



NEWS AT THE CROSSROADS



Hope Through Jesus Christ at the Crossroads

April 11, 2010



Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship Style
(Sanctuary)

9:30 a.m.

Contemporary Worship Style
(Christian Life Center)

11:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship Style
(Sanctuary)

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“Vision for New Life” Series

We've just celebrated Easter, and after Easter the tendency is to crash, to experience that let-down feeling after the big event, and to let life slip back to the way it was, but we need to remember that wasn't the experience of the New Testament believers. Thirty years later, they were still talking as if Easter had just happened, because they were still pondering Easter's implications. I love how Paul, in Ephesians, prayed that the “eyes of our hearts will be opened” so that we can see the hope God has called us to and see the possibilities that flow from the raising of Jesus Christ from the dead to his new position of influence and power. That's right – the heart has eyes. When your sense of longing combines with belief and imagination, your heart sees things. We should seize the possibilities of Easter by incorporating them into a “Vision for New Life.” We're going through a series, beginning April 18 and continuing through the next two Sundays, which is meant to help us in developing a Vision.

The first message on April 18 is about “Preparing to Receive a Vision.” Our scripture comes from 1 Samuel 3:1-11, 19-21. In this story, Samuel is taught to say to God, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” Before God was ready to speak with Samuel, we're told that “the word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.” Certain conditions were not present during the time before Samuel which made receiving visions difficult. Then we see certain conditions that were created in Samuel's life that made Samuel receptive to a vision God wanted to give him. There is much we can learn from this that can help us prepare for receiving a God-given vision for new life in Christ.

The next message on April 25 is about “Seeing God's Vision.” We will look at the message God gave through the prophet Haggai that helped God's people gain fresh vision for rebuilding their lives. God helped them see what they needed to see first, so that they could do what they needed to do. Doing is preceded by seeing. That is what compelling visions are all about!

You will hear more later about the next message on May 2. Begin praying about your life in Christ, and how God can bring energy, momentum, and focus to your life following in the wake of Easter and all the possibilities Easter creates.

May 9, Confirmation Sunday

One of my favorite Sundays of the year is the Sunday we bring our confirmation class before the Church. Not only do we celebrate what is happening in the lives of these young people; we are also able to experience the confirmation of things in our own lives. I am personally renewed. Please be praying for the culmination of this incredible experience our young people have been going through for a while now. Mickey, their leaders, their junior leaders, their mentors, their parents, their prayer partners have been loving on them, and pouring into them knowledge and grace and support. God has been very present. I can't wait to see how God will show up on May 9. Be prepared to get charged up yourself.

Save the Lost, Disciple the Saved, Alleviate Suffering

SUNDAY—18TH

8:30 AM *Worship/Sanctuary
9:30 AM *Worship/CLC
9:30 AM *Youth & Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM Children's Worship/1st-6th Grades/Reef
9:30 AM 2K-5K Sunday School/Preschool Area
11:00 AM Children's Worship/1st-6th Grades/Reef
11:00 AM *Worship/Sanctuary
11:00 AM *Youth & Adult Sunday School
11:00 AM 2K-5K Sunday School/Preschool Area
4:00 PM Girls' Ensemble/Room 103
4:15 PM Youth Choir Counselor Meeting/Rm .142
5:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal/CLC
5:00 PM Pre-K Choir Rehearsal/Room 142
5:00 PM Kids Sing Praise Choir Reh./Room 103
5:45 PM Youth Choir Supper/CLC Gath. Area
6:15 PM Student Pursuit/Youth Room
6:30 PM Driving Force Study/Library
7:15 PM Yth Small Gr/Rooms 133, 142, 212-214

MONDAY—19TH

7:00 AM 6th Grade Breakfast Club/Chick-fil-A
2:00 PM +Blood Drive/The Reef
2:00 PM Living Beyond Yourself/The Gables
7:00 PM +Prayer of Jabez/Room 216
7:00 PM Roberta Gard Cir/Frances Van Horn's home
7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 21/The Reef

TUESDAY—20TH

9:30 AM +One In A Million/Room 142
6:30 PM G.R.I.E.F. Support/Library
7:00 PM +Finding Balance/Room 216
8:00 PM Young Adult Bible St/McPhail's home

WEDNESDAY—21ST

7:30 AM HUB Meeting/Library
9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out/Nursery
5:30 PM +Women's Bible Study/Library
5:30 PM The Wesley Ringers Reh./Sanctuary
6:30 PM Contemporary Choir Rehearsal/CLC
6:45 PM Introduction to Handbells/Sanctuary
7:15 PM Contemporary Choir & Band Reh./CLC
7:45 PM Contemporary Band Rehearsal/CLC
8:00 PM Youth Student Leadership/Room 142

