



Monthly Tidings

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Power of love will be UMW general meeting topic Tuesday, February 6

United Methodist Women at the general meeting at 11 a.m., Tuesday, February 6, in Moor Hall, will hear Liz Smith speak on the Power of Love — the power from God that enables us to share and care, to make His love known through us. She will give some of her ideas on how to make that love visible in our daily lives.

The UMW program committee received congratulations from the approximately 80 women who heard the inaugural program on the theme for the year: The Promise of a New Decade . . . Women Facing the 90s. At the January 9 meeting five Trinity women described some of the challenges women face as they enter the new decade.

Dolores Jackson, president of the Coalition for the Homeless, said the homeless woman is in a state of crisis because of abuse, divorce, use of drugs or alcohol by themselves or others, mental illness and economics. "The homeless woman is not necessarily a bag lady; her average age is 27 and the average child's age is 6. They frequently are the working poor who are one paycheck away from homelessness," Mrs. Jackson said.

To show how the problem is growing, Mrs. Jackson cited a 1988 local survey that reported 14 homeless women with 23 children seeking help in November 1986; 30 women with 57 children in November 1987; and 64 women with 73 children in November 1988.

Kathy Pope talked about women as caregivers, with the goal being to provide safety, dignity, food and shelter within budget restrictions, particularly to elderly parents and others within their charge. She advised caregivers to refrain from inflicting their own values upon persons within their care, respect the ways of the care receiver, don't operate out of guilt, and get your strength from doing, not worrying.

A caregiver, according to Mrs. Pope, should become familiar with sources of help within the community, and keep a proper balance in her life by keeping herself nurtured. She suggested that persons not wait for a crisis to provide care, but to help others in the church and neighborhood on a regular basis.

Working women who are single parents share the same stresses, Marti Hall told the audience. When a woman divorces, financial pressures increase, social support decreases, self esteem decreases, and the children also have greater needs. She advised a single parent to provide continuity in the children's lives and to make time for her own nurturing.

Linda Mobley reported that there are 13 million neglected, abused children living in a poverty situation in America, and abuse takes one life every 53 minutes. She said one out of every five girls and one of every eight boys are victims of sexual abuse.

The final speaker, Susan Thomas, described the situation of the part-time employed mother and community volunteer and the societal pressures being placed on the nonworking mother.

These issues will be developed further in the general meeting programs planned through June, planners Liz Smith and Mary Ann Moore said.

March 6 Ruth Ann High and Libba Harris will lead the Call to Prayer and Self Denial, which will focus in depth on the problem of homeless children.

In April, Holy Communion will be offered in a special Easter service in the Glenn James Chapel, with Mary Ann Moore and Rev. Beth Fogle-Miller guiding worship.

In May UMW will have a May Day party . . . maybe complete with May pole, as they honor those who are new to the Trinity fellowship and celebrate the warmth and love that is the supportive community of the UMW.

In June, UMW is planning an evening meeting with a sit-down dinner, followed by a discussion of the role of the "Woman of the 90's." A poll will find out members' feelings about the women's movement and how they think it has helped or hindered the status of women. Linda Yates is in charge of this meeting.

"We'll save specific news about the fall programs for a later time, but plan now to get involved with the UMW," Liz Smith said. "We have some wonderful new people with us, and a grand group of women who long ago learned what joy and inspiration and new knowledge and action there is in being part of this fellowship. See you in Moor Hall at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6 for the program, followed by a delicious lunch."

Bishop speaks

Builder's Club seeks to revitalize rural UMCs

Florida United Methodist Bishop H. Hasbrouck Hughes, Jr., told a group of ministers and church representatives of the Tallahassee District, meeting January 18 at Trinity as a Builder's Club, that helping other churches is mission work in the truest sense.

"The faith we have in Christ should be made manifest in what we do in church. To help each other in mission, revitalization, and expansion is true mission," he said.

"In some communities, the people do not have the resources to take care of their church. We need to help those who cannot help themselves," the Bishop said.

