

The Lighthouse



Matecumbe United Methodist Church "Bringing the Light of Jesus Christ to Our Islands"

May 22, 2020

As of now... Church Services canceled until June 21.

A few activities already resumed... check <u>calendar</u> in website for scheduled activities



From the Pastor's Desk:

In this week's service I will be speaking about revival. One verse of Scripture I will be sharing is 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Just prior to his inauguration, Dwight Eisenhower shared with Billy Graham that he planned to read scripture in his inaugural speech. He believed he had been elected to set a moral tone in America. Billy Graham suggested 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Eisenhower opened his inaugural speech with scripture that he had chosen but he was sworn into office with his hand resting on two Bibles both opened to 2 Chronicles 7:14.

That verse was not only Eisenhower's mandate but is even more applicable to the needs of our day.

"Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you." Psalm 85:6



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YouTube Services

Pastor Bob Pavey is providing weekly services during these difficult times. **Click here** to select sermon you'd like to hear.

Staying Connected ...

Click on any of the highlighted words – links to websites or pages of the church website – all intended to keep us connected:

Church website – Don't forget to check regularly.

Calendar – for meetings, birthdays, etc.

Links of Interest – local news, missions, and more

Church YouTube Account – listen to any of Pastor Bob's recent sermons and a variety of spiritual music by

Pastor Bob, Richard Russell or the Island Quartet.

Facebook – for Matecumbe United Methodist Church

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Men's breakfast
Green Turtle at 7:30 a.m. Thursday May 28



Prayer List...

If you know someone on the prayer list, why not reach out

to them or to a family member. Your call, card or email may mean the world.

Janet Lewis Rev. Dick Smith Randy Baad Jay and Carol Richard Glennda Whitman Emma Kuchynskaya Jim Reynolds Slava Larisa Ron Valdes **Dorothy Hertel** Elizabeth Stanley Anne Krampitz **Beth Nichols** Ralph Harding (and Faye too) Gary Nichols Jr. April Dugger Susan Bateman

Sarah Belotto Dawn LaVoice (C Wagner's niece)

Don Light Elaine Vlaun
Alma Dalton Vicki Clancy
Tania Martin

Ray Law Ari Poholek and family

Karen Lucas Eadie Sheilby and husband Ren

Do you know someone else who needs our prayers now? Contact Jan Grewe at jangrewe@bellsouth.net or 305-393-6196 and she will notify the Prayer Warriors. Or email the church: matumc@bellsouth.net



BOOK LIST

We would love your suggestions of favorite books to add to the list of recommendations. If

there are any books you

really loved, send us a review – just a couple sentences so folks will know why you liked the book.

Judy Winstel's recommendation:

"Girl Most Likely" by Max Allan Collins is a trip back to a 10-year high school reunion. The town's police chief was a member of the class and solves 3 murders during the event.

<u>Click here</u> to see the Matecumbe United Methodist Church **Book List** and to read previous reviews.

Puzzle Time....

<u>Click here</u> to go to all the previous puzzles along with the answers!

Puzzle 4 – Commitment Matching

Date: May 20, 2020

Our Membership Commitments

Source: Matecumbe United Methodist Church

Commitments Worksheet

Complete the sentences below by matching the words on the left with the phrase on the right. Use each word one time.

Back	Up your ministry (1 Peter 4:10)
Give	Up to church (Hebrews 10:23-25)
Lift	Up your pastor (Hebrews 13:17, 1
	Timothy 5:17)
Listen	Up to God (Psalm 119:11-16, Proverbs
	4:20)
Offer	Up your brothers (Romans 12:10-11)
Show	Up your rights (Matthew 16:24-25)
Start	Up your tithes (Malachi 3:8-10)

Match the person with their response to mission opportunities

Habakkuk	Not Me
Moses	Send Me
Jonah	Who Me
Isaiah	Why Me

The Winstels



Meet two of the fixtures at the Matecumbe United Methodist Church... Jim and Judy Winstel, loyal members since 1991!

Jim was born in Cincinnati Ohio in November 1944, two months after his father was killed over Solomon Islands in the South Pacific in World War II – the tail gunner in a U. S. Navy two place Corsair aircraft. Without ever meeting his dad, Jim became a war orphan. That same model aircraft is on exhibit at the Smithsonian, an emotional display that means so much to Jim.

Jim considers himself quite fortunate that his mother remarried, and he was then raised by a terrific stepfather. His stepfather had spent time in South Florida in the Army Air Corps and loved the area and beaches. When Jim was 7 years old, the family moved to Ft Lauderdale. And that's where Jim grew up.

Jim spent the first two years of college at the University of Miami studying to be a civil engineer, paid for by his grandmother. When the college funds ran low, he transferred to Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton and because of his interest in computers, he became a math major ... before the days of computer science majors. When he graduated, he followed his professor who was moving on to the medical school at the University of Texas in San Antonio. Jim did scientific medical research programming and worked on getting a PhD. As a diabetic, he was able to get the very best medical care and education, all while getting paid to do medical research work.

In San Antonio, he met Judy, who lived in the same apartment building. They were clearly meant for each other. They married and had a son while in Texas.

IBM then snatched him away as they were in need of a programmer with his scientific programming skills. As Judy reports, IBM is jokingly said to stand for "I've Been

Moved" and that's what happened, several times, to Tampa for a short time, Ft Myers for 9 years, and then to Miami where he stayed from 1987 until he retired in 2000. A second son had been born in Tampa, Florida and both sons went to Florida colleges and still reside in Florida.

