



# The Messenger

A PUBLICATION OF CARROLLTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## PRAY FOR OUR SCHOOLS

This Sunday, Aug. 9  
4 p.m.

With the onset of our new school year, CFUMC is holding its annual "Pray for Our Schools," to pray for students, teachers, and parents to have a blessed school year.



We will meet at Carrollton Middle School and travel to schools in the Carrollton City School System, Central schools, and the University of West Georgia.



Thanks to CFUMC's support, the school at Los Playones, Nicaragua has started renovation inside the classroom. Shown above is painting being done in one of the classrooms that is being refurbished.

### Administrative Council: Budget Cuts Likely This Year

Finance Committee Chair Leland Gustafson reported at Monday night's Administrative Council meeting that cuts will very likely be necessary in this year's budget. This year's budget was an increase over last year's by about \$100,000, during an economic downturn, but our pledges and giving have remained about the same. "People are still giving, but not increasing," says Gustafson. He cited the current economic situation as the main culprit in the situation, as well as lack of growth in church membership. The Finance Committee will meet next week to determine "how we can trim a little," says Gustafson. Gustafson met with the church staff Monday morning to make them aware that cuts are probable and to see where in their programming budgets that cuts could be made. Church Treasurer Paul Penland said that the Finance Committee is taking a proactive approach on our financial situation and that we are "cautiously optimistic." The church has surplus money available and if we didn't make the budget we would still be o.k., says Gustafson, but we can't always depend on that surplus. "If we continue the way we're going (giving patterns), we will be about \$90,000 behind in this year's budget. However, with the surplus we would be o.k., but we can't keep going like this," says Gustafson. "We are a very stable church and will continue to be so." The committee was commended on their hard work.

Despite the financial woes, church programming remains strong in all areas as reports from the children's ministry, youth ministry, music ministry, and missions were given.

## Intercessory Prayer

Kristi Simpson • Syble Gilley • Buck Chavies • Frank Ledbetter  
Drew Fowlkes  
June McCall • Josh Waldrep • Harvey Copeland  
Jan Adams • Bob Sharpless • John Trawick • Carolyn Mason  
Kitty Kaylor • Dixie Satterfield • Mildred Lambert  
Susan Logan • Audrey Albright • Clara Norton, staff member  
Tanya Ferguson, friend of the Shunn family  
Jason Cates, friend of Kerri Ledbetter  
Sandra Crabb, sister of Vi Carr  
Charlotte Addison, friend of Brooke Mobley  
Marla Shettles, friend of Tom & Idys Overton  
Mary McGinness, mother-in-law of Merrell Hubbard McGinness  
Peggy Campbell, sister of Paula Swinson  
Sparky Lawrence, mother of Suzanne Chandler  
Josh Chapman, brother-in-law of Kristi and Ben Garrett  
Mark Ellis • Shirley Simon, Don McEachin's sister  
Betty Loftin, mother of Theresa Davis  
Abe Hulsey, friend of Mark Barnes • Mother of Sara Parker  
Ashley Turner, family friend of Mark Barnes • Danielle Huff, cousin of John Cook  
Frank Satterfield • Allen Payton, son of Eva Haynes  
Russ Sharp, friend of Dan Minish and others  
*Our heartfelt Christian sympathy* is extended to Bill Rhodes and family in the death of his mother, Rev. Jane Guthrie Rhodes, July 25, in Decatur.

Rev. Eddie Herring, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Karla Oroszko, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Greg Cochran, Youth Minister  
Rev. Mark Barnes, Music Minister  
Rev. John Cuenas, Hispanic Minister  
Ernestine Maddox, Administrator

Angie Chesser, Financial Secretary  
Pat Reynolds, Communications Manager  
Diane Albright, Director of Nursery Ministries  
Tony and Cheryl Childers, Organist/Pianist  
Christopher Thurman, Facilities Manager  
Clara Norton, Eva Haynes Custodians  
Dr. Dean Milford, Minister to Adults

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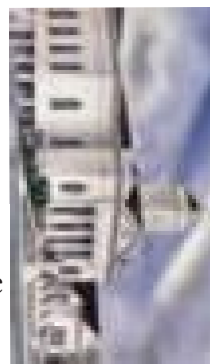
### Thank you Chris!

Carrollton First United Methodist Church has been blessed to have had Chris Fuller on our church staff. He has been an important part of our youth program, music program, and technology program of our church. Chris has accepted a band/music director job with a Christian school in Fayette County. We hate to lose Chris, but this is a great opportunity for him. This Sunday, Aug. 9, we will show our love and appreciation for Chris. At each service, we will take up a love offering for him. We hope you will give to this offering to show how much we love Chris.

Thank you, Chris, for all you have done. We will miss you but we wish you the very best. May God richly bless and use Chris for His glory.

See you at church Sunday, share Jesuys, tell Chris how much you appreciate him, and have a great week!

Eddie



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## Announcements

### ACOLYTE TRAINING

If you are in the 5th or 6th grade and would like to be an acolyte, there will be a training session in the Sanctuary, Sunday, Aug. 9, at 12:15 p.m.

### BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be at the InZone, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

### NEEDLEWORK MINISTRY

Needlework Ministries is a group that works independently on projects for the community. We knit, crochet and sew items for newborn babies and their mothers, elderly in nursing homes, cancer patients, as well as school children. If you would like to be a part of this ministry or would like to learn how to knit or crochet so that you can join this ministry, please contact Connie Smiley at 770 830-8550 or cksmiley65@yahoo.com Subject: Needlework Ministry.

### APOSTLES BUILD

Habitat for Humanity has rescheduled its "Apostle's Build" to build a home for a single mother with two children in our Habitat Village on Eastern Ave., Carrollton. The build begins **Saturday, Aug. 22**. Information and sign-up is available in the first floor hallway across from the nursery.

### WESLEY FOUNDATION WORK DAY

Volunteers are needed for a workday at the Wesley Foundation this Saturday, 8:30 a.m. until it gets too hot! Work will include yardwork, light painting, caulking, general cleaning, etc. Water and Gatorade are provided. Please bring yard tools.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### Church Charge Conference

Monday, Sept. 28  
7 p.m.

Sanctuary

We will be joined by Moores Chapel, St. Andrews, New Hope Carrollton, and Mt. Zion UMCs.

## This Sunday at CFUMC

Aug. 9, 2009

**9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service**  
Sanctuary

**Sermon:** "Eating Our Fill"  
John 6: 24 - 35  
Rev. Karla Otroszko

**11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service**  
Fellowship Hall

**Sermon:** The Names of God Part 6  
"Jehovah Shalom - The Lord is Peace"  
Judges 6: 1-24

Praise and Worship Music by Crosswalk

**11 a.m. Hispanic Worship Service**  
Chapel  
Rev. John Cuentas, preaching

## Promotion Sunday this Week

This Sunday is Promotion Sunday for children and youth Sunday School classes. All children (except 3-year-olds) should meet in the Sanctuary at 9:45 for assembly. Three-year-olds should go directly to their room. Below is a list of classes and meeting places:

<b>3-year-olds</b>	rm. 3	<b>6th grade</b>	InZone Bldg. (front)
<b>Pre-K</b>	rm. 2	<b>7th grade</b>	InZone Bldg.
<b>Kindergarten</b>	rm. 5	<b>8th grade</b>	Solid Rock downstairs
<b>1st grade</b>	rm. 4	<b>9th grade</b>	InZone Bldg. (back)
<b>2nd grade</b>	rm. 6	<b>10th grade</b>	Solid Rock downstairs
<b>3rd grade</b>	rm. 10	<b>11th grade</b>	Solid Rock
<b>4th grade</b>	rm. 12	<b>12th grade</b>	Solid Rock downstairs
<b>5th grade</b>	rm. 12		

## Celebrate Camp Meeting Month

with

## Dinner on the Grounds

Sunday, Aug. 30

Fellowship Hall

following the 11:00 Combined Service

The church will provide chicken, drinks, paper products

Please bring a side dish to the church kitchen when you come to church that Sunday.

### July 28 - Aug. 3, 2009

Weekly Revenue Needed	\$ 20,000.00
Weekly Revenue Received	24,929.00

### Our Positive Witness

#### Aug. 2, 2009

Worship: 430

9 am - 47; 11 am Contemporary - 228;

11 am Traditional - 127; Nursery - 28;

Hispanic - 33;

**Sunday School** - 10 am - 281;

11 am - 12

YTD Revenue Needed	649,368.00
YTD Revenue Received	577,732.76

Designated Funds:

Benevolence Committee Memorial

Horace Carden	50.00
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Bus Fund Memorial: Hope Gibson	50.00
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Memorial: Howard Taylor	50.00
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Missions	25.00
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Hispanic Ministry	20.00
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Young Adult Ministry Conference	375.00
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Good Samaritan Fund	812.75
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Adventuring Min. Cape Cod Trip	2,175.00
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## Serving This Week

### 9 am

**Ushers:** Jim Carr, Harlan Carroll, Zonna Lanier, Nancy Tunnell

**Greeters:** Merrell & Sandra Law, Dan & Sue McBrayer

### 11:00 am Contemporary

**Ushers:** Dan Minish, George Ward, Ben Garrett, Tom Glanton, Jim Reynolds, Bruce Sener

**Greeters:** William Traylor, Libby Thomasson, Charlotte Shackelford

### 11:00 am Traditional

**Ushers:** Paul Simpson, James Crews, David Miceli, Chuck Conerly, Gerald Pilgrim, John Trawick, Rusty Batch, Jay Trawick

**Greeters:** Glenda Banks, Betty Garrett, Lori Harris

**Front Porch Visitation** - Angie Cook & Joan Jones

## This Week at CFUMC

### Sunday, Aug. 9

9 am - Traditional Worship Sanctuary

10 am - Church School

11 am - Contemporary Worship,  
Fellowship Hall

11 am - Traditional Worship Sanctuary

11 am - Hispanic Worship, Chapel

12:15 pm - Acolyte Training, Sanctuary

### Monday, Aug. 10

7 pm - Boy Scouts, InZone

### Tuesday, Aug. 11

12:30 - 5:30 pm - Red Cross Blood Drive, InZone

### Wednesday, Aug. 12

6 pm - Combined Youth Activities,  
Solid Rock Cafe'