



# The Cross and Flame

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• **CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE ON MONDAY EVENINGS**

- *Purpose is to reach persons who cannot come to church on Sunday mornings. We are NOT seeking to draw anyone away from the 11:00 Worship Service. We will be meeting in the fellowship hall seeking to craft a worship experience that connects persons with God and God with persons in an intimate and personal way. (Which, by the way, is exactly what we seek in the 11:00 service.)*
- *Why are we doing this now? Because we believe God is in this and we are simply seeking to be faithful to God's call for us to follow. As a by product of this faithfulness we hope that our church will grow through this process and we will add to our numbers and to our spirit.*
- *This is a work in progress which will adjust itself as we move forward. We intend to evaluate the service on a constant basis and make the changes necessary to keep it fresh, alive and meaningful.*

• **SUNDAY AFTERNOON WITH THE PASTOR (Sanctuary)**

- Beginning on Sunday, September 20, 2009 (3:00-4:30 pm)
- To get to know each other and to be reminded about how we all want to reclaim our identity and rediscover how the Bible calls us to treat each other, and finally to write a covenant of how we will act in community with each other.
- Topic: **"Discussion of "Longing to Belong"**
  - Forming, Storming, Norming, Performing
  - Writing a Relational Covenant
- Beginning October 18 – Through November 15 (3:00-4:30 pm)
- Topic: **Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations**
- *Our intention here is to preach on these five practices on Sunday mornings and discuss and vision about them that afternoon. The reason for this is to seek to find a way that we can make our church more fruitful in its ministry and more vital in its living. Each Sunday's discussion notes will be sent to the committee which deals with Worship, Education, Missions, Evangelism or Hospitality, Finance and Stewardship to consider each article in the vision and how he can claim and own parts of these projections and what we can put into place as part and parcel of the ministry of our church.*
  - Oct. 18 – Radical Hospitality
  - Oct. 25 – Intentional Faith Development
  - Nov. 01 – Passionate Worship
  - Nov. 08 – Risk-Taking Mission and Service
  - Nov. 15 – Extravagant Generosity

• **THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE - Nov. 22, 2009 7:00pm**

• **BIBLE STUDY: "Companion's In Christ" facilitated by the Pastor**

- *A study on Spiritual Formation - Companions seeks to make the connection with God and faith as we endeavor to become more aware of how God is being lived out in our life.*
- 28 week study
- **Thursdays - Beginning September 10**
- Mornings: 10:00 - 12:00
- Evenings 7:00-9:00
- Sign up sheets in the Narthex Communication's Center

Start Signing up Now - Don't wait for the Christmas rush!!!

**SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF OPPORTUNITIES**

**Each Sunday**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship

**Each Monday**

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

**Each Wednesday**

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir practice

September 2009						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

- September 2 6:30 p.m. Handbell Practice
- September 3 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- September 7 Office Closed for Labor Day
- September 9 10:00 a.m. Sue Rollins Circle
- September 10 7:00 p.m. Gertrude Alspaugh Circle
- September 10 10:00 a.m. Companion's in Christ
- September 10 7:00 p.m. Companion's in Christ
- September 13 8:00 a.m. UMM Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
- September 13 10:00 a.m. Open House for the Tree House
- September 14 7:00 p.m. Scouts Court of Honor
- September 20 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon with the Pastor
- September 21 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship service
- September 22 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Kids



- September 3 Charles and Betty Bell
- September 6 Richard and Betty Stallings
- September 7 Bobby and Carolyn Joyner
- September 8 Don and Kate Ashe
- September 11 Bill and Mildred Holder
- September 12 John and Bessie Newman
- September 13 Scott and Robin Pugh
- September 14 Eddie and Sally Scott
- September 16 Tom and Marilyn James
- September 17 Larry and Renee Aldridge
- September 18 Jim and Gene McGinnis
- September 22 Robert and Melanie Niblock



