



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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**Wednesday
 Prayer Group**
 Begins at 9:30 a.m.
 Church Prayer Room
 Come and Pray
 With Us!

Praying Through
 God's Word

**WEEKLY BULLETIN
 DEADLINE**
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



July Compass Deadline is
 Monday, June 16

The last few weeks have brought many new changes into our church. We are:

- ◆ In the final stage of our long awaited elevator project
- ◆ We have just conducted our second new worship service
- ◆ We have new technology operational in the sanctuary
- ◆ We have completed a much needed sound system upgrade
- ◆ Several Sunday School classes have moved to new spaces in an attempt to right-size our building use.

Often change produces questions, so I would like to take just a moment and give what I hope are some bits of helpful information for everyone.

Our final phase of the elevator project is the addition and expansion of parking. A new driving lane will be added with additional parking on both sides of the lane. Also the Trustees voted to expand our parking lot with an additional row of parking. These additions will add a total of 18 new parking places and make the process of dropping off people near the church much easier.

Our Elevator Project, when complete, will have cost us \$275,329.86, and we borrowed \$159,500.00 to complete the

project. Our capital campaign goal was \$200,000.00 and we raised 207,812.00 and had \$43,594.36 on hand when we began the project. It is very possible we could be totally debt free in less than three years, which would be great.

Our new worship service, which is being called Praise Service, was conducted for the second time on May 18th. In our first two services we have had a combined attendance of 200, which is already considerably higher than I had even hoped. We will have additional services on June 15th, July 20, and August 17, then start weekly services beginning September 21. Of the 200 who have attended this new service, about 45 of them also attended the early service on that respective Sunday; which means 155 were unduplicated worshippers.

Probably all of you have noticed the new technology in the Sanctuary. While we pushed to have it completed for the first Easter Praise Service, the goal to bring technology into our sanctuary goes all the way back to Worship Planning Team conversations in 2012. Over the past several months, we have spent a little over \$33,000 on technology additions and sound system upgrades. Some of this

spending goes back to 2013, when some of the technology being used was purchased to support the new youth worship service we hold as a part of our youth program. The Finance committee this year established a budget line item for the Praise Service of \$26,000 to help cover these costs. They also understood that virtually all of these funds would need to be disbursed in a short period of time and planned to take a short term loan to help with the cash flow crunch created by such large simultaneous expenditures.

With the budget line item and some generous additional donations, we are close to covering this cost. As I write this, the short-term loan has not yet been secured but should be soon, and can hopefully be paid off in a few months.

I hope this information is helpful and allows you to understand a little more about what our church is doing and why. Our mission is to MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD. Over the last few months we have all invested deeply in helping to fulfill that mission.

