

# St. John's Visitor

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**NEAL REYNOLDS** will be our guest speaker on Sunday, January 13. He and his wife, Jan, have been active members of Roswell United Methodist Church for 25 years. Neal has served as Lay Leader, Chairman of the Pastor Parish Relations, Administrative Board, Stewardship, Finance and Building Committees of his church. He will be sharing a testimony about the dramatic impact their first Global Impact Celebration had on the life of Roswell UMC.

## Perspectives Experience on Missions

On January 19, David Sherbrooke, one of the missionaries visiting St. John's for our GIC, will lead a workshop hosted by Millbrook Baptist Church called *Perspectives Experience*. Participants will get a glimpse of *Perspectives on the Christian World Movement* ([www.perspectives.org](http://www.perspectives.org)), a 15-week course that will be offered in the CSRA starting August, 2008. The one day workshop is an interactive experience that will encourage participation in missions and enrollment in the *Perspectives* course next summer. It will be held on Saturday, January 19, from 9:00 am-4:00 pm. The cost, which includes lunch and materials, is \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Pre-register by sending your name, address, city, state, zip, phone and e-mail address along with a check for \$8 made payable to Millbrook Baptist Church, Attn: Susan Overman, 176 East Pine Log Rd., Aiken SC, 29803. Call or e-mail Jan Gilbert at 646-0451 (cell) or [jan.gilbert@stjohns-umc.org](mailto:jan.gilbert@stjohns-umc.org) with questions.

## Church Council - 2008

**Chairperson** - Virgil Sauls

**Vice-Chairperson** - Dennis Fish

**Recording Secretary** - Tom McCollum

### Members at Large

#### Class of 2008

Jim Bodie  
Frankie Lambright  
Tom McCollum  
Leigh Norton  
Virgil Sauls  
Bud Zobel

#### Class of 2009

Vicki Carlberg  
Darby Copeland  
Rick Endler  
Doris Hoffman  
Gail Marine  
Nancy Perrine

**Lay Leader** - Ron Jernigan

### Lay Members, Annual Conference

Lamar & Vera Keisler, Donna Walker  
Chuck & Hazel Tatman

### Reserve Members, Annual Conf

Rick/Linda Endler, Archie/Kathy Hargett  
Catherine Stapleton Nance

#### Class of 2010

Linda Calhoun  
Barry Clayton  
Rosalind Crenshaw  
Dennis Fish  
Tommy Grier  
Van Smith

**Treasurer** - Mae Croft

### Assistant Treasurers

Trent Arnold  
Jan Boore  
Ray Hydrick

### Presidents

UMW - Mary Lou Wallace  
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UMYF Reps - David Hallman &  
Rebecca Osteen

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Pastor Parish - Al Snell  
Stewardship - Paul Rideout  
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Education - Beth Eberhard  
Evangelism - Jim Holly  
Family Life Council - Judy Jernigan  
GOLT - Michael Norton  
Worship Planning - Diane Miniard

### Program Staff Relating to Council

Minister (Voting member) - George Howle  
Staff & Planning - Harry Sampson  
Music Ministries - Catherine Stapleton Nance  
Preschool/MDO - Michelle Pearson  
Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Kosky

Missions Coordinator - Jan Gilbert  
Youth Ministries - Gene Aiken  
Ministerial Intern - Walter Cantwell  
Adult/Senior Ministries - Nancy Reed  
Children's Ministries - Michelle Brown

**January 13, 2008**

First Sunday after Epiphany - Baptism of Our Lord

**Message by Neal Reynolds, Roswell UMC**

**Louis Playford, Guest Organist**

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

Meetings to Note

Thursday, January 10

9:30am Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm Overeaters Anonymous

Sunday, January 13

8:15am Coffee House  
2:00pm Orangeburg Dist Lay Speakers  
3:00pm Eagle Court of Honor  
4:30pm Men's Praise Choir  
5:00pm Family Life Council  
6:00pm Sunday Night Youth  
6:00pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00pm Christian Believer Bible Study

Monday, January 14

7:00pm Pastor Parish Committee  
7:00pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, January 15

