



Heritage United Methodist Church

4322 Popp's Ferry Road
D'Iberville, MS 39540

January 2010 Newsletter

Pastor Doodles January 2010

When we were working in Fernandina beach, Florida we would go out to the beach at Fort Clinch Park and look for shells. I would stroll along the beach picking up a pretty shell here and there and watching the waves roll in from the Atlantic. I would get so absorbed in what I was doing that when I finally stopped and looked back, I would be miles down the beach and have to put it in high gear to get back.

Sometimes life is that way. We get so involved in the living of everyday that we don't look up to take a look at how far we have gone. While it is a good thing to live in the moment and not dwell on the past or future too much, it is important to take the time occasionally to remember and thank God for all that God has brought us through. Sometimes we must sound like ungrateful children always asking God for this or that without taking the time


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to appreciate all God has already done for us.

Let me hit a few highlights for the past year. This list is far from all inclusive. As a matter of fact I will leave some space at the bottom for you to fill in things we are thankful for as a church and also include the things you want to thank God for in your life

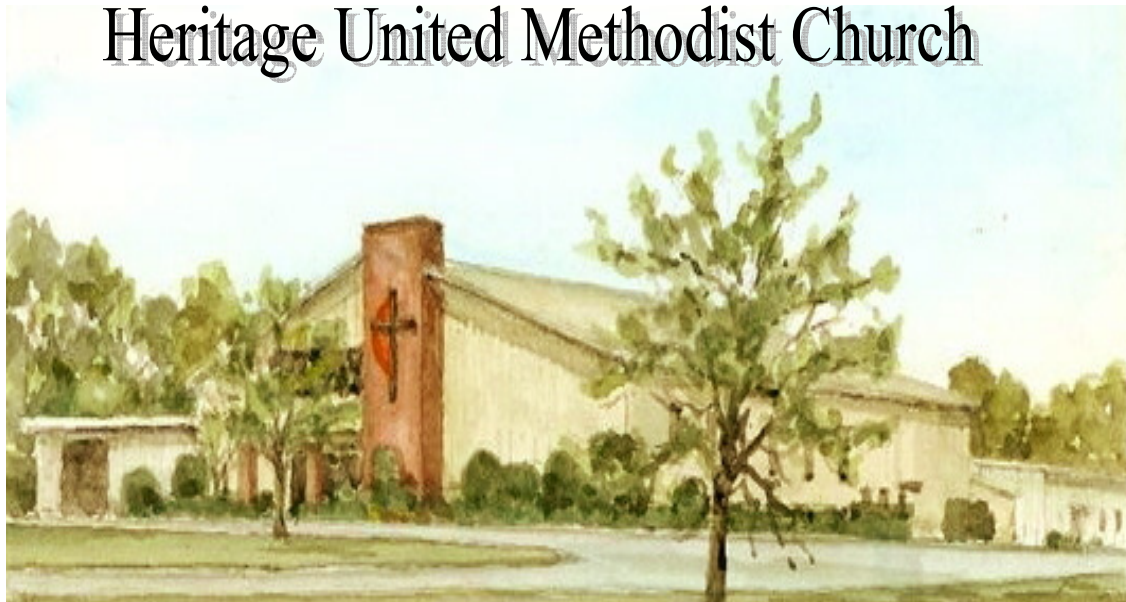
- We have taken the beds out of three Sunday school rooms because the children are back. Mrs. Cathy, Sunday School Superintendent, and her teachers also put on a wonderful day of food and fun for the children in the neighborhood.
- A group of youth and adults from Heritage went to Russia and dug out the basement of Revival UMC in Latnaya, Russia.
- With our help the money has been raised to put the roof on Revival UMC and come the spring thaw the new Church will be up and operational.
- Kids for Christ and now Christian Soldiers Raising have grown under the leadership of Lyn & Sam Napier and Sharette Rivera.
- Noah's Ark has come through a tough time and is now paying its utility bills thanks to the leadership of the board and Mrs. Bonita.
- Several more families have moved back into their homes thanks to the work of our volunteer friends and Mrs. Shelia, Mrs. Vicki, Mr. Rick and Mrs. Linda.
- We have a praise band and started a new worship service.
- We have a new troupe of Praise dancers led by Rachael and Chelsea.