The real need of the 11-county Tallahassee District of the United Methodist Church is the revitalization of some churches in the largely rural areas, Dr. Bob H. Weller, demographics professor in the Florida State Col-



What would John Wesley think of the United Methodist Church of 1990? A Pre-Lenten symposium will explore strengths and problems of UMC and other "mainliners."

(Statue of Wesley is in park in Savannah, Georgia)

Humphress heads Trustees

John K. Humphress is the 1990 chairman of Trinity's Board of Trustees. Elected at the Jan. 15 meeting, he succeeds Carrol Dadisman.

Clifton Quinly was elected vice chair, succeeding Humphress. Parker Lee McDonald was elected secretary.

Humphress appointed the following committee chiefs for 1990: Eddie Long, major maintenance and repair; Walli Beall, interior furnishings and parsonages; Bob Bass, insurance, and Peggy Moffitt, inventory.

Other members of the nine-member board are Dadisman and Dean Bunch.

lege of Social Sciences, told the group.

Findings of a District Comprehensive Study showed Tallahassee as the only metropolitan area and Northeast Leon County with the only population growth. UM churches are well located in the area and no others are needed at the present time, Weller reported. If Southwood is developed, a new UM church should be built in that area.

The taskforce which gathered information from all the UM churches in the district met with candidates for revitalization and found one church needing to change the focus of its ministry as its neighborhood changes from white to black population. Another church, McCall's Chapel near Branford, needs help with obtaining a parsonage for its minister, the taskforce recommended.

(Please see *Builders*, page 3)

Pre-Lenten symposium to explore mainline churches' role, future

A symposium on "Exploring Who We Are in the 1990's" will be presented by the Pre-Lenten Lecture Committee of downtown and nearby participating churches on February 25 in Moor Hall at Trinity.

Dr. Leo Sandon will make the keynote address on the role and prospects of mainline Christians. Short presentations will be made on the strengths and shortcomings of the mainline churches by four others.

• Steve Wilkerson, cable TV executive who dropped out of the ministry, will talk about why he is no longer involved in the church.

• Ed Hakes, retired professor at Wheaton College and a conservative evangelical, will talk about what he sees as problems with the mainline churches.

• Former Tallahassee mayor Carol Bellamy will speak about her intentional commitment to the church as an adult.

• Maureen Tilley, FSU Department of Religion, an active communicant in the Catholic Church, will present views of one who has remained in the church as a critical, loyal lay person.

These presentations will begin at 4 p.m. and continue through 5:30. For the next hour, the audience will divide into small discussion groups, looking at such topics as disciplines, evangelism/church growth, souls vs. systems, changing roles for the clergy, ministry of the laity and parachurches.

A soup and sandwich supper will be served from 6:30 to 7:15, and the program will end with a worship service from 7:15 until 8 p.m. in which Dr. Sandon will offer a challenge to the churches for the 1990's.

The Pre-Lenten Lecture Committee planning the event includes Dr. Sandon, Chuck Roland, John Fletcher, Bob Abstein, Brant Copeland, Emory Hingst, and Patti Oakley and Rubie Butterworth of Trinity.

Administrative Board to meet February 19

Trinity's Administrative Board will have its first meeting of 1990 Monday, February 19, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Moor Hall.

Peggy Hughes, chairman of the Staff Parish Relations Committee, will bring to the board for approval a revised Staff Policies and Procedures Manual for Trinity. Her committee adopted the manual at its November meeting. Mrs. Hughes said interested persons wishing to review the complete manual in advance of the board meeting may look at the copy on file in the church office.

Council on Ministries Chairman Miriam Peirce, Finance Committee Chairman Fred Drake, Trustees Chairman John Humphress, and other key leaders will also be called upon to report to the Administrative Board.



From The Pastor's Study

By David G. Hortin

A Love Story

February is a month when we celebrate love. As followers of Jesus, we are called to do more than love the lovable and to do more than love those who love us.

One of my mother's favorite stories was told by the great sportscaster of another day, Bill Stern, about the baseball immortal, Babe Ruth.

Among the children who watched the New York Yankees practice was one boy who was particularly faithful and especially interested in Babe Ruth.

