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You are invited to the
HMONG HOUSE of GOOD NEWS
ANNUAL MEETING

Central United Methodist Church
639 N 25th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2014 at 2:00 PM

- **Learn** more about our Hmong neighbors.
- Experience a mini “**Afternoon in Laos**” with Hmong costumes and entertainment.
- See how the **elders benefit from this ministry** through fellowship, exercises, games, shared activities, and nourishing food.
- Participate in **election and installation** of the Board of Directors.
- Enjoy **refreshments**.
- **Shop for gifts** from the crafts made by or for the Hmong House elders.
- **Learn** how you and your church can help support this ministry.

If you plan to come, please RSVP by Friday, October 24 to Rev. Nhia Wahn Her, Program Director, at Hmonghgn@gmail.com or phone 414-342-4380 or 920-562-9594.



Hmong House of Good News - Moob Tsev Moo Zoo

A Visit to Hmong House of Good News Reflections

Would you like to visit Hmong House with your church or UMW? Please call Director Rev. Nhia Wahn Her at his cell 920-562-9594 to arrange a time. We also love walk in's if you are in Milwaukee. We are open W,TH,F, from 8:00 to 2:00 and are located in the Central United Methodist Church. **We love visitors!**

Our UMW unit at **Port Edwards WI** has been a supporter of Hmong House of Good News for several years. Having heard much about it some of our members wanted a firsthand look. So on July 11, 2014 five of us headed to Milwaukee for the 3 hour ride to have a Hmong experience.

Upon arriving at Central UMC Church we were met with smiles and some Hmong appetizer treats! The Hmong elders were busily engaged in crafts and socializing with one another in their native language, clearly enjoying the setting and being with friends. The involvement of volunteers, mostly UMW members from the Milwaukee area, was impressive as well.

Salud Rodman, chair of the Board, had arranged for an informative program to help us and another group of guests from Hartford UMW, better understand the Hmong culture and the scope along with the needs of the programs at Hmong House. Niah Wahn Her, pastor and director at the House gave a pictorial presentation and led a candid question and answer period.

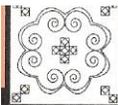
We needed to stop asking questions as a delicious lunch was waiting for us. It was prepared in authentic Hmong style and our group agreed that it was a culinary treat--even when we were unsure of some of the ingredients!

We had heard about the wonderful garden at Hmong House and asked to see it. So after lunch one of the elders escorted us to the site. Although she had only a few words of English in her vocabulary, her pride in showing the garden was evident. She even pulled different herbs for us to smell and take some with us.

Upon returning home and reflecting on the visit the thought occurred to me as to how I would react if the tables were turned and I was suddenly living in the land and culture of the Hmong. It is practically unimaginable. This fact alone, makes me realize how important is our ministry at Hmong House of Good News.

On Friday, July 11, ten United Methodist Women from **Hartford WI** visited the Hmong House of Good News at Central UMC in Milwaukee. We had the privilege of meeting the Hmong elders who attend Hmong House, doing puzzles, watching a Hmong TV program, and purchasing some of the many beautiful crafts they make. We also were given an overview of the Hmong Culture by Reverend Nhia Wahn Her, the Director of Hmong House and a tour of the Hmong garden by one of the elders. After, we were treated to a traditional Hmong lunch.

Hmong House of Good News receives monetary support from the UM WI Conference, the WI UMW Conference, local Wisconsin UMW units, and individuals like you. Expenses are high - rent to use Central UMC, transportation, programs, food, supplies - and giving does not always meet their needs. You can become a "Partner in Mission" through a monthly or annual sustainable membership. Hmong House also holds periodic egg roll sales - and Hartford UMC is a huge supporter of these sales! You can also donate beads for crafts, partially finished crafts, finished crafts for the elders to sell, games and puzzles.



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