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Open Hearts,  
Open Minds,  
Open Doors

## SHARING FAITH SUNDAY DONE?

BY HYNG JUNG CHOI

Last Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, we had a great Sunday with new couples. It was a normal Sunday but you know it was a special Sunday for us. We had been inviting our neighbors and praying for them. As the result, we did not have tons of new-comers or people who had not been at church for a long time, but we had a few people joining our service to worship God together. It was a good start because we have not had this kind of event before. You did a great effort. And you know we should keep them in mind and pray for them.



Some of you invited people and shared your faith, but people did not come or show up. That is normal. My older son, Paul, invited his classmate, and his friend did say that he would come to church. So Paul was waiting for him on Sunday morning outside of the church. His dad, Samuel, and he waited and looked at cars coming into the parking lots, thinking if he was in the car or not. When it was time to worship, he came into the church with disappointment. He looked so sad and my husband explained to him. And we said to him that it was okay and you could invite him again.

I understand his feeling disappointed and it is not easy to bring people to Christ. I believe that you did the same thing like Paul. You invited people, but they did not show up. That is okay. You did what you should do and you know you will work on those people who need God's words. However, remember we sowed a seed and God will take care of them. What we should do is to pray for them and share your faith continually.

Sharing Faith Sunday is done, but our mission to go out and make Jesus' disciples is the ongoing project. Do not stop to share your faith and bring people to God. Keep going. And remember God is helping you and gives you courage and strength. Let us look forward to seeing God's wonderful works with us and for us. Amen.

If you are interested in being a "guest" author of Sacred Scribblings please contact church office,  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

--**Sunday School New School Year** – From **September 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Sunday school classes will have new school year programs. Please join the classes from preschool to 100+year-old!

--**Men's Group** – Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, breakfast at 7:00 am followed by study of Revelations.

--**Praise Ringers** (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades) **and Seekers** (2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades) and **Youth Group** (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) will re-gather on **September 13<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday**. The sign-up paper work is available at the church. There will be a Praise Ringers parents' meeting after worship on Sunday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, in the chapel.

--**GPconnect** – Do you want to learn and know more about current issues and events in our Great Plains Conference and United Methodist Church around the world? Please go to the website, [www.greatplainsumc.org/subscribe](http://www.greatplainsumc.org/subscribe) and register; it is free and easy. You can get the weekly GPconnect e-mail.

--We are collecting supplies for **flood buckets** to send to the Texas areas flooded by Hurricane Harvey. Items needed are listed on the table at the back of the sanctuary and should be at the church by **Monday, September 11th**. Money to purchase these items may also be donated.

--If you would like to send a monetary donation to the United Methodist Committee on Relief to help with the flood recovery in Texas, please make your check out to Overbrook UMC and mark it for UMCOR Advance #901670.

### NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

<p><b><u>Sunday, 9-3-17</u></b> 9:00 am – Sunday School 9:45 am – Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am – Worship with the Holy Communion 11:15 am – 4F Gathering 2:30 pm – Brookside worship service <b><u>Monday, 9-4-17 Labor Day</u></b> Office Closed 7:00 pm – Finance Meeting <b><u>Tuesday, 9-5-17</u></b> 2:30 pm – Worship at Assisted Living 5:30 pm – Red Hats</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, 9-6-17</u></b> 1:30 pm – Painting group 6:00 pm – Praise &amp; Worship service 6:30 pm – Bible study class 6:30 pm – Chancel Choir Party <b><u>Saturday, 9-9-17</u></b> 7:00 am – Men's Group 7:00 am – TOPS <b><u>Sunday, 9-10-17</u></b> 9:00 am – Sunday School with Ice-cream party 9:45 am – Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am – Worship 11:15 am – Church Council 11:15 am – Praise Ringers Parents Meeting</p>
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