

## Update: Annual World

### Mission Offering at Work

Smoke Rise people, you continue to amaze with your faithful support of missions. As reported earlier, the Missions Committee sent \$5,000 to Tijuana, \$3,500 to GAP and \$2,000 to Family Heritage Foundation in Clarkston for their refugee ministry – all from your mission gifts through the AWMO. You can still pledge and/or give to help meet the financial needs of our Smoke Rise Mission Partners. Pledge Cards are available in the Main Office or you can make a one-time donation by writing AWMO in the memo line of the check. Please remember that these gifts are to be above your regular budget giving to the church and pledges are to be completed by March 31, 2015.



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## Blessed By Baskets

This testimony came from a Smoke Rise member who was a table host when the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets were packed.

*"Since this was the first time we have helped with the Baskets, I must say we were just 'bowled' over last night in participating. Seeing the finished baskets all wrapped up was a surprise to us for they were not just 'boxes' of food! They were beautiful and wonderful! This home mission has always been close to our hearts, especially the Co-ops in taking care of our homeless and out of work. Thank you so much to the Cooperative Partnership Team and all involved. I realize now the time you put in this particular mission, and it meant so much to me!"*

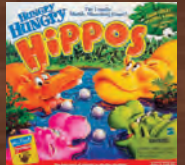
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FUN  
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## Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 5pm Fellowship Hall

Introduce your children to your childhood. On Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Smoke Rise families will gather together for a night of fun and games, old school style. We'll play Red Light Green Light, Red Rover, Pictionary, Hungry Hungry Hippo, all while watching Saturday morning cartoons on the big screen. The family that dresses up in their best 80s/90s attire will win a prize.

Donations to cover the cost of dinner will be accepted.



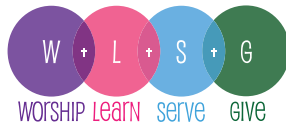
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## DEACONS



Jan 11<sup>th</sup> Deacons'  
Lunch & Meeting  
12pm  
Fellowship Hall

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## Marsha Winston, Assistant Director of SRBC Weekday School Retires

Marsha Winston, Assistant Director of Smoke Rise Baptist Weekday School retired in December. After 13 years of dedicated service to the Weekday School she will be missed.

Marsha leaves a great legacy at the Weekday School. Her love of art has been shared with many students through her work. In room 303 there are two wall size pieces of art. Marsha beautifully painted one wall with a village scene depicting a day in the life of Jesus. On the other wall is a mosaic that tells the Creation Story. These two pieces have been wonderful tools in teaching stories from the Bible to students of the Weekday School and our church.

Each Christmas, Marsha made the gifts that the teachers gave to the students. These clay ornaments are a keepsake that they will hang on Christmas trees for many years to come. Families will cherish the many pieces of pottery that she made *with* the students: Pumpkin Plates, Teddy Bears, Wind Chimes and Mother’s Day gifts to name just a few.

Thank you, Marsha for 13 wonderful years of loving the families of our Weekday School.



**Call Stories from the Bible:** The Bible is full of stories of ordinary people who did extraordinary

things when responding to God’s call. In this series we will examine the call from God, the response of the one called and see what principles we can apply to our lives. *Led by Dr. Rob Nash, Dr. David G. Garber, Dr. Brett Younger: All 6 weeks (January 7-February 11): Fellowship Hall.*

**Klesis: God’s Call and the Journey of Faith:** Klesis is a process designed to assist in the examination of your “calling.” It assumes a concept of ministry that is inclusive of all who follow Christ and one that is as unique as each follower. It provides help in finding out who you are and learning how to give yourself away. Costs \$10.00 for materials. *Led by Dr. Colin Harris and Doris Nelms: January 7, 14, 21 & 28: Room 223.*

**Communicating With Youth and Social Media:** “Who am I?” It is the fundamental question that all teenagers are attempting to answer. Teenagers have always found new ways to express themselves, but with the advent of social media they have another tool to communicate with the world who they are, or better yet, who they want to be. Join Justin and Jeremy as we discuss various social media platforms and how to use these tools to help your teenager express who they truly are. *Led by Rev. Jeremy Colliver and Justin Sizemore: January 7, 14, 21 & 28: Room 220*

**Bread Making:** *Led by Barbara Conard, February 4<sup>th</sup> : Art Room inside the gym.*

**Time for Romance!:** Valentine’s Day is approaching – get ideas and tips. *Led by Justin & Abby Sizemore and Denny & Kathy Goodenow, February 11: Room 223*



## God’s Timing

John Morris, the Executive Director of GAP (God’s Appalachian Partnership) in Kentucky, is very grateful for Smoke Rise’s recent \$3,500 donation from the Annual World Mission Offering. John wrote, “Praise the Lord, His timing is always perfect!”



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