

# The Cross and Flame

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**Thoughts from the Rev.**

**“CAST THE STONE OR BE THE CHURCH”**

*“You who have not sinned cast the first stone”*

*John 8:7*

The night was dark and lonely as I sat there waiting for people to find out what I was supposed to have done. I was afraid people wouldn't understand. They would judge me, talk about me, look down on me, and write me out of their lives. People whom I thought were close friends will not have nothing to do with me. My cousins and nephews will lose all respect for me. How can I look into the eyes of my parents and see their deep disappointment in me. “Woe is me, I am a man of unclean lips.”



I can't help but think of the movie “Trading Places” when Dan Aykroyd, a very successful Wall Street trader was framed as a crook by a couple of his bosses to prove a point that a street bum (Eddie Murphy) could be trained to do his job. When the news of Aykroyd's supposed stealing and drug abuse got to his so-called friends, colleagues and old college friends, they turned their backs on him...would not have anything to do with him...and made fun of him.

In other words, they convicted this man before it was proven that he was guilty. But even worse than that, when given the opportunity to care for someone in need...innocent or guilty...they blew it big time. Adam Hamilton has a book entitled “When Christians Get it Wrong.” When we do we bring shame on ourselves and the Church. We are not about pointing fingers, We are about healing. We are not about accusing. We are about forgiving. We are not about throwing stones. We are about standing up to block the stones from hitting any of God's children. We are not about joining the pack of dogs to tear the flesh of someone we have known. We are about lifting someone above the raging pack and setting them on the safety above. Each of us can choose how we will act and react to news like this. We can join the pack and tear someone apart. Or we can do the Christ-like thing, take the high road and embrace a brother in need. When given the opportunity be the church. Everyone wins when we do.

*Prayers: Dear God, remind me that when I point my finger at someone else three of my own fingers are pointing back at me. I am guilty of sinfulness and therefore have no right to accuse another. Help me to forgive and heal and restore. Help me be the Church. Amen*

—Steve Martin

# January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Every Sunday</u> 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship</p>	<p><u>Every Monday</u> 7:00 pm Boy Scouts 7:00 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p><u>Every Wednesday</u> 6:30 p.m. HandBells 7:30 pm Choir Practice</p>				
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 3:00 pm Group 12 Meet at E. L. Thomas's
<p>9 8:00 a.m. UMM Break-fast 12:30pm Group 9 Meet at Kim &amp; Homer's</p>	<p>10 7:00 pm Witness Comm.</p>	<p>11 6:30 pm UMYF 7:00 pm Children's Council</p>	<p>12 10:00 am Sue Rollins Circle at the Meeting House</p>	<p>13 7:00 pm Gertrude Alspaugh Circle 7:00 pm PPRC Comm.</p>	14	15
<p>16</p>	<p>17 7:00 pm Nominations Comm.</p>	<p>18 6:30 pm UMYF 7:00 pm Admin. Council</p>	<p>19 10:00 am Stitches With Love 4:00 pm Small Group 9 Fellowship Meal</p>	<p>20 7:00 pm UMW Executive Comm.</p>	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**



- January 1 Kelly Jones
- January 2 Steven Parker
- January 3 Jamie Bullard
- January 6 Kristopher Abshire  
Lisa Read  
Martha Thomas
- January 7 Dustin Hunter  
Michele Roberts
- January 9 Shannon Bradsher
- January 10 Charles Crews
- January 11 Marie Kimel
- January 12 Olivia Shutt
- January 14 Daphne Murrell
- January 17 Randy Nelson  
James Larry Sapp
- January 19 Nancy Green  
Anna Hale  
Mary Manning
- January 21 Carrow Mabry  
Jerry West
- January 22 Shannon Spach Preston  
Mandy Stallings
- January 23 Tristan Bradsher  
Stan Morgan
- January 25 Karan Montgomery
- January 26 Kaye Greenwood  
Jennifer Johnson
- January 30 T. L. Griffith



