



The Wesley Word

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JESUS INVITES YOU INTO HIS PRESENCE

God, who is making all things new, grant that we may be a people of God's will; that we may allow our spirits to go where God sends them. May we realize again, above all, our need for profound and total humility especially in relation to any work we may do for peace. Humility is more important than zeal; descent into nothingness and dependence on God. Otherwise we are fighting the world with its own weapons and there the world is unbeatable. Amen

(taken in part from the writings of John Merton)

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To the saints of Wesley,

Can you believe it? It is 2010! Happy New Year! We are starting a new year, a new decade, and along with this newness is the opportunity to start a brand new way of living. Christ calls us into new life in him. We have been blessed this Christmas season with the light of Christ being born in us, and now we need to start our new life with a new sense of who God is calling us to be.

A new year usually calls for New Year's resolutions, those resolutions generally take the form of losing weight, putting away old bad habits, acting differently, and being better than we feel we've been in the past. These are all laudable resolutions, but what would it look like if instead of taking things away, we added some things?

- **What if, for the new year, we added a greater awareness of those who suffer in our midst?**
- **What if, for the new year, we added a desire to study and learn more from God's Word?**
- **What if, for the new year, we added more commitment to doing the work God gives us?**
- **What if, for the new year, we added giving from our heart and not our head?**

I have proposed to the Finance Committee a new offering opportunity for all of us. On the first Sunday of each month, when we come to the altar to receive communion, how about we receive communion and then go to the altar rail to pray? At the altar rail we can pray for those we know are in need, we can pray for our church leaders, we can pray for our soldiers who serve for all of us, we can pray for our government, and we can pray a prayer of thanksgiving to God for what he's done for us through the sacrifice of His Son Jesus Christ. After we have prayed, we can leave an offering at the altar rail for mission. Each month, the Missions Committee will designate a specific mission to receive the communion offering. This offering will be above and beyond our tithe and commitment, it will be a *sacrificial* offering.

With a new year, there are always I hope and pray you will find this giving to a mission focus one which find much joy in giving and sacrifice altar you will find you have re-



new opportunities to experience God's grace. opportunity to participate in God's grace, by you can commit to. I promise you, you will giving at God's altar, and when you leave the ceived more than you've given.

I believe 2010 will be a year in which we will experience a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Have a Happy, HAPPY New Year! Be blessed, and be a blessing.

Your fellow traveler on the Way,

Tom Waitschies



November was a very busy month for our puppet team. We were able to take 9 puppeteers to DeSoto for a two day workshop. We took classes on advanced puppeteering, adding the Wow factor, choreography, and more! We also had a chance to see performances by other teams, which inspired us to try new ideas.

On Saturday, November 28th, we were, once again, performing for our community. The Cup Filler invited us to perform during McKinney's "Dickens of a Christmas". Despite extremely windy conditions, (at least it was sunny and not too cold), we put on 4 - half hour shows. Our puppets reminded everyone on the square to keep Christ in their Christmas.

December found us back in Wesley performing "A Strange Way to Save the World". This was a combination of puppets and something called Live Video, which we learned about at our Workshops. We, as the leaders presented our puppeteers with an idea and they filled it out into a fabulous message.

For 2010 the puppet team is looking forward to a wonderful opportunity to expand our skills. We will be starting to raise funds to take at least 4 puppeteers and our 2 adult leaders to IFEST. IFEST is the International Festival of Christian Puppetry where we will learn and grow in all aspects of puppeteering. We will also have the chance to be inspired by puppeteers from all over the world.

A note from the director:



We are still working without a director. God has someone in mind, is it you? You don't need to know anything about Puppets or Puppeteering - we just need a leader and a project organizer. Keep our team and our new director-to-be in your prayers.



SAMARITAN INN MEAL



The second Saturday of each month is the designated time for Wesley UMC to provide a monetary donation of \$200 to the Inn for purchasing groceries. Mission Coordinator will see that the check is delivered to the Inn by the second Saturday. Your donations to this mission are greatly appreciated!

