

OUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For: Joe Earl Rentz (Cancer), (Elaine McCall's Dad), Jimmy Lowe, Rev. Hamp Watson, Steve Faught, Margaret Bryant's Family.

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, April 8, 2007

Sunday School.....106
Morning Worship218
No Evening Worship

OUR GIFTS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT For the week April 8, 2007

General Budget Received—\$6,539.94
Total for Special & General Accounts—\$6,796.94
Total Paid on 2007 Apportionments—\$2,040.00

LIVING MEMORIALS

To Terry Smith by Buck & Jane Elder, E.M. & Patricia Wilkes, Richard & JoAnn Deas.

To Russell Hughes by Marilyn Sayles.

To Minnie Lou Truitt by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To Leon Butler by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To Tammy New by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To Margrett Hewitt by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To J.N. "Nip" Waters by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To Elton Anderson by Jimmy & Shirley Maley.

To Aleen Jones by Buck & Jane Elder.

To Ojetto Clance by Louis Stackley.



ASSISTING IN WORSHIP April, 2007

USHERS: Shae Carter, Jane Elder, Gina Morris, Patricia Wilkes

OFFERING STEWARDS: Bayne Stone, Dan Stone

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Family Night Supper - Sunday, April 15th - 6 pm with hostess UMW Circle 1.

Meetings:

Finance Monday, April 16th 6 pm Parlor
Council Monday, April 16th 7 pm Choir Room
*UMM Tuesday, April 17th 7 pm Courson's
Called Church Conference- April 18th 7 pm Sanctuary
SPR Monday, April 23rd 6:30 pm Parlor
*UMM plan to meet at Courson's where we will eat (dutch treat) and have our meeting.

Have you heard about the IRA rollover provision for 2007?

It is an effective tax-free rollover of funds for charitable use. In the Pension Protection Act of 2006, Congress permitted a direct IRA gift to charity for the first time. The IRA rollover provision allows individuals age 70 1/2 and over to make charitable donations up to \$100,000, to be completed by December 31, 2007, from an IRA to a charity without having to count the donation as taxable income.

Several "Friends of Epworth" are planning to take advantage of this exciting opportunity to donate to their churches and Epworth By The Sea. This new provision allows donors to avoid tax on the IRA distribution.

If you would like to investigate this option, please call Dr. Charles Adams. He will be happy to provide detailed information and a sample letter for a donor to send to his or her IRA Administrator or Financial Advisor.

For further information and details, please contact:

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WEE NEWS

Sarah Catherine Strickland was born on April 2nd, weighing 7 lbs 8 ozs. The parents are Dr. & Mrs. Chris Strickland from Watkinsville, Ga. Proud Grandparents are Jack and Judy Cole.



NOTES FROM JEFFERY



Many "Thanks" to all Chancel Choir members, Narrator Chuck Coleman, and Handbell Team members for a great Easter celebration presentation as we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord!

Chancel Choir will resume weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, April 25th at 7:15 P.M. in the Choir Room.

Handbell Team will resume weekly rehearsals on Sunday, April 29th at 4:00 P.M. in the Handbell Room.

Our monthly **Senior Adult Luncheon** will be Tuesday, April 17th at 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Our special guest will be Ed Grisamore, columnist for The Macon Telegraph. Ed is the author of five books and one audiobook. His speeches are a blend of humor and inspiration with a spiritual message. Everyone come and bring your favorite covered dish and enjoy a good time with friends!

Fuel for the Fire



I want to share two opportunities with you that will change someone's world: First, beginning next week the youth will be sponsoring a program called One Life. Each year thousands of people die from Aids in Africa; not because they are sinners participating in drugs and other activities but because of poor medical facilities, or other reasons beyond their control. For each \$17 that the youth raise 1 person will receive treatment for an entire year from this horrible disease. Our goal for our first year is \$1,500. The second opportunity is the intergenerational mission trip. The date is set for the second week in July. Our destination is the New Orleans area. Like last year I feel confident that we will raise all the money needed for this trip and our supplies will be provided through UMCOR and the apportionments monies that we contribute as a United Methodist Church. I hope that you will prayerfully consider participating in either or both of these projects whether it is through your service or contribution financially.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, April 13, 2007
 6:45 am — Promise Keepers
 Youth to John Reuben Concert, Baxley

SATURDAY, April 14, 2007
 Prom Dinner - Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, April 15, 2007
 9:45 am — Sunday School
 11:00 am — Morning Worship
 6:00 pm— Family Night Supper (UMW Circle 1 Hosting)

MONDAY, April 16, 2007
 6:00 pm - Finance Meeting (Parlor)
 7:00 pm - Council Meeting (Choir Room)

TUESDAY, April 17, 2007
 11:45 am—Senior Adult Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
 7:00 pm—Crossfire (High School)
 7:00 pm - UMM Meeting (Courson’s)

WEDNESDAY, April 18, 2007
 5:30-7 pm—T.M.4.1.4 (Middle School)
 5:30-7 pm—Children’s Program (Gospel Light)

THURSDAY, April 19, 2007
 10:00 am—Senior Prayer

FRIDAY, April 20, 2007
 6:45 am—Promise Keepers

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UMW Meetings for April

Circle 1 - Meets Tuesday, April 24th at 7 pm in the home of Kim Strawn.

Circle 2 - Meets Tuesday, April 24th at 7 pm in the home of Delle Strawn.

Circle 3 - Meets Tuesday, April 24th at 9:30 am in the church social hall with hostess Donna Faught.

Circle 5 - Meets Monday, April 23rd at 7:30 pm in the home of Kim Porter.

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OUR CHURCH STAFF

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 Minister of YouthJared Middleton
 Office Manager.....Martha Lolley
 Nursery.....Jessica Miller
 Organist.....Janice Cole
 Custodian.....Elaine McCall
 Pastor.....Rodney Porter

The Informer
 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZLEHURST, GA

Wednesday, April 11, 2007



Jeffery Spell was named Citizen of the Year for 2006 by the Jeff Davis Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday night April 3rd at the 41st Annual Meeting. Congratulations Jeffery!

Jesse (Jess) C. Woodard III has received a new position at the Bank of Lumber City as banking officer. Jess has a BBA degree in Finance from Georgia Southern University. Congratulations Jess!

Rhonda Stone manuscript will be published in Volume 56 of the Journal of Southern Agricultural Education Research. Rhonda wrote the manuscript entitled “Female Agricultural Educators in Georgia”, while working on her EDS degree. Congratulations Rhonda!

