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July/August 2026 Newsletter

Happy Summer!

It is officially summertime! This is the season of sunshine, beautiful flowers, gardens full of vegetation, and the occasional rain shower or thunderstorm. When I think about this, I hear the words of one of my favorite hymns, "In the Garden." I have a wonderful memory of taking walks with my youngest son, Jacob, when he was just little boy. As we walked along, he would ask to sing this song and so together we would sing the words to the verses (or at least the ones we could remember) but when it came to the refrain, we would both sing strong... "And he walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own; And the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known." I don't think I am the only one who loves this song. During a Sunday morning Hymn sing, the song "In the Garden" is almost always requested.

This song came to mind the other day as I read Genesis 3:8, *"Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as He was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden."* This verse follows the story of Adam and Eve eating the fruit of the tree that was forbidden. They had disobeyed God and their eyes had been opened to their nakedness. Their disobedience led them to hide from the Lord. They no longer walked freely in the garden and looked forward to their time with God their Creator.

When we joyfully sing "and he walks with me, and he talks with me..." do we take it seriously? Do we really want to have our Lord walking beside us, seeing the naked truth of who we really are? I know myself there are times I would rather hide from God because

I know I have sinned and disappointed Him. Psalm 139 reminds us that no matter where we go, *"to the heavens...in the depths...on the wings of the dawn...or on the far side on the sea"* God is there. We cannot hide from God. We cannot keep Him from knowing our sins. BUT the Good News is that even with all His knowledge God still loves us. He loves us beyond our mistakes, our flaws, our sins! God comes to us knowing our need for grace and forgiveness and offers it freely as He walks with us every day.

As Christians we know this Good News. We know the saving grace of God through Jesus Christ, and we do not have to hide from our Creator. So, we can sing with joy and confidence, "And He walks with me, and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own; and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known." Enjoy your summer and may you take many walks in the Garden with our gracious and loving Lord and Savior.

Hugs and Prayers,
Pastor Karen



Mission

Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.

Vision

Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, the Global Methodist Church envisions multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the earth who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.



Congratulations Graduates!

High School Graduates

Braden Clare is the son of Janeane & Dave Clare and the grandson of Dianne Vespucci. Braden graduated from Pembroke Senior High School. He will be attending Clarkson University in the fall for Mechanical Engineering.

Andrew Nathanael Fauth is the son of Laura & Mike Fauth, and the grandson of George & Janet Klotzbach and Bruce & Mary Fauth. Drew graduated from Pembroke Senior High School with a Regents Diploma. He will be continuing his education at the Crane School of Music in Potsdam New York, where he plans to major in Music Business with dual minors in Voice and French Horn. He will also continue his apprenticeship at Brass Monkey Music and hopes to pursue a career as an instrument repair technician, with the long-term goal of owning his own business someday. Thank you for your continued prayerful support as he works toward these future goals and opportunities.

Wyatt Summers is the son of Kelly Wolsiefer & Joe Summers, and the grandson of Kathy & Richard Craig. Wyatt graduated from Pembroke Senior High School. His future plans include attending RIT for Mechanical Engineering.

Payton Smith is the daughter of Jacob & Bethany Smith, and the granddaughter of Rev. Karen McCaffery & Rev. Kim Smith. Payton is graduating from Newfane High School. She will be attending Delhi College in the fall to earn a degree as a Veterinarian Technician.

Miranda Lea Tamburlin is the daughter of Teri & Randy Tamburlin, and the granddaughter of Betty & Boots Hall and Penny & Gray Tamburlin (and great-granddaughter of Richard & Jean Rudolph). Miranda is graduating from Oakfield-Alabama High School, where she has participated in tennis and track her whole school career. This last year was a blessing to have her share her last year with her sister Macy in indoor track. She also attended Genesee Valley BOCES for the last two years where she received a one-year Graphic Arts degree. Her future plans include joining the workforce, working to save up money, to marry her fiancé, Nathan on November 1, 2026, and then moving to Newark New York and becoming a farmer's wife.

Maya Van Dussen is the daughter of Dan & Ellen Van Dussen and the granddaughter of Jackie Van Dussen. Maya graduated from Canfield High School (Canfield, OH). She will be continuing her education at Youngstown State University to earn her a degree in the Health Care Field.

College Graduates

Ian Lewis is the son of Derek Lewis & Dr. Nasrene Yadegari-Lewis, and the grandson of Carl Lewis. Ian graduated from Siena College with a BA in Business Administration.

Cooper Navelle Shreves is the daughter of Mark & Stacy Shreves and the granddaughter of Zona Shreves. Cooper graduated from Buffalo State University with a BA in Film Production.



