Soul Purpose - February 2025

² My brothers and sisters, think of the various tests you encounter as occasions for joy. ³ After all, you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance ⁴ Let this endurance complete its work so that you may be fully mature, complete, and lacking in nothing. ⁵ But anyone who needs wisdom should ask God, whose very nature is to give to everyone without a second thought, without keeping score. Wisdom will certainly be given to those who ask. ⁶ Whoever asks shouldn't hesitate. They should ask in faith, without doubting." James 1: 2 – 6a

As I sit writing this edition of Soul Purpose, I'm looking outside at a 4" snowfall that fell over much of Brunswick County last evening. Oliver, our Llewellyn English Setter, is running and enjoying his time in the snow as much as any child I'm seeing posted on Facebook today.

Snowfalls are beautiful when they first occur, but I know tomorrow the bright white snow will become dirty brown, yards will turn to mud, cars will need daily washings for a week, and Oliver will get scolded for not wanting to go outside to get his feet wet. The carefree, uncomplicated life today suddenly become more complicated because, as you and I know, life can change at the least expected moment.

Dogs don't understand when their surroundings and their circumstances change. They don't get it when their master becomes suddenly a bit testy and forces them to do things differently. "Gee, yesterday I could go out and run and have fun and my owners laughed and took pictures. Today, because I don't want to play in the muck and mire, they yell at me and drag me out on a leash." The poor dog doesn't understand why they still need the exercise, the stretching of their muscles, not to mention the potty break that's necessary if they're to remain an "inside pet."

Well, this may be a stretch, but what comes to my mind is the scripture from James' epistle, where he reminds us that life for people and the trials we face in life, is a bit like what dogs must feel when their circumstances change from a day of unadulterated joy to a day that's not joyous at all.

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As people, much of what we experience are the things that are going on right in front of our faces. We understand the things we're going through in any given moment, but when our circumstances suddenly change, we forget God is working behind the scenes. But here's the truth, God is in complete control and doing for us good things we can't see. God is so great and powerful that even if we could envision it, I don't think we could grasp it because the awesomeness of the work going on within God's work in us is overwhelming. It feels as if the gap between us, our faith, and God's greatness is wider than the 80' chasm where the Swinging Bridge hangs at Grandfather Mountain.

The Book of James is one of the more practical writings in all of scripture. His short epistle is long on the list of advice stocked full of challenging lessons that will inspire anyone seeking to live out their faith in a way that is brave and strong. From the very beginning of his letter, James helps us see how best to handle the trials and tribulations we face.

Early this morning, as I began my day doing my morning devotion from *Lectio 365*, Jesus was praying in the Gospel of Matthew saying, "*My Father in heaven, reveal who you are. Set the world right. Do what's best in me now and through me today.*" Sitting in the quietness, I prayed for the elderly mother who is worrying herself sick at the thought of her daughter that lives many miles away is recovering from surgery and she can't be there. I prayed for two separate families preparing to bury their mothers. I prayed for a dear friend that is undergoing surgery in this very hour, and I prayed a prayer of thanksgiving that the son of friends that live in another state was not injured last night when his truck slid into a guardrail on the sleet-covered road.

You bet life changes. Sometimes unexpected. Often rapidly. Strange times can disconnect us from not only real life, but from confidence in our faith too.

But then we rediscover God's presence, felt through the movement of God's Holy Spirit. In these times where we are tested, somehow, in some way, we begin to encounter joy. Joy from healing as God is seen in the midst of surgery as we find God working through the hands of healthcare professionals to restore us. Happiness in God's promise of resurrection after we walk and see someone we love completing their walk through the valley of the shadows of death. Happiness comes when our expected stay in the hospital turns into a "we can send you home today and treat you with medications there", and breathe with relief after the late-night phone call that woke us up with the words, "Mom, don't worry. I'm okay, but tonight on the way home from work…" end with, "Well, I'm going to sleep now. Mom, I'm sorry I woke you and dad up but I wanted you to know I'm really okay."

