



# CHIMES

## Whittier First UMC

Good News for All...through learning, action, and love

IN-PERSON & ONLINE Worship every Sunday @ 10am

 **Whittier First United Methodist Church**

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# ROOTS OF A MOVEMENT:

## Wesley Brothers

*This month we are highlighting the Wesley brothers from the 18th century. They are the founders of the Methodist Church. All our hymns and the majority of our prayers come directly from them. As you engage in worship this morning, may your heart feel the warmth of God's Spirit.*

"In 1739, John and Charles' friend, George Whitefield, invited them to come to Bristol, England, for the holidays. George had already started preaching outdoors to the poor. John, as a trained Anglican Priest, called this practice "vile" because he was trained to believe preaching should only be done behind a pulpit in a church. When John realized that 3000 people had come to hear him preach outdoors, his convictions changed. He stated, 'I submitted to be more vile and proclaimed...the glad tidings of salvation.' This little flame in John's heart, burst into a movement starting with the first society in Bristol." –Pastor Angela

Join us this Sunday @ 10am, in-person or online,  
"Roots of a Movement:

Wesley Brothers Part IV, Be More Vile'

### August 7

Roots of a Movement: Wesley Brothers, Part I,  
Rectory, Psalm 71: 5-18

### August 14

Roots of a Movement: Wesley Brothers, Part II,  
Holy Club, I Thessalonians 5:16-24

### August 21

Roots of a Movement: Wesley Brothers, Part III,  
Heart Strangely Warmed, Acts 1: 1-8

### August 28

Roots of a Movement: Wesley Brothers, Part IV,  
**Be More Vile, Matthew 5: 13-16**

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

### In-Person:

Sunday, August 21, 2022: **38**

### Online (Facebook & YouTube):

Sunday, August 14, 2022: **96**

## Opportunities for involvement 08.28.22—09.01.22

Sun, 08.28.22

8:45 am

**M & M Challengers**

Kraft Friendship Room

10 am

**Traditional Worship**

Sanctuary & Online

10:15 am

**Children's Sunday School**

Library

Tues, 08.30.22

4 pm

**SPRC Meeting**

Online

Wed, 08.31.22

9 am

**Sew n Sew**

Sewing Room (Admin 101)

Thurs, 09.01.22

2 pm

**Staff Meeting**

Kraft Friendship Room

## CHURCH CHILI COOK-OFF is back!

**Sunday, Sept 18, after worship, Wesley bldg.**

Several chili entries needed, plus donations of cornbread, taste testers! Anyone can enter, so make sure to tell a friend.



## FAMILY PROMISE

returns Sept 25-Oct 9, 2022

Volunteers needed to help provide meals and overnight monitors.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 2 @ 1pm, Sanctuary patio

**COMMUNION STEWARD NEEDED** to set up every first Sunday of the month. Please contact the Church Office for more information.

## KEYBOARD LESSONS ON PIANO/ORGAN

Dr. Tom Strout is offering instruction, (beginners to advanced). Good piano skills needed to begin organ lessons. Call 562-696-4326 for details.

## JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Warm up those vocal chords and join the choir on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm starting September 8th. The choir will learn music for upcoming services and you could now be a part of that celebration by adding your voice in praise of God. Contact Marvin with questions at 626.798.9332.

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9.11.22

A NEW WAY TO DO CHURCH  
2ND SUNDAY/MONTH, 11:30AM  
13222 BAILEY ST. WHITTIER, CA 90601

# Gratitude for Service:

## AMY RAY

My family and I came to Whittier First UMC through an invitation by Dee Collins to attend a special service hosted by Kimball Coburn. It was an amazing service and we've been here ever since! As a child and youth, I was active in Sunday school, children's choir, musicals, VBS, MYF and helped with refreshments. It was exciting when I became old enough to be an acolyte and join the youth bell choir. While in college at UC San Diego, I was in the bell choir at Escondido First UMC. Now I am glad to be back here in the bell choir again.

Growing up, many Saturday mornings were spent helping collect newspapers for the church with my dad. However, my favorite service project with the church is Easter Work Camp. I consider myself fortunate to have attended EWC in elementary school as a helper, as a camper during each of my Spring Break weeks during high school and again after college as a counselor. I hope to help again!

Outside of church I have always enjoyed service to the community. My grandma, Lyn Yeomans, was active in the community and found fun ways to get me involved. We helped with Habitat for Humanity in Whittier, supported refugee families, and sewed many items to donate to children in need at hospitals, the Painted Turtle camp and in foster homes. She introduced me to the Shelter's Right Hand 5k walk and she started the collection of aluminum tab tops that I still collect and donate.

I currently volunteer as co-leader in a Girl Scout troop hosted here at Whittier FUMC and volunteered with the Cub Scout pack at East Whittier UMC and now a Boy Scout troop in Whittier.

