

MarketPlace



The Newsletter of West Market Street United Methodist Church, Inc.

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Greensboro, NC



All-Church Picnic

Sunday, May 6
Bur-Mil Park
3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Activities include inflatables, games for all ages, face painting, and much more

Bring your best picnic items to share. Drinks, paper and plastic products will be provided. Make your plans now to join in the rite of spring with WMSUMC.

Feel free to invite friends. This is a great way to introduce new people to WMSUMC.

WMSUMC's Summer Music Camp 2008

July 28 - August 1

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Worship Presentation:

Sunday, August 3

at 8:30 and 10:55 a.m. services

Come join us for *Rescue in the Night*, the story of Daniel and the Lions' Den. The production will be a light-hearted but faithful rendition of this Biblical story of courage and obedience. Summer Music Camp is for children who have completed second through fifth grades and includes classes in drama, props, set design, music and choreography. Snack and lunch are provided each day.

The cost is \$50.00 per camper if registered by July 1. Cost after July 1 will be \$60.00. Scholarships are available.

Brochures for Music Camp will be mailed by April 27. Please contact Alice Ann Johnson, 275-4587, vm 18 or ajohnson@wmsumc.org for additional information.

United Methodist Women Luncheon General Meeting

Monday, May 5
12:00 Noon
Program:
Celebrating our Children!

Plan to join WMSUMC's United Methodist Women for lunch on May 5 as they celebrate and honor new babies. It is a special tradition that is anticipated every year. Invite a friend, and join us.

Cost of lunch is \$6.00. **Reservations** for lunch are required, and must be in by Sunday, April 27. Childcare is available, by reservation only. Reservations for childcare are also due by Sunday, April 27. Call Peggy Joyner (274-0710) or Patricia Troxler (292-2164) to make your reservations.

The Executive Committee will meet prior to the General Meeting in FH2 at 11:00 a.m.

New Member

Welcome to Sarah Meyer, 75 Rhododendron Drive, 27455 (382-5850), who joined WMSUMC by baptism and Profession of Faith on April 13, 2008.

Building Committee Update

On March 18 the Eugene St. Building Committee gave a presentation to the Administrative Board with the help of Bruce Cantrell of the J Hyatt Hammond architectural firm. He has worked with us on the drawings that have been completed as of that date. These included a 3-dimensional rendering of the outside of the building from all sides. This presentation was well received by the Administrative Board. There was a Q&A sheet that was passed out after the presentation that addressed pertinent issues related to this project. Additional questions came from the audience.

At our last building committee meeting on April 14, the decision was made to move the congregational meeting that had been scheduled for May to the fall of 2008. This decision was made to give additional time to prepare how best to communicate why we need the building and who it will serve to enhance our Mission Statement to glorify God as we make, nurture, and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ. This will also give us time for economic conditions to improve and to get the Capital Funds part of this project in place.

Brochures for Vacation Bible School July 14-18 Have Been Mailed

VBS is for 3 1/2-year-olds through rising 5th graders.

If you did not receive a brochure, contact Nancy Hamilton (275-4587, vm 12) or pick one up at the church.



Our Mission: *The mission of WMSUMC is to glorify God as we make, nurture and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ.*

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR . .



It is my prayer that as you read this you are reminded that God is present with you. That understanding is real in my life these days.

I write this article some four thousand miles away from most of you, on the island of Oahu, Hawaii. Earlier, 24 other senior pastors from our Western North Carolina Conference and I (all part of the LEAD Academy [Leadership, Evangelism and Discipleship] initiated and funded by our own Royce and Jane Reynolds) made the pilgrimage to attend the Leadership Practicum for Senior Pastors offered at New Hope Christian Fellowship Church in Honolulu.

Some of you remember the powerful presentation made by Dr. Wayne Cordeiro, Senior Pastor at New Hope, at the Leadership Summit 2006. Through Cordeiro, God birthed a church in Honolulu in the mid-1990s. Now each Sunday more than ten thousand persons worship God at New Hope and its nine satellite campuses.

Because the ministry of New Hope is focused outward, just like our ministry at West Market, each year the church opens its doors to pastors from all over the world. The expectation is that cross pollination might occur, inspiring and blessing both the New Hope congregation and those attending from distant lands (this year the continental U. S., Australia, New Zealand, and Brazil.)

Over the past days we senior pastors have been given the opportunity to shadow the staff of New Hope Church. The experience has been rich. This past weekend we attended leadership classes at the church, at-

tended two of the five weekend worship services New Hope holds on its main campus, and participated in the sacrament of baptism.

The sacrament of baptism was powerful. On Sunday afternoon we had the privilege of baptizing new converts at a special mid-afternoon baptism service – in the Pacific Ocean. One hundred and seventy-seven new Christians were baptized on that afternoon. I'll never forget the experience.

