



The Moravian Messenger

Rural Hall Moravian Church

Steve Craver, Pastor

Street Address: 7939 Broad Street, Rural Hall, NC 27045

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 487, Rural Hall, NC 27045

Phone: (336) 969-9488 Fax: (336) 969-1819 Website: www.rhmc.org

Emails: craversteve@hotmail.com / jhoover5@triad.rr.com / secretary@rhmc.org

Enter to Worship,
Exit to Serve



APRIL 2009



From Our Pastor:



I always smile whenever I see a television ad in which the announcer breathlessly tells about this wonderful new instrument that has been invented. It will revolutionize your life and make it so easy that you will hardly be able to stand it. "If you act now you can get not one but two extra products for the same low price of \$19.95 plus shipping and handling." The price is always \$19.95 and the product will always revolutionize your life.

Forgive me for being skeptical, but most of the things that offer to change my life offer to do it from the outside in. I have come to believe that the major changes in a person's life always come from the inside out. However, there is an item which will change your life from the inside and you probably will not even have to buy anything, because you have several of these items already in your house. They are Bibles. Scripture tells us how to live a life in relationship with God. It is filled with wisdom for living. Most of all, the scripture tells us about God's plan for creation and for us as a community. In Christ, God's plan is still being worked out and we are participants in it.



This fall we will begin the congregational phase of the Bethel Series Bible study. For the last two years there have been a number of people in this congregation that have been doing the intensive Bethel Series. This group of people will be finishing their training in May and some of them will be teachers in the congregational phase of the Bethel Series this fall. These classes will meet once a week for one hour and will cover the same material that your teachers have covered during the past two years. This Bible study is a great tool to help you deepen your knowledge of God's plan for his world and for our lives. During the next few weeks you'll be seeing displays in the foyer and announcements in the bulletin encouraging you to put the Bethel Series to work by deepening your understanding of the scripture. Spending time in God's word will change your life. Consider going on this journey from the inside out to grow meaning and purpose in your life.

Pastor Steve

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sunday, April 5, 7:00 PM: Palm Sunday Lovefeast

Monday, April 6, 7:00 PM: Holy Week Service

Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 PM: Holy Week Service

Wednesday, April 8, 7:00 PM: Holy Week Service

Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM: Communion Service

Friday, April 10, 2:15 PM: Crucifixion Service

Friday, April 10, 7:00 PM: Tennebrae Service



You are invited to attend the special series of worship services focusing on the events of Jesus' final days of earthly life. We utilize a book of worship called "The Readings for Holy Week" which combines the gospel accounts of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John to tell the story of all that Jesus endured on His journey to the Cross. The readings are mixed with appropriate hymns of faith, love and sorrow and are child friendly. A nursery will be provided for infants.

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

Flower Calendar: 5 – Palms
 12 – Easter Lily, Judy Joyce
 19 – Bill & Carolyn Kiger
 26 – Gregg Stoltz, Janet Celnar

Greeters: Sunday School: Martha Gribble; Worship: Donna Canella

Ground's Keeper: John Mikol

Nursery Sunday 5 – Michelle Bennett, Lori White
School Workers: 12 – Heather Smith, Jan Speas
 19 – Molly Lorentz, Vickie Smith
 26 – Tina Taylor, Kelly Whitman

Nursery Worship 5 – Pam and Patti Bruce
Workers: 12 – David & Carrie Phelps
 19 – Danny & Anne Christian
 26 – Bryan & Candice Bowles

Sound Operator: Sue Disher

Ushers: Tommy Bowman, Tommy Drum, Richard Key, Eben Sifferlen



THANK YOU NOTES RECEIVED

Thank You for all of the support you have given us for the past several years as we have struggled with Dad's cancer. We are very grateful for all of your words of encouragement, cards, phone calls, visits, and most especially for your prayers. The Mikols



Thank You so much for the donation to The Wesleyan Faithfuls Seniors Group in memory of Dad. Thank you also for your love and support. Your presence at the funeral service, your cards, your acts and words of kindness, and especially your prayers have given us much comfort and strength. We are truly blessed to have such a loving and caring Church family. Love, Larry and Billie Williams

Committee Meetings

Missions & Evangelism Committee:
 Monday, April 13, 6:30 PM, Library

Christian Education Committee:
 Thursday, April 16, 6:30 PM, Library

Church Council:
 Sunday, April 26, 12:00 PM, Sanctuary

**May
 Newsletter
 Articles
 Due In The
 Church Office
 By 12 Noon
 On Monday,
 April 20**

NEW MEMBER'S ADDRESSES

Al & Irene Csontos
 1120 Silver Lane
 Germantown, NC 27019
 336/ 994-4301



Dorothy Mathews
 609 E. Sommerdale Court
 Rural Hall, NC 27045
 336/ 969-6003
 dorothymathews@triad.rr.com

