



# LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER



*KEEPING THE CHURCH COMMUNITY INFORMED, INVESTED AND INVOLVED IN THE  
MANY ACTIVITIES OF CHURCH LIFE*

**A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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## Inspiration From Our Pastor

*Joe Peabody*

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As others have argued before,

**"Christmas is not your  
birthday!"**

We encourage you to **WORSHIP  
FULLY** — especially at Christmas.  
We encourage you to **SPEND**



**LESS** so you can **GIVE MORE** —  
especially at Christmas. And we  
encourage you to **LOVE ALL** —  
especially at Christmas.

As I acknowledged on September 22:  
I am trying to recruit you! I'm hoping  
you will join us (and others) in the  
**Advent Conspiracy**, choosing to  
celebrate Christmas differently so that  
it will mean more to Jesus, mean  
more to us, and mean more to all  
those Jesus loves and we love.

I'm composing this on a bench in the  
lobby at a conference in Nashville.  
Pastors are required, as are many

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## "DID YOU KNOW?"

**Dee Elkins**

Our "Did You Know?" or church history  
monthly column ended last month in a  
most unusual way.

It was 1975 and a Sunday morning  
service. When we finished the Lord's  
Prayer and the preacher had preached  
a very challenging sermon on The  
Parable of the Talents, he asked the  
ushers to take up the collection. This  
was not the usual order of worship.

As we reached into our pockets for  
our offering, we noticed that the plates  
were already filled with cash, \$5, \$10,  
and \$20 bills. This was very unusual.  
Rev. Ed Boye then asked us to re-enact  
this scripture (Matthew 25:14-28) and  
take a "talent" from the plate and double  
or triple its value by a designated time.

He encouraged all of us to imitate  
the good and faithful servant and not be  
like the wicked and lazy servant.

I had never heard of this particular  
way for a fundraiser and I've always  
regretted that I did not ask him if this  
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**Inspiration from the Pastor** (continued from page 1)

others in differing vocations, to seek out continuing education opportunities. I chose to attend the **New Room Conference hosted by Seedbed**. I'm here with my dad and my brother. Allison is home with Ash and the Murphy's boxers. We will be home on Saturday.

The image that has been recurring throughout the conference for me has been one of "orphans" who have a loving father but don't know who he is and don't know where home is! Some of them are our neighbors. Some are our friends. Some are on college campuses and some are in hotels by the interstate. And some of them will die tonight and (and many this year) because they don't have clean water.

And we can do something about that; ALL of that. We can. We should. We must. We will.

### Reprint From September Newsletter

**9/22 – 10/6** During the weeks leading into and including World Communion Sunday (10/6), I will be talking to you about a movement with which I've been involved for more than a decade: The Advent Conspiracy. It started with a small group of pastors who asked an audacious series of questions. They asked if the materialistic consumerism of Christmas really was the best way to honor Christ. They asked if the cost (and debt) of the way we celebrate is good for us. And they asked what good ( ... what kingdom goals) might be achieved if the money we spend at Christmas (even some of it) were redirected to the good of the world for which **Christ gave himself so generously**. The themes will be: Worship Fully, Spend Less/Give More, and Love All. We will take up these themes again during the season of advent in the weeks before Christmas,

but we are introducing these themes in September in hopes that they might influence choices about how to celebrate Christmas this year (rather than wait for advent when some many choices about Christmas will have already been made.

**10-13 –11/17** During the weeks between World Communion Sunday and Thanksgiving, we will explore the oft quoted expression: "**Blessed to Be a Blessing.**"

**Grace & peace,  
Joe**



**"Did You Know?"** (Continued from page 1, column 3)

were an original idea of his, or if he had heard of it being done successfully before. It was certainly new to all of us at Locust Grove Methodist Church.

Rev. Boye reminded us that we needed to make this fundraiser successful in order to amass the amount of cash on hand required by the North Georgia Conference before we were allowed to secure a bank loan.

I think that everyone who attended church that Sunday, maybe with a bit of hesitation, did take a "talent". Their first thought might have been "How in the world am I going to double this?"

