

# ❖ Cornerstone ❖

Scotts Hill, North Carolina

June, 2011

## *From the Co-Pastors...*

“Many are the plans in a human heart, but it is the Lord’s purpose that prevails.” Proverbs 19:21

On a confessional note, I pretty much have a plan of how I want things to go or how I think they should turn out. Even if I don’t articulate this so called “game plan” to anyone else, I’m always thinking, maybe even conjuring on how everything should work out the way I think it should be. Amidst all of this, I’m fully aware of what I’m doing and also aware that I don’t know what is best. Thank the Lord I haven’t gotten all that I’ve desired and prayers that I’ve prayed through the years haven’t been answered the way I thought they should be answered. I was reminded during the skit of the “Lord’s Prayer” on Youth Sunday that the first petition in this model prayer from our Lord, is “thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven”. Those few words are of tremendous magnitude and loaded, to say the least! God is God and we are not. God does know what is best and we do not. God’s will is sometimes mysterious and at times even eludes us. What I do know is that God can be trusted and He has more in store for us than we can ever imagine. God has a plan for His world, for our nation, for Wesleyan Chapel and our personal lives. When we submit to His ways and seek His guidance and pray, “thy will be done...” we are in for blessings upon blessings.

In closing, please take assurance and cling to Jeremiah’s words found in chapter 29:11-13: “For I know the plans I have for you, ‘declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart’.”

With Christian love and hope, Andi

## **YOU ARE INVITED**

Join Donald Durham and Bill Cottingham for a dinner at the First Christian Church (near Hugh MacRae Park), honoring Mr. Allan Huband on Sunday evening, June 12, at 6:00 p.m. Allan Huband has raised thousands of dollars for the CROP Hunger Walk in Wilmington. He has lung cancer and his health is failing.

Plan to walk or sponsor those who will for the CROP Hunger Walk, October 9 at Hugh MacRae Park.

Call with questions: Bill Cottingham at 622-6537 or Donald Durham at 200-8678.



## *The Congregation Welcomes...*

**Mark and Ilene Anders** who joined on May 1. They transferred from St. Andrews Covenant Church in Wilmington. Their fellowship friends are Hill and Michelle Pearsall.

Mark is a self-employed adventure writer and Ilene is CIO at Alliance Insurance Services. They have two sons, Luke and Nicholas.

(162 Epling Dr., Wilmington 28411, 910-681-1640)

**Floyd and Kathy Rollins** who joined as Associate Members on May 8. Their home church is Home Moravian Church in Winston-Salem. Their fellowship friends are Dave and Hilda Merrill and Jack Morgan.

Floyd is retired from Rollins Supply Company in Greensboro and Kathy works part-time for Executive Staffing Group in Raleigh. They have six children, six grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

(818 Wine Cellar Circle, Wilmington 28411, 336-655-5573)

**Amanda Glynn** who joined on May 15. She transferred from Simpsonville UMC in Simpsonville, SC. Her fellowship friend is Phyllis Thomas.

Amanda is married to Max who works for Archer Western and Amanda works for NC DOT. They have two young sons, Mason and Logan.

(129 Palm Cottage Dr., Hampstead 28443, 910-270-9568)

**David and Robin Helms** who joined on May 15 and transferred from Abingdon UMC in Abingdon, VA. Their fellowship friends are David and Hilda Merrill.

David is retired from TSI Group as CFO and Robin is a homemaker.

They have one grown daughter.

(1002 Wild Dunes Circle, Wilmington 28411, 910-319-7507)

**Furman Holland** who joined on May 15 and transferred from First Christian Church in Belhaven, NC. His fellowship friends are Jay and Brandi Holland.

Furman is retired from Circle Grove Seeds, Inc. and has three children and three grandchildren.

(136 Amayllis Dr., #101, Wilmington 28411, 910-319-7995)

**Melita Holland** who joined on May 15 and transferred from First Christian Church in Belhaven, NC. Her fellowship friends are Jay and Brandi Holland.

Melita is kitchen manager for Scotchman Convenience Stores.