One day, a woman came to Babe Ruth and told him she was this boy's mother. She told him the boy had been ill, so he had not been able to come to watch them practice. Then, she said, "Of course, you know, Mr. Ruth, he can't really watch you practice, for he is blind!"

When Babe Ruth learned this, he became interested and, as a result, made it possible for the boy to have an operation which gave him his sight.

During World War II, Babe Ruth received a letter from overseas written by the boy, now grown. In it he wrote, "You will not receive this letter if I am alive." It was written from a hospital and was to be sent only in the case of the boy's death. He said, "Please, take a bouquet of flowers to my mother."

Babe Ruth did as the boy had asked. He took the flowers and talked to the mother. "You know, Mr. Ruth," she said, "he really wasn't my son, but I had raised him. His parents were criminals. They killed a man, and, as a result, they had to pay with their lives. I know, because it was my husband they killed."

Jesus says, "I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father who is in heaven . . ."

Can you help Trinity locate addresses of these members?

The United Methodist Discipline requires that members of a church who have no current or known address must be listed by publication for three years before they can be dropped from membership even though they may have moved to another city and joined another church.

Trinity is attempting to locate an address for the members listed below so they can be contacted concerning their membership. If they respond with the information that they wish to drop their membership here, the church may then remove them from the roll.

If they have moved to another city, the Discipline encourages the church to notify a United Methodist minister in their city of residence to transfer membership to the church there.

If you have information about the following persons, please call the church office, 222-1120.

Ansley, Mrs. J. B. (Darlene H.)
Armstrong, Amy Beth
Bailey, Carol Duggar
Barnes, Eddie Duty
Barnes, William Hatfield (Bill)
Bennett, Reba Clair
Boynton, Mrs. C. J. (Mamie)
Boynton, Mary
Callahan, Mrs. Donald (Patricia Kay)
Callery, Rosmond
Cardoso, Mrs. Hugh G. (Kathy Busard)
Christian, Mr. & Mrs. Floyd T. (Margaret)
Christian, Floyd T., Jr.
Christian, Robert Rick
Connell, Wayne
Deig, Margaret
Dedona, Nancy
DuBois, Herbert Taylor
DuBois, Mr. & Mrs. L. D.
Edwards, Berlin Norman
Eppestine, Miles
Fulford, Mrs. Robert, Jr. (Betty Wheeler)
Gayhart, Mrs. J. R. (Kathleen Marie Lingo)
George, Mr. & Mrs. E. Sokari
Gibbons, Mr. & Mrs. Peter (Sharon)
Gilman, Brenda D.
Gilman, David West
Glick, D'Ann Coale
Gray, Mrs. Mark (Mary Lou)
Green, Mrs. Richard (Pamela Rounds)
Greene, John E.
Greenwood, Harry
Griffith, Dr. H. Winter

Griffith, H. Winter, Jr. (Griff)
Guthrie, Donald Scott
Gwynn, William S. (Bill)
Kelsey, Prudence
Hargrove, Mrs. Hazel
Harrison, Christine Noel
Harrison, Mrs. Edgar S. (Leska)
Hayward, Kimberly Alice
Hensley, James
Hiles, Mrs. George, Jr.
Hinson, Mr. Robert J.
Hinson, Mrs. Robert J. (Fran)
Hodges, Claire Anne
Hodges, Laurie Jean
Hooten, Byron
Horvath, Dr. George J.
Hosford, Mrs. Lucy
Howe, Debbie Ann
Hutto, Michael John (Mike)
Hutto, Kelley Michele
Irvine, Mrs. Russell Harold (Vera Ann Saunders)
Jennings, Mrs. Jack S. (Ruth W.)
Jennings, Martha Ann (Muffan)
Johnson, Clyde Wilson, Jr. (Butch)
Johnson, Russell A.
Jones, Mrs. Clarence Lamar (Lettie Nancy)
Jones, Laurie C.
Jones, Mrs. Rolland (Ruth Jackson)
Jones, Tommy
Juarez, John
Juarez, Stephanie
Kimsey, Gerald Hubert
King, Everett Glenn, II
King, Frances Irene
King, James Perry, Jr. (Jimmy)
King, Mrs. John William (Patricia Waddill)
Knox, Edward Kenneth
Knox, Larry Joseph
MacDonald, Ernest
McElroy, James H.
McGarry, Roberta
Miller, Mrs. Debbie
Milligan, Deborah
Nelson, Ben
Nelson, David
Nelson, Willard
Olsen, Diane
Patton, Bettie Lee
Penzo, Dean
Pitts, Carolyn Connell
Rivera, Diana
Rivera, Joseph
Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. Charles
Sampey, Richard
Schuessler, John
Sink, Myra Miller (Millie)
Stacker, Edwin J.
Stevens, Mr. & Mrs. John R. (Pamela)
Stevens, Sarah Lisa