Joy in times of trial? Seriously? Trials = joy?

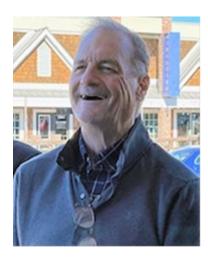
It seems to me James is suggesting that if we'll approach our seasons of circumstances in life with joy, we'll be able to confront them in a way that will strengthen our faith immeasurably.

Try and see life's journeys through God's eyes for if you do, you'll approach them with a more peaceful mindset, for James' words ring true, "My brothers and sisters, think of the various tests you encounter as occasions for joy.

May God's peace surround you.

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NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISMS IN DECEMBER



Judd Miller 136 Pearl Crescent Loop Little River, SC 910-299-9411 ejuddmiller@verizon.net



Barry Gene Robertson 95 Britton Ave. Greeneville, TN 37743 910-200-3242 barrygrobertson@gmail.com



Annaclaire Jones
Daughter of Brooke Jones
Granddaughter of
Deana Milliken

PALLS FOR THE ALTAR GUILD



The church purchased two Palls, one for a casket and the other for an urn. On December 22nd, they were presented to Sue Wells, the chair of the Altar Guild, in appreciation of her years of service. Either pall can be used by a member of the church. By using the Pall, you do not have to have flowers for the casket or the urn.

A pall on your casket or urn represents your Christianity. It's a reminder of the promise of the resurrection and eternal life, and that everyone is equal in the eyes of God.

The Palls will stay at the church at all times. Prior to the casket or urn going to its final resting place the Pall will be taken off and put back in storage until it is needed again.

Kelly Barefoot is the new Altar Guild Chair.

Shay Godwin

RECENT DECISIONS BY THE CHURCH COUNCIL

One of the largest parts of our Church budget is the annual apportionment we pay to the Conference. Those dollars fund the global mission of the church, are used to respond to local, National and International crises, help pay the cost of training clergy including seminary students and are also used for grants directed at projects that help churches expand their ministries. Those dollars also pay for the cost of the conference staff. The amount of the apportionment is based on a complex formula related to the expenses we incur each year, in effect the size of our annual budget. The amount is based on a 4-year average so that an unusual cost (such as a significant renovation like replacing the roof) will not overly burden a given church. Unfortunately, that method creates a challenge for a Church like ours which has undergone disaffiliation. That is because for two of the four years included in the calculation, we were a significantly larger church, with significantly higher expenses, than we are now. It is important to note that the Conference staff has also been downsized in response to disaffiliation.

Our apportionment for calendar year 2023 was \$90,777.00 while our total spending for the year was \$576,021.92---so our apportionment was just over 16 percent of our spending. In years past, prior to disaffiliation, our apportionment was closer to 10 percent of our spending.

Our Church has a proud history in terms of paying our apportionment. We know we have been blessed as a congregation, and we fully support the purposes that apportionment dollars make possible. At the same time, the Church Council recognized at the beginning of the year that with a significantly smaller congregation, making our apportionment payment in full was going to be a challenge. To help meet that challenge, beginning in March we sent approximately \$6,000 to the Conference toward our apportionment each month. At the end of the year, we had sent just over \$51,000 for that purpose. During our meeting of January 9th, the Council voted to send a final payment of \$20,000.00. While we did not pay our full apportionment, we did send over 12 percent of our total annual spending. In the future, as our church grows and the four-year average spending grows closer to current spending, we hope to be able to again pay our apportionment in full.

