

Making a difference, one family at a time In Christ's Name

"I have been touched and blessed to be a part of a church that is so generous and answers the call to "serve the least of these" (Matthew 24:40) through our In Christ's Name Ministry."

- Jean Dagostin

"I have been blessed to serve on the In Christ's Name Committee for 32 years. During all of those years, I have been impacted by the great financial need experienced by our neighbors in Dothan and Houston County and by the generosity of our congregation to help meet those needs."

- Nancy Harrell

"Until I started working with ICN I had no idea the suffering that so many in this town are experiencing. It is heartbreaking to see the need and often not be able to help them. We are called to love our neighbor as ourselves. Our neighbors in Dothan need our help."

- Nancy McDaniel



From left, Jeanie Solomon, Leanne Todd and Nancy Harrell put together food packages for local families.

In the spring of 1988, church members, Jim Brennan, Charlene Erbskorn, Az Flowers, Laura Flowers and Emilee Rush had a desire to form a ministry that would support families in our city and county who were struggling financially to make ends meet. That desire became **In Christ's Name Ministry and Fund**. On June 23, 1988, the ICN ministry assisted its first family. During that initial year, 117 families received much-needed help. Since that time, the ministry has provided vital support to thousands of families in our community, offering assistance with utilities and food.

ICN does not receive financial support from the church budget. Instead, it operates entirely on donations — many given as memorials and honorariums — allowing us to continue serving those in need.

Each Monday morning, members of the ICN committee meet to interview applicants, carefully assessing each request and verifying the need. Everyone who meets the established criteria receives assistance, ensuring resources go to those who need them most.

"The expressions of relief on the faces of those we help are a powerful weekly reminder that while we can't solve all of their problems, our willingness to love, pray, and offer support can bring hope and make a meaningful difference."

- Jeanie Solomon

"FUMC's In Christ Name is doing something. Taking action, this mission is providing for our local neighboring community when they are in immediate need. The gratitude and relief of those helped is immeasurable. Being able to lift them up and show them God's loving care, is "doing something" for His Kingdom and helping one individual at a time."

- Leanne Todd

"Every Monday people come to ICN for a hand up and leave with the knowledge that God loves them. They call us "that church that helps people" and it just doesn't get any better than that to me!"

- Elizabeth Whitfield

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This week & more at FUMC Dothan

CHILDREN

J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)
Available during the 8:30 & 8:55 a.m. worship services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Children's Bldg., 10-10:45 a.m.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP & CHIMES
Suspended for President's Day holiday.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY & CHOIR
6-7 p.m.

FB: FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

IG: fumc_childrens_ministry

TWEENS

SUNDAY SCHOOL
5th & 6th Graders
Tween Rm. 266, Sundays, 10-10:45 a.m.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP & WORSHIP ARTS
Suspended for President's Day holiday.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY
6-7 p.m.

FB: FUMC Dothan Tween Ministry

IG: Tweenfumcdothan

YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Youth Cafe, Sundays, 10-10:45 a.m.

WORSHIP & SNACK SUPPER
Suspended for President's Day holiday.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST
7 a.m. at Chick-fil-A located at
3418 Ross Clark Circle

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES
7-10th graders - 6-7 p.m.
11-12th grade boys (off campus) -
7-8 p.m.

JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to apply for the positions listed below, visit fumcdothan.org/join-our-team.

POSITIONS:

- PT Nursery Worker
- FT Daycare Worker

JOYS & CONCERNS

OUR SYMPATHY TO:
Webb Reyner Jr., and family due to the death of his father, Webb Reyner, who died Feb. 2.

Beth Sizemore and Peggy Coskrey and family due to the death of Beth's father and Peggy's Husband, Jerry Coskrey, who died Feb. 4.

RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL:
Forrest Jones
Don Swanson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Nagel Byrd who celebrated her 90th birthday, Feb. 9.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
Laura Beth & Caleb Carbine who announce the birth of a son, Calhoun Sirmon Carbine, born Feb. 7. Grandparents are Laura & Stan Hatcher.