Can you imagine the buzz that began the very second the Pastor said "Amen" at the benediction? Conversations exploded as we all were rushing out of the church. Probably there were a dozen different ones going on at the same time. "How much did you take?" "How do you plan to double your talent?" were heard all around. Many others were probably thinking "Why did I take a talent, \$20 bills were all that remained?" I guess I took one because everyone else was doing so and I did not want to be the only wicked servant.

When our members happened to meet on the street or in the grocery store or other businesses, most conversations began with "What are you doing to double your talent?"

Ladies with great culinary skills might say, "I'm taking orders for my special Red Velvet Cake". Other cooks might reply "I've already baked and sold enough of my Fried Apple Pies to more than double my \$20 talent". Some told of baking and selling lots of yeast rolls. Good seamstresses were really busy doing alterations.

Several families grouped together and had a very big yard sale in the downtown area of Locust Grove.

The older youth washed windows and cars and mowed lawns to double their talents. The cars in the driveways and all the lawns in town probably were cleaner and neater than we had ever seen them. For who could turn down a big kid wanting to raise money to help build his/her church?

The men stayed busy doing small home repairs and cleaning out gutters. Some even sold boiled peanuts.

People from other churches really took advantage of all these services and their good prices. And they wanted to see these hardworking Methodists succeed in their project.

It was a good day when the designated time came to turn in our talent earnings for our new church-to-be fund, for the total amounted to more than we had expected, but not quite enough yet.

Rev. Boye might have been a bit disappointed because he had been in on this building project from day one and had worked to make it happen while he was still our pastor. His assignment was for 1972-1976 and our new church was not move-in ready until September of 1977. Rev. Boye had received a new assignment in June 1976.

**It's hard to believe we have worshipped on Peeksville for 42 years now!**

# MUSIC NOTES



**David Williamson**  
**Music Director**

The following is taken from **The Celebration Hymnal**.

**Song** is the climate in which God Himself works in His most glorious ways as Creator - **Job 38: 4-7**

**Song** is the companion means by which we are taught to see the Word of God enriched in its workings within our lives, in practice and purity - **Colossians 3: 16-17**

**Song** is the conduit by which the soul's night of darkness is ignited with hope and deliverance - **Job 35: 10; Psalm 32: 6-7**

**Song** is the claim of barren, by which God says we may entertain and expect fruitfulness - **Isaiah 54: 1**

**Song** is the conquering instrument available when we are outnumbered by circumstance  
**2 Chronicles 20: 21-22.**

The secret of song is the church's most distinctive resource, not because music is more powerful than the Word or the Spirit, but because song is a means by which both can become so joyously conjoined by **ALL** the people of the **LORD!**



**Cathy Gillespie, Sunday School Director**

We currently still have no permanent SS teacher for our Littles Class, however we do have an amazing group of ladies sharing the duties. I want to say Thank You so much for everyone who has stepped up to help. Anyone who might be willing to substitute occasionally, please let me know as we still need coverage due to scheduling conflicts.

On another note, we plan to have some missions opportunities for the Christmas & Lenten season. I'm hoping to involve all our SS classes in one form or another as we explore the ways we can give to others instead of ourselves for Christmas. If you have any suggestions please reach out to me.

**Thanks again to everyone who contributes to our Sunday School programs, we couldn't make it work without you.**



# Preschool News



**Angel Jones, Program Director**

We are in full swing for the new year and our classes are full!  
We have lots of fun activities planned for the kiddos this year.

The 4 year olds are going to **Southern Belle Farm**. All of the kids will take a walk over to our Pumpkin Patch, enjoy a story by Steve and Michelle Rager and take a wagon ride compliments of Sammy Brown and Ross McQueen. We will have visitors from the Locust Grove Fire Department and the Locust Grove Police Department. We will have Fall pictures taken as well.



