

OUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For: Joe Frazier (Cancer), Marilyn Sayles, Linda Edwards (Auto Accident), Terry Carraway's Family.

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, November 26, 2006

Sunday School.....78
Morning Worship148
Family Night Supper.....42

OUR GIFTS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT For the week November 26, 2006

General Budget Received—\$4,271.00
Apportionments Received—\$606.00
Total for Special and General Accounts—\$4,761.00
Total Apportionments Paid for 2006—\$11,334

LIVING MEMORIALS

To **Brenda Brue** by Buddy & Louise Varnadoe, Anne Owens.
To **Dianne Carvey** by Wyatt & Emily Spann.
To **Michael Cothran** by Wyatt & Emily Spann.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP December 2006

USHERS: Charles Cole, Phil Merritt, Glenn Kemp, Jim Peterson
OFFERING STEWARDS: Richard Deas, Jimmy Maley

FYI - Anyone who wants to send a card to Linda Edwards, Bishop Marion's wife, these are the following addresses we have here at the church.

Regional Rehabilitation Hospital 3715 Highway 280/431 N. Phenix City, AL 36867	<u>Home Address</u> 433 Moss Drive Hamilton, GA. 31811 Phone: 706-596-8136 Email: bishopmme@charter.net
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Wesley and United Methodism

Don't forget the 4-week series on Wesley and Methodism during our Sunday school classes that Brother Rodney is teaching. During the month of December he will be in the Garrett-Lynn Class. If you are not involved in a Sunday School class this will be a great time to begin your involvement. Whether you need a refresher course on United Methodism or are just beginning – this class is for you. In addition to some history, we will also be discussing Holy Communion, Infant Baptism, Going onto Perfection and Levels of Grace.

UMM meets December 12th at 7 pm. All men are encouraged to attend.

The **Children's Christmas program** will be December 10 beginning at 6 pm.

We will be having a **Christmas Eve Candlelight service** on December 24 beginning at 6 pm. Put this date on your calendars and make sure it is a part of your Christmas celebration this year.

UMW Circle 5-Christmas Party-Monday, December 18th at 7 pm the home of Janice Conley.

Notice: The churches oldest member Hoyt Haley will be 97 years old on December 29th. Let's all wish him a Happy Birthday. Address: Magnolia Estates Inc, 68 College Ave., Elberton, Ga. 30635. Phone: 706-213-0123.

Lost & Found: Ladies earring has been found on the sideway outside the Sanctuary. If you lost 1 earring please stop by the office to see if it's yours.

Meetings December 4th

Finance	Monday	6 pm	Parlor
Council	Monday	7 pm	Choir Room

Sunday Morning Breakfast list for December

12-3 Melisa Pace
12-10 Alan & Kim Strawn
12-17 Jimmy & Shirley Maley
12-24 Janice Conley
12-31 Bayne & Carole Stone



NOTES FROM JEFFERY



Chancel Choir & Handbell Team Members: It is very important for ALL members to be present for all remaining rehearsals! Our Christmas musical presentations is just around the corner...and we want to present out best to our Lord and Savior.

The Chancel Choir will be presenting the Christmas musical, **One Small Child**, on Sunday evening, December 17th at 7:00 P.M. The Handbell Team will be presenting their Christmas musical selections during this time. Please note the time change from our regular Sunday evening services. So be sure to mark your calendars now for this special evening in celebrating the birth of our savior through music.

Handbell Team...a reminder that we will be performing for the Jeff Davis Primary School Christmas Party on December 7th in the church fellowship hall.

Forever Young...will be going to Whale's Tail at Cedar Crossing on December 7th. We will be leaving the church at 4:30 p.m.

Fuel for the Fire

As you read this INFORMER I will most likely be in Charlotte for the National Youth Workers Convention. Please keep me in your prayers this weekend for both traveling mercies, a renewal of passion for youth work as well as seeing a vision of what God would have our student ministry work toward in the next year.

For those of you going on the Ski Trip remember we have a payment that is actually due Thursday, November 30th. This brings the total monies past due to be \$125. Please make every effort to either make payment on time or speak to me about other options. As, of printing we still have several spots available. If you or someone you know is interested please let me know.

WEE NEWS

Walter and Juanita Thompson are the proud Great Grand parents of not 1 but 2 Great grand's. A girl-Genevieve Grace Bradley was born on October 25th. A boy-Grant Douglas Moss born on November 11th.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, December 1, 2006

6:45 am — Promise Keepers

SUNDAY, December 3, 2006

9:15 am—Teachers Meeting

9:45 am — Sunday School

11:00 am — Morning Worship (Communion)

4-5:30 pm—Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm— Evening Worship

Youth—various fellowship after evening worship

MONDAY, December 4, 2006

12:00 am—Staff Meeting

6:00 pm—Finance

7:00 pm—Church Council

WEDNESDAY, December 6, 2006

10:30-12:00—David Jeremiah Bible Study (Parlor)

5-6:15 pm—T.M.4.1.4 (Middle School)

5:30-7:00 pm—Children’s Program

6:45-7:45 pm—Crossfire (High School)

7:30 pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, December 7, 2006

10:00 am—Senior Prayer

6:00 pm—JD Primary School Program (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, December 8, 2006

6:45 am—Promise Keepers

THANK YOU’S

Dear Friends,

We just wanted to thank you for the cards you’re sent, your support and most of all your prayers for us and our family during this time. You’ll never know how much you have encouraged us through your prayers and support. We are overwhelmed how God is loving on us through His people. Thanks again so much and God Bless each of you.

Gary & Anita Herndon

Phil. 1:3

Dear Church Family,

I just wanted to thank you for selecting me as a scholarship recipient. It is a true honor. As most of you know I am now in my first year of law school at UGA. School is VERY demanding, but it is such a reassurance to know that I have the support and prayers of my church family. Thank you again for thinking of me.

Lynsay Hancock

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The Informer

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZLEHURST, GA

Wednesday, November 29, 2006

As of the printing of this Informer we have now paid \$11,334 towards our 2006 apportionments. It wasn’t too long ago that we were at zero dollars paid so it’s pretty astounding how much progress we have made in such a short time. But as Jerry Reed sang in the movie “Smokey and the Bandit” – “we’ve got a long way to go and a short time to get there.”

There are several ways that you can give – for those on a budget you can give \$400 and it will raise us 1 percentage point. Others have been able to give \$1,000 dollars in addition to their usual giving. But I would like to encourage those of you that can to give larger lump sums. In past years we have had families to give 5 to 10 thousand dollars or more at the end of the year. I trust that this year will be no different and that as God speaks to our hearts that some will be able to make these larger gifts. Not only is it a great way to get a tax break for your 2006 taxes but it’s also a great way to help your church family meet its obligations for 2006. Ministries are in dire need of these funds and I am certain that God is calling us all to do our part. Let us all be in prayerful consideration as we head into this last and final month of 2006.

In Christ’s Love,

Rodney