April Birthday's

- 02 - Benjamin Dills
- 02 - Randy Thomas
- 02 - Leigh Guertin
- 03 - John Giesler
- 06 - Ron Hepler
- 07 - Kelly Bertram
- 08 - David Petty
- 12 - Kimberly Brendle
- 14 - Bill Gribble
- 14 - Clint Samples
- 15 - June Fultz
- 16 - Stella Brendle
- 16 - Ryan Littell
- 18 - Lee Tayloe
- 19 - Myra Perryman
- 20 - Keith Kiger
- 20 - Dorothy Mathews
- 20 - Kim McCoy
- 21 - Beverly Huff
- 22 - Jackie Wilson
- 23 - Taylor McCoy
- 24 - Carolyn Kiger
- 24 - Dylan Tally
- 24 - Flora Tuttle
- 25 - Cody Bowman
- 27 - Kathleen Brewer
- 28 - Molly Drum
- 28 - Addison Harrell
- 28 - Jackie Rutledge
- 29 - David Phelps

Happy Birthday!

ATTENDANCE RECORDS

	SUN. SCH.	WORSHIP
FEBRUARY 22	76	128
MARCH 1	76	108
MARCH 8	56	144
MARCH 15	82	112
MARCH 22	78	145
2009 Averages:	77	132

**VBS Informational
 Meeting — April 19
 at 5:15 PM — Library**

If you would like to help with VBS, please attend this meeting!

Jr. High Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-8)

Sunday, April 5: 4:00 PM
-- will assemble Easter Eggs

Friday & Saturday, April 17-18 - tentative - lock-in



Sr. High Youth Fellowship (Grades 9-12)

Sunday, April 5: 5:00 PM, Sr High Room
Saturday, April 18: TBA, Talent Show Practice
Sunday, April 19: All Day after church, Talent Show
Practice and Show at 6:00 PM
Sunday, April 26: 5:00 PM, Sr High Room

Decorating the Graves at Bethania

All men and women are invited to help decorate the old graves at Bethania on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 AM. If you have any greenery or flowers that you would like to donate, just take it to the front gate of the grave yard.



**Easter
Sunrise
Service**
April 12
6:30 AM
Bethania
Moravian
Church

Spring/Summer Children's Clothing Exchange

Drop Off Items for Sale:

Wednesday, April 22, 9 AM - Noon & 4 - 7 PM

Pre-Sale for Consigners Only:

Thursday, April 23, 5 - 7 PM

Clothing Sale: Friday, April 24, 9 AM - 6 PM

Saturday, April 25, 8 AM - 1 PM

Pick-Up Unsold Items: Saturday, April 25, 3-4 PM

Items for Sale will include: maternity clothes, toys, books, children's clothes (newborn to size 16), shoes, nursery furniture, nursery accessories, strollers, car seats, and more. Please do not bring any winter clothing.

If you would like to consign items or would like to help during the clothing sale, please contact Molly Lorentz for more info at 768-2616.

Southern Province 2009 Days of Prayer

Wednesday
April 1

Konnoak Hills Moravian Church
The Rev. Q. Ray Burke, Speaker
11:00 AM Lovefeast
Nursery Provided

Rural Hall Moravian Band Schedule

April 5 — Palm Sunday:

10:30 AM, prelude prior to worship service
6:30 PM, prelude on church lawn prior to lovefeast

April 9 — Maundy Thursday:

6:30 PM, prelude on church lawn

April 12 — Easter Sunday:

12:00 AM, assemble in Candle Room
12:30 AM, tour community
4:30 AM, join with Bethania Band
6:30 AM, Sunrise service at Bethania



VISIT THE CHURCH WEBSITE
WWW.RHMC.ORG

There is a Church Member section that requires a user name and password. To access it, please use rhmc for the user name and moravian for the password.



Missions & Evangelism Committee News

The Missions & Evangelism Committee is collecting box tops, soda can tabs, and cancelled stamps for charity. There is a donation bin in the lobby with each drawer labeled. Please place donations in their respective drawer. Any donations will be appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Dorothy Mathews at 969-6003.

2009 Summary of Church Finances

Fund Name	Balance 1/1/09	Balance 2/28/09
General Fund	\$ 35,937.57	\$ 33,706.12
Building Fund	\$112,397.29	\$112,940.89
Second Mile	\$ 2,632.79	\$ 2,702.79
All Other Funds*	\$ <u>22,956.61</u>	\$ <u>24,455.27</u>
Total All Funds	\$173,924.26	\$173,805.07

*Includes all designated funds for Sunday School classes, Men's Fellowship, Sr. High Youth, etc.

