

# St. John's Visitor

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## *How Will They Hear?* **St. John's First Annual Global Impact Celebration** **January 23-27, 2008**

*"But how can they call on Him to save them unless they believe in Him? And how can they believe in Him if they have never heard about Him? And how can they hear about Him unless someone tells them?" (Romans 10:14 NLT)*

Please mark your calendars for an event that has the potential to be life changing and world influencing. The purpose of this celebration is to enlarge the global mission vision of our church and personalize missions for each of us. During this time, we will have an opportunity to fellowship and worship with local, regional and international missionaries. They will share their encouraging stories. There will be a number of exciting events for all ages that will allow interaction with the missionaries and ministry representatives one-on-one. We will receive information on how to become more actively involved in service and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ across the world.

### Goals of the Global Impact Celebration (GIC):

- God to be Glorified
- Vision to be Enlarged
- Hearts to be Touched
- Finances to be Committed
- Lives to be Surrendered

The GIC Team hopes you will participate in as many of the activities currently being planned as possible. We guarantee that you'll be blessed if you do. Stay tuned for further details in the weeks ahead.

If you have any questions and/or would like to help in the planning, organizing and implementation of this event, please e-mail us at [rboylston108@earthlink.net](mailto:rboylston108@earthlink.net) or call at 648-9242.

We ask that you begin to pray for our first Global Impact Celebration that God will open our hearts and minds to the answer the question: "***How Will They Hear?***"

With eager anticipation for God's will,

Lee and Rene' Boylston  
GIC Coordinators

Churchwide Day of Prayer  
Tuesday, August 28  
7 am - 7 pm in the sanctuary  
(Weekly prayer list is located  
on narthex table)

**August 26, 2007**  
**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**"AT THY WORD"**  
Scripture: **Luke 5: 1 - 7**  
Rev. Jerry Samuels from Nigeria  
Anthem **Deep Waters**  
The Chancel Choir

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

**Meetings to Note**

**Thursday, August 23**

- 5:30 pm Preschool Orientation
- 6:30 pm Preschool Ice Cream Social
- 6:30 pm United Methodist Men
- 7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
- 7:00 pm Youth Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Applefest Chairpersons

**Friday, August 24**

- 12:00 noon Children's Music Ministry Mtg

**Sunday, August 26**

- 8:15 am Coffee House
- 4:30 pm Men's Praise Choir
- 6:00 pm UMY and Parents' Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm *Christian Believer* Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

**Monday, August 27**

- 8:00 am First Place
- 6:00 pm MDO Open House

**Tuesday, August 28**

*Churchwide Day of Prayer*

- 7:00 pm Church Council

**Wednesday, August 29**

- 9:30 am Quilting Fellowship
- 9:30 am *Old Testament* Bible Study
- 9:30 am Prayer Shawl Group
- 6:00 pm Children's Choirs resume
- 7:00 pm Covenant Prayer Group
- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

**Serving This Week**

- Crucifer** - Victoria Lockridge
- Acolytes** - Sarah Fleming, Andrea Mikes
- Altar Guild** - Gayle Garrison, Jenny Johnson, Donna Caprell Kraft
- Crib Rm (11:00 a.m.)** - Darby Copeland
- Toddlers** - Kelly Boni
- 2-3 Yr Nursery** - Dottie Salter
- 3-4 Yr Nursery** - Roslyn Ingram
- Greeters 8:45** - Claude & Marie Goodlett, Barry & Paula Clayton
- Sunday School Greeter** - Carla Dillman
- Greeters 11:00** - Marcia Harris, Sherry West, Walt Croft, Mildred Whitaker, Nancy Vernon, Charlie Thorngate
- Sunday AM Host (August 26)**  
*Virgil Sauls*

**Evening Hosts**

- Sunday (August 26) - *Tom Brown*
- Monday - *Bob Kosky*
- Tuesday - *Marc Nadeau*
- Wednesday - *Jeff Ray*
- Thursday - *John Geiger*
- Friday - *Bob Fogle*
- Saturday - *Jeff Crenshaw*

**BAPTISM:** *Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Baptism last Sunday at the 11 am service was Grainger Furman Young, son of Bryan and Casey Young.*

**HOSPITALIZED: Discharged** - Doug DePriest

*Dr. John Stapleton, Retired UMC Minister at St. John's, will teach a course in preaching during the fall semester at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia.*

*After much prayer, Mary Lou Wallace has agreed to become the leader of our UNITED METHODIST WOMEN beginning in 2008. She would like a group of interested ladies to help get this wonderful organization restarted. This will be a "work in progress" until the beginning of the new year. Mary Lou welcomes your support. Please let's all encourage her as she has accepted this call to serve.*

**Volunteer Coordinators - Mimi and Mary**

*"You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he."*

Isaiah 43:10

As Christians we believe in God, but do you personally know and believe Him? Come join the Thursday morning women's Bible study in **Believing God**, a 10 week journey with Beth Moore. These video based lessons will begin September 6 promptly at 9:30 am in room 118. Sessions will end at 11:00 am. Call Jan Gilbert (646-0451) or Renee Reid (642-8951) by no later than August 29 to reserve a workbook. Begin praying now for God to increase your faith through this journey.