UMW circle meetings start February 12

Beginning with the general unit meeting at 11 a.m. and luncheon at noon Tuesday, February 6, Trinity's United Methodist Women will meet in separate circles throughout the month.

Information from the UMW Executive Committee meeting at 9:30 a.m., February 6 in the church Conference Room will be brought by circle chairmen to the following meetings:

Circle 1 will meet at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at 504 Plantation Road. Hostesses are Nell Morse and Carolyn Wilharm. The program will be a review by Martha Meyer of the book, "Health and Medicine in the Methodist Tradition." Fran Veller will give the devotion.

Circle 2 plans to meet at 2:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 12, at 2209 Joyner Drive. Hostesses are Rose Howe and Mittie Dean. Bob Lamison will be the speaker.

Circle 3 will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 1204 Firethorn Lane, home of Martha Hall. The program will be the study of Psalms.

Circle 4 will meet with Circle 14 in the Gregory Room at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Circle 6 plans to meet at 10 a.m.,

Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 2104 Lee Avenue. Hostesses will be Bette Jackson, Helen Hall, Marguerite Steinmeyer and Sophia Ramm. Sara Srygley will talk about the new hymnal, and the devotion will be given by Mary Eleanor Daniel.

Circle 8 will meet in the church parlor at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Circle 9 will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 3933 North Monroe Street with Rae James and Florence Phillips as hostesses. Walter James will talk about the new hymnal.

Circle 10 will meet Monday, Feb. 12, at 3:30 p.m. at the Tallahassee Convalescent Home.

Circle 11 plans to meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at 2618 Favorsham. Leila Walsh is the hostess. The circle will study Psalms.

Circle 12 will meet in the church parlor at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13. The program will update information about Terrell House with emphasis on women and children by Rev. Henry Vensil, director. Annie Grace Kennedy will give the devotion.

Circle 13 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 132-A Villas Court. Hostesses will be Eleanor Cotton and Mildred Gardner.

Circle 14 plans to meet in the Gregory Room with Circle 4 at 10 a.m., Tuesday, February, Feb. 13. Jackie McMillan of Apalachicola will dramatize a biblical character.

Circle 15 will hold a brown bag luncheon meeting in the Conference Room from noon until 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Adult Fellowship to have Valentine musical theme

A program of music and entertainment centered around St. Valentine's Day will be featured at the Adult Fellowship program and luncheon on Friday, February 16, at 11 a.m. Especially invited to this occasion are couples in Trinity who have celebrated at least a golden wedding anniversary. Special recognition will be given to the couple who has been married the longest.

Walter and Rachel James are arranging music, including group singing, solo numbers and a barbershop quartet. All persons of retirement or near retirement age are invited to come. Reservations for the lunch, \$3 per plate, should be made in the church office by Wednesday, February 14.

Gifts to Trinity

Trinity received the following gifts during the month preceding January 15.

Memorials were given in memory of the following:

WESLEY C. HARTER, by Martha Jane Frey, Dorothy Frey, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Schopfer, Mr. & Mrs. Bob O'Hara, Mrs. Emma M. Harter.

HELEN O. ANDERSON, by Theo & Martha Anne Proctor.

LUCILLE STRIPLING, by J. Malcolm Alday, Carolyn Krentzman, Mrs. W. N. Weisert.

MARGARET D. HARDY, by Anne Folsom.

Notes from the McKenzie Library

Madeleine L'Engle, well-known as a writer of children's books as well as books of autobiographical poetry, biblical reflections, essays and romances, has recently written what is called *The Genesis Trilogy*.