Total General Fund Income for February: 23,329.45
 Total General Fund Expenses for February: 21,703.73
 Income exceeded expenses by: 1,625.72

Year to date giving is up 9.8% versus this same period last year and expenses are down 6.5%.

For the first two months of the year, expenses were \$2,231 higher than income. For the same period last year, expenses were more than \$9,000 greater than income.

PLANNING AN EVENT HERE AT CHURCH?

Please Schedule It Through The Church Office

With the increasing requests to use church facilities (meeting rooms, fellowship hall, candle room, picnic pavilion), the Church Board wants **everyone** to fill out a reservation form when you plan to schedule a meeting or an event here at the church. Forms can be found in a tray on the work room door along with a calendar to check if the date and room you are wanting to reserve is available. Place the form in the church secretary's tray or mail box. She will process your request and then will notify you when your request has been reviewed. One form is sufficient for the whole year as long as you write in the dates of the groups meetings. Please remember to sign the back of the form.

Hope Pregnancy Care Center
 baby formula, baby wipes, diapers

Crisis Control Ministry
April: peanut butter & jelly; May: canned fruit

Prison Ministry
 Christian Literature

Collection totes are located in the elevator lobby.

Share God's Love With A Smile

You can share God's love by being a church greeter. Volunteers are needed to greet members and visitors in the elevator lobby prior to Sunday School and Worship. Sunday School Greeters are needed for the months of July through December and Worship Greeters are needed for the months of June through October and December. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the hallway behind the sanctuary or you may call the church office (969-9488). This ministry is a wonderful way to reach out in love to our visitors and our own family of faith.

Sound Operators Needed

If you would like to run the sound system during a church service, please sign the list posted on the bulletin board. Operators are needed for May, June, July, August and September. No experience needed — training is provided!



CHURCH OFFICE REMINDER

Office Hours: 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM
 Monday through Thursday

Bulletin announcements are due by 12 Noon on Thursdays and newsletter articles are due by 12 noon on the Monday prior to the last Sunday of each month.

CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY "FEINSTEIN FOUNDATION CHALLENGE"

The Feinstein Foundation announces the 12th annual \$1 million challenge to fight hunger nationwide. Crisis Control Ministry challenges you to feed the hungry from March 1 - April 30, 2009. Your donations during this time plus the Feinstein match will enable them to offer assistance to their clients. Every dollar counts and each food item donated counts as a \$1.00 donation. Additional information can be found on the church bulletin board or check the website www.feinsteinfoundation.org.



IRA Charitable Rollover Has Been Extended

Congress recently passed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, which includes a two-year renewal of the Charitable Rollover provisions which were available in 2006 and 2007. Qualifying IRA owners are again allowed to give a portion of their retirement savings directly to charity without first counting it as income and paying income tax. Until the end of December 2009, holders of traditional and Roth IRA's who are at least 70 1/2 years old can make direct charitable transfers up to \$100,000 per year per taxpayer.

A Message From The Board of Christian Education

On March 4, 2009, the operation of the Moravian Book & Gift Shop was transferred by sale to Old Salem, Inc. The shop will remain closed during March for some renovations and internal alterations, then reopen to the public in early April. The name of the shop will remain the same and the interpretation area about the Moravian Church will remain an important part of the store. With the exception of the ordering and sale of the Moravian Daily Texts by congregations, the store will continue to offer sales of Moravian books and other denominational print items which have been provided through the business over the years.

The Moravian Book & Gift Shop first opened as the Moravian Book Room in the mid 1960's under the direction of Eleanor Presley. It's mission was to offer the sale of quality Christian Education resources, Bibles, denominationally-specific Moravian materials, and some small gifts to our Moravian congregations as well as a growing number of public customers. In the mid 1970's, under the direction of the Rev. Bill McElveen and Connie Moore, the shop moved to its current location on Main Street in Salem. The shop soon began to serve a growing number of local customers along with thousands of visitors who came to visit historic Old Salem. The mission of the shop was expanded to include the goal of distributing any store profits to mission and ministries in the wider community and the Moravian Church. Throughout its 45 years of service the shop has distributed over \$600,000 to worthy causes. It has enjoyed the loyal and dedicated service of other managers like Jonetta Conrad, Phyllis Whittington and Sherrie Horton, along with the many full time and part time employees who so ably represented the spirit of the shop and the face of the Moravian Church in the local community.

