## The Chimes

# 10 Things You Probably Didn't Know about the Hanover's

- Pastor Jonathan not only graduated from United Theological Seminary, but occasionally still teaches there. Currently, he is serving as a teaching assistant, teaching a course on church administration and discipline to local licensed pastors from all across the United States.
- 2. Jonathan and Megan both enjoy music, and used to play together in a band. They moved into the parsonage their greatly reduced set of musical instruments, which still includes three guitars, a bass guitar, two trombones, a keyboard, a viola, and various percussion toys.
- 3. Jonathan and Megan met when they were married (true story!). The church Jonathan was attending put on a dinner theater production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Jonathan and Megan met when Megan was cast as Tzeitel, and Jonathan as Motel. The marriage of Motel and Tzeitel is the primary story in the first act of the musical.
- 4. The Hanovers have two children, Joanna (3), and Wesley (9 months). Joanna is named after one of the witnesses to Christ's resurrection in Luke 24, and Wesley is named after John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement.
- 5. When Megan was eight months pregnant with Joanna, Pastor Jonathan was in Bethlehem, on Christmas Day, and his hotel was overbooked (there was no room at the inn). Thankfully, Joanna did not follow Jesus' example, and waited until Jonathan was home and (mostly) over his jet lag before coming.
- 6. Pastor Jonathan has a lot of family connections to the West Ohio Conference. He is a third generation pastor. Three of Pastor Jonathan's four appointments have been within 15 miles of a church his grandfather served (including Kenton First—Marion Hanover served Walnut Grove UMC).
- 7. Jonathan and Megan own an embarrassingly large collection of board games. One of Jonathan's friends designed 2014's Board Game of the Year.
- 8. Jonathan is a big soccer fan. Jonathan played soccer for many years, and now roots for Everton FC, a team in Liverpool, England. The Hanovers also root for the Cincinnati Reds and Cincinnati Bengals.
- 9. The Hanover family loves to read. As a fun exercise, the extended Hanover family (including Jonathan's parents, two sisters, and their families) track how many books they read per year. Jonathan and Megan will probably add about 35-40 to that total.
- 10. Jonathan serves on the Spirit Formed and Empowered Leaders Team of the Annual Conference. Currently, they specialize in training churches in Breakthrough Prayer. Pastor Jonathan is a firm believer in the power of praying breakthrough prayers ("Lord, may you breakthrough in my life today!").

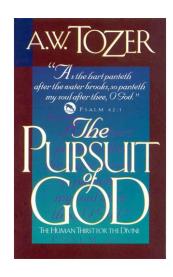


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#### Special points of interest

- A Good Read
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## Ten Books Every Christian Should Read

Basic Christianity, by John Stott

The Cost of Discipleship, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Desiring God, by John Piper

How Now Shall We Live?, by Chuck Colson

Knowing God, by J.I. Packer

Mere Christianity, by C.S. Lewis

The Pilgrim's Progress, by John Bunyan

The Practice of the Presence of God, by Brother Lawrence

The Pursuit of God, by A.W. Tozer

*The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis

www.focusonthefamily.com

"Whatever your taste, I think you'll find a title to your liking." Jim Daly

#### 5 Ways to Welcome A New Pastor

- Invited him and his family to things.
- Pray for him and tell him you are praying for him.
- Love him and honor his family
- Don't compare him to the last pastor
- Tell him your name often

#### **Prayer for Wisdom & Direction**

Dear God, I want to lift my pastor up to you in prayer. He needs Your wisdom and direction for Your church. Please keep him humble and always relying upon You to give him the perfect wisdom and direction that he needs. Help him to consider information offered by others and also to come to You in prayer as he evaluates things. Remind him of Your servant Solomon who when he was to become king prayed only for Your wisdom and because of his humility You granted even more than wisdom. I pray this in Jesus name, Amen

Proverbs 3:5-7 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

Read more: http://www.whatchristianswanttoknow.com/

#### Reflections from the Pastor

It was a weird clashing of universes, like if Luke Skywalker suddenly showed up in *Harry Potter*, or your great-grandmother was suddenly on an episode of *Cops*. Rev. Sue Nilson-Kibbey is one of my mentors. She is encouring, warm, and kind. She is known throughout the United Methodist Church as an expert on leadership. She represents my life as a pastor. Tom is one of my dearest friends. He is rough around the edges. He can be found during Bengals football games yelling obscenities at the refs, and ripping his shirt off and dancing when the team scores. He is one of the few people with whom I can truly be myself, not "the pastor". Two people near and dear to me, but two people who should never, ever meet. But suddenly, here they were, hugging and smiling in a picture on Facebook.

When I left my home church to pastor my first appointment, I left big shoes to fill. I filled a lot of roles, and brought a lot to that church. In the years that followed, new people had to rise up to fill those roles. In fact, three of my friends, Tom, Jake, and Bryan, all grew into the roles that I left. Where one leader left, three more were raised up. What seemed like a big loss became a great gain! And when Rev. Sue came to my home church to consult with the leadership, of course she spoke to one of the great, young leaders—my friend Tom.

