

Delphi UMC adds Rohrer to pastoral staff

Sheri Rohrer was recently named Pastor of Outreach and Connection at Delphi United Methodist Church. She began her new role July 1 and is currently learning her duties and meeting people in the church and community.

Most recently, Rohrer served as senior pastor at Kilmore United Methodist Church near Frankfort. She said about a year

ago she felt it was time to take a step toward "servant ministry" in which her role would be to "have a foot in the church and a foot in the world."

Senior Pastor Todd Ladd said he sees this as a great opportunity for his church to be more attuned and responsive to its members and the community.

The work that Sheri will do fills one of the holes in our cur-

rent staffing model," he said. "She not only brings a heart for ministry but a heart for the Lord."

Part of Rohrer's work will focus on helping people feel comfortable and connected when they visit the church. Another aspect will be outreach. She will help equip members to have "eyes outside the church," to find out what can be done to help in the community. She will also help with existing ministries, start new ones, and work with outreach and discipleship teams.

Rohrer and her husband Robert have been married 15 years. They have three daughters, Alisha, Bethany and Sarah. They have lived in Delphi since 1997.



Sheri Rohrer

Rohrer said she relishes the opportunity to become a more integral part of the church and community now that she is working in Delphi.

Chaps fundraiser set Sept. 22

Comet staff report

The annual Chaps Ride/Walk-a-thon will be held Sept. 22. Riders are invited to bring their horses for a two-hour trail ride through Camp Tecumseh while walkers and joggers partake in a 5K run/walk.

Everyone involved will meet for lunch with a live charity auction, Chaps demonstration, and awards ceremony.

For more information, contact the Chaps business office, 615 W. State St., West Lafayette, or call 765-494-8433.

Guidebooks take guesswork out of identifying trees

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The National Arbor Day Foundation has a resource available to help an average person identify trees in a simple, step-by-step process.

What Tree Is That? is a useful 72-page pocket guidebook that helps distinguish different characteristics of many species of trees in Indiana and the Eastern and Central regions of the United States. The books also include dozens of detailed drawings that accurately illustrate the specific shapes and textures of different leaves, needles, acorns, berries, seed pods, cones, and other identifying features.

"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees is central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," said John Rosenow, president of the

Foundation. "Being able to identify trees is important to knowing how to care for them and how to plant the right tree in the right place."

To obtain a tree identification guide, send name and address and \$3 for each guide to *What Tree Is That?*, The National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Books can also be ordered online at www.arbor-day.org.

Announcements

First United Methodist Church, West Lafayette, will offer an eight-session workshop, "UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF: Ten Essential Touchstones for Finding Hope and Healing Your Heart" on Tuesday nights, Aug. 7 to Sept. 25, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. For additional information or to register, call Rev. Frank at (765) 463-7926 or call program secretary Rhonda Todd at the church office, (765) 743-1285. All inquiries are held in confidence. The church is located at 1700 SR 26W.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

By Dr. James Dobson

Pointing out other parents' faults is risky proposition

QUESTION: I have a friend whose children drive me crazy. They are the most undisciplined brats I've ever seen. We can't even talk when they are around. I would love to help my friend with a few disciplinary tips. How can I do this without offending her?



Dr. Dobson

DR. DOBSON: When you want to point out a flaw or shortcoming in someone else's behavior or character, you do it the way porcupines make love: very, very carefully. Otherwise, you're likely to lose a friend.

Pointing out parenting mistakes in others is even riskier. You're liable to get your ears pinned back for trying it - even when your motives are honorable and you have a child's interest at heart. That's why I never offer unsolicited advice about other people's children, no matter how badly I think it is needed.

If you insist on telling the other mother what she doesn't want to hear, let me suggest that you first invest some time and effort in your friend. When a relationship of confidence has been carefully constructed, you'll have earned the right to offer her some gentle advice.

There are no shortcuts to this process.

QUESTION: If it is natural for a toddler to break all the rules, should he be disciplined for routine misbehavior?

DR. DOBSON: Everything depends on how misbehavior is defined. Toddlers get in trouble most frequently because of their natural desire to break everything within their grasp. However, this "reaching out" behavior is a valuable means of learning and should not be inhibited.

I have seen parents punish their 2-year-olds throughout the day for simply investigating their world. This squelching of normal curiosity is not fair to the youngster. It seems

foolish to leave an expensive trinket where it will tempt him, and then scold him for taking the bait. If "little fat-fingers" insists on handling the china cups on the lower shelf, it is much wiser to distract him with something else than to discipline him for his persistence. Toddlers can't resist the offer of a new plaything. They are easy to interest in less fragile toys, and parents should keep a few alternatives available for use when needed.

