

God's  
Sanctuary  
by the  
Sea

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# Seaside Currents

January 2010  
Volume 21, Issue 1



Have you ever heard the name Arthur Pedrick? He worked in the United Kingdom's patent office for a number of years. In his retirement years, he obtained 162 UK patents before he died in 1976. Most of his patents seem quite ridiculous and useless. For example, he obtained a patent for an irrigation system, whereby snow and ice would be transported via pipelines from the Antarctic to the dry outback in Australia. The snow and ice would be compressed into hard balls (a.k.a. "snowballs") that would be fired along the pipelines as projectiles. Most of his patents, however, had some connection to his lab assistant, a cat named "Ginger." While many saw Arthur Pedrick as crazy, fellow patent professionals viewed him as heroic, for he exposed flaws in the patent system. As a patent examiner for many years, he knew how to work the system and obtain patents for his strange inventions, while knowing all along that they were impractical and absurd.

Spencer Silver, along with Arthur Fry, invented Post-it notes in 1970. Originally Silver wanted to market his sticky-yet-not-overly-sticky adhesive as a spray or as a bulletin board surface material. But his superiors at 3M just wouldn't go for the idea. It was not until Arthur Fry, a church choir member, attended one of the seminars, that Post-it notes were born. Fry had been frustrated that the paper bookmarks he placed in his choir hymnal each week would not stay put. During the seminar that day, Fry realized that Silver's reusable adhesive was just the ticket for his bookmarks. He wrote up his idea and presented it to the supervisors at 3M. He made up sample bookmarks to help convince them, and soon they were a hit. Silver and Fry ultimately won 3M's most prestigious honors for research. Engineering groups likewise showered them with design and implementation awards as well.

While the stories of Pedrick, Silver and Fry seem at the outset to be stories of frustration, disappointment and defeat, in the end they are stories of success. Sometimes, it is difficult to determine which endeavors will succeed, and which will fail. The psalmist tells us our days are fleeting. "So teach us to number our days, that we may present to God a heart of wisdom." (Ps. 90:12) What seems very important to you today may seem foolish tomorrow. Whatever keeps you up tonight, as you sweat and fret and worry, you may laugh about in a few months. No one is successful 100% of the time, and no one is a complete failure. How would it feel to laugh at life's difficulties, rather than cry? If today you face a discouraging problem or worry, give it to God. Write it in a prayer, seal it up in an envelope, and put it away to read again in 6 months or a year. Very likely, time and God will heal that struggle and change your perspective.

Blessings to you in this New Year!

Mary Jane



***Each member when joining the church is asked "Will you support SUMC with your prayers, presence, gifts and service?" We celebrate our ministries and events in this issue of the Seaside Currents.***

Many of our members and friends remain on the prayer list for a longer time as they cope with health and personal issues. These names are printed monthly in our newsletter. The list of new names printed in the Sunday bulletin will be updated each month. Please provide the office with an update of both prayer lists. Please remember each in your daily prayers

***O radiant God, in the midst of tribulation, suffering, crippled hope and shattered dreams, stand by these Your servants until they are well once more.***

**Members:**

Donna Allen"  
 Bill & Ginnie Barb  
 Lomie Lou Bazemore & family  
 Jack Blair  
 Art Bowden  
 Bruce & Linda Bowden  
 Ann Bowman  
 Frances Broome & parents  
 Frances Rogers  
 Mary Lee Bruton & family  
 Sandy Casciato  
 Kemp Causey  
 Pearl Frink & family  
 Karen Gaddy  
 Betty Geesey

Virginia Gross  
 Debbie Gurreri  
 Don Haigler  
 Paula & Daniel Hernandez  
 Crystal & Tabitha Huggett  
 Mary Ruth Ingersoll  
 Gil & Kathy Johnson  
 Henry & Margaret Jones  
 Paul & Sarah Justice  
 Aedan Klein  
 Edith & Jim Linke  
 Susan McDonald  
 Dottie McVaugh  
 Bill Morrow  
 Shirley Owen

