

PRACTICING EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY



CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MISSION OF OUR CHURCH
2007-2011



SENIOR PASTOR MIKE RAMSDELL
AND FAMILY

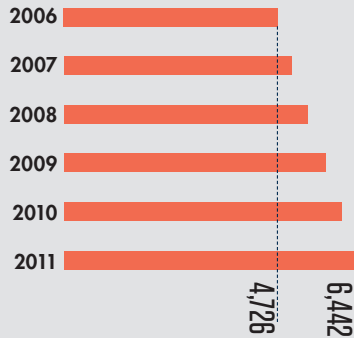
I love to examine what God does in and through First Methodist. This brochure is an attempt to share that with a quick snapshot of the last five years of the life of one of the most exciting churches, not only in this area but in the country. My hope is that no matter what is going on in any of our lives that you can rest secure that great things are happening because of your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness as a part of the First Methodist family. I want you to be proud of your church and proud when you tell others in our community that you belong to the First family. First Methodist not only "is" but "does," is not only a special community of faith but an influencer for Christ in our world. I am proud of you, and I want you to be proud of yourself as we serve God together.

A church defined by its mission, by its God, by its people, by its heart, by its faith. A kingdom-focused, Christ-centered church family.

Mike

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP



AVERAGE WEEKLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE



NEW PROFESSIONS OF FAITH



OUR GOALS

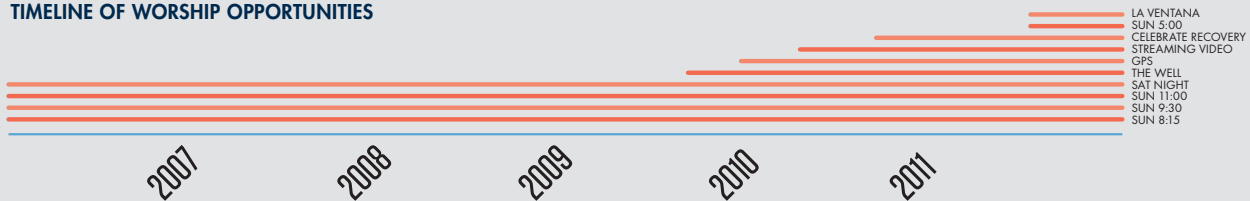
Embed the Bible in everything

Create ownership

Get people moving

Pastor the community and the world

TIMELINE OF WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

763

TOTAL VOLUNTEERS G-FORCE • EARLY CHILDHOOD
5TH & 6TH GRADE • BIBLE DIGS • VBC • UPWARD
POP & PRAIZE • SPECIAL NEEDS • CONFIRMATION **IN 2011**

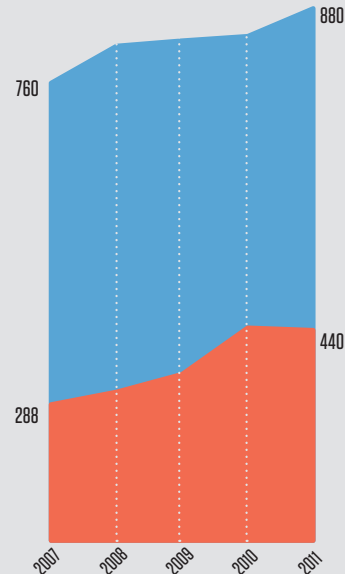
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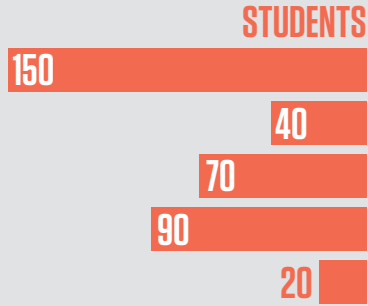
SERVING

KIDS

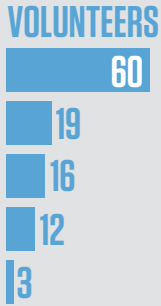
Change a child's life and change the world.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP
ATTENDEES & VOLUNTEERS





MISSION TRIPS
FUEL (MIDDLE SCHOOL)
BREAKAWAY (HIGH SCHOOL)
SUNDAY SCHOOL
SMALL GROUPS



370

Creating a community of young people who will love God, love others and serve the world.