The first volume of the *Trilogy* is titled *And It Was Good* and retells the story of creation in a celebration of our spiritual beings. While most of the literature on *Genesis* and creation emphasizes what was created and how, Ms. L'Engle sees the connections between the Made and Maker and observes many of the characteristics of God.

The second volume, *A Stone for a Pillow*, tells the story of Jacob, one of the Bible's earliest pilgrims. In this volume the author follows Jacob's and her inner and outer journeys. Ms. L'Engle states that when she "struggles to find the truth of something, she thinks of Jacob who saw a ladder of angels, reaching from earth to heaven, linking heaven to earth, the

creation to the Creator, not separated from each other, but participating in each other." The subjects are numerous and the questions vexing but the answers must finally be one's own.

The final volume is *Sold Into Egypt* which retraces the familiar story of Joseph, but a different Joseph who struggles to grow and whose spiritual development parallels one's own. We are reminded of how Joseph had to endure the pains of betrayal and slavery before he could fulfill God's promise. We gain new insights into the people behind the Old Testament characters and how their lives apply to ours.

If you read one of the books in *The Genesis Trilogy* you will want to read the others. Ms. L'Engle has won several literary awards and travels widely, leading retreats, lecturing at writers' conferences, and addressing church and student groups in the U. S. and abroad.

—FRANCES M. McADAMS

Third graders find Sunday school special

If you look around the room you can see why Trinity's third graders love to come to Sunday school. Teachers Laura Andrews, Chris Jonas, and Shirley Kirwin have filled the room with color.

One entire wall has been devoted to attendance keeping. Under big blue and purple letters that invite the children to "follow in Christ's footsteps" there are red, green, orange, yellow, and blue footprints marching across the wall, each displaying the name of the children and adorned with a ribbon of colorful happy faces—one per week of attendance.

The bulletin board is done in blue with each book of the Bible colorfully displayed—library style. Handmade posters created by the children dot the room illustrating the wisdom of Proverbs, and child-created mobiles hang from the ceiling.

And that is not the only reason the third graders come. They are encouraged by the monthly newsletter authored by Chris Jonas called "News From the Pews," highlighting the children with perfect attendance (a four-star award), or near-perfect attendance (a three-star award) for the month. It lifts up "homework" the children can do like memorize the books of the Old Testament—which, by the way Ian Mott-Smith, Meredith Mattice, David Duncan, and Jenny Walsh have already mastered to date, and it announces any special events in the lives of the children (especially birthdays). The newsletter contains information about their quarterly outings; for instance, they stayed after church one fall Sunday and had a pizza party and then went bowling.

In March the class will do a service project in addition to their weekly Sunday school lesson. They will make Resource Notebooks (picture books) for the children at Gordon Great-house's mission in Brazil and will have one of the participants in last summer's Brazil mission trip come to the class with slides and photos.

"The Third Grade Class teachers—Chris, Laura, and Shirley — have created a learning environment that makes coming to Sunday school a great experience for the third graders, and I am very proud of them," commented Linda Mobley, director of Christian Education. "The children enjoy the class, each other, and their teachers. They know they are wanted and expected and they know they are missed when they are not there. That is a large part of what makes Christian education effective for this age, and the children receptive to the Word of God. They are doing a great job!"

**Note: Each month throughout 1990 and 1991 one of the Sunday school classes will be highlighted to keep before the congregation Trinity's fine Sunday School program and to encourage those who have not chosen a class to do so.*

Sixth, seventh graders

All sixth and seventh graders are invited to participate in this year's Confirmation Class led by Senior Minister Dr. David Hortin February 25 through April 1.

"Dr. Hortin led last year's class, and it was the largest Confirmation Class to be confirmed in 25 years. He has much experience and knowledge to teach and share. Everyone who is eligible should plan to participate," Director of Youth Ministries Linda Haggard said.

The class will meet in the Junior High UMYF room from 6:30-7:30 p.m. each Sunday night. The class members will be confirmed Palm Sunday, April 8, at the 11 a.m. service.