Hands and Feet for 2010

<i>January</i>	<i>Individual</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>Open</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>Open</i>
<i>April</i>	<i>Open</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>Open</i>

Call the church office if interested in making a donation. **June through December are also open.**

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." Matthew 24:40

Confirmation News by Andrew Brinkman

Thank you so much for supporting our confirmation class. You might have seen a couple of confirmands selling you some baked goods after worship for you to enjoy. Or you might have dropped off your children for Kids Night Out and while the kids were away you might have had a romantic date. Or maybe you might have stopped & talked to a confirmand in the halls of the church. Wherever you may

have seen us, we want to let you know that we are enjoying our confirmation class this year!

The confirmands have learned a lot since August. We spent many weeks learning about the history of Methodism. We then learned about our Wesley history from our very own Mrs. Rominger. Did you know she has been at Wesley since she was born?! We

were taught by Mr. Mario about the hymnal: how to use it, the history of it & many other interesting facts. Pastor Tom even taught us about baptism. We have memorized all the books of the Old Testament by singing a little jingle to help us remember them and currently we are learning the Ten Commandments. Plus, Mrs. Shana & Mrs. Stacey have been excellently teaching us the basics of puppetry. It's been a fun year so far!



Happy January

Birthday's

Carla Gilbert	1-2
Audra Lambert	1-4
Robert Nelson	1-4
Debbie Stallings	1-5
Gracie Stallings	1-5
Yvonne Campbell	1-8
Chad Stallings	1-9
Kathy McClellan	1-10
Cavan Natal	1-11
Paul Anderson	1-14
Gayle Wilks	1-16
Brian Peterson	1-22
Andrew Jandoc	1-23
Ashleigh Quinn	1-23
Alan Denniston	1-25
Charles Rominger	1-28



"Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice"

Let us rejoice as we present ourselves before our loving creator. Welcome to Wesley, Welcome to this house of God.

*If you would like to become a member of Wesley UMC, please fill out a form located in the attendance record book and bring it with you during the final hymn or talk with the Pastor after the service, or call 972-542-2228 Ext 301 and talk with the Pastor.



UP COMING EVENTS

- January 1 Office Closed
- January 3 Installation of new Church leaders/Adult & Youth
- January 3 Worship Committee
- January 3 Youth Parent Meeting
- January 3 Dinner for 8 potluck Kick-off
- January 4 Trustees meeting
- January 6 WFN Resumes
- January 8 Kids Night Out
- January 9 Samaritan Inn Meal/Hands and Feet/Individual
- January 10 Sunday Lunch Bunch
- January 11 Finance Meeting
- January 12 WCP Board Meeting
- January 13 Youth Life Groups re-sume
- January 13 Weight Loss Support Group
- January 16 UMW Meeting/Brunch
- January 18 Prayer Vigil 6pm-8pm
- January 18 Church Council/Speaker Larry Robinson of 3e McKinney (all are welcome to attend this meeting)
- January 19 Prayer Vigil 9am-3pm
- January 21 Prime Timers
- January 24 Visitor Luncheon
- January 24 30 days to understanding the Bible begins
- January 25 SPRC Meeting
- January 26 Community Prayer Breakfast/Fellowship Hall
- January 31 Healing Service



UMW'S January Meeting

What: Regular meeting followed by brunch

When: Saturday, January 16, 2010

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Where: Quilters room

Come and be a part of the first UMW meeting for 2010.

