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Monthly Tidings

Bishop Hunt Challenges Florida UM Churches 'To Transform Lives'

Mainline Protestantism, perhaps the most formidable force in molding contemporary America, currently is threshing about in the quagmire of bewilderment, Bishop Earl G. Hunt, Jr., told delegates at the Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in Lakeland May 26-30.

His state of the church address during the opening worship service in Branscomb Auditorium at Florida Southern College outlined the problems of the church against the backdrop of "this strange and weird day." He said part of the confusion of the church today was born of its inability to understand fully the world in which it serves and its often uncritical capitulation to certain inadequate theological and biblical perspectives that have roamed the religious scene for half a century.

"The most basic cause for confusion in the church today is a low doctrine of the Bible," Bishop Hunt said, adding that he is neither a biblical liberal nor a fundamentalist in his own religious convictions. To have a high doctrine of the Scriptures does not mean, he said, that one must resist or negate modern scholarship, but that their fundamental teachings are not to be disregarded or rationalized away.

"No wonder the church is confused—no wonder our sermons so often lack a ring of authority. Dare I say to all of us that the pulpit of the modern church needs once more to sound forth in attitude as well as words the 'thus saith the Lord' which was always its magnificent credential in other days," the Bishop said.

"The church must seek first and foremost to bring the individual into saving confrontation with the Lord Jesus Christ, and then, through that

transformed individual, make its witness to a world that is sick with sin and tragically stricken with oppression and inequity.

Turning to problems within the Florida Annual Conference, Bishop Hunt alluded to difficulties in the consultation process ordered by the General Conference to help improve the deploying of ministers to local churches. He listed the 11 steps of the process during which the Bishop and his cabinet of district superintendents confer with ministers and staff/parish

relations committees in an attempt to make appointments suitable for all.

He emphasized that absolute confidentiality is required of the pastor and the church during the consultation process since every appointment is tentative until all appointments have been made.

Bishop Hunt challenged the conference to do what is necessary to return it to financial solvency through changing the church's pattern of giving, to honor the commitments pledged to Church Development Fi-

nancial Campaign—more than \$8 million for the construction of new churches—and to work to eliminate racism, the threat of thermonuclear war, and pornography.

Membership growth of the United Methodist Church in Florida drew Bishop Hunt's strongest appeal. He expressed bewilderment over the fact that the net membership gain in 1984 was only 230 while the conference had set a goal of 10,000 new members. The conference received 5,326 more members by transfer than it lost in the same process last year, but churches purged their roles, through charge conference action, of almost as many people as they received by profession of faith during the past five years.

"I challenge each of us, beginning with myself, to think and pray about the problem in the Florida Conference and to strive as never before to share the faith with others until the story of United Methodist in Florida becomes resplendent with the drama of saved souls and transformed lives," he said.

The Christian home was Bishop Hunt's final call for church action. He said he is disturbed about the health of the institution of marriage in the parsonage and also in the home of the average church member.

He suggested the following ways the church may become constructively and creatively involved in curing the crisis in marriage:

- The church must accept the good things implicit in the sexual revolution, rather than present puritanical resistance.

- The church must know, understand and disseminate the sacred and theological meanings of marriage and its related themes.

- The church must insist upon basic biblical standards where sexual and marital relations are concerned.

- The church must define defensible Christian positions on birth control, abortion, artificial insemination, homosexuality, divorce, racially mixed marriages, genetic engineering, etc.

- The church must become more skilled in teaching youth and young adults about sex, marriage and the family.

- The church must offer healing love, forgiveness and hope to all who have lost their way in modern life.

- Through pastoral concern and ministry, the church must help families confront and solve problems of childlessness, children with congenital handicaps, retardation, teenage marriage, infidelity, chronic illness, grief, marital discord, etc.

- The church must magnify and interpret the great occasions of life such as marriage, birth, baptism, confirmation and death.

- The church must arrange for all family members, especially youth, to have the kind of spiritual encounter with God which remains at the heart of the Wesleyan interpretation of religion.

—By Linda Yates

Conference Recognizes Trinity

Trinity United Methodist Church received an Evangelism Award during Annual Conference in Lakeland May 27 for the number of members received by profession of faith among churches in the Tallahassee District during 1984.

Tied for the recognition with Killearn United Methodist Church, Trinity's pastors, diaconal minister and lay delegates received a certificate from Bishop Earl G. Hunt, Jr. Both churches received 28 members by profession of faith last year. St. Paul's was close behind with 24.