(136 Amayllis Dr., #101, Wilmington 28411, 910-319-7995)

**Ann Ziermann** who joined on May 15 and transferred from Farmingdale UMC in Farmingdale, NY. Her fellowship friend is Roma Walker.

Ann works in the Finance Department of the New Hanover County Schools. She has four children and five grandchildren.

(8675 Grayson Park Dr., Wilmington 28411, 910-319-7257)

# June Birthdays

1	Patti Adams	17	Jacob Holland
2	Devin Tyler		Bob Morrow
	Anna Caldwell	18	Brian Lee
3	Vincent Catino	19	Doug Patterson
6	Judy Carter	20	Gina Brohaugh
	Michele Melin		Rob Pollock
	Jamie Huene		Gail Landon
	Zelan Jones		Al Hierman
7	Meg Gillikin	21	Lauren Smith
	Joseph Jackson	23	Larry Thomas
9	John Howard		Jeremy Edens
10	Robert Waters		Drew Harris
	Brenda Herring	24	Danner Upton
	Steve West		Ethan Jones
	Kathryn Upton	25	Alyx Harris
	Joshua Albon	26	Kitty Goehring
11	Jerome Pinckney		Susan Gamble
	Betty Fischer		Sam Helton
	Brian Albon	28	Talmsi Schultz
12	Jeff Johnson		Jakob Pearsall
	Jeanna Johnson		Terri Pippin
13	Jenny Snyder	29	Tom Morgan
14	Joshua Donelson		Jerry Parnell
	David Herring		Brooke Guderian
16	Derek Gardner, Jr.	30	Gretchen Simmons
	Caroline Huffman		Brad Updegrave
	Richard Nichols		

# June Anniversaries

1	Galen and Lynda Harris
2	Mike and Gail Landon
	Gilbert and Kelly Catino
	Jeff and Alicia Boaz
4	Alan and Debbie Hughes
5	Harvey and Marsha Holland
	Wesley and Cynthia Wright
6	Clip and Debbie Davis
	Bill and Kaye Applewhite
	Dave and Jeanette Williams
	Mitch and Betsy Thomas
7	Scott and Shannon McLaurin
9	Donald and Judy Durham
	Marty and Jan Kinney
11	Dennis and Lynne Loeser
12	Harold and Dianne Lee
14	David and Robin Helms
16	Jeff and Barbara Cavanaugh
	Herman and Brenda Herring
	Michael and Lindsy Jones
20	Andy and Allyson Smith
21	Henry and Kathy Wicker
	Jay and Brandi Holland
23	Blaney and Carol Batts
	Tom and Lori Nugent
25	Ronnie and Sharon Edens
	Raeford and Liz Brown
27	Charlie and Margaret Overby
	Dickie and Joyce Spears
28	Roy and Mary Ruth Marshall
30	Cameron and Pat MacLean

# June Volunteers

## Ushers and Greeters

<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Worship Service Ushers</b>	James Steele, Dickie Spears, Woody Vinson
<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Worship Service Greeters</b>	
5	Bill and Sandra Stephenson	
12	Gene Parker, Dee Dee Egan	
19	Robert and Phyllis Blake	
26	George and Susan Gamble	
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Worship Service Greeters</b>	
5	Tom and Linda Riggins	
12	TBA	
19	TBA	
26	TBA	
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Worship Service Ushers</b>	
5	James Hodges, Jamie Huene, Larry Cunningham	
	Ralph Simmons	
12	Lawrence and Rose Matthews, Jack Morgan,	
	Gretchen Simmons	
19	James Hodges, Jamie Huene, Steve Tyler,	
	Tamara Slayton	
26	Larry and Barbara Thomas, Richard and Pat	
	Luther	

## Nursery

5	April Lee
12	Lisa Grogan
19	Father's Day - no parent volunteer
26	Cynthia Wright

## Children's Church

5	Valerie Rogerson, Lou Reynolds
12	Amy Bullard, Jennifer Carrell
19	Karen Lowman, Valerie Rogerson
26	Meg Gillikin, Susan Albon

## Bus Drivers

	<b>8:30 Service</b>	<b>11:00 Service</b>
5	Mike Landon	Steve Tyler
12	Gary Horne	Jack Morgan
19	Mike Landon	Steve Beuth
26	Steve Flowers	Jack Morgan

