

MarketPlace



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February 16 Is the Day! \$25,000 Is the Goal!



WMSUMC will again host Pancake Day benefitting Habitat for Humanity on Tuesday, February 16. Doors are open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cost for this all-you-can-eat meal is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 10 and under. Volunteer sign-up is in the Gathering Space and Fellowship Hall. Invite family, friends and neighbors for more great fun and fellowship.

Pancake Day is the kickoff event in raising \$25,000 for our 2010 Habitat build. The radio show "Murphy In The Morning" will broadcast live several times during the early morning as will local TV stations. Come for breakfast and share your Pancake Day memories with the Greensboro community — there's a little celebrity in all of us!

Consider supporting Pancake Day by donating tickets for our police, firefighters, EMTs and nurses or anyone whom you choose. Our ECC and Washington Montessori School will be special guests bringing lots of laughter and eating lots of pancakes and sausage.

Designer Pancakes for the children will be cooking during the dinner meal. Rev. Jeff Peck and Kevin Brenner are our chefs for the day and look forward to your designer requests.



Lenten Meditation Services

Mark your calendars for each Tuesday of Lent, beginning February 23. A Lenten meditation service with special music and communion will begin at noon in the Sanctuary. At 12:25 p.m. the service will be followed with a soup-and-Sandwich lunch in the Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$3.00 will be appreciated to cover the cost of the lunch.

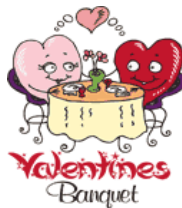
Please invite friends, neighbors and the downtown community to these services as we reflect and prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

Meltons and Friends Present a Meal and a Show

On Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13, Dave and Lynne Melton, their family members and some of their friends will serve you a delicious spaghetti dinner and perform love songs and show music for you in our Fellowship Hall. All of the proceeds will go toward WMSUMC's Capital Campaign.

The evening will begin with dinner at 6:00 p.m., and will be followed with music around 6:45 p.m. Members of the performing cast will be Dave, Lynne and Mary Katherine Melton, Elizabeth and Andrew LeJeune, Susan Bates, Carol Johnson, Tim

Lamb, Robert Matthews, Scott Nowlan and Pam Wheeler.



Tickets for the event are \$20.00. That's more than is usually charged for fund-raising "meals and a show" around here in hopes that \$15.00 of that can go straight to the Capital Campaign (and, as you know, will be matched by our own Royce and Jane Reynolds.)

Tickets are available from our church office. There will be a limited number of tickets sold for each night. Please call Jeannie or Cheryl at the Church for more information (275-4587).

Gospel on Tap: The Seven Deadly Sins

Is pride your cardinal vice? Perhaps sloth, or even lust? The Gospel on Tap starts again this February with a series on the Seven Deadly Sins. This motley list of vices will be covered in four sessions in The Loft at Natty Greene's. Tuesdays February 2, 16, 23, and March 2, we meet for good food, good conversation, and good times. February 16, Bishop of the Western North Carolina Conference, Larry Goodpaster, will speak of pride and anger. Kevin Brenner, of the Guilford County Schools, will speak on lust; and March 2, Ann Pinto of the United Way, will speak on sloth and gluttony. If you're in your 20s or 30s, come on down to Natty's the Tuesdays in February. We gather at 6:30 p.m. The presentation begins at 7:00. Spread the word! We hope to see you there!

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

▲ WORD FROM THE PASTOR . .



I am always moved when I remember the Native American legend in which one wise, older man, sitting around a campfire on night, said: "It seems, my brothers, that I have two dogs fighting in my heart. One is a very good dog with a beautiful spirit which always watches out for my purest, cleanest and best interests; the other is a bad dog with an ugly spirit which always seeks to destroy the clean, pure side of my life – and the things I want to build up. These dogs cause a lot of suffering in my life because they are always fighting."

A young boy asked the wise man this question: "Which one of the dogs wins the fight?" The wise man answered: "The dog that wins the fight is always the one I feed."

In Paul's second letter to Timothy, he writes: "For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline." (1:7 NLT)

Over the past weeks we've been talking

about those fears that would keep us away from the things of God: fear of failure, of rejection, of financial ruin.

God didn't give us the spirit of fear, but of power, writes Paul. But, like the wise old man, many times we feed the spirit that doesn't come from God.

This Sunday we conclude our series: "Overcoming Our Fear of Death." That fear is the "worm at the core" of our beings, according to both philosophers and psychologists.

Pray that God will guide us to an understanding of His power and love in such a powerful way that we will be led to feed the good things in our hearts, and depend on His presence now and forever.

God bless you.

