

Insights

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

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MISSION - GO - ROUND



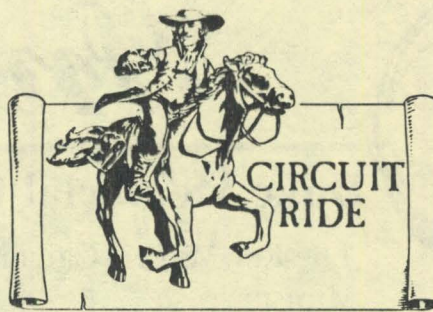
Our Mission-Go-Round is ready to go on **Sunday, October 7**. To begin the activities, guest mission speakers will be making presentation in *Sunday School classes* from first grade - adults. Guest speakers include:

Wendy Segreti:	Refugee Coordinator, UMCOR
Herbert & Mary Zigbuo:	Ganta Mission School, Liberia
Kris Kramer:	Volunteers in Mission Team, Jamaica
Geraldine Ingram:	Hinton Rural Life Center, NC
Sue Womble:	Short-term missionary, Liberia
Annette Bingham:	Volunteers in Mission Coordinator
Chuck Talbott:	Heifer Project International
DMUMC Youth:	Alaska Mission Team, 1990
Donna Elium:	Volunteers in Mission Teams

After Sunday School, come and celebrate *World Communion Sunday* during worship. After the worship service, come to Whitford Hall for an *international snack sampler luncheon*. Browse through mission displays and talk again with our guest missionaries.

You'll also have an opportunity to find out how you can become involved in missions as Duke Memorial undertakes the building of a house for Habitat for Humanity.

We hope you'll enjoy fellowship and learning as you explore some of the mission projects that our church supports and that our church members are involved in.



CIRCUIT RIDE BRIEFING HELD FOR LEADERS

The early day American Methodist Circuit Riders had committed themselves to "reform the continent and spread scriptural holiness over the land."

Key workers in our Circuit Ride stewardship campaign met on Sunday, September 30, following worship to learn more about the program to be used in our church this year.

"The success of this stewardship campaign will depend largely on how well these and other key workers carry out their responsibilities," said *Tom & Nancy Stark, General Superintendents of the Circuit Ride.*

During the briefing, Circuit Leaders and Hosts and Hostesses were assigned a "circuit" of ten church families who live in their neighborhood area.

Hosts and Hostesses will invite the families to a Circuit Gathering, to be held Sunday, October 14, in Whitford Hall (see accompanying article).

Circuit Leaders received guidance on the Circuit Ride -- the circulation of saddlebags containing "Estimate of Giving" cards.

The following Administrative Assistants recruited the Hosts/Hostesses and Circuit Leaders: *Tom Adkinson, Fred Clark, Laney Funderburk, Metta Metcalf, Tim Nifong, Edith Toms, Tim Turkington, Alice Walker and Linda Wilson.*

PHONES RINGING FOR GATHERING

Hosts and Hostesses for the Circuit Ride stewardship campaign are busy inviting our members to attend a Circuit Gathering in Whitford Hall on **Sunday, October 14**, following the morning worship service. There will be a potluck luncheon with beverages provided.

These key workers in the stewardship campaign received a briefing earlier on the important part they have in the Circuit Ride:

Each Host and Hostess has been assigned a "circuit" of ten of our families who live in their neighborhood. They are telephoning to encourage families to attend the Circuit Gathering and enjoy sitting with members of their circuit.

Tom and Nancy Stark, General Superintendents of the Circuit Ride, praised the Hosts and Hostesses for agreeing to phone neighborhood families.

"These Hosts and Hostesses are to be commended for their commitment to the church," the Starks said. "This kind of enthusiasm will help make our stewardship campaign a great success."

A brochure describing the church's proposed program and budget will be distributed at the Circuit Gathering. Afterward, the proposed ministries to be financed by the budget will be explained. Members will be invited to ask questions.

Childcare will be provided during the program.

Mary Lee Bailey

*"Tell of His glory among the nations,
His wonderful deeds among all the peoples."
--Psalm 96:3*

AS YOU DESIRE

The Conference Council on Ministries has a new publication entitled, *Connectings*, and this month's issue included an insert that caught my eye, "Creative Ideas for Churchwide Giving." As I eagerly scanned through its pages, I discovered a collection of ideas from people in local churches -- laity and clergy alike. Most were success stories and included novel ideas for raising budgets. I did not quarrel with any of them, but I must share with you my conviction that there is a direct relation between discipleship and giving. The economic evidence of our love for the Lord is in our giving.

