

## Continued Faith for the Future

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

It is such a blessing to me and my family to be a part of what God is doing at Asbury. Every week we see visitors coming to our church looking for a greater connection to God. Every week you are prayerful, joy-filled, Spirit-moved followers of Jesus Christ and you let others know they have found a place where God is at work, God is glorified, and God changes lives. Thank you for all you are doing to bring forth the kingdom of God in the world.

As we continue to make this journey, as we continue to step into the vision God has for Asbury – engaging youth, children, and their families in a deeper and more vital relationship with Jesus – as we continue down that road we have more incredible opportunities to work hand-in-hand with God. You will soon be hearing about the possibility of stepping into God's vision by moving ahead with the construction of more small group meeting space. This vision was part of our original campaign and we're excited to look at possibly meeting this challenge.

While the details of the work and the commitments we will be making are not yet worked out, there is something you can do – PRAY. Nothing we do will be done right unless it is done by God. The Bible says that unless the Lord builds the house, the workers labor in vain. Please pray that we will follow God's lead at all times. Please pray for the leaders of this project who are not yet identified. Please pray for me as I seek to help Asbury take hold of the great things of God.

Blessings to you,



### *Growing, Leading, Serving...*

**Monday, September 27th**  
**6:30 pm**  
*Asbury Forum*

**Saturday, October 2nd**  
**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
*Annual Bazaar*

**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
*Flu & Pneumonia Shots*

**Saturday, October 9th**  
**8:15 am**  
*Medical Bridges Mission*

**Sunday, October 10th**  
**2:00 pm**  
*CROP Walk*  
*@ Crenshaw Park*

**Saturday, October 16th**  
**5:00 pm**  
*Pumpkins arrive!*

**Saturdays, Oct 16th, 23rd & 30th**  
*Rebuilding Together Houston*  
*Mission Project*

**October 17th - October 31st**  
*Pumpkin Patch open!*

**Sunday, October 31st**  
**5:00 pm - 6:30 pm**  
*Trunk or Treat!*

*Our Church Office hours are:*

**Monday - Thursday**  
**9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

**Friday**  
**9:00 am - 2:00 pm**

*Phone: 281-484-4814*  
*Fax: 281-998-3438*

## Memorials & Honorariums

### To the Building Fund in Memory of:

**Jack Fink**

by Buddy & Betty Gillioz,  
Zalia Petersen,  
Wallace & Joetta Ethredge, and  
Alfred & Sue Maceiras

### To the Building Fund in Memory of:

**J. W. Higgins**

by Wallace & Joetta Ethredge,  
Charlie & Letha Bissonnet, and  
Jody Calfant

### To the Building Fund in Memory of:

**Sandy Humerickhouse's father:**

by the Asbury United Methodist Women

### To the Memorial Fund in Memory of:

**J. W. Higgins**

by Rita Piper, and  
Alta Barnett

### To the Scholarship Fund:

by Anna Chesney

*Thank you all for your gracious gifts  
to the missions and ministries of Christ  
through Asbury in honor and memory  
of your friends and loved ones.*

*For more information about memorial gifts  
or honorariums, please contact  
the church office at 281-484-4814.*



*Keep up with Asbury  
on the web:*

*Our website:  
[www.asbury-umc.com](http://www.asbury-umc.com)*

*On twitter: [asbury\\_umc](https://twitter.com/asbury_umc)*

*Follow Pastor Mike on twitter:  
[mikebob](https://twitter.com/mikebob)*

*Pastor's blog:  
<http://mikeatasbury.wordpress.com>*

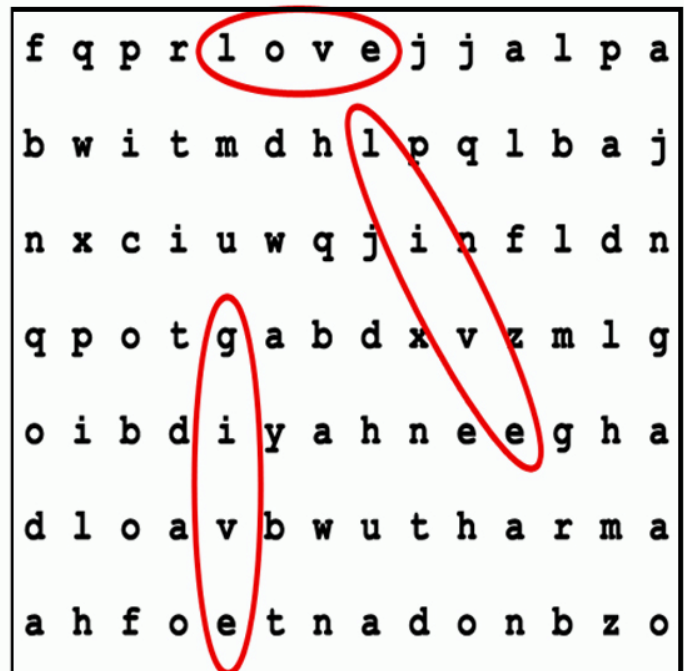
*You can now view Pastor Mike's sermons online...  
go to our website: [www.asbury-umc.com](http://www.asbury-umc.com)  
and click the "Online Sermons" link.*