2:00pm Altar Guild Meeting  
7:00pm Evangelism Committee

Wednesday, January 16

9:30am Quilting/Prayer Shawl Groups  
9:30am TF Bible Study  
4:00pm Grief Share Group  
5:00pm Fellowship Supper  
7:00pm Covenant Prayer Group  
7:00pm Women's/Men's Bible Study

Serving This Week

**Crucifer** - David Hallman  
**Acolytes** - Sydney Beckner, Collin Ray  
**Altar Guild** - Pat Crawley, Fratie Hardigree, Selona Murph, Nancy Vernon  
**Crib Rm** (11:00 a.m.) - Allison Beatty  
**Toddlers** - Charity Leigh  
**2-3 Yr Nursery** - Kathy Samaha  
**3-4 Yr Nursery** - Barbie Heath  
**Greeters 8:45** - Tom & Pam McCollum, Bobby & Phyllis Coker  
**Sunday School Greeter** - Diane James  
**Greeters 11:00** - Keith & Julie Polk, Mary Gardner, Shirley Powell, Monnie Pitts  
**Sunday AM Host (January 13)**  
*John McMurtrie, II*  
**Evening Hosts**  
Sunday (Jan 13) - George Bodkin  
Monday - Gene Usher  
Tuesday - Jim Fuqua  
Wednesday - Dan Fabrick  
Thursday - Eric Randall  
Friday - George Kelley  
Saturday - Charlie Neill

Attendance

Christmas Eve  
5:00 pm 526  
11:00 pm 476  
January 6  
8:45 206  
11:00 509  
SS 359

**SPECIAL BIRTHDAY:** Marie Priester celebrated 90 years on December 10.

**NEW ARRIVALS:** Ella Dailey Jernigan, daughter of Drew & Amy Jernigan, granddaughter of Ron & Judy Jernigan, and great-granddaughter of Malcolm & Jewel Dailey, was born December 17 in Aiken.

Jillian Summer Nation, daughter of Jeff & Marla Nation, was born in Aiken Dec. 19.

Luke Eugene Collins, son of Jennifer & Jason Collins and grandson of LuAnn Phillips, was born December 30 in Atlanta.

**BAPTISMS:** Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on December 23 was Craig Richard Borges, son of Richard & Kimberly Borges of Westland, MI, and grandson of Bill & Judy Sanders.

Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on December 30 was Phoebe Elizabeth Hiner, daughter of Eric & Melissa Hiner.

Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on January 6 was Campbell Inez Crain, daughter of Scott & Teresa Crain and granddaughter of Berry & Diane Crain.

**WEDDING:** Katherine Elizabeth Roper and William Sean Reilly were married in the Chapel on Saturday, December 22. Katie is the daughter of Phil & Beth Burnett.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Jim Ross was named Man of the Year by the Houndslake Senior Men's Club.

ANOTHER GRADUATE!

KELLY MARIE FINDLEY

B. S. - Hotel, Restaurant & Tourism Management The University of South Carolina

**WELCOME TO THESE NEW MEMBERS** received during the last two weeks:

<b>John &amp; Marie Crumbak</b>	<b>Rebecca Newell</b>
215 Hamelin Rd 644-4270	1201 So. Boundary Ave SE 642-3952
<b>Dan &amp; Marcia Gable</b>	<b>Kelli Smith</b>
2060 Walton Ct 641-9858	316 Southbank Dr. 642-1032
<b>Hal &amp; Poppie Thompson</b>	
126 Sugar Maple Circle 642-7263	

**CONDOLENCES:** Deepest sympathy is extended to the following persons who have recently lost family members:

Karen Ramirez in the death of her father, John A. Grieshaber, on December 10.

Breck Klein in the death of his mother, Ruby J. Klein, in Aiken on December 18.

Davie Surret in the death of her nephew, Stanley Williams, in Dacusville, SC, 12/18.

Ginny Allen in the death of her father, William Hannah Austin, in Union Springs, AL on December 20.

**HOSPITALIZED:** Aiken - Judy Emslie, Earl Callahan

Dear St. John's Family - a million thanks for all your love, prayers and support during my current illness. Your notes & cards brighten each day. I love the prayer shawl and use it daily. I am now with my son & his wife (Tom & Robin) in Loganville (GA) and will be here until at least mid-January. You are the greatest and tears come to my eyes as you send me such love and support. God is so good and awesome!