Tom Evans
Chair of the Church Council



CELEBRATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

By Donna Varnam



"Let us be dissatisfied until integration is not seen as a problem, but as an opportunity to participate in the beauty of diversity." (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. during a speech at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Atlanta, GA, 8/16/67

The morning of January 20, 2025, dignitaries gathered in the warm rotunda of our nation's Capitol for the inauguration of the 47th president of the United States. Elsewhere in the nation, even though frigid temperatures gripped tightly, thousands across the US gathered in their respective centers and places of worship to honor, not a president, but a historical icon of civil rights and an advocate for non-violence, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Camp United Methodist Church's Agape Ministry Team and clergy from the Greater Shallotte Area Ministerial Association, welcomed more than one hundred attendees to the 3rd Annual Martin Luther King Jr Interfaith Prayer Service. Participants in the service were:

The Honorable Walt Eccard Mayor of Shallotte

Rev. Matt Farabow Seaside United Methodist Church

Fran Salone-Pelletier St. Brenden the Navigator Catholic Church

Cathy White, Chair of Camp's Agape Ministry

Rev. Terry Williams
Camp United Methodist Church

Rev. Farrell Graves

St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church

Bishop Michael Frink

Embracing Christ Fellowship Church

Rev. Chris Einhorn

St. Luke Evangelical Lutherarn Church

Rev. Mark Betti

St. Brenden the Navigator Catholic Church

Music was provided by Betty Pittman, Pianist and Corky Jarvis, soloist.



Individuals from all walks of cultural, economic and religious backgrounds were present to hear the keynote speaker, Kim Henderson. Kim Is Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer at Novant Health where she oversees the people and culture team.

Kim refreshed our knowledge of Dr. King, and reminded us of his teachings. She delivered a speech much larger than her small stature and as compelling as a sermon, leaving us with seven leadership aspect lessons she, herself, had gleaned from Dr. King:

- 1. **United Voice.** Shine the light on others to bring their mutual strengths to the common cause.
- 2. Courage to speak up. Say what you believe to shape the conversation and encourage others.
- 3. Seize opportunities. Recognize and act on opportunities. Go forth in boldness.
- **4. Unshakable faith.** Faith is taking the first step, even if you don't see the entire staircase.
- **5. Confidence**. Always go forward with a confident smile, ready to act.
- **6. Pay it forward**. Don't let the help and sacrifice of others go unnoticed. Give back. Let everyone know they are a gift to you.
- 7. Collaboration. Do not hesitate to mobilize leaders and the community to

Needless to say, all the "Amens" and "Hallelujahs" coming from the pews during and after Kim Henderson's presentation were not wasted. On this cold day, January 20th, everyone at Camp United Methodist Church left with a warmer heart, refreshed knowledge of Martin Luther King and better understanding of what it means to "Act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8.



Pastor Terry with Kim Henderson and Fran Solone-Pelletier



Lunch was after the service in the Youth and Family Center. Attendees enjoyed good food and warm fellowship

The time is always right to do what is right." MLK

GOOD NEWS FOR TINAMARIE SIFFORD



Those of you who have been members for a while, may remember Whimsey, TinaMarie's service dog. For Tina, who has had severe hearing loss since birth, Whimsey was a blessing. Whimsey alerted her when someone was at the door, if the phone rang, if the smoke alarm went off, if there were issues when she was driving out and about (sirens, etc.) and, most especially, provided her with love and companionship. Church members enjoyed having Whimsey join them in worship and Sunday School Classes.



Getting a service dog is a long process. TinaMarie applied to NEADS for a service dog in 2008. It took four (4) years for her to get Whimsey IN 2012. Whimsey was her faithful companion until she died in 2020.

HERE'S THE GOOD NEWS!

TinaMarie has been approved to receive another service dog, this time from Canine Companions in Orlando, FL. Next December, TinaMarie will travel to Orlando, for 2 weeks of intensive training with her dog. She will then be able to bring her new dog home and we can all welcome her dog (sex not known at this time) into our midst.