Top churches in each of the other 13 districts also received certificates. Pine Castle in the Orlando District with 227 new members by profession of faith, Good Shepherd in the West Palm Beach District with 119, Englewood in the Sarasota District with 105, and Community Church in Casselberry with 107, had the highest numerical gain by profession of faith.

The Conference Commission on Evangelism pointed out that across America the United Methodist loss in membership is mostly due to the lack of receiving new persons by pro-

fession of faith and our lack of intentionality in helping others to become a part of our fellowship. Last year almost one-fourth of Florida United Methodist Churches did not receive one person by profession of faith.

More than 9,000 persons were dropped from Florida church rolls last year by Charge Conference action, causing the Florida Annual Conference to have a net gain of only 230 members. Although churches in the Tallahassee District had 269 members join their congregations, the net gain was only three.

Tallahassee District churches reported 14,578 members on their rolls and an average attendance of 5,332 or 36.6 percent. Sunday school enrollment totals 6,051 with 50.6 average attendance in the district.

Trinity is the ninth largest church in Florida with 2,458 members. Largest congregation is First Church in Orlando with 4,350 members, followed by First in Lakeland, Community in Pasadena, First in Coral Gables, St. Paul in Largo, Pine Castle, First in Clearwater, and Christ in Fort Lauderdale.

United Methodist Volunteers in Mission To Go To Haiti

Each year the Tallahassee District sends up to three teams of United Methodist Volunteers in Mission to the Caribbean. These are, for the most part, lay men and women who go with little more than open hearts, a willingness to serve and enthusiasm for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The mission teams usually include some to teach a week-long Bible school for children, someone to teach sewing, a medical doctor and/or dentist and workers in building and construction. Beyond these responsibilities, team workers have plenty of opportunity to fellowship with Haitian Christians. The Church in Haiti is always demonstrably uplifted by the witness and love of American Christians.

For the first time in several years, Trinity UMC will be represented in this ministry. The Rev. John Quigley will accompany the first VIM team scheduled for August 3-10. Church members may help support him and the district program as well by providing funds and simple items that Haitians need.

Needed are school and sewing ma-

terials and children's clothes. These include needles, thread, fabric, boxer shorts for children, shirts for children, notebook paper, construction paper, erasers, pencils, crayons, pens.

All items must be new in order to pass through Haitian Customs. They must be carried in the suitcases of the team so should not be bulky items. Cash donations are welcome and will be used to support VIM representa-

tives from small membership churches in the district.

As he plans for the trip, John Quigley says there is "one other and even more important way you can support the 30 or 50 United Methodist Christians enroute to Haiti—prayer. Pray that their ministry might encourage, support and strengthen the witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the people of Haiti."

HEO Reports

Recently one of our members volunteered to become a reader for anyone in the congregation who has vision problems or just might enjoy the companionship of having someone read aloud. Anyone wishing to have a reader visit them is invited to call the HEO office at 222-1120.

Since the church bulletin is not mailed on the weekends the *Monthly Tidings* goes out, HEO will send the weekly bulletin to persons who are homebound so they may follow the service by radio and also be aware of

announcements and activities. Homebound persons are also reminded that hymnals are available from the HEO office. Anyone wishing to have one is asked to call the office and it will be brought to your home.

The second Sunday lunch for July will be on the 14th at the home of Allie Ferguson, 3018 Brookmont Drive. Details will be available in the next bulletin.

—By Mallie Slater,
HEO Secretary

Information Requested

Address Unknown: Do You Know Where These Members Are?

Addresses are unknown by the church office for those persons listed below whose names remain on Trinity's membership roll. Relatives and acquaintances of any of those listed are urged to call the office at 222-1120 with any information they may have.

In some cases persons on the roll join another church or move away without notifying Trinity. In an effort to bring the membership roll up to date, the church is publishing this list for the third time in accordance with *The Book of Discipline's* charge that each "pastor shall make diligent inquiry" concerning members who absent themselves without notification.

The *Discipline* states that "if a member of a United Methodist Church shall move to another community so far removed from the home church that the member cannot par-

ticipate regularly in its worship and activity, this member shall be encouraged to transfer membership to a United Methodist Church in the community of the newly established residence. As soon as the pastor is reliably informed of this change of residence, actual or contemplated, it shall be the pastor's duty and obligation to assist the member to become established in the fellowship of a church in the community of the future home . . ."

Members wishing to withdraw from the church are asked to communicate the purpose in writing to the pastor of the local church; only then can the pastor record the withdrawal on the rolls.

To assist Trinity in communicating with all of her members, all are encouraged to review the list below carefully and provide information to the church office.

