

## Youth Parents' Meeting: Tonight@6:00pm

All parents of Youth should plan on attending a parents meeting directly after Lifeline tonight from 6:00-6:30. This meeting will be an opportunity to hear all of the things planned for the semester, receive a calendar of events, and ensure that all parents are on the same page with our youth director and leaders! Youth are encouraged to stay for this meeting with their parents.

## High School Winter Retreat Registration Deadline: January 18!

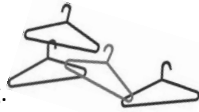
In order to receive the early bird rate of \$60 for the High School Winter Retreat, students must be registered and paid for by Tuesday, January 18. Forms are available with Kevin Johnson, and on the youth section of the website. The retreat, *Something More*, will be held at Camp Don Lee Feb. 18-20. After this early bird registration, the cost jumps up to \$110 until January 30. Get signed up for this unforgettable weekend!

## Clothing Closet

**Help is Needed:** Volunteers are needed on Thursday and Friday to set up for Saturday morning. (2/3 Thurs. 6 pm & 2/4 Fri. 8:30am)

Please contact Tara Critcher at 744-1520

**The Giveaway:** Saturday 2/5/11 from 8:00am to noon!



## There Is Good News!

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Do you know that God has given you everything you need to live a godly life?

*By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. 2 Peter 1:3-4 (NLT)*

Do you know there are Stephen Ministers waiting to walk with you in your time of need?

Susanne Young	552-7503	Polly Sheets	552-5035
Bob Sorrels	552-0505	Thearon Willis	820-1845
Mel Cade 557-4347			



## TVR Family Retreat-March 11th-13th



For years, FVUMC families have enjoyed a weekend away in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains at the annual TVR Family Retreat. This time is perfect for reconnecting with the members of your family and other families at FVUMC. From Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, enjoy worship, games, hayrides, campfires and lots of laughs.

This year's retreat will be March 11-13. The cost is based on three days and two nights. A couple is \$180.00; family of three - \$220.00; and a family of four - \$260.00. Each additional child is \$40 for the weekend. The cost covers all meals, lodging and activities.

TVR is a non-denominational Christian camp located in Plumtree, NC. You can read more about TVR and see pictures of the camp and activities on their website -- [www.tvr.org](http://www.tvr.org). For more information or questions, contact Tammie Quick at [tlquick@gmail.com](mailto:tlquick@gmail.com) or 557-2131. Registration forms are on the table outside the church office.

## January Book Club

*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind:  
Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope*

by William Kamkwamba (William Morrow, 2009)

American readers will have their imaginations challenged by 14-year-old Kamkwamba's description of life in Malawi, a famine-stricken, land-locked nation in southern Africa.

To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, January 21st, contact Judy Casper at [jacasper@earthlink.net](mailto:jacasper@earthlink.net) or Matilda Storm at [matildastorm@embarqmail.com](mailto:matildastorm@embarqmail.com).



## January Food Collection!

The F-V Emergency Food Pantry food of the month is **Rice & Dried Beans**. A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations.

Please, no glass containers



## Christmas Cantata Music Offer!

*God Coming Down*, a praise and worship Christmas Cantata featuring FVUMC's Mixed Choirs, Instruments of Praise, & Kidz NPraise Children's Choirs are available NOW on CD and available for \$10.

## New for FVUMC!

In order to keep every one safe while here at FVUMC, there will soon be speed humps installed in the parking lot. After researching a variety of solutions and options to deter speeding on property, the Trustees have decided on this option.

Fuquay-Varina UMC

# Weekly Times

January 16, 2011

## Human Relations Day

### A Churchwide Special Sunday of the UMC

Changing the World, One Life at a Time by strengthening outreach to communities in the United States and Puerto Rico; Encouraging social justice and work with at-risk-youth. Through programs including the Community Developers Program, United Methodist Voluntary Services programs, and Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs, your extra mile of giving helps caring ministries continue. These outreach programs provide services such as childcare, after school tutoring, gang intervention, work with community food pantry programs and much more. Please use the special envelope in today's bulletin, checks can be made to FVUMC with Human Relations Day noted on your check.

## Safe Sanctuaries Training - TODAY!

**Who:** Anyone who is volunteering or would like to volunteer with children or youth, once you have been trained it is good for 5 years.

**When:** TODAY after the 9:30 or 10:50 service

**Where:** Conference room

**What:** The purpose of this training is to make FVUMC a safe place for all children, staff and volunteers. Denise Frie will be going over our Safe Sanctuary policies and procedures, taking pictures for ID badges, and collecting paperwork to run a background check.



## LifeLine Kick-Off: TODAY @ 4:30

LifeLine kicks off with a new theme: *What's the Story?*

Come and join us as we fellowship together, worship our God, and grow in faith! Don't miss it! Feel free to contact Kevin Johnson at [kjohnson@fvumc.org](mailto:kjohnson@fvumc.org). or 552-4331 ext 103.



## Join the FV Community Walk & Worship

Tomorrow, 1/17, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, begin at 8:15 am @ Lincoln Heights Elem. School & walk to First UMC to have breakfast, and worship at 10:00 together. FVUMC will help prepare the breakfast, contact Debbi DeMaris for more information - [ddemaris@fvumc.org](mailto:ddemaris@fvumc.org) or 552.4331.



The Church Office will be closed - Monday 1/17 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day

## Music Opportunities!

### ***The Men and Women Ensembles***

is a choral group for those on a tight schedule! The group will meet for three rehearsals on Wednesday evenings, 8:15 – 9:00 pm, and then sing for worship. This ensemble offers an opportunity to sing with a choir WITHOUT the long term commitment! The group is open to ALL (adults & youth)—previous experience is not required!