**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- September 3 Anthony Bost
- September 4 David Fuller  
Jacquelyn Howard
- September 5 Catie Brogdon  
Damon Pope
- September 6 Dena Terry
- September 9 Jennifer Dalton
- September 10 Jim Mabry
- September 11 Nancy DePietropaolo  
Clyde Long  
Blair Weavil
- September 12 R. J. Shutt
- September 13 Jack Pugh
- September 15 Larry Aldridge  
Jean Darden
- September 16 Robert Niblock
- September 17 Billie Kimel
- September 18 Minnie Stump
- September 19 Cynthia Parent  
Richard Stallings
- September 20 Shirley Crews
- September 21 Jenni Council  
Bill Holder  
Chad Jones
- September 22 Stokes Alridge  
Burt Flowers  
Earle Jones
- September 23 Jonathan Alexander  
MacKenzie Newsome
- September 24 Cindy Zimmerman
- September 25 Bobby Sizemore
- September 26 Barbara Mahannah
- September 29 Katherine Marie Buchanan

## OUR VOLUNTEERS

### PROVIDE BREAD FOR VISITORS

September 6 Evelyn Groce  
 September 13 Peggy Sizemore  
 September 20 Dee Anne Fortescue  
 September 27 Lisa Hale

### USHER SCHEDULE

September 6 Roy Spach, Head Usher  
 Chris Council  
 Butch Hogue  
 Dee Fair  
 Brent Shutt  
 September 13 Tom Mahannah, Head Usher  
 Scott Pugh  
 Eddie Scott  
 John Fonda  
 Calvin Tanner  
 September 20 Roy Spach, Head Usher  
 Chris Council  
 Butch Hogue  
 Dee Fair  
 Brent Shutt  
 September 27 Tom Mahannah, Head Usher  
 Scott Pugh  
 Eddie Scott  
 John Fonda  
 Calvin Tanner

### SANCTUARY ASSIGMENT

September Dee Anne Fortescue

### GREETERS FOR THE MONTH

September Wesley Patchwork

### CRISIS CONTROL ITEM

September Potato Flakes  
 October Toilet Paper

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

September 23 10:00 a.m.

## NEWS FROM THE PRIME TIMERS

The next meeting of the Prime Timers will be on October 11 at Big Shutz in Clemmons immediately following the worship service. We have a reserved room under the name Pine Grove. An 18% gratuity will be added to each check due to the size of the group.

Our December gathering has been booked on Saturday, December 19 at 5:00 p.m. at the Victoria House in East Bend. We will try to arrange transportation for those that may need it for this outing. The cost of the meal will be \$12.00 per person and will include 2 meats, 3 vegetables, roll and beverages. Reservations will have to be made no later than December 14 to let the caterer know. Please call Rhonda at 830-2807 to make your reservations.





## THOUGHTS FROM THE REV...

Grace and Peace to you all as we move into second gear... and start revving up for the activities and ministries of the fall.

**The Youth and Kingdom Kids** will meet on Tuesday this year. They haven't had their planning meeting yet but I look forward to being involved with the youth and kids as much as possible. We are even talking about a meeting or two in the "Duke" room – the man-cave at the parsonage.

**The Companions in Christ study** will be starting on **September 10**. We are offering one in the morning from **10-12** and one in the evening from **7-9** each Thursday. Please go ahead and sign up so we can get our order to The Upper Room. I believe you will enjoy this time of spiritual formation as we seek to rediscover and uncover ways God is working in and through us and how we can be more intentional about allowing that to happen on a more constant basis.

**Sunday Afternoons with the Pastor**... boy does that sound exciting. (3:00-4:30) This is NOT a church conference or a town hall meeting. It is a time to get to know each other and to talk about ways to help reclaim our identity and write a covenant on how we want to treat each other. We have four weeks scheduled for this but it may only take a couple. I don't want to drag it out but I do want to give us time enough to talk about us... the church.

**Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations**... This is part of the Sunday afternoons with the pastor except we will be visioning with points made in the sermon that was preached that morning. These visioning points will be sent to the committees that deal with each of the areas of ministry for further discussion and implementation of those visions. Putting our vision into practice will help us to become a more fruitful and welcoming congregation. (Look for the dates and topics in the Up-Coming Events Section of the newsletter.)

**Contemporary or Alternative Worship Experience**... Monday evenings at **7:00 beginning September 21**. We have had an alternative worship taskforce working ever since I came here... really it met before I got here. We have been meeting regularly... almost weekly... trying to create a worship experience that will connect people to God and God to people. We have gone through several rehearsals. Some have gone very well while at least one not so well. But we have learned something with every trial and every step. We continue to pray and strive to offer the very best we can to those who will come to worship. Please keep us in your prayers.

