

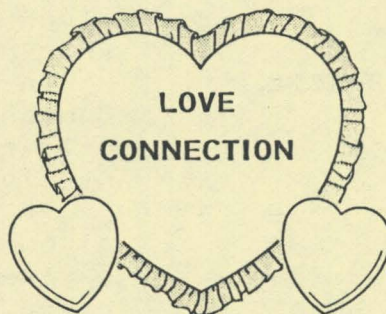
Insights

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

The Rev. W. Eric Carson
Minister

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"What's love got to do with it?"

Recording star Tina Turner probably didn't have the church in mind when she posed that question in a recent hit song.

But research into factors that promote flourishing congregations suggests that love has a great deal "to do with it." The "it" in this case being congregational vitality.

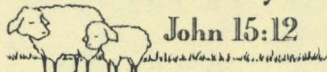
A recent study completed during morning worship services by members of various denominations confirms with concrete evidence what many of us have long suspected: Growing congregations give and receive more love and care than members of declining congregations. Such congregations attract new people - in large part as a by-product of their efforts to love and care for people already in their fellowship.

I believe our "love quotient" is high -- we share our joys and concerns, respond to known crises, make visits to hospitals and homes, make special efforts to meet the needs of children, youth and elderly people. In addition to these and other activities, we make diligent efforts to reach out to others with Christlike concern and compassion.

Love does have a lot to do with it!

eric

Love one another
as I have loved you.
John 15:12



BIRTH!

Brandy Lisette Hammond
February 6, 1990

Parents: William & Lee Hammond,
Proud grandparents: Ed and Kay.



Alexandra Grace Boddie
January 31, 1990

Daughter of Needham & Tracy Boddie
by Rev. W. Eric Carson
in Duke Memorial Sanctuary



Mary Yandle, DCGH 7234
B. D. Cooke, at home

Special Operation Training Center,
Camp MacKalkaren, Fort Bragg, has
been named in memory of Col. James
(Nick) Rowe, late husband of Susan
Whitford Rowe.



Rev. Richard T. Commander
February 4, 1990

"In Christ shall all be made alive."

IN SYMPATHY

WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY to
Kay Amick and her family on the
death of her mother, Thelma
Benfield, on Feb. 6 in High Point.

Memorials

In memory of Thomas B. Walker,
given by Art and Elaine Berman.

In memory of Ruth P. Long,
given by Anne W. Garrard.

In memory of Ed Smith, given
by the Lillie Duke Sunday School
Class.

Good Samaritan Fund

In memory of Thomas B. Walker,
given by Dr. & Mrs. Leland Phelps
and Bob & Jean Weynand.

In memory of Rev. R. T.
Commander, given by Mr. & Mrs.
Dillard Teer.

Elevator Fund

In memory of Ruth P. Long,
given by Lucille H. Mortland.

In memory of Thomas B. Walker,
given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Means
and Lucille H. Mortland.

In memory of Ed Smith, given
by Catherine M. Barnhill and
Ralph & Virginia Ballagh.

An anonymous gift has been
received in honor of Ran and
Shirley Few for the Good Samari-
tan Fund.

From the Bishop

The Reverend W. Eric Carson
504 W. Chapel Hill Street
Durham, NC 27701

"I rejoice in the fact that
your congregation is one of those
which achieved the goal which was
set for giving to outreach minis-
tries. I am grateful for your
leadership, and I praise God for
the sacrificial offerings of your
people as they have reached out
to touch the world with the car-
ing and redeeming love of Christ
through the mission of our Annual
Conference and denomination. I
am grateful for their faithful
discipleship and witness."

C. P. Minnick, Jr.



- to **Jane Stewart** for her assistance with the meal for the tri-district event which was held here on February 11.

- to **Ann Marie Langford** who has volunteered to work at the Clothes Closet once a month, and to **Edith Johnson** who is also willing to assist. If there are others who wish to help in this area, please contact Marge Clark (683-3467). Volunteers serve on the third Tuesday of the month from 1-4 p.m. at the Urban Ministries Center downtown.

- to Resources Coordinator, **Tamela Davis**, for buying our supplies and doing bulletin boards for the Children's Division the past two years.

- to **Kay Peters**, the new Resources Coordinator, and to **Louise Brasher** for her artistic ability in doing bulletin boards for us.

- to **Marcia Grogan**, **Carol Long**, **Julia Johnson** and **Ann Knight** for helping in the 1st and 2nd grade class with **Martha Thumm**, teacher.



Growing in Christ

Saturday, March 3
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
(Lunch provided)

Aldersgate Room

You are invited if you are a Sunday School teacher or would like a spiritual uplift. Contact Ann Stallings (683-3467) if you can come.

