

## REACH OUT AND TOUCH! - OR, RESPOND WHEN SOME ONE ELSE DOES

CONTACT Durham is a Christian service to our community. It offers every minute in the year a trained listener to any one who calls. Often a person deeply troubled will find it easier to talk with a total stranger than with some one well known. Listening is not an art that is passive; it is demanding, not only of patience, but also of perception; most of us respond more easily with advice or "counsel" than we do with willingness to listen and help the person find his way.

Duke Memorial participates in both monetary support (only staff members of CONTACT are paid and they are paid very poorly!) and also through volunteers. I suspect that we also participate through providing now and then some of those who call with problems or who simply need to talk for a little time with someone, any one, just so that person will listen.

The kind of participation that moves me to bring this to your attention is that a training class for volunteer workers begins Tuesday, 8 September 1981 at Asbury United Methodist Church, Markham Avenue and Clarendon Streets. Information and registration may be worked out through CONTACT'S 24 hour line, 683-1595. The training class goes on for about sixteen weeks. Enrollment does not commit you to becoming a volunteer; only you do that. However, it is fair to say that very few who take this class and get into the work of CONTACT willingly relinquish what rapidly becomes a very wonderful avenue of Christian service.

The hours which one gives in this kind of work are set by the person involved. It is always important to have a large enough pool of available people so that staffing the telephone is not a problem. Hours can be worked out to fit whatever schedule you have. After all, twenty-four hours daily does offer lots of opportunities for unusual scheduling!

If your response is, "I really would like to do this but I don't know how", you are just the person to enroll in the training class. CONTACT intends to offer ample avenues of Christian witness and service but as with every thing to which God calls us, a call to serve is also a call to preparation. The training class sessions make up just exactly this kind of preparation which will not make you an "instant expert" but will enable you to function usefully and helpfully. Like swimming in cool water, some courage is required for the initial plunge. Once done, you relish each moment of it. This is your invitation to dive into the blessed and helpful work of CONTACT!

-- Ed Smith

LABOR DAY (7 September) is a holiday for the Church staff and the office will be closed. In situations of need, please call Mr. Smith (489-2210), Mr. Haddock (682-0073), Miss Biddle (477-9019) or Mrs. Massey (489-5179).

WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY! Each year, the Duke Memorial Chrismon tree is a delight and blessing to the congregation and to many folks beyond the circle of our church family. It will be in the sanctuary on 13, 20 and 27 December this year. The opportunity is that some one may be the donor - give the tree as a means of worship of God, in honour of some one, or as a memorial to some one. Please contact the pastor for details (688-1901), (688-2170).

MEMORIALS RECEIVED WITH APPRECIATION:

In memory of Alma S. Forrester by:  
Timothy J. Harrell  
Anne H. Stuart, Harkers Island, N. C.

In memory of Louise M. Horton by:  
Mrs. R. Bruce Billings

Good Samaritan Fund

In memory of May Belle Pitcher by:  
Mrs. Nola W. Highsmith, Charlotte

In memory of Frances Council Yeager by:  
Mrs. T. W. Young, Jr.

WHEN YOU PARK YOUR CAR in the Gregson Street lot on weekdays, please be sure that you place your vehicle all the way into the space so that your front wheel touches the curb stone. Only in this way will the two lanes in the middle space work out for the convenience of all of us. Thank you for your cooperation.

30 August 1981

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

The Epistle: I Corinthians 15:1-10

The Sermon: What Is First?

Acolytes: Lisa Harris and David McCotter

Greeters: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Johnson

WANTED: COMPETITION

The Open Door Class is in need of serious competition to participate in a series of Volleyball games at the Eno Celebration Sunday, August 30. If you know of anyone in our church who can meet this need please call Margaret Anne at the Church Office.



THE BULLETIN  
DUKE MEMORIAL  
METHODIST CHURCH (USPS 553-880)  
504 West Chapel Hill Street  
Durham, N. C. 27701

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Church, 504 W. Chapel Hill Street, Durham, N. C. 27701

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OUR LAST SUMMER EVENT will be a get-together at West Point on the Eno on Sunday, August 30. We plan to have games for the young or the young at heart. Volleyball will be available for those so inclined. A quiet walk along the Eno and fellowship with others will also be available. We ask that you bring covered dishes to share at the fellowship supper beginning at 6:00 p. m. Vesper services at 7:00 will conclude our program. Be sure to make plans to come and join with other members of our church to make this a joyous occasion at the Eno.

