



A WORD FROM PASTOR MICHAEL

At an early age John Ochieng found himself as an orphan in the countryside of Kenya. He survived and found his way to a school in Nairobi that allowed him to board and get off the mean streets. John, now in his early 30's, is an administrator at Agape Dayspring Academy in Thika, Kenya. He is married to Caroline, and they have two children of their own and 29 adopted children. Yes, they have 31 children! The adopted children are not legally adopted as we would think of it in the US, but simply rescued off the streets. Desperate for security and an opportunity to go to school, these 29 children have accepted John & Caroline's invitation to come to the orphanage. Their ministry seeks to transform a child from street life to a family, provide them access to quality basic education (Primary, Secondary, and University), provide access to quality medical attention, and offer training in the word of God.

John and his wife are seeking to finish a new orphanage and then adopt another 37 children. We welcome you to hear from John as he shares about his ministry and the amazing grace of God that he has seen in his life. John will be visiting with us on Wed, July 27th at 6 PM in the parlor. This will be a time of sharing about his ministry and asking questions of him. This opportunity to welcome John will be open to anyone and all churches.

Save the date as John Ochieng will be preaching at Logan First on July 24th at both services. You won't want to miss this opportunity to hear from John. Note: we will receive a love offering to further the ministry in Kenya.

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Also, be aware that Pastor Michael and Tonya will be leading a mission trip to Kenya in June of 2023 to work alongside John and to visit several ministry sites that Pastor Michael has been working with for several years. Our focus will be medical ministry and educational ministry. There are several jobs for young and mature adults of all skill levels. This will be a life changing opportunity to visit Kenya for two weeks, to engage in ministry in the largest slums in Africa, and to enjoy a 3-day safari in the Masai Mara Preserve. An informational meeting will take place at First UMC on Friday, September 16. Watch for additional details .



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- July 4 Fran Murr
- July 6 Alyssa Geisler
- July 8 Patricia Hammons, Mitch Karnafel
- July 13 Penny Schaefer
- July 14 Hailey Baker
- July 15 Lori Sailors
- July 18 Levi Hamilton
- July 20 Ben Baker
- July 21 Heather Platt, Joe Jones
- July 23 Tori Weese
- July 26 Brian Newell
- July 30 Milt Hess
- July 31 Kayla Swartzell



ANNIVERSARIES

- July 9 Steven Longenecker & Mary Ingram
- July 14 Howard & Sandy Cox
- July 23 Scott & Rosie Schafer
- July 27 John & Kristen Schafer

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Monday:** Staff Meeting, 10 AM, Parlor
- Tuesday:** Prayer, 11 AM, Sanctuary

JULY SCHEDULE/EVENTS

- Sun, July 3:** Communion Sunday
- Mon, July 4:** Independence Day– Church and LCM offices closed
- Sat, July 16:** Loaves & Fishes
- Mon, July 18:** AD Council, 6 PM, Parlor
- Sun, July 24:** John Ochieng Guest Speaker
- Wed, July 27:** Information Meeting with John Ochieng, Parlor

JULY DAILY BIBLE READING

1 Psalms 90-97	9 Psalms 143-150	17 Proverbs 29-31	25 Isaiah 17-21
2 Psalms 98-104	10 Proverbs 1-4	18 Eccles. 1-6	26 Isaiah 22-25
3 Psalms 105-107	11 Proverbs 5-8	19 Eccles. 7-12	27 Isaiah 26-28
4 Psalms 108-116	12 Proverbs 9-13	20 Song of Sol 1-8	28 Isaiah 29-31
5 Psalms 117-118	13 Proverbs 14-17	21 Isaiah 1-4	29 Isaiah 32-35
6 Psalms 119	14 Proverbs 18-21	22 Isaiah 5-8	30 Isaiah 36-38
7 Psalms 120-135	15 Proverbs 22-24	23 Isaiah 9-12	31 Isaiah 39-42
8 Psalms 136-142	16 Proverbs 25-28	24 Isaiah 13-16	

Prayer Requests

- Fran Murr
- Steve Bonhomme
- Ed & Becky Hanawalt
- David Miranda
- Margie Davis
- Those with Covid

Thank you

Sharon and I want to let our church family know how much we appreciated the many prayers lifted up for me during my recent surgery and recovery. We thank you for the cards and for Tonya and Pastor Michael's hospital visit. We are so grateful for all the support. John Jones

Thank you

I would like to thank all of the people and churches that prayed for me after my unexpected cancer surgery, October 26. You also prayed for Dale who visited me every day by driving to Indianapolis or Kokomo every day until February 11. When I was accepted into Woodbridge under hospice, the staff there didn't expect me to live but a few days. Somewhere along the line, I became a miracle! I began sitting in a chair and not laying on my back 24 hours a day! Mind you, I had a tracheotomy and could not talk, had a feeding tube and could not eat. BUT the miracle happened, the feeding tube came out and the food I received was pureed. I could kind of eat it, and did a little. The cancer (lymphoma) was 8 cm, and is now 1 cm.