My full-time job is working at UnitedHealthcare in Healthcare Economics where I started immediately after college. I was a summer intern before I graduated and have since been a manager and mentor to summer interns over the years. This summer I managed 4 interns and am thankful to be able to extend job offers to the 3 who will be graduating in the next year.

In 2018, I became the Chair of the UnitedHealthcare California Employee and Community Engagement Committee which sponsors volunteer events for United employees in California. I have coordinated the UHC sponsorship of Shelter's Right Hand 5k walk since 2015. I am the lead for the UHC business partnership with Olive Crest, a foster service organization based out of Bellflower. Every year I help coordinate the Easter basket drive, Back-to-school backpack and school supply drive and the Adopt-A-Family Christmas gift drive for United employees to donate to children in need.

I am grateful to be part of this congregation of Whittier First UMC and to raise my kids here. So many of you inspire me to go out and do good work in the community. Thank you church family!



# ROOTS OF A MOVEMENT: PART III

Charles Wesley had an experience with the Spirit 3 days before John, May 21, 1738  
@ John's Bray's home.





St. Paul's Cathedral, John attended St. Paul's before his Aldersgate experience





Aldersgate St. where John Wesley felt his heart strangely warmed

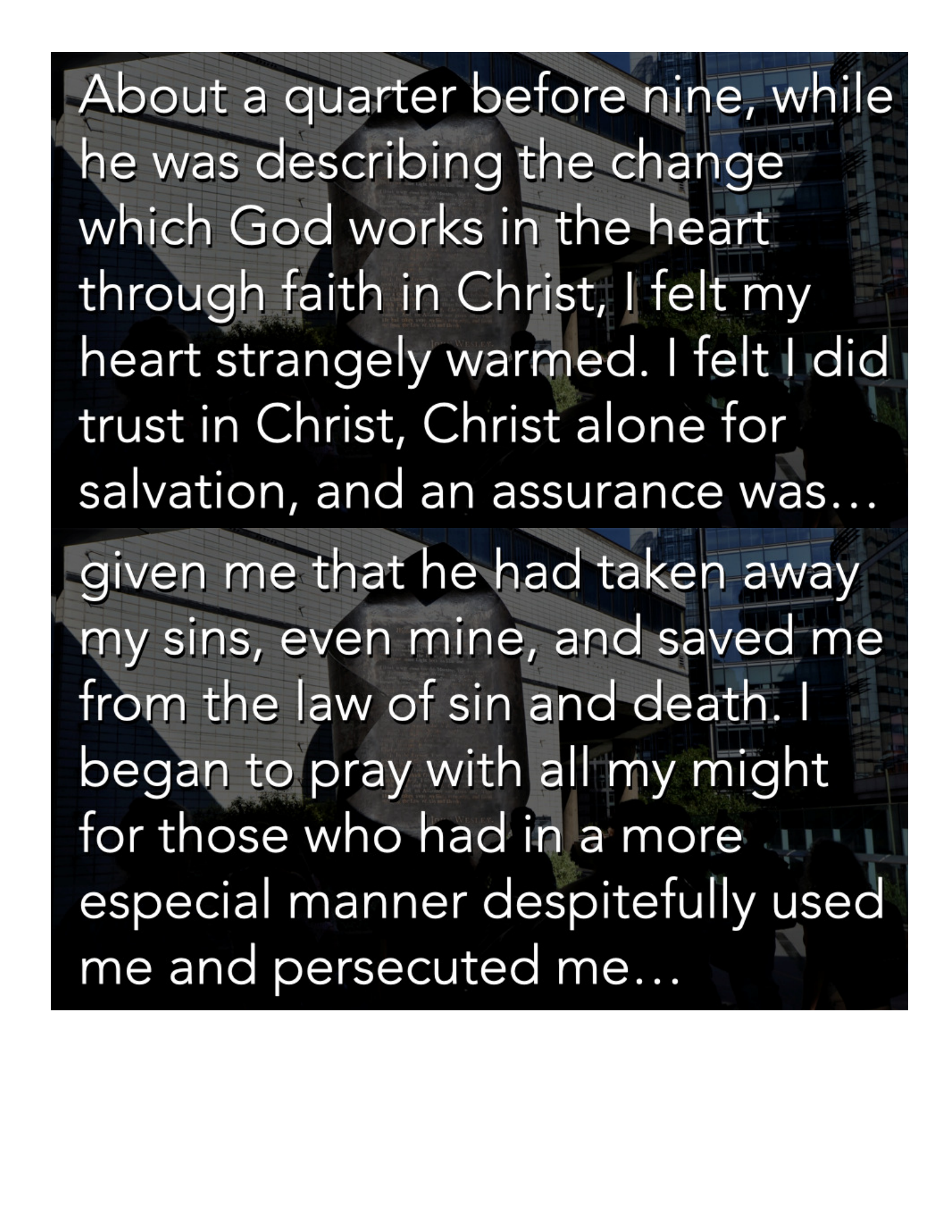


## John Wesley's Journal

"Wed., May 24, 1738.

