

October Elders
 Communion & Offering
 October 7 -
 Dorman Harry & Shelli Jackson
 October 14 -
 Steve Carden & Rose Miller
 October 21 -
 Mike Harman & Greg Noble
 October 28 -
 Brad Childs & Beverly Robertson

October Diaconate Teams
 October 7 - Doug Kartub
 October 14 - Leisa McAdams
 October 21 - Roger Foster
 October 28 - Rick Christian

October Preparers
 Kammy Steen & Janet Sweeney



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Sunday School Heroes

Once again it is time to say thank you to the teachers who worked so hard to make Sunday School a success during the busy summer quarter. Please take a moment to thank the following people for their love and dedication to God, the children, and Northwood.

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| Tami Berg | Jeff Berg | Barbara Stramler |
| Andrea Stramler | Charlotte Herrick | Kyla Bates |
| Kendra Bates | Jennifer Utt | Barbara Utt |
| Ralph Matteson | Karin Harman | Mike Harman |
| Paul Jackson | Tauna Nelson | Mike Giering |
| Tom Utt | Trina Hollis | Barbara Howerton |

If anyone's name is missing know that those in your class greatly appreciate you.

Are you ready to change a child's life?

Our three and four year-old-children need a Sunday School class teacher through November. If you are interested, please talk to Judy Hockett or Betsy Clewett.

Alert & Alive



October 16th is the next Alert & Alive potluck. Lee McNeese and Emily Sachs are the hostesses. For the past six years I've had the honor of leading this fine group of people. It is with a great deal of sadness I am resigning my position effective October 1st. My love and prayers are with you always. God be with each one of you till we meet again.

Lovingly, Joann Biehler

Pain Management

I just want to say that the Pain Management and Support Group Class has been very successful in helping many learn how to deal with their pain problems. Of course, prayer and faith are the most important thing we have, but by sharing information and ideas God is able to help us better understand and live with our pain. The next meeting is Tuesday October 9th at 2 pm in the Fireside Room. To make access easier, the side door of the room is open—you can park in the east end of the main lot, the door is open so you won't have to walk as far. This class is also for people who want to learn what to do if they have a loved one who lives with severe pain. Please come and bring a friend. If you need a ride call Dan O'Neal.



Thank you and God Bless.

Dan O'Neal

Council to The American Pain Foundation

Camp Fire

Do you have a child between the ages of 3 & 3rd grade? Do you want them to learn to be a great citizen? We would love to have them join us for Camp Fire on Wednesdays at 4:30 at the church. We sing, play, learn, do crafts, and camp. If you don't have a child but would like to help, we would love to have a few more adult mentors. If you have any questions, please see Barbara Utt, Theresa Hilkey, or Sara Collins.



September's New Members

Sunday, the 9th

Heather Wooley & baby Riley

Sunday, the 16th

Jonathan Swartout

Sam & Beth Bollen

Charlie & Kelli Hamm

We don't put our Members personal information on the web. Please see your printed version or contact the church office for the new members this month.

Many have asked for *Nicole Pilliod's* e-mail address. She would love to stay in touch. Her address is nicole_pilliod@kastanet.org. Send her a note, she'd love to hear from you.

STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

A reminder that all church members are invited to a celebration of ministry for Tauna Nelson on Sunday, October 14th, from 6 to 7:30. Drop in and visit with Tauna, and let her know how much you have appreciated her ministry here at Northwood. Refreshments provided.


I'm excited to announce that beginning September 23rd, two of our high school student leaders, working with me in a weekly preparation session, started teaching the Middle School Sunday School class.



Each Thursday, Olivia Crabtree and Erinn Swartout meet with me for study of the lesson, prayer, planning of discussion questions, activities, etc., prior to teaching on Sunday. An adult sponsor is present each week to help supervise the class, and offer help as needed. It's great to see students so actively involved in ministry! Next time you see one of them, be sure to encourage them in this new and exciting journey.

Finally, one more reminder that D Groups are not meeting as they had at the end of last year. Middle and high school students are encouraged to attend Wednesday night G.O.L.F.; have dinner with their families, attend separate Bible studies, and hang out with the youth group.

For any questions regarding these or other student ministry related items, please contact Youth Pastor Mike Giering.



September 2, 2007
Bobby Neilan
Kari Neilan
Andrea Hernandez

August 2007 World Outreach Giving

Love Offering/Church Family	\$713	Angel Tree Scholarships	\$79
Mission Scholarships	\$297	Disciples Mission Fund	\$1,088
NCC Adopt-a-Ministry Student	\$990	Habitat for Humanity	\$297
FISH	\$376	El Faro Orphanage	\$277
Young Life	\$178	Week of Compassion	\$396
Eugene Mission	\$396	Whisler Family	\$792
St. Vincent de Paul	\$178	Lemke Family	\$495
Youth for Christ (Detention Chaplain)	\$376	Neveux Family	\$198

NOTES ON NORTHWOOD KIDS...