## Thank You

To the members of Asbury,  
On behalf of the staff and students of DeZavala Middle School, we wish to extend our deepest gratitude for all of the school supplies given to us by members of your congregation. When they were delivered, we were absolutely overwhelmed by both the amount and the quality of the supplies you donated. Many of our students come from families who are economically disadvantaged. Making ends meet each month is a real struggle for them, and purchasing new school supplies for their children at the beginning of the school year is an impossibility. I wish all of you could have seen the joy and excitement on the faces of the students as they not only received their supplies, but new backpacks as well! With the large amount given to us, we will be able to continue to help students in need who enroll in DeZavala throughout the year. Please let your parishioners know how grateful we are, and what a blessing they have been to our students.

Sincerely,

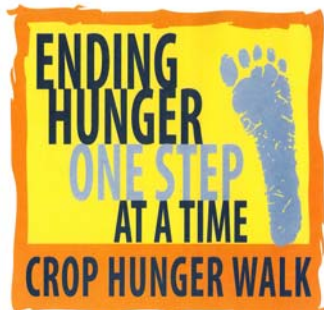
Robi Lasiter & Christina Bowser  
Counselors,  
DeZavala Middle School



*Seek and find  
the best God  
has for you*

*Sermon series begins October 10, 2010*

**1 John 3:16, James 2: 14-17, Matthew 14: 13-21**



**Pasadena Crop Walk**  
**Sunday, October 10th,**  
**2:00 pm**  
**at Crenshaw Park**

The Crop Walk is sponsored by Church World Service in an effort to help feed the hungry.

Together we can make a difference. Join the Crop Hunger Walk or sponsor a walker. As always, a portion of money raised at the Pasadena Crop Walk is designated for Pasadena Community Ministry.

**Crenshaw Park is on Burke near Crenshaw in Pasadena (across the street from Teague Elementary.)**

**Asbury's Praise Band will be performing for the opening ceremonies at 1:30.** If you are interested in walking, see Linda Alsobrook or Barbara McFarland Sunday morning for your envelope. If you cannot walk, please sponsor a walker. For more information on the Crop Walk visit [cropwalkonline.org](http://cropwalkonline.org). For more information on Church World Service visit [churchworldservice.org](http://churchworldservice.org).

**Congratulations** to Jim & Jo Westphal, who are now the proud grandparents of twins born to their daughter Kim and her husband Brad Scott on Tuesday, September 14th. Breck (boy) weighed in at 6 lbs, and Anna (girl) was 5 lb, 6 oz. This makes 4 grandchildren for Jim & Jo.

For those who don't know, Jim volunteers as our sound person at the 8:45 am Service, and Jo is on our Usher team during that same service.

If you ask, I am sure they will be glad to show you pictures of the newest additions to their family!



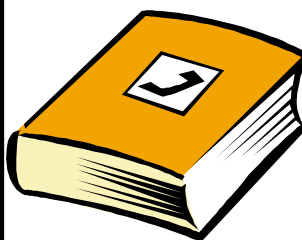
Congratulations to Vanessa Leonard & James Turlington who were married here in our Sanctuary on Sunday, September 12th right after the 10:45 Worship Service.



**Rebuilding Together - Houston** is a non-profit organization working to preserve affordable home ownership and revitalize neighborhoods by providing home repair and renovation services free of charge to those in need.

Asbury is putting together several teams to be a part of this Mission. (No experience necessary...there will be others to help you know which end of a hammer or paint brush to use.) The workdays will be Saturdays, October 16th, 23rd, and 30th. (You do not have to commit to all of those dates.) **If you would like to be a part of a team, contact Mike Sweny at 281-478-4486. You may also sign up in the Main Hall.**

If you would like to see pictures of our past Rebuilding Together Houston projects, go to our website [www.asbury-umc.com](http://www.asbury-umc.com) and click on the Shutterfly logo. You will be able to see pictures of our Missions and other Asbury events.



