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Pastor Dale



Pastor Dale continues to recover from his broken leg. He is very thankful for all the visits, calls, cards, and flowers. He is looking forward to getting back to church and expects to see everyone very soon. Please continue to keep him and Sharon in your prayers.

The Goodness of God

Pastor Nick Kim

I love when we sing "The Goodness of God" on Sunday mornings. "All my life you have been faithful. All my life you have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God". In the life of our church there is a lot of goodness. With that in mind, we're starting a newsletter called "The Goodness" to communicate and celebrate what God is doing in our church.

God has been doing great things through our Wednesday morning service. We've been seeing over 300 people. 300 people are coming through our doors and hearing the Gospel who might not otherwise hear the good news. This service features time where those in attendance can share a testimony and we often hear how God is working through their lives. Disciples are being made through classes that happen after the service. Next month we'll share how God is using our Wednesday morning service in the migrant crisis. A ministry partner provides McDonald's gift cards that we hand out and that is what draws a lot of people. God uses these gift cards for people to hear life changing news. The discipleship, some serving in different capacities, and some now coming on Sunday morning is evidence of God at work.

God has been doing great things through our feeding ministry. On Mondays, we're back to sharing the gospel while feeding. We have the gift cards on Wednesdays with the service and we're now feeding on Thursdays. Brother Jim, Elder Tony, and Deacon David have been leading this ministry and are building a great team around them to serve.

Another place we're seeing God at work is through our prayer ministry. COVID forced us to meet on a phone line. That expanded from just meeting on Wednesday nights to four nights per week. We are taking things from our hands and putting it in God's hands. You can join Tuesday-Friday at 7PM at (415) 655-0001 Access Code: 1269005089#. This ministry has been able to grow and a lot of people who couldn't otherwise attend now can attend. There is a lot of goodness going on and we look forward to sharing it through this newsletter.



Wednesday morning Service

In His Service
Enoma Ereyimwnen



There is a lot going on behind the scenes for our worship service to come together. The audio visual team makes sure we have sound, content on the screen and that we're online. On most Sundays you will find Enoma at the computer and he is our first interview for "In His Service."

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Benin City, Nigeria.

What brought you to Chicago?

I came to Chicago for a graduate program at the University of Chicago.

What brought you to UBC?

I needed a place where I can continue to grow in the things of God and to have deeper fellowship with God and His saints in the church.

What do you love about UBC?

The love and the diversity of the people from all walks of life, nations, and races. I love the four pillars of the church which are Prayer, Worship, Mission, and Discipleship.

What goals do you have over the next 5 years?

To go to medical school and graduate. I want to set up an organization that will give and deliver much needed medical, and educational needs of less developed nations of the world using this medium to proclaim the Gospel to the nations of the earth.

Interview by Pastor Mark Jones

Welcome Back WMU

By Mindy Cobb

The Women's Missionary Union (WMU) week seemed like the best one ever. When they arrived on Friday, they made a list of what they needed and went shopping. They came back to the church and put all the groceries away.

On Saturday, we had our first Ladie's Day with 7 ladies attending. At Ladie's Days we have a time to talk and get to know one another; a time of prayer, crafts, singing, bible study, and lunch. The team was very impressed that Ji came and also helped. They said it was the first time a pastor's wife ever came to a Ladie's Day.

Saturday evening we had dinner for the ladies from Sarah's Circle. Sarah's Circle is a ministry in Uptown that provides shelter for women in need. We opened in prayer, sang a few songs, and then we had testimony time. I shared my testimony and then invited the ladies from Sarah's Circle to share theirs. Several ladies shared. One lady shared about her struggle with drugs, homelessness, and other issues. We all circled around her and prayed for her.

One of the WMU ladies gave a short devotion and then we all ate a delicious meal. There were 13 ladies from Sarah's Circle in attendance.

On Sunday, Kreg and Jenny Mallow shared in Sunday School. Our church service was amazing as always. The WMU ladies attended service and 5 ladies from Sarah's circle joined them. Some of those ladies continued to attend UBC and have invited others. This has been really encouraging.

After lunch, we went to Wilson Care and Grasmere; two nursing homes in Uptown. We played bingo, sang and gave a devotion at both places. Wilson Care always has the biggest crowd and we met several people who told us they attended Uptown for our Wednesday morning service.

On Monday we gave out snow cones and passed out meals with a second Ladie's Day on Tuesday and served at Cornerstone Womens Shelter.