- January 5 Tom and Barbara Mahannah

**OUR VOLUNTEERS**

**PROVIDE BREAD FOR VISITORS**

- January 2 Peggy Sizemore
- 9 Peggy Williams
- 16 Kathy Neace
- 23 Evelyn Groce
- 30 Joyce Long

**USHER SCHEDULE**

- January 2 Roy Spach, Head Usher  
Chris Council  
Dee Fair  
Brent Shutt  
Steve Tucker
- January 9 Tom Mahannah, Head Usher  
Scott Pugh  
Eddie Scott  
John Fonda  
Calvin Tanner
- January 16 Roy Spach, Head Usher  
Chris Council  
Dee Fair  
Brent Shutt  
Steve Tucker
- January 23 Tom Mahannah, Head Usher  
Scott Pugh  
Eddie Scott  
John Fonda  
Calvin Tanner
- January 30 Roy Spach, Head Usher  
Chris Council  
Dee Fair  
Brent Shutt  
Steve Tucker

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

- January 2 Sally Scott
- January 9 Denise Henry
- January 16 Heather Rorke
- January 23 Linda Houle
- January 31 Elizabeth Green

**SANCTUARY ASSIGNMENT**

- January Bobby and Peggy Sizemore

**GREETERS**

January Asbury Sunday School Class

**SECURITY CHECKERS**

January Searchers Sunday School Class

**CRISIS CONTROL ITEM**

January Jelly

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

January 24 10:00 a.m. Deadline

**SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY**

Sunday School classes meet every Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. The classes are listed below:

**Asbury Class** is studying "Old Testament Stories from the back Side" by J. Ellsworth Kalas.

**Friendship and Willing Workers** are studying the Adult Bible Studies Series which is Exodus and selections from the Psalms

**Searchers** are beginning a study called "The Holy Spirit in the Wesleyan Heritage" by Mack B. Stokes.

**Wesley Patchwork Class** has begun a study of Hebrews from the Bible

Please choose a class and come join the fellowship. We also have classes for the youth and Children.

**Mission Trip**



**MISSION TRIP TO NAVAJO RESERVATION**

There will be a Mission Trip to the Navajo Indian Reservation in the summer beginning June 16 and returning on June 29. You will be teaching Bible School to the Navajo Children, visiting the assisted living home and doing crafts, and assorted jobs on the reservation. Side trips will be made to Canyon de Chelley, and the Grand Canyon. We will be traveling by bus. We can only take 30 people on this trip. We will have our first meeting on January 9 at 2:00 p.m. to prepare for the trip. A \$100.00 deposit is due at that time. If you are interested, please see Polly Caudle (pcaudle@bellsouth.net) for all the information or pick up information on the board across from the History Room. I have five other churches that are interested and I feel sure that we will get 30 people for the trip this year.



**MEN'S GROUP**

January 9 8:00 a.m. UMM breakfast in the fellowship hall. We will be serving pancakes and sausage. We invite all men of the church to join us for breakfast.



**YOUTH GROUP**

*News*

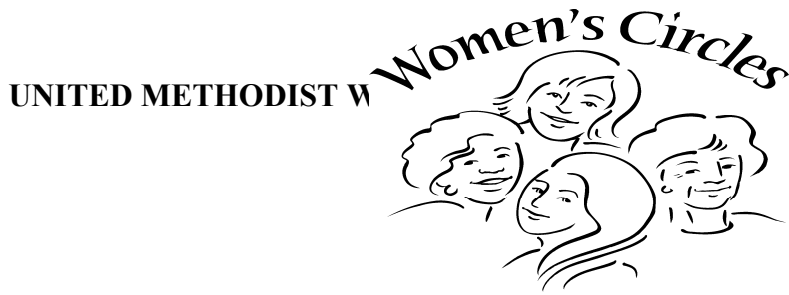
- January 4 NO UMYF
- January 11 Parent Meeting for Spaghetti Dinner, Ski trip and other business
- January 18 Put together Hope House care packages
- January 25 Sports/Fellowship
- February 5 Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Youth will meet at 3:30 p.m.

**SCHEDULING MEETINGS**

Pastor Steve will be meeting with the youth on Tuesday evenings. When planning your committee meetings please try to consider trying to schedule them when Pastor Steve can meet with you.

