



University Baptist Church and Baptist Housing Ministry

2010-2011 Newsletter

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From The Desk Of...

Danielle Beard - Advancement Coordinator



Dear UBC-BHM alumni and friends,

Hi, I'm Danielle Beard. I will be serving University Baptist Church and the Baptist Housing Ministry as your Advancement Coordinator. I feel very privileged about this opportunity. I have a bachelor's and master's degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in education and I am working on a Master's of Divinity at Northern Seminary.

Thank you for your continued support of the University Baptist Church and the Baptist Housing Ministry. Our ministry is in the process of many changes in our method for getting information out. We hope to keep our alumni and friends up to date by our new e-newsletter. The News page of our website will also have weekly updates and announcements about the church and housing ministry, as well as videos and photos. The News page of the website has a link to subscribe or unsubscribe to our e-mail list to receive our newsletter via e-mail: www.uo-fibaptist.org. Consider telling five friends about our new website. Also, please refer your friends and family who receive our paper newsletters to our site, www.uofibaptist.org, because we hope to reduce our paper newsletters in the future and increase our e-newsletters. We hope you enjoy it!

UBC-BHM News

Focus Night, August 22, 2010

The church and the four houses had their first ever Focus Night in August of 2010. About 100 people enjoyed worship, prayer, food, and fellowship on the lawn outside the church and houses, as well as encouraging messages from Pastor Smith and the housing ministry staff. One of our goals this year is hosting events to further develop unity among the church and the houses.



UBC-BHM Weddings

Did you know that UBC-BHM has had at least a dozen weddings in this past calendar year? Pastor Smith frequently meets with couples to help them prepare for marriage. UBC-BHM is a place where couples are introduced and begin their life together.



Quad Day, August 2010

UBC-BHM had 2 tables on Quad Day. Volunteers from UBC-BHM handed out flyers on the quad. Others handed out lemonade in front of the church and houses. This was an exciting opportunity to reach out to campus and the wider community.

Christmas Caroling, December 2010

Groups from UBC-BHM visited Helia nursing home and two members' homes in the Champaign-Urbana area to sing Christmas carols. This is a ministry that touches lives by showing the love of Christ during the holiday season.

Habitat for Humanity Trips, March 2010

The church and the houses participated in spring break Habitat for Humanity missions in Champaign-Urbana, as well as El Dorado, Arkansas, and Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Teams from UBC-BHM cleared lots and worked on building projects. These Habitat trips were a blessing to those who participated in the projects, as well as for the people who were impacted by our service. We have been doing these trips for over two decades, and will be returning this March.



University Baptist Church News

Pastor Smith signs book at Illini Union Bookstore

Pastor Brett Smith lectured about and signed copies of his book *Labor's Millennium: Christianity, Industrial Education and the Founding of the University of Illinois* (Pickwick, 2010) at Illini Union Bookstore on July 15, 2010. As part of IUB's Summer Book Festival, he discussed the major themes of each chapter and then answered questions from the audience.



UBC pianist plays at Carnegie Hall, NY City, NY

Athena Kim, who has played for worship services, weddings, and special events at University Baptist for over 7 years, performed at Carnegie Hall on October 18, 2010. She earned her doctorate and 2 master's degrees in piano performance while at the UIUC. University Baptist Church is extremely proud and supportive of her accomplishments. Congratulations, Athena!



UBC music team leads All Campus Worship

UBC's music team played for about 1,500 people during the fall, 2009 All Campus Worship service at Foellinger Auditorium. Thanks to Music Ministry Coordinator Chipu Sakufiwa and her outstanding team!





UBC Alumni meet in Washington DC

Joel Versypt, Ashlee Ford, John ZuHone, Javier Ancalle, and Laura Ruppalt (pictured from left to right) met together in Washington, DC in June 2010. These five friends are alumni of the University of Illinois, and four served as deacons at University Baptist Church. Joel is currently working on a master's degree in higher education administration and leadership and serving as the Interim Housing Administrator for the Baptist Housing Ministry. Ashlee is earning a Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering and hopes to be a professor. John earned his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago and is a post-doctoral fellow at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. Javier earned a bachelor's degree and a M.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois and is currently a Water Resources Engineer at URS Corporation. Laura earned a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois and is currently a researcher at John Hopkins University. University Baptist Church is thankful to be a meeting place for calling and equipping tomorrow's Christian leaders.

Baptist Housing Ministry News

New BHM Interns for 2010-2011

We're delighted that God called three UBC-BHM friends to serve the housing ministry this year. Julie Birky, a Stratford alum who recently graduated with a master's degree in social work at UIUC, is serving Stratford and 3:12 House as our Women's Housing Intern. Bob Kuo, a UBC member finishing a master's degree at Urbana Theological Seminary, served at Sutton Place this fall. Pierce Vanne, a Koinonia alum and former UBC deacon, is serving Koinonia while working on a master's degree in Political Science at the UIUC. What outstanding people!



Julie Birky and Pierce Vanne



Bob Kuo



Tangent Awards Banquet 2010

Rev. Pierre Tangent served as Minister of the University Baptist Church from 1948 to 1955 and was the first Director of the Baptist Student Foundation. The Tangent Award Memorial Scholarship Fund was created to honor the memory of Rev. Tangent. When Mr. Tangent passed away in 1990, a group of University Baptist Church alumni from the time of his ministry agreed that a scholarship fund would be an appropriate way to perpetuate his memory. Consisting of contributions from these alumni and friends of Christian higher education in general, the first Tangent Award scholarships were given during the 1996-1997 academic year.

Pictured above are the winners of the Tangent Awards for 2010.

Pictured left to right are: Adam Rule (Koinonia), Jackie Gibson (Stratford), Nicholas Quintana (Sutton Place), and Sarah Boyd (3:12 House). These students received scholarships for excellence in their academic work, and their overall character and contribution to the house. Congratulations!



Stratford House is getting crafty in the kitchen!

3:12 House Fellowship

In June, 3:12 House residents went to the Gibson City Drive-In to see Toy Story 3.

In July, they traveled to Turkey Run State Park for a kayaking trip. After this, they stopped at the Beef House for dinner.

This past December, 3:12 House had a Christmas party with a Secret Santa.

Koin helps at TIMES Center

Paul Anderson has been the leader of a group from Koinonia who have committed to serving at the TIMES Center on a weekly basis. The TIMES Center provides meals and sleeping quarters for the homeless.

BHM Bacon Day

A community building event involving the church and the houses!



Root beer kegger and Halloween party

Social events this fall included a root beer kegger at Koin and also a Halloween party, complete with costumes.

Other social events at Koin included playing Intramural Sports. Koin Soccer went to the second round of the playoffs with a 4-2 record. The two Koin volleyball teams both made it to the playoffs and actually played each other in the second round. Basketball intramurals are going on this winter as well.

Koin-Strat Barn Dance 2010

Look at all the flannel shirts! The house residents participated in a dinner and barn dance at Hardy's Reindeer Ranch. This was a fun, community building event for the students living in the houses!



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If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Beard at 217-344-0484 or advancement@uofibaptist.org.

The University Baptist Church and the Baptist Housing Ministries of Koinonia, Stratford, Sutton Place and 312 House would like to take this opportunity to thank those who continue to pray for and financially support them. Your faithful contributions enable the mission to continue on the campus of the University of Illinois.

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