

Long Memorial UMC

January 2012

REMEMBER: Deadline for our February newsletter is Friday, January 27th at 9:00 A.M. You may bring any articles to the church office or e-mail your articles to: pwade@esinc.net – Thank you!

PRAYER CHAIN: Members of the prayer chain are offering daily prayers for those on our prayer list. If you, or someone you love, would like daily prayers for a special need, please call either Tania Edwards (599-3863) or Martha Butler (597-3946).

MEETINGS ON THE AGENDA:

Monday, January 9 – 7:00 P.M. – **UMW Executive Board** - Harris Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 10 – 6:00 P.M. – **Staff Parish Committee** - Library

Wednesday, January 11 – 7:00 P.M. – **Preschool Board** – Pastor's Study

CHRISTIAN HELP CENTER NEEDS canned soups and boxes of crackers. A basket is in the Narthex for you to place your donations in. Thank you.

Worship With Us Every Sunday

8:45 AM - Early Service - Chapel

9:45 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship - Sanctuary

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to:

...Ellen Moore in the death of her husband Edward Lawrence Moore,

...Wayne Winstead in the death of his daughter, Wynette Winstead.

PASTOR'S DESK

January, 2012

Doubters and skeptics claim that the world as we know it will end sometime in the year 2012. Their prediction is based primarily on the fact that the Mayan calendar stops at the year 2012. I personally do not put much stock in that prediction though. I suggest that instead of being the end of the world, I believe that, at least as the church is concerned, the best is yet to come. Call me an eternal optimist, but I believe that there is great promise and potential in this church and 2012 may be the beginning of a great season at Long Memorial. But in order for it to come about, we all have to do our part.

There is a story told of a man who had a vision. In his vision he saw a raging inferno; a house was being consumed by fire. A young man ran up to the house, with a bucket of water in his hand. As he looks, he sees three firemen asleep nearby. He looked first at the raging inferno, and then at the sleeping firemen. This young man realized he had a choice to make. He could throw the water on the fire, but his bucket would barely accomplish anything. Or he could throw the bucket of water on the firemen, and, once they woke up, they could do a great deal in putting out the fire. It was obvious to the young man the second decision was by far the better decision.

Beloved, we are like those sleeping firemen. This church has been put here to be a light to the world, to be an example of peace and justice and love. Yet, we have grown comfortable with who we are and what we have done, and like many churches, we have grown drowsy, and have fallen asleep. But unless we see that we must ALL do our part to be the people God has called us to be, we will grow older and die. I have asked Carol Goehring to come from the conference leadership to meet with us in March and help us see our strengths and weaknesses, and help us find new ministries in which to be involved. I am asking us to prayerfully consider becoming more active in the New Year. I am asking you to look at yourself, your time, talents, gifts and graces, and I want you to see how you can be a better steward of them. Let's look at a GREAT new year. 2012 is NOT the ending of life as we know it. 2012 will be a new start, a great new start!

Bruce

5th SUNDAY NIGHT COVERED DISH SUPPER

A church wide 5th Sunday night covered dish supper will be held on Sunday, January 29th at 5:30 P.M. A terrific evening is being planned with the youth of Long Memorial entertaining everyone after the meal. Please put this event on your calendar!!!

AGAPE SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

Following this Christmas season, let those of us who are warm, sheltered, clothed, and fed, remember our brothers and sisters in the world who are not. In Armenia, the oldest of Christian nations, many struggle for life. Through your action, they will not be alone. Through your action, in the midst of despair, they will know hope.

Project AGAPE Armenia, a joint ministry of churches in the NC and Western NC Conferences, continues to serve in ministry with some of the most vulnerable people in the world – refugees and displaced persons in eastern Armenia. Though the ministry remains critical, funding and congregational support for the ministry grows smaller.

Please prayerfully consider supporting our brothers and sisters with an AGAPE offering on January 8. Your gift could make the difference between life and death, spiritually and physically. Jesus births God's light into our existence, so that we may birth the same light into the lives of others. Please help. Thank you!

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST **NEXT SUNDAY –**

January 15th - At 8:00 A.M. in the Harris Fellowship Hall.
All men are invited to join in our fellowship!

OUR INFORMATION

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION

Have you ever wondered if you make a difference in a persons' life? As individuals, and as a church, we serve and love and plant seeds that we hope will someday come to fruition. This is one of those moments when we discover that lives have been enriched by the love of compassion shown from members of Long Memorial. This note, written by Nate Hester, came to the office this week. The following is a word of thanks for this church and how you have helped shape his life.

“Dear Long Memorial family:

I am writing a long overdue note of appreciation to you and a praise to God for the gift your congregation has offered my family over the years. Not only did you nurture me as a child on weekend visits to my grandparents (Randolph and Virginia), and consecrate and celebrate my marriage under the pastorate of Rev. Mike Frese, and form me as a disciple of Jesus Christ as a young adult in Charles Owens' Bible studies and Doug Newells' Christmas pageants and Wilbur Branns' sound systems, but you also prepared me for a wonderful adventure in ministry and service to our Lord and Savior. I am currently appointed to the Middleburg-Hermon UMC in the Henderson area of Vance Country near Kerr Lake while completing seminary work at Duke Divinity School. We are ever so grateful for the shelter from the storm of life that you have been to us. Keep up the good and great work for Gods' Kingdom.

