

# Refuge Youth Happenings!

## NOVEMBER

- November 7th- Bible Study
- November 10th- No Youth Jam!
- November 14th- Fun Night! More details to come!
- November 19th- Girls Overnight at Biven's
- November 20th- Service Project at As One
- November 21st- One Service @ 10:30A.  
Decorating for Advent to follow.
- November 24th- No Jam or Connections
- November 26th- OCC Processing Center
- November 28th- No Youth

**DON'T FORGET YOUTH JAM ON WEDNESDAYS AT 7P!**

- *Calendars are outside Alisa's office. Please pick one up if you don't have one.*
- *Do you want to make a difference in our youth's lives and teach God's word? If so please see Alisa!  
We are looking for Sunday School teachers!*

Dear Church family,

First of all, we wanted to thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for praying for our family as we have been here at the Union Seminary. We have truly felt your prayers and have appreciated the emails and cards you have sent. We wanted to give you all an update on what is going on with us.

Darren is half-way through a very busy semester. He is working on a paper on the Lord's Supper in church history that might win him a prize. He is working with a couple of the committees on campus. He has also been named one of the student body representatives to the board of trustees.

Débora is working hard to balance teaching Spanish part-time at a nearby elementary school and taking care of the home and kids.

David is playing on a soccer team that happens to practice and play their games in the field right in front of our seminary apartment. Joshua and David both love playing in the seminary playground. Joshua just turned three and loves going to the library for story time.

We continue to feel that we are exactly where God has called us to be. We are excited in the knowledge that God has a plan to use us and our gifts for His glory. Darren is having an opportunity to really strengthen the gifts that God has given him and we will follow where the Lord leads.

Ezequiel and Elena Romero (Débora's parents) are living five minutes away from us and they have been a blessing and support to us. Ezequiel received treatment this summer for prostate cancer and is recovering beautifully. Praise God!

Thank you for praying for us and supporting us financially. We are overwhelmed with gratitude to our heavenly Father for the gift that Southminster is to us. We thank God for you! We continue to pray for you as well. We look forward to visiting you all again soon.

We love you. God bless each one of you.

Love,

The Utley family

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**Help the hungry and those in need!**

Dime-A-Meal will be collected on November 14th!

Small white collection boxes with an explanation of the dime-a-meal program are in each Narthex.

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First United Methodist Church of Gastonia will be opening the doors of their Family Life Center for use as a **night-time Emergency Winter Shelter** to provide a warm, dry shelter for those who might otherwise have to find a spot in an old car, under a bridge, in a tent in the woods, or wherever. Volunteers are needed to staff the shelter when the temperature goes to 32 or below. If you are interested or have any questions please see Heather Stowe.



**Lost & Found:** Have you lost something at the church? Check out the lost and found box in the workroom. All items will be donated to our annual Yard Sale after December 5th, 2010.

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