



# Chaires UMC Newsletter

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## Our Featured Member ~ Ms. Barbara Palmer



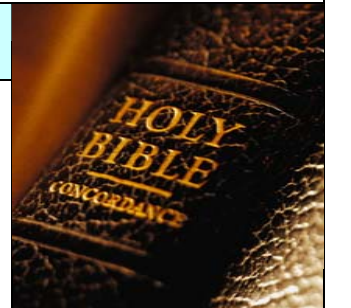
**An industrious lady** with seemingly boundless energy who always has a smile and a laugh for everyone! It has truly been a joy getting to know Barbara.

And it is no wonder that Barbara has such a glowing personality! A contributing factor was having her grandmother, who was a midwife, living in her family home when Barbara was born and taking part in her delivery into this world. How fortunate!

Barbara was born and lived in Orange, Mass., through her senior year of high school. She was the second of five children. Along with her grandmother, both her mother and two aunts also served as great role models in Barbara's life.

Following high school, Barbara attended Boston University, earning her B. S. in Food and Nutrition. She moved to Seattle, Washington where she worked in

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## Open House Celebration Luncheon a Resounding Success!

**A big "thanks to all of you"** from the Global Mission Team. Our Open House celebration luncheon had a great turnout. A sit down meal of grilled chicken and trimmings was served by our boy scouts and mission team. Afterwards, an auction of cakes baked by our members provided entertainment and support for our Global Mission Team. Despite an inexperienced auctioneer, the luncheon participants showed their love raising \$2,104.08! Yahoo, give yourself a hand!! Your generosity goes a long way towards the \$13,000 needed to send our 10-member mission team to Guatemala - Spring Break, 2007. Thank You!



Each team member will provide \$500.00 earnest money and we are striving to raise the other \$8,000 to help send them. These team members found the Lord touched their hearts this summer and led them to launch our first ever global mission project. Why Guatemala? Why now? Why Global Missions you ask?

When the Lord calls out to "follow me," we don't always get lengthy explanations. Still, it's always amazing when we see God's hand move in our midst, and this is surely a "God thing." Jesus says, "My sheep **listen** to my **voice**; I **know** them, and they **follow** me." (John 10:27) We are so fortunate these

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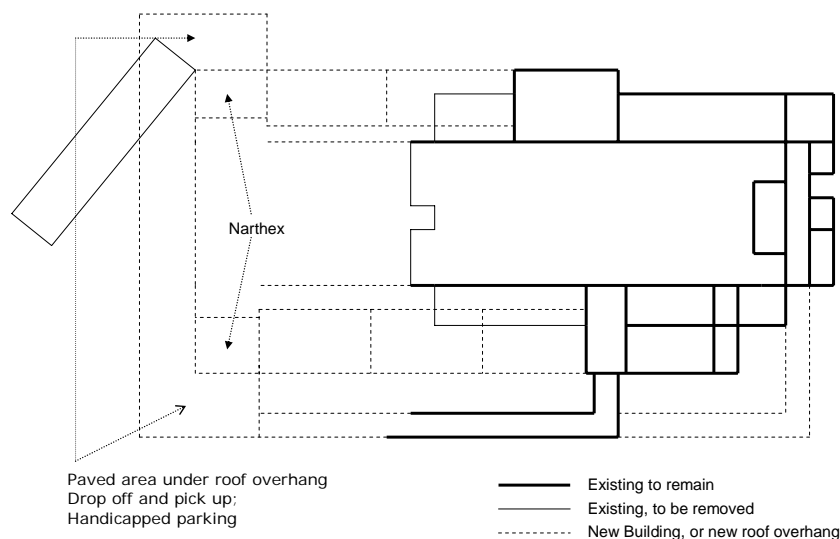
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## news & announcements

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### Church Expansion Update

Below is the expansion concept presented and discussed at the Family Dinner, Wednesday, September 6, 2006.



This concept incorporated the many great comments provided since the first presentation this summer. This latest version includes: (a) increase of available space in the sanctuary to approximately 4,200 sq. ft., providing a maximum seating capacity of about 400; (b) two Narthexes which allow for two entry and exit points during inclement weather; (c) two new meeting rooms measuring about 18 ft by 24 ft; (d) three new meeting rooms measuring about 18 ft by 20 ft; (e) paved area under roof overhang to allow for passenger drop-off and pick-up during inclement weather, and for handicapped parking; and (f) covered sidewalk to provide for weather protection.