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"At the intersection of God's Grace, and Your Needs"

- Several of us went with the folks from St. Luke UMC, Indianapolis to Texas and help rebuild a personal care home damaged by a hurricane.
- We started a new study called “Hands on Faith” to help train us to be more intentional about making disciples.
- The Youth program is growing and serving under the leadership of Nancy, Brian, Cindy, and Terri.
- We are surviving the money crunch, we are not yet where we need to be, but praise God we are not still where we were.
- We have a new pavilion outside the dormitory and have had several big events there, Easter Sunrise Service, the Sunday school Extravaganza, and thanks to Mr. Mac a fish fry.
- We have taken in many new members and see new faces regularly in worship.

The list could go on and on. Please take the time to add to this list and when you are through take a few minutes to thank God for all the blessings we have received this year.

Father we thank you for the world you have created and for sharing its blessing with us. We thank you for all the people you have given us to share in these blessing and those you have called to be leaders among us. Jesus we thank you for the love and mercy you pour into our lives each day. Holy Spirit we thank you for the guidance, the power and the courage to love God, love each other and live out that love in the world. Amen

Bro. David



UMW News

CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- Shalom Circle Monday, Jan. 11th at 6 p.m.
- Morning Glories Circle Tuesday, Jan. 12th at 10 a.m.
- Genesis Circle Wednesday, Jan. 20th at 6 p.m.
- Agape Circle Sunday, Jan. 24th at 12 p.m.

UMM News

UMM MEETING DATES: The UMM meeting dates for 2010 are: January 14th at 6 p.m., February 20th at 7 a.m., March 20th at 7 a.m., April 15th at 6 p.m., May 15th at 7 a.m., June 19th at 7 a.m., July 15th at 6 p.m., August 21st at 7 a.m., September 18th at 7 a.m., October 14th at 6 p.m., November 20th at 7 a.m., and December 18th at 7 a.m. The schedule is subject to change. If you have questions, contact Jack Anderson at

872-3471.

JANUARY Calendar of Events

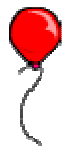
Jan 1	Happy New Year
Jan 10	UMW Installation of Officers
Jan 11/7 p.m.	Shalom Circle Meets
Jan 12/10:30 a.m.	Morning Glories Circle Meets
Jan 14/6 p.m.	UMM Meets
Jan 18/6 p.m.	UMW Admin Board Meeting
Jan 18/6 p.m.	Noah’s Ark Board Meeting
Jan 19/6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
Jan 20/6 p.m.	Genesis Circle Meets
Jan 24/12 p.m.	Agape Circle Meets
Jan 24/12 p.m.	Counters Orientation
Jan 25/6 p.m.	UMW Unit Meeting
Jan 26/6:30 p.m.	Heritage “U”
Jan 31	5th Sunday Combined Services



<u>General Fund</u>	
December Offerings	\$19,645.00
Spending Rate	-18,068.00
Balance	1,577.00



January Birthdays



1	Vivian Catalanatto	14	Hayley Barnes
	Ella Mae Weems	17	Brittini Damrill
3	Linda Seymour	19	Erylene Cantrell
4	Brian Sims	20	Danielle Peebles
7	Edna Scarborough	22	Ron Smith
	Rex Feters, Sr.	28	Rick Murden
12	Claire Vereker	31	Ron Harmon
	Henry Ownbey		Tanya De la Cruz



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2010 LAY LEADERSHIP

If your name is listed below, you should plan on attending all committee meetings as scheduled. If a quorum is not present, the meeting must be cancelled. The pastor is a member of all these committees.

Administrative Board Council (ABC) – meets quarterly on the last Wednesday in January, April, July, and October at 6:15 p.m.