**Men's Ensemble:** Rehearsal on Jan. 19 at 8:15 – 9:00 pm and will sing in worship on Sunday, Jan. 23 at the 9:30 & 10:50 services.

**Women's Ensemble:** Rehearsals on Wed. Jan. 26, Feb. 2 & Feb. 9, at 8:15 – 9:00 pm and will sing in worship on Sunday, Feb.13 at the 9:30 and 10:50 services.

For more information, contact Jennifer Harrenstein ([jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org)) or Felicia Wermke ([fwermke@fvumc.org](mailto:fwermke@fvumc.org)) at 552 – 4331.



### ***Join the Choir!***

There are several options for choral singing at FVUMC, and previous experience is not required!

**The Praise Choir** sings for the 9:30 am service and rehearses Thursday nights, 7:00 – 8:00 pm!

**The Worship Choir** sings for the 10:50 am service and rehearses Wednesday nights, 7:00 – 8:30 pm! (with childcare provided!)

All are welcome and all voice parts are needed! If God has blessed you with the gift of singing, it is time to join the choir! If you've never sung in a choir before but think it might be fun, it's time to join the choir! No need to make a "reservation"—just show up and join the fun! Questions? Contact Jennifer Harrenstein at [jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org) or 552 – 4331 ext. 105.

### ***Beginner Handbell & Music Theory Class***

Ever thought you might like to try ringing handbells? Here's your chance! Come for a 6-week Beginner Handbell Class on SUNDAYS, 3:00 – 4:00 pm, beginning January 23 through February 27. The class is open to adults and youth interested in learning the basics of handbell ringing and music theory. No performances will be associated with this class... this is simply an opportunity to come and learn! To sign up and reserve your spot, contact Jennifer Harrenstein at [jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org) or 552 – 4331 ext. 105.

## PrimeTimers...Happy New Year!

**Tuesday Jan. 18 at 10:00am**

We will play bingo and have prizes!

We will learn about a new way we will plan PrimeTimers events.

Please bring a dish for a potluck lunch.

Drinks, plates, cups & silverware are provided.

**Reminder:** If the Wake county schools are closed, then PrimeTimers events are cancelled that day. Call Debbie Corr (557-7437) with questions, suggestions or transportation needs.



## More Opportunities for Adults at 10:50!

*Start Becoming a Good Samaritan*

by Michael R. Seaton



**Description:** "What does it take to "love your neighbor" in a global community? This study is will help Christians live out Christ's love in world-changing ways right where they live. Explore the most pressing issues of our time-then start actually doing something about them. Time to get out of the pews and into the streets where, as the hands and feet of Christ, you will live out the gospel, positively impacting those suffering from poverty, social injustice, pandemic diseases, and more.

6 sessions

Hosted by the Pura Vida SS Class

Room 117/119 @ 10:50 am *Begins TODAY!*

*This We Believe-The Core of Wesleyan Faith and Practice*

By Bishop William H. Willimon

**Description:** For John Wesley, the Bible is the joyfully consistent testimony of God's never-ending grace and ever-seeking love. Likewise, studying the Bible is more than merely knowing what Scripture says; it is also about living every day as a child of God. Beginning with the Core Terms found in *The Wesley Study Bible* Bishop Willimon systematically lays out key Wesleyan tenants of faith so that you will have a fresh way to hear God's voice, share in God's grace and become more like Jesus Christ. 8 sessions

Hosted by the Seekers SS Class

Room 123 @ 10:50 am *Pick up your books TODAY! Study begins 1/24.*

## New Women's Studies Sunday Evenings

*Becoming the Woman God Wants Me to Be: A 90-Day Guide to Living the Proverbs 31 Life* by Donna Partow

Facilitator: Andee Thompson at [abthompson@nc.rr.com](mailto:abthompson@nc.rr.com)

Room 124 @ 4:30-6:00pm *Begins TODAY!*



## Discovery Weekend Prayer Service Needs You!

Discovery Weekend (Jan. 28-30th) at FVUMC

Will have 70 middle school and high school youth participating! The Theme of the weekend is 'Discovering God's Love Through the Church,' and each member of the congregation has the privileged opportunity to show God's love for our youth by participating in a Prayer service Saturday evening at 6:30 PM. In the second chapter of Acts, scripture tells us that the fellowship of believers 'devoted themselves to prayer' (Acts 2: 42). In that spirit, the Discovery Planning Team asks that you begin praying immediately for what God has in store for our youth that weekend, and that you make every effort to be present at Saturday evening's prayer service. You will be blessed!



## Youth Music Opportunities for 2011

Hey Youth! Are you wanting to find a way to share your musical gifts with the family here at FVUMC? Start off the new year with becoming involved with one or two Youth music ensembles. The **Youth Choir** is re-forming, and will be rehearsing on Sunday afternoons, 3:30-4:30 *beginning TODAY!* Come join us and then stay for Lifeline! We will be offering a **Youth Handbell Choir** this year, and will be rehearsing on Wednesday evenings, 6:00-7:00. No experience is necessary to become part of either of these ensembles. We have some great events planned for both of these groups! Rehearsals begin the week of January 16th. If interested, please contact Felicia Wermke, Associate Director of Music Ministries at [FWermke@fvumc.org](mailto:FWermke@fvumc.org)

## JOIN 'Walk the Walk' Group!



Are you looking for a way to EXERCISE and have a support group to help you succeed? Then why not come out and join the WALK THE WALK group at 9:30am each Mon. & Wed. in the Centrum. We start out with fellowship and prayer. Then we go into a slow and easy stretching and upper and lower body strength exercises to each person's limits. We then close by walking as a group around the Centrum and the halls of the CHURCH.

## Altar Flowers

Please use the sign-up board in the lobby to honor someone you love by sponsoring Altar Flowers for the morning worship services. Contact the church office for more information.