**MEETING HOUSE SCHEDULE**

There is now a separate calendar posted for the Meeting House. It will be easier to keep track of the plans for the Meeting House if we use this calendar. It is posted on the bulletin board in front of the church office.



**The Sue Rollins Circle** will meet on January 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the Meeting House at 260 Sara Lane. Peggy Griffith is the hostess and Linda Kite will present the program entitled “Finding Peace Through Action”. **Please note the change in location.**

**The Gertrude Alspaugh Circle** will meet on January 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor. Sally Scott is the hostess and Denise Henry has the program.

### LOOKING FORWARD

- |              |                |   |
|--------------|----------------|---|
| January 23   | 2:30—5:30 p.m. | Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Circle leaders meeting at Burkhead UMC. This is a leadership workshop. There will be <b>two separate classes</b> for UMW training; one for <b>presidents and vice presidents</b> led by Linda Coleman <b>on 2011 goals and the “Finding Peace” program book</b> . <b>Circle leaders</b> will attend another class with Gail Hogan <b>focusing on mission</b> . |
| February 11  |                | Deadline for registering for District Mission Study.  |
| February 26  | 8:30 a.m.      | District Mission Study—New Hope UMC   |
| May 7        | 8:30 a.m.      | District Prayer breakfast—Mt. Tabor UMC   |
| July 14-17   |                | School of Christian Mission—Pfeiffer University   |
| August 9     | 5:30 p.m.      | District annual Meeting—Maple Springs UMC   |
| September 11 |                | UMW Conference Annual Meeting—Lake Junaluska  |
| November 13  | 3:00 p.m.      | District Training for Local Unit Officers—St. Andrews   |

### PURPOSE OF THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The organized unit of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.



# JANUARY 2011 MENU

## B2 - Bit O' Blessing Box

Quantities are Limited. Orders filled on a first come, first serve basis.

- 3 lbs. Birds Eye Steamfresh Meals (2 x 24 oz. pkgs.)
- 2 lbs. Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo
- 20 oz. Steak Fajita Strips
- 1 lb. Crunchy Fish Wedges
- 24 oz. French Fries
- 1 lb. 15 Bean Soup Mix
- 1 lb. Corn
- 16 oz. Fudge Brownie Mix

**\$21.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## B4 - Fast & Flavorful Cuisine

Convenience meals great for seniors and people on the go!

- Roasted White Chicken
- White Chicken Alfredo
- Meatloaf and Gravy
- Beef Patty with Gravy
- Meat Lasagna
- White Chicken and Gravy over Noodles
- Boneless Pork Patty with Barbecue Sauce
- Fish Fillet (lightly breaded and baked)
- Meatball Stroganoff over Noodles
- White Chicken and Penne

**\$28.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

\*specific meal details can be found at [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com)

## GLUTEN FREE!\*

### B5 - Allergen Free Food Box

- 1 lb. Breaded Chicken Breast Nuggets
- 1 lb. Breaded Chicken Tenderloins
- 1 lb. Breaded Breast Fillet Patties
- 1 lb. Breaded Boneless Chicken Wings
- 1 lb. Breaded Cubed Steak

**\$25.00**

\*Please see our website for other allergen facts. (plus sales tax where applicable)

## B6 - Just 4 Me After School Box

An assortment of child-friendly snacks. Great for after school or any time.

- 2 lbs. Fully Cooked Breaded Chicken Breast Pieces
- 1.5 lbs. Corn Dogs
- 12 oz. Stouffers Mac & Cheese
- 16 oz. String Cheese
- 8 oz. Breakfast Sandwiches (2 x 4 oz.)
- 4 ea. Peanut Butter & Jelly Jamwich (4 x 2.8 oz.)
- 4 ea. Mini Stuffed Sandwiches (4 x 4 oz.)
- 6.5 oz. Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza
- 3 oz. Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- 3.4 oz. Watermelon Italian Ice Cup
- 3.2 oz. Raspberry Fruit Juice Sherbet Cup

**\$24.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## B1 - Bread of Life Signature Box

Balanced nutrition and variety with enough food to help feed a family of four for about a week.