110

THOUSANDS IMPACTED EVERY YEAR

59

LAY CHAPLAINS AND STEPHEN
MINISTERS PROVIDING
PASTORAL CARE TO OUR
COMMUNITY

9,061

TOTAL HOURS THE
OPEN DOOR
PRAYER MINISTRY
WILL PRAY IN 2011

OVER 140 VOLUNTEERS

OPEN DOOR PRAYER MINISTRY • LAY CHAPLAINS • CELEBRATE RECOVERY MEN'S STEP STUDY • CELEBRATE RECOVERY WOMEN'S STEP STUDY • BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP • YOGA ON THE MOVE FOR CANCER SURVIVORS • JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF • GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP • DIVORCE CARE • OPEN DOOR PRAYER MINISTRY • CELEBRATE RECOVERY OPEN SHARE GROUPS • STEPHEN MINISTRY • MILITARY MINISTRY

GRIEF • DEPRESSION • ANXIETY • WORRY • STRESS • ALCOHOL OR CHEMICAL ADDICTIONS • FINANCIAL ISSUES RELATIONSHIP ISSUES • GAMBLING ADDICTIONS
HEALTH ISSUES • DIVORCE • CHILDHOOD ISSUES • FAMILY DYSFUNCTION • EATING DISORDERS FOOD ADDICTIONS • ANGER ISSUES • ABUSE ISSUES

Celebrate Recovery • Helping the hurting heal because everyone is recovering from something

52 first connections
VOLUNTEERS

CALLERS • WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS
PEW VOLUNTEERS • GUEST CENTRAL

84 community group
LEADERS

WOMEN'S MINISTRY • MEN'S MINISTRY
SPORTS MINISTRY • YOUNG ADULTS
EMMAUS • FINANCIAL PEACE • LIBRARY
SENIORS • SINGLES

49 small group
LEADERS

get people moving

481

VOLUNTEERS
IMPACTING

192 WORSHIP AND MUSIC CHOIR • ORCHESTRA
BELLS • BANDS • WORSHIP LEADERS • MUSIC

289 WORSHIP SUPPORT GREETERS • USHERS
PARKING LOT GREETERS • COMMUNION SERVERS

2,300

MEMBERS AND VISITORS
EVERY WEEK WHO, IN TURN,
IMPACT THE COMMUNITY
AND THE WORLD.

125
25

LAY LEADERS

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL • STAFF
PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE • TRUSTEES
FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
COMMISSIONS REPRESENTING THE
MAJOR MINISTRIES AREAS OF
OUR CHURCH

VOLUNTEERS

MAILINGS • COPYING • COUNTING MONEY
1,965 BULLETINS STUFFED EVERY WEEK

working behind the scenes to take
care of the business of the church

create ownership

MISSIONS

LOCAL
OUTREACH
VOLUNTEERS

730

GLOBAL
MISSION
VOLUNTEERS

1,003

HANDS OF CHRIST • GRACE HOMELESS MINISTRIES
GRACE SPECIAL PROJECTS • HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
ANGEL TREE • MEALS ON WHEELS • ESL CLASSES
ESL BOOK CLUB • ESL CONVERSATION CLASS
COMMON GROUND CHRISTMAS • COMMON
GROUND SCHOOL SUPPLIES • COMMON GROUND
FEED KIDS FOR SUMMER • KAIROS (PRISON MINISTRY)