Nate, Saralynn, and Atticus Hester

THE 2012 FLOWER CALENDAR IS POSTED ON THE
BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALLWAY - PLEASE STOP BY
AND SIGN UP FOR A SUNDAY TO PLACE FLOWERS IN THE
SANCTUARY.

JANUARY FLOWER CALENDAR

January 1
January 8
January 15
January 22 – Patti Morgan
January 29

**Please call the church office if you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary for one of the above empty dates(599-1193).

JANUARY NURSERY WORKERS – 11:00 A.M.

January 1 – Sue Allen
January 8 Felicia Allen
January 15 – Tonya Gentry
January 22 – Lisa Wesley
January 29 – Sam Craig

JANUARY ACOLYTES:

January 1 – Anniston Stovall
January 8 – Brooke Peed
January 15 – Hester Claire Linville
January 22 – Taylor Rogers
January 29 – Cole Strickland

JANUARY LAY READERS:

January 2 – 11:00 A.M. -
January 9 – 11:00 A.M. – **Donna Hoover**
January 16 – 11:00 A.M. – **Ralph Lewis**
January 23 – 11:00 A.M. – **Kathryn Keith**
January 30 - 11:00 A.M. – **Lois M. Winstead**

CIRCLE MEETINGS – 1/23/12

Circle 1 & 2 – Cornelia Loftis – 10:00 A.M.

Circle 3 – Linda Bridges – 10:30 A.M.

Circle 4 – Harriett Adcock – 7:30 P.M.

Circle 5 – Nancy Lee Newell – 7:30 P.M.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

January 03 – Ben Tillett, Brantlet Burnett

January 05 – Linda Mabe

January 08 – Jerry Stewart

January 09 – Mary Calhoun

January 11 – Mary Winder Holeman

January 12 – Peggy Owens

January 13 – Keith Starr

January 14 – Bobby Long

January 16 – Gail Fitzgerald, Carson Pleasant, Patrick Morgan, Doug Deal

January 20- David Weinberger

January 23 – Joann Bradsher

January 24 – Janet Clayton

January 25 – Jimmy Edwards, Debroah Burke

January 29 – Mary Lib Winstead

January 30 – Katherine Craven

YOUTH NEWS:

YOUTH CALENDAR:

January 8 – Youth 4:30-6:00

January 15 – No evening Youth

January 22 – Youth Fundraiser – Youth to serve LUNCH after the 11:00 am Worship Service

January 29 – Youth 4:30

5:30 – 5th Sunday Night Supper – Youth to provide a program

YOUTH TO PROVIDE LUNCH:

Sunday, January 22, immediately following the 11:00 Worship Service a **Wonderful Winter Meal** is being planned and will be prepared by the youth. Please mark your calendar and make plans to join us for lunch. Donations will be accepted to

help with our upcoming youth plans and Summer Mission Trip.

CHILDREN'S NEWS:

The Nursery Calendar is being updated for 2012. If you are not all ready on our list of volunteers and would like to be added you may email Pam Day @ daybunch4@esinc.net by January 18. The schedule will be mailed the week of January 23rd. Thank you for your time and support of this ministry. Only once or twice per year is all the time needed. Please consider this ministry.

Acolytes: (OLD AND NEW)

If you are in the 3rd grade or older and would like to Acolyte, please call the church office or email Pam to get on the list. Mark your calendar: **An acolyte training is scheduled for Sunday, January 22 at 2:00 p.m.** THANK YOU! Your work and your presence in the church is a gift to God. Thank you for this gift of service. **ALL OLD ACOLYTES ARE ASKED TO BE HERE ALSO - YOU WILL HELP WITH THE TRAINING.** THANK YOU! 599-1193 daybunc4@esinc.net

CHILDREN'S CHURCH HELPERS: ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH THIS MINISTRY PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH. DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TIME BUT YOU WILL SURE HAVE A HEART FILLED WITH LOVE AND JOY WORKING WITH OUR CHILDREN! CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.