2010-11 Officers:

President: Pat Chadwick

Vice President: Joyce Scalf


Secretary: Betty Bailey

Treasurer: Carol Bichler

**Wesley United Methodist
General Funds Budget vs. Actual**
November 2009

Ordinary Income Expense	Nov 09	Budget	\$over budget	% of budget
Total income	31,867.52	39,368.70	-7,501.18	80.95%
Total Expense	34,646.48	31,268.19	3,378.29	110.8%

Ordinary Income Expense	Jan-Nov	Budget	\$over budget	% of budget
Total income	354,487.00	428,555.70	-74,068.70	82.72%
Total Expense	383,464.71	413,673.80	-30,209.09	92.7%

Get in on the ACTI  N

Would you like to be part of a ministry that makes a real difference in others' lives when they need it most—and in your own? Consider becoming a **Stephen Minister!** Stephen Minister training will begin in January. Topics include:

- *listening, feelings, confidentiality, providing Christian Care, maintaining boundaries, crisis theory and practice, ministering to people experiencing grief, divorce, hospitalization, illness and more.*

Applications are still being taken

Call Cathy Delisle 972-345-4919 or Church Office 972-542-2228



**Wesley United Methodist
Is now hiring**

**Experienced Nursery
Assistant**

**with Christian values and a
love for children**



**Sunday morning plus other times as needed
\$9 per hour**

Apply to Church office @ 9792-542-2228

**CHRISTIAN-BASED
EXERCISES**



Enjoy quality time with other Christians exercising in the Quilter's Room! Every Friday at 2:00 pm experience a one-hour, slow-paced and safe exercise session. Each class has a godly theme with scriptures to consistently keep God the focus. By using chair, straps, and blocks, each person will be able to modify their exercise to fit their restrictions. Sweat expected, but pain not allowed! Don't miss this chance to nourish your body with exercise and your spirit with scripture and fellowship.

Class starts **January 15th**. Open to all adults. Check out one class for \$12.00 or purchase a 5-class punch card for \$55.00. Pay at first class.

For information contact Jayne Wolfe at 972-727-9122. Sign up forms will be in the bulletins starting Dec. 27th.



Wesley Library

ATTENTION YOUTH !

Please check out the new juvenile books by Nancy Rue in your Wesley Library.

1. Lily's Passport to Paris
2. Lily's in London
3. The Buddy Book
4. Sophia Steps Up



WESLEY CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL
inching forward with love and learning
A ministry of Wesley United Methodist Church

Lend a Hand Christmas Project



Thank you to all the church and preschool families that contributed to the Christmas mitten project. Because of your generosity, we were able to fill 23 bags with toys, clothes and other Christmas wishes to support 8 families from Slaughter elementary. The community in schools representative from Slaughter was very appreciative of all our efforts and wishes to convey that to the congregation and preschool. It touched my heart to know that because of Wesley answering this call, these 8 families will have gifts around their tree this year.

Wesley will also have other opportunities throughout 2010, partnering with McKinney 3e, to support Slaughter elementary. Thank you for sharing God's blessings with these families this year.

Sincerely,
Karen Stein



Kids Night Out

When: The 2nd
Friday of the month;
(Jan. 8)

Time: The evening will
run from 6:00 to 10:00pm

Cost: The cost will be \$10 (one
child) \$15 (two children)\$20 (three +
children).

Limit: 20 children total. Reserva-
tions HIGHLY recommended

Who: Children walking age thru 5th
grade.

Where: Fellowship Hall—Wesley
UMC

Sponsored by: The Confirmation
Class of 2009-10

Come and have some fun!

**Call Valerie Brinkman 972-540-
6290 to make your reservation.**

CHANGES FOR PRAYER VIGIL

Jan 18, 6:00 pm—8pm

Jan 19, 9 am– 3pm

We are changing the format for Prayer Vigils by offering an evening time that will coincide with the Church Council meeting. The January Vigil will be on the 18th from 6 pm—8pm, offering Church Council members an opportunity for prayer, seeking God's will for Wesley and also an opportunity for those who work during the day

to participate in the Prayer Vigil. Following the Monday evening Prayer Vigil, there will be one on Tuesday, 19th, from 9am– 3pm, open to everyone in the church.

Prayer Request forms will be in the bulletins on the 3rd, 10th, and 17th .

