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Special points of interest:

- Pray for each other.
- Marking and paving of back parking lot
- Beverly Woods, Woman of the Year

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**Penned from the Pulpit,
Rev. J. Jeannette' Cooper**

Childhood games, rhymes, and memories still chase our thoughts today. The sweet smell of Sweetpea-flowering vines explode upon my senses every time I see young children playing hopscotch. Double Dutch and the Bazooka bubble gum smell just are mates in my mind. Forward march, was the worst phrase that I could ever hear. That meant the last ditch to be jumped; the last TV show to be watched; it meant to leave friends under the street light in order to go home to bed. It meant to do hardcore chores. One other game and rhyme that children played was called "Little Sally Walker".

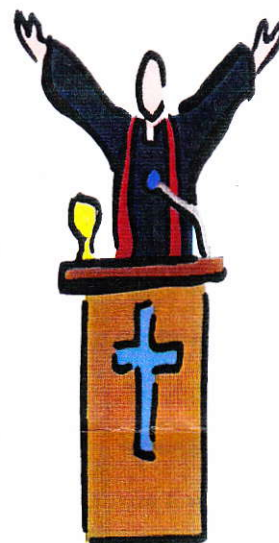
Little Sally Walker sitting in a saucer, rise Sally rise. Wipe your weepy eyes. Put your hand on your hips and let your back bone shake. Oh shake it to the east! Oh shake it to the west! Oh shake it to the one that you love the best! The one that is chosen is able to come into the circle and that one brings in another. This goes on and on until maybe everyone in the circle gets a chance to be in the limelight. However, nobody new gets into the game. All are growing up memories and associations. In other words, we all will and have grown from where we started. We cannot revel in

the past. Let's seek the marginal, the lost, and the different. We should seek diversity. I Corinthians 13:11. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12. For now we see in a mirror, dimly {Gk[in a riddle]} but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part, then I will know fully, even as I have been known. 13. And now Faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

It's growing up time. The present time brings new experiences, challenges and responsibilities. Memories are being made for the future. Thank God for the legacy of memories that have been left to the Cumberland Family. What will the present Cumberland Family leave those who come later?

Well, you have a building that will last longer than any one of us, if God is so willing. What else will you leave? What kind of faith? What kind of lifestyle? What kind of attitude? What kind or role model for the community? What can God's world say in reference to Cumberland: Are we the kind of people

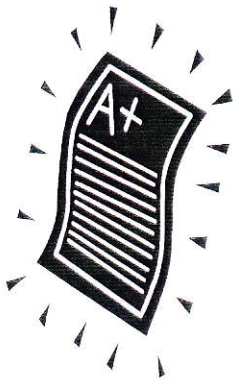
FORWARD MARCH



that draw People into God's Church? Our new circle of faith, friends, fellowship and stewardship needs broadening. As we look to the east, may we find focus upon a new vision of Cumberland's existence: Equipping Members to Disciple New Members as well as we nurture one another.

Cumberland, it's growing up time. No one else is responsible for our growth or lack thereof; no one else is responsible as to how we handle our ministry granted unto us, no one else can forge our future. Let's forward march

Perfect Score for Col. DuBois' Team



Col. Frederick DuBois congratulated the employees of The Department of Social Work on their recent achievement in passing the Army Community Service Accreditation Survey with a perfect score. The admiration for their accomplishments is felt by all of Womack, Fort Bragg, and other Social Work Departments throughout the Army. Every three years, the Department of Social Work must undergo an accreditation inspection to ensure they are

meeting Army standards. DWS Supervisors and Administrative staff stepped up to the plate with motivation, passion and enthusiasm to spend the extra hours needed to provide the data that was so critical to achieving that perfect score.

Col. DuBois commented, "It is my pleasure to say with a great sense of purpose, unwavering loyalty, and excellent work ethic that the Womack Department of Social Work has done an

exemplary job in accomplishing the task given them."

Col. Frederick DuBois is the son of Thelma DuBois and the late Reverend Frederick G. DuBois, Sr.

*Beverly Woods,
2010 Cumberland
United Methodist
Church Woman of
the Year*

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

YOU ARE INVITED

You are invited to attend the Adult Sunday School Class. We meet at the church each Sunday morning from 8:45-9:45. Our teachers are Joe Hannah, Lillian Adams, Billie Kelly, Margie Smith, and Wilson Ann Addison. We study scriptures and life situations. This is your op-

portunity to grow spiritually and intellectually. We want your presence in the class. TRY IT! YOU'LL LIKE IT!