Judy was born in Denver, Colorado. Her father was in the Air Force, so they moved regularly. They eventually ended up back in Denver where Judy attended high school and then went to college 30 miles from home in Greeley, Colorado. Planning to teach, Judy could live virtually anywhere. Her college had a 1 to 5 ratio of men to women, so the pickings were slim for the ladies. Judy had a solution... the perfect place where women would surely be outnumbered. Off she went to the wild, rich, beauty of Sitka, Alaska to teach second grade.

Oh, the challenges of life as a teacher in Alaska – where it gets dark by 4 pm much of the school year. And all winter she had to bundle those little kids up to go out to play every day in the freezing cold and then help them get their wet soggy winter coats and leggings back off and hung up in the cloak room when recess was over. Two years of Alaska was enough. Judy learned quickly that she wasn't really looking for a lumberjack or a commercial fisherman.

After Colorado and then Alaska, Judy was ready for some warm weather. So, she convinced her sister to join her and they headed for Alamo Heights in San Antonio. They moved to an apartment building where there was only one single man – but he was a good one and she snagged him... Jim Winstel.

They both will tell you about the happiness they have shared in their many years since that first meeting. Judy was a busy mother to the two boys while still being involved in the community ... church activities, little league, cub scouts, helping with elections, managing a community association, and still finding the time for teaching when the family schedule permitted.

IBM moved Jim to Miami in 1987, where the Winstels developed their plan for the future. Jim was determined to retire at age 55. So, there was lots of saving and investing to do. The plan included retirement in the Florida Keys!

The Winstels didn't just dream of the move to the Keys – they acted to fulfill their plan. They bought a lot in Port Antigua and built their retirement home.

The Keys house was completed in 1987, long before Jim turned 55. After enjoying weekends there for a couple

years, Judy moved into their Keys home in 1991. Thus, she was labeled Jim's "Wednesday and Friday wife." Jim stayed in Ft Lauderdale working and visited in the Keys every Wednesday and Friday! Sounds like a dismal way for a happily married couple to live... but it worked out beautifully. Jim got to rotate where he stayed – spending quality overnight stays with his ill mother as well as having special bonding time with the boys while they were in college. And there was still plenty of togetherness for Judy and Jim every Wednesday and Friday!

When 2000 came, Jim did retire so the Winstels are now living the retirement dream in the Florida Keys. They are active in the church, have been members of the Fishing Club for the last 25 years and Judy has been loyally following a regular exercise regimen with a close friend for the last 25 years. They have raised and educated two great sons... both live with their families within four hours of Jim and Judy.

During football season the Winstels love to attend college games at FAU, Jim's alma mater.

And the Winstels love to fish! Judy should have known boating and fishing would be an important part of their life. As soon as Jim finished school, he bought a Boston Whaler. Judy was not going to sit at home – she worked diligently to master fishing techniques because she sure didn't want to embarrass the kids. And it was Judy that caught a fish that was an IGFA World Record catch.



Next time you see the Winstels, be sure to say hello and congratulate Judy on her IFGA World Record catch and Jim for his great catch when he latched onto Judy back in Texas so many years ago. This summer the Winstels will be celebrating their 50th anniversary. A match made in heaven!





Javy deserves many thanks!

We would never be able to bring the congregation the virtual services with Pastor Bob's sermons and all the music during this COVID-19 crisis without Javy's technical savvy! He literally is irreplaceable! What an outstanding young man and absolute blessing to MUMC.

To read more about Javier Soltero-Brown Click here.

YouTube Music, Sermons

Remember to check the Matecumbe United Methodist Church YouTube Account to listen to the weekly sermons, and to listen to great music – often songs by Rich Russell, Pastor Bob Pavey or the Island Quartet.

To go to the list of YouTube videos: Click Here

Some of the videos are chock-full of photos of people you will recognize:

"One Heartbeat at a Time" for our mothers: Click
Here.

"My Life is in Your Hands" for Mother's Day: Click Here.

"For Every Cross We Bear" – to honor the life of Rich Russell's mother, Virginia Russell Hollowell: Click Here.

Captain Ted Wilson's Plan BEE



Unlike me, my backyard bees are working very hard right now. One upside to not being able to do any fishing

charters in Islamorada right now due to the Covid-19 closures is that I am able to spend some time with my backyard bees. Yep, when I'm not fishing, I'm a beekeeper!

As it turns out bee season and tarpon season are the same time of year, which under normal circumstances makes it difficult for me to do a Spring harvest. But not this year!

We named our honey **MatecumBEE Honey** because our hives are on Upper Matecumbe Key in the heart of Islamorada in an area of the island called Grove Park Estates, that used to be a big key lime grove. I have to say the honey is pretty darn tasty, getting its distinctive tropical flavor influences from the nearby wild tamarind, moringa, sweet almond, sea grapes, gumbo limbo, Brazilian pepper, Jamaican dogwood, red and black mangroves and palm trees.

I'm still rather new to beekeeping and continue to learn a lot about the amazing underworld of bees and the important role they play on our planet. I originally became interested in bees to help keep my garden wellpollinated but the more I learned the more I wanted to become an apiarist. I have an animal science degree from the University of Florida, but they didn't cover too much about bees. Fortunately UF has a bee college I hope to attend this Fall!

Did you know that honeybees visit millions of blossoms in their lifetimes (about six to eight weeks)? They travel up to five miles a day making pollination of plants possible and collecting nectar to bring back to the hive. Lucky for us, bees make more honey than their colony needs, allowing us humans to extract and enjoy the many benefits of their excess.

Click Here watch a short video made showing how the raw honey goes from the hive to the jars. Maybe selling honey will be my Plan BEE if I can't get back to guiding soon!

Queen-Sized Quilt



Watch the Sunday Service May 24 to see who wins!

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Old Church Photos

From Early 2000s



LINDBACK, Carl & Marlene



























LAROUCHE, John & Joan

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Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace.