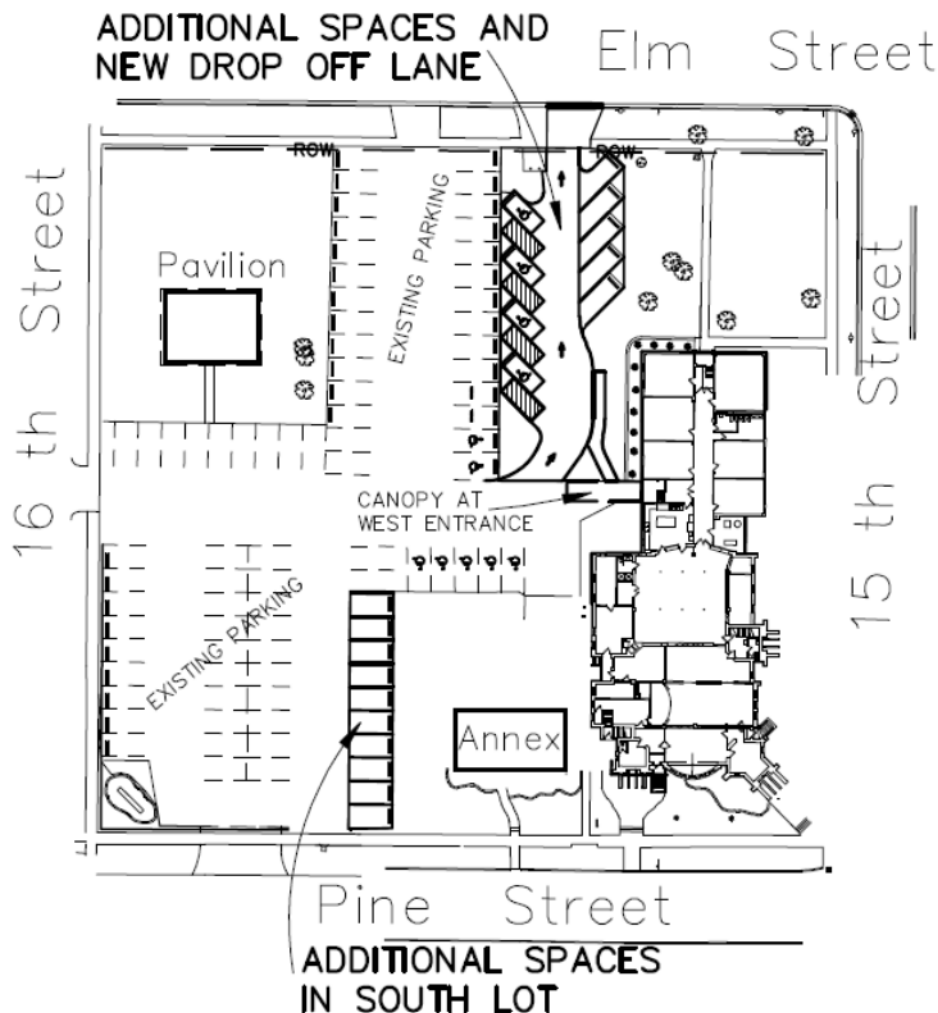
To God be the glory,
 Larry

Phase 3 Construction

You may have noticed that the Church yard is covered with survey stakes. These are for the contractor to use to construct Phase 3 of our Elevator Construction Project, the Parking Lot Addition. The Parking Lot Addition includes adding a Drop Off Lane and 9 parking spaces. As you may remember back on August 27, 2013, the Congregation approved a 3-Phase Construction Project with an estimated construction cost of \$282,000. I am happy to report with what we have spent so far on the completed elevator construction, and the signed contract for the Parking Lot improvements, we will have spent a total of approximately \$275,000. This also includes the addition of 9 parking spaces in the South parking lot, which was not part of our original estimate.

Thank you for putting up with all of the messy conditions during construction, and for your unbelievable support of this project. Just a few more weeks with the parking lot modifications and we will be mess free.

