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**ANGEL WORKSHOP**

Learn how to turn one of our old hymnals into an angel at a Workshop on Wednesday, October 9, 2:00-4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Space is limited to 10 people—call the church office to register, 765-289-4431 or email office@firstpresmuncie.org

There will be a small charge for supplies needed along with a suggested free-will offering to the instructor, Debra Goggans.

The Mission Committee thanks the dozens of church members that participated in the rummage sale last week. Several members worked every day the week before the sale. Many more came to help as they could. The donations came every day. By 5pm Friday, we were ready! Saturday was a wonderful day. Fellowship Hall was literally full of our members’ donations. We raised $1500 in cash, but more importantly we made major donations to Habitat for Humanity Restore Store, Muncie Mission and winter coats and sweaters for those Avondale Church serves. We also may have the opportunity to help initiate a new program that will help children and their mothers which is the major criteria of First Pres Mission. Thank you everyone! You made a real difference in more lives than we will ever know.

**Dee Dah Day**

Women’s Book Study & Prayer Group

Dee Dah Day will be meeting on Friday, October 11, in the Church Lounge, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

We are studying **The Gift of Years: Growing Older Gracefully** by Joan Chittister.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Ottinger, 765-289-4080 or kbaott59@comcast.net.

**Planning Your LEGACY**

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Fall Spiritual Formation Class: “Reading the Bible Like Jesus”

The Spiritual Formation Class every Sunday morning starts at 9:00 a.m. gives us an opportunity to have our understanding expanded and transformed so we can more fully grasp what the Scriptures and Jesus’ teaching meant to their original audience in an Eastern context. What we discover will allow us to read and understand the Bible with greater depth and insight for life in 21st Century Mid-America.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall every Sunday morning at 8:45 for refreshments and visiting. We’ll get the guided conversation underway right at 9:00, and it will last until 9:45. Our primary resource will be Lois Tverberg’s book, Reading the Bible with Rabbi Jesus, and we will provide those books (for free!).

Take Home a Hymnal

We began using our new hymnals in our worship service on Sunday, September 8. That means we need to dispose of the 1990 hymnals we were using.

If you would like to have one or two of our 1990 hymnals, please feel free to take them from the table(s) in the hallway outside the Lounge where they will be stacked until further notice.

Fall Bible Study Opportunity

The NT book of Philippians contains some of the most memorable phrases in all of Scripture. Here are just a few of those:

* “For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain.” * “Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, Rejoice!”
* “I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.”

Though often taken out of context, these truths are closely tied to the historical reality of Paul’s situation and that of the people to whom he was writing. This eight-week study, using a guide by N.T. Wright, will help us to explore Philippians in its context as we apply its truths to our lives today. We will meet every Wednesday for eight weeks, starting on September 25, from 4:00-5:00 pm, in the Brides Room.

Contact Laura Smith by email, call, or text at knappkin76@gmail.com, 317-873-2678, with questions or to order a study guide.

PHOTOS NEEDED FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY!

Take a selfie and send it electronically to the church office or look through your photo collection and bring a picture of yourself to the office to be scanned.

We are accepting your pictures and working on putting together the directory.

The more photos that are included, the more useful it will be.

Ministry Guild continues collecting crafting items for Beyond I CAN:

Bring anything that can be used or repurposed: Magazines, newspapers, crafting materials, jewelry, paint, glue, yarn, old and new greeting cards, stickers, paint brushes, terra cotta flower pots, cardstock paper, scotch tape, etc.

Beyond I CAN creates jobs and experiences that allow individuals with developmental disabilities the opportunity to operate a business with assistance from volunteers.

Please put your donations in the tub basket located in the North Lobby.

For more information, please visit our website www.firstpresmuncie.org