

# ***BELL'S MESSENGER***



The Newsletter of  
**Old Union United Methodist Church  
& Surrounding Community**



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## **Relay for Life Yard Sale & Raffle**

The Relay for Life Yard Sale will be Saturday, March 17 starting at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. Any items for the Yard Sale can be put in the Fellowship Hall Starting Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Raffle Tickets are on sale NOW for a chance for a Quilt. The price is 1 for \$1 for 6 for \$5.

## **Country Breakfast**

The first Country Breakfast of the year will be Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 7 am until 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. Price: \$8 for Adults, \$5 for Ages 4 to 10 and Free for ages 3 and under. Flyers are on the table when you come in to the Sanctuary.

## **Church Yard Clean Up**

Church Yard Clean up will be Saturday, March 17 starting at 8 am.

## **History of Old Union UMC**

### **Trivia Question**

February's Question: When was the present Sanctuary built and what happened that a new one had to be built?

Answer: It was built in 1932 (It is 80 Years Old this year) after the other one burnt to the ground in October of 1931 on a Sunday morning during Worship Service.

March's Question: What year was the Fellowship Hall built? (Not Added on to)

(Answer will be in April's Bell's Messenger)

## **United Methodist Women**

The United Methodist Women met at P & J's Diner in Asheboro on Saturday, March 3 at 8:30 am. The next meeting will be in April the when and where will be announced on Sunday. All the women of the church are invited to these meetings.

## **United Methodist Men**

The United Methodist Men met Sunday, February 26, 2012 at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. We decided to buy 2 more small Coffee Makers for the Church. Also, decided to have a church yard clean up on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 8 am. Our Country Breakfasts this year will be March 24, May 19 and September 22. We will have a Golf Tournament at Blair Park in High Point on Saturday, May 5. We will not have a meeting the month of March. The next meeting will be Sunday, April 22, 2012 at 7 am.

## **United Methodist Youth Ministry**

The United Methodist Youth Ministry which is being led by the Young Adult Sunday School Class had its first meeting on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. We had 10 children at the first meeting. We will be selling the Rada Knives starting in the near future and will be selling them year round. Our next meeting will be Sunday, March 25 from 6 pm until 8 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Remember this is for the whole community, so please invite your neighbors.

### **Special Singing**

There will be a Special Singing on Sunday, March 4, 2012 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. If you would like to sing or play an instrument let Gene Farlow know.

### **Senior Adult Class Meal**

The Senior Adult Class will have a Spaghetti Meal on Sunday, March 11, 2012 right after Church in the Fellowship Hall. Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Dessert and Drink.

### **Missing You Mission**

Please remember that if there is any people that you have noticed that are not at church and would like a card sent to them to write their name on paper provided in the pews and give them to Linda Byrd or place them in the offering plate.

### **Easter Sunrise Service Schedule**

The Administrative Board voted to have Easter Sunrise Service for 2012 which is Sunday, April 8 at Fairview United Methodist Church. There will NOT be a Sunrise Service at Old Union. There will be a 11 am Service at Old Union. In 2013 the Easter Sunrise Service will be at Old Union and the 11 am Service will be at Fairview UMC

All other Easter Service's will be put in the Bulletin later this month and in April's Newsletter.

### **Golf Tournament**

There will be a Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Blair Park in High Point. Tee off time is at 12:40 pm. All golfers need to be there at 12 Noon. The price per Golfer which includes a meal ticket to the grill is \$50 a piece or \$200 for a team of 4. Hole Sponsors are \$100 a piece. If anyone would like to donate can drinks or any prizes for the golfers please let any of the United Methodist Men know. There are Hole Sponsor Sheets and Flyers on the table in the Sanctuary.

### **Relay for Life**

Relay for Life this year is Saturday, May 19 from 4 pm until 1 am at Bicentennial Park in Asheboro.

### **Regular Scheduled Board Meetings**

Sunday, April 22 at 2:00 pm  
Sunday, July 15 at 2:00 pm  
Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 pm

### **Christmas in July Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School Theme this year is Christmas in July. The dates of VBS are Friday, July 13 and Saturday, July 14. The Closing Program will be Sunday, July 15 during Worship Service. Also please remember to put your old Christmas Cards in the box in the office.

### **Shut Ins Addresses**

Carolyn Auman  
742 West Balfour Ave  
Asheboro, NC 27203

Ted Bame  
1333 Commonwealth Road  
Randleman, NC 27317

Mabel Farlow  
5080 Walker Mill Road  
Sophia, NC 27350

Jack & Lovier Stephens  
4248 Brown Loop  
Randleman, NC 27317

### **Directory Pictures**

Pictures will be taken for our new Directory on Friday, September 7 and Saturday, September 8, which is Homecoming weekend. More information will be given in later Newsletters

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## Thank You

It's been 1 and ½ years since my brain surgery. At this point the doctors still don't want me driving and I don't know if I ever will or not, time will tell.

I would like to thank the UMW for the monetary gift I received upon returning home from the hospital. And the entire church for all the prayers lifted on my behalf.

I would also like to thank my sweet husband for taking care of me and driving me wherever I need to go.

Thank You,

Lynda Spillman

## Church Cleaning Schedule

March: Fonda & Nellie Johnson

April: Judy Beeson

May: Clarence and Patty Knight

### **1. Start the day with prayer and praise.**

Before you get up each day, take a moment to praise God and ask for God's help in seeing the good in the day ahead.

**2. Smile!** You don't necessarily need to pretend to be cheerful when you're not, but sometimes just smiling can help you feel better.

**3. Count your blessings.** When your problems look bigger than your blessings, it's time to focus on those blessings. There are probably more than you think.

**4. Expect the best from God.** Remember that God loves you and cares for you, even when you can't see it. And remember that God is with you no matter what's going on.

**5. Choose an encouraging scripture for the day or week.** Write it down and keep it with you or memorize it.

**6. Speak positively.** When everyone around you is complaining and looking at the worst in people and situations, try to say something positive.

**7. Trust God.** When everything seems to be going wrong, that's the moment to trust God. Pray. Ask God to guide you through the rough parts of your day.

**8. Try not to worry.** Worry rarely helps, and most of the things we worry about either won't happen or won't be as bad as we think. When you feel worried, turn your thoughts to God's love and care for you.

**9. Make the best of even the worst days.** Ask God to show you something good even on the worst day. And remember that even a

terrible day is just one day.

**10. End the day with prayer and praise.**

Thank God even on the worst days. Ask God to help make the next day a better one.

Submitted by: Toni Brown

**Birthdays**

March:

3/2: Jenny Welborn  
3/12: Adam Byrd  
3/13: Andrew Auman  
3/17: Ashley Auman  
3/19: Drake Spillman  
3/20: Brandon Gaines  
3/21: Neil Welborn  
3/24: Megan Haynes

April:

4/4: Linda Byrd  
4/7: Maddy Hale  
4/10: Clarence Knight  
4/15: Debbie Coggins

**Newsletter Submissions**

Please have all newsletter submissions for the April edition of the Bell's Messenger to me by Sunday, March 25. Remember my email is [jws13@northstate.net](mailto:jws13@northstate.net) .