

**Women’s Study**

A new Women’s Study began January 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Ruth Stout. Pastor Carol is leading the study. *Soul Feast* by Marjorie J.Thompson is the book of study. The study is an invitation to the Christian spiritual life. Several from Nettle Creek heard the author speak at *Caregiving 2003* in Bridgewater, Virginia this past summer. Topics include: “Hunger and Thirst for the Spirit: The Spiritual Yearning of Our Time,” “Chewing the Bread and the Word: The Nature and Practice of Spiritual Reading,” Communication and Communion with God: Approaches to Prayer, “Gathered in the Spirit: Our Common Worship,” The Practice of Self-Emptying: Rediscovering the Fast,” “Of Conscience and Consciousness: Self-Examination, Confession, and Awareness, “Companions on the Journey: The Gift of Spiritual Direction,” “Entertaining Angels Unaware: The Spirit of Hospitality,” and “Putting it All Together: Developing a Rule of Life.” **All women are welcome to join us.** Contact Pastor Carol for further information.

**Can Sunday School Be Exciting? Yes It Can!!**

The **Faith Seekers Sunday School Class** will be doing a study of Rick Warren’s *The Purpose Driven Life* beginning **March 7** during the S.S. hour. Subjects of the study include: *What on earth am I here for? What is the purpose of my life? Why did God make me? and What am I supposed to be doing with my life?* Jodi Johnson will be leading the study, and we invite anyone who is interested to participate in this exciting study. **See Jodi Johnson or Dee Reneau by February 15 so materials can be ordered.**

**Junior High and Senior High Sunday School Class**

The classes have been combined with Julie Potter as the teacher. Come join in the class and learn as a group.

**Lenten Lunches Begin February 25**

**At noon starting February 25** we will begin our Lenten lunches. There will be a light meal of soup and bread followed by a short meditation. It will last from 45 minutes to one hour. If you would like to volunteer to make the soup and/or provide the bread for a Wednesday lunch, please sign up in the East S.S. classroom. Invite a friend and come prepare your heart for Lent.

**Engagement Congratulations!**

**Julie Wieseke and Alfredo Espinoza Tobias** have announced their engagement to be married. A tentative date has been set for October 2004. Julie intends to go to Graduate school next year, as does Alfredo. We extend our congratulations to Julie and Alfredo.



**Continuing to Pray for...**

**\*Ted Hobbs** Janine Stout Dumitru Jane Briar Bob Klein  
Fred Dilling Shirley Root Carl & Phyllis DeVinney  
Care Centers: Estella Hilbert, LuFreda Bowman  
Homebound: Ruth Crull, Viola Nicholson



**Giving For January**

Average Weekly Offering needed to meet budget..... \$1,513.56  
Average Offering for December was.....\$1,010.68  
Jan. 4..... \$ 1,959.48  
Jan. 11.....\$ 1,010.75  
Jan. 18.....\$ 789.50  
Jan. 25.....\$ 1,183.00  
Average Weekly Offering for January..... \$ 1,235.68  
Global food Crisis--\$32.00, Women’s Fellowship--\$100.00  
Average Attendance for January.....50