When, then, should the toddler be subjected to mild discipline? When he openly defies his parents' very clear commands! If he runs the other way when called, purposefully slams his milk glass on the floor, dashes in the street when being told to stop, screams and throws a tantrum at bedtime, hits his friends - these behavior patterns should be discouraged. Even in these situations, however, harsh punishment is unwarranted. It is never appropriate! A few minutes sitting on a chair will usually convey the same message as convincingly.

Without watering down anything I have written about discipline, it should also be understood that I am a firm believer in the judicious use of grace (and humor) in parent-child relationships. In a world in which children are often pushed to grow up too fast, their spirits can dry out like prunes beneath the constant gaze of critical eyes. It is refreshing to see parents temper their harshness with a measure of "unmerited favor." Likewise, there's nothing that booms every member of a family quite like when laughter and a light-hearted spirit pervades the home.

Send your questions to Dr. Dobson, c/o Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903, or to his Web site at www.focus.org. These questions and answers are excerpted from books authored by Dr. James Dobson and published by Tyndale House Publishers. Dr. Dobson is the founder and chairman of the board of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home and Judeo-Christian values. Copyright 1997 James Dobson, Inc. All rights reserved. International copy secured.

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BROOKSTON CHURCH OF CHRIST: 206 N. Prairie Street, Brookston. Ron Guzman, minister. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.

BUCK CREEK UNITED METHODIST: 4915 Ferret St., Buck Creek. Dwight Monical, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.

BURLINGTON FIRST BRETHREN: 205 W. 8th St., Rev. Dr. Peter Rousakis, pastor. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.

BURLINGTON CHURCH OF CHRIST: Tim Pohlman, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m., Children's Church: 10 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m., Youth Groups: 6 p.m.

BURLINGTON UNITED METHODIST: Rev. Chuck Rockey, pastor. SS: 10:50 a.m., SW 9:30 a.m.

BURNETTVILLE FIRST BAPTIST: Second & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 10:00 a.m., SS: 11:15 a.m.

BURNETTVILLE CHRISTIAN: Sixth & Washington, Burnettsville. John Wright, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

BURNETTVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: First & Main, Burnettsville. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

BURROWS PRESBYTERIAN: SS: 11:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

CALVARY CHAPEL CARROLL COUNTY: Wabash & Erie Canal Interpretive Center, Delphi. Eric Haley, pastor. SW: 10 a.m.

CAMDEN UNITED METHODIST: Dan Gottschalk, pastor. SS: 9-9:45 a.m., SW: 10 a.m. Sun. Nite Praise 6:02 p.m.

CLYMERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: 4003 W 400S, Clymers Kevin Drane, pastor. SW: 10:30 a.m. SS: Same as worship.

COLBURN ROAD BAPTIST: Bill Cadle, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

COLBURN UNITED METHODIST: Kasey Schnepf, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:20 a.m.

COMMUNITY BIBLE MINISTRIES: 1/2 mile north of SR 22 on CR 1150W. Patrick Kamm, pastor. SS: 9 a.m. SW: 10:15 a.m.

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN: 3570 E 200S, Bringhurst, Dan C. Butcher, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m. SS: 10:30 a.m. Youth group 6:30 p.m., Bible study Wed. 6:30 p.m.

CUTLER PRESBYTERIAN: SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

DEER CREEK UNITED PRESBYTERIAN: Highway 29 in Deer Creek. SW: 10:30 a.m. SS: 9:15 a.m.

DELPHI CHRISTIAN CHURCH: 315 E. Main St, Delphi. Andrew Paris, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m. Wed. Bible study: 7 p.m.

DELPHI CHURCH OF CHRIST: 405 Cottage Street, Delphi. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 & 5 p.m., Wed. Night 7 p.m.

DELPHI COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD: 321 W. Main Street, Delphi. Rev. Virgil Moss. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

DELPHI PENTECOSTAL: Hwy. 25 East, Delphi. Tim Stewart, pastor. Thurs. night Bible Study: 7:30p.m., SS: 12:45 p.m., SW: 2 p.m.

DELPHI UNITED METHODIST: Union & Monroe Streets, Delphi. SW: 8:45 & 11 a.m., SS: 10 a.m., Todd Ladd, pastor; Micah Hudson, youth pastor.

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FAITH CHURCH OF CHRIST: SR 29, Burlington. Steve Cole, minister. SW: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. a.m., SS: 11 a.m., Wed. Bible study 7 p.m.

FAITH LUTHERAN: CR 800 N, west of Hwy. 29. Thomas J. McShannock & Sandy Hutchens, pastor. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:10 a.m.