- 1.5 lbs. Choice Beef Netted Roast with Pop-up Timer
- 2.5 lbs. IQF Split Chicken Breast (Resealable Bag)
- 2 lbs. Breaded Chicken Breast Assorted Pieces
- 1.5 lbs. Fully-Cooked Meatballs
- 2 lbs. Fully-Cooked Minestrone Soup
- 1 lb. Lean Ground Beef
- 1 lb. Sweet Italian Sausage
- 1 lb. Yellow Squash & Zucchini
- 1 lb. Sugar Snap Peas & Carrots
- 5 lbs. Waffle Fries
- 6.9 oz. Beef-Flavored Rice & Vermicelli
- 1 lb. Pasta
- 25 oz. Pasta Sauce
- 1 lb. Northern Dry Beans
- 18 oz. Quick Oatmeal
- 32 oz. Shelf-Stable Milk
- 1 Dozen Eggs
- Dessert

**\$31.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## B7 - Just 4 Me No Child Goes Without

"Blessing America's Children, one Box at a Time"

- 6-pk. Instant Oatmeal Variety Pack
- 7 Cereal Bowls (.75 oz. each)
- 32 oz. Shelf Stable 2% Milk
- 7.5 oz. Beans & Wieners
- 7.5 oz. Cheezy Mac 'n Cheese
- 7.5 oz. Mini Beef Ravioli
- 7.5 oz. Spaghetti and Mini Meatballs
- 7.5 oz. Noodle Rings & Chicken
- 7.5 oz. Cheezy Mac 'n Franks
- 12 oz. Peanut Butter
- 12 oz. Pure Honey
- 1 Chunk Lite Tuna in Water (.5 oz.)
- 6-pk. Applesauce
- 6 Granola Bars (.25 oz. ea.)

**\$24.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## B8 - Just 4 Me After School Fruit and Veggie Box

- 6-pk. Applesauce
- 6-pk. Raisins
- 3 ea. Red Apples
- 3 ea. Granny Smith Apples
- 3 ea. Navel Oranges
- 3 ea. Pears
- 1 lb. Mini California Cello Carrots
- 1 stalk California Sleeved Celery
- 8 oz. Trail Mix

**\$16.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## B3 - Bountiful Blessing Box

- 1.5 lbs. Choice Beef Netted Roast with Pop-up Timer
- 2.5 lbs. IQF Split Chicken Breast (Resealable Bag)
- 2 lbs. Lasagna
- 2 lbs. Breaded Chicken Breast Assorted Pieces
- 1.5 lbs. Fully-Cooked Meatballs
- 1.5 lbs. Bone-In Pork Chops (4 x 6 oz.)
- 1 lb. Lean Ground Beef
- 1 lb. Sweet Italian Sausage
- 1 lb. All Meat Hot Dogs
- 14 oz. Breakfast Link Sausage (2 x 7 oz. pkgs.)
- 2 lbs. Fully-Cooked Minestrone Soup
- 1 lb. Yellow Squash & Zucchini
- 1 lb. Sugar Snap Peas & Carrots
- 1 lb. Green Beans
- 5 lbs. Waffle Fries
- 6.9 oz. Beef-Flavored Rice & Vermicelli
- 1 lb. Pasta
- 25 oz. Pasta Sauce
- 1 lb. Northern Dry Beans
- 8.5 oz. Jiffy Corn Meal Mix
- 18 oz. Quick Oatmeal
- 32 oz. Shelf-Stable Milk
- 1 Dozen Eggs
- Dessert

**\$41.00**

(plus sales tax where applicable)

## S1 - JANUARY SPECIAL #1 \$24.00\*

New York Strip Steak Special (4 lb.)  
4 lbs. NY Strip Steaks (8 x 8 oz.)