**Calling all business owners!**

We are developing a directory of businesses that have an Asbury connection. Please email your name, contact number, business name, type of business, business address and business email address and website

address to Jan Lindstrom at [janlindstrom@comcast.net](mailto:janlindstrom@comcast.net). Please contact Jan at (281) 991-3786 should you have any questions.

Answers to prayers come in various ways, sometimes in minutes, sometimes in days. And some take years to fully unfold the harvest of love and blessings they hold.

Answers to prayers come in various forms, sometimes in sunlight, sometimes through storms. Some blossom early and some blossom late, but each one will flower - have faith and wait!

## Welcome New Members!



Cindy Lee  
102 Crimson Bay Dr.  
League City, Tx 77573  
281-538-6291

Cindy joined August 29, 2010 during the 10:45 am Worship Service. She is the sister of George and John Mize, and the daughter of Maxine Mize. She is currently active in the New Beginnings Sunday morning small group.



The New Beginnings small group invites you to participate in **“Trunk or Treat” on Sunday, October 31st, 5:00 - 6:30pm in Asbury’s parking lot.** Bring your car, truck, van or SUV and hand out candy, treats or trinkets to “trunk-or-treaters!” Feel free to decorate your vehicle (non-scary decorations, please) and bring a lawn chair, if you’d like. We ask that everyone bring their own treats to hand out, or donate treats to the church office if you would like to help! Invite your friends, co-workers and neighbors to bring their children to this safe and fun event!



Brian & Heidi Schneider, sons Blake and Grant  
2613 Gallup Drive  
Deer Park, Tx 77536  
281-930-7452

The Schneider family joined on September 12th during the 10:45 am Worship Service. 2-week old Grant was also baptized during this Service.

### Asbury’s Pumpkin Patch



This year our Pumpkin delivery is scheduled for Saturday, October 16th, at 5:00 pm.

Pumpkin sales will be from Sunday, October 17th, through Sunday, October 31st. The patch will be open Sunday - Friday, NOON until dark, and 10:00 am until dark on Saturdays.

As a special treat we will have **Storytime at the Patch** on Mondays, October 18th & 25th, and Fridays October 22nd & 29th. Storytime will begin at 10:30 am.

Help is needed daily with the sale of pumpkins. If you can come and “babysit” the pumpkins at any time during the week or weekend please let us know. A sign up sheet is in the Main Hall, call the church office (281-484-4814) or email [andrea@asbury-umc.com](mailto:andrea@asbury-umc.com).

*Thank you for supporting our Missions!*

### Cross Talk Youth Calendar Highlights for October

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Sunday, October 10th @ 2:00 pm      | CROP Walk @ Crenshaw Park (Pasadena)   |
| Saturday, October 16th, 23rd & 30th | Rebuilding Together Houston Mission    |
| Saturday, October 16th @ 5:00 pm    | Help unload Pumpkins for Pumpkin Patch |
| Sunday, October 17th @ Noon         | Out to eat at Freebirds                |
| Sunday, October 24th @ 4:30 pm      | Canned Food Scavenger Hunt             |
| Sunday, October 31st @ 4:30 pm      | Costume Party                          |

*We seek to honor our covenant through our prayers, our presence, our giving, and our serving...*

**PRAYERS . . .**

*Asbury Deaths:*

Eurline Lyman on 9/20

*Other Health Concerns (Members):*

Ross Bissonnet  
 Ronny Bolch  
 Lonnie Calhoun  
 Mildred Chesney  
 Ona Mae Cook  
 Juanita Evans  
 Willis Evans  
 Joe Godail  
 Maxine Mize  
 Zalia Petersen  
 Billie Riley  
 Connie Temple  
 Donnie Welch

*Health Concerns (Relatives and Friends):*

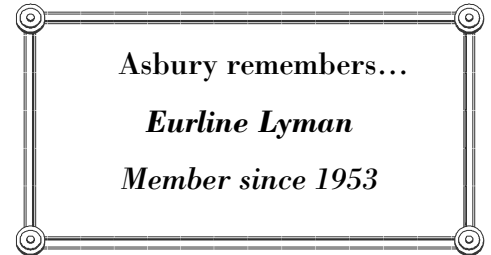
Lionel Ayala, cancer  
 Kenneth Becker, cancer  
 Mandy Bezdek  
 Johnny Bonds, cancer  
 Tristan Cantu  
 Betty Carter, melanoma in eye  
 Ralph Champion, cancer  
 Susan Choate  
 Don Custer  
 JoAnn Dee  
 Ralph Dial, kidney cancer  
 Mary Ellen Dussouy, breast cancer  
 Lisa Edmundson, cancer  
 Susan Elrod, throat cancer  
 Norma Jean Ethredge, cancer  
 Mary Farrell, cancer