FOR YOUR EDIFICATION

NEADS formerly known as National Education for Assistance Dog Services and Dogs for Deaf and Disabled Americans), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was established in 1976 and has trained over 1,900 Service Dog teams since its founding. NEADS is accredited by Assistance Dogs International, the internationally recognized governing body that establishes industry standards and practices. Today, NEADS offers the widest array of Service Dog programs in the industry, while still holding true to our core mission of producing Service Dogs for individuals with disabilities. We are proud of our reputation as a pioneer, leader, and innovator.

https://neads.org

Canine Companions is leading the service dog industry so our clients and their dogs can live with greater independence. We provide service dogs to adults, children and veterans with disabilities and facility dogs to professionals working in healthcare, criminal justice and educational settings. Since our founding in 1975, our dogs and all follow-up services are provided at no cost to our clients.

https://canine.org

Dogs are God's way of proving that He didn't want us to walk alone!



The youth group had a very busy January! We kicked off 2025 with a joint Christmas and New Year's party complete with pizza, white elephant gift exchange game, 9-square and fellowshipping together.

From January 24th-27th, seventeen youth and chaperones James Morse, Dean Anderson, and Kara Martin headed to the North Carolina mountains to the Encounter retreat at Lake Junaluska. The church van (and an additional SUV packed full) left Shallotte, NC on Friday after school and arrived late that night in the mountains.

This has been a favorite trip for youth and chaperones for many years but this year it was extra special as we were able to serve the people that were devastated by hurricane Helene. Saturday morning the group woke up early, ate a quick breakfast and then headed off to the work sites Some of our youth moved pallets of food from Fines Creek Community Center (a temporary food distribution center) to another distribution center in Waynesville. Their team said it was the largest load of food they had been able to move in one day! The group of 7 guys filled two pick up truck beds, one large trailer, and our church bus was even used to deliver around 100 boxes of food! The other group teamed up with a youth group from Tampa, FL and worked at Clyde United Methodist Church. This area was devastated by Hurricane Helene and this small church of thirty members has done amazing outreach ministries including serving daily meals, hosting a health care station, a free "store" with clothing and supplies, internet access, and showers/shelter. Our youth cleaned the church, organized and moved supplies to be distributed elsewhere, sorted through donations and helped set up the free clothing store. "For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose." Philippians 2:13

Saturday night we celebrated one of the youth's birthdays, Dane turned 15 and all enjoyed birthday cake. Sunday was a fun day on the slopes. Skiing and snowboarding filled the day,





As my apprentice, you're never fired. -God

YOUTH MINISTRES CONT.

it snowed (as it has the last 3 years on this trip) so lots of snowballs and playing in the snow occurred. Each night there was a worship service complete with a live band, dancing, trivia, games, small groups, merging youth groups and a dynamic speaker focusing on seeking out God and using your voice. Monday morning our youth group loaded up the bus and SUV and made the trip down the mountain and arrived safely to awaiting parents in the church parking lot. Thank you all for your thoughts, prayers and support while the youth were on this trip.

We continue to meet Sunday nights from 5:30-7:00 PM. Our next event is a Super bowl party at the Anderson's home on February 9th at 6pm until halftime.

Anna Anderson Youth Ministry



Our Children have started 2025 by studying Nehemiah. Nehemiah reminds us that God gives us strength and courage, offers forgiveness, and puts special people in our lives so TOGETHER we can do His work. The children had fun using different objects to rebuild the "wall of Jerusalem".

Our Camp Kids will share their "love" of singing on February 9th during the children's moment They have also prepared a sweet surprise for each person in the congregation. We are so thankful for our children and their families.





Becky Hewett Children's Ministry







Susanna Wesley Circle

The Susanna Wesley Circle Women in Faith has started the New Year 2025 with a bang. In January we sewed clothes for Costa Rican children. This month we will be packing food at Rise Against Hunger and selling Valentine bouquets for our church ladies. Our new slate of officers is up and running under our new president Jill Bryant. We want to thank our esteemed prior President Lynda Eagle who has agreed to provide guidance to our group in the position of Vice President.