## S2 - JANUARY SPECIAL #2 \$23.00\*

Steak & Chicken Combo Box  
2 lbs. Top Sirloin Steaks (4 x 8 oz.)  
3 lbs. Boneless/Skinless Chicken Breasts (12 x 4 oz. individually wrapped)

## S3 - JANUARY SPECIAL #3 \$23.00\*

Premium Fresh Fruit and Veggie Box

- 3 lbs. Juice Oranges
- 4 Pink Grapefruit
- 4 Tangerines
- 4 Bosc Pears
- 4 Red Apples
- 3 lbs. Idaho Potatoes
- 3 lbs. Sweet Potatoes
- 2 lbs. Yellow Onions
- 1 Head, Green Cabbage
- 1 lb. Mini California Cello Carrots
- 46 oz. Fruit Juice
- 8 oz. Trail Mix
- AFM Fruit and Veggie Recipe Sheet

**Please enclose this order form with your order**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

B1-Bread of Life Signature Box:           X \$31.00 =          

B2-Bit O' Blessing Box:           X \$21.00 =          

B3-Bountiful Blessing Box:           X \$41.00 =          

B4-Fast & Flavorful Cuisine:           X \$28.00 =          

B5-Allergen Free Box:           X \$25.00 =          

B6-J4M After School:           X \$24.00 =          

B7-J4M No Child Goes W/O:           X \$24.00 =          

B8-J4M Fruit & Vege:           X \$16.00 =          

S1-New York Strip:           X \$24.00 =          

S2-Steak & Chicken Combo:           X \$23.00 =          

S3-Fruit & Vege:           X \$23.00 =          

Total included: \_\_\_\_\_

**Order Deadline:**

**Sunday, January 16, 2011**

**Distribution Day:**

**Saturday, January 22, 2011**

**Pickup Time:**

**9:30 AM**

**In Pine Grove UMC  
Fellowship Hall**

**Mail or bring form with payment to :  
Pine Grove United Methodist Church  
1130 Jonestown Road  
Winston-Salem, NC 27103**

**Make checks payable to PGUMC**



**Greetings from your Weekday School!**

**Our December days flew by full of fun and celebration. Christmas has come and gone, and we're well on our way into a happy and fun-filled 2011! We returned to school from our Christmas/New Year Break on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, rested and ready for the New Year.**

**January brings with it lots more opportunities for fun and learning. Teddy Bear Portraits will be with us on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> to capture all those beautiful smiles for our "official" school portraits. The children always look so cute dressed up in their finest! Our annual "PJ Day" will take place on Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. This is one of my favorite events of the year. The children and staff will come to school in their "pjs" accompanied by their favorite "Bedtime Buddy". We'll enjoy bedtime stories in the classrooms followed by a "PJ Parade" in the gym (complete with awards for our "buddies") and a special snack of Cinnamon Toast Sticks and milk. (Let's see now...sitting around in our "pjs" all day, enjoying some good books and yummy comfort food, and lots of fun and laughter...sounds like a perfect day to me!☺) Join us, if you can, but don't forget your "pjs"! School will be closed on Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of the MLK, Jr. holiday. If the weather is as cold that day as it has been for the past few, it's going to be a real treat to "sleep in" at home!**

**Our annual Little Caesars Pizza Kits fundraiser kicks off on Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> and will run through February 4<sup>th</sup>. These kits are really good and so nice to keep on hand in your freezer for a quick and easy meal or snack. Order forms will be located on the table opposite the Weekday School office. You may place your order and pay for it upon receipt. Orders will be delivered on February 14<sup>th</sup>. What a yummy way to help your school!**

**Another way to help is by continuing to collect the General Mills Box Tops for Education labels for us. The labels are worth 10¢ each and can quickly add up to dollars. Look for the labels on all your General Mills, Pillsbury, Nestles, Ziplocs, Hefty, Kleenex (and many other) products.**

**As always, please keep our important ministry in your prayers. Happy New Year!**

*Chris*



**WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2011**  
**2:30-5:30 P.M.**  
**(SNOW DATE, January 30, 2011**  
**Burkhead United Methodist Church**  
**5250 Silas Creek Parkway**  
**Winston-Salem, NC 27106**

**Staff Parish Relations Committee**—Rev. Dr. Bill Medlin

Come and find out the real purpose of this important committee in the church.