PRESCHOOL NEWS:

If anyone is interested enrolling their child for the 2012-2013 preschool year, please call the church office 599-1193 as soon as possible. We have limited space available so it is very important to get on the list early. Long Memorial Families have first preference. PLEASE HELP GET THE WORD OUT. APPLICATIONS WILL BE MAILED IN MARCH.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

LONG MEMORIAL 2012 CHURCH OFFICER LIST
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**Long Memorial United Methodist Church
2012 – Nominations
Church Council And Committees
(*Member of Church Council)**

***Chairperson of Church Council:** Terry Allen

***Vice-Chairperson of Church Council:** Jessie Saunders

***Recording Secretary of Church Council:** Agnes Bacnik

***Members at Large:**

Class of 2012

Dan Butler

Tracy Rogers

Joe Weinberger

Class of 2013

Mark Galloway

Class of 2014

Barbara Alexander

David Kimbrough

***Church Lay Leader:** Ralph Lewis

***Delegates to Annual Conference:** Patty Reynolds

***Church Treasurer:** Billie Oakley

***Financial Secretary:** Nancy Newell

***President United Methodist Women:** Felicia Allen

***President United Methodist Men:** Bob Linville

***UMYF Representatives:** Patrick Morgan

***Pastor and employed Church Staff:** Bruce Allen, Pam Day, Peggy Wade, Chuck Higgins, Anne TenDyke, Billie Oakley, Kattie Johnson, Roland Crawley

***Chairperson Staff Parish Committee:** Alan Hicks, Chairperson

Class of 2012

Julie Maybee

Martha Butler

Nancy Newell

Class of 2013

Nina Brann

Brian Lowery

Lin Cates

Class of 2014

Tom Alexander

Alan Hicks

Linda Mabe

Lay Leader: Ralph Lewis (ex officio and voting)

Church Council Chairperson: Terry Allen

Delegate Annual Conference: Patty Reynolds

***Chairperson Board Trustees:** George Gentry, Chairperson

Class of 2012

George Gentry

Will Carver

Sally Humphries

Class of 2013

Doug Burd

Bob Morgan

Bill Mitchiner

Class of 2014

Betty Stewart

Helen Starr

Ann Lewis

Parsonage Committee: Tonya Gentry, Chairperson

Sue Allen, Jamie Mundy, Patti Morgan

***Chairperson Stewardship/Finance Committee:** Jim Owen, Chairperson

Billie Oakley, **Treasurer**

Nancy Newell, **Financial Secretary**

Class of 2012

Stephanie Hodgkin

Bill White

Wilbur Brann

Class of 2013

Gordon Carver

Judy Robinson

Hunt Fitzgerald

Class of 2014

Jim Owen

Doug Mabe

Patty Reynolds

Ralph Lewis, Lay Leader

George Gentry, Trustee

Patty Reynolds Delegate Annual Conference

Terry Allen, Chairperson Church Council
Alan Hicks, Chairperson Staff Parish Committee
Fran Westmoreland, Chairperson Endowment Committee

***Coordinator of Nurture Ministries:** Sue Allen, Chairperson
Member at Larges: Patti Morgan, Sue Allen, Connee White, Pam Barth

***Coordinator of Outreach & Missions:** Tania Edwards, Chairperson
Members At Large: Jessie Saunders, Amy Bayliff, Ellen Harris
PUMP Representatives: _____
Scouting Program: Bob Morgan

***Coordinator of Witness Ministries:** Ralph Lewis, Chairperson
Members at Large: Cornelia Loftis, Patty Reynolds
Membership Secretary: Peggy Wade
Church Lay Leader: Ralph Lewis

Church Committees

Worship:

*Chairperson: Connie Mundy
Vice-Chair.: Ashley Bailey & Woody Garrett
Flowers: Cornelia Loftis
Parameters: Linda Morris
Brass: Connie Mundy
Communion: Amy Bayliff, Chairperson
Shirley Bradsher, Martha Allen, Kathryn Garrett, Kay Carver
Coordinator of Tape Ministries: Linda Morris
Church Historian: Rosalie Gates
Chairperson of Ushers: Leon Long, Acting Chairperson
Weddings Coordinators: Connee White, Chairperson
Jessie Saunders, Sally Humphries, Linda Bridges
Music: Chuck Higgins

Education:

*Chairperson: Gordon Carver, Jr.
Sunday School Secretary: Will Carver
Sunday School Teachers and Leaders
Age Level Coordinators

Computer Technology Coordinating Committee:

Sheila Mitchiner Conrad Kimbrough

Robert E. Long Scholarship:

Tom Alexander, Chairperson
Dolly Denton, Leon Long

***Endowment Committee:** Fran Westmoreland, Chairperson

Class of 2012
Fran Westmoreland
Jim Owen

Class of 2013
Steve Bailey

Class of 2014
Jamie Mundy
Janet Clayton

Treasurer: Billie Oakley
Finance Chair: Jim Owen
Trustees Chair: George Gentry
Pastor

***Preschool Board:** Stephanie Linville, Chairperson

Class of 2012
Ann Garrard
Stephanie Linville

Class of 2013
Wells King
Ashley Mundy

Class of 2014
Diana Stovall
Lin Cates

Lay Leadership (Nominating): Bruce Allen, Chairperson

Class of 2012
Steve Bailey
Janet Clayton
Leah Owen

Class of 2013
Walt Rogers
Bob Linville

Class of 2014
Phyllis Tuck
Amy Bayliff

Ralph Lewis, Lay Leader

Hand In Hand: Jackie Johnson, Chairperson

Glenn Long
Tania Edwards

Columbarium Committee: Alan Hicks, Chairperson
Debra Moran

