

**Chamblee First United Methodist Church** 

**June 2016** 

# CHAMBLEE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WOMEN'S RETREAT FUNDRAISER PAINTING PARTY

Sunday, August 14, 2-5 pm \$35 per person Fellowship Hall



Step-by-step Painting Instructions

All supplies provided

RSVP by August 10 to Jennifer Teahan 770-316-2009 or jentea74@hotmail.com

Checks of \$35 payable to Sami Glisson or Cash (\$10 per person will go to offset Women's Retreat costs)

WEAR AN OLD SHIRT OR SMOCK

Space is Limited

No Artistic Ability Needed

#### Upcoming Events

Aug 14—Paint Party

Sep 23 - Sep 25—Women's Retreat

Nov 16-Bake Sale

Dec 6—UMW General Meeting

2017—Details coming soon about the Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet

#### 2016 Chamblee UMW Board

President Leslie Mottern Vice President Jennifer Teahan Secretary Becky Veal Treasurer **Debbie Healy** Nominating Marie Glover & Committee Belinda Day-Owenby Historian Liz Williams Newsletter Susan Montgomery Education & Susan Matlick

Interpretation

Social Action Becky Bennett

## UMW Collects Items for At-Risk Youth

The Atlanta Roswell (AROS) District's Social Action project for 2016 is a focus on human trafficking. We will be creating hygiene kits for at-risk youth. Please collect these items in a gallon zip lock bag: washcloth, regular size toothpaste, toothbrush in original container, lip balm, deodorant, one pair socks.

The kits will be turned in at the district gathering on November 12. They will be given to Covenant House for distribution to at-risk youth. Monetary gifts will be accepted.



## Circle Highlights

Chamblee First offers four active circles for women of all ages and stages of life. The goal is to connect women with other believers that can grow together spiritually and support one another in their walks through life.

#### Alma North

Our April Meeting was hosted by Dana Jenkins and Mary Ruth Kearney. Our May unbirthday meeting was a cookout at Becky Craven's home. Rev. Lavonia Winford, Pastor of Students and Families, was our guest and shared with us about the youth mission trip. We gave Lavonia a check for \$350 for the youth summer mission trip to Hinton. We do not have summer programs but will meet at a restaurant in June, July and August just to keep in touch.

For other mission needs, we donated \$200 to one of our members to purchase items for a young man who is staying with her, \$200 for shampoo and conditioner and other toiletries for the Children's Home, and \$100 to Malachi for their June school supply drive. We donated two big boxes of small shampoos and conditioners for the district social action project in support of human trafficking victims.

We would love to have you visit with us and/or become a member. Our #1 goal is to serve God with our capabilities, offering fun, fellowship and faith. Our meetings are the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. We meet at either a member's home, the church, or a restaurant. For more information, contact Becky Craven at 770-457-3834 or rmcraven@bellsouth.net.

## United Methodist Women—Faith, Hope, Love in Action

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

## Circle Highlights (continued)

### Fannie Tapp

March found our Circle at the home of Betty Jean Spann, who had decorated with special touches of Easter. Ann Hammond presented the program on "Joyful Hunger Pangs," which included discussions of having and sharing joy and hungering for righteousness. We were delighted to have Fran Gray with us as our newest member.



April led us back to Ann Hammond's home. Teri McCann served as a co-hostess, providing some of the food. Our program was entitled "The Face of Peace." Our discussions centered on Jesus' words, "blessed are the peacemakers," and also how we can be peacemakers in our lives and through our mission giving in both actions and monetary giving.

We served at the Community Kitchen in April, temporarily located at Fort Street UMC. We had eight ladies (Circle members and friends) to go and serve about 50 persons, plus an additional

four ladies who provided food along with seven of the servers. Our next visit to the Community Kitchen will be on September 23, when it should be back at Grace UMC.

May brought us to Brookdale, where three of our members live. Carolyn Chaplin arranged for a delicious food assortment, and the hospitality was outstanding. We were delighted to have new CFUMC member, Mary Beth Kwenda, as a visitor.

Comings and goings--We are sad to be losing two very important ladies in our Fannie Tapp family. Joyce Hunt, who has been a strong supporter for our Community Kitchen ministry by providing food and being a server, has moved to South Carolina with her husband, Norm, who is retiring. We are sorry that Teri McCann will be moving moving to Arkansas this summer with her husband, Pat, who is retiring. Teri has been a very strong supporter of our Community Kitchen ministry, providing food and/ or serving the entire time she has been an invaluable Circle member. Teri served as our Treasurer for several years. We are thankful that Marcia Myers has agreed to take over as Treasurer.

As for other mission projects, we have collected toiletry items to create twenty packets for the Atlanta/Roswell District UMW social action project. These items will be given to Covenant House for women who have been rescued from human trafficking situations. We are saving other toiletry items for Tapestri, another organization helping women and girls rescued from human trafficking.