Sunday Adeyemo
Kehinde Akinyemi
Carla Allen
Darlene Ansley
Doris Belcher Ashmore
Lynn N. Atwood
Erica Banzhaf
Larry Barker
Byron Barksdale
Janyce Ann Barranco
Reba Clair Bennett
Charles J. Blevins
Dara Ogletree Boggs
Susan Lee Bower
Erin M. Brewer
Sam H. Brewer III
Vivienne Brubaker
George T. Burns
Deborah Burns
(Mrs. George)
Janice Callahan
Ernest Q. Campbell
Mrs. Ernest Campbell
James T. Campbell Jr.
Curtis Cannon
H. Walker Sander-Cederlof
Dorothy E. Sandler-Cederlof
Melvin Chambless
Katherine Chambless
(Mrs. Melvin)
Floyd Christian
Margaret Christian
Floyd Christian Jr.
Robert R. Christian
Lisa Claiborne
Linda Clark
Shirley Clark
Donna Clements
Sam P. Clemons
Leland J. Clowers
William T. Cogswell, Jr.
Dale R. Cogswell
Laura Coleman
David Anton Collins
Marjorie Collins
(Mrs. Richard L.)
Richard L. Collins
Sharon Collins

Carolyn Combrink
James Conn
Deloyce Conrad
John Glen Copeland
Barbara Chambless
Cottingham
Frank R. Cox
Paula Cox
(Mrs. Frank)
Cindy Craven
Sharon Daniale
Camilo G. Da Silva
Rachel De Felice
Diana Bailey Derby
Rebecca Dobson
Carol Duggar Bailey
Mrs. Michael Dufresne
Steve Duncan
Donnie Dye
Edith Dymond
Jene Evans
John Y. Eyler
Judy Eyler (Mrs. John)
Kene Ezechi
Dianne Fayard
Christy Power
Fearnback
Gilbert Finnell
David Flagg
Bonnie Lee Fleek
Robert C. Ford Jr.
Catherine Foster
Archibald N. Freeman
Mary Louise Freeman
Mary Nina Gairns
William Gamble
Sherry Gardner
Ruth Boyd Gillans
D'Ann Coale Glick
Mrs. E. Sokari George
Paul Graham
Delia Graham
(Mrs. Paul)
Harold Greene
Archie Louis Gresham
Mary Campbell Gristina
Helena Juanita Grotegut
J. J. Hankins
Forrest Hanna
Lena Harman

Andrew J. Hayward III
Francine Heckert
Joan Hiler
Philip E. Hodge
Sue Holman
Elizabeth Hopkins
George J. Horvath
Thomas Howe
Violet Ibeaja
Irene Jumbo Ibeakuzie
Vera Ann Saunders
Irvine
Martha Ann (Muffan) Jennings
Louise Jinks
Lurlyne Johnson
Jenelyn Johnson
Ruth Jackson Jones
Stephen J. Keating
William Glen Kerslake
Shelia Kerslake
(Mrs. W. G.)
Ross Knox Jr.
Mayreese Koraly
Frank R. La Mar
Jeffrey F. Law
Harry Lee
Daniel B. Lee
Harvey Lewis
Cathy Lindbeck
Steve Lindbeck
Judi Linton
Patricia R. Lowden
Carolyn Creel Malloy
Groover Mason
Robin Tempest May
James P. May
Edward McGee
Delores McGee
(Mrs. Edward)
Malcolm McIntosh
Shirley McLellan
Michael George Mellos
Diane Davidian Mellos
D. Maria Messer
Charles Ronald Middleton
Sandra Paulson
Middleton
(Mrs. C. R.)

Suzanne Mikalsin
Jenneene Mills
J. R. Monk
Andrew Robert Moses
Larry Moses
Terry Moore
Bonnie Morris
Neil Raymond Morris
Frank Allen Moseley
Thomas Scott Munn
Sharon Nations
Willard Nelson
David Wallace Nelson
Ben Nelson
Edna Newberry
Steven Northcutt
Jeffery Northcutt
Adedeji Odutola
Constance Okoli
Marijane Olive
Barbara Beasley Olsen
Apollonia Onianwa
Rebecca Suzanne Palmer
William Parigian
Sarah L. Parsons
Ann Pate
John L. Pearce
Naomi Peel
T. Doyle Perry
Miriam Perry
(Mrs. T. D.)
Stephanie Perry
Jerry T. Phillips
Phyllis Phillips
(Mrs. Jerry)
Katie Pipkorn
Douglas Powless
Holly Bingham Powless
William Prescott
James E. Prevatt
Alita Margaret Prevatt
(Mrs. J. E.)
James E. Prevatt Jr.
Nancy Pruitt
Sybil Quickel
Joyce Rabon
Darby Gaskins Radcliff
Linda Leanandy Rahme
D. Windsor Ramsey Jr.
Ebbie Jean (Cox)