**Elizabeth Dill**

IN MEMORIAM

MARTHA E. HOOVER KULP

December 20, 2007

IN MEMORIAM

ELIZABETH "LIB" P. ERGLE

January 7, 2008

Financials for week ending January 3, 2008

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 35,042
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 33,560
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 33,560
Actual expenses to date	\$ 8,427
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,420,508

FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Menu - January 16

Chili Cole Slaw  
Cornbread  
Ice Cream & Cookies



**Sunday, January 13**  
**Youth Choir - 5 pm**  
**Sunday Night Youth - 6pm**  
**Parents' Meeting 6:00-7:30pm**  
*Please bring a covered dish.*  
 Friday-Sunday, February 8-10  
*Ski trip to Sugar Mountain, NC*

**CHILDREN'S CORNER**

**O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR  
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2007:**

**1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE: PALMS & PSALMS**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE: HOLYWOOD CINEMAS**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE: THOU ART**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE: FROM BC TO PC**  
**5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS: MARY & MARTHA'S B & B**  
**5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS: THE ARKADE**

St. John's United Methodist Men will meet *January 31, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.* Due to the upcoming **GLOBAL IMPACT CELEBRATION**, the meeting is being held one week later than normal. Please mark your calendars for the 31st and remember to bring a covered dish dinner.



**FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2008** has most of January available as well as many other dates throughout the year. Please telephone the church office if interested in honoring or remembering someone special with altar flowers.

**STILL LOOKING** for substitute teachers in the four-year Sunday School class to assist Roger and Alison Carpenter who have been very faithful in serving every Sunday. If you are willing to help out occasionally please give them a call at 641-0694.



**NEW!!!! YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** begins Sunday, January 13, at 9:45 am in Room 207. Nancy Reed can provide additional information.

**A CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING COURSE** will be taught at St. John's on Saturday, February 9, from 9:30-12:00. If you are interested in becoming certified in First Aid and CPR, please contact Michelle Brown, 522-2010, BEFORE FEBRUARY 2. A small fee will be charged.

**CIRCLE MEETINGS remaining in January**



<b>Monday, January 14</b> 11:00 am # 4	Church Parlor
<b>Tuesday, January 15</b> 2:00 pm #13 8:00 pm # 8	Church - Room 116 Church Resource Room
<b>Monday, January 21</b> 2:00 pm # 3	Joanne Zobel 3 Birkdale Ct W
<b>Wednesday, January 16</b> 7:00 pm # 7	Church - Room 116



**YEAR-END FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** will be mailed on Friday, January 11. Please notify Nancy Fairgrieve BY JANUARY 29 if you notice any discrepancies.

**BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION**

**Sunday evening** Women's Bible Study continues January 13 and 20 with Priscilla Shirer's *Discerning the Voice of God*. No study is scheduled for January 27 (GIC weekend.) February 3 the group begins *Jesus, the One and Only* by Beth Moore. This is an 11-week video-driven study. First week is for introduction, meeting and greeting each other, and getting workbooks. Contact Flo McElmurray at 642-5763 to order your workbook.

**Monday/Wednesday evening** Women's Bible Study groups will begin *Experiencing the Cross* by Henry Blackaby. If interested but not registered, please call Judy Jernigan at 648-9859 for information.

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2008/2009** begins in January. Watch for further details.

**P-L-E-A-S-E** remember to pick up offering envelopes from the tables outside Ward Hall and save the church the cost of mailing them to you.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

- January 23-27** - Global Impact Celebration
- February 6** - Ash Wednesday Service
- February 14** - Valentine Widow/Widowers' Luncheon
- February 10** - Organ Concert
- March 20** - *Last Supper* Dramatic Presentation and Communion
- March 21** - Good Friday Service of Tenebrae
- March 23** - Easter Sunday
- April 5-11** - Mission trip to New Orleans
- April 27** - Organ Concert
- May 18** - Confirmation Sunday

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*We grow in faith and number by sharing  
the Good News of Jesus Christ, through  
worship, nurture and service.*



## Serving you...

### Ext

22 GEORGE K. HOWLE  
23 HARRY W. SAMPSON  
26 CATHERINE STAPLETON NANCE  
25 NANCY FAIRGRIEVE  
27 GENE AIKEN  
58 WALTER CANTWELL  
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