Deadline for
Next Issue:
FEB. 25

CONGREGATION

IN ACTION

Your new **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEAM** met for the first time on Feb. 7. In identifying key issues related to the Sunday School, the Team has decided to focus on developing a pool of leaders who would be available for short-term teaching assignments in our adult classes. We are looking for **persons** who would be willing to offer a course in their own area of interest, as well as persons who would prepare from selected curriculum resources. The individual classes would be responsible for making arrangements with the various available leaders. It seems that the time when adult classes had one long-term leader may have passed. But teaching gifts still abound in our congregation and we're hoping that those of you who have those gifts will offer them to the Sunday School ministry of our church.

NEXT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEAM MEETING:
Thursday, March 8, 7:00 p.m.



Share
Your Ideas!

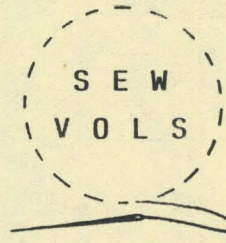
HAVE YOU HAD A GREAT IDEA LATELY that you think would be a meaningful part of Duke Memorial's program ministry? The **PROGRAM TEAM** would like to hear from you. Contact Para Drake (490-1363) or Marge Clark (683-3467) and we'll get you started on the right track. Several church members have already begun working on upcoming programs and projects. **SHARE YOUR GIFTS!**

The Program Team meets on **Sunday, Feb. 25, at 4:00 p.m.**

Women's Page

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN will meet on March 5, at 7:30 p.m., in the Bradshaw Room to hear The Rev. Dr. Mark Wethington, minister of Glendale Heights United Methodist Church. He has just returned from his fifth trip in the past five years to Peru. On this last trip he was the North Carolina Conference representative at the centennial celebration of Methodism in Peru. He will show slides and tell about his vision of building long-term covenant relationships between people of faith in this country and the people in Peru.

United Methodist Women invite all interested people, especially the men and new members, to attend. All are also welcome to attend the social time afterward, when Wesley Women will be responsible for refreshments. Nursery care is available.



will meet Wednesday, March 7, at 9:30 a.m. in Whitford Hall. Please come help sew for our shut-ins. Bring a sandwich, drink will be provided.

Circle 2 is responsible for the Community Life Center birthday party on February 23.

United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Feb. 28, in the Bradshaw Room at 1:15 p.m.

"Living Our Faith" is the theme for the 1990 North Carolina Conference 39-and-Under Event to be held in Fayetteville at Methodist College on March 16-17. The cost is \$25, child care is free for those ages 3 mo.-9 yrs, registration deadline: March 10.

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WESLEY WOMEN

Wesley Women is divided into three friendship groups, based on zip code areas. Each group plans and hosts monthly meetings and Wesley Class socials. The groups also provide support in times of family crises. We currently have 33 members on our roll and we average ten at our monthly meetings.

In January, 1989, we became a circle of the United Methodist Women. In that capacity, we have prepared refreshments for the UMW general meeting, prepared and served birthday refreshments for the Community Life Center, attended UMW meetings and served on UMW committees.

In February, it was decided that we would serve the homeless as our community service project. With plans to prepare a hot meal for the Homeless Shelter once every other month, we served 5 meals in 1989. Food is prepared for 150 people and carried to and served at the Shelter. Funding for the dinners is provided by our class collection. In '89, we received donations of \$100 from the UMW; \$100 from the Work Area on Church & Society. We have asked for \$350 from the Church & Society budget for 1990. Currently we have \$60.

Amy Kellum serves on the Board of Directors of the Women's Shelter.

At our March meeting and at subsequent meetings throughout the year, we have made tray favors for nursing homes & rehabilitation centers.

The director of Volunteer services at Lenox Baker Children's Hospital spoke at our May meeting and demonstrated sight gaze vests, used by non-verbal children for communication. We plan to make some vests for the hospital.

In August, we helped the Women's Shelter by selling tickets for their pig-picking & fish fry fund raiser and made donations to their yard sale.

In the fall, we made potpourri sachets for the UMW mini bazaar. As an ongoing service project, we printed Bible verse cards for the homebound.

In 1990, we plan to continue to serve shelter meals bimonthly and help to meet the needs of our church family.

Mary Lee Bailey

→FEEDBACK←

In response to our "Special Need" request in the last "INSIGHTS," we thank Jim and Sharon Allen for donating a microwave oven. Also special thanks to the Open Door Class for donating \$100 for other needs of the recipient.

