

# DUKE MEMORIAL NEWSLETTER

VOLUME XII

AUGUST 28, 1977

NUMBER 35

## REACH OUT

One of life's easiest errors is to assume that what one knows on a given subject is all that there is to be known. Many of us yearn for more involvement of our congregation in the community around us. I suspect that no one of us knows to what extent we are involved. Two people who have systematically and carefully set out to find how much we are so involved are Tom Adkinson, chairman of our Commission on Christian Social Relations, and Bob Wallace, our associate pastor.

Early this year, Mary Whanger, chairman of our Council on Ministries, appointed them along with several other persons to form a Task Force to study and report on this subject. Their report will be presented to the Council on Ministries meeting on Wednesday, 24 August. I have had an opportunity to look at a draft copy and it is one of the more joyful surprises that has come to me since we came to Duke Memorial. When the Task Force was appointed, I wondered why it was necessary; it seemed to me that anyone in a day or two could do the job. When you see the report, you will understand as I now do why so much time has gone into it. I hope you will find the joy and fulfillment that I have found as I read over the draft copy.

When the Council on Ministries receives and adopts the report (after such changes as the Council deems necessary), it will be printed as soon as possible and made available for those who desire to see it. The "Messenger" will tell you when it is ready for distribution. This note today is a word of my personal appreciation, in which many of you will soon join, for the work of this Task Force and especially of Tom and Bob.

Any study report is intended to describe the existing situation and circumstances and lead to suggestions for improvement. The structure of leadership in this congregation is such that the conclusions of this report will be before us in a most constructive and useful way for a long time. Studies are not intended to be self-glorification nor self-abnegation. They can be helpful instruments in our privilege of Christian witness. This study is that kind. Watch out for it!

Ed Smith

Dear Friends,

I appreciate very much your many kindnesses during my "broken leg" confinement. I am learning quite a lot about myself and about my church family during this time of near-total dependence -- and everything I am learning confirms my feeling that Duke Memorial is a great place to be!

I now have a phone within reach so I am back to work. Please don't hesitate to call me about church matters.

An incidental bit of information -- if you have to have an accident such as mine, you couldn't be with better people than the Senior High UMYFers and Dorris Rodenhizer. They are tops on my list right now.

Love,  
Margaret Anne

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Students in college and university who are members of Duke Memorial and who need financial aid in the form of a small grant or a loan are invited to make application to the Scholarship Committee through the Church Office. Persons applying should be valid members of Duke Memorial and preference is given to persons in undergraduate school.

28 August 1977

First Sunday in Kingdomtide

The Epistle: I Corinthians 3:4-9

The Sermon: "God's Gardeners"

Acolytes: Brett Henry and Lee VanVleet

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Walker

Junior Church Leaders:

Carolyn Shipp

Mamie Jo Harrell

Barbara Penick, music

DUKE MEMORIAL WEEKDAY SCHOOL begins Wednesday, 31 August. This is a valuable service to the whole community. There are still vacancies in the enrollment list. Inquiries should be addressed to Mrs. Caroline Sasser or Mrs. Lena Rogers, 688-5130.

AT LAST!! Long awaited, longer in preparation, loving in its inception and development, Ninety Years of Duke Memorial Church, 1886-1976 will be available for the congregation following the morning service, Sunday, 4 September. There have been many delays which no one could foresee but there is firm ground for assurance that we will have the book on hand for delivery on that Sunday. Part of the morning service will be a time for recognition of those who have worked very hard to bring this project to fruition.

THE BULLETIN  
DUKE MEMORIAL  
METHODIST CHURCH  
504 W. Chapel Hill Street  
Durham, N. C. 27701

Second Class Postage  
Paid at  
Durham, N. C.

Address Correction Requested

Published Weekly

THE STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE will meet in the church library, 14 September '77. A major item of business will be decision on recommendation of Don Settle, a member of this congregation and a second year student in Duke Divinity School, for candidacy in ordained ministry. There will be the regular quarterly review of work of the church staff. Your comments and suggestions should be addressed to members of the committee who are: Chairman, Mrs. Shirley Few, Ed Hammond, R. R. Few, Richard Haynes, T. S. Coble, Gen. J. W. Holsinger, Mrs. Lucille Mortland, C. E. Phillips, Jr., Marshall T. Spears, Jr.

A MEMORIAL has been given to Sudan Temple Crippled Children's Fund in memory of Gladys Harris Royal by the Minnie P. Gates Bible Class.

MEMORIALS RECEIVED AT DUKE MEMORIAL WITH APPRECIATION:

Van Fund

In memory of C. W. Swain by Marie Ragland

Good Samaritan Fund

In memory of Mrs. R. A. (Willou) White by Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hall

Curtis Memorial

In memory of W. M. (Pete) Curtis, III by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Reade, Jr.

SYMPATHY: The congregation and pastors express their loving sympathy and concern to the family of Mr. D. K. Fleming of the Methodist Retirement Home and to the family of Mrs. Minnie Reid Edwards.

IN MEMORIAM

David Kerr Rleming  
August 17, 1977

Mrs. Minnie Reid Edwards  
August 20, 1977

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

THE VAN FUND CARNIVAL: Those responsible for coordinating and staging the most successful Van Fund Carnival event on our beautiful Church grounds August 20 take this special means of expressing deep appreciation for the able, dedicated manner in which all called upon to participate responded to the call and provided indispensable support to this rather monumental undertaking. It was the individual cooperative spirit which was responsible for the high degree of success attained. The effort brought into focus the most gratifying level of warm fellowship ever-prevalent throughout our Church family group whenever the call for united effort is sounded. Brought into high focus was the prevalence of varied and invaluable special talents within our group.

Nicholas B. Fagan

MARRIAGE: The congregation and pastors express their love and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Jasper D. Hayes who were married at Duke Memorial, Saturday, 20 August 1977, at noon. Mrs. Hayes was formerly Mrs. Lucy Starr Andrews. They will be living at 1620 North Duke St.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 21 August 1977

Church School.....278  
Morning Worship.....350

FINANCIAL REPORT

Needed each week	\$	3,802.41
Received last Sunday		1,228.74
Received to date		124,891.90
Needed through last Sunday		129,281.94
Deficit		4,390.04

CHOIR REHEARSAL -- 7:30 P. M. THURSDAY

The sanctuary choir meets regularly on Thursdays at 7:30 p. m. Fall and Christmas season music is in preparation now. Persons interested in joining may call the Music Director at the Church Office.

OUR KNOWN HOSPITAL SICK:

DCGH: Mary Lee Dennis 7204  
Ellie Lewis 2118

DUKE WEST UNIT: ERWIN RD.

Louis Robinson 215

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 3, 1977

Sunday	9:45 a. m.	Church School - <u>Promotion Sunday</u>
	10:55 a. m.	Morning Worship
	6:00 p. m.	Junior and Senior UMYF
Tuesday	6:30 p. m.	Roaring 20's Recreation
Wednesday	10:00 a. m.	Craft Workshop
	7:30 p. m.	Senior High Bible Study
Thursday	7:30 p. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal