

# Family Connection

December 8 2009

## Our Mission

To Connect People...

- To Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord
- To Each other in Christ-like love
- To the world through Christ-like service

## Christmas Eve Services

Thursday, December 24

5:00 p.m.– Christmas Carols, Scriptures and Communion Service in the Sanctuary

7:00 p.m.– Contemporary Praise, Communion and Candle light Service in the Gym

11:00 p.m.– Christmas Carols  
Communion and Candlelight  
Service in the Sanctuary

Childcare will be available for the 5p.m. & 7p.m. services.



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# THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

## Family Connection



Notes  
From the Pastor

I saw a simple yard decoration that made a witness about Christmas. It was a simple board that had a spot light on it. At the top of the board were the words, "The Reason for the Season." Underneath those words was a painting of a manger with a baby in the hay and a mother kneeling over the manger. It was a very simple witness to the true meaning of Christmas.

The Christmas story is both amazing and simple. It is about two people who were obedient to God. They became parents of God's amazing gift of love, Jesus Christ our savior.

This birth took place in a stable for the sacrificial lamb. It is a story we all know. But it still thrills our souls when we pause to remember it was God who gave the first Christmas gift.

In the coming weeks, you and I will have several special opportunities to remember and celebrate this simple, yet amazing gift God gave us that first Christmas. In other places in the Connection you will find information about those opportunities: Weekly Worship, this Sunday's Christmas Cantata/Drama, and the Christmas Eve services.

On behalf of the staff, I want to thank you for the Christ-

mas Gifts you made possible. Your regular giving made it possible to give your Ministry and Administrative Staff a Christmas bonus. And your special giving made it possible for the Staff Parish Relationship Committee to give your Pastoral Staff a Christmas bonus. Thank you for your generosity.

See you Sunday at *The Giving Place*, as we Worship the Greatest Giver of All, our loving God.

Rudy

<b>Ministry Budget Update</b>
Needed YTD: \$1,590,335.04
Received YTD: \$1,388,853.00
Needed Weekly: \$33,131.98
Giving 11/29/09: \$22,872.54
58% of budget pledged: \$ 1,045,691.64

## WORSHIP NEWS

### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Cost: \$15

Orders due by Sunday, December 13

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one, envelopes are located in the welcome areas.



### ADULT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 13 @ 6:30 p.m.

The Worship Ministries of GMVUMC will present it's annual Christmas program, "Christmas: The Season of Choice." The program is a dramatic and musical journey through the Christmas story. Come and experience with us a fresh telling of what makes Christmas our "season of choice."



## PLACES YOU HAVE WORSHIPPED

*Bulletins have been received from*

- \*William and Linda Land, Trinity UMC, Tuscaloosa, Al – Nov. 8
- \*Vernon Hedrick, Grape Creek Baptist, Murphy, NC, Nov. 22
- \*Mike & Kathy Patrick, First Christian, Black Mountain, NC, Nov 22
- \*Bruce & Carolyn Eschete, Ethel UMC, Ethel, LA, Nov 22
- \*Tommy & Cece McNeil, Clapp's Chapel UMC, Corryton, TN, Nov 29
- \*Bunny Cowart, Lenexa Baptist, Lenexa, KS, Nov 29



**Altar prayers alter lives**

# UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

## Christmas Party

Monday, December 14 @ 6pm

Special Music: Ginny Hughes

Guest Speaker: Carol Morgan

Carol was previously the director of operations for a retail pharmacy, full line home medical equipment and home infusion company. One Sunday several years ago she was led during church service to leave this role and start a business offering wigs and prosthetics for women receiving treatment for cancer. She pursued this calling and 13 years ago opened, *For Ladies Only*, in Vestavia. Through the years, God blessed this business and a 2<sup>nd</sup> store was opened in Jasper 2 years ago. Carol uses her love of God and compassion for others, along with her humorous nature to share her experiences and help women through the difficult times of fighting cancer.



## WOMEN'S RETREAT 2010

Get your \$50 deposit turned in NOW

March 26-28, 2010

Camp Sumatanga

Come enjoy and learn about Sabbath Time!

## IN HIS GARDEN

December Golf Outing

Saturday, December 12

Cypress Lakes Country Club

Muscle Shoals, AL

Leave Church @ 7:30 am Tee Time @ 10am

\$39 Cart & Green Fee 20 Spots available

All golfers welcome. Come join in fun and fellowship.

Call Jim Jeffreys @ 256-287-9591 or 205-960-0268 to reserve your spot.

