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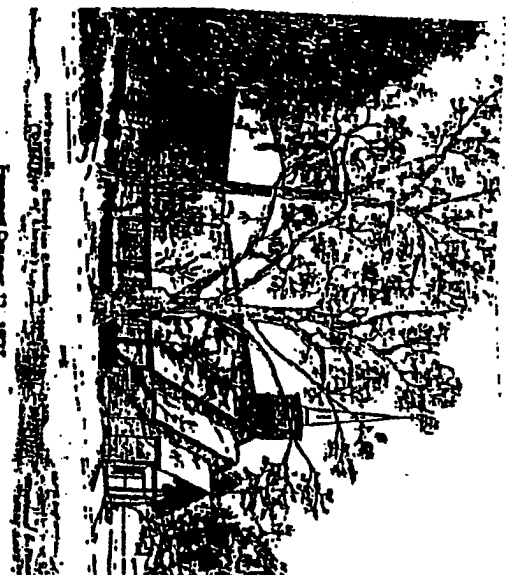
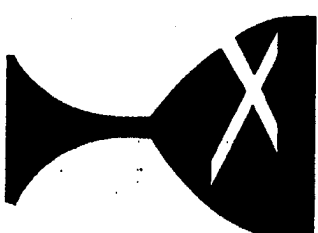
"Dinner by Eight"

You are invited to Dinner by Eight on Friday, March 16th at 6:30PM in Ellis Fellowship Hall.
RSVP on the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall by March 14th. Your table is waiting.



WINTERVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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The Chalice

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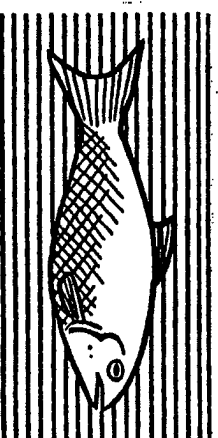
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March 2007

Lent

TAIZE SERVICES

Wednesdays

March 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th



2007 Regional Academy for
Congregational Development Workshops
March 17, 2007

Barton College
Wilson, NC

DR. RICHARD L. HAMM

Keynote Speaker



The mission of Winterville Christian Church is to love and serve God and all of God's children being the presence of Christ.



UPHOLDING THE CHURCH

...BY OUR PRAYERS

Lucie Worthington; Donnie Wilson; Lake Mayo; Adam Allen; Bob Faucett; Lindsey Warren; Lacey Jones; Beth Mills; Sara Hackney Williams; Charlie Kavanaugh; David Hooks; Robin Taylor; Aaron Wade; Robbie Allen; Dennis O'Brien; Mark Grabert; Becky Blaylock; Deenie Purnai; Olivia Laughinghouse; Bonnie Tedder; Robert and Marjorie Nabbe; Melinda Harris; Joe Farr; Sarah Webster; Phyllis Carraway; Carolyn Smith; Karen Valvo; Robin Loy; Elizabeth and Travis Turnage; Anna Winn Beamman; Jennie Bagley; Jessica Gaudin; Mark Woolard; Ritchie Allen and those who live in dangerous and hostile environments.

...BY OUR PRESENCE

| Date | Attendance for February | Christian Education | Worship 10:30 |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 2-4 | 9 | 49 | |
| 2-11 | 13 | 52 | |
| 2-18 | 8 | 35 | |
| 2-26 | 10 | 45 | |

...**BY OUR GIVING**
 Needed per week \$2349.00

Feb.'s Average Tithing \$
 Darfur \$ 26.25
 Grocery cards \$
 Darfur \$

"Give from your heart"

LOOKING AHEAD...

SERVING IN MARCH:

ELDERS/COUNTERS

3/4 Trish Cobb
 3/11 Ed & Annell McLawhorn
 3/18 Cindy & Mike Dunn
 3/25 Burt Worthington & Julia Keville

DEACONS/GREETERS:

3/4 Jean Rogers & Nancy Holland
 3/11 Emily McLawhorn
 3/18
 3/25 Jean Rogers & Nancy Holland

LITURGISTS:

Month of March: Candy Nichols

ELEMENTS:

3/4 Jean Rogers
 3/11
 3/18
 3/25 Jean Rogers

CHALLENGE & LOAF:

