

# The Hill's Chapel House Call

## March 2011



## Backpack Program



The backpack program has grown to 19 bags being needed. There is a constant need for small jars of peanut butter (no glass), mac and cheese dinners, cereal, and poparts. Other needs include rice and pasta dinners, tuna, fruit cups and snacks. We do not usually recommend places to purchase these things but Aldi, Dollar Tree and Dollar General are definitely the best places to buy these things.

Also, we will always take monetary contributions. Either give those to Jane McAulay or place them in the collection on Sundays and mark them for the backpack program.

Thank you for your continued support of this program.

## Church Yard Sale



**Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Hill's Chapel UMC ~ 7am**

Time to clean out (especially those garages men!!!) and let's have another yard sale. Donated items can be placed in the basement of the FLC or if you need someone to pick up your donated items, please call or email Lori Gaston.

## Youth Fundraiser

BBQ Kevin's cookin' AGAIN!!! BBQ  
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Annual Youth BBQ fundraiser  
Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 11am - until  
HCUMC Family Life Center  
Lunchtime deliveries available for  
10 or more plates.

Please plan to enjoy lunch and  
dinner with the youth!!

BBQ

## United Methodist Women

Thanks to all of you that came out to support our monthly supper in February. We made \$248.00 which was designated for the Upper Rooms that the UMW supplies. Our next meal will be Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The proceeds will go to the youth for their summer trip. We encourage all of you to attend these meals. They all go for a good cause to benefit the church.

The Spiritual Growth Retreat will be at Lake Junaluska on June 17 - 18. If any ladies are planning to go you can go on-line and register. Registration fee is \$11.00 if made by May 21<sup>st</sup>. After that date the price will be \$25.00.



Mark your calendar for March 8<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see many of you there.

Mae Goff, Pres.UMW

## Memorials

<b>In Memory Of</b>	<b>Donor's Name</b>	<b>Designated</b>
Rachel Crow	The Abigail Circle	Building Fund
Bob Dellinger	Ruth H. Dellinger	Sanctuary Fund
Mitchell Dellinger	Ruth H. Dellinger	Sanctuary Fund
Jason Dellinger	Ruth H. Dellinger	Sanctuary Fund
Carolyn Grice	The Naomi Circle	Cemetery Fund
Carleen Hunsucker	Georgia Stephens	Sanctuary Fund
Mary Morrison	Lynn Willoughby	Building Fund
Mary Ollis	John & Lori Gaston	Building Fund
Mary Ollis	Lynn Willoughby	Building Fund
Mary Ollis	Frank & Jane McAulay	Building Fund
Mary Ollis	Elaine Stilwell	Cemetery Trust Fund
Kevin Woolwine	Lynn Willoughby	Building Fund
<b>In Honor Of</b>	<b>Donor's Name</b>	<b>Designated</b>
Frances Kiser	Georgia Stephens	Sanctuary Fund
Guy McIntosh	Charles & Emily May	Cemetery Fund
Guy McIntosh	Rachel Laney	Sanctuary/Window Fund
Guy McIntosh	Georgia Stephens	Sanctuary Fund

## Thank You

Hill's Chapel Family, Thanks for the many visits, food, prayers, cards and donations made in memory of Bob. The luncheon was so thoughtful and very nice for Bob's family and friends. He is so missed. Lynn, Mitchell & Trent.

Thanks to all for your prayers, cards, and calls during my recent hospital stay. The medical professionals did not stop my bleeding - - God did! Thanks also for the wonderful fruit basket. I'm still enjoying it. Love, Guy McIntosh



## Thank You

Thanks! What more can I say! January was a month I will never forget.

First my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Then our 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Then on the 30<sup>th</sup> the Honorary Dinner and the resolution. I knew this was going to happen but I did not expect a table spread larger than at Homecoming. I was pleasantly surprised to see all my Legion Comrades there! What a blessing! I know the Bible says it is more blessed to give than to receive but there is no way you got a bigger blessing than I did. Wow!

I've always said every child, especially boys, should spend at least two weeks on a farm. I used my farm experience in my work in the cemetery. First, we used to cut our wood in long lengths and haul it to the house on a wagon pulled by a pair of mules. There was a hill on which we usually got stuck and one mule would pull and then the other. I would get off the wagon in the mud and catch the mules' bridles and gently lead them to pull together. I used this procedure in my cemetery work in that I led the workers in their work and did not drive them.

My dad told me to never drive a wagon in a place I could not get out of. I also used this procedure in my work. When I encountered an obstacle I figured if I could go around it o.k. But if not, it was imperative to go through it.

Also, in working in newly cleared land the plow would catch a root and it would fly back and hit me in the shin. Sometimes it would catch an immovable root and suddenly stop and the plow handle would hit me in the stomach. Now that really hurt. However, after the obstacles were removed the ground was very fertile. I hope this is true with the cemetery in that Art Howard will have no obstacles in his way.

