

LONG'S  
CHAPEL UMC

# THE CHAPEL CONNECTION

FEBRUARY 7, 2010

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Sunday, February 14 ~ 3:00 pm  
Sanctuary

Valentine's Day!!! What a great day to celebrate your marriage with Christian brothers and sisters as we join to celebrate our relationship with God and one another. The pastors will lead us in a service that will include worship, music, communion and a chance to renew your marriage vows. Because we are expecting a large number of couples, we will be renewing our vows in groups but there will be an individual blessing for each couple. We look forward to having couples who have been married only for a short time as well as couples married for 50 years or longer.

We especially want to encourage younger couples with children to bring them to the service so they can stand with Mom and Dad during this special time. We also want to honor those who have lost a spouse and offer a special invitation to join us for this service.

There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the service. We will be showing wedding photos of the participating couples. You can sign up online at [www.longschapel.com](http://www.longschapel.com). Click on connections, then new-news. You will find the celebration announcement with a link to the registration form. You may also register after the worship service today in the gathering area or by checking the connect card. Today is the registration deadline.



### Ash Wednesday Service

February 17 at 6:30 pm  
in the Sanctuary



**Wanted:** Wedding cake toppers for the Celebration of Marriage ceremony. If you have a wedding cake topper you would be willing to let the marriage ministry borrow please contact Darlene Queener at 243-6422.

**Tuesday, February 9, 2010, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**

All Long's Chapel members are encouraged to attend the special called meeting of the Church Council on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 7:00 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. The agenda item to be focused on is Building Activities Status & Proposals. We hope to come to a common understanding of how we got to where we are; clarifications of agreements to date and issues yet to be resolved; and Council consensus for going forward. Meeting should conclude by 8:45 pm.



**DID YOU HEAR US?**

We want to make your worship experience at Long's Chapel as meaningful as possible, but we need your help. The sound through the hearing assistance devices has been re-tuned for use with the new sound board in the Sanctuary and we need your feedback to know if we've gotten it right. If you use one of the Sound Mate hearing assistance devices, please take a moment to fill out a short feedback form when you return the device to the Welcome Center. Especially important for us to know is how well you can hear ALL parts of the service. For instance, is the music too loud but the sermon too quiet (or vice versa)? A feedback form should be offered to you when you return your Sound Mate following the service. If it is not, please ask for one at the Welcome Center.

**GAITHER  
TICKETS ON  
SALE!**



Long's Chapel has a small number of premium seats left for the "sold out" Gaither Homecoming concert at the Asheville Civic Center on March 27, 2010 at 6:00 PM. Trying to decide what to get your sweetheart for Valentine's Day? This would be a perfect gift for that special someone! Price of \$60/ticket includes luxury charter bus from Long's Chapel to and from the event. Tickets must be purchased in the church office.



**God is Omniscient. Your Pastor is Not.** Please let the church office know if you or someone you know is hospitalized, in a nursing facility, or would like a visit. Your church family wants very much to be there for you in your times of need. Please call the church office at 456-3993 if you would like a visit. Remember, hospitals cannot legally give out any information unless they have your explicit permission. Call us so we can be there for you!

The men's walk for Blue Ridge Emmaus will be March 18-21 at Ridgecrest Assembly in Black Mountain. The women's walk will be April 29-May 2 at Dorothy Walls Retreat Center, which is also in Black Mountain. If you are interested in participating in either of these Emmaus Walks, please contact Beth Wyatt at 627-8580. **Emmaus Alumni:** Please call the church office as soon as possible if you are interested in sponsoring someone for either of these walks. Stan Smith and Salem Wyatt will be working the men's walk. Lisa Horn will be working a women's walk for Mountaintop Emmaus March 4-7. Please keep her and this team in your prayers. This is Lisa's first time to work a walk. Continue to pray for all of the Emmaus activities, the teams, and those who will be attending.



Please keep in your prayers **Leah Mehaffey and Nicole Conner** who will be leaving this week for a mission trip to Africa from Feb. 10 to Feb. 25.

**Looking ahead!** Next Sunday, February 14 Cub Pack 370 and Scout Troop 370 will participate in our worship services as we observe Scout Sunday.



Pack 370 will also be having their annual 'Souper Sunday' fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall from 10:45 am to 1:00 pm. Help support our Cub Scouts and enjoy some delicious homemade soups and desserts. Your donation will help fund the pack's activities for the year.



