



# Bethel United Methodist Church

## Educational News Release

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### DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

This newsletter is printed by the Higher Education Committee. The purpose of this newsletter is to highlight good news, to promote a positive attitude in students toward the church, school and community, and to improve communication. If you have any articles for the next newsletter, please submit them to Catherine Warren or Shirley Bryant by January 27, 2008.

### HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The higher education committee will reward \$10.00 to each student who makes the honor roll each nine week, Will reward \$5.00 to each elementary student with all "E" and "S" on report card who do not have honor rolls, and will print a quarterly educational church newsletter to acknowledge achievements and accomplishments. Parents must present a copy of child's report card. Graduate donations from the higher education committee are as follows: High School: \$25.00, Two Yr. College: \$35.00, Four Yr. College: \$45.00, Masters: \$55.00

### OLDER ADULT COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Older Adult Committee will be showing support for Military Service Members by sending CARE PACKAGES abroad before Christmas. Please support this effort. If anyone is homebound and need help with house chores or cleaning, please call (843) 562-2264.

Pray for Sick & Shut-In



Pray for Peace Happiness & Good Health

### THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

To all members of Bethel United Methodist Church, We, your finance committee would like to ask your full cooperation in the assessments requested of you during the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays. We would like to thank you in advance for doing the very best you can toward the assessment for Camp Meeting of \$100.00 per adult member and \$25.00 per child and college student. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for what you do to support your church.

### BETHEL UM METHODIST CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Nov. 4-11...Family/Campmeeting
- Nov. 17...Joy Nite & Dinner/Srs.
- Nov. 18...Ushers Prepare/Deliver Thanksgiving Dinner to Community
- Nov. 18...Sunday School Nursing Home Ministry
- Dec. 2.....Building Fund \$50 Rally
- Dec. 9....Ladies In Red Program
- Dec. 15...Youth Day
- Dec. 19...Christmas Program
- Dec. 21...Sunday School Christmas Program at 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 30...Joint Service 11:00 a.m. at Bethel
- Dec. 31...Watch Night service 10:00 p.m. at RedBank
- TBA.....Usher's Window Rally

**DRAMA CLUB REPORT:** A male fashion show will be held at Johnsville Community Center on Nov. 3, 2007 at 6:00 pm.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT:** CARE BAGS will be given to military service members abroad and senior citizens 60 and older for Thanksgiving 2007. In June 2007, The Sunday School sponsored several youth for the Harambee Youth Conference held at Claflin College.

**UNITED METHODIST MEN REPORT:** The United Methodist Men would like to thank all parents for their support, help and allowing their child(ren) to attend South Carolina University Youth Day trip on October 13, 2007. Men Forums will begin January 2008. We will sponsor a couple to the United Methodist Men Retreat on February 15, 16, and 17, 2008.

**HONOR ROLL/DEAN'S LIST**  
Tonia Hodges  
**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

**USHER BOARD REPORT:**  
On November 17 at 7:00 p.m., the Ushers will sponsor Joy Night featuring local gospel groups, Bethel Mass Chorus and Bethel Male Chorus. Thanksgiving meals will be served after the program and continue on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007 after service. On Dec. 9, 2007, the Ushers will sponsor 100 Women in Red. The guest speaker will be Rev. Annie Holmes, Jacksonboro, SC. All women are asked to join in and support us with a \$10.00 donation.

**BETHEL JR. & INTERMEDIATE CHORUS:** The children's chorus enjoy giving GOD the praise through songs. We're blessed in the city, in the fields when we go out and when we come in. Anyone interested in joining the children's chorus, please contact Sister RosaLee Simmons. **WE AIM TO PLEASE GOD.**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** to Sister Susan Fryar as the Colleton County Bus Driver of the Month for the month of September 2007.

**MISSION REPORT:**  
Mission is about giving and sharing. Thanks to everyone who's a part of mission. Mission will provide the following: first time in hospital: \$15.00, second time in hospital: \$10.00, family death: a flower will be purchased. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sister RosaLee Simmons.



**LAY LEADER REPORT:**  
Thanks to our Trustee Board and Men of Bethel for the hard work in beautifying the grounds (cemetery) at Bethel. We thank GOD for the great efforts of those who saw the need and fulfilled that need. Great Job!! We thank GOD for the blessings he has given to the Bethel Church Family. We are proud of our members desire to strive for higher heights and to work for the up keep, not only for the physical house of worship but also for the growth of our spiritual house. Remember we should approach each day with great expectations to receive what GOD has in store for our lives.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Kristin Warren who was honored as the "Extraordinary Woman of the Year" during the Annual Women Conference at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, Greenville, SC. Kristin is very dedicated to working in the church especially with the children and youth at her church home, away from home. She is always eager to help in whatever area she sees that there is a need. Kristin does the monthly church newsletter which initially started out as a quarterly newsletter for Mt. Sinai. She is also active in the community as he works with Relay for Life and provides tutoring services to students for the literacy Council of Greenville, SC. **Keep Up The Good Work!!**

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN REPORT:** Bethel UMW accomplished the following from July-October 2007...

- Sponsored three members to the 2007 Walterboro District Annual meeting.
- Had one member participate in the 2007 SC State Annual Meeting in Greenville, SC.
- Sponsored one member and youth to the 2007 SC School of Christian Mission.
- Partnered with Lovely Hill Baptist Church and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. to sponsor a Back to School Seminar, October 6, 2007.
- Sponsored a Women's Day Program based on World Thanks Day from the 2006 UMW Program Book. Fund raised were donated to church's Building and Benevolence funds, Sept. 2007.