



November 10, 2019

### **Missions is a Matter of the Heart**

This week Bob Swift returned to the Santa Elena Peninsula of Ecuador, joined by Audrey and Peter Schell to visit and grow relationships with the people of villages there. At the same time we welcomed home the short-term mission team from Rwanda—Pat Cuneo, Katie Woodward, Ann Gospe, Elaine Carlson, Laura and Kari Young. With the holidays upon us, a mission report luncheon is scheduled for January 26. Meanwhile, here are some of their impressions:

*Kari: During devotions kids prayed a word of thanks to God for Auntie Kari bringing her friends...they told me that I had brought the funniest missionaries ever.... The team from California will forever be known at Rafiki as the Joy team!*

*Laura: ...this trip was hard for me to the point I thought it might be my last time here. But by the time I said my final goodbyes to the kids at Rafiki, I felt my heart change and I know I need to go back. (Hopefully this summer!)*

*Pat: ... an experience that was challenging in some ways (asked to do things outside my comfort zone) and rewarding in every way!... [T]hey joined us in praying for firefighters, for the protection of our homes, and for the fire to get put out. I will forever cherish and carry the memories of this trip in my heart!*

*Ann: I learned mission work comes in many forms—not just working with the children in the classroom, but working in the library and sewing curtains.... Tasks we took on made it possible for full-time missionaries to focus elsewhere... I met children that are holding a piece of my heart firmly in Rwanda.*

### **Next Sunday—November 17**

9:00 & 10:30 worship will be led by our youth and all three services will feature student preachers: Will Averbuck and Charles Kirby speaking on “The Importance of Keeping Covenant.”

### **Trauma Up-close and Personal**

Cindy Scott attends our church when not on assignment with Doctors Without Borders. She holds a doctor of psychology degree from Fuller Theological Seminary and provides care for people all over the world who experience trauma. Stephen Ministries is hosting an evening with Dr. Scott who will speak on the topic of “Psychological First Aid” Monday, November 18, from 7:00-7:50 in the Freeman Room. All who have experienced the impact of wildfires these past few years may find her topic of interest and personal help.

Alongside you for Christ, *Dale*

## TODAY @ THE CONNECT CENTER

### Sign up for:

- ◆ Presbyterian Women Annual Christmas Luncheon (12/7)
- ◆ Rhythm of Life workshop rescheduled (1/11/20)
- ◆ Photo session with Lifetouch (11/11, 11/12 and 12/9, 12/10)
- ◆ GriefShare and Caregivers Support Groups (Thursdays)
- ◆ Surviving the Holidays workshop (11/14)
- ◆ Breaking Bread (11/22)

### Pick up:

- ◆ Your Lifetouch Picture
- ◆ Lost & Found

### Click QR code to read:

- ◆ Newsletter online
- ◆ 10:30 bulletin online

## WE GROW

### Special Music & Film Event

Saturday, Nov. 16, 7PM in Sanctuary

F. W. Murnau's "*Sunrise*," an acclaimed silent film from 1927; John Pavik will play the organ.

### Breaking Bread

Friday, Nov. 22, 6 PM, Room 113

Meals together are central to Christ's relationship with his followers. Jesus ate with all kinds of people during his ministry. He shared a meal with his disciples on the night of his arrest. After the resurrection, Jesus' disciples recognized him when he broke bread with them. Gather around the table with us for a special time of worship and communion. We'll eat, we'll sing, we'll pray...and we'll *know him in the breaking of the bread.* (Luke 24:35).

### PW Annual Christmas Luncheon

Dec. 7, 11:00 AM, Ingram Hall

Enjoy a fun lunch, shopping (homemade crafts and baked goods), caroling and a fashion show! Proceeds benefit local charities. Sign up today at the Connect Center.

## WE CARE

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in memory of Linda Coleman.

The rose on the organ celebrates the birth of **Tobin Gabriel McCall**, born November 5 to Tim and Jessica McCall; his grandparents are Trish and Dave McCall and his great grandmother is Mary Love McCall.

We mourn the loss our member **Darla Budworth**, who passed away October 14. No service is scheduled.

### Military Christmas Card Signing

Today, Nov.10

Join us in Ingram Hall after each worship service to sign Christmas cards we send to our friends and relatives who serve in the military.

### Prayer Needs

~ *for health concerns:* Katharine Amos, Richard Boone, Theresa James, Jacque Peacock, Carolyn Prud'homme, and Lorraine Watson.

~ *for those serving in the military:* Benjamin & Jerra Brown, Josh Berto, Tom Cuneo, Blake Deal, Destinie Gacusana, Ian Gilliom, Edward Guerrant, Michelle Hauprich, John Hays, Rob Hills, Angel Hobbs, Matthew Kirby, Roger Klein, Josh Landreth, Rich Lawson, Treven Lipsey, Zackary Lipsey, Ryan MacLeod, Cooper Maloney, Luke McDonald, Vickie McDonald, Connor Aydan Momsen, Kevin Niles, and Travis Tre've.

## WE SERVE

### Each One Feed One

Grocery bags for the annual Redwood Gospel Mission Great Thanksgiving Banquet are due back to the church by end of the day.