**Pine Grove on Facebook**... Yep! It is true! Yep! It is radical! Yep! We just may find God in it. Here is the problem... I can't explain this one to you. I do computers but I know absolutely nothing about Facebook other than it being some sort of social network. But Greg Hall has set the scouts up on it (and it is working beyond his expectations) and he is in the process of setting up the church for a trial run. This is cutting edge and exciting. What if we could reach hundreds of people through this new technology... wouldn't that be a wonderful thing. (Yes, there will be rules for use and the church administrators will have veto power over who to accept as a friend. And if there is the potential of it getting out of hand it can be pulled down immediately). But isn't it EXCITING???

**Charge Conference Preparations**... are coming up. This year we are looking to see how we can implement the Bishop's vision for our conference – our church. This includes reaching his vision in 3 years; 300,000 members in WNCC, 30,000 in worship each Sunday; 3,000 volunteer mission teams sent out for Christ; 300 revitalized churches; 30 new congregations planted in our conference; all done in 3 years. Our part in this vision, at least, is to FOLLOW JESUS, MAKE DISCIPLES, and TRANSFORM THE WORLD.

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### Thoughts from the Rev . .

With our increased emphasis on being a more fruitful congregation the outcome should produce some benchmarks by which we can measure our increased fruitfulness. Perhaps we can use the Bishop's thoughts and apply them to the ministry of our church. Vision with me on how that might look...

In Three Years:

300 in Worship each week  
 150 new members in three years  
 175 in Sunday School  
 3 mission teams  
 3 new small group ministries  
 3 new Sunday School Classes

What would you like to add as a vision?

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Let me know so that we all can share the vision....

Remember this is not about the numbers. It is about the people behind the numbers and our faithfulness to God's calling upon our church and our own discipleship. So, let's get to praying. Let's get involved. Let's get committed. And let's get to work for the kingdom of God. And let **NOTHING STAND IN OUR WAY!** If you think this can't happen open your Bible and read: "*All things are possible with God.*" Believe it and live it. Thank you for your willingness to share your vision, to share the vision, and live the vision. Your willingness to try the new is so refreshing – scary – biblical – and exciting.

### DID YOU KNOW . . . .

**SHADES FOR THE FELLOWSHIP HALL WINDOWS**— We have had requests for placing shades over the windows in the fellowship hall so we can show slides, pictures, etc. to large groups of people. The shades will have to be custom made and for all six windows the total cost will be \$2,693.00 or approximately \$449.00 per window. The Friendship Class has committed to purchasing a shade for one window and challenges the remaining Adult classes to do the same. Because the shades have to be custom made we have to have all monies in hand before ordering.

## Administrative Council

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The Administrative Council of Pine Grove United Methodist Church met on Tuesday August 4, 2009 with 22 people in attendance.

Jean Darden called the meeting to order and opened with a devotion and prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Ann Culberson. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made, seconded and passed by Council vote.

### Pastor's Report (Steve Martin):

Dr. Martin complimented the Church on the success of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. He updated the Council on plans he has to get to know the church and for us to get to know each other, and create a common vision. This fall there will be a series of "Sunday Afternoon with the Pastor" sessions. Beginning September 20 through October 11, the topic will be a discussion of "Longing to Belong". Then, October 18 through November 15, the topic will be "Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations"; these will be the subject of Dr. Martin's sermons during the same time period and will give members an opportunity to expand upon them in the afternoons. Dr. Martin plans to begin bible studies on September 10. There will be a morning and an evening study, "Companions in Christ", facilitated by the pastor. Sign up sheets for the bible studies will be available soon. Also, on November 22, a Thanksgiving service will be held. Dr. Martin urged the Council to promote and support all these activities.

### Committee Reports:

**Trustees (Homer Craig):** There was no report; however, Noelle Shutt brought up the need for more volunteers to assist with "Safe Sanctuary" duty, and suggested Sunday School classes consider assisting with this on a periodic basis.

**Finance Committee (Eddie Scott):** The balance in the operating account is \$15,918 as of 8/02/2009. All conference and district apportionments are currently paid, and all invoices are current. The balance of the Land Fund as of July 31 is \$6,445 (18 monthly principle and interest payments of \$358); the balance in the Capital Improvements Fund is \$2,704 (3 monthly principle and interest payments of \$756).

