

JANUARY 2010

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"SIGNS AND WONDERS"

Our culture says that a common theme uniting us at the beginning of a new year is making resolutions - things we should or shouldn't do during the coming year like "I will start an exercise program" or "I will not let negative comments get me down." Rather than making resolutions, why don't we make a covenant, a covenant to commit ourselves fully to Christ as his servants so that we may practice holy habits? Let's make this covenant not only in our hearts, but in word; not only in word, but, yes, in writing. Let's listen for the call to deeper intentionality about learning and practicing our faith in great depth. Let us do so out of the recognition that Jesus, God with us, practiced and learned these things, too.

At the onset of 2010, let's remember that God Incarnate did not mean "automatic guru status" for Jesus. He didn't get "cheat codes" that would give him an unfair advantage over his peers or his elders in practicing holy living. What Jesus did receive was a unique connection with the one called Father that drove him deep into the tradition as a child and drove him deep into the wilderness with good news for the lost and left behind.

Imagine the possibilities for our lives as Christ's body in making this covenant. Let us keep the focus on Jesus and the mystery of Incarnation. Listen well and drink deep. I am with you always, Sharon

THANK YOU!



The Lee family would like to thank you for the cards, goodies, and prayers during this Advent and Christmas season. We look forward to another year of transforming the world

together.

God bless you, Keith, Sharon, Jackson and Josh

WORSHIP

**Western NC Conference UMC
2010 Celebration**

Let Justice and Freedom Ring

In memory of

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 16, 2010; 10am-12pm

Location: Annie Merner Pfeiffer

Chapel/Bennett College

900 East Washington St., Greensboro, NC

Sponsored by the WNCC Commission on Religion/Race

Speaker: Dr. Julianne Malveaux, President, Bennett College for Women

Communion Leader: Rev. Dr. Arnetta Beverly, Senior Pastor, St. Matthews UMC, Greensboro

Also featuring Hmong Liturgical Dancers



ATTENTION ALL CHURCH LEADERS

Look in your mailboxes within the first week of January for brochures and flyers for upcoming events in the District. Here are just a few of the upcoming events:

Lexington District Leadership Conference - January 31, 2010; 2:30 - 5:30 pm; First UMC Lexington.

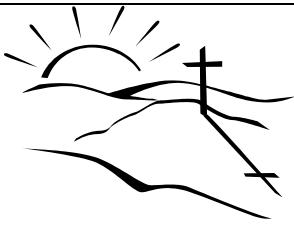
The theme is the "Power of 3 for WNCC." There are some great workshops planned this year around this theme. We are hopeful that as many of our church leaders as possible can be attendance at the various workshops.

Youth's Got Talent! - Lexington Youth Talent Night - February 21, 2010; 5:00 - 7:00 pm; Center UMC - Welcome

Lexington District Children's Rally - February 28, 2010; 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm; Memorial UMC Thomasville

Lexington District Lay Speaking Training 2010 begins in February at Wesley Heights UMC

Other information regarding NMV's first Church Council meeting in 2010 will be forthcoming.



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REMINDER

Newsletter articles and information are due the 15th of the preceding month. Bulletin announcements are due no later than noon Tuesday before the Sunday to be included in current Sunday's bulletin.



INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather, we sometimes find it necessary to cancel or make changes to an event or worship service. Every effort will be made to avoid changes and

cancellations; however the safety of our congregation and guests is a priority. If the winter weather is questionable, please turn your televisions to **WFMY News 2** for information regarding changes or cancellations at New Mount Vernon.

Stay informed while helping to reduce costs! Help us continue to reduce the cost of our printing our newsletter by signing up to receive it via email. Please turn in your name and email address to the church office.

WE UPHOLD THE CHURCH

BY OUR PRAYERS:

Our Church and Its Ministries Sue & Raleigh Addair, Shirley Addington, Family of Ann Allen, Garrett Anderson, Family of Rebecca Berrier, Addison Biesecker, Shaun Bledsoe, Melissa Bradley, Mary Chambers, Carlos Childress, Maxine Delcambre, Brady Lee Dunford, Patricia Fairchild, Robbie Harris, Cindy Hastings, Kay Holland, Brian Huffman, Emory Johnson, Ron Johnson, Pam Lambert, Tammy Lambeth, Jose Martinez, Susan Melillo, Mock Family, Nash Family, Rob Paul, Jake & Maureen Orbock, Kitty Presley, Barbara Roberts, Family of Steve Simonds, Kathy Stark, Cindy Tucker, Donna Yokeley, Harriet

Yokeley, Thelma Yokeley, disaster victims, for those who have come down with illnesses and the flu, leaders of our country, our police officers, our troops, and the unemployed. **Our Missionaries**-Nicola Appelbe, Russia; **Shut-ins:** Rev. Giles Bowman, Sr., Vernon Collins, Virginia Craven, Jack Eller, Margaret Hawks, Mary Spurgeon, Catherine Thomas, Betty Vile.

Please pray for our prayer concerns daily and let Sharon know if you or someone you love has a prayer concern or a name needs to be added or removed.