Susanna Wesley Circle Officers

President: Jill Bryant

Vice President: Lynda Eagle Secretary; Patty McNeill

Secretary; Patty McNell Treasurer: Cathy LaBianca Spiritual Growth: Sue Wells Secretary of Program Resources;

Jane Williams

Social Action: Barbara Varnam Communications Coordinator:

Beverley Hooks

The Susanna Wesley and Joy Circles from the Women In Faith will be selling Valentine's Flower bouquets to benefit our Mission projects. Flowers will be sold before and after services on Sunday January 26th and February 2nd. Flowers can be picked up on Sunday, February 9th. Each bouquet is only \$20. We hope you will purchase some flowers from us for your sweetie! If you are writing us a check,, please make checks out to Joy Circle. Any questions please contact Laura Beaty (laurazbeaty@gmail.como) or Jill Bryant. (jillbry1@aol.com)



Camp United Methodist church has been invited to participate in a food packing event for Rise Against Hunger at Ocean View United Methodist Church on Saturday. February 8th from 10:00 AM until noon. We are looking to take 20 volunteers to help pack the meals. The Susanna Wesley Circle of Women In Faith

and the Missions Outreach Team will help to supply an additional 1000 meals. The total meals to be packed that day is 16,000 meals. If you have any questions, please contact Jill Bryant at jillbry1@aol.com. You can also register at the link below.

http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/OceanViewUMC25

UPDATE ON THE VIM MISSION TRIP TO COSTA RICA

Five members of Camp UMC will be traveling to Costa Rica on Saturday, March 29, 2025 for a week-long UMCOR mission trip. Ray McKinnon, Makenzie Cardinal, Steve Jarvis, Phil Giallombardo and Pastor Jim Malick will be leaving bright and early to work on a new United Methodist Church in Santa Marta de Volcano. They will return on Saturday, April 5th.

The team will have a Zoom meeting with the local UMCOR director, Wil Bailey, in early March to get final details of their project. They expect to be finishing up work on the Education/Sunday School building and will work along with other teams coming from all over the United States. Lodging, equipment and meals will be provided onsite for the teams.

Although five are traveling to Costa Rica, many members of Camp have generously devoted their time, talent and resources for the trip. Julie Madison and talented seamstresses and assistants have been working diligently to make beautiful children's dresses and shorts for the team to take on the trip. Fabric for the clothing was generously donated by church members. The goal is to complete 50 dresses and 50 shorts for the local children of Santa Marta de Volcano.

There are a few loose ends to tie up before we depart. We are in search of someone to drive us to and from the Wilmington International Airport in the church van. If you can assist, contact Ray McKinnon.

Please keep the VIM Team in your prayers as we travel outside our local community to do God's work. We look forward to sharing our experience with you once we return in April.

Ray McKinnon, Chair International Missions

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP SEWING PROJECT

On January 6th and 9th, over twenty women and men came to help with the sewing, cutting and ironing. As of January 17, we have fifty-two completed garments. The garments include dresses for girls of all ages, shorts for girls, and shorts for boys. The majority of the people who came for the sewing days took home material to complete more garments. Several church members and friends of church members who were unable to attend the sewing days completed garments at home. Church members, family members, and others donated fabric and notions for the garments all completed garments need to be placed in box in narthex by March 12th. Thanks to Julie Madison who organized the project and all those who sewed, ironed, cut and created. At this time, there are over 50 completed garments. Pictures of some of the creations are on the next page.



















During the month of November, 50 house-shaped boxes for Habitat for Humanity were filled by members. There was a calendar detailing what amount should be put in each day. For example: Day 2: Thank God for the roof over your head.

If it leaks add \$.40. If no leaks add \$.50. Day 11: Deposit \$.15 for each water faucet you have. These daily deposits gave people pause as they was realized how fortunate they are. The total amount collected was \$831. Special thanks to Cathy White who organized the project.

The Lord's Pantry

On January 4th, Camp distributed food to 148 families (10 new) 509 individuals (151 children 242 adults 116 seniors).

Also distributed 31 Hispanic bags and 2 Arabic bags.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with this mission.

