



# MULBERRY STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## WIPING OUT OUR INDEBTEDNESS...THIS SUNDAY!

I have this image of our congregation eagerly bringing joyful selves and a generous offering to our worship services this Sunday morning. We are poised and ready to receive offerings and pledges to completely eliminate the small remaining debt on our renovation project.

How much debt remains? When all of your gifts and pledges are counted, we will owe less than \$100,000 at the end of this year! Of course \$100,000 is a lot of money, but considering that our renovation project was \$7.8 million, we are truly on the verge of complete victory!!

**In less than 3 years from project completion, we are ready to wipe this debt out forever. This is nothing short of miraculous.**

How have we been able to come this far? The answer is simple:

(1) You have been consistently praying about eliminating this indebtedness now for almost a year. Fervent, faithful, trusting prayer in the name of Jesus makes a difference.

(2) Many of our church members, prompted by God, have made advance gifts to this endeavor. These gifts have come from every sector of our church...generous gifts, spontaneous gifts, miraculous gifts. Each gift has prompted another, which is how God often works. Generosity begets generosity.

Now it is time for our entire congregation to step forward by making a gift or pledge to wipe out the last debt. The Debt Committee, chaired by Waverly Golson, has designated Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> as the day for our entire congregation to help raise the rest of the money.

By now you should have received a letter inviting you to participate in this faith venture. If you attend a Sunday School class, you have heard a presentation from the Debt Committee. You know that the Debt Committee, Trustees and former Building Committee have already participated in this campaign 100%. Now it's your turn.

Please ask God to guide you as you come to make a gift or pledge. (We hope pledges will be paid by year's end.) Bring your check or your pledge prepared to place it in the offering plate. Be bold in your giving! With God's help, we'll easily succeed.

If you have already made a pledge or gift, pray for boldness for those who are yet to do so. Also ask God if you should make an additional gift yourself.

Above all, come with joy, faith and expectation. God is doing great things through the use of our building! People in our community and beyond are constantly amazed at the work and ministry of this congregation. I'll see you this Sunday.

*Cruce*

## Worship Services

Sunday, May 7, 2006

Nine O'clock - Chapel

Eleven O'clock - Sanctuary

"The Power of His Name"

Acts 4: 5-12

Creede Hinshaw, preaching

### Assisting with Worship

#### Ushers for Nine O'clock

Warren Dunn, Frank Hall

#### Ushers for Eleven O'clock

Jason Anthoine, Austin Carter, Scott Davis, Jeff Golmitz, Ken Harper, Tina Kuncaitis, Moira Lacey, Tommy Lacey, David Mann, Bob Middleton, Mack Minton, Jim Rice & Chris Uren

#### Sunday School Greeters

Buncie Skinner Interest Group

### Altar Flowers



Martha Thompson, Altar Guild

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Palmer, mother of James Palmer, giving by James, Jodi, Leyna, Jamie and Cary Palmer.

### Have you joined the 37 Cent Club?

For just \$96.20 you can feed someone for one year!

## Wesley Glen Ministries Annual



May 6, 2006

11:00 am - 2:30 pm

Wesley Glen Ministries Pavilion  
4580 North Mumford Rd.

\$8.00 Adults

\$5.00 Children (under 12)

For more information call  
471-3711

### Debt Elimination Sunday, May 7

Please remember to bring your Debt Elimination Pledge card to church this Sunday! If you cannot be in church, please bring or mail it to the church office before Sunday. Let's have 100% participation, and eliminate our restoration and building program debt completely! We really appreciate everyone's help.

### Upcoming Events



Senior Recognition & Luncheon,  
May 14

Confirmation, June 4

Annual Conference, June 4-7

VBS, June 12-16

### Young at Heart Card and Table Games

Young at Heart will meet for card and table games from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The price for Marie's lunch is \$5. You may pay when you eat. Bridge players should bring a card table. Call the church office (745-8601) for reservations, by Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.