The Board of Christian Education would like to thank all of our employees through the years, as well as our congregations, pastors, educators and many others who helped to make our shop a vital ministry. The board would also like to thank the many volunteers through the years who have served on the Moravian Book & Gift Shop Board of Directors as they have given countless hours of guidance and support to this work. As always, we pray for God's continuing guidance and blessing as we all serve together in the important work of the educational ministry of our Moravian Church.

Your Brother in Christ,

Rev. Richard L. Sides
Executive Director

New Structure for Southern Province

The Provincial Administration/Ministries Task Force is sponsoring a series of "town meetings" to present the proposed new structure for the Southern Province and respond to questions. The Task Force has developed the proposal over the past two years, and it has been endorsed by the Provincial Elders' Conference. The Special Synod which has been called for September 11-12, 2009 will consider the proposal for adoption and implementation. The meetings are open to all members of Southern Province congregations and fellowships, and no reservations are needed. The town meeting for the Rural Hall & surrounding area is on:

Thursday — April 23 — 7:00–9:00 PM
King Moravian Church, King, NC

Conflict Transformation Skills for Churches


Saturday, May 9, 8:45 AM–4:30 PM
Hope Moravian Church

This workshop focuses on: the nature and role of conflict; conflict in the New Testament; understanding and improving your own style of response to conflict; interpersonal conflict skills; and understanding and managing conflict in the church. Cost for the event is \$30 for materials and lunch. For information, contact the Board of Evangelism and Home Missions office: 336-725-6413, behm@mcp.org. Registration deadline is April 20. Individual registrations are welcome, however, churches are encouraged to send a team of 3-4 leaders to share in this learning opportunity.

Mission Awareness Dinner **Sunday, May 17, 5:00 PM** **Macedonia Moravian Church**

The Mission Society will sponsor the Mission Awareness Dinner on Sunday, May 17 at Macedonia Moravian Church. The band prelude will begin at 4:30 PM with dinner served at 5:00 PM by the Macedonia Women's Fellowship. Special music will be provided by Choir Director Matt Johnson and his wife, Claire. Leah Weatherman plans to share her experiences as an Antioch Servant in Canada and Honduras. Others will also share updates from recent mission trips. A commissioning of teams for 2009 will conclude the event. Make your reservations for the dinner by sending \$9.00 to the Mission Society, 500 S. Church Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101 by Monday, May 4. Please call 773-1732 if you have any questions about the dinner.