Dale & Joan Powell  
 Betty & Cliff Pursey  
 Seaside UMC Staff  
 Susan & Ed Seidel  
 Dot Sellers  
 Wayne Shoemaker  
 Stephen Ministers  
 Nancy Thomasson & family  
 Tucker family  
 John & Claire Winship

**Friends:**

Aaron  
 Tony, Sandy Albatiell & family  
 Jeannie Beaner  
 Dorothy Bennett  
 Jordan Blair  
 Charlie Blankenship  
 James Blankenship  
 Jim & Jackie Bowen  
 Sam Brick  
 Pat Brooks & family  
 Linda & Bill Chambers  
 Patti Colombo  
 Dodge Family  
 Dorothy  
 Scott Dufford  
 Bishop Marion Edwards  
 Carol Gano  
 Glenn  
 Kelly Godin & family  
 Tom Goldsmith  
 Graham family  
 Kimberly Granada  
 Sara Hamilton  
 Kathy Hicks  
 Sue Hicks

Lisa Housare  
 William Housare  
 Terry Ikner  
 Kate Inman  
 Billy Jenkins  
 Gloria  
 Ashley King  
 Maxine King  
 Eddie Klein  
 Alston Macon  
 Mazaher family  
 Mr Middleton  
 Melinda Norris  
 Ocean View Baptist Church  
 Kimberly O'Dwyer  
 Nick Patrick  
 Rose Phelps  
 Charles Phillips  
 Paula Pontreloi  
 Lee Powell  
 John & Brenda Quackenbush  
 Marilyn Riordan  
 Mary Jeanette Schneider  
 Donna Smith  
 Phillip Stavonovic  
 Jan Sutton  
 Jacqueline Terrintino

Lois & Robert Tomlin  
 Polly Troutman  
 Village Point UMC  
 Ernest & Patsy Ward Sr  
 Roger Wood  
 Clayton Williamson  
 Brian Willis  
 Ronald & Lois Wray  
 Camille Yorkey  
 Sue Young  
 All un-churched friends & families  
 All those unemployed  
 All victims of violence  
 All victims of Fort Hood Shooting  
 Our Nation

**Serving Our Country:**

Ian Gerdes  
 Capt Greg Jenkins  
 Simone Kamil  
 Matthew King  
 Michael King  
 Mark Miller  
 Aaron Pait  
 John Reider

John Rogan  
 Garrick Shelton  
 Adam Steelman  
 Jordan Thaymes  
 Christopher Verost



## Worship Attendance

	8:00	9:30	11:00
November 1	138	188	153
November 8	208	210	169
November 15	166	184	151
November 22	149	199	154
November 29	116	205	133



## Lectionary Bible Readings

January 3

Isaiah 60:1-6  
 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14  
 Ephesians 3:1-12  
 Matthew 2:1-12



## Memorials & Honoraria

### In Memory of Eric H Bruton

#### Given by:

Nancy & Park Schimp

### In Memory of W. Carl Bazemore

#### Given by:

Ron & Myrt Klein  
 Wendell & Peggy Hughes  
 Annabel Stanback  
 Gerald & Diana Strickland  
 Rene & Edwina StPierre  
 Thomas & Mary Ann Stibbe  
 William Bright, Jr  
 Lillie Little  
 Robert & Evalyn Huntley  
 Charles & Pat O'Cain  
 Dave & Margaret Mason  
 Park & Catherine Davidson  
 M/M Kevin Velsch  
 M/M Edward Pouliot  
 Tommy & Eleanor Tucker

### In Memory of John Frink

#### Given by:

M.G. Magill  
 Sidney R Warner  
 Coastal Insurance & Realty, Inc.  
 William E Bright Jr  
 Majorie Putman  
 Frances Connie Dennis  
 Dan & Linda Litaker  
 Walter Scruggs  
 Donald & Judy Evans  
 Gerald & Diana Strickland  
 Custome Concrete, Inc

### In Memory of Walter Dodge

#### Given by:

Bruce & Rebecca Berry  
John & Edith Correll

## Sunday School Attendance

November 1	53
November 8	73
November 15	52
November 22	66
November 29	48

January 10

Isaiah 43:1-7  
 Psalm 29  
 Acts 8:14-17  
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 17