**Space Committee (Jim Mabry):** The Committee has cleaned out the area behind the Alter. They also held a work day where they cleaned out the Youth office, and the closets in the Fellowship Hall and the Before & After School. Another work day is planned to clean up at the Hope House and Meeting House. There was some discussion about the possibility of using the Meeting House as an outreach mission, for people who are in need of temporary housing due to fires and other natural disasters.

**Before and After School (Peggy Sizemore):** The school's enrollment is full for the upcoming year. The annual Pumpkin Sale will begin September 29, with the arrival of the pumpkins. Everyone is encouraged to support this effort; help was especially requested for unloading the pumpkins on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Bereavement Committee (Peggy Sizemore):** The Committee responded to Tom James' family after the death of his mother with a deli tray and plant.

**Weekday School (Margaret McLeod):** The Summer Fun program had 48 participants. The school currently has 61 students enrolled for the upcoming year; their goal is to have 70 by the time school starts on September 8. Teachers will be reporting on August 31.

**History and Missions (Polly Caudle):** History books prepared for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are still available. Also, there are a few of the commemorative ornaments left for sale at \$11 each. The Heifer Project and the Lenten boxes were successful moneymaking projects, and the Operation Christmas Child shoe box project will be coming up. Help is needed at the processing centers in Boone and Charlotte. Volunteers must be at least 13 years-old; registration for volunteers began August 3. Also, there will be another Mission Trip to teach Bible School and do work projects for the Navajo Indians in Arizona from July 1 through 13, 2010. The cost will be approximately \$750 per person. There was also discussion about the Armenian shoe box project. Boxes of designated items or loose collections of school supplies are needed.



Dear Church Family,

Greetings from the Before and After School Program. We are well underway with the new school year. I always look forward to greeting all the familiar faces each year as well as welcoming new students and their parents to our program. It does not take long for new friendships to develop. The Before and After School Program is truly a wonderful mission!!!!

Miss Courtney has rejoined us for another year. She is currently attending Forsyth Tech and is working on her Elementary Education degree. The children love Miss Courtney!!!!!! Mary Manning will continue to volunteer in the homework room each afternoon. We are blessed to have each of them apart of our program. I would like to thank Kelly Hale for the addition of computers to our room. He continues to always keep on top of our computer needs. THANK YOU KELLY!!!

Currently we have 25 students enrolled. The children enjoyed our first fun Friday, which seemed to be welcomed by all who had their first full week of school. The children did a bookmark craft. We also celebrated our first "Birthday Friday." This is a celebration of all birthdays, which is held the last Friday in the month. Celebrating birthdays in August were:

