

# HINSHAW HAPPENINGS

Into the Word—Into the World

November  
2003

## Prayerfully Written

October 13-15, 2003 I participated in The Convocation and Pastor's School at Duke Divinity School. We heard inspiring lectures by Dr. Christine Pohl, author of Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition. She talked about the importance of reclaiming hospitality and holiness as the Christian way of life and relating. She lifted up the truth that "As Christ's church, we are to embody and live out God's welcome." Likewise, she indicated that when God breathed the church into being during Pentecost, he made the church an inclusive fellowship for people of all nations and races. She said, "This is God's vision and God empowers us to embody his vision." Following the lecture, I told several of my pastor friends, "I rejoice to be part of the church I am serving with now." "I am part of a church that recognizes hospitality and holiness as a way of living." "I thank God I am part of a congregation that wants to authentically embody Christian discipleship." Several commented, "I wish I was serving with a church like that too."

Later in the day, we heard an uplifting talk by Dr. Richard Lischer, professor of preaching at Duke Divinity School. Dr. Lischer told us that God is constantly seeking to bring about reconciliation. God wants the church to actively participate in his actions of reconciliation. God seeks to reconcile humanity to him through Jesus Christ. Likewise, God seeks to reconcile human beings with each other through Jesus Christ. As I heard him talk, a prayer poured forth silently from my heart, "God, thank you for calling me to be part of Hinshaw Memorial United Methodist Church. Thank you that we claim reconciliation as the heart of our ministry. Help us continue to grow in hospitality, holiness, and reconciliation."

Think about ways you are practicing Christian hospitality and holiness. Think about ways you are serving as an ambassador of reconciliation.

Let us ask God to help us further embody 2 Corinthians 5:17-20.

*"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God"*

Serving with you,  
Rev. Dr. Bart Milleson

## CHARGE CONFERENCE

I encourage you to make attending our charge conference this year a priority. This gathering will convene at The Greensboro Korean United Methodist Church located at the intersection of Hilltop Road and Woodlyn Way. It will take place at 7:00 p.m. and last 45 minutes to one hour. During the meeting, we will elect church officers and officially approve the 2004 mission and ministry budget. Each church will have an informative panel discussion concerning ways we are reaching out in evangelism.

### UMYF

The Youth Fellowship group is having fun in the fall with MYF meetings, Bible study and going to Camp Guilrock for a fall overnight retreat. The group did a great job on the CROP walk, and looks forward to the Live Nativity Scene. Appalachian Service Project 2004 sign-up is held this month. Fund raising for next summer has to begin now.

### CHILDREN'S NEWS

Hooray for Children's Church! Thanks to all the volunteers that are getting busy! Christmas Play Practice will begin at 3:30 P.M. on November 16th. The children's Christmas Program will be on December 21st at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now.

### MAF

The Methodist Adult Fellowship group is growing. New friends are coming all the time! Congratulations! During October twenty-nine folks traveled to Bear Creek to the Southern Nutty Fruitcake factory. The fellowship, trip and food at Best Cafeteria in Siler City was super.

On Monday, November 24th at 9:30 A.M. MAF will load the bus and travel to Lexington where we will visit the Bob Timberlake Gallery and eat a great BBQ lunch. We will return to the church by early to mid afternoon. Please call the church office by noon on Sunday, November 23rd to sign-up for this trip.

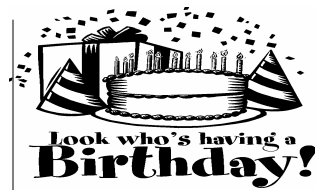
### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**Men and women volunteers are needed to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas on Saturday, November 29 at 9:00 a.m. Our church is an extension of our homes.**

**Second Sunday Food Offering:** Please remember to bring canned food and non-perishable food the second Sunday of each month. There is a box in the basement near the church office where you may leave the food. This food is delivered to Greensboro Urban Ministry.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We welcomed the following persons into our fellowship on October 26, 2003: Rob and Yvonne Culp, and Sean Wells.



