

What a difference a week can make in one's life! This time last week my house was clean, I was well rested and my life was in order. In one week's time our house is filled with baby gear, I'm a bit weary and my life is upside down – but it is great! God is so good.

For those of you who may not know, we adopted Douglas Hamilton Vaughn on Friday, February 19. After 18 long months waiting God brought Hamilton in our lives and we are thrilled. Looking back it is so obvious how God has been at work in this whole process. Let me share a few God-incidences with you.

-- I went to a clergy retreat on January 26 & 27. During the worship service there were pastors praying for people. I went to Rod Miles and asked him to pray for our adoption. He did and after it was over he said, "God has told me that this will happen fast." I was thinking, "Sure Rod, we've been waiting for 18 months." Hamilton was born the next day -- January 28. He came three weeks early.

-- On Tuesday, I was still unsure so I told Doug I was waiting for God's e-mail but it hadn't come yet. He told me that he didn't think God had e-mail. The next morning I went to work and there was an e-mail from Larry Stewart about Christian sayings. The first one was that God would not give us more to handle than he would give us the grace to handle it. I think God does have e-mail after all. This does not indicate Larry is God but that God uses all sorts of interesting people to do His work.

-- My sister planned a trip to visit us in February. She originally scheduled it for the weekend of February 13-14 but then her plans changed and she decided to come February 19. She had booked the tickets 6 weeks prior and she just happened to come in the day we got Hamilton. Coincidence? I think not – God-incidence instead!

God is at work all around us and it is so easy to miss all those God moments every day. Where has God shown up in your life over the last week? Were you so busy that you missed his appearance? It is so fun to see how God is at work and to think that we miss that joy by our busyness. Slow down and enjoy God's work in the world. God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good.

In His Grip,  
Kissa



The mission of Troy United Methodist Church is to be a Bible based community church where people are transformed by the Spirit of God into deeply committed followers of Jesus Christ.

**OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO...**

**ASSISTED LIVING/NURSING HOMES**

Eleanor Allison ~ *Cornerstone, Temple*  
 Betty Havard  
 Bill Henry ~ *Regency Manor, Temple*  
 Johnnie Krumnow ~ *Temple Living Center, Temple*  
 Margaret Maedgen ~ *Park Place, Belton*  
 Ruby McKee ~ *Arbor House, Temple*  
 Alma Smith ~ *Temple*  
 Etta Thompson ~ *Weston Inn, Temple*  
 Joe West ~ *Temple*  
 Joyce Wilson ~ *Johnson City*

**HOME/CONTINUING CARE**

Theresia Booth	Donette Collier
Wanda Dorsey	Carol Doughty
Piper Eschberger	Willie Mae Gross
Marshann Hayes	Laurie Herring
Don & Minnie Knepp	Mary Lou Miller
Harriet Prinz	Archie Thompson
Barbara Thompson	

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

Donald Hutchins  
 Sandra Whitlow  
 Ruth Fricke

***We appreciate updates on those on our prayer list.***

**FRIENDS OF TROY UMC**

Hannah Allen	Randi Allen
Jerry Beene	Frank Beimer
Case Bekin	Patti Branscum
Dylan Brown	Donald & Maudie Bulls
Jimmy Burns	Dorothy Butler
Shawn Cambell	Doug Cannady
Sarah Clements	Wayne Drummond
Shannon Edwards	JoAnn Everett
Lou Whitlow Ewing	Stewart Fettig
Jack Flinn	Gabe Frampton
Gene Fricke	Justin Gifford
Amy Gough	John Greene
Toni Greene	Kyle Hartman
Carol Hardin	Barbara Ann Harris
Shelby Hatley	Lyle Hickman
Burney Howell	Shirley Kelly
Judith Koke	Sandy Lansford
Jeannie Lynn	Weldon Mahan
Barbara Massey	Danny Mathis III
Ralph McCulloh	Ed Miller
Meagan Miller	Mr. & Mr. Henry Olejnik
Annette Ortiz	Freddie Parker
Ollie Peirce	Jonathan Peterson
Michelle Price	Jo Prince
Bobbie Pruett	Sandra Richmond
Margaret Richter	Melissa Rodriguez
Al Ruppert	Connie Salsiccia
Daniel Santibanez	Alex Santos
Nancy Snead	Joanna Stephens
Lucille Swanzy	Mary Frances Taylor
Eugene Tedford	Mattie Thompson
Katherine Washburn	Marsha White
Ethan Williamson	Peg Wilson
Betty Zook	

Daylight Savings  
 Time begins at  
 2:00 a.m. on  
 Sunday, March 14.  
 Set your clocks  
 forward the night  
 before!! ☺



**OUR SERVICES**

**Sunday Worship**

**Services**

8:30 am (Contemporary)  
 11:00 am (Traditional)

**Sunday School**

9:45 a.m.