## Good Samaritan House Volunteers

4	<b>Morning:</b>	Jack Morgan, Nancy Kroeger
	<b>Afternoon:</b>	Linda Riggins, Judy Lewis
11	<b>Morning:</b>	Lynne Loeser, Melanie Willetts
	<b>Afternoon:</b>	Arlene Rivenbark, Virginia Perpall
18	<b>All Day:</b>	Dee Dee Egan, Marie Miller, Sara Waters, Mary Sanders, Beth Sanders
25	<b>Morning:</b>	Fran Maus, Ruth Flint
	<b>Afternoon:</b>	Mary Ann Owen, Barbara Wicker

## Friday Mornings 9:00 - 11:00

Sandy Wright, Jan Kinney, Larry and Cathy Bailey

# Christian Education News



Pandamania is almost here and Wesleyan Chapel is getting ready to go wild about God during Vacation Bible School week (June 20 - 24 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.). There is still time to register your child(ren) from 4 years to those having just completed 5th grade.

Registration cards are available in the hallway outside the choir room, in the narthex, and in Lee Hall. To sign up your child(ren) simply fill out a registration card and either place it in the offering plate or turn it into the office. Help us to be prepared and make this the highlight of your child(ren)'s summer by registering early.

Many adults and youth (those having completed 6th grade and up) are needed to help out with this wonderful week. Please contact Gina Brohaugh at [gsb3@bellsouth.net](mailto:gsb3@bellsouth.net) to volunteer ASAP. You will be helping to make fond memories for these young ones!

## JOY Group

Our JOY Group is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, June 14, in the Fellowship Hall. We are having to move the date up one week this month because VBS will be using the fellowship hall on our usual meeting date. Please mark your calendar so you can join with other "Older Youth" for games and fellowship. Invite a friend or two or more. We have been ending our time together by sharing a meal. Several options for continuing this were discussed and this month we will order lunch that day once we know how many wish to participate. If you would like more information on the upcoming gathering, please contact Beth Sanders ([efsanders@charter.net](mailto:efsanders@charter.net)) or Rose Matthews ([nilarosematthews@mac.com](mailto:nilarosematthews@mac.com)).

## FAREWELL GINGER

Thank you Ginger for the past 19 years you have given to Wesleyan Chapel. Where did all that time go? It began when you saw the need for a preschool with a Christian emphasis and began our preschool program in 1992 serving as director for 7 years. From there you moved into the position of Director of Christian Education where you worked with our youth group, the LOGOS program as well as other aspects of Christian education impacting all ages in our church. The influence you and Keith have had on our youth has been evident every year during Youth Sunday as they shared the impact that WCUMC has had on their lives. Thank you for the dedication and commitment you have shown to our young people and Wesleyan Chapel.

We pray God's blessings upon you as you enter this new journey you have embarked upon, and even though your wish was to leave with no fanfare or party we could not go without saying THANK YOU!

## LAY MINISTRIES

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Lay Ministries is seeking a person to help with prayers for our staff. Once a month we would like to assign prayer partners for Wesleyan Chapel's staff and this would include preparing an email list to be sent to the prayer partners. We need someone who is willing to compile the list once a month! So if you would like to volunteer from home, this is the perfect opportunity for you! Stay at home moms, etc. all you need is a computer and about 30 minutes once a month. Please consider sharing your time and talents. (If you would like to see a sample, I can share one with you.)

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2

Contact: Mary Lynn Roberts, 319-7165, [marylynn@ec.rr.com](mailto:marylynn@ec.rr.com)

## HONOR FLIGHT

On behalf of the undersigned members of WCUMC we would like to say thank you all for your congratulations and best wishes for a successful and rewarding flight to Washington, DC aboard the Honor Flight of April 20, 2011.

A further thank you is given to "you all" who participated in the "Mail Call" segment on our return to Wilmington. At our return we were given large envelopes containing thank you letters and congratulatory notes relating to our service in the military and Merchant Marines by school children, family members, and our friends at Wesleyan Chapel. We will never forget that day.