Isaiah 62: 1-5  
 Psalm 36:5-10  
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11  
 John 2:1-11

January 24

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10  
 Psalm 19  
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a  
 Luke 4:14-21

January 31

Jeremiah 1:4-10  
 Psalm 71:1-6  
 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
 Luke 4:21-30

## CURRENTS UPDATE

Deadline for January Issue—  
December 10

#### Format:

Word .doc only

#### Send articles to:

Jack DeGroot  
bjand3@atmc.net

Please include your name and telephone number, in case there are questions.

## WE'VE GOT A NEW LOOK ON THE WEB

AT

www.seasideunitedmethodistchurch.org



## United Methodist Men

January 4, 2010  
6:30 PM

Dinner followed by a program and short business meeting. Come out and enjoy the food, fellowship, and inspiration.

## Welcome New Members

Linda Pazillo unites with us by transfer of membership from Franklin Lakes UMC, Franklin Lakes, NJ

Joseph Boslet unites with us by profession of faith.

Jessica Wells unites with us by transfer from Shoreline Baptist Church, Oak Island, NC.

## Baptism

Savanna Grace Atha was presented for Baptism by her parents, Joe Atha and Karla Lowry. Grandparents, Jeff & Pam Smith and sister Kaitlyn Lowry.



## Address Changes & Additions

Lomie Lou Bazemore  
6382 Mazelle Trail  
Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469  
Tele: 575-6911  
Email: lcooke@atmc.net

Linda Pazillo  
1054 Valley Dr SW  
Calabash, NC 28467  
Tele: 575-2905  
Email: ldpazillo@yahoo.com

Joseph Boslet & Jessica Wells  
114 Planters Row Lane  
Carolina Shores, NC 28467  
Tele: 575-3179

Email: jessicawells\_09@yahoo.com (Jessica)

## Food Pantry

The food pantry would like to thank everyone who made cookies to give out to the food pantry recipients—they were very appreciated! There is one small request that when you bring the cookies, or anything in bulk to be distributed to the food pantry, that they be put in separate bags of 10-12 items. This way the food can be distributed to as many people as possible and if it is done before you bring the food in, it saves the volunteers from having to re-package everything into smaller bags. Thank you again for your generosity.

## Finance Committee

The job of the committee on finance is to identify, perfect, and manage the finance system for the congregation of Seaside United Methodist church. The finance system is the process of raising, managing, and dispensing the finances so that the mission and vision of the congregation can be realized. Makeup of the committee on finance is comprised of persons as specified in the *Book of Discipline* who, by virtue of other leadership responsibilities, link the committee to other areas of congregational life, as well as several persons who are nominated in recognition of their commitment and witness of personal stewardship. The *Discipline* calls for the following members of the committee:

- Chairperson
- Pastor(s)
- Lay member of the annual conference
- Chairperson of the church council
- Chairperson or representative of the staff/pastor parish relations committee
- Representative of the trustees
- Chairperson of the ministry group of stewardship
- Lay leader
- Financial secretary
- Treasurer
- Church business administrator
- Others as determined by the charge conference



## Outreach Committee

The Outreach Committee thanks the congregation of SUMC for their continued support and celebrates that in 2009 SUMC supported missions and the community with donations through the Outreach Committee that totaled \$7,921.00.

Recipients of funds were: Providence Home, Literacy Council, Hope Harbor, WARM (Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry), Brunswick Family Assistance, Tangible Aid Fund through South Brunswick Interchurch Council, Brunswick Electric Company's campaign in which they matched our donated funds to help individuals with their electric bills, Shallotte Middle School through Communities in Schools, Meals On Wheels, The Methodist Home for Children through their 1K for 1 Kid initiative and our Food Pantry.

Worldwide missions received funds through the giving to five missions of The Rainbow Covenant and we also supplemented the donations of the Special Sunday collections. We were also sponsors of the 2009 Crop Walk. 182 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child were generously donated by the congregation and additional funding for shipping was provided by Outreach, UMM, UMW, and the kind donations of many of the congregation. You supported ZOE, The Methodist Home for Children, and the SBIC Tangible Aid Fund with your donations.