Chemo made me very sick, so the Doctors at the cancer center thought it would be best to do radiation. I am getting radiation and praying that will make me cancer free. But to live as I did, is a miracle! Only Jesus Christ my Lord and Savior could do this for me and us. I know I have something to do for the Lord, but for now, I'm telling my story of being this miracle! When I was on hospice I could not go to doctors or have physical therapy, so we discontinued hospice so I could do physical and occupational therapy. I "graduated" from both!



Bottom line, My Lord Jesus Christ saved me and I am living, and making plans to go home.

Very special to me is that I can go to church and worship my Savior. To his GLORY I can tell this story. Jayne Sullivan

Nursing Homes:

McKinney Place: Beverly Vietti

Millers Merry Manor: Sally Mauck, Beverly Hess,

Milner Community Healthcare: Bev Bartunek

Woodbridge: Mike Doering, Jayne Sullivan

Five Star Residence of Clearwater, Indy: Marvellen Dunwoody

Military Service:

Braxton Baker, Jacob Kaley, Alex Karnafel, Mickey Karnafel, Oakley Lewellen, Joshua Lyons, Tim Strubell



Heather Platt– The Sunshine Vitamin Parish Nurse

Dementia is not in an inevitable consequence of aging. In fact, we can reduce the likelihood of developing dementia by being physically active, eating a healthy diet, maintaining a healthy weight and blood pressure, controlling blood glucose and cholesterol numbers and not smoking or drinking in excess. It’s also important to manage depression, avoid social isolation, and to keep our brains engaged and challenged.

Conditions causing an impairment of at least two brain functions such as memory loss or judgment may be related to the diagnosis of dementia. 55 million people have this disease worldwide and it’s a major cause of disability and dependency. While there is no cure for dementia it is important to recognize symptoms early to mediate the risk.

In early stages of dementia, people may be forgetful, lose track of time or get lost in familiar places. In middle stages of dementia, people may be forgetful of recent events or names, have confusion even in their home, have increased difficulty communicating and need help with personal care. In later stages of dementia, people may be unaware of time and place, may have a challenging time recognizing family and friends, may have a difficult time walking and could have behavioral changes including aggression.

If you are in a situation of caring for a loved one with dementia, seek help from professionals and accept support from others who care. Take opportunities to increase your knowledge of dementia and take steps toward learning new skills to care for people who are more dependent. Providing care long term can be emotionally, physically and financially draining so advocate for your own health as well.

Take care, Heather



Belinda Jordan Little Children’s Ministry Director

The children are having lots of fun this summer. Preschool has been able to go on a few field trips to the Splash Pad, Park, and Library. Zoo Crew, our school age children, have enjoyed the movies, splash pad, parks, sports days, bowling, and Library. We are still planning for some other fun outings in July.

Here are some staff changes at LCM: Nicole Hacker has returned as Administrative Assistant. She will continue to prepare Chapel activities as part of her duties. We are very happy that she has returned!

We have hired 2 teachers. Diana Kernagis previously worked as a preschool teacher at a church for several years. She brings a lot of experience and has been doing a terrific job with the children! Dianna will be taking the

spot of our current preschool teacher, Hillary Sturgeon, who will be leaving in July. Carley Camp is our Zoo Crew assistant this summer. She will return to college in the Fall to study Elementary Education. We are excited to give her the experience of working with school age children. Welcome everyone!

The contractors installing the playground fence have a projected installation date of July. I will keep everyone posted on the progress.

LCM is currently switching over to ProCare. This is a new program that will allow staff to electronically sign in the children, communicate online with parents, send bulk messages to all parents and give parents access to their child’s accounts online. This will eliminate a lot of paperwork. This is going to be a great change for LCM.



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Online Viewing:

- **Sunday Services:** 800 E Broadway, Logansport IN
- **Worship:** 8:15 AM & 10 AM
- **Haitian Creole Service:** 11:30 AM
- **Live Streaming:** 8:15 AM Face Book Live @ Logansport First United Methodist Church

Our Mission

The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Church Staff

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Our Vision

REACH...
EQUIP...
SEND...

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- **Associate Superintendents:** Rev. Rob Seewald & Rev. John Randall

Church Cluster:

- **Crosswind UMC:** Pastor Tim Powers
- **Main Street UMC:** Pastor Doug Thomas
- **Wheatland Ave UMC:** Bert Stover
- **First UMC:** Pastor Michael Goodspeed