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH: Hwys. 29 & 26, Middlefork. Jim Anderson, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH: U.S. 421 North, Tippecanoe Township. Gilbert R. Ingram, pastor. SW: 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD: US 421N., Pittsburg. Brent Oliver, pastor. SW: 9:30 am, Wed. Family Night: 7pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CAMDEN: Paul Marcellino, interim-pastor. Tue. 9:30 a.m. Women's study, Wed. 6:30 p.m. WW, SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:45 a.m., Sun. Youth Service 5:30 p.m. Sun. Bible study: 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST: Indiana & Franklin Streets, Delphi. William Glenn, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: Main & Indiana Streets, Delphi. Rev. Louis Sandos. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

FLORA FIRST BAPTIST: 115 W. Columbia Street, Flora. Interim pastors. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

FLORA FIRST BRETHREN: 115 N. Washington Street, Flora. Dan Herendeen, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

FLORA FIRST CHRISTIAN (Disciples of Christ) S. Center Street, Flora. Pamela Ditson-McCall, pastor. SW: 9:30 a.m., SS: 10:30 a.m.

FLORA GRACE BRETHREN: 103 S. Willow St., Flora. James Franklin, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m., Wed. Prayer Service: 7 p.m.

FLORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 211 S. Center St., Flora. Charles Compton, pastor. SW: 10:15 a.m.

FLORA UNITED METHODIST: 107 E. Main Street, Flora. Larry DeVos, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:15 a.m.

FLORA VALLEY VIEW SOUTHERN BAPTIST: Route 2, Flora. Bill Godbey, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

GRACE MISSIONARY BAPTIST: 1101 Dreifers Ave., Delphi. Joe Whitehead, pastor. SS: 10 a.m. SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

HICKORY GROVE CHURCH: CR 700 W., Jefferson Township, Ken Smith, pastor SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

HILLSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST: Hwy. 22, 2 miles E. of Burlington. Doyle Buckner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

IDAVILLE CHURCH OF GOD: 11073 E 50 N, Idaville. Chris Murphy, pastor. Mearl Hodges, asst. pastor. SW 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., SS: 9:30 a.m.

JUBILEE FELLOWSHIP: CR 50 N, Flora. Scott Gamel, pastor. SS: 9:00 a.m., SW: 10:00 a.m.

LIVING FAITH CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: 310N 250W. Jeff Tomson, pastor SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

LIVING STONE CHURCH: Meets at the Freedom Center in Delphi. Stan Williams, pastor. SS: 11 a.m., SW: 9:30 a.m. contact (765) 589-3771

LOCKPORT NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHURCH: East of Patton. Nord Zootman, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. Sun. Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

LOWER DEER CREEK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN CR 300 N, SE of Camden. SW 10:15 a.m., SS: 9:00 a.m.

MT. ZION INDEPENDENT BAPTIST: 102 N. Connelly Street, Delphi. Alfred Smith, pastor. SS: 10:15 a.m., SW: 9 a.m., & 6 p.m.

OAK GROVE CHRISTIAN: 11810 N & 900 W, Monticello. Interim pastor, Don Arterburn. SW: 10 a.m.

PINE GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Crooked Road, 1 mile E of Delphi. Justin Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m., SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

PITTSBURG MISSIONARY BAPTIST: John Wagner, pastor. SS: 10 a.m.; SW: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Bible Study: Thurs. 6:30 p.m

PLEASANT HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 5490 North SR 39, Frankfort. Donna Enerson, pastor. SS: 9:45 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome.

PYRMONT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: Pastor. Howard Hendrickson SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10:15 a.m.

RADNOR CHURCH: Ed Selvidge, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

ROCKFIELD CHRISTIAN: Bob Cree, pastor. SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10 a.m.

ROCKFIELD PRESBYTERIAN: SW: 9:30 a.m.

ROSSVILLE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP: 16 Cason St. Judd Dickey, pastor. Sunday Corporate Prayer: 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 9:30 a.m.; SW 10:00 a.m.

ROSSVILLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN: 109 N. Plank Street, Rossville. Pastor, Bob Pfeifer. SS: 9 a.m., SW: 10 a.m.

ROSSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 5434 W State Rd 26, Rossville, IN. Bob McAulay, interim pastor SW: 9 a.m., SS: 10:20 a.m.

ROSSVILLE UNITED METHODIST: Main & Gaddis Streets, Rossville. Rick Jones, pastor. SS: 9:15 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

SHARON AMERICAN BAPTIST: St. Rd. 29, Carrollton Township. James Lund, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC: 207 N. Washington Street, Delphi. Peter Vanderkolk, pastor. SW: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH: 1301 S. Washington St., Delphi. Dale Larson, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN: Church & Cumberland Sts., Camden, 2 blocks West & 1 block North of SR218 and SR75. Dale Larson, pastor. SW: 8:30 a.m., SS: Same as Worship.

WHIRLWIND MINISTRIES: meet at Burrows Fire Department, Greg & Michelle Britt, pastors. SW: 9 a.m. (574) 652-2280

YOMAN UNITED METHODIST: Dave Inskoop, pastor. SS: 9:30 a.m., SW: 10:30 a.m.

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