This year a total of 60 children and seniors in need will have a brighter Christmas through the Tree of Hope sponsored by BFA and we thank everyone who purchased gifts for those individuals.

Our Food Pantry headed by Judy Gerdes has served 1,829 families so far this year. This represents a total of 6,947 individuals who have benefited from our weekly food distribution staffed by 36 volunteers. It costs approximately \$52,000 a year to operate the food pantry. SUMC has been able to help make a difference in the lives of people and we will strive to share our spiritual and material bounty in this New Year.

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Martha Matlock  
Chair  
Outreach Committee

*"O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things." Psalm 98*



HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2010.

What an exciting time is set before us! Have you made your New Year's resolution? Perhaps you were inspired by the Sanctuary Choir's Christmas Cantata, "One Small Child" and you are wondering what you need to do to join this wonderful, marvelous group. Just come to the first rehearsal of the new year—Thursday, January 7, 2010. Choirs will rehearse at their regular times.

- 9:30 Choir at 5:30—6:15 PM
- 8 & 11:00 Choirs at 6:30-8 PM

Our doors are always open to new members, if you are looking for a way to serve, I encourage you to come. A love of singing is required and, of course, a good singing voice is helpful! But If singing is not your gift, I want to say thank you for supporting the Music Ministry. We need you to listen and enjoy the love we are sharing. You are very important to our program, too. Thank You!

I must also thank all who participated in the special music during the Christmas season. Either moving furniture, chairs, building sets, printing bulletins, ushering & greeting, serving food, planting pansies, collecting food or donating money. I could not do this without YOU! What a blessing you are! It takes a large team to make all of our programs happen and we are blessed with people who so willingly give of their time and talents. Thank You!

May the new year bring blessings and joys to you.

With a voice of singing  
Kathryn



## Thank You All!

I wish to thank all of my church family for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls and food during my recent illness. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated, and I'm sure it helped speed up my recovery. I am blessed to be part of such a caring congregation!

Virginia Gross

My family and I wish to thank all my friends and neighbors for their loving, kind thoughts and prayers. I truly felt all of them. And for the many beautiful cards, flowers, goodies and gifts during my recent and unexpected surgery.

Thank you and Love to All!  
Betty Geesey

## Women's Day by the Sea

Ladies! It's time to start thinking about attending the second annual Women's Day by the Sea. Come listen to the beautiful music of Kelly Gabriele, and be inspired by our speaker Sharon Jaynes. You don't want to miss this!

Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010. 9:00AM to 2:30PM

Seaside United Methodist Church

For spiritual growth and inspiration

Registration:

\$20 (includes lunch, NO childcare will be provided)

Contact the church office or Lorraine Usher 287-6698, Eleanor Tucker 579-6434, or Harriet Gano 575-2688 for details or a registration form.

### Seaside UMC

### Masters Tournament

### Indoor Putting

January 30, 2010

2 - 5 pm

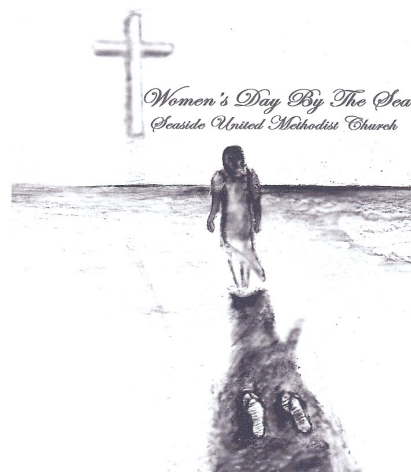
Fun for the entire family

Prizes and trophies

Adults, teens and children

Advance tickets \$10 per family

Tickets on sale in the Fellowship Hall Sundays in January between services



## Methodist Home for Children

On December 11th, 10 beautiful Christmas trees, donated by the Methodist Men, were taken to Pine Valley UMC where the Christmas Party for the Methodist Home for Children was held. Thanks to all who donated ornaments and Christmas decorations. Ten decorated boxes, full of these items, were given with each tree. Also, special thanks go to the ladies who made the bows for the top of the trees. We know the families that received the trees and decorations were very appreciative of Seaside's generosity. Thank you to everyone who participated in this project.