1. It is in God's grace that we are called into His service. Rejoice in the call on your life. Pray for those who have heard and answered the call to take His love to those who have not heard the good news of His salvation.
2. Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ for you. *1 Thes 5:18* Lord, on the days that I am tired, let me feel your presence and your strength. Bless those who suffer for your truth.
3. ...The Lord has comforted His people, and will have compassion on his suffering ones. *Is. 49:13*. By his stripes we are healed. Thank you Jesus for the suffering that we can never comprehend.
4. Thank you Father for the forgiveness of all our sins through the sacrifice of your only Son. Enable us to love and forgive as you have shown us how. Pray for those who have difficulty forgiving themselves and accepting the forgiveness of others.
5. Palm Sunday-at the works of your hand, I sing for joy. Pray for Charlie and Vickie Brent and all others who work with college students teaching them to know Jesus.
6. Pray for the staff and students of Alaska Christian College who have suffered much satanic attack in the past few months. Many of the students have lost loved ones due to suicide and harsh weather.
7. Thank you God for blessing the work of Safiatu and Mohammad Braima from the Little Church on the Lane in Charlotte in their native village in Sierra Leone. Bless Jack Davis as he makes plans to join them there.
8. We lift Michael Tesh from Christ Moravian Church and his family serving in Kenya. Bless the children in the orphanage they are running. Thank you for the chickens and eggs which have helped in their work
9. Maundy Thursday-His body was broken and His life given in order that we might have forgiveness. Pray for doctors Bill and Peggy Hoffman serving in the HIV/AIDS ministry in Tanzania
10. Clothe us with your love and uphold us with your truth. Give us spiritual eyes to see those around us with whom we need to share that love. Pray for the young fellowship of Mountain Laurel Moravian Fellowship as they are being established in the Laurel Springs, North Carolina.
11. Will God who has given His own Son for our sins not give us all that we need? Pray for George Goff, a pilot from the Honduras Moravian Church serving with Alas de Socorro in Honduras.
12. Easter Sunday-Why do you look for the living among the dead? Pray for Anna Booth as she prepares to go to North Africa and then to Togo to use the skills she has been developing in college to serve in God's work in a clinic there.
13. Easter Monday- Do not weary in well doing. Samaritan's Purse has been on the ground in the Midwest since the ice storm hit in late January. Pray that there will be many laborers to go into the field.
14. Pray for Steve and Ann Marx and Brian and Heather Marx serving with MAF; that many people will be served with the love of Jesus and exposure to the gospel.
15. The Lord your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the earth. Consider what He has done for you. Can you do less than live for Him so that others will know that He lives? Pray for John Musgrove with Campus Crusade for Christ in Ukraine.
16. The Lord God called to man and said "Where are you?" Pray for Dean and Rochelle Denlinger serving with Village Mission pasturing a church in Horsefly, BC, Canada. Pray for the group of volunteers going to construct a church building.
17. Heaven and earth will pass away but God's word will not pass away. Pray for the Morees from Dillingham Moravian Church in Dillingham, AK. as they serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators.
18. In your presence, O Lord, is fullness of joy. Remember the Woo family who are serving in Asia. Surround them with a heightened sense of your presence and your love.
19. Sunday-As you worship in God's house this morning, let us fellowship with one another and share the love which God has given each of us then let us go into the world around us and do the same thing.
20. In Christ all things were created. The world is full of His majesty. Jesus we thank you for the beauty of the earth. Give us wisdom to care for it as you have charged us.
21. God's promises are pure and He is faithful to keep each one of them. Dustin and Christen Harrison are serving on the Clemson College campus. Pray for their success as they introduce students to Jesus.
22. Pray for your pastor and the teachers of Sunday School classes. Pray for pastors in countries where freedom of religion is not a privilege. Pray for missionaries serving away from their home in a different culture.
23. My hope is in the Lord. I owe all to Him. Love the Lord with all your heart and love each other with a love reflecting Him. Pray for leaders of the Bd. of World Mission and Mission societies.
24. Creator God-the beauty of Your creation is beyond all comprehension and words. Pray for peoples who have more recently lived off the land but have been displaced, like the Inu and Inuit of Labrador, and others around the world. Bless them as they adapt.
25. Sunday-Father, the youth of the world face unprecedented challenges; drugs, suicide, abuse, homelessness, war, centrism, and materialism. Your witness through us can break down the barriers!
26. Father, prepare the hearts and minds of the volunteers that will serve at Gosling Lake, Labrador this summer to move young hearts closer to You.
27. You have blessed me, my beloved Lord, so I can be a blessing to others. Open my eyes to every minute opportunity to share Your love.
28. Lord, have mercy upon me. Let me simplify my life today so I can better serve You.
29. What language shall I borrow to thank You, dearest friend? For all Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end. Let me never depart from you.
30. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise. Let us all sing in bless-ed unity here and now.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<h1>April 2009</h1> <h2>Rural Hall Moravian Church</h2>						
5 Palm Sunday 9:30 am: Prayer Warriors-Parlor 9:30 am: Band Practice 10:00 am: Sunday School 11:00 am: Worship Service 2:30 pm: Band Practice at Bethania 4:00 pm: Jr. High Yth Fellowship 5:00 pm: Sr. High Yth Fellowship 7:00 pm: Palm Sunday Lovefeast	6 7:00 pm: Holy Week Service	7 7:00 pm: Holy Week Service	8 7:00 pm: Holy Week Service 8:00 pm: Choir Practice	9 Maundy Thursday Picnic Pavilion Reserved RHES EC Class Egg Hunt 11:00 AM-2:00 PM 7:00 pm: Communion Service	10 Good Friday 2:15 pm: Crucifixion Service 7:00 pm: Tenebrae Service	11 Church Facilities Reserved 11 AM—5 PM for Easter Egg Hunt Preparations & Clean Up 2-4 pm: Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers thru 5th grade
12 Easter Sunday 12:00 am: Band Assembles 12:30 am: Band Tours Community 4:30 am: Band Joins Bethania Band 6:30 am: Easter Sunrise Service at Bethania Moravian 9:30 am: Prayer Warriors-Parlor 10:00 am: Sunday School 11:00 am: Worship Service	13 Easter Monday Church Office Closed 6:30 pm: Missions/Evang. Comm. Mtg - Library	14 4:30 pm: Youth Choir 6:30 pm: Gemeinschaft - Jr/Sr High Rooms	15 7:30 pm: Choir Practice	16 6:30 pm: Christian Ed. Comm. Mtg - Library	17 Tentative: Jr. High Youth Lock-In	18 Fellowship Hall & CEC Building Reserved All Day Sr. High Youth Talent / NO Talent Show Dress Rehearsal
19 8:00 am: Men's Fell. Breakfast 9:30 am: Prayer Warriors-Parlor 9:30 am: Band Practice 10:00 am: Sunday School 11:00 am: Worship Service 5:15 pm: VBS Info Meeting-Library 6:00 pm: Sr. High Yth Talent / NO Talent Show: Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day	20 May Newsletter Articles Due by Noon Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day for Clothing Sale Set Up 7:00 pm: Circle 2: Parlor 7:00 pm: Circle 3, Hostess:	21 Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day - Clothing Set Up 10:00 am: Circle 1 4:30 pm: Youth Choir 6:30 pm: Bethel Class - Candle Room 6:30 pm: Gemeinschaft Jr/Sr High Rooms	22 Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day for Clothing Sale Set Up 9 am-12 & 4-7 pm: Drop off items for Clothing Sale 7:30 pm: Choir Practice	23 Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day for Clothing Sale Set Up 5-7 pm: Pre-sale for Consigners Only 7:00 pm: Southern Prov. Town Meeting at King Moravian	24 Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day for Clothing Sale Set Up 9 am-6 pm: Spring/Summer Kid's Consignment Sale	25 Fellowship Hall Reserved Until 4:30 PM for Clothing Sale & Clean Up 8 am-1 pm: Spring/Summer Kid's Consignment Sale 3-4 pm: Pick up unsold items
26 9:30 am: Prayer Warriors-Parlor 9:30 am: Band Practice 10:00 am: Sunday School 11:00 am: Worship Service 12:00 pm: Church Council 4:00 pm: Beginner Handbell Pract. 5:00 pm: Sr. High Yth Fellowship 6:00 pm: Handbell Practice	27 7:00 pm: R H Garden Club Meeting-Candle Rm	28 4:30 pm: Youth Choir 6:30 pm: Bethel Class - Candle Room 6:30 pm: Gemeinschaft - Jr/Sr High Rooms	29 7:30 pm: Choir Practice	30		