Cam Bishop,  
Director of Music

### Senior Organ Recital

Catherine Elliott, Organist

Sunday, May 7 at 3:00 in Sanctuary

### Young at Heart

Young at Heart will meet at 12:30 pm for lunch in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. The price is \$4. You may pay as you go through the line. Program: Covenant Players from the Gulf Coast. You do not have to be a member of Young at Heart to attend. All adults 55 or older are most welcome. Call the church office (745-8601) for reservations, by Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.



### Costa Rica Mission Trip

July 11-20

Next Meeting: May 17 - 7:00 pm

Covered Dish Supper Meeting  
Home of Claire & Charlie Cox

### Search For New

### Macon Outreach Director

Freda Chapman is the Chairperson of a newly formed search committee for a Director of Macon Outreach. Anybody interested in applying for this position or knowing somebody who might be qualified, please send resumes to the church at P.O. Box 149, Macon, GA 31202 or call the church office for more information.

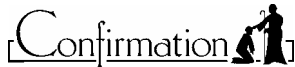


To Sandra Twilley upon the death of her brother, Michael Deller, of Shenfield, Brentwood, Essex, England, April 15, 2006.

To Bethany Moncrief upon the death of her grandmother, Sarah Dingler, of Union Point, GA, April 26, 2006.



Jessica Tripp, Director of Children & Family Ministries



**Confirmation Sunday**

June 4 - 11:00 am service

**Confirmation Class 2006**

- Joey Allen
- Kinsey Canova
- Mary Bennett Easterlin
- Jordan Everett
- Elizabeth Lynch
- Tanner Pruitt
- Bert Thompson



**Register Now for  
Adventure of the  
Treasure Seekers**

**2006 Vacation Bible School**

The week of June 12-16, Mulberry will be filled with junior archeologists ready to discover what God has planned for their lives. From 8:30-1:00 each day, children will travel from one discovery center to the next hearing:

God Loves You    God Knows You  
God Treasures You

God Forgives You    God is With You!  
All children 2K-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to come and Discover God's Promises, Live God's Promises and Share God's Promise of Jesus with others. Register now in the Atrium at Mulberry or by calling 745-8601. Registration fee: \$10.00 per child. Make all checks payable to Mulberry

Come and be filled with the eternal hope that Jesus gives!

"Our Lord, You are true to Your promises."

Psalm 12: 6a



Jimmy Towson, Director of Youth

**UMYF – Sundays – 6:00 pm**

**May 7**

Color Outside the Lines

**May 14**

Life Is a Great Big Canvas and You Should Throw All the Paint On It You Can!

**May 21**

It's Been a Wild Ride

**May 28**

No UMYF (Memorial Day Holiday)

**Senior High Bible Study**

**Monday Nights – 7:00 pm**



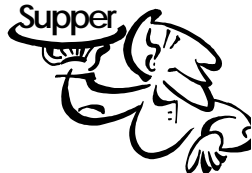
**Senior Recognition & Luncheon**

**Sunday, May 14**

**11:00 a.m. Worship Service**

We will recognize our graduating seniors during the 11:00 worship service and will host a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service in their honor. Everyone is invited to join us for Worship and the Luncheon on this special day for our seniors. **Please call the church office (745-8601) to make reservations for the luncheon by Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**UMYF  
Snack  
Supper**



**May 7**

J.B. & Margaret Easterlin

**May 14**

Kit & Pam Emert

**May 21**

Bill & Shannon Fickling



**May 10**

**Wesley Glen Ministries Pavilion  
(4580 North Mumford Rd)**

*Please come and bring a lawn chair or enjoy a picnic under the Pavilion. Bring a covered dish or dessert to share. The church will provide fried chicken, drinks, and paper goods.*

*Time: 5:45-7:00 pm  
Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.*



**Uganda Medical Mission Team Trip  
October 23-November 6**

**Circle Meeting**

The Paula Motes Circle will meet at the church on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Please bring items for Macon Outreach and the Children's Home.