HOMEBOUNDED MINISTRY

Come visit with us:

Tues., Feb. 20, 9:45 a.m. -

Durham Rest Home, Private homes

Tues., Mar. 6, 9:45 a.m. -

Private homes

Call Ann Stallings (683-3467) if you can join us.

FRIENDSHIP CORNER

NEEDED: Members who would "adopt" one homebound person to visit and cheer up. Needs we have:

1) Precious lady, homebound but young at heart, needs a regular visitor and a friend. Was a head nurse at Duke Hospital.

2) Sweet lady, arthritis and loneliness making her winter long. Needs a cheery visitor.

Call Ann (683-3467) if you can help.



LOOKING FOR

AN INTERESTING BOOK?

Roanoke Hundred,

by Inglis Fletcher

(Given by Tom Coble)

Bennett's Welcome,

by Inglis Fletcher

(Given by Winston Montgomery)

Another View and Sleeping Tiger,

by Rosamunde Pilcher

Beloved, by Toni Morrison

Rainbow in the Mist,

by Phyllis A. Whitney

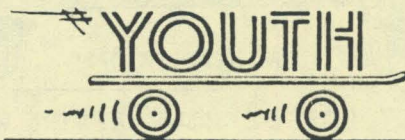
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The Joy Luck Club, by Amy Tan

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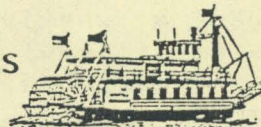
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

ATTENTION: 4th and 5th graders. We need you to make decorations for the Square Dance Thursday, February 22, from 4-5 p.m. in the 5th and 6th grade classroom. We also need help decorating and greeting folks the night of the dance.



The J.O.Y. Class will be holding a Lock-in on Friday night February 23 through Saturday morning, February 24. Any young person in our church is invited to come. The event will include team building activities, recreation, movies, music and food. Watch for details in J.O.Y. Class communications.

ATTENTION:
DUKE MEMORIAL TRAVELERS



JOIN US for a spring color tour of **Historic Wilmington** April 9-10, 1990, via deluxe tourcoach. A local guide will join us for a tour of Wilmington's historic district.

We will stroll through the beautiful gardens of Orton Plantation, have a dinner cruise aboard the Henrietta II, a riding tour of Greenfield Park and Gardens and a guided tour through the Manor House of Poplar Grove Plantation, where lunch will be served in the Manor House dining room.

We will visit the USS North Carolina Battleship Memorial and tour the ship.

We have a few seats left on the tour coach, so as soon as you decide you can go, please call Oliver or Helen Upchurch (682-1675) to reserve a seat for two wonderful days of sightseeing, touring, and cruising around North Carolina's Cape Fear!

OFFERING



THROUGH JANUARY 31, 1990

Budgeted \$28,869

Received 21,128

\$(7,741)

Capital Campaign for Renewal:
\$193,668



A WEEKLY COFFEE HOUR AFTER WORSHIP

Once I attended a wedding where the pastor used as a text for his meditation the beautiful inscription engraved on the wedding rings: "Our joys doubling, our cares dividing." That is the essence of every good marriage and an excellent description of Christian community.

Beginning soon, we will have a weekly coffee hour immediately following worship - a time for everyone to join in fellowship, conversation, meeting new people, welcoming new members, and seeing people who may not be in our particular small group. Coffee hour will be held in Whitford Hall. Coffee, juice, and light refreshments will be provided.

Watch for the first one. Come double your joy and divide your cares.

Larry Brasher



MARCH

Infants

- Mar 4 Tim & Jennifer Nifong
- Mar 11 Tom & Carol Long
- Mar 18 Elizabeth Bookhout
- Mar 25 Linda Adkinson

Toddlers

- Mar 4 Rick & Winnie Kaspar
- Mar 11 Linda Adkinson
- Mar 18 Tom & Carol Long
- Mar 25 Ann Stallings

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

ASH WEDNESDAY

LENT begins next Wednesday, February 28. You are invited to begin this special season of reflection by joining us for worship that evening at 7:00 p.m. The brief service will include the imposition of the ashes.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1990

The Bradshaw Room will be open that day from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for those who wish to come for a time of prayer and meditation. A brief prayer guide will be available along with any special prayer concerns of our church. You may also bring your own Bible & devotional material.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1990

VBS/MUSIC & DRAMA CAMP

JULY 9-13, 1990

MARCH



- Mar 4 Jerry Mailey Fam. GREETERS
- Mar 11 Bill & Barbara Self
- Mar 18 Bill & Nadine Hoover
- Mar 25 Youth

USHERS

MARCH

Tim Langford, Leader; Clarence Bailey, Devan and Doris Brown, Charles Browning, Dewey Dean, Bill Hoover, Darrel Johnson, Robin Langford, Arthur McDonald, Bill Martin, Andy Tingen, A. D. Turrentine, Tom Shore, Pam Whilden, Bill Wilson



HUNGER

The date for the annual Durham CROP Walk for hunger is Sunday, April 1. If you would like to coordinate this program for Duke Memorial, it involves:

- publicity to church groups & classes
- distribution of packets & materials to walkers
- returning materials & monies.

