The Messenger

of Munholland United Methodist Church

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"NOTHING BUT NETS" is a global, grassroots campaign to save lives by preventing malaria, a leading killer of children in Africa. The people of The United Methodist Church are raising funds to purchase bed nets to end malaria. The Louisiana Annual Conference is joining the cause by contributing money for bed nets that will keep children and families safe. Every year, more than a million children die from this disease. Ninety percent of deaths caused by malaria occur in Africa. By answering Jesus' call to minister to "the least of these," we can beat this disease and save future generations.

In response to the request from The Annual Conference, Munholland's Mission Committee is sponsoring a campaign to raise money for "NOTHING BUT NETS". Beginning on April 20th, you will be able to purchase links to help build a mosquito net that will visually display our money growing.

The mosquito net will be installed in the hallway across from the Parlor. You can purchase these links:

White $1
Black $5
Blue $10
Green $20
Yellow $25 and up

Our goal is to raise $5,000 through the support of the Munholland Community by the end of May. Please help us as we watch this net grow strong to help save the lives of children in Africa.

Confirmation Classes

Sundays – 4:00 – 5:00 pm
April 20,27

Confirmation May 4th

Breakfast at 10:00 am (FH)
Confirmation 11:00 am Worship
Reserved seats in the Sanctuary

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The next Circle meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 24th** at Susan Decan's home, 3517 Page Drive in Metairie at 10:00 am. She will have a presentation on her trip to the Holy Land.

On Tuesday, May 6th, the next UMW Executive Meeting will be held at 9:15 in the Parlor. The General Meeting will follow at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

New Orleans Ulster Project

The New Orleans Ulster Project is seeking host families for the summer project month, July 2008.

If you, or someone you know, currently have a teenager aged 14-16 (by July) and may be interested in housing a teen from Northern Ireland for a very fun-filled month, please contact Kim Shackleton, (504)837-2353 or email kimgs54@hotmail.com.

This is a great opportunity for Northern Irish teens to participate in world peace efforts. Twelve teens will come to the US for a time of community between conflicting circumstances...

Help us continue the work that has been set forth. Participate in ULSTER Project by recommending teenagers suitable for the month- long commitment or by spreading the word about Ulster Project!

If you can help us in other ways, please feel free to contact Lenny Nelson, President of the Ulster Project, New Orleans at (504)833-3434, Ed Davis, Northern Ireland Contact (504)569-0517 or Betsy White, Activities Chair at (504)220-6541 or Betsysw@aol.com

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The Shawl Ministry will meet on Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall...

Munholland will recognize all 2008 high school graduates on Sunday, May 18th.

The graduates will be honored at the 11:00 am service. The graduates and their families are invited to attend a luncheon at noon. We will print the names of all graduates in the bulletin that Sunday as well as in the Messenger.

Please call the church office at 834-9910, with the name and high school of any graduate that is a part of our church family or fill out the cards found in the Vestibule.

Please let us know if the graduate will be present for the service and/or the lunch and how many will attend the lunch.

Are you a 2008 college graduate or do you know of someone associated with Munholland who will graduate from college this spring?

If so, please contact the church office at 834-9910 and let us know by Monday, May 5th.

CARE TEAM MEETING
May 20th at 6:30 pm
in room 211

MUNHOLLAND UMC
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, June 23rd – Friday June 27th
8:45 am – 12:00 noon

Don't miss out on this wonderful event for your children. If you have not signed up yet – please fill out the forms found in the Vestibule or by Metairie Road entrance.

We welcome children ages 3 ½ (3 by 12/31/07 and potty trained) through 6th grade (completed). There will be a $25.00 VBS fee. The fee covers craft materials, daily healthy snack, daily music and recreation. (Fee nonrefundable after June 8th).

We are still in need of the following items: cereal boxes, seashells, extra large caferteria cans and cleaned baby food jars.

CHILDREN'S COUNCIL, PARENTS & SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING

DATE: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2008

TIME: 6:00 pm

PLACE: Room 111

Agenda:

1) **VBS timeline and preparation**
2) **Children's Sunday School, age levels for fall classes and new curriculum for Pre-K.**

Camp Istrouma Summer Camp

Younger Elementary July 28th-31st
(Completed 2nd or 3rd grade in 2008)

Older Elementary I June 23rd-27th
(Completed 4th or 5th grade in 2008)

Older Elementary II July 21st-25th
(Completed 4th or 5th grade in 2008)

Middle Youth July 14th- 18th
(Completed 5th or 6th grade in 2008)

Junior High I June 16th-20th
(Completed 6th or 7th grade in 2008)

Junior High II July 7th-11th
(Completed 6th or 7th grade in 2008)

Senior High June 9th-13th
(Completed 8th, 9th, 10th or 11th grade in 2008)

Forms can be found on the bulletin board in the Elmeer hallway.