Clutching a small bird tightly in hand, a cynic approached the rabbi with this question, "Rabbi, does this bird live or not?" The wise teacher recognized the dilemma of predicting an outcome controlled by the unbeliever. It was a classic "no win" situation. If he answered, "alive," a sly hand could secretly squeeze life from the bird to prove the rabbi wrong. If he answered, "dead," the hand would release the flying bird. According to the ancient story, this rabbi wisely responded: "It is not as others predict, but as you desire."

So it is with our giving to the Lord's work. Tom and Nancy Stark, aided by many willing helpers, are doing a superb job preparing for our campaign which is scheduled to begin on Sunday, October 21. Will we have cause to celebrate on Sunday, October 28? Will we meet or surpass our goal? It is my observation that bad breaks, such as a downturn in the economy, illness, or lack of education, never stop those who have the will to succeed. Remember, it is not as others predict, **BUT AS YOU DESIRE!**

Peace and joy,

Eric



MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Change in Schedule!!! The **CAROL CHOIR** will meet on **Sunday afternoons, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.**, beginning **Sunday, October 7**. This new rehearsal time will allow many more children the opportunity to participate in our choir program. The Carol Choir is for children Kdg. - 2nd grade.

The **WESLEY SINGERS** had a grand start on Sunday, Sept. 23. There were 21 "bright-eyed" young people present who exhibited great ability and enthusiasm! However, there is always room for more singers! This group will now include **All youth in 3rd through the 7th grade**. They will be leading the congregation in worship on a monthly basis, and presenting a special Christmas program. **Come join the fun!**

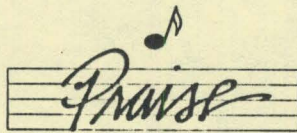
BELL RINGER NEEDED!!!

We have need for an additional handbell ringer in **Bethany Bells**. If you have some music reading ability and a desire to learn more, you are the perfect candidate! No actual handbell ringing experience is necessary. Please contact John Semingson (683-3467) for more details.



CELEBRATION SINGERS

The next rehearsal for Celebration Singers will be on **Monday, October 8**, in the Bradshaw Room. If you enjoy singing spirituals, folk, gospel and contemporary Christian music, please join us! This group rehearses only once a month and provides a refreshing alternative to traditional church music. No musical expertise is expected, only the desire to have *fun and fellowship in song!*



PRAISE MUSIC

Please join us for *Praise Music with George Eli* and his guitar *every Sunday at 9:20 a.m.* in the 5th grade classroom. While the Wesley Choir is practicing, all the parents, younger brothers and sisters, aunts, uncles and cousins can come "sing to the Lord!" We have fun! (George is leaving the U.S. in December. So don't miss him now!)

Ann Stallings

CAPITALLY SPEAKING

Entrance signs will be appearing soon at the front and back of Duke Memorial. The classrooms have been labeled during the first part of this year. As the architect develops plans for the office/reception area to be a more functional and user friendly space, he will also be making suggestions for marking entrances and providing directional signs.

Edith Toms

UMW

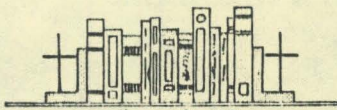
CHURCH VISION

John Wesley Semingson will be the speaker at the November meeting of United Methodist Women. He will discuss his background and his plans for Duke Memorial. He will also share his ideas for ways in which UMW members can help him to realize his vision for the church. UMW meets at 11:00 a.m. in the Bradshaw Room.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS!

Come visit with us: **Wednesday, October 3, 9:45 a.m.** Meet in church parking lot. Private homes. Call Ann Stallings (683-3467) if you can join us.

Thanks to *Doris Bridges, Ann Marie Langford, Edith Johnson, Minnie Mae Franklin, Martha Brown, Lucille Mortland, Carolyn Thomas and many others* who record their visits directly in the gray Visitation Book in the church office. It is so wonderful to know which of our homebound you have visited. Please, other folks who visit, let Ann Stallings (683-3467) or Susan Teer (489-8705), our new Volunteer Coordinator of Visitation, know when you visit and how the person you visited is doing.