WOMEN'S DAY OBSERVANCE

Women's Day Observance was held Oct. 10. Rev. Dr. Shelia Elliott was the guest speaker. The theme was "Let's Get To-

gether". Program participants included She'ri Widder, liturgist, Shelia Nesmith, Brandia Cooper, Margaret Huggins, Teicher Richardson, and Cheryl Johnson. The newly formed choir Voices of Inspiration, directed by Megerlyn Davis provided the music. The 2010 Woman of the Year was Beverly Woods.

STEWARDSHIP 101



Many people think Stewardship is all about money. Yes money can be and often is a part of it. There are many other parts or components that we usually do not think of nor consider as Stewardship. Stewardship comes from the word "steward". What does that

word mean? It means "one who is put in charge of taking care of property or a person."

"Life is a gift from God. He made each of us a steward. He trust us, as stewards, to take care of ourselves. He gives us the things we need to survive. The adults are to teach and /or

train the children and youth. Stewardship is "the responsibility of each individual to manage his or her life and property or any entrusted to them, with proper regard to the rights of others."

WORSHIP AND MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC



Voices of Inspiration Makes Its Debut

There is a new choir at Cumberland. The choir made its debut on July 11, 2010. The Voices of Inspiration consists of youth, community youth, young adults and our more seasoned singers that primarily ministers through song with upbeat contemporary gospel music as well as hymns and songs of praise. The choir combines unique voices that draw and blend the best of talent with a fresh sound to establish a gospel music experience that is both artistic and cultural.

The director is Ms. L. Megerlyn Davis and is accompanied by Mr. Travarious Cooper and Mrs. Linda Gillard-Johnson. There are over 35 members. This choir has made a significant impact on the church services. The spirit is uplifted and the music continues to provide an opportunity for them to minister through sacred music. Voices of Inspiration performs every second Sunday.

Linda Gilliard-Johnson



The Men's Choir, directed by Mr. James H. Spears, Jr. and Dr. Joseph E. Heyward, performs on the third Sunday.



The James H. Spears, Jr. Choir

Congratulations to Mr. James Holloway Spears, Jr. on the renaming of Choirs #1 and #2 in his honor. The two choirs combined this summer and was renamed The James H. Spears, Jr. Choir. Mr. Spears is a faithful and dedicated member of CUMC and has been a musician and choirmaster for a number of years. He started taking music at age 11 and has been playing for 71 years. Mr. Spears is married to the former Pearl Tilley. God bless you Mr. Spears for all your years of dedicated services. You are worthy of this honor and more. We love you!

Billie Kelly



Celestial Choir directed by Dr. Joseph Heyward.



CUMC Gospel Choir delivers heart-warming spirituals each fifth Sunday.



CUMC Children's Choir directed By Mrs. L. Gilliard-Johnson



**Spirit Singers
performed at CUMC
September 12.**

The Spirit Singers is an auditioned group of teens from across the SC UMC Conference. The mission of the group is to be a Christian ministry of song, fellowship, leadership, and worship that glorifies and praises God as testimony to His love.

Restoration Committee Reports

The paving and marking of the parking lot in the rear of the church has started. This is the final project in order for us to get the permanent "Certificate of Occupancy" from the City of Florence. We are continuing to work with the architect in order to make minor repairs and adjustments found during our first seven months that we have worshipped in the sanctuary. We continue to thank all members for their support in the "our" effort.

Dr. Joseph Heyward, Chair of Restoration Committee.

WE NEED TO GET BACK TO THE BASICS

by Cornelia Frierson

The basic rules were handed down to govern us long
ago

They are the TEN COMMANDMENTS that
I'm sure you know

We're constantly disobeying and straying,
Look at the prices we're paying!

The world is such a big problem,
That has become very solemn.

We consider extremely precious worldly wealth,
Committing acts that endanger our health.

What happened to respect for the Father's Name?
We use it as though we're playing a game.

Where's the honor for our fathers and mothers?
We have no love for our brothers.

The Sabbath Day should be kept Holy,
By all, not just the meek and lowly.

Mental strain causes us to kill,
This isn't the Father's will.

Adultery is the result of broken promises,
We behave like Doubting Thomases.

Greed has driven us to steal,
Anything abstract or real.

Dishonesty makes us tell lies,
Sometimes disguised as spies.

We wish earnestly for others' possessions,
Why can't we rid ourselves of these obsessions?

Just look at all the pollution,
We can't seem to find the solution.

Illegal substances called drugs.
Changes us into ruthless thugs.

Our neighborhoods are racked with violence,
Law abiding citizens are frightened into silence.

Some of our leaders have become delusive,
All the evidence against them is conclusive.