Again, "Thank you" and God bless you all.

Fred Jones, Zane Rush,  
Rob Pollock, and Cal Chalmers



## PENNIES FOR HUNGER



Pennies donated for the month of April totaled \$152.70, which included a \$100 donation from one generous person. Just like Julia Jacobi (who was about 7 years old at the time) came up with

the idea of asking people to donate Girl Scout cookies to those more needy, perhaps you and your family would like to work together to save pennies each month for those less fortunate. It's amazing how so little can go so far. Thanks to all of you who continue to save for this important mission work.

## GOOD SAM HOUSE

A huge **THANKS** goes out to Tom Riggins for installing the sink at the Good Sam House.

Also thank you to those who have donated men's clothing. Our room is looking better.

**Looking for a volunteer** who would be willing to train to assist with opening/closing responsibilities one Saturday a month. The hours are from 8:45-3:15. Responsibilities include unlocking and locking building, setting up check-out, checking-out customers, working with volunteers, counting money, and other opening/closing preparations.

**Volunteers to work Saturday shifts** from 9:00- 12:00 or 12:00-3:00 are needed, please contact Beth Sanders at 686-4127 or [efsanders@charter.net](mailto:efsanders@charter.net).

## *The Congregation Celebrates with...*

**Connor Wilson Brown** born November 9, 2010, who was baptized on April 24. He is the grandson of Raeford and Liz Brown and the son of Kyle and Amanda Brown.

**Mason DesPortes Glynn**, born August 18, 2010, who was baptized on May 15. His parents are Max and Amanda Glynn and his brother is Mason.

## *Our Christian Sympathy is extended to*

The family of **Mike Daniel** whose mother, Lena Mills Daniel, died on April 21.

The family of **William R. Morris (Bill)** who died on May 6. Bill had been a member of WCUMC since 2001.

## A NOTE FROM OUR DUKE STUDENT INTERN

My name is Nancy Greenwell and I am excited to be your intern this summer. I am a certified candidate for ministry in the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference for the Order of Deacon. At this time I feel that God is calling me into hospice chaplaincy. I have three grown sons, Jamie, Rob and Joshua. I also have an "adopted" daughter name Jenn. She and her husband, Mike, have a 3 year old son Mason and a 2 month old daughter, Emery. They are the joys of my life and yes, I will be happy to show you pictures. I look forward to getting to know each of you and joining in the ministry of the people called Wesleyan Chapel.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

As you can see, contributions this year are way below the budget and we are now getting into a position of having insufficient funds to pay our bills from current income. Please help all you can.

Jay Peterson, Finance Committee Chair

Budget Prorated for first 20 weeks	\$226,114.80
Giving year to date through May 15	\$204,290.68
Giving year to date last year	\$213,936.75
Shortfall through May 15	\$21,824.12

## COLUMBARIUM

The Columbarium Committee has completed its planning stage and is ready to proceed with the building phase of the new columbarium for the cemetery. They have selected a rectangular columbarium from Archatarium which contains 32 niches on each side for a total of 64 niches. Each niche has the capability of holding two urns if they are the basic urn. The location of the columbarium will be to the left of the farthest sidewalk towards the rear of the cemetery property.

Many thanks are given to Evelyn Hight and her family for their generous gift to fund this project.

**Lydia Abbey Circle**  
**Beth Sanders, 686-4127**

At the May Circle meeting, Lydia Abbey ladies hosted a surprise going away luncheon for circle members, Dee Dee Egan and Tanya Buzzerd. Dee Dee will soon be moving from our area with her family to San Diego. Tanya and the children will be joining Greg to begin a new chapter in their lives in North Dakota. While we wish them much happiness in their new endeavors, both of these ladies will be greatly missed. Their contributions to our circle and our church are numerous.

On May 16, eleven crafters traveled to the MERCI center in Goldsboro to pack health care kits, flood buckets, count and package diapers, and do inventory on various items; all of which will be sent to disaster areas. Lydia Abbey presented the Center with a check for \$1,000 along with \$100 of donated supplies. We thank the congregation for their donations. An early dinner at Wilburs' Bar-B-Q was enjoyed by all before returning home.