## OUR PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER

As a fundraiser, we will be selling **paper pumpkins** for **\$1.00**. Proceeds will go toward purchasing new Playground Equipment. The class with the most pumpkins will have a pizza party. (I'll probably let everyone have pizza) 😊  
Everyone is invited to buy the paper pumpkins. They will be posted outside of the classrooms and will have the name of the person who bought them on the pumpkin.

Pumpkins can be purchased from **Meredith Daniel, Tammy Hortman, Linda McCullough, or myself**. If we meet our goal of **\$500.00** the kids will get to "pie" the Director, which would be me.

The contest will run from **Oct. 1st through Oct. 31st**.

Thanks for your support,

**LGUMC Preschool, where life is good!**



### Matthew 19:13-14 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

**13** Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them;

**14** but Jesus said, **“Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.”**



**Jenifer Polk, Children's Director**

I hope everyone had an amazing summer! It is hard to believe that summer break is over and kids are back in school. We are so excited for our families to learn what our **Kidz for Christ** group will be doing in the life of our church.

### Sunday Mornings

#### 9:45 Contemporary Service

Sunday School is available for ages Pre-K 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### 11:00 Traditional Service

Kids will join their parents in church. After the Children's Moment, they are dismissed to return to sit with their family. Children in K-5<sup>th</sup> may choose to follow the leaders out where they'll have "Kidz Style Worship," (which will last until the end of the sanctuary service.)

### Wednesday Nights

#### Kidz for Christ

Join us on Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 7:45 pm where you learn how to navigate through the Bible, have lessons, fun and fellowship with your peers.

### Upcoming Events

#### October

**Date TBD** 5:30 to 8:00

**What?** Movie and Pizza Night!

**Who?** Grades 1- 5 Friends are welcome

**Where?** The Fellowship Hall

**Entry Fee:** One or two cans for the food pantry

**Chaperons are needed and appreciated.**

#### October 27

**Truck or Treat** - 5:30 to 8:00 pm

#### November

**Operation Shoe Box**

### Parent Tips and Ideas

#### New Life Pots

**This quick idea for fall will allow kids to give away these plants full of beautiful promise.**

Have kids fill 4-inch terra-cotta pots halfway with pebbles or soil. Then plant a paperwhite narcissus bulb in the pebbles or soil with the lower half of the bulb covered. Water to the top of the soil or stones. Cover the bulb with peat moss. Write these instructions on a slip of paper: "Keep moist. Keep at room temperature in bright light. Avoid direct sunlight." Attach a slip to each pot.

Have kids deliver these pots to people who live around your church building. As they deliver their pots, have them tell that they're from your church and that they just want to show others that God loves them and wants to give them new life.

from *Children's Ministry.com*

# Editorial Page

## WORDS TO LIVE BY

Go forth into the busy world and love it, interest yourself in its life, mingle kindly with its joys and sorrows, try what you can do for others rather than what you can make them do for you, and you will know what it is to have friends.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Share Our Church Story With Others

Please feel free to take a printed copy of the newsletter to give to someone who would benefit from knowing about our church - a potential member, a neighbor, a friend or someone you met recently who was looking for a new church home. It will give them information on the many activities and missions of our church as well as the service that we do for our Lord, If there are no printed copies available, let Darcy or Kathy know and we will get you what you need. Someone recently said that the newsletter seems to be a brag book. You bet! We serve the Lord and we love it and we want to share our love with others. We are Church and we are Christ's family. You have no qualms about bragging on your children and your grandchildren - even your dog. (I read Facebook occasionally)

**Go Brag about our church family!!!**

**NOW IS THE TIME TO SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP!**

**THIS IS THE WAY - GIVE TO THOSE WHO  
MAY ONLY GET THE ONE GIFT**

**THE ONE YOU GIVE!!!**



**Send Good News and Great Joy- Pack a box!**

- We will start collecting items for our shoe boxes in **October**. There will be information on the table outside of the Nursery.
- **November 13<sup>th</sup>** the children will be packing the boxes and all are welcome

**Oh, Adam was a gardener,  
and God who made him  
sees**



**That half a proper  
gardener's work is done  
upon his knees.**

*Rudyard Kipling*



**Support our Youth  
Program**

Buy Your Pumpkins  
at our

**PUMPKIN PATCH**

If you really want to have fun, volunteer some hours to work in the pumpkin patch and let's get those beautiful orange pumpkins **SOLD!!!** See **Darcy's Notes** on [page 11](#) for how you can participate!