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Strawberry Social Update

Hello Indian Fall: Oh, my goodness, what a wonderful afternoon and evening. The 82nd annual Strawberry Social is done. What a great time we had. The weather was almost perfect. Thank you to everyone who came out to support us, and a huge thank you to all the wonderful church family that made all of this possible! The bakers, the cooks, the BBQ er's, the grillers, the ice cream scoopers, the auction gang, Glorify who made beautiful music while we were eating, the money handlers, and all the set up and clean up folks. The youth group served in the dessert area this year and all the proceeds from the desserts go towards their mission trip. I am so happy to say they made \$1,710 towards their mission trip. The church's total profits after all expenses is \$10,102 so GREAT JOB Indian Falls. Until next year. Thank you!
Peace: Celinda

CHURCH SOFTBALL

Tuesday Evenings at 7pm in July

The **Hot Dog stand** will be **open at 6:30pm** (*Umpire eats FREE*). The **Proceeds** from the hot dog stand will be going to **Glorify and Youth Mission Trips**. All Softball Players must be ages 12 and older. Spectators of all ages are welcome and encouraged to come out and cheer the team on. **Game days are July 7th, July 21st, & July 28th**



Food Pantry Update

All food donations must be NON-Perishable. No Frozen food items please. Thank you for your continued donations.

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We Donated **10** Bags of groceries

&

11 Box of Cereal

in May & June to Batavia's



Giving Hope Today

Attention Senior Citizen:

Indian Falls offers a **Senior Luncheon** on the **second Saturday** of every month (*except January and February*) at **12:00pm**. We offer a meal, program, giveaways, and fellowship. The cost of the meal is **\$8.00/person**. *To make a reservation please call Celinda McQuiston at 585-478-8188 the week prior to the scheduled meal.* The dates for 2026 are as follows:

July 11

Sep. 12

Nov. 14

Aug. 8

Oct. 10

Dec. 12

Hope to see you!!!



Youth Group & Children's Ministry News

Tasty Testimonies: What a wonderful time we had at Tasty Testimonies on June 28th! The youth enjoyed delicious treats while hearing inspiring stories about God's faithfulness.

A big thank you to Alessandra and her sister, Andreina, along with their spouses, for sharing their personal faith journeys with our children and families. Your willingness to share how God has worked in your lives was a tremendous blessing and an encouragement to everyone who attended. Thank you for investing in the spiritual growth of our youth and reminding us all that God is faithful through every season.

Pack Their Bags!!!

As you know **the Senior high youth are going on a week-long Mission Trip out of state and we have the opportunity to cheer them on!** Look for their labeled bags in the narthex to pack with inspirational letters, a quick note, a snack, drink or other surprise for them to open in Altoona!

A Summer of Fun!

We have a very full summer planned with exciting opportunities for children, youth, and families of all ages! We'd love for you to join us at one—or all—of our upcoming events!

July 5 – Funday Sunday --Our second Funday Sunday is almost here! Invite a friend to join you for an outside worship service, fun games, and fellowship. Invitations are available at the Information Booth.

July 12 – Mission Trip Send-Off --Our Senior High Youth Group will be heading to Altoona, Pennsylvania, for their summer Mission Trip. Come worship with us and help send our team off with your prayers and encouragement! See the sign-up sheet in the narthex for how you can help. ***Congregation: due to your outstanding generosity this trip has been completely paid for! From the bottom of our hearts- THANK YOU!***

July 19 – Children's Mini Mission --Children ages 2 to entering 8th grade are invited to serve with us during our Mini Mission Day! Meet at the church: **11:30am-2:00pm**. Lunch included!

July 26 – Youth Group Pool Party --Youth Group will meet at the Fauths' home from 6:00–9:00 PM. Bring your swimsuit, a towel, and a friend! Youth entering 6th grade this fall are welcome to join us for zipline, bonfire, swimming and games.

August 5–6 – Youth Group Overnights --Join us for two nights of fun, fellowship, games, and growing together in faith at Drew and Dianne Klotzbachs' home. Please see Jill Klotzbach for details and registration information.

August 13 & 17 – Pop-Up VBS: "Diving Deep into God's Love" --Bring your family and invite your friends for this exciting community Vacation Bible School experience featuring games, crafts, face painting, Bible lessons, and prizes! See the sign up in the narthex for how you can help! Thanks in advance!

Wednesday, August 13

Austin Park, Batavia
5:00–7:00 PM

Monday, August 17

Corfu's Farmer's Market
4:00pm-7:00pm

August 23rd – Final Funday Sunday – Send off to College Students

Thank You, Volunteers!

We are incredibly grateful to each volunteer who faithfully serves in our Children's Ministry and church! Your love, encouragement, and dedication make a lasting impact on the lives of our children. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus! Please visit the bulletin board to post a shout out of your own!