We've had barely a month together, but Northwood Kids are having fun while getting to know me and my able colleague, Kelly Oviatt. We're experimenting with some new features in every area of Children's Ministries. In the nursery, we're stopping by to pray a blessing on the babies and leave baby blessing cards for parents each Sunday morning. In Children's Moment, we're connecting to the pastor's message, then expanding on it in Children's Church. That precious time replicates the adult worship service, with praise (song), worship (prayer), sermon (lesson and application), and breaking bread (snack and juice) together. So far, the children are really engaged in these age-appropriate activities.



Wednesday evening G.O.L.F. is a time for theme-based study of Biblical characters, and stories and events to build deeper understanding of the Christian faith walk. Fall G.O.L.F. focuses on the recurring patterns of creation, obedience and disobedience, forgiveness and restoration, and God's faithfulness and love found in the Old Testament. These same themes are taught each Wednesday morning to youngsters enrolled in Northwood's preschool. With both groups, we're focusing on artistic expression of the kids' understandings, and planning an exhibit of their work in December.



We are blessed that Andy and Gretchen Peterson are leading the annual Christmas program for the third year, with help from Rose LeCuyer. This year's play, "Mystery of the Manger," promises to be another huge success. Continued casting and rehearsals are held on Mondays from 4:30-6.

Parents and other church members who love kids are and continue to be the glue that holds Children's Ministries together at Northwood. Thanks already to those – the nursery workers, the Petersons and Rose, the Preschool Ministry Team, Barb Stramler, Heidi Osgood, Paul Mosher, Michelle Bone, Dan Hill, Cheri Harry, Sonja Gunder and many others – who've volunteered in just the past month to promote our activities for our kids. You are invited and welcome to join us in our "spirit-filled" fun. There's plenty for us to do and we need YOU! It is our hope and our joy to shine our light for Jesus from the rooms that our children occupy here at Northwood!



Word soon on Operation Christmas Child for 2007. Let's beat our previous record of over 200 boxes for kids around the world not as fortunate our own.

In His Spirit, Betsy Clewett
Director of Children's Ministry

WORLD OUTREACH

Cory & Janice Lemke

Cory and Janice have been missionaries in Feodosia, Ukraine since July, 1995. Cory and Janice have two daughters, Janelle (15) and Alicia (14). Their work in the Ukraine includes:



- Developing workers to reach the Russian and Ukrainian-speaking world with the Gospel.
- Seeking to find men who desire to impact their world for Christ.
- Encouraging the local churches to plant additional congregations.
- Help the local church to reach the Crimean Tatar (Muslim) population and establish fellowships among them.

They have been actively involved in renovating a four story hotel on the Black Sea, which will be used as a training center during nine months of the year and as a source of income for ministry during the summer tourist season. It will be ready to train and prepare national leaders for ministry starting this fall. Northwood recently sent \$1,100 to help with the Efas Training Center. Additionally, last year we sent \$6,404 to support the work of the Lemkes in the Ukraine.

Please pray for the Efas leaders, the Crimean Tatar, as well as perseverance and wisdom for church planters, and that God would soften hearts of those who don't know Christ.

"We praise God for the opportunity to be involved in this ministry and value your prayers and support."

Janice, for the Lemkes

Eugene Mission

The Eugene Mission's success through these many years is largely due to the 'network' of churches in Lane County who support and pray for the homeless of our community.

Ernie & Pat Unger, Directors Eugene Mission



July 2007 Daily Averages

Meals served:	532
Beds used:	287
Chapel Services:	222

Young Life Greater McKenzie

Over 100 middle and high school youth attended four Young Life camps this summer. They include middle and high school groups and Young Lives, which is a camp for teen moms. Many students gave their lives to the Lord for the first time during these camps. There are three Young Life Clubs in Springfield (Springfield and Thurston High Schools and Hamlin Middle School). They are hoping to start a Club at Thurston Middle School soon.

Take a look at the World Outreach bulletin board to the left just as you enter the education wing. It is now updated by Dick Sweeney. Thanks, Dick, for volunteering for that!!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	October Highlights	
	1 4:30 pm Children's Christmas Program Practice 6 pm Prayer Night	2 1 pm Women's Bible Study 3:30 pm Guitar Class 6:15 pm Praise Team 7:30 Choir Practice	3 2 pm A & A Games 4:30 pm Camp Fire 5:55 pm G.O.L.F. Dinner 6:45 pm G.O.L.F. Classes	4 9 am Library Crew 6 pm Alpha 7 pm Walk Through the Bible	5 6:30 pm Karaoke	6	Monday, October 1 • Monthly Prayer Night Friday, October 5 • Karaoke Monday, October 8 • Prayer Shawl Ministry Tuesday, October 9 • Pain Management Support Group • October Board Meeting Friday, October 12 • Craft/Scrapbooking Night Sunday, October 14 • Celebration of Ministry for Tauna Nelson Tuesday, October 16 • Alert & Alive Potluck Friday, October 19 • Karaoke Saturday, October 20 • Scrapbook Workshop Thursday, October 25 • Newsletter Items Due Saturday, October 27 • Women's Breakfast, Country Waffle	
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