



# UNITED CHURCH OF MOSCOW JANUARY 2010 NEWSLETTER

## *Jodie's BIG THANKS!*

*Dear United Family!*

*Thank you, so much, for your astonishing Christmas gift! I couldn't believe your generosity, tucked into my beautiful card brimming with your warm and welcoming messages! In fact, I was in a bit of shock to receive it, and as our Christmas Dinner was cleared away I let in your generous gift and felt deeply grateful that we are becoming so firmly rooted in each others' hearts. Thank you, all, and may our many blessings continue to flow through the years ahead.*

*Peace, Jodie*

## *Joke of the month*

Barack Obama visits the GM plant in Detroit to see firsthand how GM is faring. During his tour he notices Morton working on the assembly line and breaks away to greet Morton with a hug. The same thing happens when Joe Biden visits the plant and again, a month later, when Hillary Clinton passes through Detroit. They spot Morton working on the lines and they are so thrilled to see him they hurry over to him with a grin and great big hug!



"Do you know *everybody?*" Morton's boss asks him, amazed. "I bet you don't know the Pope!" "Sure, I know the Pope. *Of course* I know the Pope," Morton replies.

Well, the gauntlet is thrown so Morton's boss agrees to fly them to Rome. They stand with the crowd at St. Peter's as the Pope says the Mass from high up on his balcony. Fifteen minutes before the Mass will end Morton slips away and re-appears in time for the Benediction, standing shoulder to shoulder with the Pope!!

Two Chinese tourists passing through the crowd tap Morton's boss on the arm. "Hey!," they say. "Who's that guy in white standing next to Morton?"

## *January Birthdays*

2<sup>nd</sup> - Lisa Hawley  
5<sup>th</sup> - Mariah Talbott  
13<sup>th</sup> - Iris Manning  
16<sup>th</sup> - Lou Stevens  
22<sup>nd</sup> - Dale Gentry  
28<sup>th</sup> - Scotte Hecht  
28<sup>th</sup> - George Belt





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## *Prayer Matters*

The following folks have asked to be included on our prayer list—please keep them in your heart this week.

If you'd like to add yourself or a loved one to our Prayer Matters list, just be in touch.

- Barb Hawley, Glenda's daughter-in-law (serious surgery tomorrow, Jan 7)
- Betty Leonard's mother (esophageal cancer and other health concerns)
- James Leonard (seeks employment and needs community support)
- Betty and Gene Leonard (seek to be healthier, stronger, decreased stress)
- Iris and Royce Manning's grandsons (guidance, strength, positive directions)
- Lucille Green (rehab for broken leg @ Aspen Park Healthcare, 420 Rowe Street, Room 203, Moscow, 83843)
- Jenet Johnson (cancer recovery)
- Bonnie Nelson's son's brother-in-law (joy—health concern is resolving)
- Leona Nelson (@ Bishop's Place)
- Joan Gustavson (coming back from tough December illness)
- Donna Spencer's parents (health concerns)
- Peter Lanting (@ Good Sam for healing, Room 101)
- Tammy and all Lanting Leonards (loving caregivers for Peter)
- Pat & Dale Gentry (health concerns)
- Joanie (our friend from Milestones)
- Sheila Batey (seeks to be connected with faith community)
- Christine Tooley (health concerns)
- Jodie Tooley (preparing for ordination paper defense 1/19 in Seattle)
- Pray for peace



Great Morning Star A-Rising!

This year's tree-burning was on Epiphany Sunday!

What a wonderful way for our community to welcome the return of the light!

Thank you to the Lanting-Leonards for hosting us!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30 am Adult Education 11:00 am Morning Worship	4 Spiritual Mysteries	5 5:30 p AA Mtg	6 10a – 12p Palouse Clear Water Color 12p Moscow Interfaith Alliance 7p Choir Rehearsal	7 5:30 p AA Mtg	8 Movie Night Featuring “Mr. Hollands Opus”	9
10 9:30 am Adult Education 11:00 am Morning Worship	11 Spiritual Mysteries	12 12 pm Grief Support Group 5:30 p AA Mtg	13 12 pm Cancer Support Group 7pm Board of Director’s Mtg	14 5:30 p AA Mtg	15	16
17 9:30 am Adult Education 11:00 am New Pastor’s Installation	18 Spiritual Mysteries	19 5:30 p AA Mtg Jodie – Seattle for Ordination Defense	20 7p Choir Rehearsal Jodie – Seattle for Ordination Defense	21 5:30 p AA Mtg	22	23
24 9:30 am Adult Education 11:00 am Morning Worship	25 Spiritual Mysteries	26 12 pm Grief Support Group 5:30 p AA Mtg	27 7pm Deacon’s/ Elder’s Mtg	28 5:30 p AA Mtg	29	30
31 9:30 am Adult Education 11:00 am Morning Worship Jodie’s Presentation Joint Dinner Board/Elders Time: TBA	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Church Phone:</b> 208-882-2924</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Church Office email:</b> <a href="mailto:ucmoscow@gmail.com">ucmoscow@gmail.com</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.unitedchurch.cc/">http://www.unitedchurch.cc/</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Jodie:</b> If you’d like to speak with Jodie, please call the church at 208-882-2924, or email <a href="mailto:jodietooley@gmail.com">jodietooley@gmail.com</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Church Office Hrs:</b> Tues 3:30 – 5 p &amp; Wed. &amp; Fri 8 – 11a</p>					



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