Chair – Judy Thomas

Vice Chair – Jeff Lacoste

Membership is made up of a representation from all other committees and/or groups (e.g. a rep. should be present from S/PPRC, Trustee, Finance, Youth, Worship, Disaster Response, Music, Sunday School, Children’s Ministries, Active Adults, Prime Timers, Bible Study, Membership Care, UMM, UMW, Food Pantry, Seashore Mission, IHN, Worship, Ushers, Prayer Ministry, Visitation Ministries, etc.)

Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee – meets at the direction of the Chair

Chair – Sam Napier

Membership – Rick Murden, Wendy Williams, Larry Loeding, Charles Martin, Lynda Johnson, Virgil Yeager, Terry Desporte, Terry Gibbs, Dot Pritchett, Tyler Sanders, Corey Sims, Deanna Cossey.

Trustee Committee – meets at the direction of the Chair

Chair – Lee Gentry

Membership – Mary Ownbey, Ron Smith, Rex Fetters, Sr., Bob Ellis, Susan Butler, Nancy Robinson, Sam Shorey, George Trent, Corey Sims, Tyler Sanders, Emily Stewart, Jacklyn Smith, Dylan Weiland.

Finance Committee – meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Chair – Wil Cantrell

Membership – Rick Murden, Virgil Yeager, Sam Napier, Judy Thomas, Linda Richmond, Lena Loeding, Angel Barnes, Bob Ellis, Ron Barnes, Byron Dennis, Mark Hepler, Richelle Weiland, Nancy Gentry, Tyler Sanders, Sara Lerch, Nicole Smith.




Worship Committee – meets at the direction of the Chair

Chair – Jamie Sanders

Membership – Nancy Gentry, Tom Butler, Pattie Cumbest, Wil Cantrell, Lee Hubert, Perri Schwartz, Cathy Miller, Brenda Tucker-Cassity, Sharette Rivera, Corey Sims, Danielle Peebles, Jacklyn Smith.

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Youth Schedule for January

Every Sunday 3-3:55 p.m.	Youth Choir
Every Sunday 4-6 p.m.	UMYF
Every Wednesday 7-8:30 p.m.	Bible Study
(Unless otherwise stated)	

Jan 1		Happy New Year
Jan 2/9-12		Service Project – Stockholder Appreciation
Jan 3		Carwash
Jan 3		Children’s Church by Youth
Jan 4		Registration due for Sr Hi SLR & SIFAT
Jan 4		Happy Birthday, Mr. Brian Sims
Jan 4		School starts back St. Martin
Jan 5		School starts back Biloxi, D’Iberville, & Harrison Central
Jan 8-10		Winter CCYM Meeting in Jackson, MS
Jan 9/9-12 p.m.		Service Project – take down Christmas decorations
Jan 10		Worship activities
Jan 16/9-12 p.m.		Service Project – rake for the Hendren’s
Jan 17/12-2 p.m.		Youth Administrative Council (YAC)
Jan 18		MLK Day – NO SCHOOL
Jan 19/6:30 p.m.		Finance Committee Meeting – Tyler Sanders, Sara Lerch, & Nicole Smith youth reps
Jan 20		Happy Birthday, Danielle Peebles
Jan 24		Youth Moments
Jan 27/6:15 p.m.		ABC Meeting – Corey Sims, Wade Reeder, Lindsay Dunaway, & Parker Butler youth reps
Jan 29-31		Senior High Spiritual Life Retreat
Jan 31		5 th Sunday Combined Worship & HUMANITY Birthday Party 

YOUTH NEWS:

ATTENTION PARENTS OF SENIOR HIGH YOUTH & YOUTH: The Senior High Spiritual Life Retreat is scheduled for January 29-31, 2010 at Camp Wesley Pines. Frank Haynes, MS Conference Youth Coordinator, is the Special Guest Speaker & “Heavens to Betsy” is the band. Cost for the retreat is \$80; however, youth who have completed 12 service projects are eligible to use their stock funds. Registration forms are

due January 3, 2010. Turn form into Tyler Sanders. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Nancy at 424-0043.