Dave Melton

Reading Buddies and Classroom Help Needed at Washington School

Washington Montessori School needs more volunteers during the school day. Volunteers are needed to serve as Reading Buddies and work in the classroom assisting teachers. Reading Buddies will read to a child during lunch time. The volunteer decides the day to visit and read. This is a small time commitment for the volunteer but a tremendous gift to the child. The school also needs classroom helpers in all grade levels to assist children and teachers. Get involved and make the difference in the life of a child! For more information about volunteering in the classroom contact Laura Dixon, 282-6003. To become a Reading Buddy contact Amy Kreimer, 288-4913 or kreimer3@bellsouth.net.

Join the 2010 Mustard Seed Mission Team to Bulgaria

WMSUMC plans to send up to 12 adults on a ten-day mission trip to be in ministry with our partner churches in Pleven, Voyvodovo, and Mizia, Bulgaria from July 26 – August 4.

Mission team members will have many opportunities to work with children through a two-day Christian camp and through a VBS at the Pleven church and an afternoon program at the Borovan orphanage. Missioners may also continue the work of the prayer shawl ministry, enjoy fellowship and worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Bulgaria, and continue the reconstruction work on the sanctuary in the Pleven church. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share the love of Christ with our partners in ministry in Bulgaria.

Information sheets and mission trip applications are available at one of the Outreach Tables, or call 275-4587, vm 16, for more information. Applications and deposits are due February 21.

Sewing Group Needs Volunteers

The Sewing Group creatively prepares items for WMSUMC as needs arise. They have made items for the sanctuary, costumes, items for Mission Possible Kids, cot sheets and bean bag covers for The Early Childhood Center, fleece blankets for a mission trip, a tablecloth for the Christmas Store, to name only a few. Some requests come with no pattern and they create the design and make it.

For years the Sewing Group met each Wednesday from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. They have decided to meet only as needs arise and when they have a project. Their meeting time will be on Wednesdays when they gather. Volunteers need to be able to cut fabric and sew a straight seam. A special part of participating is enjoying the fellowship and helping to meet needs. If you are interested in helping or have questions, contact Chairperson Suzanne Robbins at 294-8205.

WORSHIP

Sundays,
February 7 & 14
8:30 and 10:55 a.m.
Sanctuary
9:40 a.m.
Fellowship Hall
Sermon: Dave Melton

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

Wednesday Church Night Menus

February 10

Chicken ranch casserole
Green beans
Whole kernel corn
Wheat roll
Dessert

February 17

Veggie Night
Pinto beans
Mashed potatoes
Cole slaw
Fried squash
Turnip greens
Cornbread
Dessert

Earthquake in Haiti: The Church Responds Be There. Be Hope. Make UMCOR Health Kits

Because of the earthquake and humanitarian disaster in Haiti, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) has expressed an urgent need for Health Kits. Not only does UMCOR need the kits for relief efforts in Haiti, they also need to continually re-supply in order to be ready to help when the next disaster happens. Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster.

The WMSUMC UMW will be collecting UMCOR Health Kits through the end of March. The entire congregation is encouraged to participate! Make it a family project! Kits may be deposited in receptacles in the Gathering Space, the Fellowship Hall, and the Narthex, or brought to UMW circle meetings or the United Methodist Women March 1 dinner meeting. Our United Methodist Women will be delivering them to our conference Mission Response Center for shipment to UMCOR.

UMCOR Health Kit Contents:

Place the following NEW items inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag:

- 1 hand towel (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27", no kitchen towels) ● 1 washcloth
- 1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized) ● 1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)
- 1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- 1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-size brushes)
- 6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages

In a separate envelope, please include a check payable to UMCOR Sager Brown for at least \$2.00 per kit to help with the costs of buying one tube of toothpaste, and the costs of processing and shipping the kits around the world.

Important Kit Assembly Information:

- All items included in kits must be NEW.
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items - nothing more.
- Do NOT include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits. These things must be removed and will delay the shipment.

Thank You...by making a simple health kit, you will be making a very real difference in the life of someone in need. Be there! Be Hope! Make a Health Kit today!

Our Church Family As of January 31, 2010

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to **Carol Coggins** on the death of her brother, Harry Harley Jones, of Hillsboro, NC, on January 25, 2010.

New Baby

Welcome to the following:
Colin Maines Sawyer, son of John and Elizabeth Sawyer born January 27, 2010, in Virginia Beach, VA. **Teri and Ed Smith** are the paternal grandparents.

Molly Caroline Anderson, daughter of Jon and **Jennifer Jones Anderson**, born January 31, 2010. Maternal grandmother is **Lynn Jones**.