Getting back to the basics is not at all complex,
Surely then our lives will be less perplex.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN MINISTRIES

By Amaron Barr-Cook

During the month of August, we held a Back-to-School Bash. There were lots of fun and games, good food and words of encouragement for the upcoming school year. Our inspirational message was given by Ms. Megerlyn Davis. All students grade k-12 were awarded a bag full of necessary school supplies, notebooks, paper, pens, pencils, erasers, and folders. The food for the event was supplied by Ms. Milton Phillips. Mr. Phillips also took pictures of each student and their families. The pictures were framed

with the slogan "Pictures of Success." In September, we welcomed and served as host to the Spirit Singers. They are SCM Conference Youth Choir. They performed during church services. Also in September, we enjoyed the Everybody Birthday Party, held at the Outreach Center. We played games and had an ongoing activity called the "No" Game. Everyone had fun with this game. The delicious and beautifully decorated birthday cakes were donated by Ms. Billie Kelly, Mrs. Sophia Davis, Ms. Betty Green, Ms.

Mary Bostic, Me, Ernestine Sergeant and Mrs. Margaret Huggins.

The youth held a fundraiser dinner the second Sunday in October. We were able to enjoy a nice meal and have great fellowship with those who came and supported our efforts. Ms. Mary Bostic prepared the wonderful meal. Thanks to Ms. Bostic and all who helped.

We have a very dedicated staff of volunteers who help make our ministry successful.



FOOD BANK MINISTRY

The Food Bank Ministry continues to minister to those who are less fortunate in the community. Due to the state of the economy more people are coming for help. Donations of non perishable foods as well as monetary donations are

needed more than ever to ensure that each bag distributed contains a variety of foods. Due to the recent publicity of Harvest Hope Food Bank's mission several churches and organizations have sponsored can food drives to help replenish the

shelves at Harvest Hope. Members are encouraged to continue to fill the baskets in the hall with can goods to help feed the hungry. **THIS IS ONE OF THE MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH.**

Glen Richardson, Chairperson

*Congratulations to
John Robinson, the
new Food Bank
Chairperson*

Member Celebrations

- **Dr. Vivian Gallman-DeRienzo** has been selected for a Full bright Specialist project in Canada at Algoma University during the 2010-2011 academic year. Gallman-DeRienzo formerly vice president for academic affairs and student services at Denmark Technical College previously served as the director of community outreach at Florence Darling Technical College.
- **Congratulations to Jacqueline Richardson.** She was recognized and hon-

ored as a Terrific Kid at Carver Elementary School on Oct. 20.

- **Congratulations to Alyssa McCants** inducted into The Willie Mae White Chapter of the National Honor Society of Wilson High School.



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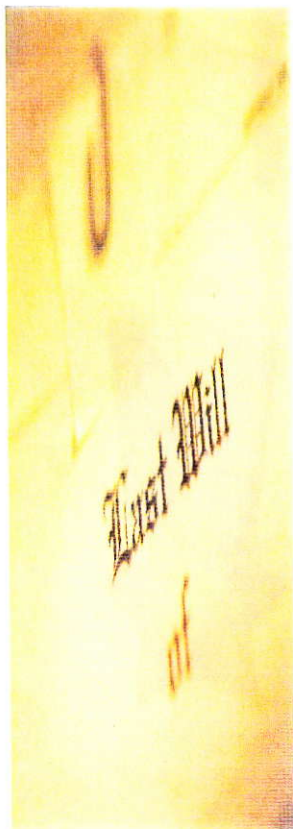
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share, care, and equip in order that God's will be done.*

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THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING A WILL



A will is a legal document that determines what happens to your property after your death. Many people delay making a will because they think that they do not need one. A person does not need to have a large estate to prepare a will. Anyone who owns property, whether "personal property". Such as a car, furniture, jewelry, or cash or "real property," such as land and/or a house, should prepare a will. A will tells exactly where you want your assets to go after death. A WILL allows you to name a person you trust as Administrator of your estate to carry out your wishes.

Although wills are simple to make, about half of all Ameri-

cans die without one. A will ensures that what you do have will be given to family members or other beneficiaries you designate. When there is no will, the court will take control and appoint an administrator to handle the decedent's affairs and his/her property is distributed according to a formula fixed by law. The laws are specific to how property is distributed, including which relatives have priority and how the property is divided.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

The idea of becoming incompetent and no longer able to make decisions and care for one's self can be more troubling than death. Yet most people give little thought to planning for

long term illness. The Power of Attorney or Durable Power of Attorney is an important and essential document that gives someone you trust the legal authority to act on your behalf should you become unable to speak for yourself, or handle personal or financial matters.

Plan Ahead. The idea of thinking about what will happen to your loved ones, your assets and personal possessions is important. Making sure you have done all you can do to make their lives easier will give you peace of mind. See your attorney to draft both documents.

- MetLife