Circle members are eagerly awaiting Craft Camp coming up the week of July 18-22. This is always a time of fun, fellowship, good conversations, and some great shared lunches too! Please consider visiting with us at one or more of the camp sessions.

We are most appreciative of all the donations that we continue to find on the back pews of the Chapel. We are still in need of various silver spoons (stainless, aluminum) in any pattern or size. Thank you for keeping us in mind.

We will meet again on Monday, June 13 at 6:30 pm and the following Wednesday, June 15 at 9:00 am. Come and join us!

Shirley Marie Millis, UMW President

**WEDNESDAY MORNING**  
**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The women's study will finish with 2 Corinthians on June 22. We will not meet over the summer. We will start a new study after Labor Day weekend.

Look for more information about our group over the summer.



**Grace Circle**  
**Deloris Ryals, 686-4559**

The Grace Circle met on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the home of Dianne Lee with 16 members present. We are still planning a fundraiser for Oct 1 at the church. More details in June.

Plans for a Fall Retreat for all the women of the church will be discussed at our July meeting and information forthcoming after that. We made a contribution to assist an autistic child with a special summer camp registration.

Our June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a picnic lunch at 12:00 at Topsail Beach. Details and directions for the June meeting will be sent to members by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Have a blessed day!

Judy Clemmons, Recording Secretary

**LIFT**

Brandi Holland, [bholland9@ec.rr.com](mailto:bholland9@ec.rr.com), 319-7354

The ladies of LIFT met on May 9<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall at Wesleyan Chapel where they assembled bag lunches for the Good Shepherd House and enjoyed another joyous meeting. Much of the evening was spent discussing possible missions that will include the creation of a big sister reach out program, assembling care packages that will be distributed to our US service men and women through Step Up for Soldiers, gathering school supplies for schools that are in need of additional materials, and volunteer programs for the Methodist Home for Children.

In addition, the ladies will be inviting guest speakers to lead discussions at the monthly meetings that will focus on women's health issues, nutrition concerns, and wellness matters.

Plans for a Retreat Weekend scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> are progressing. A retreat committee will be responsible for arranging a schedule that will include devotional studies, fellowship, and relaxation time for all to enjoy.

A group of the LIFT ladies is also making plans to begin a Revelations Study by Max Lucado. Please let one of the ladies know if you are interested in participating in this study.

The next LIFT meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on June 6<sup>th</sup> and will be held at the home of Meg Adkins. Ms. Katherine Mann from Insight Family Health will be speaking to the group with a focus on Women's Health and Chemical Balance.

If you are interested in learning more about LIFT and all that we have planned, please contact Brandi Holland or any LIFT member.

Love in Christ,

Meg Adkins, Publicity Coordinator, 612-9225

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2011 CONFIRMATION CLASS



On May 15 the following students joined WCUMC after completing Confirmation Classes:  
Sara Puryear, Matthew Jacobi, Will Roberts, Cole Schumann, Alex Greene,  
Alexa Catsaros, Parker Davis, Ryan Boyette, Lilly Herring, Darden Velthoven, and Will Ballard (not pictured)

## Thank You!

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, and concern after my grandmother's passing. They were very comforting. I am blessed to be a part of such a caring church family.

Greg Gore

Wesleyan Chapel has been my church family for over twenty years. I have received many blessings and love. I want to thank you for all your prayers, concerns, and visits when I recently underwent knee replacement surgery.

Life is like a ferris wheel—up and down. When we hold to our faith we hope the ups are better than the downs.

My prayers for you are that you and your family continue to be blessed.

With much love, Kitty Goehring

## THANK YOU DAVE MERRILL AND ERT!

What a magnificent opportunity to spread the love of Christ. The photos in Lee Hall are amazing, and words can't express my pride....yes, my pride in what you all did to represent our church, WCUMC and the universal church of God. You gave so much of yourselves even before the first distress call came in: organizing tools, paper work, documents for the proper authorities, making charts for easy access of team members and recording everyone's schedules for coordination of the team... I know that hours upon hours of your own time have been poured into this mission; this is an excellent example of giving your life up for Christ....and then you gave it up again when you heard HIS call for more than 72 straight hours!

