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Office Hours

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Telephone: 252-6705 Fax # - 252-4093

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Choir Director: Robert Duerr Organists: Jacque Fisher Mary Jane McBride Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship: 8:45 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School Hour: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Nursery - Adult

Ushers:

8:45 -

Gary Etter Loren Houck

10:45 -

Charles Warren Frank Taylor

Welcome Guest Speaker Joel Ngatiari this Sunday

WORSHIPLEADER:

Connie Sink GREETERS: Barbara LaBlanc, Nobu Oishi



"Guest Speaker, Joel Ngatiari, to preach on April 19th - both services"

Join us Sunday, April 19, at either worship service to hear the message given by Joel Ngatiari, the Principal of the Presbyterian Teachers College in Rubate, Kenya. Mr. Ngatiari has been an educator since 1972, where he first taught as a secondary teacher.

He has accomplished many teaching and administrative education roles over the past 37 years, from Headmaster, Principal positions, Director of Kenya Special Education, Commissioner of the Teachers Service Commission of Kenya, and currently the Principal of the Presbyterian Teachers College.

Mr. Ngatiari is married with four grown children and four grandchildren. He has recently, 2006, received State Honors by the President of Kenya for

Distinguished Service to Kenya.

What Wonderful Easter Memories We Made This Year!

From Maunday Thursday's Galilean Supper to Easter Morning worship our church members shared in experiencing the whole Easter story and more.

Thursday night was meaningful and a night of remembrance, sharing in a Seder meal and our Lord's last supper.

Then Friday night five youth from our church brought to life the book of John's gospel. They shared their talents with such confidence, and spiritual presence, bringing the audience along on Jesus' ministry of miracles and final journey to the cross, grave and resurrection. Their performance will be remembered by many for a long time.

Saturday morning was busy with joyful preparations and anticipation as young children waited for the signal, then ran as fast as they could to find Easter Eggs in the grass. An added activity offered by the new Men's group, was to serve a pancake breakfast to everyone. They served approximately 275 people throughout the morning, and received donations of \$270 for Sarah Goodner's trip to Africa. Saturday afternoon, prayers were lifted up to keep watch for Jesus' victory over death.

Easter morning we shared in two joyous worship services, lifting voices in song and word, sharing worship with many friends and families that filled our sanctuary. Let us continue in this Easter spirit as spring unfolds around us.

Vital Statistics

Attendance April 12, 09

8:45 - 44

10:45 - 190

Sunday School -

Offering - Operating Income (monthly budget need - \$16.125)

<u>Ir</u>	ncome rec'd	+/ Amt.
Jan. '09	\$16,653	+475
Feb. '09	\$12,298	- 3,827
Mar. '09	\$14,598	- 1,527

Happy Birthday

Charlene Brown - Apr. 20

Kay Rearick - Apr. 20

Dan Keltner - Apr. 21

Tim Kelnter - Apr. 23

Geoffery Lewis - Apr. 24

Joshua Parrett - Apr. 25



In Our Prayers

LizAncil

Nate Anderson - in Vietnam

Charles Barlow - in Iraq

Glenda Boddie

BillChimell

Margaret Dill - Masonic Home

Harriett Edwards

Jim Farra

Jamie Geswein

Gene Gibson

Dawn Gilmore

Beverly Guffey

Mildred Heath - Walnut Creek

Judy Hirshman (Chaney)

Katie Horvath

Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor

Lottie Jaeger

Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing

Marilyn Jones

Frances Kigar

Dustin Knowlton

Eric Landing

Mary Lehman

Schylur Leukhardt

PeggyLewis

Nancy Lyttle

Barbara Lyttle

Bob McCray

Deloris Miller

Marcella Miller

Michael Ourfalian - Iraq

Mr/Mrs Patterson-Liberty Woods

Nancy Pratt

RamaRengan

Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek

Cindy Romano

Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods

Sue Shroyer

Rev. Bob Smitley

Kathy Steele

Connie Swanson

Gloria Van Camp

Mary Vance

Flo Warner

Evelyn Wheeler

Vera Westfall

Wilma Yost

Please let the church office know, how God is answering prayers in ourlives.

"Youth News"

Sunday, April 20 -6PM Jr & Sr Youth groups



<u>Car Wash</u> - fundraisers planned Saturdays 11AM - 2 PM - at church May 2 & June 6

"Let's Make a Deal" - fundraiser Saturday, May 16 - evening & matinee on Sunday, May 17

These youth fundraiser plans will help support their regular meeting programs and youth camp opportunities.



"We're Going Out to Lunch"

WHAT: WINGS is inviting everyone (including the men) to join them for lunch at noon on April 19. WHERE: Mimi's Cafe - at the Green.