Month of March: Bill Grobe

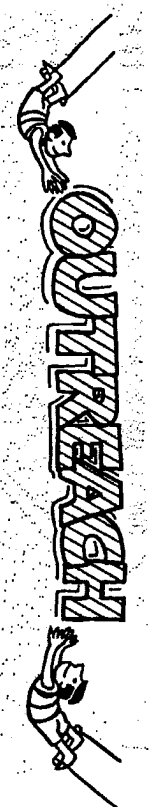
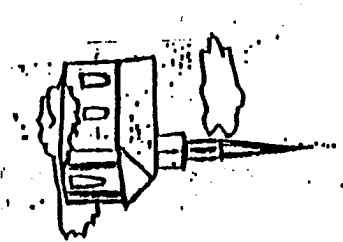
OUR SYMPATHY

Is expressed to

*Dallas and Susan Holiday in the loss
 of his father*

Phillip Durrance in the loss of his Aunt

*Our thoughts and prayers are with
 them*



Outreach Committee Report

The ladies at New Directions seem very appreciative of your donations, especially the meals. We still need volunteers to prepare dinner on Aug. 5 and Sept. 2. Some of the immediate needs on their wish list include: pillows, nightgowns, diapers (sizes 3, 4 and 5,) tampons/pads, socks, tweezers and nail clippers. (See the bulletin board in Ellis Hall for the entire list.)

In addition to helping PICASO and forwarding your donations for Darfur, we have made financial contributions for the earthquake victims in Pakistan, Someone's Sister, Give to the Troops for shipping expenses and sponsored a child affected by HIV/AIDS in China.

Remember to bring in your magazines for Winterville Manor. Thank you for your continued support,

The Outreach Committee

OUTREACH REPORT July - Dec. 2006

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|--|--------------------|
| Blankets | \$ 187.00 |
| Brunson Scholarship | 200.00 |
| Carnet Counseling | 1000.00 |
| Disciple Mission Finance | 3028.15 |
| (involves Wk of Compassion, Easter, and other special offerings) | |
| Emergency Assist. Ministry | 600.00 |
| Habitat for Humanity | 250.00 |
| Other outreach expenses | 6,679.00 |
| (Bowell, water pumps, Jordan Hill ministry, etc.) | |
| Pastor's Discretionary Fund | 756.36 |
| Share expenses | 7,553.51 |
| (Food for Picaso and others) | |
| Total | \$20,254.88 |

In addition, individuals and groups have donated time, money and efforts for various causes such as delivering Meals on Wheels, Blood Drives, quilts for Ronald McDonald House, premie toboggans and lap robes for PCMH Cancer Center, and Brithaven. We're sure there are other things. Lots of people don't tell about the good they do.
 The Outreach Committee



LENTEN SERVICES

We will again take time to be centered each Wednesday of Lent by meditating in the Taize services. The services will be each Wednesday during March at 6:30 PM. The service will consist of Taize chants, scripture readings, prayers and the Eucharist. The services should last approximately thirty minutes.

ACADEMY AT BARTON

In that we do not have a regional assembly each year, on alternating years we will be having a Leadership Academy. This year it will be held at Barton on March 17th. Dick Hamm, a former General Minister and President of the Christian Church will be the featured speaker. Workshops include areas of Women's Work, Stewardship, Evangelism, Inclusive Worship and Congregational Revitalization, to name a few. Information is available in Ellis Hall. The registration is \$40.00, which includes snacks and lunch. The deadline for registration is March 7th.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Because of injuries to Sarah Taylor's arm and hand, we will do not have a financial analysis for the month of February. We hope Sarah recuperates soon and will be writing again!

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

People who want to get rich fall into a temptation trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people with money have wandered from the faith and pierce themselves with many griefs. Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant with their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to do good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay treasures for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they hold of the way that is truly life.

OPPORTUNITIES for STEWARDSHIP

- Youth Education
- Yard Sale
- New Directions
- Darfur
- Bazaar
- Book Study

WORK DAY

The Building and Grounds Committee is planning a Work Day on Saturday, March 31st. We need to spruce up the church for Holy Week and Easter as well as get the grounds ready for Spring. Please plan to give some time that morning. We will begin around 8:00 AM. Coffee will be provided!