Sincerely
Bob Eaton

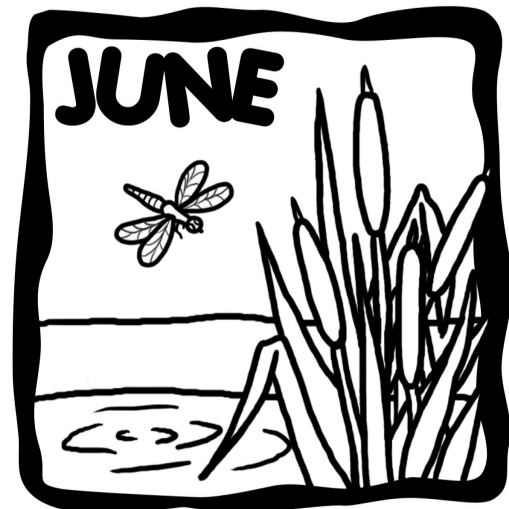


JUNE 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1	11:15am	Hospitality Team				
2	5:30pm	Relay for Life	25	6:00pm	Boy Scouts	
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting		6:30pm	Youth Ministry Team	
3	6:30pm	Praise Team		7:00pm	AA Meeting	
		Church Council		7:00pm	Al-Anon Meeting	
4	6:00pm	Boy Scouts	26	4:30pm	Girl Scouts	
	7:00pm	AA Meeting	27	12:30am	Office Volunteers	
		Al-Anon Meeting	28	10:00am	AA Meeting	
5	6:00pm	Scouts Round Table	29	12:00pm	Our Neighbor's Table	
6				3:30pm	Confirmation Class	
7	10:00am	AA Meeting		5:30pm	New Member Info Meeting	
8	5:00pm	Youth Groups	30	7:00pm	AA Meeting	
9	1:00pm	Nurture & Care				
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting				
10	12:00pm	Young at Heart				
	6:00pm	Board of Trustees				
	6:30pm	Praise Team				
	7:00pm	Finance Committee				
11	9:00am	Staff Meeting				
	6:00pm	Boy Scouts				
	6:30pm	Publicity & Promotions				
	7:00pm	AA Meeting				
		Al-Anon Meeting				
12	4:30pm	Girl Scouts				
13	10:00am	Feeder of the Pack				
14	7:30am	UMM Breakfast				
	9:30am	VBS Craft/Work Day				
	10:00am	AA Meeting				
15	11:15am	Late/Praise Service				
16		Meals on Wheels Week				
	10:00am	Trail Day Committee				
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting				
17	6:30pm	Praise Team				
18	6:00pm	Boy Scouts				
	7:00pm	AA Meeting				
		Al-Anon Meeting				
		Service & Missions				
19						
20	9:15am	Adult Spiritual Formation				
21	10:00am	AA Meeting				
	10:30am	Book Club				
22	5:00pm	Youth Groups				
23	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting				
24	6:30pm	Praise Team				

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					





MINER'S BASEBALL GAME
 June 28th
 Family Baseball Game promoted by UMM.
 Watch for details coming soon...

New Ministry Opportunity
 Disciple Builders



Service & Missions is very excited to announce a new ministry for our church family. After two adult mission trips to Camp Restore in New Orleans last year, Dan Bratton came to Service & Missions to present a plan to help our church family with home projects.

As many of you know, Dan owned and operated a construction business for many years and is now coordinating this mission group to do home projects for our church family. We all know that there is need in our own neighborhoods and we do not have to travel to another city to find someone to help. Dan states that he is ready to use his skills as a "helping hand to God". He wants to give back to his church family and the community.

He plans to begin this ministry in June 2014. There will be a simple application process. A small form to request a project can be picked up and returned to the church office. Projects will be reviewed by Dan's team of "Disciple Builders" and be completed as timely as possible. Some projects will have priority, depending on the urgency of need. Dan's phone number is 687-2460 if you have any questions.

What a blessing to have this worthwhile ministry made available to us.

Invite a friend on June 15th at 11:15 am.

Informal service, praise/worship music, Pastor Larry preaching, nursery and children's church provided. Lots of sanctuary seating & casual attire. It's a great time to invite someone new to join you in worship & introduce them to our family of faith. Don't Miss the Experience!



Saturday Book Club Meeting
June 21st at 10:30 a.m. Church Library
 Contact 559-0329 or ehargraves88@gmail.com

We will be discussing:

"Tortilla Curtain" by T.C. Boyle

Topanga Canyon is home to two couples on a collision course. Los Angeles liberals Delaney and Kyra Mossbacher lead an ordered sushi-and-recycling existence in a newly gated hilltop community: he a sensitive nature writer, she an obsessive realtor. Mexican illegals Candido and America Rincon desperately cling to their vision of the American Dream as they fight off starvation in a makeshift camp deep in the ravine. And from the moment a freak accident brings Candido and Delaney into intimate contact, these four and their opposing worlds gradually intersect in what becomes a tragicomedy of error and misunderstanding.

Get a head start on the book for July: **"The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green**

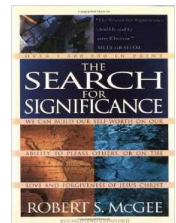
MUMC Mom's Group

6-8pm every other Monday starting July 7th
 Studying **The Search for Significance**
 by Robert S. Mcgee.