THURSDAY—22ND

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out/Nursery
6:30 PM Youth Worship Band Reh./Youth Room

FRIDAY—23RD

8:00 AM Ramblers/Sacred Heart Garden Festival
12:00 PM Page Turner's Book Club/Library
2:00 PM Woodfield Academy Dinner/CLC
7:00 PM Father-Daughter Dance/The Reef

SATURDAY—24TH

Rebuilding Together

*Nursery Provided
+Nursery by reservations (477-4188 ext. 114)
CLC-Christian Life Center

Circle Meetings

- ◆ April 19 - 7 PM
Roberta Gardiner Circle
Frances Van Horn's home
- ◆ April 26 - 10 AM
Joy Circle
Library

SUNDAY—25TH

8:30 AM *Worship/Sanctuary
9:30 AM *Worship/CLC
9:30 AM *Youth & Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM Children's Worship/1st-6th Grades/Reef
9:30 AM 2K-5K Sunday School/Preschool Area
11:00 AM Children's Worship/1st-6th Grades/Reef
11:00 AM *Worship/Sanctuary
11:00 AM *Youth & Adult Sunday School
11:00 AM 2K-5K Sunday School/Preschool Area
4:00 PM Girls' Ensemble/Room 103
5:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal/CLC
5:00 PM Pre-K Choir Rehearsal/Room 142
5:00 PM Kids Sing Praise Choir Reh./Room 103
5:45 PM Youth Choir Supper/CLC Gath. Area
6:15 PM Student Pursuit/Youth Room
6:30 PM Driving Force Study/Library
7:15 PM Yth Small Gr/Rooms 133, 142, 212-214

MONDAY—26TH

7:00 AM 6th Grade Breakfast Club/Chick-fil-A
9:00 AM +MOPS Leadership Meeting/Room 142
10:00 AM Joy Circle/Library
2:00 PM Living Beyond Yourself/The Gables
6:30 PM +MOPS Pot Luck & Bunko/CLC
7:00 PM +Prayer of Jabez/Room 216
7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 21/The Reef

TUESDAY—27TH

9:30 AM +One In A Million/Room 142
11:45 AM Birthday Bash/CLC Gathering Area
7:00 PM +Finding Balance/Room 216
8:00 PM Young Adult Bible Study/McPhail's home

WEDNESDAY—28TH

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out/Nursery
5:30 PM +Women's Bible Study/Library
5:30 PM The Wesley Ringers Rehearsal/Sanctuary
6:30 PM Contemporary Choir Rehearsal/CLC
6:45 PM Introduction to Handbells/Sanctuary
7:15 PM Contemporary Choir & Band Reh./CLC
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Room 103
7:45 PM Contemporary Band Rehearsal/CLC

THURSDAY—29TH

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out/Nursery
6:30 PM Youth Worship Band Reh./Youth Room

FRIDAY—30TH

4:00 PM Braves & Six Flags Trip/Youth
8:00 PM Bowling/Warner Robins/Confirmation

SATURDAY—1ST

Braves & Six Flags Trip/Youth

*Nursery Provided
+Nursery by reservations (477-4188 ext. 114)
CLC-Christian Life Center

Message from the Pulpit

- April 18 - Dr. Jay Harris
"Preparing for a Vision"
["Vision for New Life" series]
1 Samuel 3:1-11, 19-21
- April 25 - Dr. Jay Harris
"Seeing the Vision"
["Vision for New Life" series]
Haggai 2:1-9

Worship Service - April 18

8:30 *Worship Leader:* Jimmie Powell
9:30 *Worship Leader:* Anthony McPhail
11:00 *Worship Leader:* Beverly Hiscox

8:30 *Ushers:* Robert DeLancey, Bruce Gerwig, Russ Wilson, David Becker
11:00 *Ushers:* Paul Firth, Barbara Brennan, Wende Meyer von Bremen, Jeff Bobbitt

8:30 *Greeters:* Kathy Brown, Stewart Brown, John Rohde
9:30 *Greeters:* Kim Tyson, Ken Tyson, Chad McDonell, Margaret Ann Hunt
11:00 *Greeters:* Mona Mounts, Brenda Chapman, Rita Hale, Jimmy Daniels

8:30 *Int. Prayer:* Meredith Griffin
9:30 *Int. Prayer:* Bill Causey, Tonya Causey
11:00 *Int. Prayer:* Ned Steele