~ submitted by Jon Berry

### Old Sanctuary Window Project

For the past couple of years, the Trustees have discussed the restoration of the windows in our old Sanctuary. We don't know when or why the old windows were replaced with aluminum and plastic but the discussion has focused on restoring them to the look of the original Church.

What we have in hand is an estimate of \$6,910.00, by a reputable window company, that says their manufacturer will custom make our windows to look like the old windows. Once delivered, the local

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### Bible Verse Scramble

eLt revye eno fo su apeles ish ghiebron orf ish godo ot otcfdeiiindae.  
(Romans 15:2, KJV)-

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We owe much to all of you who contributed to this, our third issue, of the newsletter. Thank you! We hope to continue on a monthly basis. However, to do so, it is imperative that we receive articles of interest to the congregation in a timely manner. Currently, we ask that you submit items of interest no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Mulder is slow, and this allows us sufficient time to prepare and distribute the newsletter. In other words, **HELP!** If you wish to contribute, please notify Evelyn Brown in person, by phone at 877-1975 (H) or at 487-3579 (W), or, if you prefer, by email at [evelynbrown@comcast.net](mailto:evelynbrown@comcast.net)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  Communion Sunday	2	3	4 Family Night <u>6:00 PM</u>  Choir 7:00pm	5 PPR Meeting  7:00pm	6	7 UMW Yard Sale <u>8am 'til 2pm</u> UMM Fish Fry <u>11am-2 pm</u>
5 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> Men's Walk to Emmaus [c]						
8  Lynne Mulder will be delivering today's sermon	9  Finance Meeting  7:00pm	10  UMW & UMM Meeting  6:30 pm	11  Bible Study <u>10:30am</u>  Prayer Mtg. <u>6:30pm</u>  Choir <u>7:00 pm</u>	12  Church Council Meeting  7:00pm	13	14
[c] Men's Walk						
15	16	17  Mission Meeting  7:00pm	18  Prayer Mtg. <u>6:30pm</u>  Choir <u>7:00pm</u>	19	20	21
19 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup> Women's Walk to Emmaus [c]						
22	23	24	25  Bible Study <u>10:30am</u>  Prayer Mtg. <u>6:30pm</u>  Choir <u>7:00 pm</u>	26	27  Fun Night <u>Weiner Roast</u> (time will be announced later)	28  Church Charge Conference  Wacissa 2:30-5:00pm
Women's walk						
29  UMChildren's Home <u>Special Offering</u>  5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Dinner on the <u>grounds</u>	30	31				

### Birthdays

Steve Lenzo	2	Anna Poskey	13
Hannah Gill	7	Carol Jones	23
Dale Thompson	7	Faith Lenzo	26
Doris Chaires	10	Tristan White	29
Sandy Tuten	11	Jeff Messer	31
Lamont Wynn	12		

### Anniversaries

Virgil & Maggie Hall	11
Lamont & Ruth Ann Wynn	13
Kim & Sue Wilson	17
Lance & Sandra Harrison	24
Marty & Jena Holland	27

The Chaires United Methodist Church **YARD SALE** will be held **OCTOBER 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Put a selling price on each item that you plan to sell. Left over items will be donated to the Children's Light House. We will be able to store the items in the front room of the Maggie Patterson house.

Please stack the items neatly! Contact Theresa at 878-4351

**We need donations of Pound Cakes, Brownies & Cookies for the accompanying Bake Sale.**

~ Old Sanctuary window project – cont'd from page 2

window company would then install them using contemporary materials.

Contributors of a minimum of \$100.00 may have their name or the name of a dedicated family member inscribed on a commemorative plaque to be housed in the old Sanctuary. To date, we have received approximately one third of the amount we need to continue with the project. We hope to complete this project prior to starting on the church expansion project described on page two.

For your convenience, a brochure and envelopes are provided on the shelves at the rear of the sanctuary. Please make checks payable to Chaires UMC and complete the information requested on the envelope. You can place your contribution in the offering plate in the enclosed envelopes or give it to Bob Glover or Gordon Lightfoot.

Thank you for your kind consideration and prayers as we work toward the restoration and continuing maintenance of one of our treasures here in the Chaires Community.

*~compiled by Mulder Brown from information received from Gordon Lightfoot*

~Ms. Barbara – cont'd from page 1

a hospital in Food and Dietary Nutrition. Moving on to Syracuse, New York she worked as manager of a cafeteria.