Ethan Ebert 8/13  
Deyanna Jones 8/14  
Ben Riddley 8/10

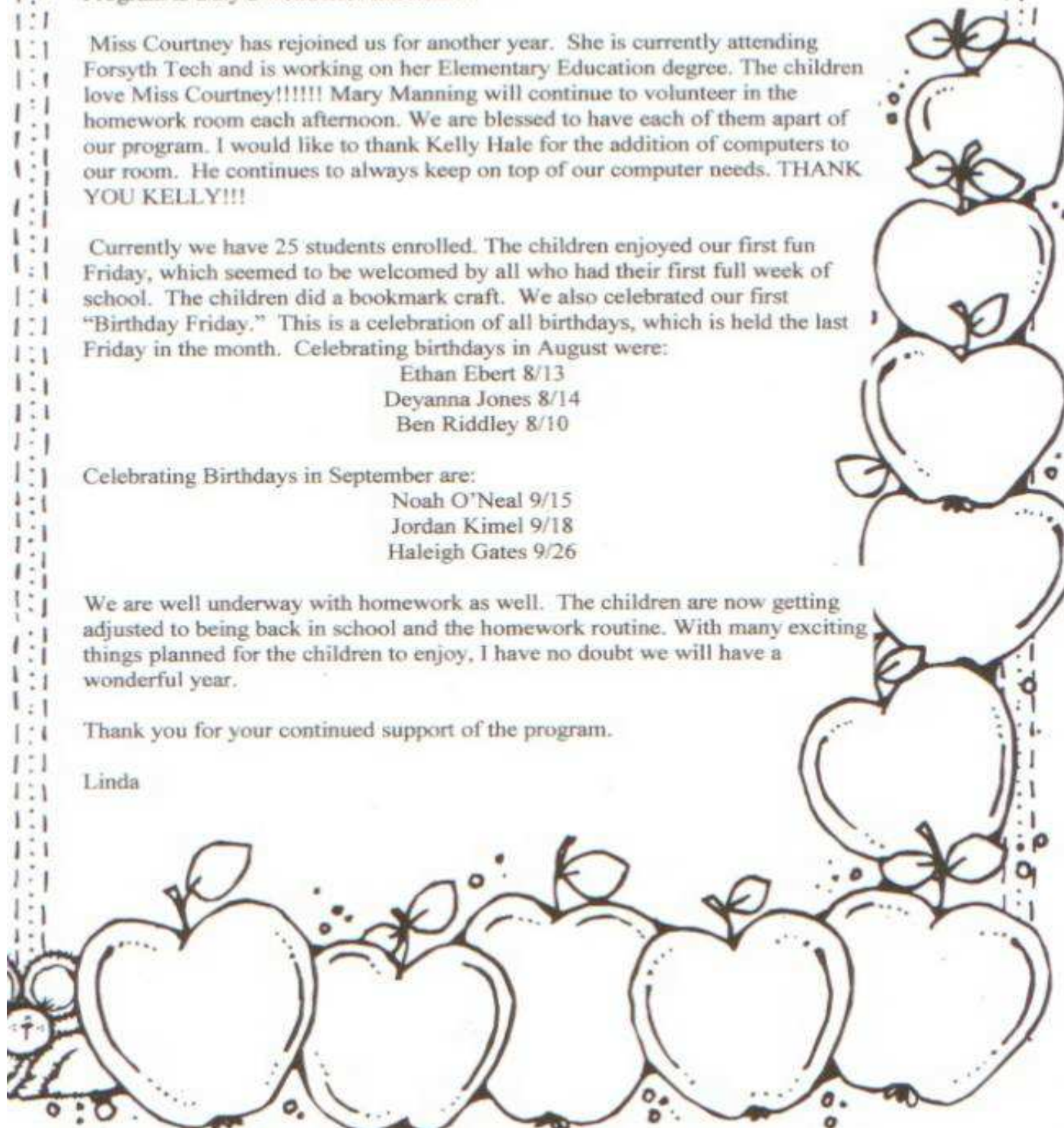
Celebrating Birthdays in September are:

Noah O'Neal 9/15  
Jordan Kimel 9/18  
Haleigh Gates 9/26

We are well underway with homework as well. The children are now getting adjusted to being back in school and the homework routine. With many exciting things planned for the children to enjoy, I have no doubt we will have a wonderful year.

Thank you for your continued support of the program.

Linda





# NEWS FROM UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



September, 2009

**OUR PURPOSE:** The organized unit of the 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; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the Church.

## CIRCLE MEETINGS

The **Sue Rollins Circle** will meet September 9th at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. Devotions will be led by Linda Kite. The program, "World Thank Offering" will be led by Linda Kite. Hostess is Dee Anne Fortescue.

The **Gertrude Alspaugh Circle** will meet September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor. Devotions will be led by Michele Roberts. The program, "World Thank Offering" will be led by Michele Roberts. Hostess is Diana Young.

**FALL NUT SALE** – It will soon be fall and time to think about holiday entertaining and baking. The United Methodist Women will be selling an assortment of nuts including: Almonds, Cashews, Peanuts, Pecans, Pistachios and Mixed nuts. Also available are an assortment of chocolate covered covered items such as Peanuts, Raisins, and Bridge Mix. Please see the members of the UMW to place your order by Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> or use the order form found in the bulletin. The nuts will be delivered in late October.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 11-13.** Several of our members will be attending the UMW Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska.

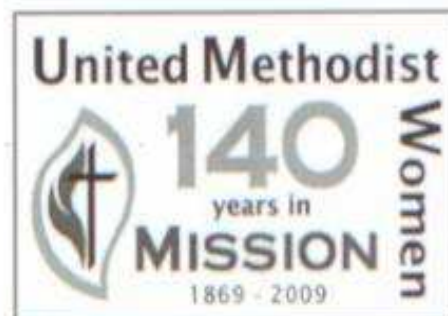
**October 6 and 9.** We will be making Chicken Pies.

**October 24.** UMW Fall Bazaar in the Fellowship Hall.

**November 13.** Hospitality Dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

## JOIN US

All women of the church and community are invited to join the United Methodist Women. Both circles meet regularly each month.