Ratliff
Sherry Hafner Redd
Dorothy An Aimmerman
Reed
Beth Resler
Alice Winona Revell
Ted Riefer
Donald Ritchie
Joseph Francis Rivera Jr.
Virginia Whittle
Robbins
Charlotte Roberts
Marsha Nel Cantrell
Roberts
Michelle Caruthers
Roberts
Frances Elmann
Roddenberry
James C. Rodgers
Leah Roskash
Elizabeth Russell
Christine Rutherford
John B. Sanchez
Joyce Sanchez
(Mrs. John)
Bob Sanchez
Ora V. Saunders
Glenn Sheley
Elizabeth Josephine Sheley
Cynthia Shelton
Tanya Sherman
Mary Jane Shelling
Claude E. Shipley Sr.
Bonnie Sjoden
Rosemary Slacks
Carolyn Joan Smith
Walter B. Smith
Elmer Schick
Mrs. Elmer Schick
Sandra Schick
E. Sokaris
Mrs. E. Sokaris
Nancy Stayman
M/M W. R. Stephenson
(Mary)
Mrs. Henry H. Stewart
Roy B. Stone Jr.
Dorothy Stone
(Mrs. R. B.)

April Teresa Stone
Sarah Jane Strong
Judy Stull
Donna Suggs
Doris Taylor
Betty Jo Tharpe
Julian B. Thompson
Patricia Thompson
Alice Tibbets
Saundra K. Tidwell
Patricia Ann Tintari
Sharon Topping
Theresa Townsend
Eldon R. Wade
Becky Rotan
Wadsworth
Tom Warren
Charles E. Webb
Phyllis L. Long Webb
Bobby Welch
Mrs. Joan G. Wells
Charles Westrip Jr.
Jane Gloria Wheaton
L. A. White Jr.
Eddie Whitehead
James Floyd Whittle Jr.
James D. Whiting
Margaret Viola Boyl Whiting
Carolyn Anne-Jacks Wilkes
Ernest C. Wilkes
Joy Belle Long Wilkins
Charles Chuck Williams
Mrs. J. D. Williams
Leslie Williams
May L. Williford
Mildred Wilson
Janice Winn
Richard B. Wyatt
Kathleen Wyatt
Richard Mark Wyatt
Lindsay Kay Wyatt
Betty Woodall
Frank P. Woodward
Martha Jan Wainwright Wood
James A. Wood
Robert B. Wright Jr.
Louis Julian Zanelli

Commission On Missions Visits St. Eugene

Members of Trinity's Commission on Missions met with the Rev. Fletcher J. Bryant, director of religious activities, United Methodist Ministries, FAMU, at St. Eugene Chapel on Tuesday evening, May 2.

The purpose of the meeting was to explore ways Trinity can participate in the 1985-88 quadrennium missional priority of "Developing and Strengthening the Ethnic Minority Local Church: For Witness and Mission."

St. Eugene Chapel is the United Methodist ethnic minority ministry in this area, and it provides a unique opportunity for Trinity to participate in an ethnic minority program of the United Methodist Church.

The chapel is a lovely facility adjacent to the FAMU campus, owned and maintained by the Roman Catholic Church. Father Guy Wilson of St. Thomas More conducts Catholic services at the chapel while Rev. Bryant directs Protestant activities, the two serving jointly as ministers in residence.

About 50 single-parent families live in low cost housing across the street from the chapel with an associated population of over 100 children. The parents, supported mainly by government grants, are enrolled at FAMU in an attempt to upgrade their skills so they can enter the job market. The parent is often so busy with school work that the children are unsupervised. In addition, the grant checks are usually minimal and are often late, leaving the families without adequate food.

Rev. Bryant has been involving these children in church-related activities at the chapel to constructively occupy some of their time, to provide them with religious instruction and even to provide a limited amount of food, usually in the form of occasional church suppers or snacks at church activities. He would like to continue and expand these activities to include a pantry to provide emergency food to the families when the need arises, such as when grant checks are late.

In carrying out its program to the students, their children and the surrounding community, the ministry at St. Eugene runs desperately short of funds. Contributions to this program would be a very effective way for Trinity to contribute to the General Conference mission priority of strengthening the "Ethnic Minority Local Church" since the need is real, the facilities and program are in place for carrying it out, and none of the contributions would be needed for the facility or salaries.