## USHERS AND GREETERS

Hebrews 13:2 says "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." Have you ever heard of the 'circle of 10'? It means to speak to *everyone* within a 10-foot diameter. So you would be speaking to all those around you! Come to the Usher/Greeter Training and learn what it means to be 'hospitable'. (January 17, 2010; 5pm with a church tour to follow) Since we are all called to be hospitable, we need to learn 'how' - what better way than to come to this training? There is **no obligation**; and in fact, you may come and learn - then find if it is something you would like to do to serve our God! Coming to worship is not about us! Coming to worship is about *worshipping* our God in a corporate setting. Check out what God tells us in Matthew 18:20 says "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Come, let us welcome everyone here at GMV and then we can worship our God **together** and experience His presence. Contact Judy Shepherd in the church office (631-7631) for more information.

## UPCOMING TRAINING

### Prayer Usher

Sunday, January 10, 2010 @ 4pm

Have you wondered WHAT a 'Prayer Usher' is or what is required?

No commitment required

### Usher/Greeter Training

January 17, 2010 @ 5pm

We are all called to be hospitable.

Come learn what that means - no commitment necessary.

Church Tour will be given afterwards!

### C.A.R.E Captain

Sunday, January 24, 2010 @ 4pm

If you are or going to be a Captain

**please** come to this meeting to find out what is required. If you *THINK* you might be interested, come and see! It is an easy, fun ministry

## CHILDREN'S NEWS



### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**THIS Saturday, December 12 from 8:30-10:30 am.**

Join us for a great breakfast, pictures with Santa (bring your own camera), crafts and hear the true story of Christmas! Tickets are \$4 each or \$15 per family. There will be two breakfast times, 8:30 meal and 9:30 Santa visit OR 8:30 Santa visit and 9:30 meal. Tickets will be sold first come first serve for each breakfast time. **Purchase tickets in the CEC office or main office by Wednesday, December 9. No Walk-Ins.**



### HOW CAN YOU SERVE?

\*We need people to help lead music at 8:30 Children's worship.

\*We need teachers in our 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls class and our Kindergarten class.

For more information, contact Kelly Wiegert. [kwiegert@gmvumc.org](mailto:kwiegert@gmvumc.org)

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

**Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.**

Wear your PJ's ,bring a blanket and join us for a great FREE family night. Popcorn and hot chocolate will be served while we watch *Mickey's Once Upon a Christmas*.

## YOUTH NEWS

### SUNDAY NIGHTS

**No Small Groups** during the month of December. We hope that you will take advantage of the family oriented services at the church.

### PROGRESSIVE DINNER

**Saturday, December 12**

Meet at the church. @ 6pm

If you are interested in offering your home, contact Paul Turner [thedproject@me.com](mailto:thedproject@me.com)

### "Live In The Mountains"

**Senior High Retreat Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 16 after R.U.S.H Hour Youth Hall**

This meeting is for parents and students

## YOUNG ADULTS

**Girls Swish N Dish & Guys Movie Night Friday, December 11, 2009, 6:30-9:30 PM**

Christmas Themed Paintings  
Dinner and Nursery Provided

For more information or to be added to the Young Adult email list please contact Whitney Summers [wsummers@burr.com](mailto:wsummers@burr.com) or Jaclyn Ashby [jaclynashby@yahoo.com](mailto:jaclynashby@yahoo.com)

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary special edition of the church directory is completed and at the printer as we await a proof copy. Once the book is proofed, we will place a final order for the books. This beautiful edition will be a hard-backed book with a traditional directory plus a beautifully written and history of the church.

Only those who had portraits made for the directory will receive complimentary copies. If you did not have your portrait made and would like a book, or if you would like to purchase one or more additional copies, you may do so before the end of the year. **Books will cost \$10 and must be paid for when ordered.** A table will be available in the welcome areas for each service beginning on December 13 for you to place your order, or you may come by the church office.

Remember, we will order right after the first of the year, so don't delay. Order your copy today!



Gardendale - Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church

## MISSION NEWS

### Food Outreach

Brian Ledlow is looking at a new ministry to help persons stretch their food budgets. He and other hunters have wild game to share. Even though the main hunting seasons are a couple of months away, some hunters have wild game, especially venison, in their freezers. Brian would like to share some of his venison if someone in your family is out of work. You can contact him at [bledlow@bellsouth.net](mailto:bledlow@bellsouth.net). They can also give you tips on how to prepare wild game. If you are a hunter and want to be part of this ministry of sharing you game with others, contact Brian.