Schedule of Ministry Event

Meetings and Special Events

Apr. 15	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
	6:30 pm	Care Team Mtg (211)
Apr. 16	5:15 pm	Midweek Meal
Apr. 17	7:00 pm	Greater NO Photo Mtg (FH)
Apr. 19	10:00 am	Shawl Ministry (FH)
Apr. 22	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
Apr. 23	5:15 pm	Midweek Meal (FH)
Apr. 24	10:00 am	UMW Circle Mtg at Susan Decan's home
Apr. 28	6:30 pm	Mission Committee (Parlor)
Apr. 29	10:00 am	Staff Mtg
Apr. 30	5:15 pm	Midweek Meal (FH)

Due Date

The next edition of ***The Messenger*** goes to print on, **Thursday, April 24th.** We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** on Wednesday, April 23rd. Any article received after the due date will be included in the next edition of *The Messenger.* Thank you for your help in imparting ministry news to the congregation.

Weekly Worship Attendance

		Mar. 09	Mar. 16
Sunday			
	8:30 am	71	137
	9:45 am	46	51
	11:00 am	203	239
Other		15	15
Total		**335**	**442**
Sunday School		176	190

		Mar. 23
Sunday		
	8:30 am	147
	9:45 am	80
	11:00 am	337
Holy Week Meditation		30
Holy Thursday		100
Other		15
Good Friday Breakfast		80
Good Friday Service		100
Total		**889**
Sunday School		163

Every Week at Munholland

Sunday (Worship 8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am)

9:30 am	Sunday School
10:15-10:45 am	Altar Choir (204)
12:00-2:00 pm	Discovery Club (once a month)
12:00-2:00 pm	Young Youth (once a month)
4:30-6:00 pm	Disciple and related Bible Studies (various classrooms)
5:00-6:30 pm	MUMY (200)

Monday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out

Tuesday

10:00 am	Staff Meeting

Wednesday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
5:15 – 6:15 pm	Midweek Meal
6:00-6:45 pm	Littlest Angels (108)
6:15 pm	Disciple and related Bible Studies (various classrooms)
6:15 pm	Communion (Parlor)
6:30 pm	Cursillo (Parlor)
7:00-8:30 pm	Chancel Choir (113)

Thursday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
10:00 am	Bible studies
7:00 pm	Nicotine Anon. (Choir Room)
7:30 pm	N.A. (111)
8:00 pm	A.A. (Parlor)

Friday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
12:00 pm	Friday Friends Bridge
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 7 (201)

KIDS PAGE

APRIL CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels – Wednesday
(Rehearsal-Columns room)

04/23/08	Choir Time	6:00 pm–6:45 pm
04/30/08	Choir Time	6:00 pm–6:45 pm

Altar Choir – Sunday
(Rehearsal-Elementary Music Room)

04/20/08	Choir Time	10:15 am–10:45 am
04/27/08	Choir Time	10:15 am–10:45 am

Chancel Choir – Wednesday

04/23/08	Choir Time	7:00 pm–8:30 pm
04/30/08	Choir Time	7:00 pm–8:30 pm

KIDS DAY OUT

Munholland's KDO is looking for energetic creative teachers for their summer and fall programs.

Please call Pitrina at 834-0920 or fax your resume to 834-9913.

VBS Volunteers

Are you looking for a way to make a difference this summer?

VBS is looking for volunteers for the summer session 6/23 – 6/27.

Come laugh and learn with God's children.

Please contact Pitrina for more information at 834-0920.

YOUNG YOUTH
(4th, 5th & 6th graders)

WE'RE GOING TO A

BALL GAME!

Young Youth will meet for Christian Fellowship Night at the Zephyrs vs Iowa Cubs game on **Friday, April 18 at 7 pm.**

There is a concert by Jake Smith and Fireworks after the game.

Tickets are now being distributed to those who are attending the game.

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On Sunday, May 25th, Young Youth will meet at the Didriksen's house after church for a swimming party.

If you have any questions, call Debbie Holman at 828-7436.

MUMY CALENDAR
(Munholland United Methodist Youth)
April 2008

04/20/08	**Youth Meeting**
04/27/08	**Youth Meeting**

For more information, please contact Ford Dieth, Jr. at 834-9910.

WORK GROUP UPDATE

April 13-19
Love Knows No Bounds
OH Ithaca, NY
40 volunteers (4th Trip!)

April 19-26
Follen Church
Lexington, MA
40 volunteers

Thank you for your continued help and generosity of hosting visiting work teams. If you wish to drop off goodies, bottled water, snacks, cereal, power bars, nuts, fruit or anything for our guests, please leave them in the **UPSTAIRS kitchen** of the old building or **CLEARLY LABELED in the kitchen downstairs.**

If you wish to sponsor a team for one of our Midweek meals, please contact Betsy White 220-6541 or mark your check to MUMC "for volunteers Midweek"...

Betsy White, Volunteer Housing Coordinator

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