Carol Matthews 575-4267  
Freddy Tatum 579-1187



## Thanks for the Cookies!

The food pantry recipients really appreciated the extra "bag" of food. It made Christmas a little merrier as they were touched by your thoughtfulness in sharing your home baked goodies.

UMW Executive Board



## Supplements

### Vitamin D

Helps to maintain bone health and density by allowing the body to absorb and retain calcium and phosphorus. It may also lower risk for several cancers and respiratory infections. Sunshine helps your body to absorb Vitamin D (Please have your Vitamin D levels check) You need 4,000 IU a day.

### Vitamin E

This antioxidant protects your cells against free radicals that contribute to the development of heart disease and cancer. Vitamin E also enhances immune function and is a factor in DNA repair. Taking 600 IU a day helps prevent blood clots.

### Calcium C

Helps to build and strengthen bones and teeth. Calcium is vital for muscle contraction, blood vessel contraction and expansion, hormones and enzyme secretion and for sending messages through the nervous system. If you don't eat enough calcium enriched foods such as dairy products, dark leafy greens or beans and if you don't take calcium supplements, your body will compensate by pulling what it needs from your bones.

Multivitamins do not contain all the calcium you need, so a separate calcium supplement taken at the same time is necessary.

Ages 9-18 = 1,300 mg/day  
Ages 19-50 = 1,000 mg/day  
Ages 51 and up 1,200 mg/day

### Magnesium

Helps to maintain normal muscle and nerve function, steadies heart rhythm, supports a healthy immune system and keeps bones strong.

### Next month: Drug + Herbs interactions

I want to thank everyone for their support and love this past year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sheila King AAS, LPN, EMT P  
Director of Health and Welfare



## 6th Annual High Tea Party

Ladies put on your bonnets and Sunday best and join us for our 6th Annual High Tea Party. Dress Barn will present a fashion show and we will have a hat parade too! I'm sure you don't want to miss this event plus all the delicious goodies such as tea sandwiches, scones, tarts, and pots of tea to top it off! What better way to start the New Year by meeting new friends and reacquainting ourselves with those from the other church services. There is a sign-up sheet in the gallery for this event. Mark your calendars for Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 12:30 in

the Fellowship Hall. Hope to see you all there.

### Tea Party



Lorraine Usher 287-6698

## Calendar of Events

UMW Executive Board Meeting  
Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

UMW Annual Tea  
Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010

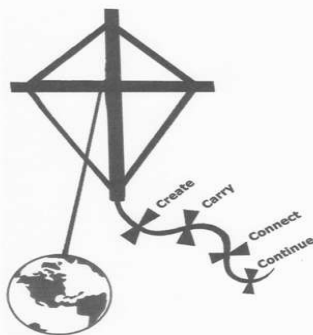
Women's Day by the Sea  
Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010

World Day of Prayer  
Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

There were 15 women in attendance at the November meeting. In 2009, 76 Prayer Shawls were given. The next meeting will be on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at 10:00AM. NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR JANUARY ONLY. We will meet in the parlor. We look forward to seeing you at this special meeting.

Carol Matthews  
575-4267  
Freddy Tatum  
579-1187



## Annual Tea and Pledge Service

As the time approaches for us to make our annual UMW pledge, we need to have a clearer understanding of what the pledge means.

Our Pledge to Mission is the basic means of mission support. Mission Giving is the foundation for mission work through United Methodist Women. Your contribution is a response to human need, *especially the needs of women, children and youth*. It affirms the wholeness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as he told us that when we give to *"the least of these, we are giving to Him."*

The total program of United Methodist Women is mission. Included are:

- \* individual growth
- \* spiritual enrichment
- \* education for mission
- \* social issues awareness
- \* leadership development, schools and workshops
- \* financial support for mission programs and projects throughout the U.S. and around the world.