You may request personal prayer, prayers for our church, commu-
nity, and country.



**God is doing a new work at
Wesley—come, join God in all
that God is doing!!**



HEALING SERVICE

January 31, 6:00 pm

Prayer Room

What a beautiful way to start a new year! Join us in the Prayer Room on January 31 for prayers of personal healing, joy, healing for our community and country. We will rejoice in the glory of God's presence, as he fills our spirits with everything that we need. With joy you will draw water from the well of salvation. {Isaiah 12:3} Drink deeply from this well with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

Church Council

Chairperson	Ken Hollingsworth
Secretary	Carla Gilbert
Lay Leader	Carol Boston
Staff-Parish Relations (chair)	Bob Morris
Board of Trustees (chair)	Jim Young
Finance Team (chair)	
Treasurer (staff)	Bryan Williams
Financial Secretary	Holly Malone
Lay Member To Annual Conference	Barry Smith
United Methodist Women	Pat Chadwick
UMYF Rep	Meredith Moorman
Pastor	Tom Waitschies
Prayer Ministries	Jayne Wolfe
Fellowship Team	Jim & Terry Young & Curt & Shirley Clark
Worship Leadership Team	Simmie Belonga
Missions Team	Gregg Dupree
Congregational Care Team	Shannon Williams
Communications Team	Open
Children's Ministry	Terrilee Schober
Adult Education Coordinator	Barry Smith
Youth Group Team	Dennis Full
Evangelism	Chuck Boston
Prime Timers	Yvonne Campbell
In Touch Ministry	June Halpin
Wesley Christian Preschool	Karen Stein
Piece Makers	Betty Dalton
Library	Sue Rominger
Puppet Ministry	Stacey Cowley
Stephen Ministry Rep	Cathy DeLisle

Staff-Parish Relations Team

2012 Lyle Wells	Betty Jo Miller	Alan Denniston
2011 Laurel Mutchler	Bob Morris/Chair	Sandra Graham
2010 Nina McClellan	Gina Lambert	Derek Kardos

Board of Trustees

2012 Judy Pearce	Andy Zappe	George Gilbert
2011 Jim Young/Chair	Pat Malone	Gina Lambert
2010 Teresa Barker	Michelle Gell	Roy Salas

Finance Team 2010

Chairperson	
Lay Member Annual Conf	Barry Smith
Church Council Chair	Ken Hollingsworth
Staff-Parish Relations Chair	Bob Morris
Trustees Chair	Jim Young
Treasurer	Bryan Williams
Financial Secretary	Holly Malone
Auditor	Bob Morris
Lay Leader	Carol Boston
WCP Rep	Karen Stein

The Fellowship Team 2010

Co-Chair	Jim & Terry Young
Co-Chair	Curt & Shirley Clark
	Judy Brown
	Ken & Yun Hollingsworth
	Davie McBride
	Yvonne Campbell
	Betty Dalton
	Terry Green
	Sara Tinsley
	Joe & Jan Wimmer
	Judy Pearce

Evangelism 2010

Chair	Chuck Boston
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Worship Leadership Team 2010

Chairperson	Simmie Belonga
Music Director	Mario Major
Usher Coordinators	Jim Young
Usher Captains	Charles Rominger
	Ken Hollingsworth
	Terry Green
	Howard & Sandra Graham
	George Gilbert
Children's Time Coordinator	Terrilee Schober
Technical Coordinator	Joel Cook
Communion Coordinator	Jayne Wolfe
Communion Stewards	Chuck & Carol Boston
	Gregg & Dana Dupree
Greeters Coordinator	Kelly Camp
Greeters	Betty Dalton
	Gina Lambert
	Yvonne Campbell
Acolytes	Nikki McDonald
Staff:	Pastor Tom Waitschies
	Sandy Ragland
	Mario Major
	Dennis Full
	Karen Stein

