

HAVE-O-GRAM

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Welcome to Baobab Blast

Bible School will be held August 2nd – 6th. Our theme is “Baobab Blast!” We will have classes for children from three years old through the sixth grade. Class time each evening will be from 6:45 – 9:00 pm.

Everyone is invited to a Potluck Supper on Friday night, August 6th, 6:45 pm in Fellowship Hall. The Bible school program

will follow the supper. We are expecting to have a great time with music, crafts, skits, lessons and much more. Please join us for a fun “Baobab Blast!”

The Methodist Pie Booth

This year Havelock UMC is going to run the pie booth at the County Fair for one full day and another half day. The full day is Monday, August 9th and the half day is the morning shift on Friday the 13th.

The booth will be set up on Sunday afternoon, July 25th at 1 pm. Any help would be appreciated. The building has to be reconstructed and all of the equipment put into the building.

We will be making the pies on Sunday, August 8th after church. We will be making 30 pies to cover both days. There will be sign up sheets on Sunday morning for help making pies and also for working at the fair.

We hope we can have lots of help. Thank you!

Doris Smith



Our Deepest Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Cora Humm.

Cora passed away on June 21. Her memorial service was held in the sanctuary on July 1st.

UMW Executive Committee

The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, August 16th, 7:00 pm in the church library.

Thank You

The family of Joanne LaFollette would like to express their appreciation to Pastor Chuck for his hospital visits and for conducting a beautiful funeral service. Also, thank you to the many friends for your visits and support.

Janet & Jim LaFollette

Thank you Very Much for your recent donation of \$176 to the Northeast Area Food Pantry. We appreciate your support to help those in our community with emergency food assistance.

Thanks, Virginia

Ushers for August

Dean Honnen

Beth Honnen

Ken Carlson

Sandy Carlson

PASTOR'S NOTE

What I Learned On Summer Vacation

One of the pleasures I had during vacation this summer was a visit to Ohio and my brother Bob's home. While there I got to meet his pastor, believe it or not, Pastor Chuck! Bob had told me a lot about Pastor Chuck so I was eager to meet him.

Bob had told me many good things about Chuck, like their first meeting. Bob was working in his yard when Pastor Chuck pulled in his drive and got out to visit. My brother lives in a community surrounding a lake and his house is right across the road from the community's club house. Pastor Chuck's church was meeting in the clubhouse until they could afford to build a church. The pastor introduced himself and invited my brother and family to worship. He also said that he noticed my nephew and niece playing outside and told Bob about their youth and children's ministry. My nephew Bobby started going to Sunday night youth group and connected to both Pastor Chuck and the other young people.

During this time my brother Bob was going through difficult financial times. He had been in the housing industry which had come to a standstill in Ohio. Bob struggled for three years. My nephew Bobbie is quite a basketball player and shows great promise. My brother wanted to provide him with some private coaching but could not afford it. One day Pastor Chuck was visiting and mentioned to Bob that he should have Bobby go with his daughter to a well known private coach who had his own basketball court in his home. Bob said he would really love to but that right now he just couldn't afford it. Pastor Chuck responded "Don't worry, it's covered." So Bobby started with the coach and had several sessions a week.

Since that time Bobby has become one of the key players on his middle school basketball team, the Knox County Bulldogs. I proudly wear his team shirt. Also, my brother is financially on the road to recovery. He told me that the only thing Pastor Chuck suggested to him was that when he was in a position financially; he might want to help someone else.

Bob and his family are now regulars in Pastor Chuck's church. Bob, like the rest of my family, had never been church goers before. Bob shared with me that things are still tight financially but the first thing he does when he gets paid these days is to write a check for his tithe to the church and that God has never failed to meet the needs of his family.

I thank God that He sent Pastor Chuck to my brother Bob. I also thanked him when I met him. I asked him about his ministry and the church he started which now has its own building and several services on Sunday morning. I ask what it was like to start a church from scratch. He said, "I often think it was easier to birth a church than it would be to raise one from the dead!" I thought long and hard about his statement as well as his example in ministry. While I think the Havelock Church is far from dead, I do know that our future success depends upon our efforts to reach out to families and individuals in our community.

