



**EAST LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**JANUARY 2013**

**Wow! We Are All Still Here!** *By Jim Hickman*

If you are reading this, the world did not end on December 21, 2012, as some say the Mayans predicted. I am thankful for that. While I cannot believe how quickly the year 2012 passed by, we at ELUMC can proudly reflect on our many accomplishments and generosity.

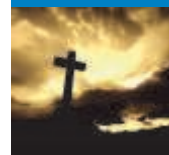
Recently, Pastor Jay and the Matuska family introduced us to Molly's Beads. For several Sundays, I observed our congregation buying these beads. By spending just a few dollars, we will change the lives of many. It was just that easy. And this happens virtually every day. In 2012, we Served Others by giving toys to children; providing bikes; donating shoes, clothing and school supplies to needy children; preparing sandwiches for the homeless; filling ditty bags for migrant workers; providing prayer blankets to comfort those in need; helping the less fortunate through mission trips to Haiti, Cuba, Orlando, Atlanta; donating food to the hungry; supporting programs offered through Metropolitan Ministries; giving blood; building homes with Habitat for Humanity; and visiting the sick, needy and shut-ins.

We Offered Christ by welcoming new members. Our tithes supported our worship services and the many, many ministries we offer to children, youth and adults. We have strived to integrate Young Days more into the life of our Church.

We have also taken steps to Grow in Faith. We supported an assessment of our children and youth programs. Pastor Jay taught a New Testament class. We continued to promote small groups.

We must now build on these accomplishments. In Philippians, Paul discussed his conversion and faith. In explaining his efforts to reach perfection, he wrote "I focus on this one thing: forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead. I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus is calling us." Philippians 3:13-14. This means our work has only just begun and 2013 will offer us even more opportunities to Serve Others, Offer Christ and Grow in Faith.

We must build on our 2012 efforts by continuing to transform our lives, church and community. We must continue to Serve Others by generously giving of our time and talents. We need to continue to expand our Faith by supporting the many ministries of our church through our tithes and participation. In Serving Others and expanding our Faith, we will be beacons of light to our community thereby offering Christ to all. Here is to making 2013 a most memorable year in the life of our Church.



*Offer Christ*

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THROUGH THE  
WORD, SACRAMENTS,  
HOSPITALITY, PRAISE  
AND GIVING



*Grow in Faith*

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THROUGH PRAYER,  
SMALL GROUPS,  
CLASSES, AND  
SUPPORT GROUPS



*Serve Others*

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THROUGH  
OUTREACH, MISSIONS  
AND CAREGIVING

# Offer Christ



**Thanks to the generosity of the congregation and the mindful spending of the staff we were able to pay all our bills and apportionments for 2012. We ended the year with \$11,000.**



## Do you like to sing?

⇒ We hope the special music in the Christmas Cantata, Christmas Eve, and other special worship services in December inspired you to join the ELUMC choir. Choir members benefit greatly as they *Offer Christ* through music. We have openings for singers on Sunday mornings at 8 and 11 and for the Easter Cantata. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.



## Do you like to make music in other ways?

⇒ We hope the special music from the Bell Choir inspired you to join our team of "ringers." Please contact Faye Monroe to sign up to become a member of the group. We will be *Offering Christ* through our bell music during the Easter season.

## Do you play guitar?

⇒ The Praise Band has an opening for a lead guitar player. Please contact Chuck Cheeseman to set up an audition.

## Year of Health

By Carol Toyer



"This is a permanent law for you, to purify the people of Israel from their sins, making them right with the Lord once each year." Leviticus 16:34 NLT

In the Chinese culture, the New Year is the time dedicated to finish the old and start the new. Their traditions include visiting friends and family to re-establish relationships, cleaning the house to prepare for the coming year, stocking cupboards with household provisions, settling old debts, and putting forth their best behavior. All of these activities are to make the new year better and healthier.