Let us know if you, or someone you know, has concerns, joys, hospitalizations, upcoming surgeries, or is expecting a baby. Please call the church office at 334-793-3555, or email prayer@fumcdothan.org.

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

First Light Chapel Communion
Jeremiah 17:5-10
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26

Bridge and Sanctuary Worship
"Filled Hearts and Forgotten Jars"
John 4: 13-14, 25-30

CHURCH SPRING CLEANING DAY

Church-wide Spring Cleaning Day - Saturday, March 8, 8 a.m. -12 p.m. - Breakfast and nursery provided, meet in Fellowship Hall for assignments.

RESPITE MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER & CAREGIVER TRAINING
(Next meeting Feb. 12)
The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Rm. 158.

RESPITE MINISTRY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
(Next meeting Feb. 20)
The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Rm. 165.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER NIGHT

Rooted in Confidence: A Mother-Daughter Night with Kari Kampakis - March 9, 5-7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall - Mothers, daughters, and grandmothers—whether together or individually—let's cultivate confidence in our children and talk about trusting God with our child's lives.

A "girls-only" breakout session will be hosted by Lee Ann Boykin. Dinner and nursery (birth through kindergarten) are provided.

Tickets are \$12 and are available at fumcdothan.org/events.

SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING

Upcoming training dates are:

Tuesday, March 11 – 10:30 a.m.
with Wendy Hicks.

Sunday, March 16 – 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. with Pastor Liz

Sunday, May 4 – 10 a.m.
with Wendy Hicks.

Wednesday, April 2 – 5:15 p.m.
with Wendy Hicks and Pastor Liz.
Food will be provided during training.

We will also schedule a time during VBS workdays to facilitate training.

ICN: extending Christ's love and compassion to others



From left, Elizabeth Whitfield, Amy Andre, Jean Dagostin, Nancy Harrell and Jeanie Solomon serve with ICN.

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Even after 36 years, the depth of need in Dothan and Houston County remains staggering. Many of our neighbors struggle daily for life's most basic necessities.

The mission of ICN is to step in during financial crises, providing support that prevents families from "falling through the cracks."

With the continued generosity of our congregation, we can extend Christ's love and compassion to those in need.

The In Christ's Name Ministry and its devoted team of volunteers are making a Kingdom impact in our community. Each week, I am honored to witness their selfless dedication as they live out our church's core



values through this ministry. If you would like to learn more or find ways to help, please reach out to any In Christ's Name Committee member or me personally.

God Bless,
Ryan Deaton
Director of Adult Discipleship and Missions

Baptism



Lawrence Harris Johnson, Jr., was baptized Sunday, February 9. He is pictured with his parents, Kendall & Lawrence Johnson. His grandparents are Hope and Joseph Johnson.



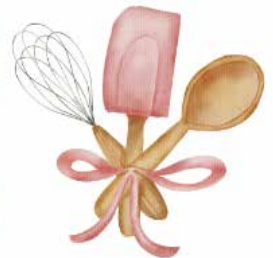
"Let the little children come to me ..."
Matthew 19:14

Baked Blessings Meal Prep Event

February 18

12:30-2:30 p.m.

FUMC kitchen



Contact Ashley Brasington at
ashley@fumcdothan.org,
or text/call her at 334-350-1088.

EVENT HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

We are seeking enthusiastic, smiling faces to help make our church events even more warm and welcoming! Whether you love to plan, decorate, or simply lend a helping hand, there is a place for you. To learn more or to sign up, contact Leanne Todd at leannetodd62@gmail.com.



55 FORWARD
Movie
Shadowlands

FEB 20 @ 2PM **RM 165**

Feminine FEBRUARY

We are collecting items to send to the young ladies of Orphanage Emmanuel in Honduras. Drop-off locations throughout the church. Details at Fumcdothan.org/events.



GIVE BLOOD!
SUNDAY, FEB. 23
8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Shrove TUESDAY Pancake Dinner

March 4, 5-6:30 p.m.