These third graders are busy with study materials. From left are Jenny Walsh, Tad Drake, teacher Chris Jonas, Scott Devine and Will Davis.

Adult Sunday school classes offer variety

February will prove to be an informative month throughout the Adult Sunday School department. Listed below are the topics and locations for each class:

Adult Bible Study—Room 301: The class will continue the study of John.

Aldersgate Class—Room 302: Liz Smith, guest teacher, will complete a four-week lesson "The Power of Prayer" February 4 and 11. Then on February 18 and 25, Marti Hall will lead the class through a discussion of the Harold Kushner book, *Who Needs God?*

Genesis Class — Room 303: The Genesis Class begins a series of lessons on questions raised by young adults, called "An Invitation To Believe": Feb. 4—The Trinity; Feb. 11—Coping With Death; Feb. 18—The Holy Spirit in Every Day Life; Feb. 25—Worship.

Betty Phifer Advanced Studies

Builders



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"No Florida Conference money is available to help these churches except from costly loans they could not repay," Weller said.

He further reported that 126 United Methodists are added to the state population each week through migration. Florida's population growth is outstripping the Conference's growth. The last report showed United Methodist membership increased 1 percent while the state population growth was 10 percent. In the Tallahassee District, population increased 7 percent and UM membership declined during a three-year period.

"We should do better," Weller said. "United Methodists have a good message and we have been charged to spread that message. We have many churches that could grow much faster if they had some help. Instead of hoping the Florida Conference can help our churches, why don't we as a district help ourselves?" Weller challenged the group.

The District Builder's Club has that as its goal, the Rev. John M. Fletcher of St. Paul's UMC, told the group. He asked those present to pledge to a fund to be used to help revitalize churches in this district. Calls will go out from the District office three or four times a year to collect the amount pledged, he said.

Trinity members wishing to help revitalize and expand United Methodist growth in this District may obtain more information by calling the District office at 386-2154.

Class—Room 304: The class will continue its current study relating to issues of world peace. Feb. 4 and 11—Israeli/Arab Conflict; Feb. 18—Elaine Roberts, director of the Tallahassee Peace Coalition, will discuss "The Defense Budget."

Koinonia—Room 306: The class will begin a six-week series called "Nurturing the Caregiver." With a wide variety of guest teachers, the class will deal with the pressures associated with raising children and teenagers while at the same time caring for older parents, juggling career, home and church life, and doing it all while trying to care for their own spiritual, physical and emotional needs.

Wesley Fellowship (Moor Hall), Wesley Brotherhood (Room 219), Florence Clemons (Room 220), and Felkel - Steinmeyer (Room 218): These classes, following the International Lesson Series, will begin a four-week unit entitled "Jesus Prepares His Followers"—a close look at John 12-14.

Education Work Area starts Sunday School board

The Work Area on Education announces the formation of a new subcommittee under its jurisdiction—the Sunday School Board. Under the direction of Sunday School Superintendent Julie Mickler the Sunday School Board will:

- Continually assess the needs of the Sunday school and implement plans designed to meet those needs.
- Create ways to keep the Sunday school before the entire church as a high priority.
- Make recommendations for new classes and new teachers, and work with the Education Work Area to bring about continued growth in the Sunday school.

The Sunday School Board will report to the Education Work Area through Julie Mickler concerning the state of the Sunday school.

Church directory needs updated information

As Trinity members are making appointments to have their picture taken for inclusion in the church 1990 directory, the list of members with current addresses and telephone numbers is being compiled for publication.

Mary Leslie Henderson is spending several hours each week in the church office checking membership lists and

Cut out and save this schedule of church publications

Members of committees and work areas and program planners frequently wish to have announcements published in the *Monthly Tidings* and in the church's weekly *Bulletin*. If you are one of those persons, cut out the deadlines and printing schedules below for your convenient use during 1990.