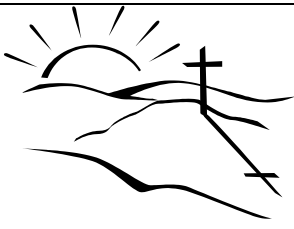
FLOWERS FOR GOD'S ALTAR

- 01-03 To the glory of God by Jim & Ollie Taylor
- 01-10 In honor of Edsel's 18th birthday by Paul & Xenia Ferris
- 01-17 Open
- 01-24 In memory of R.W. Lambeth by Ann Lambeth
- 01-31 In honor of Eden Porter's 5th birthday by Nana & Papa
- 02-07 In memory of Junior Holiday by Brent & Katie Morgan
- 02-14 In memory of John & Myrtle Sink by Harold, Bobbie, and Kerry Lawrence
- 02-21
- 02-28 In honor of our anniversary by Xenia & Paul Ferris

BY OUR PRESENCE:

Worship Service Attendance

November 22, 2009	100
November 29, 2009	103
November 29, 2009	108 (Hanging of greens)
December 6, 2009	114
December 13, 2009	110



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BY OUR GIFTS:

Stewardship Nuggets

Measurable Goals and Realistic Plans

"Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and you plans will succeed." Proverbs 16:3

Financial Stewardship

Year to Date 11/30/2009

Total Revenues \$133,061

Total Expenses \$131,783

Weekly Offerings

November 22, 2009	\$1,755
November 29, 2009	\$2,642
December 6, 2009	\$5,070
December 13, 2009	\$3,353

Special Contributions and Offerings:

Crisis Ministry Center - \$1,323.89 (NMV's offering for spare change Sundays)

United Methodist Student Day Offering - \$70.00

Pastor's Pantry - \$287.00: Hanging of the Greens

Pastor's Panty Angels - 30

BY OUR SERVICE:

ACOLYTES/JANUARY, 2010

01-03 Joshua Wright
 01-11 Haley Yokeley
 01-17 Matthew Snider
 01-24 Sarah Collins
 01-31 Lane Johnson

ACOLYTES/FEBRUARY, 2010

02-07 Kailyn Porter
 02-14 Boy Scouts
 02-21 Caleb Morgan
 02-28 Joshua Wright

USHERS/JANUARY, 2010

Eddie Cooley
 Kerry Lawrence
 Larry Mock
 James Wright

USHERS/FEBRUARY, 2010

Youth Usher Month
 2-14 Boy Scouts
 Lead Ushers: John Wagoner
 & Dean Yokeley

LAY READERS

01-03 Donna Smith
 01-10 Steve Roberts
 01-17 Barbara Ruark
 01-24 Ralph Amos
 01-31 Danny Teague

 02-07 Steve Roberts
 02-14 Boy Scouts
 02-21 Jewel Amos
 02-28 Barbara Ruark

NURSERY SCHEDULE - IN WORSHIP—up to 3 yrs old

1-03 Howard & Barbara Ruark
 1-10 Mary Roberts
 1-17 Cindy & Miranda Bowers
 1-24 Dean & Marcia Yokeley
 1-31 Ollie Taylor & Emily Collins

 2-07 Tina Snider & Britni Atkinson
 2-14 Sharon Wagoner
 2-21 Dean & Marcia Yokeley
 2-28 Katie Morgan & Charlotte Collins

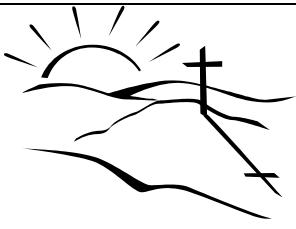
CHILDREN'S CHURCH PRESCHOOL TO 2ND GRADE

1-03 Cindy & Miranda Bowers
 1-10 Larry & Betty Mock
 1-17 Dean & Marcia Yokeley
 1-24 **Open**
 1-31 No Children's Church - 5th Sunday

 2-07 Cindy & Miranda Bowers
 2-14 Sheila Atkinson & Betty Mock
 2-21 Ollie Taylor & Emily Collins
 2-28 **Open**



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church®



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MISSIONS

Our ongoing missions at New Mount Vernon are: **Sugar** for the Crisis Ministry, collecting **Labels** for the Red Bird Missionary Conference, empty **medicine bottles** for Faith Ministry/Ministerio de Fe, Inc. and our mission fund for the **Home Mission/Visitation Committee** for our shut-ins.

FAMILY SHELTER MEAL SPONSORS (3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH)

January 8 - UMW Team 1

February 5 - Taylors & Cooleys

Please take the sugar boxes when you go and bring them back empty! Call 248-5930 on Saturday or Sunday (closed from 10-1pm on Sunday) to determine the number of people to serve.

BY OUR WITNESS:

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

We had 27 people enjoying the Christmas party. We had delicious food catered by Shawn and Wendy Cline. Barbara Cline had door prizes for everyone there.



Barbara and Walter delivered 14 poinsettias to shut-ins.

We are thankful for our Pastor, Sharon Lee, and presented her with a special recognition pin.

Thanks to Elaine Teague for preparing the 2010 calendars. Make sure you have one and refer to it each and every month.

We will provide desserts for the UMM Spaghetti Supper on January 6.

Our meeting will be on Tuesday, January 12 at 6:30 pm. Come hungry as we will be having our "Winter Meal" supper. Business meeting will follow.

We will be making chicken pies on Saturday, January 16 with pick-up by noon. Remember we need help on Thursday and Friday as well as Saturday. Shelter meal with Team 1 is on Monday, January 18. Bobbie Lawrence

2009 ADVENT IN PICTURES



NMV Children



Excellence in Music



Lovefeast