Gary Concelmo, Camp Coordinator

JACKETS IN JANUARY



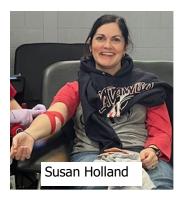
Our "Jackets in January" coat drive was a huge success, Four (4) carloads of new and/or lightly used coats and jackets were collected. Some of our members went out shopping or went on-line and purchased new jackets. All the coats have been sent to Western NC to the victims of Hurricane Helene. A huge thank you to everyone who answered our call.

Barbara Varnam, Local Mission Co-chair



The Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, January 2nd yielded 29 pints of blood. Some happy donors









"Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all." 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

NEW LIFE PRAISE BAND

The New Life Praise Band is looking for additional musicians and vocalists to join our group. It is not required that you participate every Sunday, we are very flexible with our schedule. Any and all levels of ability are welcome to join us and participate in Sunday worship.

If you are interested and would like to become a part of our music ministry, or would like more information, please contact Ray McKinnon (the drummer) at vrmckinnon1956@gmail.com

Newsletter

Do you like to read? Do you like to write? Do you like to proofread? Do you want to be an editor? The newsletter team is looking for helpers. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Jeanne Frederick at either beanjeeby@gmail.com or (910-368-3956)

NOTE TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTE ARTICLES: Please make every effort to submit your articles by the given deadline.



The next Salt event will be lunch on Monday Feb. 17th at Wings and Fish at 11:30 AM.



Ladies Night Out will be on Feb. 20th at 5:30 PM at Duffers.



HARBOR DISTRICT HELPING HANDS MARCH 15, 2025

Our District Superintendent, Rev. Tara Lain, and the Harbor District has asked Camp to host an outreach event on Sat. March 15th for our community. This event will connect us with other non-profit organizations and churches for a community day of service. Stay tuned in, more information will be available soon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thank you for your faithful stewardship to the church. We continue to be in a solid financial position, however we are spending a little more than our regular general fund offerings. We continue to have reserves in the bank and donations to "Restricted Funds" such as Friday Night dinners, Food Pantry and others. We're not a rich church (financially), but we certainly aren't broke either. We are definitely rich

In our love for others within our local community. I have never been a part of a church this size that, does so much for others outside of the walls of our own building. It's just heart-warming.

Moving forward, our budget and expenses will continue to increase. (think repairs, maintenance, insurance and inflation, etc.). Your continued support is needed. I look forward to growing and serving with you.

Harold Beaty Finance Chair

Summary of Financial Results Year to Date - through December 2024

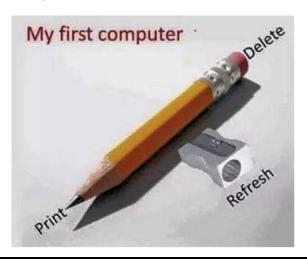
Revenue and Expenses (12 months)

Offerings = 521,246.95
*Other Revenue 21,435.00
Expenses -576,021.92
= -33.329.97

* Includes sale of property, interest, capital credits and other miscellaneous revenue

NOTE TO YOUNGER MEMBERS

We older members also had computers when we were young. In fact, we may have used our computers at a younger age than you did. Our computers were less expensive too.



FIVE THINGS TO PONDER

1 – Once all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella.

THAT IS FAITH.

2 – When you throw babies in the air, They laugh because they know you will catch them.

THAT IS TRUST

3 – Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set alarms to wake up.

THAT IS HOPE

4 – We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future.

THAT IS CONFIDENCE

5- On an old man's shirt was written a sentence "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.

THAT IS ATTITUDE

Facebook Post

METHODIST MEN and SALT MEETING-1/27/25

Howard Varnam kicked off the first meeting of the new year by welcoming more than sixty attendees of the combined Methodist Men and Salt ministries. Vegetable, chicken noodle and taco soups gave everyone a variety to satisfy their palate and the room filled with plenty of conversation to go around.