2	Smith, Jeremy
3	Walker, Brianne
4	Thomas, Larry
6	Cox, Christeen
6	Alston, Krista
6	Gerken, Adam
7	Hutchinson, Diane
8	Blakewood, Lucy
9	Porter, Matthew
10	Thomas, Joan
10	Lachey, Cynthia
12	Blakewood, Ben
13	Smith, Tom
15	Patrick, Joseph
16	Tedder, Heather
17	Brackett, Shoshanna
17	Nesbitt, Ruth
18	Tellekamp, Michael
18	Lawrence, Ryan
18	Hutchinson, Adrian
19	Murphy, Jessie
19	Waynick, Martha
20	Aydelette, Phillip
20	Rasche, Mike
21	Brittian, Patricia R.
21	Wyrick, Woodrow
21	Haeling, Warren
21	Tetty-Enyo, Oswald
21	Smith, Ann
23	Glisson, Brenda
24	Cerezo, Nancy
24	Shelton, Susan
27	Bratcher, Teresa
28	Suits, Paul
29	McCarthy, Beatrice

### **21st Annual Ecumenical Celebration of Thanksgiving**

**Sunday, November 23, 2003– 4:00 p.m.** Join us in celebrating our rich diversity and our unity as Americans. Dana Auditorium Guilford College Greensboro, N.C. Sponsored by the Piedmont Inter-faith Council in partnership with the Greensboro Human Relations Commission.

### **PECANS - PECANS**

The Asbury Sunday School Class & the Disciple Sunday Class are selling pecans. The new crop of Georgia pecans are here. One pound bag will sell for \$5.50. Proceeds will go to missions. Thank you for your support.

### **GREENSBORO URBAN MINISTRY NEWS**

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### **Clothing Bank**

Needs volunteers on weekdays in the mornings and in the afternoons.

#### **Pathways Center**

Needs groups to sponsor families with gifts and food for Christmas. Needs groups to provide evening meals or weekend brunches, including activities and fellowship for children and adults.

#### **Partnership Village**

Needs sponsors for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Needs groups to provide evening meals or weekend brunches for the families.

#### **Potter's House Community Kitchen**

Needs additional volunteers to work from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on both selected weekday and weekend mornings.

#### **Weaver House**

Overflow Shelter

Needs additional congregations to take responsibility for coordinating the volunteers for one week from December 15th through March 15th. Two volunteers are needed each evening at 9:00 p.m. to transport the guests to West Market Street UMC (Urban Ministry van provided), stay with them throughout the night, and return the next morning to Weaver House at 6:00 a.m.

### **Wish List**

#### **Clothing Bank**

coats, jeans, sweaters, hats, gloves, socks

#### **Food Bank**

non-perishable food, grocery store- paper bags, grocery store carts

#### **Feast of Caring**

home-made bread, hand-made pottery

#### **Pathways Family Center**

sheets, towels

#### **Weaver House Night Shelter**

sheets, towels, blankets, bedspreads, pillows, deodorant, razors, toothpaste

We as a congregation welcome the opportunity to share Christian love with children and families in our immediate area. The administrative board has approved this very much needed outreach ministry.

### **Bus Ministry Notes**

Our church location as well as our congregational make-up is ripe for expanding our church family. Several people have been picking people up on Sunday mornings who need transportation and who desire to come to Hinshaw to worship. The vehicles have become full and sometimes several trips are being made. With access to our bus, it makes sense to utilize it to support outreach to our worship services. Many members have been feeling the call to help pursue this ministry for our Lord.

This bus Ministry proposal is supported by individual committees and the Council on Ministries. The Evangelism Committee presented their desires for this ministry to the trustees and it was approved by them. It has been presented with the following information to the Administrative Board for approval and to publicize its initiation to our church family.

Below is an outline of some of the details being considered for this Ministry:

#### **I. Drivers are needed.**

We have volunteers who are willing to obtain their CDL license.

#### **2. Insurance questions**

It was checked on and reported that this will NOT increase insurance premiums or change our current coverage in any way.

#### **3. Bus assistants are needed to ride with drivers and support in other ways**

We have volunteers for this already. These volunteers would also assist riders when they arrive at church by:

- A. Taking people to Sunday School classes
- B. Sitting with children who do not have a guardian present

#### **4. Time**

- A. People would be picked up prior to Sunday School and stay for both services
- B. They would given an approximate time for pick up

#### **5. Accountability**

- A. Trustees are working on guidelines that would be listed in a brochure to be given to riders and/or guardians.
- B. The brochure would spell out times, expectations of the bus, possible pick-up points, snow schedule information, and numbers to call to request rides and give pertinent information.