This fall we will continue to develop new ministry, especially for families in our community. One way we will do this is to develop partnerships with other churches who, like us, have been around for years but need to improve in our efforts to reach those in need, especially children and youth. We will have joint youth meetings with other churches including Grace UMC, Warren UMC, Newman UMC, Faith UMC and Calvary UMC in order to create a larger peer group for our youth.

Do you have a passion or an idea to assist in our reaching our community for Christ? Please share that idea with me or with our church council. Like Pastor Chuck in Apple Valley, Ohio, we want to be there for the folks in our community.

I thank God for the leadership we have in this church who share in a vision of outreach. Occasionally, I hear comments questioning why we are opening the church to some to some of the activities and events that we do. I hope my vacation story helps answer those questions. We are about to celebrate 120 years of ministry. It will be a celebration not a funeral! We don't want to become one of those churches that Pastor Chuck referred to that need to be "raised from the dead"!

Blessings, Pastor Chuck

Check Out A Few Of Our Recovery And Outreach Ministries:

- Counseling Services (For information call 402-476-2300 and mention the Havelock Church)
- FoodNet & Northeast Family Services: (Providing food for those in need) Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
- Esther's Closet: (Providing clothing for those in need) Call for times 466-6736
- 12 Step Recovery Groups: Call for times – 466-6736

Volunteers Opportunities for All Ages
Questions? Call Pastor Chuck 499-9848

Financial Update – July 20, 2010

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2010	\$61,306
Receipts Year to Date	\$55,401
Shortfall	\$5,905

Apportionments are not included.

As pastor, along with our Finance Committee, I am concerned at the rate we have been falling behind our budget at the midpoint of our financial year. Our Finance Committee has done an excellent job of holding the line on spending in terms of the operations budget. In most areas we have seen no increase in budget in the past four years. In others, only modest increases. For 2010 the committee actually cut operations budget by \$500.

While we understand the economy is poor, there is also the danger of folks thinking the church is “flush” and doesn't need their giving. This is not true! At a time when we are experiencing a decrease in giving we are also experiencing a significant increase in expenses. Our Trustees have had to dip into reserves to make some major repairs:

- Flat Roof Repairs where we did not receive enough pledges to cover the cost
- Air Conditioner Compressor (Totally out of reserves)
- Current replacement of the Fellowship Hall pitch roof (Totally out of reserves)

In order to make these repairs the Trustees had to cash in two CDs as well as deplete other reserves.

As pastor I am bringing this to your attention so that members can pray about their level of giving. If we are to continue and grow we must provide not only for our building but for ministry to children, youth, and families. We need your support.

When I first came to Havelock Church four years ago we were experiencing financial shortfalls. We did not have enough cash-flow to pay the bills in some cases and were having to pay late charges. The situation was made known and you responded. Many said they didn't know the church was in that situation and that they would have liked to have been updated sooner. Since that time we have given you monthly financial updates in the Haveogram and weekly updates in the worship bulletin. This update is to let you know where we are before we are in trouble. Thank you for your generous support in our ministry for Christ in the Havelock Community.

Blessings, Pastor Chuck

August 2010

1	9:00 9:30	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship	17	5:00	FoodNet
2	6:45 7:00	Bible School Alcoholics Anonymous	18		
3	6:45	Bible School	19		
4	6:45	Bible School	20	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
5	6:45	Bible School	21	10:00	Seventh Day Baptist
6	6:30 6:45	Narcotics Anonymous Bible School	22	9:00 9:30	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship
7	10:00	Seventh Day Baptist	23	9:00 7:00	Deadline for News Alcoholics Anonymous
8	9:00 9:30	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship	24	5:00	FoodNet
9	7:00	Alcoholics Anonymous	25		
10	5:00	FoodNet	26		
11			27	9:00 6:30	Hav-O-Gram Issued Narcotics Anonymous
12	7:00	Nurture	28	9:00 10:00	Esther Circle Seventh Day Baptist
13	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous	29	9:00 9:30	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship
14	10:00	Seventh Day Baptist	30	7:00	Alcoholics Anonymous
15	9:00 9:30	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship	31	5:00	FoodNet
16	7:00 7:00	Alcoholics Anonymous UMW Executive Committee			