Church Library

The Beginner's Bible

The Bible Animal Story Book,

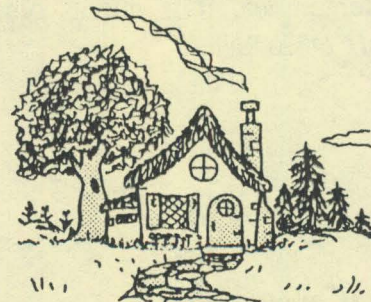
by Mack Thomas.

These two books have been presented to the church library by the third and fourth graders of 1989-1990:

Ryan Amick, Gerimee Bailey, Mark Coffman, Weston Drake, Jonathan Drew, J. J. Eli, Scott Fedyshyn, Talbert Forrester, Emily Gereffi, Kevin Grogan, Sherry Knight, Luke McCary, Eric McFall, Chris Mailey, Trey Scott, Erin Shore, Kelli Stucky, Bradley Bailey, Samuel Blanchard, Jennifer Boring, Chris Cutting, Melanie Gray, Jeanna Kaspar, Heath Sewell, Brad Shore, Michael Thumm, and Suzanne Worsley.

Mary Canada

Please call Ann or Susan if you know of a homebound person who needs a visit or special caring.



EDUCATION MINISTRY

Duke Memorial Church has a *Scholarship Fund* which enables the church to provide to Duke Memorial members grants-in-aid and/or loans to continue their education. Students who are of college age, or pre-ministerial or pre-missionary are required to apply for a loan or a grant and preference is given to those who are preparing for full-time Christian vocations.

Applications for grants or loans are reviewed and approved by the Scholarship Committee which is composed of the Pastor, Administrative Board Chair and Vice-Chair persons, Membership Secretary and the President of United Methodist Women.

The Scholarship Fund is sustained through memorials, gifts and by organizations of the church which designate funds from special projects to the Scholarship Fund.

The Scholarship Committee solicits your support for additional funds to aid our student members who may need the financial resources that such a fund supplies. Only the interest on the fund is allocated, thus any gift is one that continues to grow and benefit recipients. Members of the church should also be aware of students who might need these funds and remind them that they must take the initiative and apply for the funds. The Committee will meet again in December or early January to consider further applications for grants-in-aid or loans.

Those who have just been awarded scholarships are:

<i>Andrew Carson</i>	Wake Forest University
<i>Laurie Coffman</i>	Duke Divinity School
<i>Lynda Carson Gregg</i>	Emory University
<i>Ann Wilson</i>	Duke University, Trinity College

Scholarship Committee

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REALLY HUNGRY?



FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY is October 14. Please bring your food donations (CANNED GREEN OR YELLOW VEGETABLES, if possible) to the altar rail

before the service or during the final hymn on October 14. Money donations may be made by writing "Food Pantry" on your offering envelope. Contributions also may be left in the marked closet next to the entrance of the Education Building anytime during the month.

THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Weekday School Board will hold its first meeting on September 28, and we welcome our new chairperson, Edith Toms. Anne Clark is the immediate past chairperson, and I applaud her for her excellent leadership for the many years she served. Anne, we will miss you! Our other board members are: *Norwood Thomas, Treasurer; Karen Carr, Marge Clark, George Davis, Amy Kellum, and Ann Stallings.* My appreciation goes to all of you for serving in this capacity.

On Thursday, Oct. 25, we will have "Spaghetti Supper IV." Mark your calendar now and plan on joining us for supper in Whitford Hall. We love having our church members meeting with the Weekday School parents. Details will be in future "INSIGHTS."



Caroline Sasser

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parents' Morning Out gives parents of young children ages 3 mos. - 36 mos. a chance to get out by themselves. It is a ministry for mothers who are trying to stay home with their children. Remember, Duke Memorial members go to the top of the waiting list.

Good News... We have 134 children in our Children's Division. Fifty of them are under four years of age.



SPECIAL NEEDS

John Umstead Hospital in Butner is in need of a *GOLF CART* for one day, October 17. For further information, please call Eula at 575-7685.

JUNIOR SIZE BABY FOOD JARS WITH LIDS -- (8 oz.) or 1/2 pt. jars for pepper jelly. Please leave in church kitchen.



The American Red Cross needs you. With your help they will be able to offer courses in CPR, first aid and nursing and health. A volunteer in the blood services program helps assure a supply of donated blood to hospital patients in our area. Servicemen and their families receive emergency aid and counseling because people in this community care enough to volunteer their time. If you would like to know more about becoming a Red Cross volunteer, call 489-6541.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

"....to educate women and men to be pastors and teachers of the Christian Gospel for the churches of Africa."