## EVANGELISM TEAM

### Friendly. Communicate Well. Love for People and Church.

If any of these apply to you, you might want to consider being a part of the evangelism teams here at our church. There are plenty of places that you can serve in 2010. Most of these teams require a few hours of your time each month. We will train you and help you be successful in bringing new members to our church. If interested please contact Paul Wiegert.

### Where can you serve?

**1<sup>st</sup> Time visitation**- These teams visit our first time visitors, one Sunday a month.

**Computer Team**- These teams enter the attendance pad information one Sunday a month

**Phone Team**- These teams make calls to visitor one week a month

**Cultivation Team** – These teams visit on Wednesday night

**Welcome Wagon** – These teams visit new movers to the area

## DISCIPLESHIP NEWS

**Be on the look out! New Discipleship classes will begin Wednesday, January 2.**

**Registration will begin December 13.**

Basilia Schlink in his book "I Found the Key to the Heart of God" says, "We need to experience looking beyond the spiritual characteristics, and outward forms in search of the true center – AND that can only be Jesus. The fact that we have been converted does not imply that we are following the path of true discipleship. On the contrary, we often use the statement "I've been saved" as a cushion to rest on, or even shield, to protect ourselves from further penetration by the light of truth."

## FIRST LIGHT: HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Give meaningful gifts for the holidays: gifts that honor your friends and loved ones and help First Light's guests too! Through our Holiday Lights program, you can make a donation and we will mail a beautiful holiday card to notify friends, associates and loved ones that a generous donation has been made in their honor or in memory of their loved one by YOU! Each card is hand addressed and a real postage stamp is applied. It is an opportunity to do something meaningful for someone you care about and help First Light at the same time. You may make a Holiday Lights donation online at [www.firstlightshelter.org/donatenow!](http://www.firstlightshelter.org/donatenow!)

For more information, call 205-323-4277.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

### Has it been a long year?

Have you struggled with depression? Have you lost a love one? Do you have a hurt or habit that you want to be set free from in 2010? If any of these apply to you, please contact Paul Wiegert TODAY!

### Up Coming at Celebrate Recovery

Thursday, December 10: Lesson 24 "YES"  
Thursday, December 17: Lesson 25 "Stuck"

## FOR SALE-Call to make an offer

### Motorcycle

2005 Honda (low mileage) \$6,000

### Piano

Antique Kensington Baby Grand

### China

10 place setting.

Brookdale pattern by Lenox

Starting price-\$700.00

The items listed above have been donated as part of our **First Fruit Offerings**. To view pictures of these items, you can follow the link below or stop by the church office.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/41421363@N04/page3/>

**Memorials:**

**CAPITAL FUNDS:** In Memory of Pam Rhoades' Mom by the Fellowship Class, In Memory of Myrtice Little by Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Dickinson; In Memory of Kay King by the Ambassador Class

**Contributions:**

**CAPITAL FUNDS:** Ambassador Class, Faith Journey Class  
**SIFAT:** Ambassador Class  
**ROYAL FAMILY KIDS CAMP:** David & Pamela Ansardi, Clark Blodgett  
**KERRIE CLEMON'S FUND:** Bobby & Alice Daniel  
**CHILDREN'S BUILDING FUND:** Addie Tom Dickeson, David & Rita Cromes, George & Lois Sedberry, Allen & Alesia Ray, Harold Payne, Debra Hammack  
**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:** Sue Mulroy  
**UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME:** James & Jennifer Galbreath

**Attendance Report :**

	Weeks Of:	
	11/15	11/22
<b>Membership: 1,596</b>		
<b>Sunday School:</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>444</b>
<b>SonRise Celebration:</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>189</b>
<b>CROSSFIRE:</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>308</b>
<b>Traditional Worship:</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>Sunday G.R.O.W.:</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Wednesday G.R.O.W.:</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Wednesday Children:</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Celebrate Recovery:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>

## FOOD DRIVE

The North Jefferson Baptist Association and Odom Road's *Subway in Gardendale* would like to ask you for your help in feeding our needy families for the 2009 holiday season. There will be an area inside subway where you can drop off any non-perishable food items. You can bring all food items to subway (across from Wal-Mart) during regular store hours, **10 am-11pm, through December 11.**

We thank you for all your help in advance and will accept all donations given.



## THANK YOU

May God bless each of you for your thoughtfulness in honoring me by the trimming of the shrubbery in my yard. I thank each of you for your time and energy and want you to know that it was a good deed, well done and very much appreciated.