Bulletin Schedule

Bulletin Date	Information Deadline (by 5:00 p.m.)
February 18	February 8
February 25	February 15
March 4	February 22
March 11	March 1
March 18	March 8
March 25	March 15
April 1	March 22
April 8	March 29
April 15	*April 5
April 22	April 12
April 29	April 19
May 6	April 26

*Subject to change

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Issue	Copy Deadline	Mailing Date
March	Feb. 16	March 1
April	March 23	April 5
May	April 20	May 3
June	May 25	June 7
July	June 21	July 5

No issue is published in August

Sept.	Aug. 24	Sept. 6
Oct.	Sept. 21	Oct. 4
Nov.	Oct. 19	Nov. 1
Dec.	Nov. 21	Dec. 6
Jan. 1991	Dec. 21	Jan. 3

Youth Fellowship elects 1990 officers

The United Methodist Youth Fellowship at Trinity has a new slate of leaders for 1990. They serve on a council to make plans and decisions concerning the entire group. Twelfth grader Nelson Bennett is president. Class representatives are as follows:

Joseph Bailey and Frances Pedler, 6th grade; Jenna Cramer and Zack Cramer, 7th grade; Lynn Bunch and Carissa Bennett, 8th grade; Alison James and Wiley Mathews, 9th grade.

Cameron Williams and Ben Boyter, 10th grade; Tom Harrison, Chris Brown, Cathy Fritchman and April Ellison, 11th grade; Robert Lamison, Amy Owens, and Eric Traugott, 12th grade.

1990 Youth Choir officers are Robert Lumsden, president; Nelson Bennett, vice president; Amy Owens, secretary; and Carissa Bennett, treasurer.

grouping members into family groups when they have the same address. To make her task easier and to ensure as correct a list as possible, members are asked to fill out the form below and return it to the office. Address it to Directory Listing, Trinity United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 1086, Tallahassee, FL 32302.

Complete name: _____
Nick name if you are known by one: _____
Street address _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home telephone: _____ Work phone: _____
Spouse's name: _____
Children's names if living at home: _____
Children (members of Trinity) living elsewhere: _____
Their address and telephone number: _____
Please return this information to the church office by March 1.

Lay Academy begins Term II Feb. 28



Lay Academy, Spring Session 1990, is off and running. This first spring term, which began January 10 and run through February 14, has over 65 students taking classes in bridge, piano, quilting, sign language and participating in a discussion on "Faith and Ethics for Mainline Christians." For only \$5, these participants are spending six weeks with such recognized instructors as Dr. Leo Sandon of Florida State University and Grace Anderson of the Quilt Shop.

As an adjunct activity, over 50 individuals are participating in the various Disciple Bible study classes which began last fall. Together with bell choir and adult choir members, this brings the Lay Academy family dinner hour to almost 80, including 15 children.

If you enjoy learning, sharing, meeting new people and appreciate good food, we encourage you to participate in Term II of the Lay Academy Spring Session, which begins Wednesday, February 28. Look in future weekly bulletins and posters for class offerings. For further information, call the church office.



Twenty youth and adults from Trinity participated in the winter retreat to Boone, North Carolina, January 12-15. Pictured are Dana Morgan and Cathy Fritchman enjoying the fresh fallen snow.

Volunteers needed for Lay Academy

Lay Academy had a tremendous beginning with the Fall Session. However, a smoothly-run program is not possible without some volunteer help. If you would like to contribute your time and talents to the Lay Academy program, please respond below:

Name: _____
Phone No.: _____ (day) _____ (evenings)
I am available to help in the following areas of Lay Academy:
_____ Teaching
_____ Area(s) of expertise: _____

- _____ Teacher's Aide
- _____ Meal Preparation/Set-Up
- _____ Publicity
- _____ Registration
- _____ Program Planning
- _____ Other _____

This form may be returned to the church office or mailed to:
Trinity United Methodist Church – Lay Academy
Post Office Box 1086
Tallahassee, FL 32302

Tallahasseeans can now watch UM 'Catch the Spirit' programs on Comcast Cable

Comcast Cable added the ACTS Network to its lineup of channels last month. Some television sets are programmed to receive it on Cable 62 and others will have to "shop around" to locate the channel from 00 or 37 to 98.

The UM Communications Committee announced the following tentative schedule of "Catch the Spirit" programs for the month of February:
Week of February 4

Major segments of this program will celebrate Black History Month.