Preston Freeman, brain cancer  
 Hortencia Galvan, heart concerns  
 Leonilla Gonzales  
 Johnnie Goodman, cancer  
 Caroline Green, (child) leukemia  
 Sue Grounds  
 Savannah Guinon  
 Brenda Hairgrove  
 Robert Heath, cancer  
 Wesley Heil, lung cancer  
 Don Henderson  
 Lee & Pauline Hendricks  
 Ronnie Hernandez, stroke  
 Earl Hester  
 Tom Higgins, cancer  
 Linda & Mitchell Hoefar, Linda has cancer  
 Aidan Immroth, brain tumor/cancer  
 Betty Jacobson  
 Meredith Kelly, kidney transplant  
 Yolanda Lerma, cancer  
 Jimmy Menefee  
 Corey Monzingo, cancer  
 Jim & Betty Moore  
 Gabriel Murdock  
 Michael Parrish, autoimmune disease  
 Virginia Peres  
 Danielle Pettersen  
 Bonnie Platt, cancer  
 Joy Rich  
 Nancy Saldivar  
 Dan Salisbury  
 Colleen Scholellkopf, cancer  
 Raymond Smith, health concerns  
 Matty Steen, brain tumor  
 Patty Sue  
 Dale Taggart, bladder cancer  
 Lillian Thompson, multiple myeloma

Sharon Wallace  
 Miriam Williams  
 Martha Zoy

**Our pastor, staff & church**

*Prayer requests will be printed for a period of 30 days unless an update is received in the church office.*



*Please pray for those serving our nation, especially:*

Todd Archer, Adam Calcarone, Jeremy Cauley, Michael Chopcinski, Corey Ellis, John Ethredge, Jeremy Farr, Doug Goecke, Christopher Grantham, Derek Greer, Damon Gregory, Jessica Hamilton, Drew Hargus, Drake Inkster, Jeremy Jernigan, Jason Kelly, Todd Lockhart, Johnny Lozano, Carl Mann, Donald Meyer, Jesse Patterson IV, SFC Eric Quellhorst, Ronnie Randolph, Blake Sammons, Amy Southard, Jason Tisdale, Travis Waller, Andy Waller, Calvin Wallet, Jason Williams, national & world leaders.

**PRESENCE . . .**

**Sunday, September 5, 2010**

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| 8:45 a.m. Worship Service  | 84  |
| Sunday Morning Groups      | 145 |
| 10:45 a.m. Worship Service | 167 |
| Sunday Evening Activities  | 31  |

**Sunday, September 12, 2010**

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| 8:45 a.m. Worship Service  | 90  |
| Sunday Morning Groups      | 150 |
| 10:45 a.m. Worship Service | 191 |
| Sunday Evening Activities  | 61  |

**Sunday, September 19, 2010**

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| 8:45 a.m. Worship Service  | 74  |
| Sunday Morning Groups      | 149 |
| 10:45 a.m. Worship Service | 162 |
| Sunday Evening Activities  | 59  |

**Serving those in need...**



**Medical Bridges** is a non-profit organization dedicated to procuring medical and surgical supplies and equipment for donation to qualified charitable medical care in developing countries. Our next opportunity to serve in this ministry will be Saturday, October 9th. We will meet here at 8:15am and carpool to the warehouse in Houston (off Alameda Rd) where we help sort unused medical supplies to be sent

out of the country. No experience is necessary...ages 10 and up are welcome to participate. **Sign up at the table in the Main Hall, or see Janice Williams.** To learn more about this ministry go to their website [www.medicalbridges.org](http://www.medicalbridges.org).

## Flu & Pneumonia Shots

Saturday, Oct. 2, 2010

9 am – 3 pm

(here at Asbury)



### Cost:

**\$20 for Flu**

**\$60 for Pneumonia**

Medicare Recipients need to bring their Medicare "B" Card

(\*The flu shot does include the H1N1 vaccine)



## Annual Bazaar

Saturday,  
October 2nd

9:00am - 3:00pm

Handmade Crafts  
Baked Goods  
RADA Knives  
Door Prizes

sponsored by  
Asbury's United Methodist Women

Come early, stay late, shop lots!  
We appreciate your support!

***Our next edition...Our Asbury newsletter is published monthly. Asbury's next Circuit Rider will be published Friday, October 23rd. Please submit articles and/or information in the church office or via email at [asbury@asbury-umc.com](mailto:asbury@asbury-umc.com) by Tuesday, October 20th.***

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