What are you going to do for your health this year? Are you going to keep all of your old habits and ignore healthier ones? For example have you considered limiting your meals at fast-food restaurants? Can you develop healthier choices at the grocery store? Will you improve your exercise habits by walking or joining a health club? Have you considered the health benefits of practicing self-care and a well-balanced lifestyle? Any and all of these will guide you a healthier life.

Once you decide to make an improvement, you must choose what area to change then make the commitment to see that change occur. Many of us take the first step of making the promise to change our behavior or habit but find it difficult to take the actual steps and then follow through on the lifestyle change. To be successful when making the commitment to alter behavior you need to have dedication, strategy, and action. Until you have a plan and begin to follow it, change is only a verbal statement.

The New Year is a good time to look at your life and determine what you need to change or improve. Start the year by considering your health. Follow the monthly tips from your parish nurse to see how you can become healthy, prevent disease, or minimize complications to your current health. Focusing on the future and a well-balanced life will help you participate more fully in the love and joy of your family.

(Source: Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco)

## 2013 Special Offerings

The following special offering schedule for 2013 has been approved by the finance team and church council:

- Zamar Ministries, Haiti – January 27
- One Great Hour of Sharing-March 17
- Florida United Methodist Cooperative Ministries-May 5
- United Methodist Children's Home-June 30
- Sister Church in Cuba-August 25
- World Communion Sunday-October 6
- Special Christmas Offering

Each special offering will be communicated to the congregation as the date for it approaches. We wanted to share the overall plan early in the year, so everyone could plan how they wish to support these efforts.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The Children's Ministry Design Team is making good progress. We are progressing with plans to enhance and grow this wonderful ministry. It is a true blessing to be working as a group to support our Director of Children's Ministries and our fantastic families. Here are some of the things the Design Team is doing...



1. **Safety, Safety, Safety**—We remind **parents** to **please turn in the updated registration form** for their children as soon as possible. Making sure we have correct and up-to-date information is an important step in our safety plan.
2. **Children's Worship**— Later this month, we hope to **modify the format for children's worship** just a bit. All children, age 3 through 5th grade, will meet in Fellowship Hall as a large group for about 15 minutes starting at 9:30. In the large group setting, we will introduce the Bible verse for the lessons in *First Look* and *252 Basics* using technology, skits, and other active methods. Children will sing and pray together before going with their teachers to the small group setting in the Education Building. Parents are invited to join us as they check in their children for a morning of exciting spiritual growth. As the kickoff date approaches, more detailed information will be shared directly with parents of children in the church.
3. **Keep Up**—Please remember to utilize **Parent Cues**, which is based on the lessons studied in Children's Worship and supports spiritual conversation between parents and their children. Also, the Children's Ministry is now on **Facebook!** We invite everyone to fan us and follow our activities there.
4. **Step Up**—As we finalize our master list of activities for 2013, we recognize that we have a need for many helpers with lots of different gifts. In order to channel the resources we have and give our wonderful volunteers an opportunity to "step up" to best utilize their gifts, we are planning a **2013 Children's Ministry kickoff event on Sunday, January 27 at 11 am in Fellowship Hall**. Please mark your calendars and watch for your invitation to this exciting volunteer party.
5. **Clear Vision**—February 9 Design Team and representative parents and teachers will participate in an all day planning retreat with Missy Carfield from Children's Ministry Architects. The retreat will help us to establish a clear vision for the Children's Ministry and bring even more energy to the activities we are planning for 2013.
6. **Prayer**—Please continue to **support the Children's Ministry in prayer**. The Prayer Team is praying with us to support the work of the Design Team as we work to *Offer Christ* to new children and help those who are already with us continue to *Grow in Faith*.

We will continue to update everyone on the progress we are making to "kick it up a notch" in the Children's Ministry here at East Lake UMC. We are excited about the work we are doing!