In response to their more present need, the commission is directing 15% or \$375 of the Pentecost offering to assist in establishing an emergency food closet. We are also requesting church school literature and program materials to help in the children's ministry. Rev. Bryant must make copies of what is available at the present time. If you would be interested in participating in the mission program at St. Eugene Chapel, please contact Rubie Butterworth.

-By Nick Dawirs

Travel Notes

Spaces are still available for the trip to Lake Junaluska, N. C., August 11-16. Besides being a part of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Older Adult Festival, the group will enjoy special entertainment at Stuart Auditorium each evening.

A tour of Biltmore House and Gardens in Asheville and a shopping excursion to Waynesville are also planned. An overnight stay in Helen, Georgia, on the return trip will complete the six-day outing.

Housing at Lake Junaluska will be the very modern Terrace Inn with all meals there included in the cost. Two other meals included in the cost of the trip are at the Jarrett House in Dillsboro, N. C., and the Deepark

Restaurant on the Biltmore Estate.

Total cost of the trip is \$330, twin, which includes bus fare, room, all but four meals, conference registration and admissions. The total amount for this trip will be due as of July 10.

The fall trip planned for New England and Canada can take a maximum of ten more people as of this writing. The group will fly to Boston on September 30, and will visit New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec, and points in New England before returning on October 12. Cost is \$1395, twin, with the total amount being due by July 30.

For information and registration for either of these trips contact Rubie Butterworth in the church office on or after July 15.

Spotlight for July:

Bill and Germain Fritchman Chair Commission on Education for Third Year

By Alison Mattice

The Education Commission at Trinity is ably chaired by Bill and Germain Fritchman who are mid-way into their third year serving in this position.

The commission meets monthly to discuss, review, and plan for any and every aspect of Christian education. This includes many topics, from recruiting Sunday school teachers to developing new programs; from publishing the annual Lenten Devotional Booklet to organizing retreats; from selecting curricula to coordinating special activities with other commissions.

Bill and Germain are responsible for setting the agendas for these meetings and seeing that business is conducted in an orderly fashion. They also serve as the Education Commission's liaisons with the Council on Ministries and the Administrative Board, representing the interests of the education area to the broader membership of the policy-making branches of church hierarchy.

The Fritchmans have long been actively involved at Trinity as teachers of the five-year-old Sunday school class and as members of the Koinonia Class. Germain is a former coordinator of the Youth Council, and Bill is



Germain and Bill Fritchman currently serving on the recently reorganized Boy Scout Committee and

is locally renowned as pitcher of Trinity's men's softball team.

Bill and Germain, the parents of 12-year-old Cathy, are both employed full-time, she as senior secretary at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee Crime Lab, and he as personnel officer for the Florida Department of Revenue. Bill also will serve as 1985-86 president of the Lake Jackson Kiwanis Club.

This fine couple is yet another example of the talent and commitment available within our congregation and we are proud to spotlight their service this month.

Cary Moon Begins Study of Church Music at Scarritt Graduate School

By Greg Phifer
Chairman, Commission on Higher Education and Campus Ministry

Trinity and Tallahassee will lose a creative musician and composer and a skilled oboist when Cary and Peggy Moon move to Nashville this fall for study in the church music program at Scarritt Graduate School.

Cary was born in Tallahassee and baptized at Trinity. He grew up in the youth program and has served his church in many roles. In the summer of 1983, for example, he helped Miki Harrison with music camp and during the last year he and his wife worked with the senior high Sunday school class.



Cary Moon

Graduating from the Florida High music program headed by Glen Heinlen, he studied at FSU before going to Huntington College in Montgomery for his junior-senior study of music theory. Additional study brought him back to FSU where he met and courted his wife, Peggy.

St. Paul's presentation of *Godspell* enlisted his service as accompanist; he was rehearsal pianist and music director (in effect if not in title) for the Junior Woman's Club production of "Cause for Applause." His service to Methodism includes a term as youth coordinator for the Tallahassee District. And for the last year he has taught both guitar and synthesizer (that modern computer miracle) at the Martha Stubbs' School of Music.

Peggy, Cary's wife of three and a half years, works as a secretary at Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS), in Tallahassee. She plays oboe and has a bachelor's and master's degree with specialization in that instrument from the University of Georgia. Both she and Cary have advanced study of music theory at FSU. Her talents have contributed much to Trinity's music program and she has assisted with workshops at (among other places) Stetson University. Her home is in South Georgia; their marriage took place in her home church. Peggy's heritage is Presbyterian; she is Methodist by marriage.