**Melba Dixon**

Thank you for all the hard work you did in making our yard look clean and straight. You pulled weeds, trimmed shrubs, cut back rose bushes, and re-aligned the bricks around my Day Lily and Iris Lily bed. The yard looked so good until the wind blew some more leaves off the big oak tree-HA. Tears came in my eyes when I saw this group converging on our yard. They were so kind and very sweet. We truly thank all of you and the church too for planning this great deed.

**Jean and Ralph Warren**

Thank you guys for all you did for the North Jefferson Women's Center. What servants' hearts you have. Thank you for coming Saturday and for all the work you did. It was such a blessing for us. We were all so excited to see the improvements. You have done so much for us over the years and we appreciate you. May God bless you as you have blessed us. **Nancy (North Jefferson Women's Center)**

We would like to Thank the "In His Service" SS class for sponsoring us for the Angel Food Ministries. Thanks to Larry and Kay Hendrix for this. We would also like to Thank Paul Wiegert and the Joy Class for the November 21st work day at our house. It is just been so nice to have our bathroom wall and tile finished, you don't know how much this has meant to us. Also,

we want to give another big Thanks to James & Cathy Walker for the 20lb Turkey that was so good and we are still eating on it. Also just so many thanks to those who helped us with groceries in our time of need **Lisa & Greg Deerman**

Thanks to everyone for your prayers during Mickey's illness and death-they are greatly appreciated. **The Montgomery Family**

# Our Church in Action

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## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13:

7:30 a.m. - Prayer Walk  
 8:30 a.m. - SonRise Service/Sanctuary  
 8:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
 8:30 a.m. - Children's Worship  
 9:45 a.m. - CROSSFIRE Service/GYM  
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship/Sanctuary

**11:00 a.m. - Crossfire Team Meeting/RM 212**

3:30 p.m. - SonRise Rehearsal

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 14:

**1:00 p.m. - Beulah Nation Circle**

**6:00 p.m. - UMW Christmas Dinner/Fellowship Hall**

6:30 P.M. - OPEN GYM NIGHT

**7:00 p.m. - Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts**

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15:

6:00 p.m. - Daisy Troop/Kids Kingdom

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts/RM 304

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16:

5:30 p.m. - Youth Drama

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Dinner/Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. - Fall GROW

6:30 p.m. - R.U.S.H Hour /Youth Room

**6:30 p.m. - Children's Choir/Caroling**

7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17:

**1:30 p.m. - SongFest at Covenant Place**

**5:00 p.m. - Girl scouts/Kids Kingdom**

**6:30 p.m. - Family Movie Night-Gym**

**6:30 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery/Youth Room**

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18:

**1:00 p.m. - Mary Rogers Circle/Parlor**

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20:

7:30 a.m. - Prayer Walk  
 8:30 a.m. - SonRise Service/Sanctuary  
 8:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
 8:30 a.m. - Children's Worship  
 9:45 a.m. - CROSSFIRE Service/GYM  
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship/Sanctuary/  
 All Saints Sunday

3:30 p.m. - SonRise Rehearsal

**5:00 p.m. - Christmas Caroling**

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 21:

**6:00 p.m. - New Life Circle**

6:30 p.m. - Open Gym Night

**6:30 p.m. - Ephesians Circle**

**7:00 p.m. - Lamplighters Circle/Parlor**

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22:

10:00 a.m. - Coffee and Christ/318

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23:

**No Wednesday Night Activities**

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24:

**Christmas Eve Services**

**5:00 p.m. - Sanctuary**

**7:00 p.m. - Gym**

**11:00 p.m. - Sanctuary**

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25:

**Merry Christmas**



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNER:**  
 5:30-6:15 PM  
 \$5.00 Adult. \$3.00 Children with a \$16.00 maximum per family. Carry-out are \$5.75 . Please remember to make or cancel your reservations by **MONDAY AT NOON**. We are now taking permanent reservations!  
**December 16:**  
 Roast beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert  
**December 23 & 30**  
 No Meal.  
 Salad options are available by reservation only.

## Contact Us

### Ministry Staff On Call

Members of our Ministry Staff will be taking turns being on call for emergencies. If you have an emergency after office hours, please contact the minister on call. See list below for a schedule.

December 14: Rudy Guess 631-7530

December 21: Judy Shepherd 631-9999

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Church Office: 205-631-7631

Parsonage: 205-631-7530

Care line: 205-631-0811

Family Ministries Building: 205-631-7225

Child Enrichment Center: 205-631-0433

Fax Number 205-631-8620

Web Address [www.gmvumc.org](http://www.gmvumc.org)

Sunday Worship:

SonRise Celebration 8:30 a.m.

CROSSFIRE 9:45 a.m.

Traditional Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.