Tammy Munns did the devotion reading from John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." Emphasizing the verse on peace as something everyone wants and oftentimes struggle to find, Tammy reminded everyone that peace is readily available by our trust and focus on God. Tammy challenged everyone to draw themselves closer to God through prayer and reading His word; and, letting Him turn our worries into peace.

Thommi Hendricks gave everyone a "heads up" that Vacation Bible School will be June 15-19 this year and she will need lots of hands to make it a success. The theme will BE True North which intends to guide kids on the ultimate Alaskan adventure. The sanctuary will be decorated with everything that will reflect a True North experience.

Jill Bryant solicited volunteers to go to Ocean View United Methodist Church at Oak Island on February 8th from 10-Noon to help reach a goal of packing 16,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger.

Howard Varnam was unanimously re-elected as the 2025 Chairman of the Methodist Men. Joey Galloway carried the same vote as Vice-Chair.

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS AND SURPRISE BIRTHDAY

Poli Barefoot took the lectern to give a brief testimony to being the son of a veteran and gave a shout-out and recognition to all the veterans present, especially one. Ray Nichols recently celebrated his 90th birthday and Monday night church members had the opportunity to congratulate him. He has been an integral part of the church and community for many years and it was a great time to thank Ray and celebrate this milestone with him.



Ray with Poli Barefoot



The cake



Youngest attendee, Grayson, Pastor Terry's grandson.

Howard adjourned the meeting. The Methodist Men will meet again on Feb. 28th at 6:00 PM.

Donna Varnam





Beverley Hooks	2	John Adams	13
Kaylan Morse	2	Samantha Greene	13
Diane Sowder	2	Beth Michelakis	16
Bill Clegg	3	Debbie Rupp	16
Joey Galloway	3	Kassi Grainger	18
Alyssa Meyer	3	Aubrey Anderson	20
Susan Merriam	4	Barbara Varnam	20
Stephanie Page	5	Lynda Eagle	21
Mary Richardson	5	Angela Lawrence	21
Tina Teipel	6	Elliott Page	21
Annaclaire Milliken	8	Cora Van Middlesworth	22
Allison Hunter	9	Wendy Cardinal	23
Kimberly Williamson	9	Fallon Summerlin	25
Carolyn Jones	12	Frank Williamson	28
Kiera Peralta	12		

Cheryl Cheers & Barry Robertson 17 (6) Junior & Kitty Reedy 29 (69)



DATES TO REMEMBER IN FEBRUARY

Feb. 1st	The Lord's Pantry Day	
Feb 2nd	Groundhog Day	
Feb. 6th	Finance Meeting	7:00 PM
Feb. 8th	Rise Against Hunger	10:00 AM-noon
	Ocean View UMC	
Feb. 13th	Trustee Meeting	6:00 PM
Feb. 14th	Valentine's Day	
Feb. 17th	SALT Lunch @ Wings & Fish	11:30 AM
Feb. 20th	SPRC Meeting	6:30 PM







REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 10:00 Children's Church 5:30 Youth		9:30 Prayer Shawl 2:00 Basket Weavers	10:00 Bible Journaling 4:00 & 6:00 Study 5:30 Dinner, 5:30 Camp Kids, Kid Singers 5:45 Adult Choir 7:30 Bell Choir		4:30 Com- munity Meal	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 CAMP'S FOOD PANTRY DAY
2 Communion Groundhog Day	3 4:00 SALT Planning	4	5 No Choir/Bells	6 9:00 Carbs for Caregivers 7:00 Finance	7	8
5:00 Youth Super bowl Party	4:00 Staff Meeting	11 10:00 SW Circle	12	9:00 MMOM Valentine Ball 10:00 Salmon SS Valentine Party 6:00 Trustee	14 Happy Valentiness Day	15
16	11:30 SALT Activity	18	19	5:30 Ladies Night Out Duffer's 6:30 SPRC	21	22
23	4:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 UMM	25	26	27	28	