We want to thank everyone in the church who supported our many Children's Christmas activities. We hope to have great participation in our upcoming events. Some examples include

- ★ **45 Club January 20:** Our fourth and fifth graders will be taking a **field trip to Air Heads** indoor trampoline arena in west Tampa. We will meet at Air Heads at 1 pm. Parents please remember to complete the Off Site Permission Form, which is available at the church website ([www.EastLakeUMC.org](http://www.EastLakeUMC.org)) and turn it in to Miss Erin. Air Heads will also require a signed parent permission form, which can be printed from their website ([www.airheadsusa.com/tampa/open-jump](http://www.airheadsusa.com/tampa/open-jump)).
- ★ **Children's Celebration Choir:** Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to sing and make friends during rehearsals at 4 o'clock on Thursday afternoons in the Sanctuary. Practices resume on January 10th. The experience and fellowship gained from Children's Celebration Choir is tremendous. Registration forms for children new to the choir are available on the church website ([www.EastLakeUMC.org](http://www.EastLakeUMC.org)).



**is just around the corner...watch for details soon!  
You won't want to miss it!**

**Progressive Dinner**

I would like to thank all the youth parents and volunteers who helped make our annual Youth Progressive Dinner a success. Everyone had a great time!



High School gift exchange



Mid-High Youth Progressive Dinner

**Renovation of the second floor of the Education Building**

The youth began the renovations of the second floor of the Education Building over their Christmas break. They have been busy painting, cleaning and redecorating. We will be having an open house to show off this space to our congregation as soon as all of the renovations are complete.



Confirmation classes will be beginning in February. This class is for students in sixth grade and above and is a journey of faith that will teach students the Christian story, confirm their faith and discover how to live their commitment that they will be making to East Lake UMC. There will be a retreat at Warren Willis Camp that is an integral part of our Confirmation class experience. More details and class dates will be coming soon. Contact Mary Treichel, Director of Youth Ministries, at [mtreichel@eastlakeumc.org](mailto:mtreichel@eastlakeumc.org) for more information and to register for this class.

**Young Days News**

By Jackie Kaller, Director



We are so glad to see everyone in good spirits and refreshed for another year. We all had a needed break and are thankful to be back at Young Days. We would also like to give a special thanks to all of you for your thoughtful gifts, sweets and kind words. Our Angel Tree and Toy Drive efforts were successful because of your generosity.

Who says the holidays are behind us? Much is yet to come in January. It will be another busy month. Class themes throughout the month will include: Winter, Healthy Eating, Famous Author's, Down on the Farm and Living Healthy. As always lessons will be rich in literacy, math, discovery, and creative expression.

This month teachers will reinforce the fun and enjoyment of stories and the purpose of libraries. We hope to have a representative from East Lake Community Library talk to the children about the Library and its many benefits. A love of books and reading is such an important gift to give a child. Our efforts foster language development, listening skills, hand-eye coordination and so much more.

**Working Singles**

The members of the Working Singles meet the second Saturday of each month at 6:30 pm for dinner. Each month they go to a different restaurant. Please join them for fellowship and conversation at their **January 12** event at Rumba's Island Bar and Grill located at 3687 Tampa Road in Oldsmar. For more information or to RSVP to the dinner contact Linda Kapsa at 727-772-0017. Hope to see you there!



## UNITED METHODIST MEN

Start your day right on the **second Saturday of the month**. All men are invited to the **Gathering of Men** from 7:30-9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. It's a time to center yourself for the month and meet other men who face the challenges of keeping Christ alive in their lives. All are welcome!



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

All women of the church are invited to a meeting at noon on **Wednesday, January 9**, in Fellowship Hall for lunch to nourish our bodies and a program which will nourish our souls and minds.



## Mission Study on Poverty

By Pat Peterson

This study is designed to help participants recognize and claim for themselves the connections among Scripture, church tradition, compassion for the poor, social outreach, and social justice.