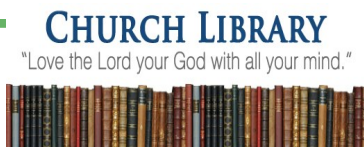
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**The Library Corner:
Studying for Life**



We've all engaged in studies for various reasons, perhaps for a test, a grade, or a degree. But how about studying for our life? Our spiritual life, that is. Study of any kind can bring rewards, but never more so than when it helps us follow our spiritual path. God can speak to us through what we read, whether we are studying the Bible, or reading about spiritual issues and insights experienced by other people. Here are some of the study resources in the church library:

The NEW Daily Study Bible by William Barclay is one of the easiest and most rewarding New Testament Bible studies. In these books Barclay first gives the Bible passage, then provides useful information about the historical background, plus some of the rich spiritual insights he has gained from his studies. For each book of the New Testament there are one or two corresponding Barclay study books, making it easy to pick up and study any individual NT book.

10 Life Charged Words: Real Faith for Men, by Derek Maul. In this brief, direct and "to the point" book, Maul discusses 10 significant words and gives thoughts about the importance of the word or issue to a man's Christian life. His first word is "Jesus" and he follows that with words such as "Excellence," "Capacity," "Authenticity," and "Community". Each discussion concludes with questions related to growth in faith and the church community. Here's a quote: *"So let's demonstrate to the world that Jesus is the Lord of the positive, not the champion of the 'thou shalt nots!'"* (p. 22)

Life Interrupted: Navigating the Unexpected by Priscilla Shirer. Could your life be like Jonah's? Has it taken some turns that are not what you wanted, not what you expected, and just . . . interrupted? Shirer uses the story of Jonah, plus examples from her own very interrupted life to discuss how God may use these "interruptions" to set us onto a life path that will have meaning and value, even though very different from our original plans.

Faith Lesson Series by Ray Vander Laan. Vander Laan is a teacher and historian who has put together a 12 part DVD series set in Israel and the Mid-East. These fascinating videos put us in the footsteps of the ancient Israelites and in the life of Jesus, bringing together history, culture, geography and the Gospel story. We have several of these DVD studies in the library, including **"Life and Ministry of the Messiah"**, **"Death and Resurrection of the Messiah"**, and **"Walking with God in the Desert"**. Walking with God in the Desert is especially meant to help the faithful see the ways that God is with us, even as we are walking in our own desert.

There are other studies, DVDs, and books of interest in the library downstairs, and on the library table in the upper hall. And if you find a resource that is truly helpful to you, why not write a review that we can publish and let others know? Thank you!



Children's Summer Story Time Coming in June!

Children's Story time will be held outdoors in the Church Pavilion on three consecutive Tuesdays again this summer. The first one will be on June 10th at 10:00 a.m. Kids and their parents or grandparents are invited to come and have a fun time! We will have a Bible story telling time, songs, crafts and snacks. Each session will last approximately 45 minutes.

This is a joint project of the Library Committee, Service and Missions, and the Children/Youth Spiritual Formation Team. We hope not only to offer some fun and meaningful stories to the children of our church, but also to reach out to others outside our church, including our immediate neighborhood.

The three Tuesdays are June 10, June 17, and June 24. All sessions start at 10:00 a.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

We hope to see children enjoy this experience in June and then come to Vacation Bible School in July. That will start on Sunday, July 13th, and will be another great experience for children.

Please come! Invite others!

SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School

July 13th—17th

If you are interested in helping, contact:

