

Local church to host Harvest Festival Nov. 13-15

Written by Holyoke Enterprise

Holyoke Methodist Church, located at 230 E. Furry, is hosting its Harvest Festival Friday-Sunday, Nov. 13-15.

Todd Bailey will be ministering Friday, Nov. 13 with a dinner at 6 p.m. and a service at 7 p.m. as well as at both services Saturday, Nov. 14 at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. with dinner following the last service. The church welcomes Dr. Omar Mednis who will speak Sunday, Nov. 15 at the 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services with a pot luck lunch to follow.

Harvest Festival will also feature the "One Chord" worship team and the Butterfly clown ministry at all services.

Bailey has the ability to obtain truths from the Word of God, presenting them with a delightful humor in a simple, yet powerful manner. He is a graduate of New Life Bible School "Special School of Ministry" in Cleveland, Tenn. and RHEMA Bible Training Center in Broken Arrow, Okla. He and his wife Wendy are both writers and have traveled to 15 nations on five continents with their ministry.

Mednis and his wife Ilona minister as a team, traveling all over the world to train, equip and activate the saints for every good work. Both were born in Latvia and experienced the breaking up of their families during World War II. After coming to the United States, they became Christians and became heavily involved in their church.

"One Chord" is a worship team with Deb Dowling. The musicians desire to come together and invite others to join in worshipping the Lord with abandoned hearts. Their style of worship is one that anyone can join in and not feel intimidated. The members come from three different communities and churches in Nebraska, and they have lead worship at many conferences, rallies, church services and prayer vigils.

As a clown named Butterfly, Jean Schroeder mimes scriptural truths, uses object lessons and makes the Gospel of the Bible come alive. Butterfly has been set free of mental and physical abuse from her childhood, and she uses this to minister to children as she and her gentle bunny co-workers travel around the world.

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For more information about this year's Harvest Festival, contact the church at 854-2433.