Barbara came to Florida in 1958 and worked for Tampa Electric Company as a home economist. Her husband's job moved them to Brandon, Florida. She went back to school and received her M. A. in Gerontology. She went to work with the State of Florida Department of Health and then Elder Affairs. They moved to Tallahassee in 1976 after she received a better job opportunity in her field. She retired in 1996, has enjoyed retirement and is NEVER BORED! Barbara is very blessed that those words do not exist in her vocabulary.

Barbara enjoys the Chaires United Methodist and her church family. She enjoys spending time with her family, all church activities, traveling and friends. She especially enjoys the Wednesday Morning Bible Study taught by Pastor Bill and she enjoys participating in the UMW activities. On a more personal view, Barbara enjoys crossword puzzles and Home and Garden TV (my kind of woman!) What a joy to know another positive, godly woman at CUMC. The type of role model other women are blessed to have in their lives.

*~ by Evelyn Brown*

~ Open House Celebration – cont'd from page 1

ten "missionaries" call Chaires UMC home and are obediently responding to God's calling and His grace. They are trusting in His promise, "Lo, I am with you always," and daring to follow Him into a strange land to share the Good News and Christ's love. We, likewise, can respond to God's call to our church and members by providing financial support. Any gifts designated "Global Mission Team" will be dedicated to this worthy effort.

We're fond of saying we want to grow as a church. We pray to God asking for members and promise to provide a nurturing environment for men and women to grow in faith. We pledge to give our time, talents, and gifts to Christ to use as He desires in His body – our church. Perhaps God is now saying, "Let's see if you're ready!" Do you love me Chaires UMC? Feed my sheep. Speaking of feed - be sure to look for our Applebee's Breakfast tickets in October!



*~ submitted by Sharon Lenzo*

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**Our Featured Serviceman**



**PFC Daniel Chaires  
United States Marine Corp**

**Chaires United Methodist Church** would like to honor PFC Daniel Chaires, now serving in the United States Marine Corp. Daniel was deployed from Hawaii to Iraq on September 11, 2006.

Daniel's mother, Nanna, notes that "*Daniel is strong, focused, determined, kind, respectful, and loving. He has an enduring love for his family. An important person in Daniel's life was his grandfather, Eben*

*Burroughs Chaires, Sr. They had a unique reciprocal relationship. Daniel was born the year "Grandpa Chaires" turned 83 years old. Daniel says he never thought of Grandpa as an old man. They talked for endless hours. Some of Daniel's fondest memories are of running errands with Grandpa and Cousin Franklin. He recalls that they were quite the trio!"*

What great qualities in a young man! It was truly a highlight for me to meet him at church before he was to return to Hawaii for his deployment to Iraq. Daniel and his family will certainly be in our thoughts and prayers. We know that God is in control and "All is well". Let's not forget to correspond with Daniel and send him spiritual literature to support him and keep him strong. His address is

PFC Chaires, Daniel  
2<sup>nd</sup> BN, 3<sup>rd</sup> MAR, ECHO CO, 1<sup>st</sup> PLT  
Unit 44050  
FPO AP 96607-4050

What a blessing it is to have "one of our own" serving our country and sacrificing for the freedom of all. May God continue to keep the above qualities true to Daniel's life. May God bless you, Daniel!

*~ by Evelyn Brown from an interview with Daniel's mother*

**The United Methodist Men's group is making a concerted effort to increase its membership and attendance. Meetings are held each 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, with dinner being served. Please, come and join us!**

**Boy Scout News**

**Troop New Member Recruitment**

During September and October on Monday nights between 7 and 8 pm at the Chaires UMC, Troop 25 is holding open house for recruitment of new scouts.

Boys of good moral character between 11 and 17 years old for "Boy Scouts" and young men and women of good moral character between 14 and 21 years old for "Venture Scouts" are eligible to join. Membership fees are \$10 yearly. But, if you join now and participate in the current "popcorn" fund raiser and raise \$38 or more, your registration is free.

Join quickly because we'll be camping and tubing at the Ichetucknee Springs on Sept 29 - Oct 2.

**Popcorn Sales:** The scouts are selling BSA popcorn to help fund the running of the local council and Troop 25. Please support your local scouts.

Please contact Terry Hague at (850) 606-5551 (work), (850) 228-2716 (cell), or HagueT@LeonCountyFL.Gov

*~submitted by Terry Hague*

**Fish Fry**

The United Methodist Men are having one of their ever-popular fish fries on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00am 'til 2:00pm. Donation of \$7.00 per plate.

