

VACATIONS --- USES AND ABUSES!

Long ago a wise man observed that more people know how to make money than know how to use money wisely. As we get into the vacation season each year, I suspect the same theory applies to vacations - that more of us have vacations than know how to use them wisely. In no way do I consider that I am one of the wise ones as to the use of vacations for, during the greater part of my life, I shunned vacations as something undesirable if not downright wrong. That rather unsocial view has disappeared - but for many of us, the question remains: What in fact do we do with this unusual interval in our lives?

Some of us try to put into each vacation day two or three times the activity of a "normal" day in our lives. Others get into the "concrete derby" and try to see how many hundreds of miles of turnpike or interstate fatigue can be registered on the odometer, as if the value of the period depends on the mileage of scenery that passes our windows. For some, being indoors for nearly all the year, the temptation to which we succumb is to try in a few short days to pack enough outdoor living, including skin tanning, to make up for the remainder of the indoor year. For a few, this vacation time is that period of life when we seek to do everything around homes and property for which time seems not available during the remainder of the year. And then others...you complete the list as you will.

A vacation is, in terms of the meaning of the word, "an interval of time devoted to rest or relaxation from work, study, etc.". It may be that the "et cetera" is where the trouble gets into the picture. A trend that alarms me is the promotion of a vacation from one's husband or wife so that this supposedly creative time of life is spent away from one's spouse. If that is an appealing thing, one will be wise to evaluate the whole matter of marriage and seek help in bringing some enrichment and meaning to life's closest, dearest relationship.

What about a vacation as a time for change from our accustomed routine? It need not involve long, costly travel, though it may. If one stays busy nearly all the time, stay busy with the challenge of different concerns at this point. Seek deliberately to change both the pace and the circumstances of life. If home making is a chief activity in your life, some time away from the usual routine and responsibility is to be desired.

Try a vacation with little or no TV! You might find that time for reading, thinking, even conversation, is more worthwhile than one often thinks. What about a vacation with the objective of time to think about your life of the spirit, where you are headed, what really are your values deeply held and consistently sought? You might even think about your relationship to Jesus Christ, with time enough to come to some conclusions and to make some decisions. Would you believe that many of us are usually too busy to find time for this, the most important business of life and eternity? Is that not simply too busy? Sweet are the uses of vacations for those wise enough to find them!

-- Ed Smith

4 JULY comes on Saturday this year. The Church Office will be closed Monday, 6 July, in accord with the policies of the church established some years ago. Material for the Messenger for the week of 12 July should be in the Church Office not later than 1 July to insure inclusion. Thank you.

SUNDAY, 28 JUNE 1981

Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Epistle: I John 3:13-18

The Sermon: The Love-Hate Syndrome

Acolytes: David Younts and

Walter Curtis, IV

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Byerly

HOLY COMMUNION is scheduled for the morning service on Sunday, 5 July, at 10:55.

SYMPATHY: The pastors and congregation express their love and concern to the family of Irving Allen because of his death, Sunday, 21 June 1981.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN, WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

The general meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 1, at 10:00 a. m. in Whitford Hall. It will be the annual Fall Bazaar workshop. There will be a variety of projects to do for sewers and non-sewers.

Bring a sandwich and plan to stay for lunch. Drinks will be provided. Eugenia Dixon will arrange the luncheon tables.

A church nursery will be provided.

MEMORIALS RECEIVED WITH APPRECIATION:

World Hunger

In loving memory of Mrs. Annabel Williams by:
Mrs. Ella Williams Ford Moore, Burlington
Mrs. Ida W. Kilpatrick, Houston, Texas
Emily Williams, Roxboro
Anne Williams, Roxboro
Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Miller, Jr., Gladwyne,
Pennsylvania
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IN MEMORIAM

Irving Ellis Allen June 21, 1981
"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

DON'T FORGET - the deadline for registering for the trip to Lake Junaluska is June 29th! For more details, contact Margaret Anne immediately!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Are you interested in participating in a study group on the gospel of Mark? Mike Pasquarello will be leading the group each Thursday morning at 10 a. m. beginning on July 2, continuing through August 13. We will meet in the Library at Duke Memorial Church. See you July 2nd.

JUNIOR HIGH DAY CAMP: "You Gotta Have Friends" is the theme of Junior High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge, June 29 - July 3. Current Jr. Highs will welcome new seventh graders to Jr. High on Monday, and from that time forth the new members will be able to participate in all youth functions. Our days at camp will include swimming, canoeing, playing together, talking and sharing with one another, worshipping together and SURPRISES! Be here at 9:00 each morning to journey forth to Chestnut Ridge (we'll return by 3:30 p. m.). There will be a fee of 50¢ per day attended.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

at "Fun at the Movies"

Wed., July 1 - "OLDY, GOLDY COMEDY NIGHT"
featuring Laurel & Hardy, Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton and others.

7:00 p.m. - Whitford Hall

For All Ages! 50¢ Admission for all!

WEDDINGS: The congregation and pastors extend their good wishes and felicitations to:

Beth Griffin and James Walker who were married Saturday, 20 June, at 3:00 in the Duke Memorial Sanctuary.

Lynne Walker and Bob Sorrels who were married in the sanctuary Sunday, 21 June, at 3:00 p. m.

William H. Godwin, Jr. and Rose Carver Weeks who were married in the sanctuary Sunday, 21 June, at 4:30 p. m.

LIBRARY NOTES: Designing Ecclesiastical Needlepoint by Meredith Finch has been presented to the Church Library in memory of Harold D. Schnitzlein (Associate Member of Duke Memorial and father of Betty Craig) by the United Methodist Women. Mrs. Finch is a member of the Memorial United Methodist Church, Thomasville, N. C. The family of Mr. Schnitzlein named the U. M. W. Mission Fund as a memorial to him. It is significant that all money earned by Mrs. Finch's personal publication of the book will go to Methodist Missions. We feel most fortunate to have this publication that gives "step by step design method for the novice-essential to any ecclesiastical designer."

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 21 June 1981

Church School.....212

Morning Worship.....249

HOSPITALIZED:

Duke Medical Center: Rubye Young, Sims 4806

CHURCH CALENDAR JUNE 28 - JULY 4, 1981

Sunday	9:45 a. m.	Church School
	10:55 a. m.	Morning Worship
Monday	9:00 a. m.	Jr. High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge
Tuesday	9:00 a. m.	Jr. High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge
	7:00 p. m.	UMYF will go to Durham Bulls Ball game. Meet at church at 7:00. Free Admission
	7:30 p. m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee in Library
Wednesday	7:00 a. m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Whitford Hall
	9:00 a. m.	Jr. High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge
	10:00 a. m.	Bazaar Workshop, Whitford Hall
	10:00 a. m.	UMW, Whitford Hall
	6:30 p. m.	Young Adult Volleyball at Duke Manor Apts.
	7:00 p. m.	Fun at the Movies, Whitford Hall
Thursday	9:00 a. m.	Jr. High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge
Friday	9:00 a. m.	Jr. High Day Camp at Chestnut Ridge