YOUTH NEWS Cont'd:

SENIOR HIGH SUMMER MISSION TRIP: The Senior High youth are attending SIFAT (Servants in Faith and Technology) in Lineville, AL on July 18-23, 2010. Registration must be done now so we can be assured a reservation. Cost for the week is \$275 and includes lodging, all meals, programming materials, & supplies, awesome t-shirt, guidebooks, and highly trained camp staff. Commitment forms have been distributed to all Senior High Youth and are due to Ms. Nancy on January 3, 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Nancy at 424-0043.

ATTENTION STOCKHOLDERS: Carwash scheduled for Saturday, January 2, 2010 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. (weather permitting)!!

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



VAN MINISTRY UP AND RUNNING: Dawn Peebles has volunteered to pick up children for Sunday school and the 11 a.m. Worship Service. A permission form must be completed in advance of the child riding in the church van. Forms are available in the foyer of the church. Completed forms can be left in the office or given to Cathie Ownbey or Dawn Peebles.

HERITAGE "U": is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m. The Senior Planning Group will present valuable information on: Identity Theft & Other Scams, Reverse Mortgages, The Three Documents Every Senior Needs, and Learn How to Eliminate Taxes on Your Social Security, Deal with 'Low Interest' Rates & 'Volatile' Stock Market and Avoid Double Taxation on Your IRAs. There will be door prizes. Make your plans now to attend.



FOOD PANTRY: The first Sunday is Communion Sunday. Don't forget to bring your donations for the food pantry. Items needed are: rice, dried beans, oatmeal, canned vegetables and potted meats, peanut butter and jelly. The need is great! Last month (December) Heritage handed out 70 bags of food and 10 Christmas baskets complete with turkeys purchased by the youth. The donations are greatly appreciated.



FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The next Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19th at 6:30 p.m. If you are a member, please plan to attend.

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NOAH'S ARK BOARD MEETING: There will be a Noah's Ark Child Care Center Board Meeting on Monday, January 18th at 6 p.m. If you are a member, please plan to attend.



WE'RE ON THE HUNT: We are looking for pictures, and information about the pictures, for Heritage's history. If you or anyone you might know has pictures of the old North Biloxi Church or pictures of our current church please get them to our church historian, Dot Ellis, who can be reached at 392-2586, or leave them in the church office with Linda

ABC COMMITTEE MEETING: The next ABC Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th at 6:15 p.m. If you are a member, please plan to attend.

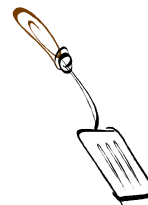


HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HERITAGE UMC: Actually, our birthday was in November, but we will celebrate on the 5th Sunday in January with a combined worship service (Sunday school starts at 9:15a.m and Worship at 10:45 a.m.) followed by a Potluck in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great time to get to know all those folks that attend the 'other' worship service. We hope you will join us to celebrate our 24th birthday!

THE PRAISE BAND NEEDS YOUR HELP: Are you between the ages of 18 and 35? Can you sing? Come check out the Praise Band on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. and see if there's a place for you!!!

ATTENTION MONEY COUNTERS: You are cordially invited to a MANDATORY Lunch & Learn on Sunday, January 24, 2010 at 12 p.m. (noon). Lunch will be provided.

NEEDED: An unused music case (clarinet or saxophone size) to transport a fragile communion set. If you have one to donate, please see Nancy.



ATTENTION EVERYBODY: It's that time again for Brother David to defend the coveted "Silver Spatula"!! The 5th Annual Wesley Foundation Sampling Supper will be held on February 20, 2010 at Long Beach FUMC. Tickets will sell for \$10 (Adults) and \$5 (students of all ages); Age 4 & younger are FREE. Tickets will be available for purchase after February 2 from Nancy Gentry. The Praise Dancers will perform as part of the Youth & Children Talent Show!! And there will be a Silent Auction. If you have anything you would like

to donate please contact Nancy. Anything can be auctioned off...baked goods, plants, artwork, handmade items, recycled items, etc.