Blessings on all of you!  
Guy McIntosh



Let's Finish the Cookbook!

It is not too late to finish the cookbook we started 2 years ago. The printing company has found 246 recipes that were entered and is asking to print the book as soon as possible.

However, we would like to get at least 54 new recipes entered so that we can have a larger book.

Please send by email ([janemcaulay@att.net](mailto:janemcaulay@att.net)) or give a recipe to Jane McAulay and she will enter the recipe in the software.  
ALL RECIPES NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>.

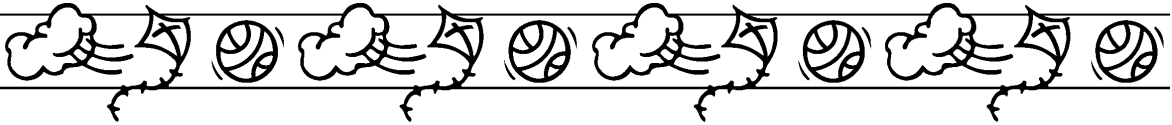
**Community**

**Breakfast**

## **Anniversaries and Birthdays**

04 – Frank and Jane McAulay  
12 – Allen and Karen Church  
15 – Terry and Trudy Grice

19 - Ron and Marie Henson  
19 - Jason and Bailey Wilkes  
26 – Davy and Kelly Nodine



02 – Kelly Nodine  
03 – Jimmy Crow  
03 – Robin Dellinger  
03 – Stacy Stillwell  
03 – Amy Howie  
04 – Tom Dunston  
04 – Randy Fisher  
07 – Donna Gable  
08 – Rhonda Dellinger  
08 – Neal Reid  
09 – Jeff Dellinger  
09 – Martha Jones  
10 – Julie Gable  
10 – Charles Reid  
10 – Joellen Craig  
11 – Michaelle Gilbert  
12 – Jeff Hager  
12 – Janet Hinson  
14 – Brittany Miller  
17 – Joe Putnam

17 – Pat Young  
17 – Faith Dickson  
18 – Kara Blackwelder  
20 – Grace Grigg  
21 – Dottice Ballard  
21 – Chandler Kellar  
21 – Payton Luckey  
21 – Kristen Edwards  
21 – Timothy Daugherty  
22 – Doris Barnes  
22 – Justin Gilbert  
22 – Eddie Mayberry  
23 – Landon Dellinger  
28 – Lib Duckworth  
28 – Matthew York  
28 – Amy Howie  
29 – Dennis Mize  
29 – Shelly Tatum  
31 – Spencer Ballard

## Willing Workers

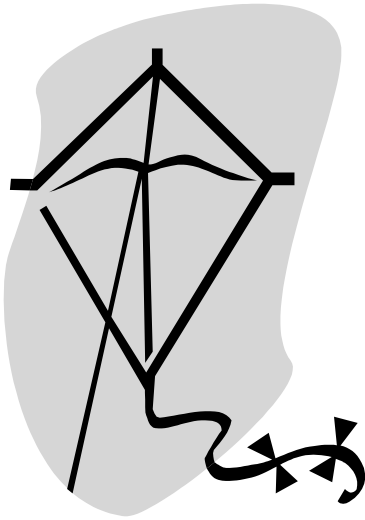
### 9:00am Nursery

06 – Mark & Kristen Edwards  
13 – Shea & Jessica Ballard

### 11:00am Nursery

06 – Janet & Alix Howard  
13 – Janet & Alix Howard

\*Please note volunteers are still needed.



## **KIDZ KLUB**

**Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00pm – 8:00pm**

**Dinner, Craft and Games**

**Ages 3 yrs thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Reservations are not required**

**Drop off the kids and enjoy a free evening**

**Mark Your Calendars**

**Breakfast with Easter Bunny**

**Saturday, April 16th**

Questions: [Hillschapel@bellsouth.net](mailto:Hillschapel@bellsouth.net);  
Hills Chapel Church office @ 704-827-9511  
or  
[www.hcumc.com](http://www.hcumc.com)

# Financial Snapshot

**NEW COMPUTER CONTROLS in PLACE**

In January I attended a mandatory Sexual Ethics Seminar for Clergy. The Conference is sponsoring six seminars over a three-month period; all clergy, even those retired or on leave, have to attend one. It was well worth it! One important topic covered was pornography and the necessity of safeguarding church-owned computers.

Pornography sites have mushroomed on the internet--in fact, the industry brings in the most revenue of any--more than sites like Amazon and Ebay! Addiction to pornography has also become much more commonplace, and the numbers are growing rapidly. Those who access these sites come from every type of background and every walk of life.

The seminar leaders alerted us to the possible problems, legal and otherwise, if our computers were used to view inappropriate material--especially if youth were involved in any way. We have put in place safeguards so that access to church computers is now limited, and software is installed that prevents access to unacceptable sites.