#### **6. Cost**

- A. Money will come from a fund called Bus Mission Fund
- B. The Evangelism Committee has donated their budgeted money to this fund Already (\$500.00)
- C. Their has also already been another \$500.00 donation made to this fund. Total is \$1000.00 so far.

#### **7. Routes**

- A. There is already a tentative route which will encompass a lot of already known interested riders and limit the mile radius being driven (Please find it attached) B. People will be picked up at designations coinciding with school or city bus pick up points.

#### **8. Other manpower needed**

- A. May need more Sunday School teachers of which we already have new volunteers for this.
- B. The committee has been formed to conduct the work of the bus ministry.

## UMM

Our annual Barbecue Chicken Supper was a huge success thanks to Warren Haeling and Jim Brentnell. Warren organizes the event and Jim supervises the cooking of the chicken. A great job gentlemen!!! Thanks to all who bought and sold tickets and helped in any way with the supper. Monies from the supper will provide funding for our mission projects.

November 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 A.M. we will have Margaret Burton as our guest speaker for our breakfast meeting. She recently joined Hinshaw and is now a part of our church family. Margaret is a native North Carolinian and a lifelong Methodist. She is a graduate of A & T State University with a nursing degree. She also has served United Methodist Women on the District and Conference level. Currently she is on the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem.

Mike Hardeman  
UMM President

## UMW

*Lights of Love are available through November 30th to be placed in honor of, or in memory of a loved one on the outdoor Christmas Tree. Each light is \$2.00 and will go to missions through United Methodist Women. The lights on the tree will be turned on Tuesday, December 2, so please join us in honoring our loved ones. Use the form below and give to Lucy Blakewood. Make checks payable to Hinshaw UMW.*

A LIGHT OF LOVE	
"Lights of love" will be shining on a Christmas tree outside at Hinshaw Memorial UMC.	
I would like to purchase _____ "lights of love" @ \$2.00 each.	
To be listed in the bulletin/newsletter as follows:	
In honor of _____	
In memory of _____	
Given by _____	

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Watch for news of Sunday School in the December Newsletter. What is each Sunday School class doing in the area of invitational evangelism, education, service and fellowship? Watch for news from the Discovery Class in December.

### **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

We will have poinsettias in the church during the worship services on December 14th and 21st this year. The cost will be \$8.00 each. Use the form below for placing an order. December 10th is the deadline for taking orders. Make checks payable to Hinshaw Memorial UMC and mark them for Christmas Poinsettias. You can also call me to place your order at 292-7036, Thank you. Becky Roberts

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ #of Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

### **APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT FUND RAISER**

During November, if you would like your lawn aerated, limed and fertilized, please call the church. Minimum donation \$65.00 and you pay for the fertilizer. This is a great way to donate money to the ASP 2004 and have a beautiful healthy lawn.

### **DAILY PRAYER VIGIL**

**Remember to sign up for the daily prayer vigil we are having for our church finances. Sign up to pray one-half hour each day for the rest of the year. The sign up sheet is in the narthex.**

### **CROP WALK**

Thank you to everyone who walked in the CROP Walk and thanks to everyone who sponsored a walker. We raised \$1, 043. Twenty-five percent of the funds raised goes to Greensboro Urban Ministry's Potters House community kitchen. Seventy-five percent goes to Church World Service to help meet emergency needs and suitable self-help development in 80 countries.



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**CHURCH WIDE RETREAT**

Now is the time to sign up for our church wide retreat that will occur November 14-15<sup>th</sup>. The place of our retreat will be The Milleson's mountain house near the Blue Ridge Parkway located near Glendale Springs in Ashe County. The theme of the retreat will focus upon "Sharing Our Stories and Looking for the Fingerprints of God." We will leave on the bus from the church parking lot on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. We will return on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, by 8:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please ask Bart. Please sign up ASAP by calling the church office at 299-6330. If you call at a time other than Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m., and no one answers, please leave a message on the answering machine.