Please Pray For...

The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results.
(James 5:16)



CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO: Larry Williams in the death of his father, Charles A. Williams, on February 25. Mr. Williams' service was on Saturday, February 28 in Gastonia, NC. Please remember this family in your prayers.

MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH—HOSPITALIZATIONS/SURGERIES/OUTPATIENT PROCEDURES: A.G. Carmichael-being treated for a stomach ulcer; Joe Hoover-continues to recover at home, may return to work part-time after Easter; Vickie Jones-recovering at home from knee replacement surgery; John Lanier-on a kidney transplant list; Keith Perryman-undergoing treatment for a blood clot; Marty Ridge-undergoing chemo treatments; Harold Williams-recovering at home, test results showed he has diabetes.

MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH—LONGTERM ILLNESS: Jerry Essic; Helen Johnson; John Tayloe

MEMBERS—HOME BOUND: Mildred Fulk, Ken Johnson, Sarah McCoy; Jackie Wilson

MEMBERS—RETIREMENT/NURSING CENTERS: Salemtowne: Johanne Stauber-room 311

MEMBERS' FAMILY—HOSPITALIZATIONS/SURGERIES/OUTPATIENT: Mary Bowers (Lori White's mother)-undergoing chemo; John Harrold (Cathy Kippe's son); Elaine Nichols (Judy Tayloe's mother); Helen Patterson (Bill Kiger's sister); Tannie Rutledge (Judy Joyce's mother)-cataract surgery; Rev. Carl Waidlech (John Mikol's uncle); Porter Westmoreland (Carolyn Hodge's brother)-undergoing radiation treatments; Ed Wheeling (Sarah McCoy's brother); Edna Williams (Larry Williams' mother)-recovering at home from a heart attack; Ginger Wozlonis (Tina Taylor's niece)-surgery scheduled for April 13.

MEMBERS' FAMILY—LONG-TERM ILLNESS: Karly Bertram (Kelly Bertram's daughter); David Bost (Susan Hunsucker & Alison Coward's brother); Mandi Collins (Jody Brendle's cousin); Everette Ellington (Kimberly Brendle's grandfather); William Kippe (John Kippe's father); Sam McNinch (Blair Duncan's father); Marena Mikol (John Mikol's mother); Art Patterson (Bill Kiger's brother-in-law); Agnes Sardler (Tina Taylor's mother)-undergoing radiation treatments for brain tumor; Carol Upton (Diane Lanier's sister).