**Macon Outreach**

**Please HELP!!!**

**May**

**Food of the Month**

tuna, salmon & mackerel

**Other Needs**

deodorant & razors

**Clothing Needs**

**URGENT NEED:**

men's cloths, boots & work shoes

**Mulberry Street United Methodist Church**  
719 Mulberry Street, Macon, GA 31201  
P.O. Box 149, Macon, GA 31202  
Office (478) 745-8601  
[www.mulberrymethodist.org](http://www.mulberrymethodist.org)

**Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live  
over Radio Station AM 940 WMAC**

Pastor on call: May 6-7 – Creede Hinshaw

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, May 7

9:00 am Worship/Chapel  
9:30 am Communion/Prayer Room  
9:45 am Children/Youth - Higher Dimensions/  
Children's Assembly Room  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship/Sanctuary  
12:00 pm VBS Mtg/Conf Rm  
3:00 pm Organ Recital/Catherine Elliott  
4:45 pm Confirmation Class  
5:00 pm Young Spirit Singers  
6:00 pm UMYF

### Monday, May 8

7:00 pm Senior High Bible Study

### Tuesday, May 9

6:00 am Men's Bible Study  
6:30 am Men's Sermon Starter Group  
8:30 am Prayers of the People/Conf Rm  
10:30 am Staff Meeting/Conf Rm  
10:30 am Dorcas Circle/Coleman Class  
10:30 am Women's Club Mtg/Parlor

### Wednesday, May 10

4:00 pm Paula Motes Circle/Conf Rm  
6:00 pm Church Picnic/Wesley Glen  
Ministries Pavilion  
7:30 pm Ainsworth Choir

### Thursday, May 11

12:30 pm Young at Heart  
6:30 pm Wesley Glen Banquet/Fel Hall

### Friday, May 12

7:00 pm Wesleyan Baccalaureate

### Mulberry Street UMC Staff

*M. Creede Hinshaw, Senior Pastor*  
*Jimmy Towson, Associate Pastor*  
*Bishop C. W. Hancock, Bishop in Residence*  
*Dr. William H. Hurdle, Senior Pastor Emeritus*  
*Bruce Bishop, Church Administrator*  
*Camille Bishop, Music Director/Organist*  
*Jessica Tripp, Director of Children's  
& Family Ministry*  
*Beth Smith, Church Hostess*  
*Debbie Towson, Director, Macon Outreach*  
*Sara Colvin, Financial Secretary*  
*Linda Parker, Administrative Secretary*  
*Doris Andrews, Church Cook/Custodian*  
*Clifton Carswell, Custodian*  
*Arnold Freeman, Custodian*



## **2006 Scampers Calendar**

**June 22-26 – Stone Mountain**  
**October 5-9 – Bald Mountain**

Call Ed Powell, Wagon Master,  
(home: 477-1973 or office: 405-8301)  
if you have questions.

## **Memorials/Honorariums**

### Macon Outreach Fund

In memory of Mr. William Easterlin, William Howell Jarrard, Sr., Miss Ann Henry, Anna Dominy,  
Guy Harrington & Ben McClure by Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Inzer, Jr.

In honor of Rev. & Mrs. Creede Hinshaw by Ms. Lisa D. Shivelor

### Memorial Fund

In memory of Ben McClure by  
Mrs. Betsy Bennett Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Yates, Jr. Ms. Michelle Maurice  
Mrs. Marjorie L. Lovein Mrs. Elsie Hambright Miss Kiffin Maurice

### Debt Reduction Fund

In memory of Ben McClure, Richard H. Mimbs & Lora Solomon McCord by Mrs. William P. Simmons

### Bus Fund

In memory of Ben McClure by Mrs. Marie F. Williams

### Easter Offering

In honor of Mary Ann Washburn, Betsy Jo Washburn & Cladie A. Washburn by Mr. Clay Washburn

### General Fund

In honor of Wilson Arthur Brown's Baptism by Mr. & Mrs. Chester A. Lowe, Jr.

### Children's Ministry

In honor of Wilson Arthur Brown's Baptism by Mr. & Mrs. Stephen A. Allen