Emily Hargraves

ehargraves88@gmail.com

618-559-0329



June 10th

12:00 noon

Fellowship Hall

Brides Wear White

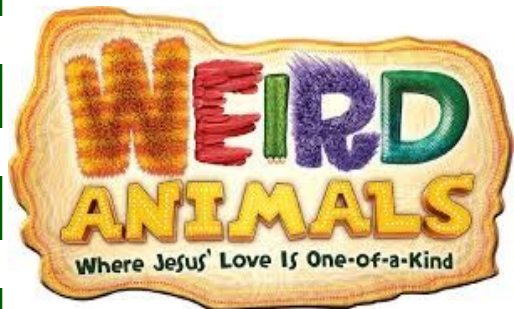
Menu - \$5.00 charge

Chicken Fettuccini

Cauliflower with Cheese

Tossed Salad

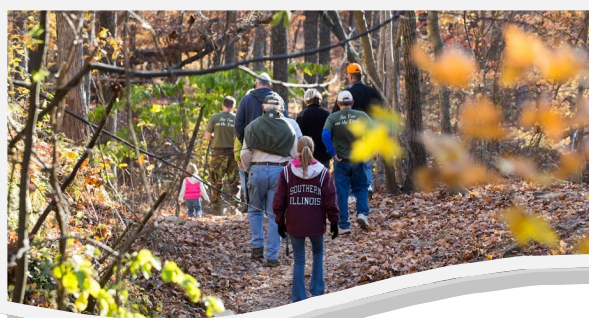
Angel Food Cake



Please don't forget to sign the register! We will see you all on the 2nd Tuesday of every month for a delicious meal and fun conversation.

**TRAIL DAYS 2014
SEPTEMBER 28TH
2:00PM
GIANT CITY PARK**

- SAVE THE DATE -



American Cancer Society

Relay For Life

Friday, June 13th -

Saturday, June 14th.



Calling all walkers!!!!

Methodists on a Mission are looking for volunteers to help walk the track during the 12 hour event at Murphysboro High School. It has always been our goal to have someone representing our team on the track at all times during the event. Relay begins with the Survivor lap at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, then continues all night until 6:00 a.m. on Saturday. We would like walkers to commit to at least one hour on the track. You may call Wilma Westerfield at 534-1061 or Nancy Fager at 303-3883 to let them know what time you would be able to take to the track. There will also be a sign-up sheet available at church on Sunday, June 1st and 8th. This is a great, fun way to become involved in one of our church's service and mission projects. Hope to see you on the track!!!!

February 24th – March 5th, 2015 Holy Lands Trip

Why not experience the season of Lent as never before with a trip to the Holy Lands, February 24 – March 5, 2015? We'll travel to Israel to see where Jesus was born, where His ministry took place, and to celebrate His resurrection. For more information, please contact:

Kathy Blackwell at kathyb@siu.edu
 or
 Trina Eaton at trina.eaton1@gmail.com.



Ways to Sponsor our High School Youth for their Mission Trip to Gatlinburg Tennessee in July, 2014:

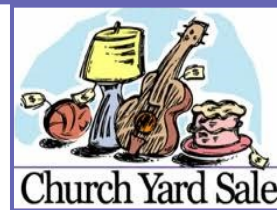
- ◇ Support the Youth Mission Trip by donating an amount on the “Post-It-Board” in the lower level hallway.
- ◇ **June** - T-Shirt Business Sponsor - Sponsor the Youth Mission Trip with your Business. We will be purchasing t-shirts for the youth to wear and also to sell to our congregation. If you would like your business to be included on this shirt please see Paula Chapa. chapa@siu.edu or 967-2689.

- June 8th** - Youth Group - 5-6:30 Theme - Gossip
- June 22nd** - Youth Group - 5-6:30 Theme - Be Thankful
- *CYF: Christian Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)
 Leaders: Irma Bigham & Jennifer Watson
- *JYF: Junior Youth Fellowship (6th - 8th grade)
 Leaders: Laurie Nehring & Shannon Vincent
- *SYF: Senior Youth Fellowship (9th - 12th grade)
 Leaders: Paula Chapa & Stephanie Finke
- Meetings are every 2nd & 4th Sunday 5-6:30pm

OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE



SUNDAY OF THE MONTH



Start saving your stuff now for the annual yard sale which will be near the end of July. Proceeds from the sale will be disbursed by the Service & Missions Committee. Storage can be made available by calling:
 Rob Williams or Lynn Pierson

Please be reminded that the deadline for the July Compass is the 16th of June.

Save the Date!
 The United Methodist Men will be taking a group again this year to the Lifeway Men's Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, called The Main Event. Former President George W. Bush will be the guest speaker. Contact **Jay Graff at 967-9848 (jgraff4@yahoo.com) or Perry Patterson at 519-0916 (perry0441@aol.com)** if you would like to attend.