Presented by a cluster of Gulf Coast District United Methodist Women

Hosted by East Lake UMW

February 15, 2013  
Fellowship Hall  
8:30 am - 2:00 pm



Members of Sarah Circle would LOVE to see some new faces at our monthly, Thursday evening meetings! Our Circle is perfect for working women and mom's who cannot make daytime meetings. Gatherings are informal and only lightly structured, giving us the opportunity of fellowship and leeway to venture where HIS spirit leads us. Open to all ages, we have discussions based on Christian readings of our choice, practice local mission support, have occasional speakers, two restaurant dinner meetings a year and we pray for one another. We see so many lovely ladies on Sundays, how wonderful it would be to get to know YOU better! Please consider joining us on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, upstairs in the Education Building, Please contact Eileen Dragon at 420-5410 or [edragon@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:edragon@tampabay.rr.com), if you have any questions. We hope to see you soon!



## Explore East Lake UMC at *Compass Connection*

*Compass Connection* is an opportunity to get to know East Lake United Methodist Church and the various ministries we embrace to *Offer Christ, Grow in Faith and Serve Others*. This four week class will be offered on Sunday mornings each quarter during 2013:

**February 3-24 from 9:45-10:45 am**  
**April 7-28 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm**  
**September 8-29 from 9:45-10:45 am**  
**October 6-27 from 11:00 am-12:00 pm**

Following the last class there will be an opportunity to join the church at the service of your choice. Sign up online or at the Welcome Center. For information contact Lucy McGee at [lmcgee@eastlakeumc.org](mailto:lmcgee@eastlakeumc.org) or 727-784-9250 Ext.118.

## Chili Cook-Off



We enjoyed wonderful fellowship at the Chili Cook-off on December 9. Carl Prueitt won 1<sup>st</sup> prize for his veggie chili. Chuck Cheeseman won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for his secret recipe. Even though the judges declared these two gentlemen the winners, we all know that the People's Choice Award went to Pastor Jay's chocolate chili! Thanks to everyone who helped to make this great event a success.



Carl Prueitt

# Serve Others

## Scheduling Mission Projects for 2013

In last month's newsletter, we reflected on the many mission efforts accomplished at East Lake UMC last year. We hope to serve even more this year. The mission and outreach team is looking at mission projects for 2013 and is planning to develop a schedule of mission activities for the year.

Having a published schedule of mission activities will help everyone because it will help to better spread the individual projects across the year. The schedule of mission activities will be presented to church council for approval and, once approved, placed on a common calendar for the church. We know that there will be emergency needs, and we will develop a process to support such needs. We are simply trying to keep all mission activities focused and scheduled in such a way that we don't have too many projects going at one time. Scheduling our activities throughout the year will allow us to maximize the use of our resources.

If you have an idea for a mission project, please share it with the missions and outreach team at one of our meetings. We would love to expand the membership of the team, so please consider attending the meetings on a regular basis. With the exception of January, the team meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Our January meeting will be the 8th. The meetings are always listed in the church bulletin on the Sunday preceding the meeting and are shown on the church calendar, which can be viewed on the church website ([www.eastlakeumc.org](http://www.eastlakeumc.org)). If you have an idea for a missions project and are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Annie Doraisingh. Except for emergencies, only mission projects included in the church common calendar after being approved by church council will be considered for church wide participation this year.



Thinking about your New Year's resolutions? Volunteer locally! The Habitat for Humanity mission team works a half day on the 4th Saturday of the month, every other month. All interested Adults and Youth (16 and older) are encouraged to participate. Our next scheduled work day is January 26th from 8:00 am-12:00 pm; we'll meet at church at 7:15am and carpool to the site. Required paperwork will need to be completed prior to the work day. To sign up or for more information, contact Hilary Wagner at [wagnerha@yahoo.com](mailto:wagnerha@yahoo.com); Youth contact Mary Treichel at [mtreichel@eastlakeumc.org](mailto:mtreichel@eastlakeumc.org) to sign up.