Prayer Requests

Please join us in praying for:

- ∞ Safe travels and meaningful ministry for our Mission Trip team.
- ∞ Our children and youth as they grow in their faith this summer.
- ∞ The success of our Mini Mission and Pop-Up VBS events.
- ∞ Families to experience God's love and joy throughout the season.

We can't wait to see what God has in store this summer. Thank you for being part of our church family—we look forward to making memories, growing in faith, and serving together!

**Grace & Gratitude,
The Children's Ministry Team**

Mission News

OMS Church Planting: OMS became an official partner with the Global Methodist Church for church planting in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. For over 20 years, OMS has had experience in church planting, so it was a good fit. So, now they work together to train pastors. The leadership training program spans four years. In 2024 the annual conference has provided five GMC training center for 75 pastors. These 75 trainees planted 75 churches which has multiplied to 148 new GMC churches. In a recent letter we received an announcement of a GMC church in South Africa.

For 24 years **David and Carol Foglebock** have ministered and shepherded so many global workers through Barnabas International. Their work has been in Asia and many countries closed to Christianity. We have been a generous supporter, a faithful encourager, and a diligent prayer partner in this ministry. To thank us, David and Carol would like to visit us (hopefully in November) to share what they have been doing over the years.

News from the **Fraser**s, located in Hungary, includes a visit to Rochester in July. Tricia's mom passed away in May, so they need to come home for her services as well as settling their son Jonathan into Houghton University for a job this summer and studies in the fall. **John and Tricia** will be helping her dad get settled for a possible move to an assisted living facility. Their school where they work in Hungary is on summer break. We are working on the possibility of a visit with them before they head back to Hungary.

Conrad and Irma Phelps in Peru said that Irma was able to go to California to be with their daughter Anita who had surgery on her lymph nodes. Praise the Lord that they found no cancer in the ones they removed. They are also thankful for our prayers, Irma's liver is back to normal!

Please be aware of the cleaning/dish clothes that are on sale for 2/\$5 outside the sanctuary (upper Narthex on the table). All the money goes to support Conrad and Irma's ministry.
~IFGMC Mission Team

Operation Christmas Child

Got scrap metal??

We are hosting a scrap metal collection! Please consider donating your scrap metal to turn into cash to be spent on items for shoeboxes. Contact Meagan or Eli Stringham (585-409-3946) and we can arrange to pick up your scrap metal and haul it away!

July collection items: *small clothing items*. Suggestions include T-shirts, shorts, sun dresses, socks, underwear, flip flops, small slip-on shoes. Sizes range from kids 2-14. No camouflage print please.

August collection items: *school supplies*. We have a lot of crayons and colored pencils already. Now in need of pens, pencils, small notebooks (*have any St.Jude or promotional notepads laying around you want to donate?*), thin markers, glue sticks, erasers, short rulers.

Small toys are important filler items that we use, so would love to have more donations of: playdough or clay, small animals sets, small building blocks, mini Jenga sets, toy trucks, cars, airplanes, yoyos, slinkys, plastic instruments and small domino sets.

If you are not able to support this ministry in a material way, **will you pray for our work through this ministry and help to glorify God through our collections?** We are so blessed to see Jesus alive and moving in this congregation. To God be the glory!

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Respite Care

Hello: I just wanted to remind you that we offer a very special program here at Indian Falls. On the **third Wednesday of every month**, we offer a four-hour program **from 10am-2pm** for Alzheimer/Dementia patients. We offer a safe and fun environment for the patients to visit, do crafts, and have a nourishing lunch. This program gives the caregivers a break they can depend on, for some much-needed time to themselves. *If you know of anyone who could benefit from this program, please have them get in touch with Celinda McQuiston at 585-478-8188.*

Prayer Garden Memorial Cross “Walk of Faith”

The bricks in the cross of our Prayer Garden are being offered to the church congregation and public for memorializing a loved one, honoring your family or someone special to you. A special engraving in the block will last a lifetime and beyond.

One brick, 2 lines =\$125
Additional brick(s) \$100 ea.

One brick, 3 lines=\$135
Additional brick(s) \$110 ea.

Each line consists of 15 characters (spaces & punctuation count). To take advantage of the reduced pricing on any additional bricks, they must be ordered and paid for at the same time. Please complete this form (form is also in the greeter’s kiosk) and return to the Finance Committee or mail to:

Indian Falls Global Methodist Church
7908 Alleghany Rd.
Corfu, NY 14036

*All checks should be made out to: **Indian Falls GMC.***

Proceeds to benefit the Building Fund.
Thank you for your support!