**United Methodist Men**—Danny Garrett

Join Danny to expand your ministries to men in your congregation.

**Volunteers in Mission**—Rev. Lee Strange

Learn how you can become involved in this vital ministry of the conference.

**Why Me, Lord? Gifts for Leadership**— Jennifer Davis

Current, future and potential church leaders (clergy and Laity) are welcome. Participants should expect to experience lecture and participation in small and large group discussion.

**“Brace for Impact” - The Miracle on the Hudson**—Dave Sanderson, Final Passenger to deplane

Sanderson knew that he was exactly where he was supposed to be. Leadership, teamwork and preparation were the keys to success.

**Living Abundantly: Body, Mind and Spirit**—Rev. Glenn Davis

Join this session to experience spiritual practices and learn the latest science of practical health principles to bring abundance into your life and into the lives of others.

**Safe Sanctuary: We’ve Got a Policy, Now What?** - Rev. Kate May

Bring a copy of your church’s policy and procedures and let’s dialogue about the next steps for your congregation, the issues we are all facing and how we can continue to do ministry in a scary world.

**Basic Lay Speaker Training**—Rev. Dr. Terry Matthews

This is the beginning session of the four-week offering for the foundational course for lay speakers. Please bring a hymnal and Book of Worship to each session. The Advanced Lay Speaker Course will be held February 20—March 13. You are required to take the Basic Course before the Advanced Course.

**Missions (Local)** - Rev. Maria Edmonds

Bring your paint roller and/or brush and roll up your sleeves to paint indoors at Gray Cottage on the campus of the Children’s Home. You will meet at Gray Cottage at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to dcooke@wnccumc.org by January 17 so we will be able to purchase the appropriate amount of paint.

**Understanding Benefit Items in Apportionments**—Dale Bryant

Laity and Clergy are welcome to attend to get accurate and understandable answers from Dale. This may be most helpful to those who are church treasurers, finance committee members or PPR Committee Members.

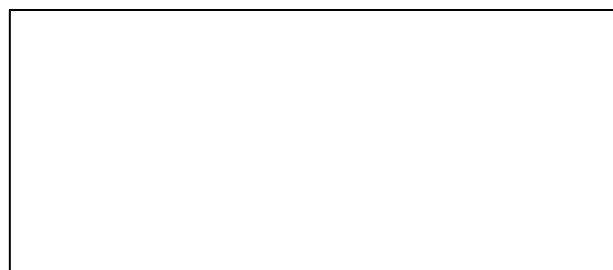
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### **BITS AND PIECES**

**CELEBRATE THE LIFE AND WORK OF Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.** The Winston-Salem District will observe and celebrate the life and work of the late Dr. King in a service of worship on SUNDAY, JANUARY 16. The service will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of MAIN STREET UMC IN KERNERSVILLE. Dr. Jeff Patterson has already secured Rev. Angela Pleasants as the preacher for that afternoon and has kindly invited the District to join in this time of worship.

**WOMEN'S NIGHT OF WORSHIP**—The Women's Ministry of Mt. Tabor UMC presents "Christ: the Light in the Darkness" finding joy in the Winters of Our Lives. Doors open at 6:30 pm (enjoy a warm cup of cider and cookies while visiting with friends). Childcare available with reservation by January 10th. Contact [fleeta.hall@mttaborumc.org](mailto:fleeta.hall@mttaborumc.org). or call 336-765-5561.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to come hear the Mwangaza Children's Choir in concert at Ardmore UMC, January 19 at 6:30 pm. Mwangaza Children's choir is a group of spirited, talented and passionate children who represent the needy and poverty-stricken people of Uganda. The choir is a missionary and fundraising branch of Africa Renewal Ministries and tour on their behalf to worship, minister and share their message of hope through song and dance. Mwangaza is the Swahili word for "shining light." The choir performs original Ugandan music, which represents the country's rich and deep-rooted culture. Ardmore UMC is located at 630 South Hawthorne Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104. If you have any questions please call 723-3695.