MEMBER'S FAMILY—HOMEBOUND: Jenny Hyatt (Randy Thomas' cousin); Minnie Jenkins (Jan Speas' step-grandmother); Jack Styron (Su Trollinger's uncle); Irene Tucker (Tom Tucker's mother)

MEMBER'S FAMILY—NURSING CENTERS: Harry Carithers (Steve Carithers' father)-Brian Center; Max Cook (Pam Bruce's father)-Wintergreen Assisted Living; Robert Helsabeck (Jim Helsabeck's father)-BrookRidge Retirement Center; Lucille King (Ronye Blackburn, Bunny Phipps' mother)-Oak Forrest; Ann Mikol (John Mikol's grandmother) -Assisted Living Facility; Dorothy Pollard (Pat Terry's mother)-Salemtowne; Agnes Sardler (Tina Taylor's mother)-Universal Care; Helen Shaw (Su Rene Trollinger's mother)-Oak Forrest; Bob Wheeler (Barbara Wheeler's husband)-Oak Forrest.

NON-MEMBERS—HOSPITALIZATIONS/SURGERIES/OUTPATIENT: Vincent Bray (Lisa Burchette)-Baptist Hospital, ICU, injuries due to falling from a ladder; Eva Brigman (Carolyn Kiger)-recovering from colon cancer surgery; Bradley Edwards (Bunny Phipps)-needs kidney transplant; Stephanie Hedrick; McCoy Hill (Susan Thomas)-Baptist Hospital-bone marrow transplant; Mackenzie Lee (Tayloe host parents)-UNCSA student; Dr. John Lee (Mackenzie Lee's father) -hospital with multiple traumas received in head on collision; Bradley Lovings-mass on lung; Vicki Moorefield (Wilson Smith)-dialysis; Harvey Moser (Dorothy Mathews); Marianna Musser's Parents (Appalachian campus minister's wife)-parents were beaten in a home invasion in South Africa; Lucille Myers (Robah Ogburn's aunt); Daniel L. Smith, Sr. (Carolyn Kiger)-heart problems.

NON-MEMBERS—LONG-TERM ILLNESSES: Alexis (student of Blair Duncan)-spinal cord injury; H.M. Anderson-leukemia; Ronnie Banner (Michelle Bennett)-prostate cancer; Richard Chelton; Dawn Fordham (Holly Newsome); Rick Fry; Al Gambill (Sam Ashburn); Jack Garland (Hunter Duncan)-colon cancer; Linda Gates (Belinda Moore) stage 4 pancreatic cancer; Becky Holloway (Randy Thomas); Billie Jean Kerr (Wilson Smith); Shawn Lankford (Pam Bruce)-recently diagnosed with cancer; Kelly Hutcherson Moody; Antonette Papincak (Donna Canella); Jeff Pendry; Sharon Poindexter (Marianne Fay)-cancer; Melinda Ring (Blair Duncan)-breast cancer; Kedron Robertson (Bobby Duncan)-neuroendocrine cancer; Sheila Thacker (Bunny Phipps); Brenda Tucker (Ashburns)-cancer; Mitchell Venable (Verona Hiatt)-cancer; Audra White (Wayne White's wife from Robah Ogburn's Army Reserve unit).

The Great Sabbath Service of Music
Saturday, April 11, 7:00 PM
Home Moravian Church
Salem Square

The Great Sabbath Service of Music, sponsored by Salem Congregation, will be presented at Home Moravian Church on Saturday, April 11 at 7:00 PM. In this service of worship our Moravian Musical Heritage will be presented; Drake Flynt will be the conductor with Mary Louse Peeples as organist.

George Hamilton IV Concerts
"Easter in the Country" at 7:00 PM

Kernersville Moravian Church - Wednesday, April 1
Providence Moravian Church - Friday, April 3

Everyone is cordially invited
to attend one or both of these concerts.

FIRST FRIDAY PRAYER MEETING

April 3 at 7:00 PM

Christ Moravian Church Fellowship Building
919 W. Academy St, Winston-Salem, NC

Roberta Pettit of Home Moravian will share her experience from last summer when she and Anne Geis traveled to Tanzania to attend the Moravian Women's Conference in the Western Province. They also traveled to Moravian areas to discern ways of helping those in Tanzania in personal and national development. Join us for a time of worship, learning, prayer and fellowship.

Yard Sale, Bake Sale, Craft Fest

Providence Moravian Church (929 Old Hollow Rd) will have a yard sale, bake sale, crafts, rent a tables, chicken pies, breakfast (7:30 AM) and lunch (11:00 AM) on Saturday, May 2. The sale will be end at 2:00 PM. Call the church office at 767-8234 to order chicken pies or to rent a table.

Mizpah Moravian Church (3165 Mizpah Church Rd) will have a craft fest to include: chicken pies, baked goods, breakfast and lunch, story telling, face painting, pickin' session (for those who play a string instrument) and over 25 vendors on Saturday, May 2 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Cruise-In to Bethania Moravian Church on Friday, April 17 at 6:00 PM. On the menu: BBQ (food served rain or shine). Door prizes, entertainment, fellowship, food and of course lots of special cars.

