



Bethel United Methodist Church

Educational News Release

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Sunday School: 8:45 a.m.

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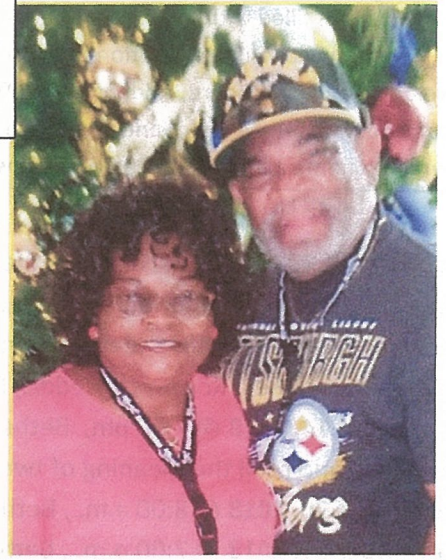
486 Johnsville Road, P. O. Box 62, Smoaks, SC 29481

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary

Rev. Jimmy and First Lady Annie Washington celebrated their Golden Anniversary December 2018.



Guess Who? Rev. Jimmy and First Lady Annie Washington graduated from Jenkins Hill High School, Harleyville, S.C., in May 1968. They were married November 2, 1968.

Family and friends gathered at the Calabash Seafood restaurant in Myrtle Beach, SC to celebrate Rev. and First Lady Washington's Golden Wedding Anniversary. On December 6th – 10th their Golden Anniversary culminated with celebrating their 50th Class Reunion with 26 of their Jenkins Hill High School Classmates; the Class of 1968 spent 5 days, 4 nights cruise to the Bahamas. On December 29, 2018, Rev. Washington and First Lady Washington celebrated with classmates at dinner.

Women in the Pulpit Day Recognized on March 24, 2019



Women In The Pulpit Day: Catherine Warren said a prayer, read the Gospel and was Liturgist. First Lady Mattie Bellinger read the New Testament and First Lady Annie Washington read the Old Testament.



First Lady Angela Hodges was our guest speaker on March 29, 2019, during our 10:00 a.m. worship service for **Women in the Pulpit Day**. She gave a warm and motivating message on the topic: "GOD is faithful to provide", and the subtopic: "Yield to the Escape". First Lady Angela Spoke from 1 Corinthians 10:13 – "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to es-cape, that ye may be able to bear it." To GOD be the Glory, Hallelujah!

Hold Out the Life Line – Mothers Eliminating Second Hand Smoke (M.E.S.S.)

PURPOSE: Hold Out the Lifeline: A Mission to Families (HOTL) and Bethel United Methodist Church - Smoaks enter into a Memorandum of Understanding and agreement to eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke among families, especially women and children, through implementation of M.E.S.S. (Mothers Eliminating Secondhand Smoke) initiatives, such as, participating in youth and adult discussions concerning the risks of prolonged exposure to second-hand smoke environments; providing church members packets filled with tobacco-free information, stickers, chant and pledge; creating a visual illustration of tobacco use and second-hand smoke by developing a display board; Addendum (HOTL) Tobacco-Free Policy to Bethel's current Smoke-Free Policy and posting smoke-free signs throughout Bethel's church, to name a few. \$500.00 donation was also given to the Bethel church.

Below: Brother James Bryant, who gives the children's message every Sunday, discusses tobacco use and second-hand smoke with youths and adults using visual illustrations on a display board.



Did You Know? (Did you know, is for those we have not seen lately.)

-**October 14, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m.** , Bethel Team 4 sponsored their 2nd Annual Rainbow Tea. Rainbow Tea Captain, Rosa Lee Simmons won by having more people to dress in her color of yellow and she raised the most money.
-**November 6-8 & 11, 2018**, Bethel Annual Camp Meeting and Family Week services were held 7:00 pm nightly. The speakers were Rev. Roosevelt Geddis, Rev. Jeffery Salley, Rev. Lamonte Hodges, and Dr. Norman Brown, respectively.
-**December 14, 2018 @ 7:00 pm**, Bethel Sunday School held their Annual Christmas program. The children presented, displayed and read the meaning of twelve (12) symbols of Christmas, Sis. Sharlene Hodges, Sunday School Superintendent.
-**December 30, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.** , Bethel-Red Bank joint services were held at Red Bank U.M. Church.
-**December 31, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.** , Bethel-Red Bank Watch Night services were held at Bethel UM Church.
-**February 9, 2019 @ 6:00 pm**, Bethel Team 2 sponsored their Annual Valentine Banquet. It was hosted in Bethel Fellowship Hall.
-**February 10, 2019**, First Lady Annie Washington's Annual Shoe Rally was held at Bethel UM Church.
-**February 17, 2019 @ 10:00 am**, Bethel Youth held their Annual Black History program. Everyone was invited to dress in African attire. **October 13, 2018, Bethel UM Men sponsored field trip for youth to SC State University Youth Day.**
-**February 24, 2019 @ 3:00 pm**, Bethel Male Chorus celebrated their 40th Anniversary program.
-**March 2, 2019 @ 6:00 pm**, Bethel Women sponsored a Gospel Explosion program to support "Men/Women Challenge."
-**March 6, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**, Bethel-Red Bank Ash Wednesday joint services were held at Red Bank UM Church. Rev. Matthew Snelgrove was the speaker.
-**March 12-13, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**, Bethel Youth Revival was held. The speakers were Rev. Ronald Clayton, and Layspeaker Tara Glover, respectively.
-**March 31, 2019 @ 10:00 am**, Bethel-Red Bank joint services were held at Bethel UM Church.
-**April 2-4, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**, Bethel 148th Church Anniversary and Annual Spring Revival was held. The speakers were Rev. Lamonte Hodges, Rev. Prince Polite, and Rev. Harry Jenkins, respectively.
-**April 6, 2019**, Bethel Women sponsored their Annual Dinner Sale to support "Men/Women Challenge."
-The United Methodist Church Traditional Plan and One Church Plan remains unresolved by the General Conference 2019.
-**Bethel's New Members:** Rev. Harry & Mattie Bellinger joined 4/7/19 and Earnest Williams & Patricia Breaker joined 2/17/19.
-**April 16 – 18, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**, Bethel – Red Bank Holy Week services will be held, alternating churches each night, TBA.
-**April 20, 2019 @ 1:00 pm**, Bethel's Children, Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Red Bank UM Church.
-**April 21, 2019 @ 7:00 am**, Bethel – Red Bank joint service for Easter Sunrise service will be held at Red Bank UM Church.
-**May 5, 2019 @ 3:00 pm**, Appreciation program for Rev. Washington & First Lady Annie Washington, at Red Bank UM Church.
- **May 12, 2019 @ 10:00 am**, Mothers Day program at Bethel. **May 19, 2019**, Bethel Team 3 will have Annual Window Rally.
-**June 2-5, 2019**, The South Carolina United Methodist Conference will be held in Greenville, SC. Sister Catherine Warren will be the delegate for the Bethel- Red Bank Charge. **June 16, 2019, Fathers Day Program at Bethel 10:00 a.m.**
-**June 17-21, 2019**, Bethel Vacation Bible School will be held. The Theme is: "To Mars and Beyond".
-**June 22, 2019**, Sunday School Sponsored Field Trip, TBA. Bethel's e-mail address: BUMC2015@gmail.com