In the evening I went very unwillingly to a society in Aldersgate Street, where one was reading Luther's Preface to the Epistle to the Romans...





About a quarter before nine, while he was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation, and an assurance was...

given me that he had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death. I began to pray with all my might for those who had in a more especial manner despitefully used me and persecuted me...



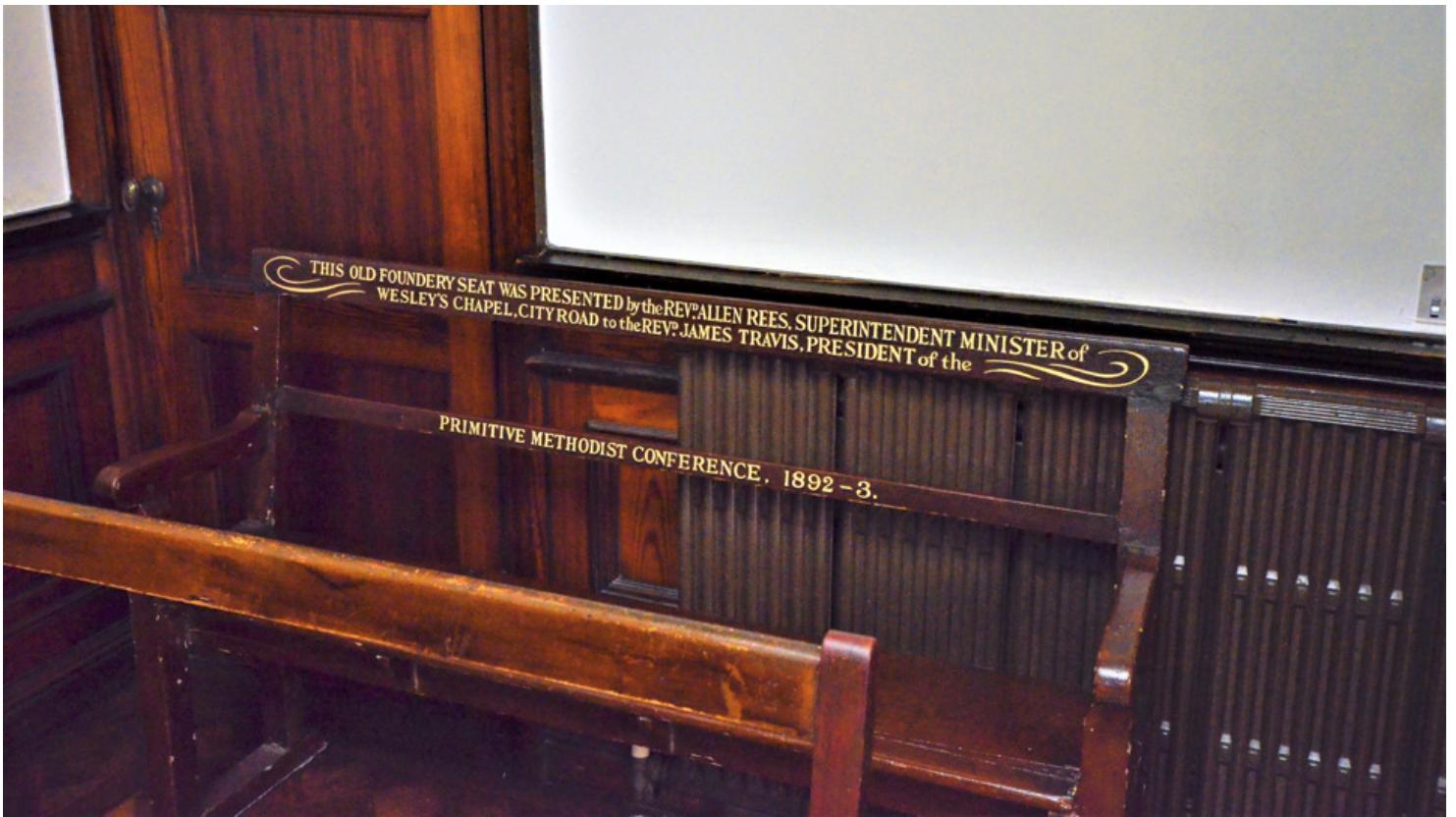


I then testified openly to all there  
what I now first felt in my heart."

Society in London: Foundry







Wesley's home and chapel in London, England

