### United Methodist Women Fall Nut Sale, 2009

The Pine Grove United Methodist women will be taking orders for our third nut sale. The money raised will be used for Missions. We plan to have the nuts available for pickup on Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17. We will accept orders through Sunday, September 20. Please complete this order form and place in an envelope with payment in full in the copy room in the mail box of the Outreach & Missions Box or give to Polly Caudle.

Assorted Nuts (1 lb. Bags)	Price	#of bags	Amt. Due
Fancy Pecan Halves	\$9.00	_____	_____
Fancy Pecan Pieces	\$9.00	_____	_____
Light Walnut Halves & Pieces Mixed	\$8.00	_____	_____
Black Walnut Pieces-Med. Broken	\$10.00	_____	_____
Deluxe Mixed Nuts--No Peanuts	\$8.00	_____	_____
Giant Salted Whole Cashews	\$9.00	_____	_____
Colossal Natural Pistachios	\$7.00	_____	_____
Roasted Whole Almonds	\$8.00	_____	_____
Honey Roasted Peanuts	\$5.00	_____	_____
Sweet and Salty Trail Mix	\$5.00	_____	_____
Jumbo Blanched Peanuts-salted	\$5.00	_____	_____
Blueberry Walnut Granola (new)	\$7.00	_____	_____
Chocolate Coated Jumbo Raisins	\$5.00	_____	_____
Chocolate Coated Peanuts	\$5.00	_____	_____
Chocolate Coated Bridge Mix	\$7.00	_____	_____
Giant Malt Balls	\$5.00	_____	_____

Make check out to Pine Grove UMW

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please support the missions of the Pine Grove United Methodist Women



Dear sisters and brothers

These have been some very hectic and yet very exciting days for me. I am grateful for opportunities to experience so much of the life and vitality, of the hope and vision of the people of the Western North Carolina Conference. I am blessed.

Recently I have celebrated historic anniversaries in some of our churches. A few Sundays ago I was with the congregation at the Randall UMC in the Albemarle District as they observed their 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Records indicate that Francis Asbury preached there in February of 1785, and I imagine he left the Christmas Conference in Baltimore (December 1784) and headed south. What a joy to walk the ground of that kind of history. Keeping to that theme, I have also visited at Pine Grove UMC (Winston-Salem District) on their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and at Fruitland UMC (Asheville District) on the occasion of their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. All of these historical moments remind me of the long-view of the Gospel, and the vision and commitment of all of those who have gone before us. I hope that in the decades ahead the church will look back at our time and see committed believers who maintained the vision of *making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world* and who built for the future.

This past Sunday I preached at the 156<sup>th</sup> gathering of the Balls Creek Camp Meeting. What a wonderful experience to touch a part of our heritage that is continued into this century. You know that Camp meetings played a pivotal role in the expansion of the church across the wilderness and eventually across this land – *spreading Scriptural holiness is the way* Wesley and others framed it.

We live in a different time and a different world. We could probably make the case that the wilderness continues to exist, just in a different format. Our time demands that we continue to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In another era, camp meetings were a method of doing so. In our time, we are beginning to take advantage of technology to connect with one another, to tell the Gospel, and to rejoice in what God is doing in our midst.

Just this week we have launched a new venture into this wired world with my first installment of "Conversations with the Bishop" via YouTube. My hope is to communicate in this way with a large majority of the membership of the churches of Western North Carolina – getting into more than 1100 churches and visiting with almost 300,000 members is next to impossible, no matter how many places I visit in the course of a week. What I hope to do is to communicate with each member in a meaningful way, to make connections, and to share stories of how our churches continue to spread Scriptural holiness, and make disciples of Jesus Christ, and transform the world, starting in our own front yards. I certainly hope you will watch, interact, help others connect, and stay in touch to keep the lines of communication open. New videos will appear periodically (I am making no promises), and will highlight the mission and ministry in which we are all engaged.

Please keep me in your prayers over the next two weeks. Deborah and I, along with four other team members from the Conference, are leaving on Friday morning for a trip to Southeast Asia. We will have the opportunity to meet with and visit with our United Methodist brothers and sisters in that part of the world. I will conduct some annual meetings, will preach in various settings, and will visit some of the mission projects that we hope some of you might adopt and support. (Sounds like the makings of the next YouTube story!) We will experience once again the amazing connection that is The United Methodist Church.