**Enjoying the cool sanctuary of our church? How  
about the classrooms and the Fellowship Halls?**

Our Air Conditioners have had a rough summer and repairs and replacements have been expensive. We would have had a much rougher summer had they not been repaired and purchased.

**Please help with extra donations toward these  
unexpected expenses.**



**Now, Enjoy the Cool Air**

# Church Family Concerns

## Prayer List

### LGUMC FAITH FAMILY

Jerry Standard  
Chris Evans  
Mary Kincaid's Family  
Chris Evans  
Margaret Jones  
Judy Varner  
Angel Jones Family  
Allen Garland and Family  
Ann Mitchell  
Mary Jones

### HOSPICE, HOMEBOUND OR ASSISTED LIVING

Daisy Atkinson Westbury Medical Care  
Anne Henley Westbury Medical Care  
Home - Jackson  
Gloria Garland - Hospice  
Roberta Simmons  
Margaret Jones

### MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE WHO FIGHT FOR OUR FREEDOM

Gavin Phillips - Afghanistan  
Christopher Buttemeier - Israel  
Jake Dorris - Okinawa, Japan  
Gray Gardner - Iraq  
Justin Giannace - Cherry Point, N.C.  
Philip Gibby - Tacoma, WA  
Rachel & TJ Tiu - Alaska  
Todd Wilkerson - Salt Lake City, Utah

### PRAY FOR OTHERS IN OUR CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY WHO ARE FACING LIFE'S STRUGGLES IN THEIR FAMILIES AND IN THEIR OWN LIFE.

### Worship Volunteer Opportunities

#### Ushers Are Needed!!!

We are in great need of volunteers willing to usher one Sunday each month for the 11:00 am Service. Please let Darcy know if you are able to usher.



### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

#### NURSERY

We offer a nursery during our morning worship services and on Wednesday evenings for our Dinner & Events. Our nursery is well-supervised and offers a warm, nurturing atmosphere for babies and toddlers. The Nursery is located behind the sanctuary on the Preschool Hall. Children ages 9 weeks - 5 years old are accepted from 8:15 am - 12:15 pm on Sunday mornings and 6:30 - 7:45 pm on Wednesdays. Ask one of our Greeters and they would love to show you to our nursery.

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Every Sunday morning during the 9:45 am and 11:00 am Services, we offer Children's Church for children ages 5 to 5th grade. Children will attend the Children's Sermon in the Sanctuary and then be led to Children's Church by our ministry staff. Our Children's Ministry also meets every Wednesday night @ 6:30 pm following dinner for a time of fun and learning.

### Helpful Technology

**Life is so busy!!!** Do you sometimes forget your checkbook, or your check or whatever you pay with on Sunday Morning? Did you miss church and therefore did not have the opportunity to give your tithe and offering? **It can be easier!** Go online to our website, then hit the online giving area and then hit Give. It will direct you to fill out the information and you can give on a one-time or recurring basis. I like the recurring basis, then I know I have given. When I want to give an extra gift, then I can go back online and do so or put it in the offering plate. **Give yourself a break and make life easier with less to remember.**