**United Methodist**

**Youth Fellowship**

Jr. High 5:00 ~ 6:15 p.m.  
 Sr. High 5:45-7:00 p.m.

*They share a light meal  
 from 5:45-6:15.*



Coffee and doughnuts  
 are served before  
 Sunday School each  
 week. Join us!!



In loving memory of  
**Gabe Patterson**  
*(Tracie Tedrow's infant nephew)*  
Lou & Janet Klement



In loving memory of  
**Sandra Whitlow**  
*(Amber Crawford's mother)*  
February 8, 2010  
Lou & Janet Klement  
Mary Lou Miller  
Katherine Maedgen  
Charlie & Janice Porter  
Charles & JoAn Beechem  
Larry & Sarah Stewart  
Richard & Betty Hester  
Tooter & Susan Creech  
Ron & Jan Deitzmann  
David & Pat Reinhardt  
Louise Spohn & family



In loving memory of  
**Ruth Fricke**  
*(Donna Durbin's grandmother)*  
Feb. 18, 2010  
Cecil & Evelyn Henning  
Donna's Bunco Friends  
Mary Lou Miller



In loving memory of  
**Debbie Collier**  
February 19, 2010  
Mary Lou Miller



In celebration of the arrival of  
**Hamilton Vaughn**  
Mary Lou Miller



## Easter Egg-stravaganza

### Palm Sunday Church School Event

On March 28 all children are encouraged to attend an amazing Sunday School event and bring a friend or two. All children who attend Sunday School are also invited to attend worship and participate in the Waving of the Palms. In addition, those who are in Sunday School will be presented with a Golden Ticket for the April 3 Easter Eggstravaganza which is good for an additional Egg Hunt in the park.

### Easter Eggstravaganza in the Park

April 3 will see a multitude of children and volunteers in Trojan Park for a huge Easter event. There will be activities for the children to do, a bouncy house, pictures with the Easter Bunny, music, lunch, and of course a huge Easter Egg Hunt!!! Bring your children and their friends to be a part of this exciting day!





- 2 Jeanese Ranly, Matt Booth
- 3 Dylan Cashman
- 4 Katherine Maedgen, Hunter Mast
- 6 Louise Spohn
- 8 Jaynie Ecker
- 9 Stanley Kirk
- 10 Betty Hester
- 12 Zach Allen
- 15 Melissa Thompson, Donal Bush
- 17 Marilyn Allison, Amber Crawford
- 20 David Coufal
- 21 Brigitte Allen, Adam Roessler
- 22 Shirley Brown, Lesli Fisher,  
Deanna Bingham
- 23 Johnny Giebler, Jayden Ecker
- 29 Carolyn Walston
- 30 Bret Allen
- 31 Nancy Birdsell

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Paul & Margaret Willson
- 23 Jack & Becky Hobday



Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 20-24, in the evenings. Please prayerfully consider how you can best help and contact Christin. Helpers are needed in all areas!



### **Douglas Hamilton Vaughn**

*was born on January 28, 2010 in San Antonio.*

*He was blessed by coming to live with*

*Doug & Kissa on Friday, February 19.*

*He weighed in at 5 lbs. 14 oz. and was 18" long at birth You have the privilege of watching him grow in all of our hearts and in his faith.*

*It will be an exciting journey.*

*Welcome, Hamilton!!*



Lilies will beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. You are invited to remember a loved one by providing a plant at the cost of \$10.00. Contact the church office by phone or e-mail to reserve your

flower.



Children/Youth Team Meeting  
 Sunday, March 14 at noon  
 A light lunch will be provided.