As those we baptized hugged us afterwards, we United Methodist pastors shared that our experience was almost as powerful as that of those who began a new relationship with God through Christ at that moment. We all thanked God for the gift of community, and remembered that we are all related to one another through Jesus Christ.

I was reminded that the experiences of life are enhanced when shared with others. The question for you is: "Who is walking by your side as you journey with Christ?"

I pray that you find a partner with whom to: pray, study Scripture, and do life. I am thankful that, through our denomination, you and I are allowed the opportunity to be part of the worldwide church, and that we can learn from one another.

I return home the middle of next week. You are in my prayers each day. May God continue to bless you.

Dave Melton

WORSHIP

Sunday,
April 27
8:30 and 10:55 a.m.
Sanctuary
9:40 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Sermon: Pam Strader
The 11:00 A.M. Sunday Worship Service is broadcast over
WPET 950 AM

Tuesday Music

12:30 p.m. Sanctuary
April 29
Samee Griffith, piano
Music for meditation begins at 12:25 p.m.
A light lunch will be served each Tuesday from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. for \$5.00.

WCN Menu

April 30

Hot dogs/hamburgers

This is the last Wednesday Church Night until September 10



Registration is Now Open for Leadership Summit August 7 and 8

Don't miss this year's Summit. Members at WMSUMC can register for a very special rate of \$75.00 now through July 13. For information

and instructions to register by credit card visit the WMSUMC web site (www.wmsumc.org) and click on the Leadership Summit link. Enter the password *llwya2008* and complete the registration process. Registration can also be arranged by check payable to WMSUMC. To register by check, please contact Cheryl Moore in the church office (275-4587, vm 23).

May Organ Recitals Musical Celebrations

WMSUMC will host some exciting organ recitals during the month of May. As in past years Tuesday Midday Music will feature our glorious Dobson-Rosales organ, presenting —
May 6 ---- Eddie Huss, Minister of Music at Wesley Memorial UMC in High Point
May 13 ---- Laurie Ryan, Minister of Music at Church of the Holy Comforter in Burlington
May 20 ---- Back by popular demand after their sabbatical last year, Lucy and Ethel (Susan Bates and Alice Ann Johnson) will reprise some of their classics but don't discount the possibility of a surprise or two!



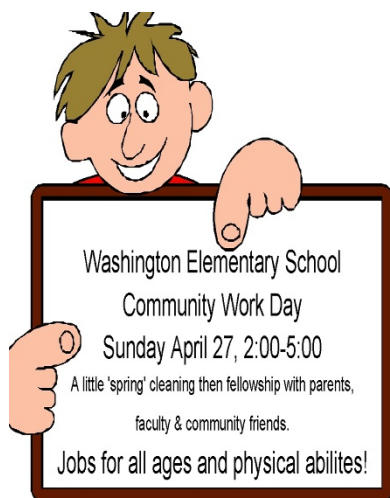


Guatemala Mission Trip Information Meeting Sunday, May 4 at noon in FH2

Join the 2008 Guatemalan Mission Trip.

WMSUMC plans to send 18 missionaries October 25 - November 2 to Guatemala for a combined medical and construction mission trip. Mission team members will also conduct a Vacation Bible School for the local children in impoverished Mayan villages in Guatemala.

Plan to attend the lunch information meeting on May 4 to learn more about this exciting mission opportunity. Please RSVP to the Outreach Ministry at 275-4587 vm 16. Don't miss this incredible heart-transforming experience.



Washington Elementary School
Community Work Day
Sunday April 27, 2:00-5:00

A little 'spring' cleaning then fellowship with parents,

faculty & community friends.

Jobs for all ages and physical abilities!

Outreach Opportunities

WMSUMC to Host GIHN Homeless Families Again in May

As a GIHN (Guilford Interfaith Hospitality Network) "host congregation", WMSUMC will provide overnight accommodations and meals for three to five families (up to 14 individuals) for one week once a quarter. The volunteers in February will testify that this is a wonderful opportunity for us to demonstrate Christian hospitality and love to those in need, and it is fun too!

Our guest families will join us May 11-17. Volunteer opportunities are

- Provide and eat dinner with the families. (Fun for small groups or for families!)
- Stay with the families overnight and help transport them to the Day Center
- Provide activities for the children on the weekends. Great idea for Sunday School classes, families, UMW circles or small groups.
- Laundry
- Help with set-up or take-down.
- Do some spring cleaning and help provide needed supplies. Supply lists available on the Outreach table.

Sign up at the Outreach Table or call Ginger or Chris Shields (273-5774) for more information.

Curious About WMSUMC's Mission Involvement in Bulgaria?

You are Invited to a Special Symposium
Sunday, May 11 (9:45 - 10:45)

Room #415

"Everything you ever wanted to know about Bulgaria, but were afraid to ask!"

Presented by Rachel & Brandon Gilmore, former Bulgarian Peace Corps Volunteers and current Duke Seminarians.

