



On the Move

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Giving Back

Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous,
be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

I Corinthians 16: 13-14 (NRSV)

The above verse reminds us of the work being done by members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church. Unselfishly, they work for the joy of helping or giving of self.

Look around, there are many individuals doing volunteer work. They are volunteering themselves for jobs that they enjoy doing. Individuals are working in the soup kitchen, visiting the sick and shut-in and many other areas. Youth workers and Christian Education Leaders have had a few of the stories that have been highlighted at various times.

Future issues of this newsletter will carry information about our members. The committee will be collecting your stories. None of the work being done is too small to be acknowledged.

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From the Desk of Rev Alexander Baker

Development is always part of the process of destiny. God wants to make sure you are ready for your destiny before He brings you to it. There would be nothing worse than Him

bringing you to your destiny and you messing it up because you aren't able emotionally, spiritually or even physically to handle it correctly.

Thanks,
Rev. Baker

Events



Bible Study Every Wednesday at 6:00 P.M. All are invited to come and study the word of "God".



New Members

Ms. Malika Samuel & Ms. Anne Samuel

May God bless them as they seek to find their roles in our church family.

Revolution 2017

The Revolution 2017 drew nearly 2,000 United Methodist Youth from across SC. Emmanuel's youth and youth leaders attended this conference. Which was held in Columbia, SC at the Township Auditorium. The guest speaker was Brock Morgan. Various group activities were held with youth participating in activities of their choice. One of the highlight activities of Emmanuel's youth was the performance of Taren Wells. He lead the youth in singing and playing Christian songs youth style.

What is Revolution? check out it out at www.umcsc.org for information about the SC Conference programs.



Coffee Tuesday Bible Study

Christ Offers Forgiveness for Everyone Everywhere is a Bible study ministry developed by Mrs. Carol Glover, Chairperson of Mission at Emmanuel United Methodist Church. This growing ministry is held every Tuesday at noon at Emmanuel UMC. The main purpose is to pray for the church and its spiritual growth.

Coffee Tuesday is open to all individuals, any age who would like to attend.

Presently this ministry is beginning to connect with the Health and Welfare ministry. Great things will take place with two powerful ministries.

Birthday Club

A pet project of Mr. Robert Johnson is the birthday celebrations. He asked the members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church to give \$.50 for each year they were born on their birth month. The idea was accepted by many. Therefore every three months the members celebrate with cake, peanuts and punch. All other members are invited to the party. The fellowship begins after church. A fun way to communicate with each other. If you aren't sure your birthdate is on file.

Inside Emmanuel

Christian Education

Emmanuel United Christian Education chair has reached out to the YWCA director of the Upper Lowlands to form a partnership

This partnership is a joint venture to provide reading books, and school supplies to students in the Y' program.

Individuals in the Domestic Violence program are provided for also. Food, clothing and household products are given to these to these individuals.

These items are given to individuals when they are ready to leave the Domestic Violence shelter.

This is a great way to help them jumpstart their move to a permanent

Sponsors on Board

The food pantry at Emmanuel United Methodist Church is being supplied through sponsors.

Sponsors to date are the American Legion Auxiliary Post #15, Bates Middle School, Kingsbury Elementary School and Sumter High School ROTC cadets .

The food is received through the annual food drive from the above locations. At the end of the drive, the food collected is donated to Emmanuel's food pantry.

Emmanuel United Methodist Church pantry workers distributes the food as a need base program. Local citizens in need of supplies are invited to come to the pantry.

Sick and Shut-ins

Vivian Jenkins, Coordinator of Health and Welfare says she begins her day with the motto: Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Doors. The same motto of the South Carolina United Methodist Church Conference.

She always keep in mind the members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church. Wises individuals can't attend church anymore because of illnesses. Just because they are ill doesn't mean they aren't interested in the welfare of their church.

Vivian visits some nursing homes every 3rd Sunday. The smiles on the face of each member is a joy to see. The first thing they ask her is about the church. What is happening at Emmanuel they want to know. Vivian says it 's a pleasure to tell them about the events of the church.

Vivian is asking each member to take one day every now and then to visit, send a card or take a small gift to a member.

All thoughts and inspirations are always appreciated. Vivian says the smile of each member lets her know they are so happy to see someone from the church.

- Vivian is asking members to join her in visiting the sick and shut-ins.
- All members who are interested in participating in communicating with the sick and shut-in members check your directory for addresses.
- Check your bulletin for the list and location of members.



About Us

This first newsletter is informational. It is explaining to you what will take place.

There's a small group of individuals working with this project. Most of the information will come from Emmanuel's members. We are asking that you inform us about clubs, events and programs happening or will happen before publication.

We will have publications each quarter. The publications will be placed on Emmanuel's webpage. A few copies will be printed for our members without computers.

Our Needs

It is necessary for you to keep your addresses, e-mail addresses and telephone numbers current. There may be a need to call or write. Some of us may want to send you a letter or an e-mail for one reason or another.

Every member was given a directory. Check to make sure you have yours. It is a very good resource to have in our homes.

Membership Participation

Communication will be sent to you about your role as a helper. The communication committee is hoping you'll share information about your programs, date of the events and any pictures you take concerning the program.

Feedback

A survey sheet will be developed to give each member. Your feedback is very important. Kindly give your opinions and suggestions.

Survey sheets will be coming soon.

SC Conference Information

Our conference's website has great information about programs and projects hosted by the conference. Many of these programs are guides to programs related to our local programs. In fact, these programs are placed on this site to help local church officers enhance local programs. These articles are a great help when certain committees are planning local programs.

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Great Reading.

Information for Emmanuel

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High lighting Youth Leaders



Pictured left to right Ruby Times, Christian Ed .Director, La Questa Samuel, Youth Leader and Selene Washington, Youth leader