person and includes lodging, three meals (dinner, breakfast and lunch) and all training materials. Trainers include Sue Macchiarella, Florida Conference Chair for UMVIM, as well as trainers from the Southeastern Jurisdiction of UMVIM.

For more information or to register, please visit the Web site:  
[www.flumc.org/UMVIM](http://www.flumc.org/UMVIM)

## **ANGELS FOR HOPE**

Angels for Hope is a nonprofit organization that offers free crocheted angels for anyone in need of hope. We attach a small card with the angel to say to an injured or ill person, you are not alone, others do care, and you are in our thoughts and prayers.



At your request we can let it be known that you requested the item or it can remain anonymous.

In addition to crocheted angels, we also offer butterflies and smiley faces. We can be found on the internet at [AngelsForHope.org](http://AngelsForHope.org) if you are interested in either sending something to someone who needs a little hope or would like to join the angel makers. Either way, we'd love to have to have you check us out.

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