Altar Guild: O'Teria Seagle
Muggers: Chester Chapman, Brenda Chapman

Worship Service - April 25

8:30 *Worship Leader:* Paula Kapiloff
9:30 *Worship Leader:* Anthony McPhail
11:00 *Worship Leader:* Carolyn Bradley

8:30 *Ushers:* Jimmy Melvin, Ed Gibbs, Stewart Brown
11:00 *Ushers:* Chester Chapman, Norm Zerkus, Ronny Fuerniss, Cade Joiner, Sally Bennett, Jimmy Daniels

8:30 *Greeters:* Pat Creamer, Naomi Creamer, Tom Jenks, Bonnie Jenks, Dottie Vaughn
9:30 *Greeters:* Margie Zebell, Allen Zebell, Terry Mullis
11:00 *Greeters:* Susan Fuerniss

8:30 *Int. Prayer:* Jamie Rohde, Kelly Geeslin
9:30 *Int. Prayer:* Bill Bethune, Nancy Bethune
11:00 *Int. Prayer:* Betty Terrell, Bob Terrell, Cay Kite

Altar Guild: Pat Morlan, Joan Trofemuk
Muggers: Carolyn Bradley, Bob Terrell

MACON OUTREACH



WOMEN OF HOPE

The Women of Hope UMW Circle will be meeting on the first Sunday of each month, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the church library. All women of the church are invited to attend.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to:

- ⇒ Steve and Tawn Huff who became proud grandparents of Drew Daniel Chatlian. Drew was born on April 5, and weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19" long. Proud parents are Dan and Erica Chatlian.
- ⇒ Morgan and Nancy Harvey who became proud grandparents of Camden Reid Hunt. Camden was born on March 31, and weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 19" long. Proud parents are Donnie and Ansley Hunt.

SYMPATHY

Christian Sympathy is expressed to:

- ⇒ Orrin Carstarphen and family upon the death of his father, Orrin Carstarphen, III, on April 6, in Macon.
- ⇒ Tricia Combes and family upon the death of her brother, on March 31.



BLOOD DRIVE

Please donate for a good cause!



BLOOD DRIVE
April 19, 2010
2:00 - 7:00 PM
The Reef

Childcare is available by reservation only: 477-4188, ext. 121.



---PRAYER CONCERNS---

In the Hospital:

Chronic Needs:

Barry Bissonette, Sherry Brady, Darlene Capista, Pat Creamer, Gail Davis, Martha Durr, Caleb Fortuna, Bonnie & George Gardiner, Dan Gates, Carolyn Gibbs, Hinton Harris, Betty Karnay, Hugh & Debbie O'Neal, Harry Rankin, Ruth Roberts, Clyde Rogers, Betty Rountree, Thomas Spohn, Kim Tyson's father, Jamie Waters

Circle of Concern:

Barbara Brennan, Sandy Bysinger, Cay Kite

Extended Family:

Frances Clark, Lynn Davidson, Stephanie & Tate Garrison, Helen Harvell, Faye Holley, JB James, Tom MacDonell, Gwen Milliner, Lynn Neville, Melanie Olmstead, Tammy Richardson, Debbie Scott, Layton Williams
(Names in ext. family will be left on for 4 weeks unless church office is notified.)

Those in the Military:

John Allen, Major Robert Ashcroft, Ben Bryant, Bryan Caldon, Drew Clarke, Titus Clements, Val Collins, Mark Dawson, Jared Ellenwood, Stan Fossette, Ronald Hallman, Alicia Hancock, Brean Hancock, Spencer Herron, Chris Holbert, Warren Holbert, Jr., Wyne Hutchings, Jeff James, Captain Phillips Jones, Jamison Kirby, Justin Krautkremer, Lee Land, Brad Mate, Daniel Mattox, Gina Maynard's brother, Adam Neal, Brian Palen, Jonathan Pritchard, Mike Rich, Charlie Richardson, John Rogers, Christopher Rolfe, Shawn Roller, Jay Rosado, Adam Rosenbond, Brian Royal, Brandon Ryals, Maurice Scream, Art Smith, Steve Stone, Nathan Tart, Chris Thorn, Chase Usher, Erik Walker, Brian Walton, Steven Watts, Chris Whatley, Ashley Wilson
(If names in military are not active duty, please notify church office so they can be removed.)