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**News from CUMC Youth Group**

There are a lot of exciting things happening with the Chaires Youth. We are finishing up our study on the book of James at our Sunday morning Bible Study. We are making the best use of our Sunday school time by intensely studying God's word. As we finish up James, we are going to start a much more broad study of the message of the Bible. In James we asked the questions of how we act and think as Christians, and now we are going to focus on who Jesus is and how we are to truly know him. This will begin a study that will look deeper in to the four Gospels, some of the letters of Paul, and different areas of the Old Testament. This should be a lot of fun and learning for us during this school year.

Coming up in October is a fall camping retreat at Torreya State Park. The retreat will be held from October 13<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>. There will also be youth from other area churches joining us for this trip. There will be many wonderful opportunities for us to experience God through his nature, through different prayer/quiet times, and our own Sunday worship service that we will hold before we leave. This looks to be a wonderful time for all of us. If any one would like to come along as a chaperone, please contact either Pastor Bill or me.

Overall, the youth group has a lot of events and intense Bible studies coming--and this is all before the new year. God Bless.

~ submitted by Peter J. Marvin

**Sunday School Activities**

Teachers are getting fired up! This month several of the children's ministry teachers participated in the "Faith that Sticks!" workshop at Killlearn United Methodist Church.

We have some new curriculum ideas to help your child get stuck on Jesus! Stay tuned for more.

Thanks to our new elementary teachers, Brenda Messer and Margaret Boyette. We are blessed to have you.

~submitted by Joy Marshall

**Children in Church**

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

**Historic Chaires United Methodist Church Christmas Ornaments**



**HAVE YOU NOTICED THE BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT HANGING IN THE WINDOW AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH?**

**THE CHAIRES UMC WOMEN STILL HAVE ON HAND ABOUT 200 OF THESE ORNAMENTS! PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN TO PURCHASE AS MANY AS YOU WISH FOR \$7.00 EACH**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP SELL ORNAMENTS, CONTACT MARGARET BOYETTE**

**news around the church**

from United Methodist News Service – <http://umns.umc.org>

**Men's Commission Moves Four-Year Gathering from Purdue**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The governing body for United Methodist Men is moving the denomination's quadrennial men's conference from Purdue University to Nashville. On Sept. 16, the churchwide Commission on United Methodist Men voted to hold the 10th national United Methodist Men's gathering July 9-12, 2009, at a university to be determined in Nashville, Tenn.

**United Methodist Men Join Effort to Help Reduce Teen Smoking**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Commission on United Methodist Men has joined a coalition of faith groups to help reduce teen smoking. The commission voted Sept. 16 to add its signature to a resolution that calls for increasing the cost of cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and other tobacco products as one of the most effective ways of reducing smoking and other tobacco use among adolescents.

**'House of Friends' Helps Dementia Patients, Families**

AUSTIN, Tex.--Louise Sellars and her friends forget sometimes why they are wearing flower leis around their necks. They are dressed for a Hawaiian luau at the "House of Friends." All of the "friends" at this weekly gathering suffer from dementia. Bethany United Methodist Church in Austin, Texas, provides activities designed for seniors to give caregivers a weekly respite. The group has time each week for arts, crafts, music, snacks and conversation. The House of Friends is offered, free of charge, to participants of all faiths. The ministry is supported by donations and grants.

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike? I mentally polished my halo, while I asked, "No, how are we a like?" "You're both old," he replied.

**Sierra Leone teachers help students traumatized by war**

YONIBANA, Sierra Leone — Following an 11-year civil war, United Methodists from the United States and Liberia led a July workshop to help leaders of this West African nation train teachers to rehabilitate the minds and hearts of young people. Bishop Joseph C. Humper, who leads the denomination's Sierra Leone Area, told leaders from United Methodist schools in the region that since the war ended in 2002, the government has been busy rehabilitating and reconstructing hospitals, schools and police stations that were destroyed during the years of fighting. He said it is now time to help people traumatized by the war.

**CBS to air special on Chautauqua Institution**

NEW YORK --United Methodists will be featured in an upcoming CBS-TV special exploring the Chautauqua Institution, an educational center in New York. CBS will air the 30-minute interfaith program at 8 a.m. Eastern time and 5 a.m. Pacific Time on Oct. 8. Both founders of the Chautauqua Institution — the Rev. John Heyl Vincent, a minister, and Lewis Miller, an inventor and manufacturer — were Methodists.

**Online survey helps assess 'state of church'**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — United Methodists are encouraged to participate in an online survey to help collect information for the denomination's "State of the Church" project. The project is sponsored by the Connectional Table, created by the 2004 United Methodist General Conference to guide mission and ministries. The survey can be found at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=242972529614>.



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