(3rd Line Optional)

Name, address, phone: _____

PRAYER CHAIN

Interested in joining the prayer chain?
Have a specific prayer request?



Contact Jill Klotzbach at 585-472-1993

Pay-Pal

We have a church Pay-pal account. If you would like to tithe using Pay-Pal all you need to do is scan the QR code or go to

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=P5QSYF2CV3XN6&source=url

and that will take you where you need to go and the rest is just a couple of clicks and your tithe is sent. Since the account is managed by Mandie Coughlin, her name will appear on the receipt, but the description will say it is going to Indian Falls Global Methodist Church.



Domestic Violence at the YWCA- Sample sized toiletry items are collected in the west bin in the entryway to the narthex.

Ronald McDonald House- Can top rings in a jar by the Sunday School rooms.

Samaritan's Purse Livestock Projects- Contribute to the birthday offering jar found in the church office during the week and in the sanctuary on Sunday morning.

Empty ink jets and toner cases- top of stairs from the Narthex.

Salvation Army Food Pantry- In the grocery cart in the narthex and special "food pyramid" collections throughout the year.

"Bible Bucks"- If a dollar bill has the letter 'B', 'I', 'L', or 'E' in the Federal Reserve Seal, donate it to the Capital Improvement Fund. Place in an envelope marked "Bible Bucks" and give with your offering.

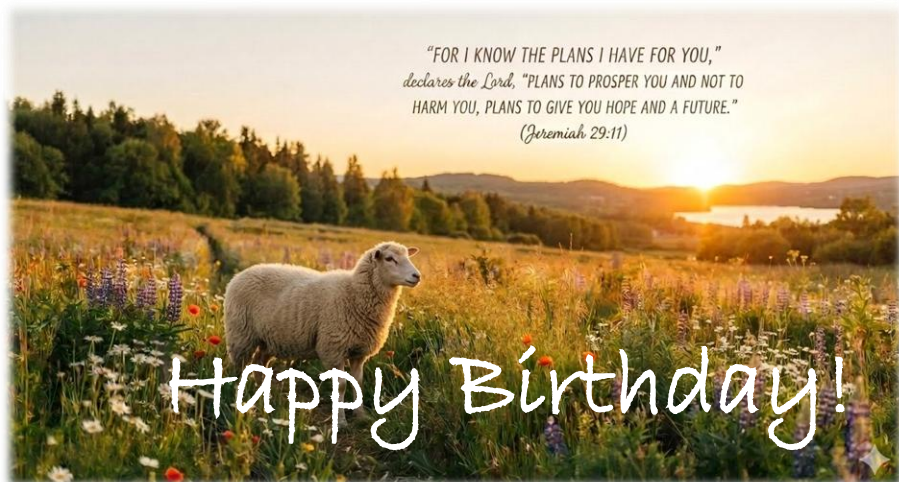
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July

1 st	Larry Childs	14 th	Jack Olsen
	Laura Fauth	15 th	Doug Hendershott
	Andy Marcianiak	17 th	Hannah Stringham
2 nd	Carole Borchert	20 th	Caitlyn Klotzbach
3 rd	Travis Klotzbach		Celinda McQuiston
5 th	Kathy Wessel	22 nd	Jolene Stoll
6 th	Andrew Anderson	26 th	Danielle (Anderson)Chesley
10 th	Brooke Ingalsbe	28 th	Karen McCaffery
	Berneda Scoins	29 th	Geoffrey Phelps
13 th	Alessandra Sage		

August

1 st	Jason Phelps	16 th	Ava Kempston
2 nd	Joan Phelps	20 th	Andrea Anderson
3 rd	Tyler Hamm	24 th	Dave Glor
7 th	Larry Baird	26 th	Christopher Olsen
	Eric Klotzbach	27 th	Lee Dorman
10 th	Lauren Hamm	28 th	Zachary Hartz
	Violet Schafer	30 th	Erica Swinehart
13 th	Barb Cavalieri	31 st	Reno Klotzbach

July

6 th	Larry & Sally Ditzel
11 th	Rick & Deb Hill
12 th	Larry & Brenda Baird
13 th	Eric & Jill Klotzbach
22 nd	Scott & Darlene Petschke
23 rd	Sam & Mandie Coughlin
	Dan & Kathy Houlihan-Johnston

August

2 nd	Bill & Lori Penepent
4 th	David & Erica Swinehart
7 th	Tim & Meagan Stringham
8 th	Tyler & Lauren Hamm
11 th	Lynn & Patti Schafer
16 th	Jason & Karin Phelps
18 th	Dave & Jennifer Glor
23 rd	Dennis & Joan Phelps
28 th	Boots & Betty Hall

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