

# Insights

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

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## Minister's Message

We are sadly disappointed that the Peru Mission trip has had to be delayed. Five from Duke Memorial were scheduled to join four others from our Annual Conference and travel to Peru October 18 - 28. Early last week, we received a letter by fax from the Bishop of Peru withdrawing our invitation due to "internal problems." We have known for quite some time that the church in Peru has been struggling over internal leadership issues which are much too complicated to explain in this brief column. At this point, however, things have gone from bad to worse.

There are those within the Peru church who were very saddened by their bishop's withdrawal of our invitation. Part of our covenant relationship is our desire to accompany one another even in our darkest moments. But Bishop Mamani is insisting that there are some internal things which need to be resolved before they are able to receive us. Our North Carolina bishop, C.P. Minnick, agrees that we should honor the Peru bishop's request. One needs to understand that Peru has gone through 12 years of tremendous unrest due to the terrorist activity of the Shining Path. This unrest has left nothing untouched, including the religious life of the people of Peru. In many ways our Methodist Church of Peru has also fallen victim and this is one reason why our covenant relationship with them has been so important over the past four years.

I would ask that you keep the Methodist Church of Peru in your prayers. It is my hope that Para Drake, Kevin Baker, Donna Ellum, Courtney Smith and I will be able to reschedule this trip for early next year. The General Assembly of the Peru Church meets in late November and we pray that further reconciliation will take place at that time. Meanwhile, all monies received in support of the Peru Mission will be held in a separate account for that purpose. We are grateful for your continued support and prayers.

Mark

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1993**

**Twentieth Sunday in Pentecost**

8:30 - 9:45 a.m.	Confirmation - Whitford
8:30 - 9:30 a.m.	Men's Coffee - Parlor
9:30 a.m.	Celebration Singers Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Methodism Class Whitford Hall
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
10:15 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir - Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Ring of the Tower Bells
10:55 a.m.	Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	"INSIGHTS" information due (Oct. 24 - Oct. 30)
2:00 p.m.	Bridal Shower - Parlor
2:30 p.m.	Ring For Joy - Choir Room
2:30 p.m.	JOYBells - Handbell Room
3:00 p.m.	District Youth Rally (meet here) - Resurrection UMC
8:00 p.m.	12 Step Al-Anon and A.A. Community Life Center

**SCRIPTURE:**

Psalm 99

Matthew 22: 15-22

Exodus 33: 12-23

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

**ANTHEM:**

"All Good Gifts" - Natalie Sleeth  
Celebration Singers

"How Firm a Foundation" - Dale Wood  
Sanctuary Choir

**USHERS:** Connie Chandler (Captain), Tom Adkinson, Tom Chandler, Julie Ellis, Debbie Fedyshyn, Jim Fedyshyn, Mary Helen Ferrell, Charles Medlin, Polly Mixon, Tim Nifong, Jay Peters

**GREETERS:**

Tom Cranford

**S.S. GREETERS:**

Open Door Class

Lucille Cranford

**ACOLYTES:**

Kelly Stucky

**CROSS:**

Weston Drake

Mary Coffman

**ALTAR GUILD:**

Mary Lee Bailey

Marcia Grogan

**NURSERY:**

Cathy Shepherd

Jennifer Nifong

Marty O'Sullivan

**JR. CHURCH:**

TBA

**CHURCH CALENDAR**  
**OCTOBER 18 - OCTOBER 23**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 18**

8:30 - 1:00 p.m. Setup for Spaghetti Dinner  
 9:15 - 11:00 a.m. Weekday School Parents' Coffee  
 Katie Johnson Classroom  
 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries  
 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - JOY Class  
 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. NO DISCIPLE Bible Study  
 1:00 p.m. Peru Mission Team Covered Dish  
 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon, Ala-Preteen and A.A.  
 Community Life Center

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Weekday School Spaghetti Dinner  
 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. Circle 8 - Parlor and Kitchen  
 12:15 - 2:00 p.m. Tuesday Study Group - Jr. JOY  
 4:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting  
 8:00 p.m. Central Al-Anon, Ala-Teen and A.A.  
 Community Life Center

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20**

8:30 a.m. Hospice - Parlor  
 9:15 - 1:00 p.m. Parents' Morning Out - Nurseries  
 10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Craft/Lunch Bunch - Whitford Hall  
 11:15 - Noon Weekday School Parents' Coffee  
 Katie Johnson Classroom  
 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - JOY  
 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Fold "Insights" - Whitford Hall  
 5:30 - 6:10 p.m. Wednesday Meal - Whitford Hall  
 6:00 - 6:10 p.m. Sing and Share - Whitford Hall  
 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. Carol Choir - Aldersgate Room  
 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Wesley Singers - Handbell Room  
 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Girl's Youth Share - JOY Class  
 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Mid. JOY  
 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Covenant Discipleship - Open Door  
 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Workbook of Living Prayer -  
 Prayer Room  
 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. DISCIPLE Bible Study - Bradshaw  
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bethany Bells - Handbell Room

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21**

9:15 a.m. Weekday School Parents' Coffee  
 Katie Johnson Classroom  
 9:45 a.m. Visitation  
 11:15 a.m. Weekday School Parents' Coffee  
 Katie Johnson Classroom  
 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. Men's Coffee, Biscuits, OJ - Parlor  
 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Thursday Study Group  
 Prayer Room  
 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22**

8:00 p.m. Al-Anon and A.A.  
 Community Life Center

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**

7:30 - 2:00 p.m. YAM-JAM  
 Society of St. Andrew (683-3011)  
 9:00 - 5:00 p.m. Wesley Women - Kitchen

**FROM OUR BISHOP**

Our bishop, C. P. Minnick, Jr., has requested we receive a special offering on October 31 for Shalom Ministries. 100% of this will go to help create a Shalom zone in Los Angeles where peace and goodwill may prevail.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Sunday, October 17, 8:30 a.m.  
 Whitford Hall  
 "The Saints"  
 Light breakfast, \$1, for all  
 parents, mentors, and confirmands

**DISTRICT YOUTH RALLY**

The District Youth Rally will be held this Sunday, October 17, 3 - 7 p.m. at Resurrection UMC. All 6 - 12 graders are invited for an afternoon of music, games, pizza (\$2), and a special word from Neal Auer, former NC State football great and member of FCA. Meet at Duke Memorial UMC at 3 p.m., return 7 p.m.