## Volunteer in Mission Trip

*By Gene & Lois Watson*

Rev. Gene Watson & Rev. Lois Rogers-Watson will be on another Volunteer in Mission trip to the Holy Land. Leaving on February 14, they will spend time in Bethlehem where there are many hurting people. Part of a Volunteer in Mission trip is taking needed supplies (like the trips to Haiti and Cuba do) and most needed for this trip are over the counter drugs that are not expired. It has been learned that the elderly to whom these otc items are given are afraid to take anything that is of date and therefore go without and do not obtain the results they need. There is no program like our Social Security Program, so the elderly depend on family who themselves often live on less than \$3,000 a year. Over the counter items are extremely expensive there. The Watsons appreciate any donations you are willing to make for your fellow Christians in the place of Jesus' birth.



Missed a sermon? Download it to your ipod or listen to it online. Go to [www.eastlakeumc.org](http://www.eastlakeumc.org) and click on play under the latest sermon tab.



East Lake Church

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Our Caregiving clown, Judy Salvador took 115 hats to All Children’s Hospital. The hats are hand made and I want say a very special thank you to the wonderful elves who make and donate them. I don’t know who you are, but you are most certainly the hands of Jesus.

Thank you Joyce LeMaster for the handmade lap blankets that will be taken to West Bay Nursing Home and to the anonymous person who donated a blanket.

Thank you to the wonder person who bought four prayer blankets and asked Caregiving to have blankets made for someone who needs to feel wrapped in God’s love.



The Caregiving Faith Community Nurses and Volunteers continue to take **Blood Pressure** readings the **third Sunday** of the month in Fellowship Hall from 9-11 am. Having this reading done could save your life. **Please Do Not Drink Coffee Before Your Reading.**

Dear Margie & Caregiving Ministry:

Thank you very much for sending in my name to Endurance. The assortment of supportive books will be appreciated in the weeks ahead.

Blessings,  
Elinor Durham

Dear Margie,

As I tried to tell you on the phone, I was overcome with joy at the beauty of my prayer blankets, and the moving cards enclosed with them. I know my family members from the youngest ( a newborn) to the oldest (65) will treasure them. You and your care giving teams are a blessing to ELUMC. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Thank you and Much Love,  
Connie Brien

Dear East Lake Congregation:

What an outstanding ministry you are providing! I am personally feeling your prayers and God’s reassurance through my prayer blanket and holding cross.

Thank you for helping to bless my life.  
Dottie Yukish



Dear East Lake:

I was diagnosed with Stage IV breast cancer on August 29, 2010. I had a clean PET scan on November 7. Thanks so much for your prayers & the beautiful prayer blanket & holding cross.

-Pam Bradley

-I would like to thank the Prayer Team for the many times they have prayed for my daughter, Steffany. She is now in Germany, at a renowned Clinic for several weeks for treatment of her Lyme disease. She was not getting better here, this time. Please continue your prayers. They have probably been instrumental in bringing her there!

Gratefully,  
Eileen Dragon



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1– New Year's Day</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>2</b> 9am Toymakers 6:45 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study	<b>3</b> 9am Toymakers 2pm L.I.F.E 5:30 pm Family Pizza Night 8pm AI-Anon	<b>4</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>5</b> 9am Toymakers 9am Bicycle Ministry 10am Meet & Greet Elen Qasses
<b>6</b> 9:15 am 252 Basics - Sunday School 9:30 am Journey Class 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 11am Youth Sunday School 1pm 45 Club 5pm Youth Praise Band 6pm Youth Group	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm Staff Parish Meeting	<b>8</b> 9am Toymakers 6:45 pm Stephen Ministry Class 7pm Missions & Outreach Team 7pm Praise Band	<b>9</b> 9am Toymakers 6:45 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm Pathfinder Meeting 7:30 pm Church Choir	<b>10</b> 9am Toymakers 2pm L.I.F.E 8pm AI-Anon	<b>11</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>12</b> 9am Toymakers 9am Bicycle Ministry 6:30 pm Working Singles Dinner
<b>13</b> 9:15 am 252 Basics - Sunday School 9:30 am Adult Bible Study 9:30 am Journey Class 11am Youth Sunday School 5pm Youth Praise Band 6pm Youth Group	<b>14</b> 6:30 pm Finance Team Meeting	<b>15</b> 9am Toymakers 9am UMW-Mary Martha Circle 6:45 pm Stephen Ministry Class 7pm Praise Band	<b>16</b> *Newsletter Deadline* 9am Toymakers 6:45 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:30 pm Church Choir	<b>17</b> 9am Toymakers 2pm L.I.F.E 6:45 pm MASH Meeting 8pm AI-Anon	<b>18</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>19</b> 8am Toymakers 9am Bicycle Ministry 5pm Haiti Benefit Concert
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## Offering Christ, Growing in Faith and Serving Others-All Good News!