Larry M. Goodpaster  
[bishop@wnccumc.org](mailto:bishop@wnccumc.org)

By the way, please hold those emails to me for a couple of weeks. My travels will take me out of range for much of the time, so we will reconnect when we return!

8/27/2009

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*You are cordially invited to attend Open House for*

***The Tree House in Pine Grove***

***10:00am to 10:45am on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009.***

*We are excited to present our first phase of remodeling our children and youth Sunday school hall. We look forward to seeing you there.*

*Light refreshments will be served.*

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**Kingdom Kids**

**Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 – 8:00**

All kids in grades kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> are invited to join us for Kingdom Kids. Our new meeting night will be on Tuesday evening 6:30 – 8:00. We will be meeting on the same evening and time as the Youth group grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. We will drop off and pick up in the Fellowship Hall and our meetings will be held in the newly built Tree House! The kids will learn about the life of Jesus through activities and games. There's fun, friendship and a chance to grow in Jesus – weekly! Kingdom Kids will bring kids face to face with Jesus! No registration is necessary – just come and bring a friend!

*Our first meeting is on September 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:30-8:00*

### Children's Church

The Children's Council is pleased to announce the return of Children's Church during the worship hour following the Children's Sermon. Children's Church will begin on October 4<sup>th</sup> and is for children ages 3 years to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. We would like to thank all of the volunteers for helping with this ministry!

### Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

On behalf of Pine Grove, the Children's Council would like to extend a gracious Thank You to Whitney, our nursery teacher. She has served as our nursery teacher for several years and is pursuing another career. We want to thank her for all of the love and TLC she gave to our babies!

Thank you Whitney and good luck!

### Congratulations to Jack Bailey

Jack Bailey is a rising third grader and will be presented a Bible from Pine Grove on Promotion Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009!

We are proud of you Jack!



### Christmas Boxes for the Children of Armenia

1. Please use only plastic shoe size (6 qt.) boxes with a lid. Please do not use a cardboard shoe box. The plastic boxes with lids will be useful in other ways.
2. Feel free to include in your box a note of greeting and encouragement. You may want to include a picture of yourself or a group in your church. Also, if you want to correspond with the child who receives our box, please include your postal address.
3. **Enclose \$5.00** for transportation costs each box. Checks are to be made out to **"WNCC Treasurer"** and marked for **AGAPE-Xmas Boxes**.
4. Boxes should be delivered to the Response Center or included in the district's AGAPE collections by October 5-9, 2009. Churches can't take them early.
5. Please choose the age level and sex of the child for whom you want to prepare a box. Fill the box as specified below. **LIST EVERYTHING YOU PUT IN YOUR BOX AND THE AMOUNT USING THE CHECK LIST AND TAPE IT SECURELY TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE BOX.** If you add anything that is not listed please write it in under "other."

Infant - 2 years

- |   |               |
|---|---------------|
| <u>Male</u>   | <u>Female</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rattle                           |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pairs of Socks                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/brush                       |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teething ring                    |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 soft toys (no buttons or eyes) |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small children's picture book    |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baby blanket                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cloth diapers                  |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sippy cup                        |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bib                              |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (list below)              |               |

Ages 3-6

- |   |               |
|---|---------------|
| <u>Male</u>   | <u>Female</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pairs of Socks                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/brush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair bands/bows                |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mittens/gloves                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cap/toboggan                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box of crayons                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small note pad                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small coloring book            |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 washable markers             |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soft toy or doll               |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloth puppet                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ball                           |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small car                      |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 suckers (Tootsie pops, etc.) |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (list below)            |               |

Ages 7-12

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|---|---------------|
| <u>Male</u>   | <u>Female</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pairs of socks                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/brush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mirror                         |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair bands/bows                |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mittens/gloves                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cap/toboggan                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 pencils                      |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 washable markers             |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small notepad                  |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small coloring book            |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil sharpener               |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stickers                       |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box of crayons                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel game                    |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed animal                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 suckers (Tootsie pops, etc.) |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (list below)            |               |

Ages 13-18

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|---|---------------|
| <u>Male</u>   | <u>Female</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pairs of Socks                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-Shirt                        |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/brush                     |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mirror                         |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mittens/Gloves                 |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cap/toboggan                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 pencils                      |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 washable markers             |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small note pad or journal      |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Picture frame                  |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metric ruler                   |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pencil sharpener               |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel Game                    |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 suckers (Tootsie pops, etc.) |               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (list below)            |               |

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