Worship Leader

Early Service - Jennifer Watson -
jwatsonla1982@yahoo.com

Praise Service - Angie Baughman -
angie_baughman@hotmail.com

Acolytes

- June 1** - Maddie Bean & Aiden McNitt
- June 8** - Madison & Makayla Ripley
- June 15** - Cadence Brown & Ryan Finke
- June 22** - Ben Barringer & Ethan Finke
- June 29** - Alex Baughman & Tyler Doody

Sunday Stewards

Dick Graff, Ron Moutardier, Rick Runge, Rob Williams

Welcome Hostesses

- June 1** - Rindy Eisenhauer & Patti Shields
- June 8** - Kay Bozarth & Kathy Bratton
- June 15** - Kathy Bratton & Thelma Pierson
- June 22** - Marcia Butler & Barb Hughes
- June 29** - Marcia Butler & Barb Hughes

Prayer Request Readers

- June 1** - Emily Hargraves
- June 8** - Adrienne Will
- June 15** - Wilma Westerfield
- June 22** - Kristi Miller
- June 29** - Mary Jane Williams

Greeters

- June 1** - John & Julie Erbes
- June 8** - John & Julie Erbes
- June 15** - **Early Service** -Ralph & Joan Bastien
Praise Service - Heather & Maddie Bean
- June 22** - Ralph & Joan Bastien
- June 29** - Kay Bozarth & Nancy Tillett

Liturgists

- June 1** - Ed O'Donnell
- June 8** - Ricky Pierson
- June 15** - Bill Slider
- June 22** - Mary Slider
- June 29** - Richard Tierney

Ushers

Bob Eaton, Trina Eaton, Erin Mileur, Kyle Quigley,
Rick Runge & Mark Twenhafel



- 3 - Briana Bean
 - 4 - Susan Patterson
 - 7 - Sandy Lanzi
 - 8 - Viola Buchholz
 - 9 - Mason Schingel
 - 10 - Kyle Miller
 - 11 - Emily Finke
 - 12 - Paula Chapa
Maggie Jenkins
 - 13 - Sheila Stewart
 - 15 - Linda Johnson
Clara Kiser
 - 16 - Olivia Graff
William Pierson
 - 17 - Don Abbadusky
Todd Doody
 - 20 - Emma Bigham
Bonnie Pinkerton
 - 21 - John Hudgins
Mae Neely
Mary June Rice
 - 22 - Jack Cochran
 - 25 - Carla Quigley
 - 26 - Carmen Chapa
Myrtle McKinnie
 - 28 - Carl Stoker
 - 30 - Dennis Fager
- 5 - Jerry & Barbara Giffin
 - 8 - Jack and Sue Cochran
 - 10 - Bert & Carolyn Ozburn
 - 12 - Ken & LaVernne Cline
Patrick & Terri Yates
 - 14 - George & Carolyn Sauer
 - 15 - Troy & Lacey Brown
 - 17 - Russell & JoAnn Schirmer
 - 18 - Perry & Susan Patterson
 - 22 - Paul & Debbie Chapman
Glenn & Rhonda Shands
 - 23 - Bob & Rosalie Winters
 - 24 - Todd & Rene' Doody
 - 25 - Arthur & Pat Porter
 - 27 - Robert & Betty Morefield
 - 29 - Dennis & Nancy Fager

If your anniversary or birthday does not appear in the Compass, please contact the Church Office at 687-2317.

June Noisy Offering is going to the Little Grassy Camp



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MUMC OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Phone: 618-687-2317 Fax: 618-687-2604
E-Mail: murphysboroumc@frontier.com

We're On The Web!
www.MurphysboroUMC.com



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Early Service: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:10 a.m.
Late Service every 3rd Sunday: 11:15 a.m.

Ministers.....The Congregation
Pastor.....Larry A. Gilbert
Coordinator of Ministries.....Earl R. Renshaw
Discipleship Coordinator.....Teresa Gilbert
Financial Secretary.....Christine Nolan
Church Secretary.....Deb Severa
Custodian.....Pat Sullivan
Organist.....Micah Mayes
Choir Director.....Ricardo King
Nursery Attendant.....Tania Cruz