Noble National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives & The Mentors Project invite you to: "Meet and Greet" Young Men on the Brink of Success who need a mentor

Tuesday, April 20, 2010
The Buck Melton Center Gym
150 Sessions Drive
(corner of Felton & Sessions)
6:30-8:00 PM

Please bring other potential mentors
RSVP - (478) 765-8624

A WORTHY CAUSE

The Francis Asbury Class will be selling purple bows to raise money for Relay for Life.

****Large: \$5.00****

****Small: \$3.00****

Relay would like to paint Bibb County purple the week of the Relay which is April 30th.

If you would like to purchase a bow, please come by room 216 on any Sunday morning.

NEW IN THE LIBRARY

Letters from the Land of Cancer
By: Walter Wangerin, Jr.
Given by: Naomi & Pat Creamer

MMO

MB Summer MMO Program is now open for registration.

Dates: June 16-July 22
9:00AM-1:00PM Wed & Thurs/
ages 6 months through just completed 5K

Cost:

- ⇒ \$100 - 1 child 1 day per week
- ⇒ \$200 - 1 child 2 days per week
- ⇒ \$180 - 2 children 1 day per week
- ⇒ \$360 - 2 children 2 days per week

This is a one-time fee for the 6-week program PLUS registration is \$20 for first child and \$10 for second.

Contact Robin Martinez: 477-1901, ext. 130

DADDY'S DAY CARE

Saturday, April 17, is Daddy's Day Care night from 5-8 PM.
Supper is provided for the children. The cost is \$15 for the first child and \$5 for each additional child.
Reservations required. Call 477-1901, ext. 121 or jcowan@marthabowman.org.



Martha Bowman UMC
500 Bass Road
Macon, Georgia 31210
(478) 477-1901
(478) 471-6378 (FAX)
www.marthabowman.org

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Macon, GA
Permit # 472

ATTENDANCE: March 28, 2010
Worship: 413 Sunday School: 327
8:30: 120
9:30: 123
11:00: 143
Nursery: 27

ATTENDANCE: April 4, 2010
Worship: 935
9:00 (CLC): 168 No
11:00 (CLC): 165 Sunday
9:00 (Sanct): 270 School
11:00 (Sanct): 282
Nursery: 50



Apr.	\$\$ FINANCIAL INFO \$\$	
7	Month to date	YTD
Sources of Funds	27,062	358,909
Uses of Funds	<u>21,771</u>	<u>379,449</u>
Sources Over (Under) Uses	<u>5,291</u>	<u>(20,540)</u>
2010 Total Budget		<u>1,523,390</u>

- ⇒ Gift in memory of *Helen Venable, Kathy Brown's and Karen Ennis' mother*, by Anita Kcuik
- ⇒ Gift in memory of *Lovick Culverhouse* by Mary Standard, Joann and Jack Collins, and Lisa Collins
- ⇒ Gift to *Macon Outreach Food Pantry* in honor of Dorothy Tyde

Martha Bowman UMC,

Thank you so much for your support! This week we started our Mission Adventure ministry for the spring. We have about 20 youth here working with the local church and orphanage. Last night we performed the passion play for the congregation. It was really awesome! I was a 'mourner' with Mary. We are also working on building a website for our children's ministry, 'circulo andante'! And more to come...



With love,
 Elizabeth Lange

Rebuilding Together—Macon

April 24, 2010

Can you paint? Do carpentry? Help with yard work? Do you want to volunteer and make a difference? Then join us for Rebuilding Together!

Please call Beverly Hiscox at (478) 742-7282 for more information.

THE NEEDS CONTINUE

In an effort to help the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) support the people of Haiti and Chili, we ask you to join together in making health kits to distribute to these disaster areas. There are four ways you may participate in this church-wide effort:

1. Make health kits following the specific instructions given and bring the kits to the church between May 2 and May 16
 2. Buy items needed for the kits in bulk and bring to the church between May 2 and May 16
 3. Contribute money for purchase of items and to help pay shipping costs to Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, LA
 4. Volunteer to help package health kits from bulk items on May 9 and May 16. Contact Jane or Cecil Canady to enlist and receive details about the work days.
- Our goal is about 500 health kits. Let's join together as one big family and reach out our helping hands!

The following is the specific list of items for the health kits published by UMCOR: Items need to be NEW & placed in a ONE GALLON PLASTIC BAG

- 1 hand towel (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27"). No kitchen towels.
- 1 washcloth
- 1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)
- 1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- 1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)
- 1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-size brushes)
- 6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages
- \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste

(NOTE: Toothpaste is purchased in bulk to be added to health kits to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent.)