Missions Team 2010

	Gregg Dupree
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Congregational Care Team 2010

Chair	Shannon Williams
	June Halpin,
	Claire Hastings
	Yvonne Campbell
	Michelle Gell
	Joan Cook
	Betsy Cook
	Valerie Brinkman
	Carol Boston
	Sue Rominger

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Open

History & Archives Team 2010

Chair Sue Rominger
Wanda Fisher
Valerie Brinkman
Yvonne Campbell
Audrey Natal

In Touch Ministry 2010

Chair June Halpin
Yvonne Campbell
Wanda Fisher
Tom Waitschies

Library Team 2010

Chair Sue Rominger
Elizabeth McCaskill
Joan Cook
Coleen Parkman

Membership Team 2010

Staff Sandy Ragland
Sue Rominger
Yvonne Campbell
Sara Tinsley
Terry Young

Committee on Lay Leadership

2012 Craig Moorman Gregg DuPree Shanna Kelly
2011 Sandra Graham Valerie Brinkman Jonelle Jozwiak
2010 Larry Tinsley Betty Bailey Gina Lambert

Chair Tom Waitschies
Lay Leader Carol Boston

Youth Council 2010

Trustees	Eric Brinkman
Fund Raising	Julie Brinkman
Fellowship	Clay Lambert
Worship	Kelsey Priestley
Missions	Chuck Schober
Youth Care	Meredith Moorman
Communications	Open
Discipleship	Ryan Brinkman
Adult mentor	Dennis Full/Council Chair
Adult mentor	Kelly Camp
Adult mentor	Craig Moorman

****January 3rd at both services installation of new leadership for 2010**

We Confess.

Last month we reflected on what the Confessing Movement is reminding us of as regards Jesus Christ as **Savior**. This month we are reminded of Jesus Christ the **Lord**.

" As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in Him the whole fullness of the deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in Him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. " Colossians 2: 6-1

"In the midst of many competing voices, the Church (must seek) to hear, trust and obey Jesus the Lord and His commandments."

" for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live." 1Cor.8: 6

The Statement goes on to elaborate as to why it is even necessary, as some may ask, to state the obvious. Surely we all believe in the lordship of Jesus Christ and the sovereignty, uniqueness and oneness of God? Well, contrary what we may think, Christianity around the world as it is represented by main line churches is under assault, not from without, (as secular forces have waged war against the Church since it's inception), but from within where insidious forces are subtly waging war on the truth from behind the facade' of compromise, accommodation, experimentation, dissension and, that curse of the modern age, political correctness.

In the light of this The Statement has this to say:

" We repudiate teachings and practices that misuse principles of inclusiveness and tolerance to distort the doctrine and discipline of the Church. We deny the claim that the individual is free to decide what is true and what is false, what is good and what is evil. We reject widespread and often unchallenged practices in and by the Church that rebel against the Lordship of Jesus Christ."

In future articles we will examine some of these teachings and practices.

I conclude with this unequivocal directive which the policy making body of our denomination would do well to embrace: *"Any new teachings in the Church that seek to set aside the biblical witness cannot be established by votes or appeals to personal experience, or by responding to contemporary social pressures. According to the apostolic faith, such teachings and practices are false and unfaithful to the Gospel."*

Barry Smith.

Congregational Representative to Conference.





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Enrolling for the 2009/2010 preschool year

- ❖ 2,3, 5 day CLASSES available
- ❖ Must be aged 2, 3 or 4 by Sept 1 to be in respective class.
- ❖ Christian curriculum including weekly Spanish, Music/Movement and Chapel
- ❖ 5 day Transitional Kindergarten offered for older 4's or 5 year olds
- ❖ Hours Mon-Thurs. 9:15-2:15 Fridays 9:15-12:45
- ❖ Following MISD calendar holidays with the exception of the starting and ending dates. Starting date Sept 8th.
- ❖ Low ratios, qualified & caring staff
- ❖ Licensed by State of Texas

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