Put this date on your calendar & plan to walk or sponsor a walker!

MEALS ON WHEELS

In three months, there have been 344 recipients of Meals on Wheels -- a total of 16,589 meals! 60% were funded by Title XX and 29% paid privately for them. 310 recipients were over the age of 60. Of the new additions, 64 were referred to the service by doctors, hospitals and social workers.

Anyone may apply for temporary delivery after surgery if there is no one to provide meals in the home.

Two new routes for 30 people are waiting for new delivery volunteers. Can you help? by volunteering to serve 4, 3 or 2 days a months? 10:30-12:00 (682-7255).

RED CROSS

BLOOD PROVIDES THE GIFT OF LIFE TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN OUR AREA EVERY DAY, 365 DAYS A YEAR. Right now, Red Cross Blood Services is in need of caring people to staff bloodmobiles and blood centers. A short training session will be offered in late March. Call the Volunteer Office (489-6541) for more information.

RAPE CRISIS OF DURHAM is

offering a short (1-2 hours) workshop providing information, means of self-preservation, and guidance in helping rape victims and survivors. For more information, call 286-4546.

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DURHAM COUNTY MISSION SOCIETY has had another year of blessings for those who have given and received! Note how your gifts of food, clothing, money and time have helped.

Food and Clothing Distribution for 1989

Month	Number Persons Fed	Units of Clothing	Clients Served	Volunteers	Hours
January	615	957	463	44	177
February	515	720	387	44	189
March	474	754	413	48	258
April	369	711	301	58	245
May	411	910	362	54	281
June	490	934	374	48	230
July	402	759	354	43	199
August	477	820	358	55	353
September	468	839	370	49	208
October	570	1683	497	56	242
November	504	1056	392	53	231
December	<u>575</u>	<u>1301</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>145</u>
Totals	5,870	11,444	4,703	131	2,764

WHICH DISTURBS YOU MOST?

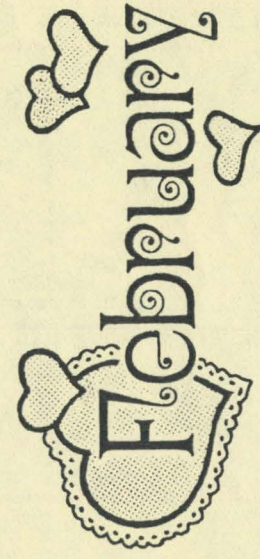
A soul lost in hell--or a scratch on your new car?
 You missing the worship service--or missing a day's work?
 A sermon 10 minutes too long--or lunch a half hour late?
 A church not growing--or your garden not growing?
 Your Bible unopened--or your newspaper unread?
 The church work being neglected--or housework neglected?
 Missing a good Bible study--or your favorite TV program?
 The millions who do not know Christ--or your inability to keep up with the neighbors?
 Your contribution decreasing--or your income decreasing?
 Your children late for Sunday School or church--or late for public school?
 Which disturbs you most?

--Steve Snider


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All outdoors edged in lace,
 Twigs and grasses...beauteous grace.
 Sunlight glows through snowy birches,
 On frosty limb a blue jay perches.
 Thank you, Lord, for heavenly art,
 Your valentine has touched my heart.
 --Adeline Rosebata

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
18	19	20	21	22	23	
	9:15 M.O.M.S. 1:30 Staff Mtg 2:00 Circle 9 	10:00 Circle 8 7:30 Admin Bd	9:15 PMO 10:00 Lunch Bunch 7:30 Wesley Women Bethany Bells	2:30 Bible Study 4:00 Confirmation	6:00 Blue/Gold Dinner, WH 7:00 Youth Lock-In	6:00 Dinner/ Square Dance
25	26	27	28	MARCH 1	2	
1:15 Jr. Choir 1:45 Sunday School 1:55 Worship Service 2:00 Program Team	9:15 M.O.M.S. 1:30 Staff Mtg	7:30 Telephone Comm, Pictorial Dir CP, Library	9:15 PMO 10:00 Lunch Bunch 1:15 UMW Exec Comm 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service	2:30 Bible Study	WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 10:00-12:30 Bradshaw Room	GROW IN CHRIST Retreat 10:00-1:00