- A huge thank you to Oliver Borland, Roy Funkhouser, Gary Marks, Stan Orr, and Chip O'Shell for preparing and serving the pancake breakfast at Breakfast with Santa. Thanks to everyone for making the morning a wonderful success.
- Thanks to all the families that helped make our Annual Youth Progressive Dinner a success by driving and providing host homes for appetizers and dinner. Our youth group had a fantastic time!
- Landon Scott Villwock was baptized on Sunday, December 23.
- The Bicycle Ministry donated nine bicycles to children in need in St. Petersburg.
- We had a little over 900 people worship with us on Christmas Eve.
- We had over fifty children participate in the "Paper Bag Christmas Pageant" at the 4:00 service on Christmas Eve.



*Happy Birthday! If you have a birthday in January and it is not listed, email [dmuller@eastlakeumc.org](mailto:dmuller@eastlakeumc.org) so we can update our database.*

1	Carol Murray Nikki Bott Morgan Bott Garth Feeney	10	Karen Bender Danielle Muller Ralph Parker Caroline Morrison	18	Ian Vannes Joshua Cilmi Jill Horton John W. Dawkins Jr. Steve Watters Paula Spink Joseph Balsamo Jr.	24	Bonnie Swan Tim Carty
3	Cortland Smith Payton Dewitt	12	Emily Lowe	20	Stanley Johnson Chase Hlad	25	Beth Gorddard Janie Baker
5	Jean Rowe Starr Stevens Lucille Stinson Grady Davenport Jan Brown Taylor Pittman	13	Jennifer McClenaghan Ryan Allen Mary Ann Hough Anne Murray	21	Nolan Heid	28	Kyle Vannes Ann Millan Peg McConnell
6	Edna Hannon	14	Virginia Pemberton	22	George Shahine Zachary Bendus	31	Jim Vautier
7	Ralph Davis Nicole Hesselbirg	15	Austin Vautier	23	Grant Spalding Graham Spalding Robin Borland Judy Colteryahn Charlotte Arndt		
8	Sarah Werner Jim LeMaster	16	Alexandria Prueitt Mary Jane Allison Dee Hale				
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## Reminders

Metropolitan Ministries in Pasco County provides food and shelter assistance to families in need.

This proactive organization strives to strengthen the community by helping families get back on their feet. Southwestern Pasco County has many families in need.

Metropolitan Ministries can use all the volunteers we can supply. Sign up to volunteer on their website [www.metromin.org](http://www.metromin.org).



Join us the first **Thursday** of the month, **January 3**, at **Vetture's** Pizzeria and Restaurant for fun and fellowship from 5:30 pm till 8:30 pm. Identify yourself as being from East Lake UMC; and Rick Maida, the owner of the restaurant, will donate 10% of the check to the church. Vetture's is located at 36137 East Lake Road in the Brooker Creek Publix Shopping Plaza.



Your event will only be placed in the Bulletin/Announcement Loop/Newsletter if your meeting or event is in the church's Event Management System. To add an event or meeting, or to cancel, please contact the church receptionist, Vickie Downing at 727-784-9250 or [vdowning@eastlakeumc.org](mailto:vdowning@eastlakeumc.org)



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**Join us for Worship Sunday mornings: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00**

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