Learn more about the culture, customs, and religious practices of the country of our "In Mission Together" Bulgarian church partners.

All are Welcome!

"...one body, one Spirit, ... one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all..." Ephesians 4:4 NRSV



Our Church Family

As of April 20, 2008

In Memoriam

Willie Mae Ellis Powell
April 11, 2008

Sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

In Memoriam

Louis Eugene Allen, Sr.
April 16, 2008

Sympathy is extended to his wife, Anne, family and friends.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Thorpe Jones on the death of his brother, Allen Jones, of Wilmington, NC, on April 21, 2008.

New Baby

Welcome to Matthew Christopher Anderson, son of Jennifer and Jon Anderson born March 27, 2008. Maternal grandmother is Lynn Jones.

Baptism

Theodore Rollen Hartley, son of Karen and Garrett Hartley, was baptized Sunday, April 13, 2008.

Welcome to Our Local Visitors Sunday, April 20, 2008

Rachel Adkins; Ian Bailey; Kent, Janis, Will Barnard; Deborah Bisbee; Kevin & Emily Brenner; John & Joan Cameron; Eric & Ashley Clark; Diane Coble; David & Amy Daughton; Erin & Adam Deal; Dee Dukes; Todd, Tammi, Hunter & Caroline Early; Chris & Anita Faulkner; Alyne Ferreira; Michelle Hall; Sage Hanna; Robyn & Chris Hayes; Brooke Hoover; Karon Jobe; Stephanie Jones; Kevin Brady & Megan Jones; Sean McClain; Melissa McGill; Ed Monroe; John P. Paschal; Vanessa Pizzi; David & Linda Pritchett; Mark Rodman; Artie Valentine; Elizabeth Wendt; Bonnie Williams; Steve Williams; Colleen & Megan Wright

Opportunities for April 27—May 3

Leak Chapel open daily 11a.m.-2 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 - Heritage Sunday
8:00 am Laity in Prayer, Rm 319
8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:40 am Worship Service, FH
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:15 pm Heritage Sunday Lunch, FH
2:00 pm Washington Elementary
Community Cleanup Day
4:00 pm Spanish Class, CR
4:30 pm Youth Handbells, Rm 316
5:30 pm Joyful Noise Choir, Chapel
5:30 pm UMYF, Coffee House

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

11:45 am Tuesday Lunch, FH
12:30 pm Tuesday Music, Sanctuary
5:30 pm MarketBell Ringers, Rm 316

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

9:00 am Sewing Group, Rm 109
10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
4:45 pm WCN Kids, Rm 304E
5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
5:30 pm Cherub Choir, Rm 303
6:30 pm WCN Programs
6:45 pm Chancel Choir, Rm 317
8:00 pm AA, Rm 413

THURSDAY, MAY 1

8:00 am Staff Habitat Build
6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery, FH
6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH

FRIDAY, MAY 2

4:00 pm Confirmation Retreat

SATURDAY, MAY 3

8:00 am Habitat Build

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Health Happenings

Protecting Kids from Sports Injuries

Monday, May 12
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Moses Cone Education Center
Rooms 0029-0031.

Ensuring Bone Health - What Every Woman Can Do

Tuesday, May 20
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Women's Hospital Classrooms 5 & 6.

Whispering Strokes-learn how to recognize symptoms of small strokes.

Wednesday, May 28
5:50 - 7:00 p.m.

Moses Cone Education Center
Rooms 5 & 6.

Women and Incontinence - Regaining Control

Tuesday, June 3
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Women's Hospital
Classrooms 5 & 6.

All classes are free.
Call 832-8000 to register.

Courtyard Engraved Pavers

Here's a great idea for Mother's Day!
Orders are now being taken for the second
Abatch@ of engraved pavers for the court-
yard in front of the sanctuary. A paver is
also a great way to celebrate a significant
event in your church life, be it a wedding, a
birth, confirmation, baptism, or just to rec-
ognize a special ministry or person in your
faith journey. Order forms are available in
the church office, by mail upon request, e-
mail, on the church web-site, or on the dis-
play table in the Gathering Space. Be sure
to visit the courtyard to see the pavers that
are in place and order today.



West Market Street Youth Fundraiser For Costa Rica Mission Trip

Did you know that the West Market youth will be traveling to Costa Rica for ten days on a mission trip on June 24? They will serve as the hands and feet of Jesus by helping to build and expand an existing church and teach a VBS for the children in the community.

Did you know that the youth will be selling their custom blend coffee "Pulse" along with the handmade coffee mugs?

They will be selling them in the Gathering Space between all church services and at Wednesday Church Night. Please come visit the Gathering Space to purchase this exciting new coffee and beautiful mugs. They will make perfect Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts.

Help support our youth as they travel to Costa Rica this summer to share the love of Jesus Christ!