LIBERIA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS • LIBERIA
NURSE SCHOLARSHIPS • ZIMBABWEAN TEACHER
SCHOLARSHIPS • ZIMBABWEAN HOSPITAL SUPPORT
AFRICA SUPPLY SHIPMENTS • JUNTOS SERVIMOS
MEXICO CHURCH CONSTRUCTION • MEXICO SEMINARY
SCHOLARSHIPS • MEXICO SUPPLY SHIPMENTS
WHEELCHAIR INTAKE • WHEELCHAIR DISTRIBUTION
PETS MISSIONARIES • UMCOR RELIEF KITS • UMCOR
MEDICAL BOXES • MISSION TRIPS TO AFRICA, MEXICO &
HAITI • U.S. DISASTER RECOVERY CLINIC

pastor the community and the world

211 VOLUNTEERS
 THRIFT STORE • PICK UP MINISTRY • ELECTRONICS RESTORATION • CLIENT ASSISTANCE
 JOB PROGRAM • COMPUTER CLASSES • ROBIN'S WINGS • FOOD DRIVES • FOOD PANTRY
 ADVISORY BOARD • FEED KIDS FOR SUMMER • LEGAL CLINIC • BUDGETING CLASSES

clients served financially	1,665	2,198	1,912	1,458	829
Job Program referrals	766	896	1,963	1,614	494
food bags distributed	944	1,371	2,172	2,163	1,397
monetary assistance given out	\$160,568	\$182,510	\$176,113	\$222,444	\$92,084
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 (YTD JULY)

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST WHO WILL LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS AND SERVE THE WORLD

G-FORCE • EARLY CHILDHOOD • 5TH & 6TH GRADE • BIBLE DIGS • VBC • UPWARD • POP & PRAISE • SPECIAL NEEDS CONFIRMATION • OPEN DOOR PRAYER MINISTRY • STEPHEN MINISTRY • LAY CHAPLAINS • SUPPORT GROUPS CELEBRATE RECOVERY • MISSION TRIPS • FUEL • BREAKAWAY • SUNDAY SCHOOL • SMALL GROUPS • CHOIR ORCHESTRA • BELLS • BANDS • WORSHIP LEADERS • MUSIC • GREETERS • USHERS • PARKING LOT GREETERS COMMUNION SERVERS • CALLERS • WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS • NEW VOLUNTEERS • GUEST CENTRAL • WOMEN'S MINISTRY • MEN'S MINISTRY • SPORTS MINISTRY • YOUNG ADULTS • EMMAUS • FINANCIAL PEACE • BULLETINS TRUSTEES • MONEY COUNTERS • THRIFT STORE • PICK UP MINISTRY • ELECTRONICS RESTORATION • CLIENT ASSISTANCE • JOB PROGRAM • COMPUTER CLASSES • ROBIN'S WINGS • FOOD DRIVES FOOD PANTRY • ADVISORY BOARD • FEED KIDS FOR SUMMER • LEGAL CLINIC • BUDGETING CLASSES • LIBERIA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS LIBERIA NURSE SCHOLARSHIPS • ZIMBABWEAN TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS • ZIMBABWEAN HOSPITAL SUPPORT AFRICA SUPPLY SHIPMENTS • JUNTOIS SERVIMOS • MEXICO CHURCH CONSTRUCTION • MEXICO SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIPS • MEXICO SUPPLY SHIPMENTS • WHEELCHAIR INTAKE • WHEELCHAIR DISTRIBUTION • PETS MISSIONARIES • UMCOR RELIEF KITS • UMCOR MEDICAL BOXES • MISSION TRIPS TO AFRICA MEXICO & HAITI U.S. DISASTER RECOVERY CLINIC • BUDGETING CLASSES • EXECUTIVE COUNCIL STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE • FINANCE COMMITTEE • TRUSTEES • FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS • COMMISSIONS REPRESENTING THE MAJOR MINISTRIES AREAS OF OUR CHURCH • HANDS OF CHRIST • GRACE HOMELESS MINISTRIES • GRACE SPECIAL PROJECTS • HABITAT FOR HUMANITY • ANGEL TREE • MEALS ON WHEELS ESL CLASSES • ESL BOOK CLUB • ESL CONVERSATION CLASS • COMMON GROUND CHRISTMAS • COMMON GROUND SCHOOL SUPPLIES • KAIROS (PRISON MINISTRY)