Cary's father served as principal at Woodville, Chaires, and Ruediger. His mother started music lessons when he was five and he promptly played his mother's lessons by ear. He has always been creative, naming his own strengths as spontaneity and flexibility. His weakness? Discipline, he confesses, which Peggy furnishes in abundance. He believes that in our society "creative force needs to be cultivated. Our society does not always appreciate this." He has composed a number of religious songs, both words and music. His brothers are both musical, one on guitar and

the other on banjo.

Scarritt Graduate School offers two graduate programs. One, with about 100 students, is in Christian education; Gayle Jordan is a graduate of that program. The other is much smaller, with perhaps 35 or 40 students in a two-year program for church music. That is the course of study Cary Moon plans to enter this fall. After intensive campus study during the first year, he will work in local church music in the Nashville area for the second year while participating in classes and seminars on the Scarritt campus.

Nashville is for many the music capital of the United States, particularly in country/western music. Cary

looks forward both to working in this atmosphere and in Nashville, a major Methodist center. Across one street from Scarritt is the General Board of Discipleship, and across another street is The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Downtown the Methodist Publishing House prepares and distributes both books and Sunday school materials. Scarritt is part of a university complex including Vanderbilt and George Peabody.

Cary loves Tallahassee but thinks that following graduation the chances of his coming home again are rather slim. He is convinced, however, that he will go where God calls him, that he has a "lasting commitment to church music."

Trinity Starts Scholarship Fund

Under the 1984 chairmanship of Myron Blee, Trinity's Commission on Higher Education and Campus Ministry initiated a scholarship fund to help support Trinity's young men and women planning to enter a full-time vocation of church ministry. The ministerial scholarship fund has been approved by the Council on Ministries and the Administrative Board.

This fund has until now been unpublicized and supported primarily by personal contributions from members of the commission. In beginning the fund the commission had for its objective an endowed fund under the sponsorship of Trinity to offer financial assistance to ministerial students. In their thinking, this included those preparing (like Gayle Jordan) for the ministry of Christian education or Cary Moon, preparing for the music ministry of the church (both diaconal ministry careers), as well as those preparing for the ordained ministry.

The fund now totals about \$500 and is obviously in its infancy. The commission hopes that it will grow into a substantial fund, that it will be invested in the same way Trinity invests other funds entrusted to it, and that the interest from the fund might help and encourage Trinity's youth embarking on training for a full-time church vocation.

Myron Blee and Hal Lewis are working with a small committee to draw up ground rules for the fund and its administration. Anyone wishing to contribute to the scholarship fund may make checks payable to Trinity and designate them for this purpose.

Now that Cary Moon, a son of Trinity, is entering Scarritt Graduate School to prepare for music ministry in the local church the commission hopes that this fund will become large enough in the near future to assist him. As Cary's need is immediate, however, if you wish your contribution to assist him during the up-coming academic year rather than be part of the scholarship fund principal, you may so designate your gift by writing "Cary Moon Scholarship" on your check.

Trinity Troopers Will Be In Mission July 22-26

The Trinity Troopers will be in mission July 22-26 for children who have completed the second through the fifth grades. The theme of this years program is "People Are People First." Children are asked to meet in the Youth Center at 12:45 p.m. and be picked up at 5 p.m. in the church parking lot.

"People Are People First" will focus on communication skills and it will give children the opportunity to practice their skills in various ways in our community.

The first day will find the Trinity Troopers heading to Wakulla Springs. The group will gather under the trees in the park for some training in communication skills through the gaming process. Then, it's off to the glass bottom boats and back for a swim before returning home.

Tuesday is Adopt-A-Grandparent day. The Trinity Troopers will set out to pick up grandparents and bring them back to the Youth Center for an exciting afternoon of crafts, games and a video-taping session. The cul-

mination of the afternoon will be the playback of the video session for all to enjoy.

Wednesday is Handicapped Awareness Day. The day will begin with simulation games thus helping the Trinity Troopers become more aware by performing activities with a learning handicap. Troopers then go to a community agency to work with children and youth with handicapping conditions. The children will return at 5 p.m. with a new understanding of themselves and their new friends.

Thursday is Parent Appreciation Day. This day will focus on communicating with our parents and gaining a sense of appreciation and understanding of what our parents do in their work place. The day will begin with more communication skills and then each team is off with a Polaroid camera to interview and take pictures of the parents they visit. Then, it's back to the youth center for a short work time to compile their findings and prepare to share them with the total group.