# OCTOBER



| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday   |
|---|--|--|---|-----------|---|--|
| <b>1</b><br>Traditional Services<br>8:30 & 11:00 am<br>Contemporary Service<br>9:45 am<br>Sunday School<br>9:45 & 11:00 am<br><br>4:12 Youth Games<br>5:00-7:00 pm  | <b>2</b><br><br><br>Girl Scouts<br>6:30 pm   | <b>1</b><br>Saints Alive<br>11:30 am<br><br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 pm                      | <b>2</b><br>Dinner<br>5:30 pm<br>FH/Kitchen<br>FUSE/Kidz for Christ 6:30 pm<br>Praise Band Practice<br>6:30-8:00 pm FH<br>Choir Practice<br>6:45-8:00 pm  | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b><br><br><br>AA<br>8:00-10:00 pm                               | <b>5</b><br>UMM<br>Breakfast<br>7:00am<br><br>PUMPKIN<br>DELIVERY  |
| <b>6</b><br>Traditional Services<br>8:30 & 11:00 am<br>Contemporary Service<br>9:45 am<br>Sunday School<br>9:45 & 11:00 am<br><br>4:12 Youth Games<br>5:00-7:00 pm  | <b>7</b><br><br>Girl Scouts<br>6:30 pm<br><br>Mission Team Meeting<br>7:15 pm  | <b>8</b><br>Saints Alive<br>11:00 am<br><br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 pm                      | <b>9</b><br>Dinner<br>5:30 pm<br>FH/Kitchen<br>FUSE/Kidz for Christ 6:30 pm<br>Praise Band Practice<br>6:30-8:00 pm FH<br>Choir Practice<br>6:45-8:00 pm  | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b><br><br><br>AA<br>8:00-10:00 pm                              | <b>12</b>  |
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| <b>20</b><br>Traditional Services<br>8:30 & 11:00 am<br>Contemporary Service<br>9:45 am<br>Sunday School<br>9:45 & 11:00 am<br><br>4:12 Youth Games<br>5:00-7:00 pm | <b>21</b> Staff Meeting<br>5:00 pm<br><br>Girl Scouts<br>6:30 pm<br><br>Called Administrative Meeting - Conference Preparation<br>7:30 - 9:00 pm | <b>22</b><br>Saints Alive<br>11:00 am<br><br>Boy Scouts<br>7:00 pm                     | <b>23</b><br>Dinner<br>5:30 pm<br>FH/Kitchen<br>FUSE/Kidz for Christ 6:30 pm<br>Praise Band Practice<br>6:30-8:00 pm FH<br>Choir Practice<br>6:45-8:00 pm | <b>24</b> | <b>25</b><br>Preschool<br>Halloween Party<br><br><br>AA<br>8:00-10:00 | <b>26</b>  |
| <b>27</b><br>Traditional Services<br>8:30 & 11:00 am<br>Contemporary Service<br>9:45 am<br>Sunday School<br>9:45 & 11:00 am<br><br>TRUNK OR TREAT<br>5:00-7:00 pm   | <b>28</b><br><br><br>Girl Scouts<br>6:30 pm  | <b>29</b>  | <b>30</b>   |           |   |  |

PSALMS 67:6

The land yields its harvest: God our God, blesses us.



# United Methodist Men

*Helping Men Grow in Christ, So Others May Know Christ*

The UMM would like to thank everyone who has been supporting our church and its ministries.

Keith Knapp, President

Thank you especially to all those who helped with the Kickin' Chicken Barbecue - all those who attended - all those who donated tickets to others - all those who baked goods - especially to the musicians who made our evening a joyous celebration of Christian Fellowship.



**October- 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 to 7:00**

**FREE FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

*\*Please help the Children's Ministry with this great Community Outreach.*

**Games**

**Bouncy House**

**HayRide**

**Hot Dogs**

**Candy**

**Pony Rides**

If you are interested in helping with our Trunk or Treat, Please have your decorated car at the Church no later than 4:30 PM.



# OUTREACH

"I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show or any good thing I can do to any fellow human being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again". William Penn



## OUR MISSION TEAM

**Barry Summey, Chairman**

**Ted Decker, Co-Chairman**

Our Mission team has left the building and we would like everyone in our church to join us. You can help by donating to the Mission Fund, the HA HA Fund, the Food Pantry (either bring food or give to monetary fund) or help at one of our events. Ann Decker, Richard Farr, Laura Farr, Judy Varner, Marianne Morfoot, Kathy Engeman, Susan Triggs. Bruce Howard, Brenda Howard, Cathy Gillespie, Tina Grail. Bert and Gigi Banks and others who join in to help out when they can. Thanks to all who pitch in!!!