If I may, "WELL DONE!"

Sonya Greer

# MISSIONS



## Mission Focus for June: Food for Hungry

During the month of June, will we collect food and personal items to help stock the pantry for Hampstead's Four C's and Mother Hubbard's Cupboard in downtown Wilmington. Four C's has a specific food list they follow for each recipient. The list is below. Both ministries also collect diapers, toiletries and other personal consumables. WCUMC sends a team every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month to Mother Hubbard to sort and distribute to area residents. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Michelle Pearsall 910-200-9909 - or for any other Missions Ministries, please contact Sonya Greer 910-619-8103.

FLOUR SELF RISING 5LBS  
SUGAR 3 LBS  
GRITS 2 LBS  
RICE 1 LB  
OATMEAL 18 OZ  
DRIED BLACK EYE PEAS 1 LB  
POWERED MILK 10qt  
NOODLES 16 OZ  
SALTINES 1 BOX

(2) MACARONI/CHEESE 7.25OZ  
SHORTENING 3 LBS  
BEEF STEW 24 OZ  
CORN BEEF HASH 15 OZ  
CORN 16OZ  
GREEN BEANS 16 OZ  
PORK & BEANS 16OZ  
WHITE POTATOES 15 OZ

APPLE SAUCE 16 OZ  
PEACHES 16OZ  
PEARS 16 OZ  
FRUIT COCKTAIL 16OZ  
MAYONAISE 32 OZ  
PEANUT BUTTER 16 OZ  
BATH SOAP 1 BAR  
TOILET TISSUE 1 DBL ROLL

## Wesleyan Chapel United Methodist Church Early Response Team Helps NC Tornado Victims

On Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 6:30 p.m., numerous tornadoes tore through the mid-section of North Carolina. A call for help went out through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). David Merrill received the message and made calls to Wesleyan Chapel Early Response Team (ERT) members. Five church members responded. By Wednesday morning the Wesleyan Chapel (WC) team consisting of David Merrill, Woody Vinson, Larry Matthews, Tammy Southerland, Ron and Ginny Casterline loaded the church bus, two trailers, and Woody's truck and headed to Snow Hill on Wednesday morning.

By 12:30 p.m., the team arrived at Mt. Herman UMC in Lizzie, NC, where they were met by Reverend Cliff Harvell, both pastor to Mt. Herman UMC and the Greenville District Disaster Coordinator. By 1:45 p.m. on Wednesday, the group started clearing debris and tarping homes. Pastor Cliff met with homeowners, assessed the damage, and obtained signed releases; the WC ERT worked until 5:45 p.m. each evening. After exhausting days, the team retreated to Mr. Herman UMC for dinner and much needed rest.

The devastation wrought by the tornadoes was unbelievable, but the ERT found generous and caring people. Teams from other UMCs assisted victims; Red Cross vans helped supply the team with extra water, snacks, and fruit as well as work gloves and tarps.

Over the four (4) days, the WC ERT assisted nine (9) homeowners with the following tasks:

- Cut limbs and small tree trunks with the chainsaw
- Cut lumber strips for the tarping
- Hauled supplies, gathered equipment
- Secured aluminum siding on a trailer and a home
- Supplied tarps, climbed up on roofs and stabilized tarps on roofs
- Dismantled a fallen shed and hauled it to the road
- Raked debris and hauled to the road
- Hammered aluminum siding

The team wishes to thank:

Kay Vinson for the shopping and preparation of the meals

Ginger Powers and the Joy Group for the baked ziti and salad

Gladys and Jim Booz for inventorying the trailer and organizing the supplies

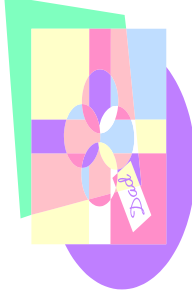
The Mt. Herman UMC and Pastor Cliff for hosting the team during its stay in Snow Hill



We especially thank the congregation of Wesleyan Chapel for their financial assistance and donation of supplies to equip the team, and we especially appreciate your prayers.