Children's Book Press, a nonprofit San Francisco organization, publishes multicultural literature "so that all children will see someone like themselves" in a book. Harriet Rohmer heads this company which is committed to racial and ethnic inclusiveness.

In a studio interview, Dr. Cain Hope Felder of Howard University, Washington, D. C., discusses issues raised in his book, *Troubling Biblical Waters: Race, Class and Family*. The book, published after eight years of research, is considered a "landmark study" on blacks in the Bible.
Week of Feb. 11

This edition of "Catch the Spirit" will focus on substance abuse. Churches in the Detroit area work to combat drunk driving. Cindy Helisek, a member of Nardin Park United Methodist Church, Farmington, MI, organized a candle-lighted vigil at the church to remember victims of drunk drivers. Central United Methodist Church, Pontiac, MI, hosts a Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MAAD) group.
San Francisco's Glide Memorial

United Methodist Church sponsored the first national conference on crack cocaine called "The Black Family/Community and Crack Cocaine: Prevention, Treatment, Recovery." The Rev. Cecil Williams, pastor of Glide, organized the conference.

While in prison for a cocaine-related crime, Glen Bradley organized covenant groups for fellowship and study. Mr. Bradley, a member of St. James United Methodist Church Little Rock, Arkansas, talks about his Christian faith and his views on substance abuse issues.
Week of Feb. 18

In a studio interview, Tim Smith of the Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility talks about available alternatives for ethical financial investments.

The Caring Program for Children assists "working poor" families in western Pennsylvania who cannot afford private insurance, do not have employer-provided benefits, and who are not covered by Medicaid. Fred M. Rogers (creator of *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*) is honorary chairperson of the program.
Week of Feb. 25

A joint program between Wesley Theological Seminary and Gaulladet University provides training for ministry with hearing impaired persons. Kathy Black coordinates the program.

A person on the street report reveals how public opinion is divided on abortion. An in-studio discussion of abortion explores various viewpoints held by United Methodists and others.

Check your local program guide for times of these programs.

Youth Calendar

Sunday, February 4

- 4:00-5:00 p.m. Handbell rehearsal
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Youth choir rehearsal
- 6:00-6:30 p.m. Covered dish supper—please bring a dish of food.
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. Senior High Program, "Dating Round Robin." Junior High Program, "Life Auction."
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. Recreation

Sunday, February 11

- 4:00-5:00 p.m. Handbell rehearsal
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Youth choir rehearsal
- 6:00-6:30 p.m. Supper, \$1.50
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. Senior High Program, "Careers, a Discussion," with Mike Evans from the Career Counseling Center at Florida State University Junior High Program, "Role Bowl."
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. Recreation

6:30-8:00 p.m. ****Special Parents' Session with Bill Haggard. Topic—Understand your child's study habits, academic possibilities and future plans. All parents of teenagers are encouraged to attend. They will meet in the Congregate Room on the third floor of Trinity Hall.

Sunday, February 18

- 4:00-5:00 p.m. Handbell rehearsal
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Youth choir rehearsal
- 6:00-6:30 p.m. Pizza, cokes, dessert, \$1.50
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. Senior High Program, "Careers, with or without college, a discussion" with Mike Evans. Junior High Program, "Peacemaking, a courtroom drama."
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. Recreation

6:30-8:00 p.m. ****Special Parents' Session with Bill Haggard. Continuing discussion on your child's attitude toward school and studying.

Sunday, February 25

- 4:00-5:00 p.m. Handbell rehearsal
- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Youth choir rehearsal
- 6:00-6:30 p.m. Supper, \$1.50
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. Senior High Program, "Life Auction." 8th grade program, "Youth Group Hand to Hand." 6th and 7th grade—Confirmation Class with Dr. Hortin.
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. Recreation

Florida Conference offers camping weekend

The Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church announced plans for the annual President's Weekend Family Camp Feb. 16-19 at the UM Campground in Leesburg.

Campers will find space for tents,

trailers, motor homes and other facilities. Hookups are available for electricity, water and sewer. Charge is \$5 per night.

To register, call Vernon and Thelma Tice, Orlando, phone (407) 843-2099. Some meals and program are planned.

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