## Motel Ministry

We give out about 55 meals at the Motel each week and we usually run out before all are fed.

The folks who receive this food are all ages (many are children) and all are appreciative of the meals, snack bags and the personal supplies we furnish. Shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap or body wash, shaving supplies are all welcomed. They also enjoy magazines.

We give because Jesus gave everything for us and for them. You can become a part of this ministry just by bringing in magazines and supplies for us to distribute.

**Laughter is so Good  
for the Soul**



## Food Pantry

**Maryanne Morfoot  
Susan Triggs**



The LGUMC Food Pantry wishes to say, **"Thank You"**, to all who have so generously donated items to our pantry shelves and money to the Mission Fund. We could not provide for those who need our resources without everyone's help.

During the month of September we have provided grocery bags, motel boxes, and homeless bags to those in need. If you are wondering what is needed - we could use 1 lb. bags of white rice, pull tab cans of pork and beans, cans of peas, cans of mixed vegetables, jars of jelly, boxed cereal, microwave meals (not frozen ones) and pull tab cans of evaporated milk.

**Thank you again for helping out with this mission work at LGUMC.**

# MEMBERS BULLETIN BOARD

This is an area dedicated to allowing members to express their thoughts and ideas along with announcements of appropriate events of interest to the congregation. Please feel free to send in your information by the 15th to [KathyEngeman@Protonmail.com](mailto:KathyEngeman@Protonmail.com)



## Darcy's Notes

*From the Administrator's Desk*

**Darcy Whitfield**



FALL IS IN THE AIR!! (Well, sort of!) We hope you all enjoyed the Fall Kickin' Chicken BBQ and your Fall Break!

Don't forget that the **LGUMC Pumpkin Patch** will be here soon!! Come out and support our youth and buy some pumpkins and lend a hand with sales. Sign-up details can be found by email from the church through "**Sign Up Genius**". If you would rather sign up through the church office, please give me a call and we can set up the time and date that is best for you!

Thank you to all of you who were able to schedule a photo session with Cornerstone Imaging for our new Church Directory!! I hope you all were satisfied with Mr. Skip and the photos he took of you and your family!

If you were out of town or unable to take a picture, you may submit a photo to [lgumc@bellsouth.net](mailto:lgumc@bellsouth.net) or drop it by the church office. All directory photos will need to be submitted by **Wednesday, October 16th**, so please be sure to send them in as soon as possible! Don't forget to include your last name, each family member's name, and your current address and phone number. These details will be listed in the new directory, so please be sure to double check that all information is spelled and listed correctly.

I am currently working out plans with a photographer within the church who is willing to take pictures of those who were unable to schedule with Cornerstone Imaging. Please be on the lookout for announcements concerning dates and times.

On **Sunday, October 27th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**, we will be hosting our **Annual Trunk or Treat!** Please consider setting up your car and decorating your trunks to pass out candy to all the community children.

This event is one of the most well-attended events that the Children's Ministry puts on every year and it is a great outreach to those in our community, so please come out and participate!

Candy donations are also welcomed!! Please leave all individually wrapped, non-chocolate candies on the table in the Preschool hall outside of the Sanctuary. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Also, a **HUGE "Thank you"** to all who have donated toward the Air Conditioning Fund!! We have currently raised enough money to cover a new unit! Only two more to go!! Please keep those donations coming!!

As always, if you have any questions concerning events or other church-related concerns, please call or email me @ [lgumc@bellsouth.net](mailto:lgumc@bellsouth.net) or 770-957-9605.

## KEEP IN TOUCH

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## Comments and Suggestions

Always welcome suggestions, concerns and comments about the newsletter. Address these to [KathyEngeman@Protonmail.com](mailto:KathyEngeman@Protonmail.com) or drop them by the church office in an envelope addressed to Kathy Engeman. **The deadline for the next month is the 15th of the current month.** Please make sure you include all dates and times.

**Photos taken of church events and activities are very much appreciated.**