The grand finale of our week to-

gether is Celebration! This day will seek to enable the Trinity Troopers to communicate with each other in an exciting day of fun and fellowship. They will go to Shell Point to Dr. and Mrs. Pararo's beach house for skiing, swimming, fishing and lots of fun.

Pre-registration is a must in order

that proper preparation and seat-belted transportation can be provided. A registration fee of \$5 for the entire week is asked in order to defray expenses. Deadline for registration is July 15. Trinity Trooper T-Shirts are available for \$5.

TRINITY TROOPERS IN MISSION

"People Are People First"

July 22-26 12:45-5:00 p.m.

Child's Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Age _____ Boy _____ Girl _____ Grade Completed _____

Registration Fee Enclosed (\$5.00) _____

_____ I would be willing to bring refreshments.

It is hoped that children will be able to participate each day as the program is designed to build upon each other. However, if your child will not be able to participate on one of these days please indicate here _____

Special Notes _____

Signature of Parent _____ Deadline July 15

Annual Conference Adopts Resolutions

By Allie Ferguson
Lay Delegate

The Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, meeting May 26-30 in Lakeland, adopted resolutions supporting causes ranging from the interests of farmworkers to peacemaking and opposing causes ranging from apartheid to violent and destructive acts. The resolutions that summarized below:

Stewardship: It was resolved that the Annual Conference charge United Methodist seminaries to include instruction in stewardship and finance as a requirement for completing a theological education leading to a master of divinity degree beginning with the fall term of 1987. The support of God's work through the local church and the general church is dependent upon the pastor's knowledge of stewardship and finance.

Farm Workers' Week: Due to the plight of the farm workers in the economic system, the lack of awareness, understanding and knowledge of farm workers' issues, it was resolved that the week of April 29-May 5, 1986, be observed as Farm Workers Week.

Violent and Destructive Acts: The Conference resolved to call upon citizens of Florida to avoid participation in violent and destructive acts against individuals and private or public property.

Peacemaking: It was resolved that the Annual Conference petition the Florida congressional delegation and the President and Secretary of State to reject war as an instrument of national foreign policy, that the deployment of armaments must be controlled, reduced and halted as soon as possible; and that the U. S. announce a national policy not to use nuclear weapons first in any conflict situation. Also, the U. S. shall encourage peacemaking and encourage the Soviet Union to adopt a mutual variable freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons.

Housing/Rental Allowance for Retired or Disabled Ministers: This reso-

Conference Develops Fiscal Solvency Plan

On the final day of the Annual Conference May 30, clergy and lay delegates voted to support their Council on Finance and Administration's recommendation "to take a firm and purposeful direction toward fiscal solvency."

The annual audit of conference funds showed a deficit of \$1,564,147 accumulated at the end of fiscal year 1984. Council Chairman Keith Ewing of Cocoa said the deficit is a result of spending more than the amount received during the past seven years, inadequate staffing and financial recordkeeping, and the failure of some local churches to pay 100 percent of their apportionments.

The council presented an operating budget for 1986 about 1 percent more than that for 1985. Another \$500,000 was included for deficit recovery and \$250,000 was included as operating reserve and contingency to take care of any shortfall of income (apportionments) over projected expenses.

The council, through a general tightening of budget controls, told the conference it could achieve solvency by 1987.

A special Committee for Fiscal Direction, appointed by the Bishop last year when the Florida Conference first realized its deficit position, also presented recommendations for better budgeting, stewardship and communication.

lution provides for the housing/rental allowances, prescribed to the retired ministers, be allowed for disabled ministers, both ordained or licensed ministers who were minister members of the Florida Annual Conference at the time of their retirement or disability. This resolution also identifies that the Internal Revenue Service recognizes the Florida Annual Conference as the approved organization to designate such an allowance.

Abstinence from Alcoholic Beverages: It was resolved that a recommendation be made to the General Board of Church and Society that a committee be formed of both board members and others with expertise to address the issue of abstinence from alcoholic beverages.

Loopholes in the State Sales Tax: In an effort to suggest ways for the state to more adequately finance common and necessary human services and to oppose the alleged necessity of adopting a state lottery to raise state revenue, it was resolved that the Conference ask the Governor and the Legislature of Florida to look for new funding resources by closing up the many loopholes in the state sales tax and to cease the proliferation of the state sales tax exemptions, with the exception of food and medicine.