**LADIES:** The Monday and Wednesday evening bible studies will begin in September with a four week study of 1 Peter. New members are encouraged to attend. No former bible study experience is necessary -- just a desire to learn! Please call Judy Jernigan (648-9859) for information or to register for either night.

**REMINDER - Wednesday Fellowship Suppers** resume on September 5. Serving time is from 5-7 pm.

Reservations are requested. There are no carryover reservations so when you complete the yellow card or telephone the office, please indicate if this is a standing reservation. Come as often as you can not only for the good food prepared & served by Genie Farmer and her volunteers but also for the opportunity to visit with other St. John's members.



**UNITED METHODIST MEN** will be in Ward Hall on Thursday at 6:30 pm for their covered dish dinner followed by a program on ACOM, Aiken Community Outreach Ministry. Roger LeDuc, Aiken City manager, will discuss this program to assist and mentor persons being released from prison.

**Financials for week ending August 18, 2007**

Budgetary needs for the week	\$ 28,907
Budgetary funds rec'd this week	\$ 27,451
Budget funds rec'd to date	\$ 965,058
Actual expenses to date	\$ 853,739
St John's loan amt w/Security Fed	\$1,810,208

**Last Week's Attendance**

8:45	174
11:00	497
Total	671
SS	308

# St. John's Youth News

Sunday, August 26

6:00 pm

## Messy Night

On Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup> we will have our first ever Messy Night. You will need to wear a bathing suit, and if you want some clothes on top of that suit that you don't mind getting a little messy. There will be a lot of shaving cream, a gigantic slip-n-slide, and some really messy games, it will be a blast!!!!

## Shane and Shane Concert

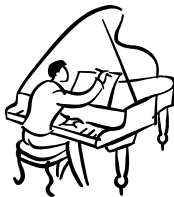
Thursday, August 23, at First Baptist in North Augusta will be Shane and Shane, Bebo Norman, and Monk & Neagle in concert. This will be an awesome concert to attend in a smaller setting. The cost for tickets is reasonable and the concert begins at 7 pm. If interested in going, call Walter or Catherine at the church for a seat in their cars. This is first-come first-served as far as who gets a ride.



Registration for CHILDREN'S CHOIRS continues this Sunday and during the week. On August 29 there will be a Choir Kick-Off Pizza Party at 5 pm in Ward Hall, followed by the first rehearsal. Don't miss this great opportunity to sing and fellowship.

## UPCOMING MUSICAL TREAT

Pianist/composer Joseph Martin will be in St. John's sanctuary on Sunday, September 16, to present a piano concert at 4 pm. This is first in a series entitled *Under the Steeple*, arranged by the Fine Arts Committee. Please save this date.



Share a Smile—  
It's Contagious

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### O.A.R.S. SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2007:

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

### TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

DINNER FOR EIGHT registration continues through August 26. Think seriously about taking advantage of this opportunity to make new Christian friends while sharing meaningful fellowship and good food. A special invitation is extended to St. John's newest members. This is a wonderful way to become better acquainted and to strengthen relationships as a church family. Groups of eight individuals (couples or singles) meet for four consecutive months to share a meal together with hosting responsibilities rotating among the members. New groups are formed twice a year. *Pick up the phone and call the church office now!!* You'll be glad you did.

### LOOKING AHEAD

**August 23** - Rev. George Howle to Kenya  
Kindergarten Orientation (5:30)  
Preschool Ice Cream Social (6:30)  
**August 26** - Rev. Jerry Samuels, Nigeria, preaching  
**August 27** - MDO Open House 6-8pm  
**August 28** - Churchwide Day of Prayer  
Preschool/MDO School starts  
Preschool/MDO Parent Breakfast  
**August 29** - Children's Choirs resume  
**September 2** - Congregational Hymn Sing  
**September 3** - Church Offices closed  
**September 5** - Wednesday Suppers Resume  
**September 16** - Joseph Martin Concert  
**September 23** - New Member Dinner (rescheduled)  
**September 30** - Celebrate St. John's 150 Years!  
**October 7** - World Communion Sunday  
**October 21** - Stewardship Sunday  
**November 3** - Apple Fest  
**November 4** - All Saints Sunday  
**November 5** - St. John's Charge Conference  
**November 11** - Prayer/Healing Service  
**December 2** - Children's Christmas Program  
**December 23** - Chancel Choir Cantata  
**January 23-27** - Global Impact Celebration

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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  
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