We transition again in pastoral leadership at Kenton First. As with all transitions, some things will change. I likely bring some skills and perspectives that Rev. Miracle did not. At the same time, Rev. Miracle has skills and experience that I do not. Change is an inevitable part of life. But change is not always bad; often it brings new life. When I left my home church, three new leaders rose up in the church. Likewise, this is an opportunity for new life and growth in our midst. Let us embrace the new life the Holy Spirit brings!

Pastor Jonathan



Pastor Jonathan Hanover



We are experimenting with new content and format with the Chimes to better communicate. What do you think? Any suggestions for the future? Let us know!





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#### **Prayer Concerns**

Dennis Alexander, Marilyn
Arn, Allison Buehler (friend of
LindaWuethrich), Teresa
Haudenschield (daughter of
Carrol and Janet Boecher)
Karlee Hooker (Norm Guinn's
granddaughter), Jane
McGee, Kellie Rogers, Christine Stahler (wife of Kevin),
Sonny Weatherholtz (father
of Chris Heilman), Sawyer
Wright (nephew of Robin and
Dana). Bobbi Tandon, Peggy
Wills, Karl McNeal, Lois Tay-

lor, Sara Hoenshel (Tim and Leigh Newland's sister in law), Jack Alexander (Jackie Stephen's father), Debbie Roberts, Hazel Bennett, Ruth Klingler, Julie Lowery, Bill Hommel (Judi Leiberick's brother), Kyrie Brim, Chase Newman



#### **July Sermon Series**

#### **Awkward First Impressions:**

July 5-	Jacob-Genesis 28:10-22
July 12-	Peter-Matthew 16:13-16, 21-25
July 19-	Rhoda-Acts 12:6-17
July 26-	Esther-Esther 4:9-17

#### June Attendance-Offering

	9:00	11:00	
June 7	85	88	\$6834.80
June 14	(Combined service)	175	\$4224.00
June 21	94	132	\$7029.00
June 28	80	125	\$4154.00

#### Church Kids Say the Darndest Things

- 3-year-old Reese: "Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen"
- \* Three-year old Caitlin had been learning the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime she would repeat after her mother the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. The mother listened with pride as Caitlin carefully enunciated each word right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail."
- \* One particular 4-year old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

THE LORD'S PRAYER
OUR FATHER, WHICH ART IN HEAVEN,
HALLOWED BE THY NAME.
THY KINGDOM COME.
THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH,
AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD.
AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES,
AS WE FORGIVE THEM THAT TRESPASS AGAINST US.
AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.
FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,
THE POWER, AND THE GLORY,
FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN

## "Question...How do YOU say the Lord's Prayer?"

#### Thank You

Thank you so much for your generous retirement gift for Vicki and me. We were very surprised to receive it. We will put it to good use in our new home as we are making it our own! Again, thanks and blessings to you all as we journey forward in faith.

Loran, Pastor

(Please note our correct address is 328 Warrington Ave., Findlay Oh, 45840)

Thank you so much for all the cards, letters, notes of encouragement, flowers, and prayers. Each and every one of you have been such a blessing. I wish I could write a note to each of you but I'm not able to write like I used to. I have many good days

and bad but am very thankful for the times when nothing hurts. I am happy that the Lord is there to lean on during this time.

Love, Lois Taylor

A very special THANK YOU for your generous donation of medical equipment to the new Career Center at the Northwood building. Ohio Hi Point Career Center is very excited to bring an Allied Health & Nursing Program to Kenton and I can't wait to be the Instructor.

Your donation of walkers, canes, crutches and gait belts will help us help students learn the skills required to be a health care professional.

Thank you so much, and keep watch for our open house. We love showing our community all that is being offered in career education to our High School students. Go CATS.

Deb Purcell, RN



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#### A Battle of Wolves

One Evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, the battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all.

One is Evil. It is:
Envy and jealousy, sorrow and regret, greed and arrogance, self-pity and guilt, resentment and inferiority, lies and false pride,

superiority and ego,

and anger.off

The Other is Good: It is:
Joy and peace,
love and hope,
serenity and humility,
kindness and benevolence,
empathy and generosity,
truth and compassion,
and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?"
The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed!"

# July 2015

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1	2 7:30 AA	3 Office closed	4 11:00 AA 3:00 Youth return
59 Worship 10 Sunday school 11 Worship- Communion	6 7:30 AA	79:30 Healing stitchers 5:30 NOC mtg 7:30 11:00 Wor- ship mtg	8	9:30 UMW 7:30 AA	10 Office closed	11 11:00 AA
12 <sub>9</sub> Worship 10 Sunday school 11 Worship 2-5 Lyn's party 3:30 Mission trip	13 7:30 AA Mission trip	14 Mission trip 6:30 Celebrate Recovery mtg 7:30 Trustees mtg	15 Mission trip-return	16 7:30 AA	17 Office closed	18 11:00 AA
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