**YAM-JAM, OCTOBER 23, 7:30 - 2:00 P.M.**

Youth, and adults come glean sweet potatoes for Society of St. Andrew. Come ready to dig and laugh and have a great Saturday in the sun! Bring comfortable clothes, shoes, gloves, snack and water.

**PARENT - YOUTH  
 COVERED DISH LUNCHEON**

On October 24, a Parent - Youth covered dish luncheon will be held in Whitford Hall after worship. All JOY and JR. JOY class members, please plan to be present for this information and planning time and to form a new Youth Council. Bring a large dish to share or pay \$2.50 each.

**YOUTH DAY AT DUKE  
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30**

10 a.m. Hear Tom Landry, former coach of the Dallas Cowboys.  
 12 p.m. Duke vs. Georgia Tech  
 Reserve your \$8 seat this Sunday



**WEEKDAY SCHOOL  
7TH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI SUPPER  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19  
5:00 - 7:00 P.M.  
WHITFORD HALL**

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**WESLEY WOMEN - SOUP SALE  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24**

Wesley Women will fix your lunch on Sunday, October 24th! Soup will be for sale for \$5.00 per quart in the hall outside of the kitchen following worship. There will also be a bake sale by UMW.

The proceeds will go toward mission projects, such as West End Community and our Community Shelter for H.O.P.E. meals.

Please bring quart jars and lids to the kitchen the week before. We also need several 2 gallon plastic containers with lids for freezing the leftovers to use at our next shelter meal.

Thanks! Call Amy Kellum at 544-4094.

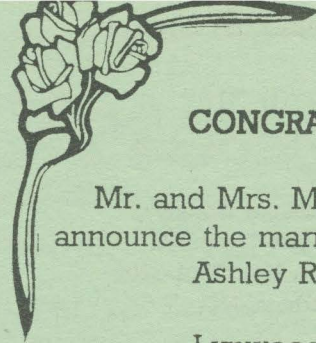
**BBQ CHICKEN PLATE SALE  
TO BENEFIT LITTLE SHANE TORRENCE  
AND HIS FAMILY  
CREEDMOOR  
DUTCH VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER  
11:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29**

As mentioned in last Sunday's service, Shane is an eight month old baby in the Duke Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. He was born without a diaphragm on his left side. Complications have left him blind and without full use of his lungs. He's come a long way and could come home but his family needs help raising funds for the home they desperately need.

Volunteers are needed to work daytime making plates on Friday, October 29, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Dutch Village Shopping Center in Creedmoor. We will have the grassy space just off the parking lot at Food Lion.

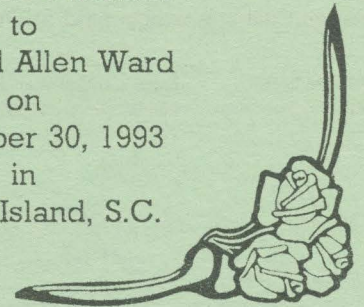
Please remember Shane in your prayers. Call Jackie Lancaster at 528-3821, if you can help.

Tickets are \$5.00 for one-half chicken, cole slaw, potato salad, and bread. See Jackie Lancaster for tickets on Sundays, or you may purchase them during the week from the church office.



**CONGRATULATIONS**

Mr. and Mrs. M. Thomas Chandler  
announce the marriage of their daughter  
Ashley Rae Chandler  
to  
Lynwood Allen Ward  
on  
September 30, 1993  
in  
Kiawah Island, S.C.



**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO LINDA "DEE" EVANS**

Our part-time custodian has been invited to join the Substance Abuse Task Force by the County of Durham's Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services. The area board and management team of the Mental Health Center have strongly committed to develop a long range planning process that includes representation from those individuals in the community that are closely involved or impacted by the abuse of alcohol and other drugs.

Almost two years ago, our Staff-Parish Relations Committee took a chance on a woman who had just begun a recovery program from drug addiction. Our church gave this woman, Linda Evans, a part-time job when others were afraid that she might relapse and steal from them to support her addiction. We gave her an opportunity.

The Good News which we shared with Linda Evans through a job and a supportive community of staff and church members, has truly produced fruit. Her recovery has been remarkable enough to get her interviewed last year on a WUNC-TV program about alternative sentencing in our prison system, and now she has been selected to serve on an important task force!

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## CELEBRATE AND VISIT!

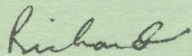
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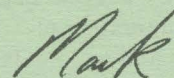
Dear Church Members and friends,

For the past five weeks you have been hearing about our Celebrate and Visit campaign. This Sunday is Visitation Sunday. About 80 members and friends of our church have agreed to visit in the homes of our congregation. They have gone through two training sessions, and they are ready to come to your home.

You will want to be in church Sunday to participate in their consecration and sending forth. They will spend Sunday afternoon visiting in homes like yours. They are coming as friends. Please be at home and accept them as friends. They are excited about the future of our church, and they want to share that excitement with you. On Sunday, October 31, we invite you to bring your commitments to church and participate with everyone in an exciting celebration.



Richard H. Chandler  
General Stewardship Chairperson



Mark W. Wethington  
Senior Pastor