We have several clergy who are therapists and counselors. They recommend PureSight, a very reasonably-priced software package. It prevents access to both pornographic sites and cyber-bullying, which has become a problem for many teenagers. Parents--you may want to install this software on your home computers, too. It's available at [puresight.com](http://puresight.com).

Many thanks to John Gaston for making the necessary adjustments to the church computers.

Val Rosenquist

## The Symbolism of Ashes



On the first day of Lent, pastors in many churches dip a finger in ashes (often made by burning palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday) and make a cross on parishioners' foreheads.

God's people have used ashes as a sign of mourning, humiliation and penitence. In the Old Testament, ashes were used as a purification offering. The New Testament speaks of repenting in "sackcloth and ashes" (Luke 10:13, NRSV).

On Ash Wednesday, Christians are pained because our sins — private and public — led to Jesus' death. With repentant hearts, we begin the season of Lent, knowing it leads to resurrection on Easter Sunday.

We'll have an Ash Wednesday Service at Hill's Chapel on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

## Missions/Evangelism Highlights

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Discussions Included:

Brainstorming, possible groups to honor with a dinner. We decided to do a staff appreciation dinner for Catawba Springs Elementary. To be held on August 20<sup>th</sup>.

Designating Go Ye Funds for 2011

- . January: Costa Rica Mission Trip
- . February: CCC Youth Trip
- . March: Wesley CDC
- . April: Relay for Life
- . May: TBD
- . June: TBD
- . July: TBD
- . August: Golden Cross
- . September: Shoe Boxes for Armenia
- . October: Catawba Springs Angeles
- . November: Good Samaritan Fund
- . December: Angel Gift

Mission Projects

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7pm.

## **NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS MARCH 22!**

Adam Hamilton's *When Christians Get It Wrong*

Surveys of adults who have left the church, or who have no desire to be part of the church, frequently cite one major reason: Christians. Adam Hamilton tackles the criticisms head-on, acknowledging the mistakes we make in the name of Christ, and suggesting ways to, in fact, act like Christians!

Come join this group that meets at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in the church house. Please let Val or the church office know if you're planning to come, so we can order enough books.

## **Worship**

Ash Wednesday Service – March 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

March Sunday night Service – 3/20 – Costa Rica Mission Trip Update

(assuming we need to check with Sara/Hubert on availability?)

Easter – April 24<sup>th</sup>

Update from Lee Tatum on church audio equipment/Audio Ethics:

- Moved speakers, changed out CD player
- Work/upgrades done in phases to spread cost out over time
  - o Re-furbish/reconstruct amps
  - o Need new sound board with more channels (approx \$1000)
  - o New microphones for lead singers (\$300-\$400)
  - o Re-do/update wiring – utilize rack from sanctuary, add more jacks for microphones, etc. (several thousand \$'s)
  - o Audio Ethics is getting a total quote together - John Gaston to present to Trustees to get approval to do work in phases/over time

Next Worship Meeting: 3/10 6pm.



WORSHIP COMMITTEE

**Pastor's Pen**

Dear Friends,

The first few days in March I will be attending a workshop in Asheboro called "Introduction to the Spirited Life: The Clergy Health Initiative." Studies done over the past ten years have documented the deplorable state of clergy health overall: high rates of obesity, significant levels of stress, depression, and lifestyle-related ailments, and a growing loss of passion or interest in their work. All of these factors contribute to rising health care costs and challenges retaining clergy. The Duke Endowment has funded a huge program now, through Duke Divinity School and the Medical School, to study United Methodist clergy in North Carolina and develop interventions to improve the overall health of clergy and congregations. Their research so far shows that efforts to improve clergy health must go beyond eating well and exercise, and account for the influence of congregations and United Methodist polity itself.

We clergy have been randomly assigned to a group that will work together and remain together for several years. I happen to be in the class that begins this year--and so will be attending my first workshop. We will be learning how to approach our health holistically, looking at physical, mental, spiritual, economic, and environmental aspects of health, and setting them against our particular backdrops of family and place. It should be interesting!

I've been interested in health-related topics for a long time, and various psychological tests have all indicated that a health-related vocation would suit me well (they indicate that ministry fits, too!). In the past few years I've worked hard on getting healthier, with much more attention to exercise and diet. It's hard! It's rewarding, too. And there's still such a long way to go--sugar still beckons. Chocolate knows my name, has my number. But change is possible even there: taste buds can be retrained. They only live about two weeks, so habits can change!

Congregational habits can change, too. Part of this "intervention" will involve you all! We'll be looking at ways that we can implement healthier practices. We're already doing many: we have aerobics and equipment available; there are usually healthy choices available whenever we serve food. Apparently, though, there may be a whole spectrum of suggestions about how we can all plunge into this together, and be a healthier example of the body of Christ. Stay tuned!

Blessings,  
Val

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