Moravian Youth Convo 2009

Since 1957 Moravian Youth across North America have been gathering for worship, learning, fellowship, and bridge-building. Relationships forged at each of these gatherings have been life changing and last forever. The next Convo will take place **July 5-11, 2009** on the campus of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. This Convo will be for youth who have completed grades 9 through 12. The theme is "**Follow Me**" with major presentations made by Rev. John Wallace, pastor of Waconia Moravian Church in Minnesota. The Convo experience will include personal exploration in following Christ, meeting new friends, local mission opportunities, a trip to "the mall," special music and worship. For more information, contact Brad Bennett at the Board of Christian Education (bbennett@mcspe.org) or visit the Convo page of www.moravianboardofce.org.

Wednesday Organ Recitals

The organ recitals will be held at the Old Salem Visitor Center in Winston-Salem and admission is free! Recitals will be at 12 Noon with the following organists: April 1: Weil Sawyer; April 8: Phillip Lamb; April 15: Stephen Gourley; April 22: Christin Baker; April 29: Erica Johnson.

**Laurel Ridge 2009
Summer Camp Schedule**



(for children completing grades 1&2)

Pre-Junior 1: July 5-7; Pre-Junior 2: August 7-9

(for youth completing grades 3-5)

JR 1: June 14-20; JR 2: July 5-11; JR 3: August 9-15

(for youth completing grades 6-8)

Jr High 1: June 21-27; Jr High 2: July 12-18

(for youth completing grades 9-12)

Senior High: July 19-25

Mission Camp Schedule

(for youth completing grades 6-12)

Session 1: June 14-19 Session 3: July 5-10
Session 2: June 28-July 3 Session 4: July 12-17
Session 5: July 26-31

Camp brochures can be found on the website
or on the table by the water fountain.

124 Pendry Drive
Laurel Springs, NC 28644

www.laurelridge.org
1/888-831-5922

See You On The Mountain!

MISSIONS: Richard Badgett Family (friends of Blair Duncan)-White River, Africa; Compassionate Heart International; Crisis Control Ministry; George Goff & Wings of Mercy Ministry; Habitat for Humanity; Hope Pregnancy Care Center; King Outreach Ministry; Oaks Indian Mission; Prison Ministry; Prodigals Community; Samaritan Ministries; Sunnyside Ministry

OTHER CONCERNS: Our Nation and Leaders; Homes and People affected by the recent floods; Rebecca Craver for the sale of her home in Bethlehem; Families of those recently killed in the plane crashes; families affected by the many layoffs and for those looking for work

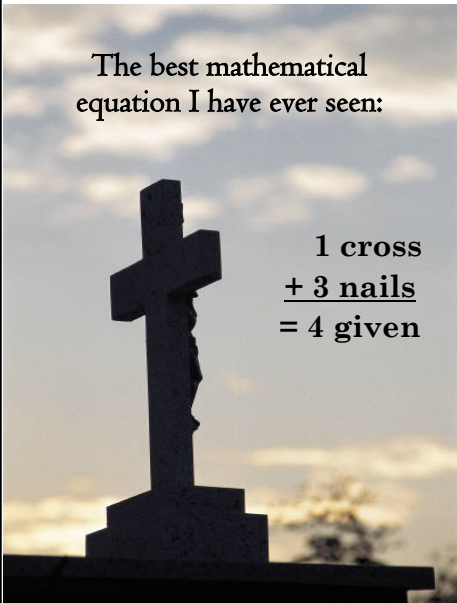
THOSE SERVING IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY: Todd Coates (Kenny Johnson's cousin)-Ft. Bragg; Tyler Essic-National Guard; Matthew Hassler (Maggie Trollinger's friend)-will be deployed to Afghanistan in April; Lucas Medlin (A.G. & Juanita Carmichael's grandson-in-law)-Germany; Bruce Morton (Rob Holby met at Chicago airport)-Army, Bagdadh, Iraq; Grant Trivette (Matella Drum's nephew)-Iraq.

A PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Heavenly Father, please protect our men and women in uniform as they face risks on our behalf. Guide them, strengthen them and draw them to Yourself. Comfort their families at home and speed their return. Bring a peace, which will make the world a better place for all. We thank you, Father, as we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Rural Hall Moravian Church
P.O. Box 487
Rural Hall, NC 27045

The best mathematical
equation I have ever seen:


$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \text{ cross} \\ + 3 \text{ nails} \\ \hline = 4 \text{ given} \end{array}$$

RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED