

The Livingston Letter

AUGUST 2008



"Giving Generously"

Livingston Church has a long and well known history of giving generously to those in spiritual and financial need.

In December 2007, our beloved Acenie Pierre entered the hospital due to breathing complications. After a few weeks her lung disease worsened and she was on a ventilator at OSU's hospital. In the meantime, her daughter Esther had given birth to a healthy baby boy named Orion at OSU hospital while Acenie was lying in bed two floors down. Imagine taking your newborn son to visit his grandmother while she was in the ICU.

When Esther returned to their modest apartment with Orion, she had to stay home from work as a patient care assistant in a north end nursing home for 6 weeks to care for her baby and 2 year old son, Jonathan. Her husband Ricky took over Acenie's office cleaning job and so he continued to bring in a modest income.

I knew that her family would have difficulty paying the rent and utilities for their apartment they shared with Acenie. So I asked you to give a love offering to help with Acenie's families living expenses. You, the Body of Christ, responded by giving \$2500.00! This is another lesson that we can't out give God.

Acenie passed away July 6 and some Livingston members stepped up and donated \$700 to help offset her \$2000 funeral expense. Well done, faithful disciples of Livingston.

I share this sad story about Acenie's illness as an example of Livingston's faithfulness to Jesus.

May the Lord continue to bless you as we give toward His Kingdom work.

Affectionately,
Pastor Jim

Adios Ohio Wesleyan! Hello Honduras!

The Donnan's are planning a graduation/farewell party for Katie at their house (669 S. Kellner Rd), Saturday, August 2, 5-8 PM. Please join us for this celebration.



A Bridal Shower for Jen Staten will be held at 4 PM, Sunday, August 3, in the Fellowship Hall. Jen is registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Everyone welcome. Questions, see Chris Miller.



Mexico Medical Mission Team Blessing

On August 3, Brian & Colleen Barta, Savannah Giblin, Denise Russell and Lisa Godfrey will be blessed at the altar as they prepare to serve the Lord in Nuevo Progreso, Mexico, August 7-10. Colleen, Savannah, Denise and Lisa will feed the team of 40, and Brian will be a runner/driver for the medical team. May the Lord cover you with His mercy and love for the Mexican people you will serve.



Jim, Sue and Tim Brizendine would like to thank everyone for all of the prayers, cards and acts of kindness in the recent passing of, their sister and aunt, Billie Hawks. We are honored to be a part of such a wonderful church family.

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Thank you to Brian Barta for arranging for a freezer to be donated to the Food Pantry.



August 21 Vatican Splendors Exhibit. Trip is full. We will leave the church at 8:30 AM. Admission is \$17 per person. Lunch will be in Berea.

September 30, tour Fenton Glass and visit the gift shop. We will leave the church at 8:30 AM.

Ideas in the works:

- 1) see fall color - where???
- 2) tour the Ohio Supreme Court
- 3) Lebanon - for Christmas

Please give ideas to Sarah Miller or e-mail to Jane at

lumc2@juno.com.



OSU/Wisconsin State
Church Gate Party
Saturday,
October 4th, 8 p.m.

Mark your calendar - the game will be projected outside on the west side of the church building.



Tuesdays:

Bringing to the Light Prayer Group, 7 PM

- 8/2 Katie Donnan party, 5-8 PM
- 8/3 J Staten Bridal Shower, 4 PM
- 8/7-10 Mexico Mission Trip
- 8/13 Men's Mtg., 6 PM
- 8/21 Van Goes,
- 8/25 AD CO 7 PM
- 8/26 Food Pantry, 9-12
- 8/27 Men's Mtg., 6 PM
- 8/28 Food Pantry, 9-12
- 8/30 Food Pantry, 9-12
- 8/28 Van Goes
- 9/22 Ad Co 7 PM
- 9/30 Van Goes
- 10/04 OSU/Wisconsin, 8 PM
- 10/27 Ad Co 7 PM



*absent from body...
and present with the Lord....*

Ricky and Esther Dumeny and their sons in the death of Esther's mother, Acenie Pierre.



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Bruce Reedy, Tony Giles,
Jim Brizendine, Megan Widney,
Alyssa Staten

Weekly

Sunday School 9 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Tuesdays: Bringing to the Light
Prayer Group
7 p.m. in the library

Thursdays: (Sept. - June)
Bell Choir, 6:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir 7:15 p.m.