

# The Livingston Letter

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WE LOVE WHO JESUS LOVES!

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## Bishop Ough Recognizes Livingston's Fruitfulness

Two years ago, our Bishop Ough challenged every UM church in the West Ohio Conference to produce spiritual fruit by following the Acts 2 model. In 2008, we were one of only 97 of our 1,123 West Ohio congregations that achieved produced spiritual fruit. Those areas are:

- Professions of Faith
- Baptisms
- Growth in Worship Attendance
- Growth in Membership
- Faith Forming Groups
- 100% Apportionments Paid

The Bishop's letter to us says "I wish to congratulate you on your faithful response to the Spirit's leading. Becoming an Acts 2 Congregation requires much prayer, obedience to Christ's leading and intentional planning."

God has called us to reach the lost for Jesus. Let's continue to do so!

In Him,  
Jim

*I believe in the sun – even when it does not shine;  
I believe in love – even when it is not shown;  
I believe in God, even when he does not speak.  
Robert Schuller*

## Chase ATM Coming to Our Parking Lot

In the near future you'll be able to do your Chase banking in your church's parking lot.



Weekly Meetings:

### Sunday:

- German Village
- Al-Anon meeting
- 5:30 PM (Chapel)
- Haus AA meeting 5:30 PM
- (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday

- DCOM 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- Bringing to the Light
- Prayer Group, 6:45
- (Library)
- German Village Community
- Farm, 5:30-7:30 PM

### Wednesday

- AMSPIRIT, 7:30 AM
- (Chapel)
- Weight Watchers, 6 PM
- (Chapel)

### Thursday

- Bell Choir 6:30 PM
- Chancel Choir 7:15 PM

### 9/07 LABOR DAY

- 9/09 Men's Group, 6 PM
- 9/13 October Newsletter
- articles due in office
- 9/16 Livingston's Women's Group, 7 PM
- 9/18 Van Goes, 9 AM
- 9/22 DCOM, 8:30 AM
- 9/22/24/26 Food Pantry
- 9/23 Men's Group, 6 PM

## Medical Mission/Construction to Haiti February 2010

Members of Livingston are invited to join Reynoldsburg United Methodist Church in a medical-construction mission to Haiti Feb. 13-21, 2010. Sue Leatherman and Jim Donnan will be helping on this team. There will be an informational meeting at RUMC on Sunday, September 27, at 12:15 for anyone interested in going or see Jim or Sue if you have questions.

### I 70/71 Project Stopped

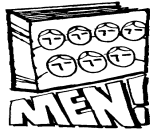
The Dispatch reported on August 28<sup>th</sup> that funding for the project next to the church isn't guaranteed and may not be constructed.

### CHURCH CONFERENCE

Church Conference at Livingston United Methodist Church, Sunday, September 27, beginning at 3 PM with a joint meeting of Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committees followed by a joint worship service at 3:30 PM.



New Bible Study Group, will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 7 PM at the O'Grady's beginning in September.



Men's Group – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at Wendy's on South High Street at 6 PM.



### VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for Power Hour on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. Please sign up on the sheet on the elevator door in the narthex or see Brian Barta if you have any questions.

## WOMEN

The Livingston Women's group will meet Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the church. All women of the church are invited to attend. We will be making plans for study and discipleship, service to others and just fun. Please bring any ideas you have. For more information contact Sue Leatherman 235-6156 or Sleath@wideopenwest.com



### Charity Pharmacy Update

The Board of Directors elected are: Rev. Cyndy Garn, Rev. John Edgar, Katie Clark, RN, Dr. Olivia Thomas, Deborah Archie, Esq., Rev. Jim Donnan, Dr. Bruce Wall, George Howard and Rev. Dee Stickley-Miner.

The architectural drawings have been approved by the Ad Council and contractors are bidding on the project.

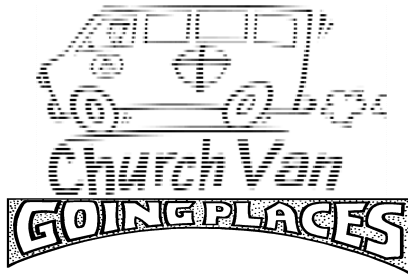
A \$100,000 is available for construction purposes. A new handicap accessible restroom will be built where the two small restrooms are located. The Sunday School room that the Livingstone's use will be remodeled into a waiting area. On Sunday's, the room will be used by the Livingstone's class.

The Board will interview a recommended pharmacy candidate and we hope to have one hired by the middle of September. Construction should begin in early October and the Pharmacy will be operational by December.

Fundraising is going very well. \$145,000 has been secured from many sources (West Ohio Conference, Robert Weiler Family, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Risotti Windows, The Columbus Foundation, and The English Family Foundation).

Please continue to keep this vital ministry in your prayers. It's a tangible way that the United Methodist church is trying to solve one area of the health insurance crisis.





On Thursday, October 22, we will go to Burr Oak State Park Lodge for lunch and enjoy the beautiful fall color along the way. We will leave the church at 9:30 AM. Sign up with Sarah Miller to go.



Absent from body... present with the Lord....

Dr. Marion E. Brown, passed away August 22, in Florida. A Celebration of her life will be at 10 AM on Wednesday, October 28, here at Livingston Church.

Ceme Fleurival's mother passed away August 27, in Haiti.

Please remember these families in your prayers.

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## MISSIONS

### Wycliffe

*"And you will know the truth and the truth will set you free."* John 8:32

Wycliffe was founded in 1942 by **William Cameron Townsend**. A missionary to the Cakchiquel Indians of Guatemala, Townsend caught the vision for translation after Cakchiquel-speaking men expressed their concern and surprise that God did not speak their language. Townsend resolved that every man, woman and child should be able to read God's Word in their own language. Borrowing the name of the Reformation hero, **John Wycliffe**, who first translated the Bible into English, Townsend founded "Camp Wycliffe" in 1934 as a linguistics training school. By 1942, "Camp Wycliffe" had grown into two affiliate organizations, Wycliffe Bible Translators and the **Summer Institute of Linguistics** (SIL).

Today, SIL and Wycliffe Bible Translators work together to translate Scripture, train field personnel and promote interest in translation. **More than 600** translations have been completed, and hundreds more are in the process. With God's provision, Townsend's vision will be realized.

Brian and Julie O'Herin have been with Wycliffe for 25 years. Brian is working on translating the Book of Luke in Abaza (a language of Russia).

Both Brian and Julie teach grammar and semantics at Biola University in California.