True to our Wesleyan heritage, *mission is not just charity, but involves empowerment and advocacy for social change*. By combining the two, we can be witnesses to the love and life of Jesus Christ.

Mission giving supports institutions and programs empowering and improving the lives of *women, youth and children* in the United States and around the world. It provides food, shelter, education, employment, healthcare, and human rights advocacy for many living on the margins of society. These are items we take for granted living where we do.

On the local level the United Methodist Women at Seaside also support agencies such as Hope Harbor, Methodist Home For Children, Providence Home, and Communities in Schools along with many others.

Please prayerfully consider all of this as we prepare for the Pledge Ceremony at the Tea in January. Pledge cards will be available that day and also in advance in the foyer outside of the Fellowship Hall.

*...their joy was so great that they were extremely generous in their giving...*

II Corinthians 8:2

# January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1  <i>Office Closed</i>  <i>Happy New Year</i>	2
3  <b>5 PM</b> <b>UMY</b>	4  10 AM <i>Prayer Shawl</i>  12 PM AI Anon  5 PM <i>Communications</i>  6 PM <i>UMM</i>  6:30 PM <i>Boy Scouts</i>	5  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  10 AM WISP  <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>Stephen Ministry</i> <i>Will of God</i> <i>Divorce Care</i>	6  <u>9 AM</u> <i>Grandparents Support</i> <i>Disciple Class</i>  10 AM <i>Christian Artists</i>  1 PM <i>UMW Exec Meeting</i>	7  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  5:30 PM <i>9:30 AM Choir</i> <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>8 &amp; 11 AM Choirs</i> AA	8  9:30 AM <i>MOPS</i>  4:30 PM <i>Girl Scouts</i>	9  10:30 AM <i>Prayer Warriors</i>
10  <b>5 PM</b> <b>UMY</b>	11  <u>12 PM</u> <i>AI Anon</i> <i>UMW Annual Tea</i>  6:30 PM <i>Boy Scouts</i>  <u>7 PM</u> <i>Trustees</i> <i>Outreach</i>	12  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  1:30 PM <i>Diabetes</i>  6 PM <i>Inst. Ensemble</i> <i>6:30 PM Will of God</i> <i>7 PM Class. Ensemble</i>	13  <u>9 AM</u> <i>Grandparents Supp. Disciple II</i>  10 AM <i>Christ. Artists</i> 1 PM <i>Women's Day by the Sea</i>  4:30 PM <i>Joyful Ringers</i> <i>5 PM Joyful Noise</i> <i>6 PM Jubilee Bells</i> <i>6:30 Divorce Care</i> <i>7 PM Praise Team</i>	14  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  5:30 PM <i>9:30 AM Choir</i> <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>8 &amp; 11 AM Choirs</i> AA	15  4:30 PM <i>Girl Scouts</i>	16
17  <b>5 PM</b> <b>UMY</b>	18  12 PM <i>AI Anon</i>  1 PM <i>Shell Seekers</i>  6:30 PM <i>Boy Scouts</i>  7 PM <i>Finance</i>	19  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  10 AM WISP  <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>Will of God</i>	20  <u>9 AM</u> <i>Grandparents Supp. Disciple II</i>  10 AM <i>Christ. Artists</i>  3 PM <i>Grief Support</i>  4 PM NOWW  4:30 PM <i>Joyful Ringers</i> <i>5 PM Joyful Noise</i> <i>6 PM Jubilee Bells</i> <i>7 PM Praise Team</i>	21  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  1:30 <i>Alzheimers Supp.</i>  5:30 PM <i>9:30 AM Choir</i> <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>8 &amp; 11 AM Choirs</i> AA	22  4:30 PM <i>Girl Scouts</i>	23
24  5 PM <i>UMY</i>  <u>5 PM</u> <i>UMY</i> <i>Heart Like His</i>  31	25  12 PM <i>AI Anon</i>  6:30 PM <i>Boy Scouts</i>  7 PM <i>Church Council</i>	26  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi  9 AM/5 PM GED  6 PM <i>Inst. Ensemble</i> <i>6:30 PM Will of God</i> <i>7 PM Class. Ensemble</i>	27  <u>9 AM</u> <i>Grandparents Supp. Disciple II</i>  10 AM <i>Christ. Artists</i>  1 PM <i>World Day of Prayer</i>  3 PM <i>Grief Support</i>  4:30 PM <i>Joyful Ringers</i> <i>5 PM Joyful Noise</i> <i>6 PM Jubilee Bells</i> <i>6:30 Divorce Care</i> <i>7 PM Praise Team</i>	28  7:30 AM/4 PM <i>Tae Kwon Do</i>  8:30 AM T'ai Chi <i>9 AM/5 PM GED</i>  10 AM <i>Mile In Her Shoes</i>  5:30 PM <i>9:30 AM Choir</i> <u>6:30 PM</u> <i>8 &amp; 11 AM Choirs</i> AA	29  10 AM <i>Mile In Her Shoes</i>  4:30 PM <i>Girl Scouts</i>	30



# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## Jan. 1

### **Birthdays**

Kemp Causey  
Linda Hester

## Jan. 2

### **Birthdays**

Hazel Forlidas  
Maryilyn Eronimous  
Marlene Biddle

### **Anniversaries:**

Nick & Hazel Forlidas

## Jan. 3

### **Birthdays**

Tonia Jackson  
Connor Humphreys

## Jan. 4

### **Birthdays**

Henry Lynch

## Jan. 6

### **Birthdays:**

Michael Williams  
Mariah Brannon

### **Anniversaries:**

Bob & Donnie Boyer

## Jan. 7

### **Birthdays:**

Judy Smith  
Colleen McGregor  
Harold Blalock  
Adam Humphreys

## Jan. 8

### **Birthdays:**

Joey Matthews

## Jan. 9

### **Birthdays:**

Jim Filkins  
Ellie Allen  
Maggie McCrery

## Jan. 11

### **Birthdays:**

Barbara Johnson

## Jan. 12

### **Birthdays:**

Pat Nutter  
Frances Ludlum  
Debbi Wallace  
Samantha Welch

## Jan. 13

### **Birthdays:**

Carol King

## Jan. 14

### **Birthdays:**

Doug D'Arnall

### **Anniversaries:**

Wayne & Lynn Shoemaker

## Jan. 15

### **Birthdays:**

Helen Doepper  
Judy Myers

## Jan. 16

### **Birthdays:**

Sue Granton  
David Llewellyn  
Dean Walters  
Mike Bollinger  
Cheryl Francis  
**Anniversaries:**  
Walter & Judy Scruggs

## Jan. 17

### **Birthdays:**

Decio Stone

## Jan. 18

### **Birthdays:**

Andy Dusenbury  
Rhonda Gore  
**George Cole**  
**Tracy McKay**  
**Anniversaries:**  
Ron & Adrienne Watts

## Jan. 19

### **Birthdays:**

Kay Singleton  
Deb Coyte

## Jan. 20

### **Birthdays:**

Haydon Floyd

## Jan. 21

### **Birthdays:**

Larry Vazzana

## Jan. 22

### **Birthdays:**

Barbara Parrone  
Scott Macon

## Jan. 23

### **Birthdays:**

Fletcher Frink  
Ruth Bracey  
Nancy Riedinger  
Mike Straub  
Debbie Baumgartner  
Sandie Bell  
Kenny Kincaid

## Jan. 24

### **Birthdays:**

Lafayette Bowman  
Billy Whaley  
Michael Thole  
Daphne Bridwell  
**Anniversaries:**  
Don & Colleen McGregor

## Jan. 25

### **Birthdays:**

Sally Neale  
Connie Matteson  
Peggy Stanley  
Teresa Young  
Dina Hooks

## Jan. 26

### **Birthdays:**

Fred Bachl  
Candie Meier  
Deana Wren

## Jan. 27

### **Birthdays:**

Hershel Allen  
Naomi Harder  
Cynthia Moore  
Madison Walters  
**Anniversaries:**  
Nick & Sandy Casciato