--from the mission statement of the
AFRICA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF THEOLOGY

United Methodists have accepted the challenge to raise \$20 million to begin the AFRICA UNIVERSITY. Land has been given at Old Mutare Mission, Zimbabwe and the government has given its official approval. AFRICA UNIVERSITY will open with colleges of theology, education, management and administration, and agriculture.

The United Methodist Publishing House has accepted the responsibility for the Theological Library and has published a commemorative hymnal and commemorative Christmas cards. For each hymnal purchased, UMPH will donate \$1.50 and for each set of Christmas cards UMPH will give 50 cents for the library.

See you at our booth!

We hope to have samples of these items at our Mission Fair on October 7 in Whitford Hall so you can place your orders -- so you can make a difference.

Omar Fink



Our new **MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** will be sponsoring a Halloween party for children of our church from 2 - 4 p.m. on **Saturday, October 27.** Watch for details!

LAITY DAY

THE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR CHILDREN

....was a wonderful success! And many thanks to Duke Memorial for making that possible. Marge counted over 80 Duke Memorial members who actually attended the Vigil -- that's a large percentage of the 1350 total.

Thanks to -

- *Rev. Carson* for opening the Vigil with a warming prayer and for keeping the stage warm in spite of the cool breeze,

- *the church, the United Methodist Women and the many members* who made financial contributions,

- *Carol Auer* for keeping up with the expenses for us,

- *Nancy Stark* for working with the music for the program,

- *Lee Ann Gelinne* who fed our families and obtained printing services for us,

- *Karen Carr* for putting up posters and for coordinating the Centerfest booth,

- *the workers at the Centerfest booth and to those who helped* distribute leaflets and write postcards,

- *Ann McCary and the many* who provided refreshments for the Oval Park gathering,

- *Tim Turkington and Ronnie Smith* for helping with heavy things on numerous occasions,

- *Dick McFall* for providing shuttle service,

- *Becky Reinhart and Donna Blickhahn* for many helpful tidbits all along the way,

- *Connie Stutts* for organizing the last day publicity in the supermarkets,

- *Bill & Linda Wilson* for selling t-shirts the night of the Vigil,

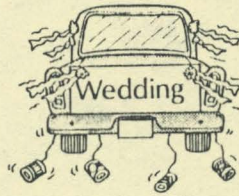
- *Shirley Few* for her advice,

- *youth members, particularly Heather Wilson*, who helped with informing the world about the World Summit for Children through the media,

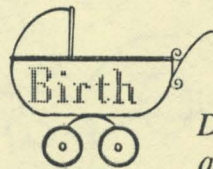
- *and all others* who helped in any way and who made us feel very supported and loved throughout the planning stages and through the Vigil itself!

Ann Wilson, Kathy Fitzsimmons, Amy Kellum

Laity Day is scheduled for *Sunday, Oct. 21*. We hope you'll come and join us for the drama, **ENDLESS LINE OF SPLENDOR**, which will be the centerpiece for the service. This drama, which includes special music, recounts the history of the Methodist Church in the United States, North Carolina, Durham, and at Duke Memorial.



Jerry Wayne Parrish, Jr.
and
Carolyn Margaret Holt
September 29, 1990



Mallie Virginia Billing
September 15, 1990
Daughter of Chuck & Kathie Billing
and sister of Shannon and Emily.

Our Thoughts & Prayers...

Alice Allen, DCGH 7212

Jessie Boyd, Wake Medical Center, 3C 16,
3000 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh 27610

Bob Cox, VA Hospital

Ruby Jones, Hillhaven Rehab & Conv. Center
1515 W. Pettigrew Street

W. Alfred Williams, at home



**WE HAVE
 A NEW LOOK!**

We recently purchased the laser printer we have been talking about for some time. It is a wonderful piece of equipment! Please be patient as we experiment and learn how to use it.

"INSIGHTS" Staff

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	9:15 PMO MOMS 10:00 Circle 1 & 3 11:00 UMW	12:15 Study Group 7:30 Nominating Comm. 2	9:15 PMO 10:00 Craft Group 7:00 RESULTS 7:30 Bethany Bells 3	7:00 Quartet Rehearsal GIRL Scouts 7:30 Sanctuary Ch 4	U M W ANNUAL Fayetteville	MEETING Fayetteville 5:00 Wedding 5:00 Wedding Rehearsal 5
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