Events Rescheduled for February 7

**Go Around the World
in Mission
Without Leaving
Greensboro!**

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Gathering Space

**Bulgaria 2010
Mission Trip
Information Meeting**

12:30 p.m.
Conference Room

Offering from the S.E.N.I.O.R.S. Team

Dining Adventure at Imperial Koi

The S.E.N.I.O.R.S Social Committee invites you to join them Tuesday, February 23, at 6:00 p.m. for a dining adventure at Imperial Koi Restaurant at 1941 New Garden Road. We will order from a limited menu. The cost of the meal plus tax and tip will be on your own. The restaurant is located on the upper level in the shopping center just past Fellowship Presbyterian Church when coming from Battleground Avenue.

Reservations are due by Monday, February 15. Please register with Jeanne Shepherd at 275-4587 or on *Connect*.

Lenten 2010 Home Bible Study

Wednesdays,
February 17 – March 24
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

The study book is *If God is Your Co-Pilot, Swap Seats!* by James W. Moore. Laura Dixon, Charles Gilbert, and Don Hoagland will lead the sessions. The study sessions will be held at the home of Charles and Mary Belle Gilbert, 1625 Milan Road.

Contact Susan Barnes at WMSUMC, 275-4587 to register and purchase a study book for \$10. Registration is required. The study group is limited to 20.

GTCC Culinary Lunch

Enjoy a culinary lunch treat at GTCC's Hospitality program on the Jamestown campus in the International Dining Room on March 18. Meet at 11:00 a.m. at the church and carpool to the campus or meet on the campus. Cost for lunch is \$7.00 and is due by Monday, March 1. Register with Jeanne Shepherd at 275-4587 by Monday, March 1. There are a limited number of reservations for this event.

Our Presence

	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31
8:30	130	145	
9:40	132	120	
10:55	287	279	
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Opportunities for FEBRUARY 7-20

Leak Chapel open daily

11a.m.-2 p.m.

- 8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
- 8:30 am Around the World in Mission, GS
- 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
- 12:00 noon Coffee Hour Plus, GS
- 12:30 pm Bulgaria Information Meeting, CR
- 5:30 pm UMYF, Coffee House

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 6:00 pm MarketBell Ringers, 316

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 1:30 pm Older Adult Team, CR
- 5:30 pm Finance Committee, CR
- 6:00 pm Stephen Ministry, 415

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
- 4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 304D
- 5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
- 5:30 pm Cherub Choir, 316
- 5:30 pm Joyful Noise Choir, 317
- 6:00 pm Pancake Day Planning, 405
- 6:30 pm WCN Programs
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir, 317
- 8:00 pm AA, 415

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- 8:00 am Pancake Day Planning, 405
- 5:30 pm Evangelism, CR
- 6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 6:00 pm Meal and a Show, FH

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 6:00 pm Meal and a Show, FH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
- 8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:30 pm Intergenerational Valentine Party, 415
- 9:40 am Worship Service, FH
- 9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
- 10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 12:00 noon Coffee Hour Plus, GS
- 5:30 pm UMYF, Coffee House

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 8:00 am Pancake Day Setup, FH
- 6:00 pm MarketBell Ringers, 316
- 7:00 pm Partners in Prayer, Library

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 6:30 pm Pancake Day, FH

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
- 4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 304D
- 5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
- 5:30 pm Cherub Choir, 316
- 5:30 pm Joyful Noise Choir, 317
- 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
- 7:15 pm Chancel Choir, 317
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting, 415

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- 6:00 pm Outreach Meeting, FH

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United Methodist Women Invite YOU to Our March General Meeting

Monday, March 1

Dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: Mildred Carter

Conference President, Western North Carolina

Conference United Methodist Women

This is a special opportunity to invite your spouse and friends to join the United Methodist Women for their March meeting! We will learn about UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) and about the United Methodist Church response in Haiti.

Reservations for dinner are required, and must be in by Sunday, February 21. Call Grey Wood (299-2729) or Merrimon Gravely (294-2503) to make your reservations. Childcare is available, by reservation only, due also by Sunday, February 21.

Hands-On Mission: UMCOR Health Kits -

Participate in UMW's hands-on mission project and bring or send at least one UMCOR Health Kit to the meeting!

(See Health Kit information

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Circles

Monday, February 8

Circle #1, 10:15 a.m.,
Library

Circle #2, 10:30 a.m.,
412 Fisher Park Circle,
Unit A, Anne Daniel,
host

Circle #5, 6:00 p.m.,
Fellowship Hall (Feed
WE! Shelter)

Tuesday, February 9

Circle #6, 10:00 a.m.,
12 Tallowood Court,
Delores Gray and
Karen Meredith, hosts

Thursday, February 11

Circle #8, 6:00 p.m., TBA

Tuesday, February 16

Prayer Shawl Ministry,
10:00 a.m., Room 302D

Thursday, February 25

Prayer Shawl Ministry,
7:00 p.m., 3426 Deep
Green Drive