COST: between \$8-14

WHY: to enjoy lunch together and then visit Home-Bound church members

If you are unable to visit the homebound, please attend just the luncheon.

Thank you, Toni Bailey, publicity WINGS

Pictorial Directory Sign Ups

It's time for us to update our church directory with your picture! Life Touch Photography will be here May 28, 29 and 30th to take your family's picture. What an excellent opportunity to get new family photos made and make our directory a success. As a bonus, for every family getting their picture taken, Life Touch will make a donation to our food pantry. And, if you bring in a canned good that day, you will get \$5 off toward any photo purchases.

Here are the particulars.

- · Sign up in the Gathering Place April 19, April 26 and May 2.
- . Or you can sign up online by going to the Church's website www.greenmontoakpark.com and clicking on the Life Touch link (after April 19)
- . Or you can wait for us to call you, although you may not get your first choice of appointment by waiting More added features!
- · Every family photographed will get a free 8 x 10 photo of their choosing and a complimentary church directory
- · You may also bring extended family members that may or may not attend our church and get photos made with them
- · You will choose your photos directly after posing for them—it's all digital!
- · YOU ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE ANYTHING

Please check out the display in the Gathering Place for more information or call Lisa Bleeke at 294 2962 with any questions. Please sign up soon!! Thank you SO MUCH! – The membership committee



National Volunteer Week April 19-25.

"Volunteerism is sharing God's gifts with others," one person said. Perhaps that is the reason that the latest national survey conducted on volunteerism showed that those who identify themselves as religious and/or who attend religious services regularly volunteered almost three times more often than those that did not.

The Kettering Volunteer Advisory Council would like to take this opportunity to thank our congregation for their volunteer involvement in the community and our volunteer services in the church as well.

Our congregational members are dedicated volunteers, that go about their tasks with hearts filled with willingness, love, and hope. The Staff at church recognize you as well. Your presence and services truely represent the community of fellowship we have here at Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church.

The list of services you help provide is great & more successful indeed: Committee works, Christian Education -teaching & mentoring, Gardening, Meal/Fellowship services, Publishing-Communicating, Worshipping-Spiritual Growth programs, Music-making a joyful noise, Maintenance, Fundraising, Drama, Feeding the community, Lawn care, Donating Time & Treasures, Friendship building, Faith building, Prayer building, etc., etc. etc. To see all generations of our church community share their talents in service is wonderful to experince. THANK YOU ALL!!

We are Cordially Invited



Because you have shared in our lives through your friendship and love, we Sue Ann Parks and Jerry Wayne Shoemaker invite you to be with us as we begin our new life together

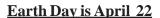
Sunday, May 17, 2009 at half past twelve o'clock at the
Seventh-day Adventist Church 456 Went Spring Valley Pike Centerville, Oh Reception to follow
If you are unable to attend, we ask for your prayers & thoughts.



SAVE THE

DATE!!!

Photos for updated picture directory May 28, 29, 30, 2009



Just a thought to share: If you didn't know, our beautiful Easter lily plants can by planted in your yard. If you do it soon, it will probably bloom again later this summer.

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<u>"Miami Valley Clean Up</u> <u>Day - April 18"</u>

Join the Social Action Committee in participating in the Island Park cleanup on Saturday, April 18th from 9-11:30 AM. We will participated in this event to recoginze Earth Day.

Volunteers will be assigned to work at a Metropark or along a section of waterway removing litter. Just bring yourself and a bottle of water. Contact Suzanne Dull at 434-5368 if you would like to participate. It is not too late to join us, we have a group of five volunteers so far.

"Confirmation Approaches"

April 2, we will hear from our confirmation class as they give their declaration of faith and on May 3 we will hear their commitment to following Christ as they join our church. Our 2009 confirmands are: Joe Hager, Geoffrey Lewis, Taylor Medlin, Joshua Parrett, Macie Popik, & Garrett Rayney. Join us in celebrating this important step in their Christian life journeys.

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<u>Tent Sale -</u> <u>April 24-25</u>



Save your stuff!! As the saying goes, "one man's trash is another man's treasure." The Trustee's All Church Tent Sale is April 24 & 25. We will set up the tent Monday, April 20 and WE CAN ACCEPT DONATIONS BEGINNING TUESDAY, APRIL 21. During the day hours, you will have to unload your own donations into the tent, but from 6 to 8 PM there will be volunteers to help receive your donations.

If you have any large items that will require volunteer pick-up help, please call the church office, 252-6705, to let us know.

We also NEED VOLUNTEER HELP throughout the week to help sort & price items. Come Monday through Friday in the evenings, we have fun while we work together and on Friday & Saturday we have the chance to meet our neighborhood friends at the sale. - Gary Etter, Trustees