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July.
 During this month we celebrate Independence Day. The beginning of the "Great Experiment" that is the United States of America. To me the great thing about USA is that it did not stop there. Had the country refused to change, almost all of you reading this would not be American citizens.
 The country would not have grown beyond the first thirteen states. Only if you had been born in those states would you have been citizens.

Full citizenship was restricted land owners. (Sorry renters)

Full citizenship was restricted to men only. (Sorry ladies)

Had the USA stayed as it was, it would not be the

country it is today. It's ability to change and adapt was what made this country great.

These churches have had change forced upon them- the fire, decreasing numbers, etc. Refusal to embrace change will be the death of these churches. Many see the changes coming, but refuse to accept them.

What made this country great was it's ability to accept change as it came along, yet to hold onto the core understanding of what it was.

We as this church need to follow that example. If we can accept change, yet hold on to what is our core- to know Christ and to make Him known, WE too can be great!

Until next month,

Pastor Rick



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Church & Conference News

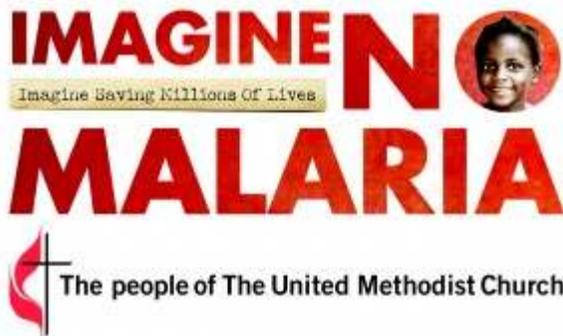
West Ohio Conference was held June 9-12. This was the first year for Bishop Palmer in the West Ohio Conference, and business ran smoothly, with the conference ending ahead of schedule (even after it had been shortened 1 day, already!). Various offerings were taken up during the week, with the following amounts being collected:

Clergy Development: \$6551.68

Kits & Shipping: \$2474.59

Imagine No Malaria: \$100,211.52

The West Ohio Conference has pledged \$3.5 Million over the next 3 years to the Imagine No Malaria project. For more information about “Imagine No Malaria”, visit their website: www.imagenomalaria.org



Edgerton- Emanuel News

There will be no community suppers for the month of August. Until the building situation is determined (whether or not the city sells the space currently being used), the future of the community suppers is suspended. A decision should be made sometime in the next month, as to if the meals will resume in September.

VBS News

Plans are underway to hold a 3-day VBS at Edgerton UMC on August 6-8, from 6:30-8:00 PM. The theme for this year's VBS is 'Bucket Filling', and will focus on teaching the core Christian values— Love, Appreciation, & Respect.

Helpers are needed! They need adult guides to walk the students from one area to the next, adults to help with outdoor recreation, and snack helpers (they would like to concentrate their efforts on encouraging healthy snacking habits, so they'd prefer healthy snacks). If you can help in any of these areas, or would like to help in some other way, please contact Sandy Wood or Crystal Goodnight.

Youth Page



Katie Krill, pictured above in the background at the center of the picture.



Kendall, granddaughter of Cleon & Dema Krill, receiving her diploma. Kendall has been accepted at Christopher Newport University in East Virginia, and was the recipient of some nice scholarships.

Katie Krill attended the West Ohio Conference as a Youth Delegate this year. The picture to the left is a picture taken by the Conference photographers during the Monday morning session. Katie said the experience has really made her question God's purpose for her life, and has motivated her to try and seek out his will.



Grace, granddaughter of Cleon & Dema Krill, received the dorm service award at her school. This was a huge honor for Grace, as the award usually is presented to a senior; and Grace just completed her 7th grade year! She is pictured with her Aunt Val, who said that everyone knew that the award should go to Grace, and there wasn't even a vote to decide! Congratulations, Grace!!!

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July Birthdays & Anniversaries

7/5 Ross Riehle	7/2 Ross & Vicki Riehle
7/8 Dan Allomong	7/8 Elmer & Mary Hahn
7/9 Dale Krill	7/14 Richard & Phyllis Smith
7/12 Cleon Krill	7/15 Matt & Stephanie Krill
7/14 Matthew McPike	7/19 David & Linda Krill
7/17 Elmer Hahn	7/26 Mike & Amy Tobin
7/18 Sharon Wallace	
7/18 Carole Monosmith	
7/19 Otis Tootle	
7/20 Phil Frager	
7/21 Steve Fritch	
7/24 Sharon Krill	
7/24 Colleen Vonalt	
7/27 Ruthann Johnson	



PRAYER REQUESTS
We are here to pray for you!



Gloria Korsgaard	John & Pat Koerner	Ralph Krill
Raymond Lantz	Eric Bradley	Mark Baidinger
Eva Coffman	Ruthann Hurley	Lindsey Starbuck
Myrtle Lutterbein	Chris Rosebrock	Larry Herman
Annabelle Bible	Ava Sowers	Jessica Sowers
Carson Bowers	Devin Rummel	Marcy Buell
Gary Lewis	Melanie Hall	Orville Yarger
Woodrow Schoonmaker		Kathy Diemer
Darcy & Kerry Carnahan		Betty Akers
Janet Steele	Shelby Smith	Marge Motter

The Edgerton Administrative Board will NOT meet in July, unless some special need arises; at which point a meeting would be called at a later date.

Edgerton Liturgists

7/7– Denise Farnham
7/14– Janice Hill
7/21– Shawn Kill
7/28– Ruth Mayer



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At Emanuel