## Jan. 28

### **Birthdays:**

## Jan. 29

### **Birthdays:**

Harry Cclatterbuck

## Jan. 30

### **Birthdays:**

Judy Scruggs  
Harvey Hundley  
Deborah Hines  
**Anniversaries:**  
Bob & Marilyn Schenck

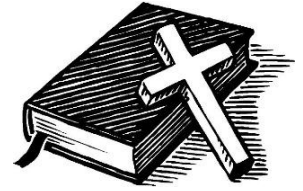
## Jan. 31

### **Birthdays:**

Marian Collins  
Stuart Horton  
**Anniversaries:**  
George & Betty Geesey



## Bible Studies for the Winter Quarter



Leader Joan Powell will begin *The Will of God* study on Tuesday evening, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. This course covers God's intentional will, His circumstantial will, and His ultimate will, and will help you discern the will of God. This course lasts for six weeks.

Sunday afternoons at 5:00 PM, Dina Braddy will facilitate *A Heart like His: the Story of David*, The course lasts for eleven weeks and begins Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. If you were unable to attend all the fall sessions for this course, you are invited to drop-in and complete your study.

Pat Burke, will facilitate a *Sisters Study* by Becca Stevens on Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00AM. Pastor Mary Jane will lead this same course beginning Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00AM. Both courses are scheduled back to back due to popular demand and scheduling needs of the participants. These classes will last for seven weeks.

Join new team teachers Donna and Gene Allen in *From Genesis to Revelation: A Comprehensive Overview of the Bible* by Mickey Efird. This course will last for six weeks and will begin March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Class time is Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. The genres to be studied include the Histories, the Prophets, Wisdom Literature, New Testament Letters, and the Gospels.

If you are interested in a long-term Disciple I study January through May, then continuing September through December, please call Colleen.

Remember that two Bible Studies are held at 9:30 on Sunday and a third Sunday study is scheduled at 11:00AM. Everyone is invited to attend.

Women in Study and Prayer meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 10:00AM in the Church Parlor. You are welcome to join this class at any time during their session. The group is led by Nancy Camino and Yvonne Hundley.

Frank Malkin will lead the *Death and Resurrection of the Messiah* video study on Saturday mornings at 9:00AM beginning Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> and ending the Saturday of Palm Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup>. Come join the group and enjoy breakfast.

If you have any questions regarding these studies call: Colleen McGregor 910-575-2563

## Christmas History Lesson?

- The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ
- Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments
- Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.
- The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John
- The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament
- The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation
- Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit—Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership and Mercy
- The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes
- Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit—Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control.
- The ten lords a-leaping were the ten commandments
- The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples
- The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed



## 2010 "Healthy Living Resolution"

*"What I feared has come upon me, what I dreaded has happened to me. I have no peace, no quietness; I have no rest, but only turmoil." —Job 3:25-26 NIV*

Prayerful living can be upset by worry over what may happen in the future. When we do this, we are wasting time that could be spent enjoying life right now. Norman Vincent Peale writes, "If, over a long period of time, a person habitually fears something, there is a tendency for that fear to become a reality. For example if you fear that you're going to fail -- you create a mental condition that is propitious to failure."

A mother once spent hours worrying about her 21-year-old son and what the future would hold for him. He was in college and didn't know what career he wanted. She said she worried as only a mother can worry. Then an unexpected event caused more worry. Her son developed a liver disease that could only be cured by a liver transplant. Fortunately his brother's liver was a positive match and the operation was successful. As the three of them prayed a thankful prayer, Dana says, "I suddenly felt free, as though the worries had become so heavy, I had to let go of them. God would take them now."

We don't know what the future holds, but we do know that *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever"* (Hebrews 13:8). When we trust in him, we can fill our minds with positive thoughts that will attract health and well-being. Life is much too short to waste time worrying about things that will probably never happen. Jesus said, *"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own"* (Matthew 6:34).

*Oh, my Father, help me to fill my heart with joy today, trusting you with my tomorrows. Amen.*