# Joys & Concerns

Prayer cards can be found in the envelope rack to make known your prayer requests. During the week, call our Prayer Chain: Anita Lake (631-0908) or Ann Wright (631-3888).

## EXPRESSIONS OF PRAISE

### Praise:

Those who volunteer in the church  
Those who invite someone to worship

### Births:

Claudia Diane Hoff  
parents: Beverly & Milton

### Home From the Hospital/Recovering:

Rebecca Jefcoat  
Danny Dunson

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Spiritual Issues:

Greg Ragsdale-spiritual direction  
Donald Marcrum- spiritual peace  
Salvation for unsaved children

### Deaths:

Inez Page  
Dewey Bishop  
Charlie McGowen  
Mary Grace Allen

### Surgeries This Week:

Randy Moffett (12/10)

### Health:

Larry Hendrix-knee surgery  
Steve Spruiel- health  
Mildred Clements-health  
Alene Walker-health  
Jack Jordan-health  
Cam Price-recovering  
Hutton & Corsten Schroer-health  
Yvonne McKinnon-health  
Martha Ellen Wiseman-health  
Jean Morris-health issues  
David Rasco-recovering from  
knee surgery  
Jennifer Rasco-back  
Bob Kennedy-bone cancer  
Sheryl Lyvers-back  
Allen Hawkins-cancer  
Jen Crenshaw-breast cancer  
Carl Killough-lung cancer  
Bill Cooper -health  
Sunny Montgomery-health  
Alaine Borden-health  
Cindy Sanford-health  
Mary Ann Mann-health  
Debra Hammock-health  
Bailey Bennett-health  
Pat Malynn-cancer  
Mallory Mcwhorter-health

Wesley Bethea-needing lung transplant

Lois South-health

Danny Nix-cancer

Brandi Braunstein-health

Georgia Gurganus-health

Dana Windsor-health

Noah Garst- hospice

Larry Sibley-health

Joey Paulin-health

Phyllis Naugher-health

Jimmy Crosby- pneumonia

Lee DeFore-cancer

Dot Coolidge-health

### Military:

Remember all in our military

Scott Brannon

Cory Mills-Marines-Afghanistan

Stephen Franklin-Army-Tennessee

Clint Vance-Army-Afghanistan

Mark Neeley-Airforce-Afghanistan

Adam Cork-Afghanistan

Bill Collier-Air Force-Afghanistan

Warner Holt- Iraq

Russ Sanders-Army-Iraq

John Moore-Okinawa-Marines

Clay Spruiel-Afghanistan

Bradley Peck-Afghanistan

Stephen Byers-Afghanistan-Army

Scott McDonald-Afghanistan-Army

Harold Ponder-Iraq-National Guard

Steven Phillips-Air Force-North Carolina

Jonathan Turner-Iraq

Blake McAlpine-Iraq

Robbie Powell-Greenwood and Kent-Germany

Jay Bice- Afghanistan

Bobby Whiten- Afghanistan

Jonathan Turner-Iraq

Diane and Warren Gabel- South Carolina

Jeff Ulmer - Iraq

Thomas Rivers - USMC - Iraq

Alec Williams - Air Force Academy

Ken Stenbron - Iraq

Graham Van Wyk - Washington DC - Navy

Nick Jennings-Iraq

### Caregivers:

Kathy Flegert

Debbie Nix

Ann Clements

Joyce Dudley

Brandon Cato's Parents

Dee Kessel

Donna Mayo

Brad Wright's parents

Chuck, Angie & Abbie Bean

### Anticipating Births:

Megan White

Melody & Todd Mayers

Jennifer Attaway

Laura & Adam Bradford

Cain & Casi Prince-(complications)

Amy Brooks & Jim Ezekiel

Jeremy & Kim Wilson

Dallas & Andrea Eubanks

### Other:

Daughter

Rachel & Lori Jordan-peace/travel safety

Brian & Julie-marriage support

Health, strength & patience

Ron Poe-job search

Emily Autry-job search

Jason-guidance

Unspoken

## MINISTRIES AND WORLD NEEDS

### Outreach:

Brian & Kerry Ely

### Local Church:

Caretaker Ministry

Celebrate Recovery

### Area Ministries:

Mt. Olive Alliance

### Area Businesses:

Advanced Disposal

### National & World

### Needs:

President Obama

Economy and fami-

lies who have lost

jobs

Protection of troops

Peace in Middle East

Persecuted Believers

Altar Flowers And Dish  
Towels

DECEMBER:

New Life

JANUARY:

Leonora Holt

*Altar prayers alter lives*

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