

OUR PRAYERS

Please Pray For: Joe Frazier, Marilyn Sayles, Linda Edwards (Auto Accident), Michael Day (Surgery), John Snowden (Surgery), A.B. Cochran.

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, December 10, 2006

Sunday School.....81
Morning Worship146
Children Christmas Program.....110

OUR GIFTS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT For the week December 10, 2006

General Budget Received—\$7,614.50
Apportionments Received this week—\$2,461.00
Total for Special and General Accounts—\$8,684.91
Total Apportionments Received for 2006—\$15,361.00

LIVING MEMORIALS

To Terry Carraway by Bob & Nancy Butler, Bill & Wanda Eason, L.H. & Marilyn Bass, Anne Owens, Conrad & Tammy Dyal, Mary Nell Hays, Akin-Bennett Sunday School Class, Jeff, Melisa, Grant, Megan & Jesse Pace, Rayonier Baxley, Swainsboro & Eatonton Store Rooms, Rayonier Eatonton Mill, Rayonier's Bussiness Unit, Rayonier Baxley Mill, Rayonier Swainsboro Mill, Employee's of Golden Isle Supply Company, Inc., Everyone at Key Knife, Inc.

To Randall Nathan Johnson by Modeen Knox.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP December 2006

USHERS: Charles Cole, Phil Merritt, Glenn Kemp, Jim Peterson

OFFERING STEWARDS: Richard Deas, Jimmy Maley

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Jeremiah Bible Study has been cancelled for all of December. It will being again in January.

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.

The church office will be closed from Monday, December 25th through Tuesday, January 2nd. Martha will be working on December 27th from 10 am to 2 pm to receive any end of year donations for the year 2006.

No Sunday Evening Service on December 31st.

January calendar dates are due in by December 20th.

UMW Circle 1-Christmas Party-Thursday, December 14th at 7 pm the home of Elaine McCall.

UMW Circle 3-Christmas Party-Wednesday, December 13th at 9:30 am in the Church Social Hall with Gloria Girtman and Carolyn Fountain hosting.

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

White Christmas Fund

Your gift to the White Christmas Fund goes directly to our Staff for Christmas Bonuses. Please make your check out and mail to: First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1776, Hazlehurst, Ga. 31539 and designate it White Christmas by December 20th.

THANK YOU

Dear scholarship committee and church family,

Thank you so much for choosing me as a scholarship recipient. I feel truly blessed to have received this honor. You will never know how much my family and I appreciate you thinking of us. I am currently teaching at Jeff Davis pre-k as I finish my internship. Thanks again for your love and support!

Sincerely,
Maria Rea



NOTES FROM JEFFERY



Attention Chancel Choir Members: Two last remaining rehearsals (both in the sanctuary)...

Wednesday, December 13th @ 7:15 P.M.

Sunday, December 17th @ 3:00 P.M. (final dress rehearsal)

Attention Handbell Team: Our final dress rehearsal will be in the sanctuary...Sunday, December 17th @ 4:00 P.M.

I need **ALL** members of both choirs to be present for the remaining rehearsals as we put forth every effort in preparing the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior.

Our **Handbell Team** will be playing special music for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 6:00 P.M. in the sanctuary.

Our **Music Ministry Christmas Party** will be Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00 P.M. at the home of Conrad and Tammy Dyal. Everyone come and enjoy an evening of holiday fun and fellowship!

Our **Senior Adults Christmas Luncheon** will be this Tuesday, December 19th @ 11:45 A.M. in the fellowship hall. We welcome Rhonda Byrd as our special guest... leading us in lots of Christmas holiday music! Be sure to come and bring your favorite covered dish as we celebrate the Christmas season.

Fuel for the Fire

As some of you have noticed, it seems like I have been gone as much as I have been home lately. This has been a busy season of ministry. This past conference was great! I traveled to Charlotte for several days for the National Youth Workers Convention. It was amazing to meet with over 2,900 other youth workers who share the same passion of reaching students for the kingdom. I only wish that I could have taken some of you with me. Thank you for allowing me the flexibility to do these types of events that will make our Student Ministry better. Merry Christmas!

*Blessing,
Jared*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, December 15, 2006

6:45 am — Promise Keepers
 6:00 pm—Staff Christmas Party (Porter’s)

SUNDAY, December 17, 2006

9:45 am — Sunday School
 11:00 am — Morning Worship
 3:00 pm—Chancel Choir (final dress rehearsal), (Sanctuary)
 4-5:30 pm—Handbell Choir (final dress rehearsal), (Sanctuary)
 6:00 pm— Evening Worship
 Youth—various fellowship after evening worship

MONDAY, December 18, 2006

Youth Retreat begins
 7:00 pm—UMW Circle 5 Christmas Party (Janice Conley)

TUESDAY, December 19, 2006

11:45 am—Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon (Fellowship hall)

WEDNESDAY, December 20, 2006

7:00 pm—Music Christmas Party

THURSDAY, December 21, 2006

10:00 am—Senior Prayer
 Youth Retreat ends

FRIDAY, December 22, 2006

6:45 am—Promise Keepers

THANK YOU’S

To Our Church Family,

We the family of Robert Terry Carraway wish to express our sincere appreciation you showed us in the-illness and death of our love one. Please continue to pray and hold us up to God’s care so we may be at peace and calm in the coming days. Thanks for the food, flowers and expression of love.

Sincerely,

Pat, Rob, Wendy, Will, Thomas and Minola Carraway

Thank you so much for the cards, calls, and prayers during my recent surgery. I’m recovering well and hope to be back to “normal” soon. God bless each of you.

Alvin Graham

Sunday Morning Breakfast list

- 12-17 Jimmy & Shirley Maley
- 12-24 Janice Conley
- 12-31 Bayne & Carole Stone
- 1-7-07 Lenna Morris, Jane Baggett & Fonda Ussery
- 1-14-07 Gina Morris & Debbie Butler



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OUR CHURCH STAFF

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- Minister of Music & Senior Adults.....Jeffery Spell
- Minister of YouthJared Middleton
- Office Manager.....Martha Lolley
- Nursery.....Jessica Miller
- Organist.....Janice Cole
- Custodian.....Elaine McCall
- Pastor.....Rodney Porter



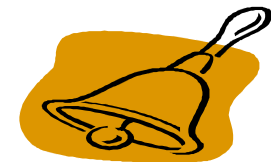
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 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZLEHURST, GA

Wednesday, December 13, 2006



“One Small Child”

The Chancel Choir will be presenting the Christmas musical this Sunday evening, December 17th at 7:00 P.M. in the sanctuary. An invitation is extended to everyone as we celebrate the birth of the King who came as One Small Child.



The Handbell Team will also be presenting their Christmas music selections at the time.

A reception will follow the musical in the fellowship hall. Everyone is asked to bring finger foods.

Please note the time change from our regular Sunday service time.