The Family Farm: Since the land is a gift of God's creation and we have been charged by God with the stewardship of the land, and since the family farm has provided an environment conducive to the growth of human personality, the enrichment of family life and well being, and since the economic system and society have put undue stress on the family farm, it was resolved that there be an affirmation of the presence of the family farm with an emphasis on helping through grants and low-interest farm loans, compensation for recent losses due to citrus canker outbreaks—and a moratorium on farm foreclosures until the present crisis is over.

Apartheid: The Conference resolved to express strong opposition to the Apartheid policies of the Government of South Africa and to go on record as supporters of human rights.

Ethnic Minority Local Church: The conference resolved that the missional priority of developing and strengthening the ethnic minority local church for witness and mission be continued and that the unfinished task of providing resources, education, recruitment, leadership development and support for ethnic minority local churches be implemented by the total church. It was requested that a progress report by districts be made to support evidence of progress at next year's annual conference.

In Memoriam

Memorial gifts have been given to Trinity in memory of the following:

Wallis Walker from Judge and Mrs. Ben C. Willis, Eunice and J. D. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Walker, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Draper, Rebecca R. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shelley, Jr.

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Children's Library Corner

The following books have been purchased for the Children's Library in memory of/or in honor of these persons by members of the congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Hart in honor of their children, James Robert and Charles Gibbs:

Prehistoric Monsters Did the Strangest Things by Leonora and Arthur Hornblow

Reptiles Do the Strangest Things by Leonora and Arthur Hornblow

Birds Do the Strangest Things by Leonora and Arthur Hornblow

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Sea Creatures Do Amazing Things by Arthur Myers

Animals Do the Strangest Things by Leonora and Arthur Hornblow

Animals Build Amazing Homes by Hedda Nussbaum

True Life Treasure Hunts by Judy Donnelly

Insects Do the Strangest Things by Leonora and Arthur Hornblow

Rev. and Mrs. William Barnes in honor of their children, Kristin Diane and Meredith Alissa:

The Little Match Girl by Hans Christian Anderson

Sigmund's Surprise Birthday Party by John Patience

Jesus by Carrie Lou Goddard

Walking in God's World by Lucille E. Heir

When James Allen Whitaker's Grandfather Came to Stay by Hickman

Whobody There by Charles and Ann Morse

Shapes in God's World by Beverly Beckmann

Sizes in God's World by Beverly Beckmann

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Draper in memory of Wallis Walker:

Big Thoughts for Little People by Kenneth Taylor

Wilderness Rider by Leonard Wolcott

UMYF Summer Retreat Will Be August 15 at Epworth-by-the-Sea

On August 15, Trinity's United Methodist Youth Fellowship will be off to their summer retreat at Epworth-by the Sea, the retreat center for the South Georgia Conference.

Their visit to the "Golden Isles" will include a venture to Fort Frederica, which was built by General Oglethorpe in 1736, the most expensive fortification built in America. Also included is a day at Jekyll Island Beach, one of the most attractive spots on the East Coast with plenty of sand dunes.

The youth will worship at Christ Church on St. Simon's Island, the church founded in 1736 by John and Charles Wesley as a missionary community.

Sightseeing and fellowship will be outweighed by programming opportunities for spiritual commitment. The Rev. John Quigley said, "The retreat will give our youth a chance to renew or may for the first time dedicate their lives to Jesus Christ."

The Rev. Wayne Wiatt of First UMC in Jacksonville will be retreat leader and speaker. He is widely known for his expertise in working with youth and as a fine musician.

Facilities at Epworth-by-the-Sea offer comfortable sleeping arrangements and good food at the cafeteria. The grounds have tennis courts, a swimming pool, a gymnasium and beautiful scenery.

The \$50 fee will provide transportation, food/lodging. Youth wishing to go on this trip must notify John Quigley at 222-1120 by July 28. Places will be reserved on a first come first served basis with priority given to Trinity's active senior and junior high UMYF members.

Register For Music Camp Before July 21

Beth Borchert and Miki Harrison are planning an exciting week of music to be held at Trinity the week of August 5-9.

There are going to be some extra special events, including a professional puppeteer, recorder classes, creative movement, arts and crafts and sight singing. Musicals will be presented at the end of the week.

Other churches in the community will be invited and are urged to attend. There will be opportunities available for all ages. We will need counselors from rising 6-12 grade.

The registration deadline for Music Camp will be Sunday, July 21. A clip-out registration form is provided below for your convenience.

MUSIC CAMP
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
August 5 - 9

Ages: Rising kindergarten through fifth grade

Child's name _____ Phone _____

Counselor's name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Age _____ Boy _____ Girl _____ Grade completed _____

Registration fee enclosed _____ (\$2.00 per child)

Special Notes _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Registration
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