*Kissa continues to meet with seven young ladies as they learn about their faith as well as about Methodism. It's an exciting time for them all. Confirmation Sunday, when they will join the membership of Troy UMC, will be on April 11. There will be a reception honoring and welcoming these newest members.*

If you are not receiving the Lenten Devotionals on your e-mail and would like to, please contact the church office. We'll send you the ones you have missed and add you to our e-mail list to get them every day between now and Easter Sunday.



*Dear Church Family,  
We are so very thankful for our church family for*

*being here for us during our recent tragic loss. Through our sadness, we are seeing the miracles of God at work.*

*A special thanks to Wade and Kissa for the beautiful memorial service and to the ladies who provided the delicious meal. Your prayers, cards, food and support are so appreciated.*

*Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we face the days ahead.*

*God bless you all,  
The Family of Sandra Whitlow  
Darin & Amber Crawford  
Russell & Joyce Reinhardt*



**Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on March 13 so you can be on time for Sunday School and worship on Sunday!!**



The Mission/Evangelism Team is meeting the second Monday of each month. They are doing some exciting things to bring people to the Lord. If you are on that team, please come to the meetings to see what you can do to help spread the word.



**Communion Service  
Thursday, April 1  
7:00 p.m.**








This is an absolutely wonderful “problem” to have!! There are some Sundays (during both worship services and Sunday School) that our nursery worker has a room full of babies and toddlers. Christin is putting together a list of volunteers. What we are asking is this: On the dates you offer to help, please go talk with Becky and see if your help is needed. If there aren’t a lot of children, you are encouraged to go to the worship service. However, if she is overwhelmed that day, please be prepared to stay in the nursery and rock a baby!! How much fun would that be?

Contact Christin by phone (938-7373)  
or by e-mail [troyumckids@sbcglobal.net](mailto:troyumckids@sbcglobal.net)

# March 2010

Maundy Thursday Service  
April 1 @ 7:00  
Good Friday Service  
April 2 @ 7:00

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>Sunday Worship... Contemporary—8:30 Traditional—11:00</i></p>	<p><i>1 Emmaus Gathering 9:00 Boy Scouts 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>2</i></p>	<p><i>3 Quilters Choir Practice 6:00 Youth Bible Study 6:15 Praise Team practice 7:30</i></p>	<p><i>4 Men's Fellowship 5:30 Confirmation Class 6-8:00 Cub Scouts 6 &amp; 7:00</i></p>	<p><i>5</i></p>  <p><i>World Day of Prayer</i></p>	<p><i>6</i></p>
<p><i>7 Youth Meal provided by Tommy &amp; Jennifer Valle</i></p>	<p><i>8 Emmaus Gathering Mission/Evangelism Team Mtg. 6:00 Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>9</i></p>	<p><i>10 Quilters Choir Practice UM Women 7:00 Youth Bible Studay Praise Team Practice</i></p>	<p><i>11 Men's Fellowship Confirmation Class Cub Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>12</i></p>	<p><i>13 Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall reserved for wedding</i></p>
<p><i>14 Children/Youth Team Mtg. Noon—lunch provided Youth Meal provided by Rod- ney &amp; Tracie Tedrow</i></p>	<p><i>15 Emmaus Gathering Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>16</i></p>	<p><i>17 Quilters Choir Practice Youth Bible Study Praise Team Practice</i></p>	<p><i>18 Men's Fellowship Confirmation Class Cub Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>19</i></p>	<p><i>20 Fellowship Hall reserved</i></p>
<b>SPRING BREAK!!!</b>						
<p><i>21 Evangelism Visitation-2:00 Youth Meal provided by Michael &amp; Karen Lindberg</i></p>	<p><i>22 Emmaus Gathering Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>23</i></p> 	<p><i>24 Quilters Choir Practice Youth Bible Studay Praise Team Practice</i></p>	<p><i>25 Men's Fellowship Confirmation Class Cub Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>26</i></p>	<p><i>27</i></p>
<p><i>28 Children's "Special Sunday School Event" Youth Meal provided by Bill &amp; Lisa Ledger</i></p>	<p><i>29 Emmaus Gathering Boy Scouts</i></p>	<p><i>30</i></p>	<p><i>31 Quilters Choir Practice Youth Bible Studay</i></p>	<p><i>Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45</i></p>	<p><i>Jr. High Youth—5:00 Sr. High Youth—5:45</i></p>	 <p><i>Easter Egg-stavaganza April 3—Trojan Park</i></p>