FROM MY HEART... TO YOUR HEART

On March the 12, 1951, Hank Ketcham published his first *Dennis the Menace* cartoon. After forty years, Ketcham decided he wanted to pursue his dream of focusing on Fine Arts painting, and so under his supervision he handed over the reigns to Tom Ferdinand for the Sunday editions of *Dennis* and for the daily cartoons to an artist, Marcus Hamilton who graduated from Atlantic Christian College (Barton College). The art gallery at Barton is featuring some of Hamilton's drawings this week and Hamilton will be on campus next weekend.

As I strode through gallery Sunday one particular cartoon that caught my attention was Dennis in his pajamas kneeling by his bed, hands folded and looking upward toward heaven. The caption: "I know you see everything, but please don't tell my mother."

I think that is a good cartoon for Lent. Lent is an introspective time, a time for reflecting upon our lives and a time of being honest with ourselves. An old Oklahoma rancher was fond of saying, "Fool anybody you want; just don't fool yourself!"

We cannot be honest with ourselves with televisions constantly changing monotonous segments or music blaring from iPods. We cannot be honest with ourselves when we talk incessantly and play games that put our minds in an idle mode.

To be honest with ourselves we need to think about what we have said, what the motives are for our responses and actions towards others, and the meaning behind our dreams and intuitions. To be honest with ourselves we must also take the time to allow God to speak, to pervade our being with God's spiritual Being. It is taking time to let go of our thoughts, ideas and plans, and to let God have time with us.

Lent is not a depressing season of the church year, but it is a reflective season to provide us opportunity to commit to a closer and more fulfilling relationship with God. I pray that your Lenten journey will be meaningful.

Peace,

David





MARCH LECTONARY TEXTS

March 4

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
 Psalm 27
 Philippians 3:17 -- 4:1
 Luke 13:31-35

March 11

Isalah 55:1-9
 Psalm 63:1-8
 I Corinthians 10:1-13
 Luke 13:1-9

March 18

Joshua 5:9-12
 Psalm 32
 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

March 25

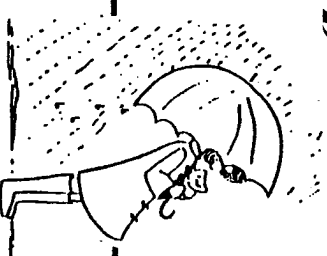
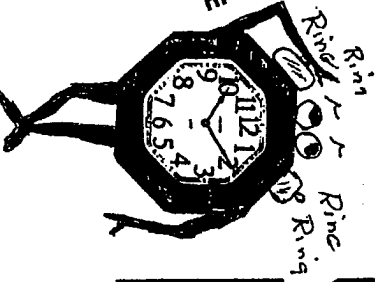
Isaiah 43:16-21
 Psalm 126
 Philippians 3:4b-14
 John 12:1-8

March

WINTERVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| 4 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 10:00 a.m. Refreshments 10:30 a.m. Worship | 5 | 6 10:00 a.m. Paint Group 6:30 p.m. C.M.F. Mary Finch Mellon's B-day | 7 6:30 p.m. Taize Service Terry Icard's B-day | 8 6:30 p.m. Companions in Christ Gabrielle Keville's B-day | 9 8-10 p.m. Coffee House | 10 Sarah Elk's B-day |
| 11 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 10:00 a.m. Refreshments 10:30 a.m. Worship Sharon Worthington's B-day | 12 7:00 p.m. Quilt Group | 13 10:00 a.m. Paint Group Sarah Taylor's B-day Chris Helton's B-day Penny and Jeff Cowan's Anniv. | 14 6:30 p.m. Taize Service | 15 6:30 p.m. Companions in Christ | 16 6:30pm Dinner by Eight Pam Klinger's B-day | 17 Leadership Conference - Barton College |
| 18 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 10:00 a.m. Refreshments 10:30 a.m. Worship Avery McLawherry's B-day Candy Nichols' B-day | 19 5:30 p.m. Outreach Committee 7:00 p.m. Quilt Group | 20 10:00 a.m. Paint Group | 21 6:30 p.m. Taize Service | 22 6:30 p.m. Companions in Christ Claudia Rogers' B-day | 23 | 24 Susan Dunn's B-day |
| 25 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 10:00 a.m. Refreshments 10:30 a.m. Worship | 26 Chalice Workday | 27 10:00 a.m. Paint Group 7:00 p.m. Book Study Jessie Best's B-day | 28 6:30 p.m. Taize Service | 29 | 30 | 31 |

DON'T FORGET!
 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
 BEGINS
 MARCH 11, 11TH



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