# June 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 9:30am Women's Bible Study 6:15pm Bell Choir 7:30pm Chancel Choir 8:00pm NA Meeting	<b>2</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5 Holy Communion</b> 7am AA Meeting 8:30&11am Worship 9:30am Breakfast 9:45am Contemporary Svc. 9:45&11am Sunday School	<b>6</b> 4pm Sandwich Making - Lydia Abbey Cir. 7pm LIFT Meeting	<b>7</b> 9am Poplar Grove Walkers 7pm Missions Meeting	<b>8</b> 9:30am Women's Bible Study 7:30pm Chancel Choir 8:00pm NA Meeting	<b>9</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study 12pm Grace Circle - at Topsail Beach	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 7am AA Meeting 8:30&11am Worship 9:30am Breakfast 9:45am Contemporary Svc. 9:45&11am Sunday School	<b>13</b> 6pm Trustees Meeting 6:30pm Lydia Abbey Cir.	<b>14 Flag Day</b> 9am Poplar Grove Walkers 10am JOY Club 6pm Building Committee Meeting	<b>15</b> <b>Annual Conference</b> 9am Lydia Abbey Cir. 9:30am Women's Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting	<b>16</b> <b>Annual Conference</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study 6:30pm Letters from Dad	<b>17</b> <b>Annual Conference</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Annual Conference</b>
<b>19 Father's Day</b> 7am AA Meeting 8:30&11am Worship 9:30am Breakfast 9:45am Contemporary Svc. 9:45&11am Sunday School	<b>20</b> <b>Cornerstone Deadline</b> 9-12 Vacation Bible School	<b>21</b> 9am Poplar Grove Walkers 9-12 Vacation Bible School	<b>22</b> 9-12 Vacation Bible School 9:30am Women's Bible Study 8:00pm NA Meeting	<b>23</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9-12 Vacation Bible School	<b>24</b> 9-12 Vacation Bible School	<b>25</b>
<b>26 Pennies for Hunger</b> 7am AA Meeting 8:30&11am Worship 9:30am Breakfast 9:45am Contemporary Svc. 9:45&11am Sunday School	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9am Poplar Grove Walkers	<b>29</b> NA Meeting	<b>30</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study		

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# JUNE 2011

## **ANGEL AMONG US**

On a rare snow day last winter while in line at a fast-food place, I witnessed the best and possibly worst of human nature. Two homeless people were literally crouching in the bushes near the entrance trying to keep warm with the assistance of a large dog. It was a long line so I had plenty of time to observe not only them, but others' responses to them. None of the three cars ahead of me offered assistance. I had already decided to give my available cash, but felt scrutinized by those dining inside as they watched the somber drama unfold. Pulling forward, I glanced back at the car behind me. What happened next I shall never forget. A teenaged girl jumped out of the passenger side clad in her polka-dot PJ's and slippers, no coat, and some really bad "bed head"! She grabbed an entire bag of groceries from mom's back seat and ran it over to the couple. She hugged them then bent down to pet their dog, giving it her half-eaten breakfast in hand. Squealing in delight, she ran back to the car. Dining room jurors were allowing themselves to smile. That moment was a gift to me, reminding me how unconditional giving should be. I was tempted to place my order for "whatever she's having"!

Nineteen years ago, Wesleyan Chapel received a similar gift when Ginger Powers joined the staff. Her "polka-dot" persona brought a vibrancy of optimism and hope to the missions of this church. She has taken our children (and some grandchildren) on a joy ride they'll not forget. Her "if-you-build-it-they-will-come" spirit developed our successful preschool through which many young families have come on board. Our children have been blessed with inspirational lessons in Sunday School, Bible School, Logos, and K-5 Alive. Our youth has explored all avenues of their faith through weekly meetings, pilgrimage, retreats and missions trips. Fun and friendship have always been interwoven into Ginger's agendas. Adults and children alike have come to anticipate the weekly "Children's Sermon," always creative, and often humorous! Like the girl in the polka-dot PJ's, Ginger Powers is the real deal. She fed our children morsels of Jesus, exhibiting for them the joy of giving. Isn't that just what angels do?

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