--- Don Sellers

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT: Mr. and Mrs. William T. Coman, Jr. (Judy) announce the birth of their second daughter, Mary Alice, born August 20 at Durham County General Hospital.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN - SEPTEMBER 14, 1981

Circles 1, 2 and 3 will meet at 10:00 A. M.

The General Meeting will begin at 11:00 o'clock in the Bradshaw Room. Juanita Stott, a new member and resident of the Methodist Retirement Home will give the meditation. Steve Lantz, a chaplain at the Home will present the program.

Lunch will be served by Circle 6 (Dottie Ritchie and Doris Brown, Chairmen).

All interested women are invited to attend. There will be a church nursery.

CHURCH CALENDAR AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 5

Sun.	9:45 a. m.	Church School
	10:15 a. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
	10:55 a. m.	Morning Worship
	6:00 p. m.	Churchwide picnic supper at West Point on the Eno (come early for games)
Mon.	7:30 p. m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee, Library
Tues.	6:00 p. m.	Teachers Potluck Supper, Whitford Hall
Wed.	10:00 a. m.	Bazaar Workshop
Thurs.	7:30 p. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



Don't Sleep  
through  
PROMOTION SUNDAY!

August 30 is Promotion Sunday in our Church School. It is a time when we mark the beginning of a new year of growth and study and is a symbol of continuous growth in the faith. Although only children and youth physically move from one class to another, it is appropriate for adults also to take note of this time of passage. We all can evaluate where we are in the development of our faith and set goals for learning for the new year.

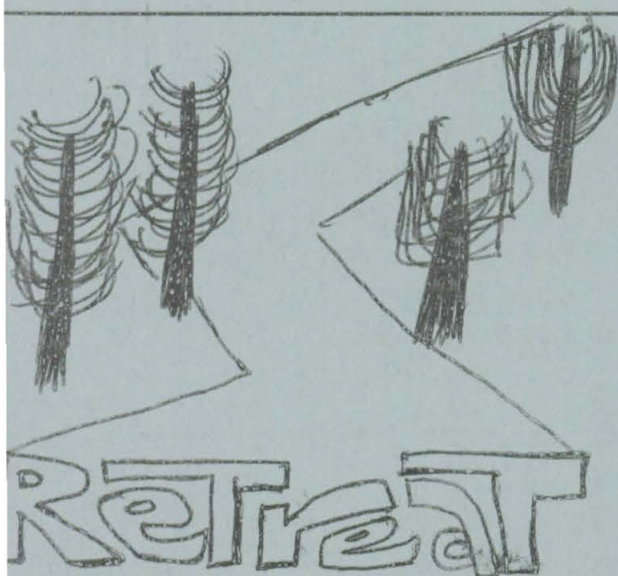
Now, what's happening on August 30? The youth of our church will be on Retreat at Camp Chestnut Ridge. The adults and children are invited to participate in a Promotion Sunday Celebration in Whitford Hall, beginning at 10:00 a. m.

IMPORTANT!! Children should be in their old classes for roll call by 9:30 A. M. (Please, parents, this is very important - please help us by having your children here by 9:30 A.M. We're counting on you, parents!) Everyone should check roll, and leave their report in the church office on the way to Whitford Hall, arriving no later than 10 A.M.

SYMPATHY: The pastors and congregation express their love and concern to Mrs. A. P. Dollar because of the recent death of her sister, and to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coman, Jr., because of the death of Judy's brother, Douglas Hilliard, Friday, 21 August 1981.

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 23 August 1981  
Church School.....194  
Morning Worship.....271

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST WEDNESDAY MORNING  
7:00 O'CLOCK.



## FALL RETREAT FOR YOUTH!

"CLOSE ENCOUNTERS of the PLAYING, Planning  
and PRAISING Kind"

WE WANT TO BEGIN our 1981-82 year with a bang  
by having AS MANY 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders as possible  
join us for our "Welcome back from Summer Retreat!"

AT CAMP CHESTNUT RIDGE, AUGUST 29-30,

Call Margaret  
ANNE NOW if you  
can go.