Our Circle will take a break during the summer months. When we begin meeting again in September, our meetings will begin at 10 a.m. rather than 9:30 a.m. Our meeting on September 13 will be at the home of Donna Fessenden. The Fannie Tapp Circle welcomes new members of all ages. If you are looking for a daytime Circle, call Chairperson Ann Hammond at 770-452-7259 or <a href="https://links.com/l

## Circle Highlights (continued)

#### Jessie Wallace

At our March meeting, Fran Scott presented a program about the Legacy of the UMW. It is a concern that the younger women do not have enough interest in UMW to carry the legacy forward. Let's hope and pray that UMW will continue to grow.

Leslie Mottern visited our circle in April and spoke about the "Thank Boxes." She made a box (actually a can) for each of us to collect our loose change. The money collected is used to support women, children and youth throughout the World.

May was our "unbirthday" party. At this time we celebrate the birthday of each of our members. We had a salad dinner - YUMMY! Sheila Wilder was our guest. We hope she will come back and join in the fellowship of the Jessie Wallace Circle. Welcome Sheila!!

The Jessie Wallace Circle has continued with our project of collecting baby diapers for the Malachi House. The diapers are distributed to mothers who cannot afford to purchase diapers for their little ones. During the past three months, we have collected about 3600 diapers.

At our May meeting, we all made a contribution towards purchasing diapers for the summer months when we do not meet. Thanks Marsha Jones for doing our shopping.

The Jessie Wallace Circle meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, except June, July and August. We meet in the homes of our members at 7 p.m. and welcome all new members. If you are interested, please contact Fran Scott at 770-457-3344 or franscott40@gmail.com.



## We are 150 years young!

**United Methodist Women** is celebrating 150 years of love through the Legacy Fund. You are invited to join the party that continues to 2019.

United Methodist Women began in 1869, so consider donating in increments of \$18.69 or \$150. We are ensuring our beloved United Methodist Women stays vibrant for another 150 years.

Send a check to:

United Methodist Women 475 Riverside Drive 15th Floor-Finance New York, NY 10115

Make your check payable to United Methodist Women and note project #3001147 the Legacy Fund on the memo line. Or visit <a href="https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund">www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund</a> to give online.



Looking for a good book to read? Recommended by the United Methodist Women's Reading Program, *The White Umbrella: Walking with Survivors of Sex Trafficking* by Mary Frances Bowley tells stories of survivors as well as those who came alongside to help them to recovery. It describes the pain and the strength of these young women and those who held the "white umbrella" of protection and purity over them on the road to restoration.

This book offers principles and guidance to anyone with a heart for these hurting young women and a desire to help. It is an ideal resource for individuals or organizations seeking to learn what they can do to assist these victims in becoming whole again.

## Circle Highlights (continued)

## Circle of Friendship

Our March meeting was held at the home of Margaret Sanchez, who provided a delicious chicken salad meal. Margaret gave the Devotional on the feeding of the 500. Jennifer Teahan showed clips from a movie Experimenter. We discussed the moral issue of whether or not we would follow authority even if we believed it was wrong to do as they say.

The April 12 meeting was held at the home of Belinda Day-Owenby. Thanks to Belinda for the homemade ham and turkey sandwiches and salad. Jennifer Teahan gave the Devotional on spring cleanup of our hearts based on Psalms 51:10. Susan Montgomery led the program on Courage.

Our May meeting was held at the home of Cheryl Atkins. She and Jim provided a marvelous feast. Jim grilled several kinds of meat including whole little quail. We ate outside on the patio surrounded by their beautiful garden. It was a lovely evening and everyone felt peace in the quiet and beauty of the evening. Cheryl gave the Devotional and then a program concerning the finances of the church and just how much it takes to operate our church. It was very interesting and eye opening to many.

We are collecting items for the district social action project to make hygiene kits for at-risk youth, bringing one item each month. We have collected washcloths and full-sized toothbrushes. We will bring full-sized toothpaste in August.

We served taco dinner to over 60 people at Hope Lodge on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Hope Lodge is a group home where cancer patients and their caregivers can stay while receiving treatments.

Instead of a meeting in June and July, we do a service project each month to keep in touch and continue our community outreach.

- On June 18, we are sponsoring the Murphy-Harpst Children's Center birthday party. We will
  purchase a gift and favorite candy for each of the children celebrating a birthday in June, and
  provide cake, ice cream, drinks and games. Everyone in the Circle gets involved in some way,
  either contributing items or driving up to Cedartown to set up the party. Many thanks to Sara
  White for coordinating this mission outreach.
- On July 12, we will be making sandwich lunches for the Action Ministries Smart Lunch Smart Kid program. Action Ministries partners with the United Way over the summer months to serve over 1 million children in Georgia who receive free or reduced-price lunch at school. Thanks to Jennifer Teahan for coordinating with Action Ministries and delivering the lunches to them.

Our August meeting will be held at the home of Susan Montgomery and will be our business meeting to outline plans for the coming year. We will bring full-sized toothpaste for the district social action project. And we will again serve taco dinner to cancer patients and their caregivers at Hope Lodge on Monday, August 22.

Circle of Friendship meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in a member's home. If you would like more information about our Circle, please contact Susan Montgomery at 404-680-6156 or <a href="mailto:shmonty@comcast.net">shmonty@comcast.net</a>.