**Fellowship & Coffee** will be offered in the **Venue Café** located in front of The Venue before and after Sunday morning worship services! Donations accepted. **No coffee or food in the Sanctuary, please!**



### CD AND DVD COLLEGE DRIVE

The Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry at Western Carolina University is collecting playable but unwanted DVD's and CD's of all genres to be used for a fundraiser to support their May 2010 Mission Trip to Wyoming. With the donated items, they will hold a CD and DVD sale at their facility in February. Please bring unwanted CD's and/or DVD's that are gently used or better to the collection box located in the Gathering Area.

### SPRING VOLUNTEER TRAINING

#### HRMC Hospice & Palliative Care Spring Volunteer Training

February 8, 9, and 10 - - 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Haywood Regional Medical Center Fitness Center

The purpose of hospice is to provide quality end-of-life and bereavement services, promoting comfort and dignity for those living with terminal illnesses in our community. Volunteer opportunities include: patient and family support; companionship visits; respite care for caregivers and errands; bereavement support; delivering a single rose to the family after death; office assistance; Chaplaincy and other professional services; fundraising and community events planning. Our spring volunteer training will be held Feb. 8-10 from 9 am to 11:30 am at HRMC Fitness Center. Call Dan Yearick at 452-8696 or Linda Nichols at 452-8578 for more information. Pre-registration is required.



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### MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



*Have you had a desire to go on a mission trip, but couldn't take two weeks away from your home or work? Well there is an alternative – try a one day mission trip to the Mission Response Center in Mooresville, NC.*

The work we do is packing and sorting donated items to prepare them for shipment to Armenia, the Congo, Sager Brown (UMCOR) or direct to disaster sites. The location is a warehouse, nothing fancy, but not as rugged as Kenya or Peru. We leave the church parking lot aboard the church van at 7 am and return around 7-8 pm. The work is rewarding and the fellowship is great! We look forward to hearing from you. Call Barb or Ed Gross at 452-4047 for more information and to reserve a seat.

----- Friday, Feb. 19, 2010----Thurs., Mar. 11, 2010 -----

If you have a concern for which you would like prayer or if you have a prayer praise (answered prayer), please complete the prayer request form located in your pew and place it in the offering plate. To request immediate prayer you may use our TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN by calling: **Sylvia Beasley, 926-8886 or Eliza Mathewes, 456-1948.** The prayer chain operates from 9 am until 9 pm daily.

**Please Pray for the Recovery of:**

... Hospital: **Dorothy Battrick** (Silver Bluff), **Cecil Medford** (Smky. Mtn.), **Elizabeth Hill** (Smky. Mtn.)

... with continuing prayer for: **Family & friends of Bobby Massey, Caroline Holland & family, Freda Jaynes, Beulah Setser, Carmen Huber, Elmira Hartman, Harold Muddiman, Butch Gudger, Teresa Baker, George Henson, Marjie Hymer, John Medford & family.**

... and others we might not know about.

(If you would like your name, or the name of a family member listed here for prayer or to remove your name from the current list, call 456-3993, Ext. 32).

**Altar Flowers Needed!**

We are in need of volunteers for dates in February and March! Please sign up this morning if you can contribute altar flowers for February 28 or March 14 or 21. Flowers may be taken home following the 11:00 service on Sunday morning. Call the office at 456-3993 ext. 17 for more information. **We thank everyone who participates in the flower program.**

**Our sincere condolences to...**

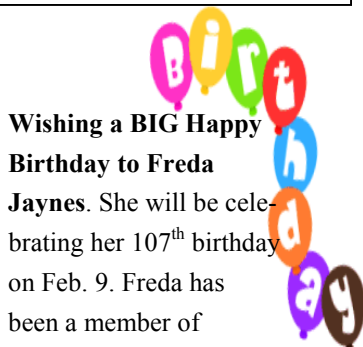
...The family & friends of **Bobby Massey** on his recent passing on January 29.

...**Caroline Holland** & family on the death of her grandfather.

**DAY OF PRAYER SCHEDULED**

Please join us for a prayer vigil in the Sanctuary on Thursday, February 11 from 9 am to 4 pm.

We will be praying for our loved ones for whom we have concerns and placing their names in a basket where those names will be prayed over several times during Lent. If you are unable to join us, please email Paulette at [paulettcamp3@gmail.com](mailto:paulettcamp3@gmail.com) with your names and they will be placed in the basket on the Day of Prayer.




**Wishing a BIG Happy**

**Birthday to Freda**

**Jaynes.** She will be celebrating her 107<sup>th</sup> birthday on Feb. 9. Freda has been a member of Long's Chapel since Jan. 1, 1917 – that's 93 years!

- **The flowers on the usher's stand** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dan Smith, son of Leo and Ruth Smith.
- **The flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Sidney Gaddis' 17th birthday on February 4. We love you, Stephen and Brenda!
- **Prayer** is such a powerful tool and the churches of Haywood County are always in great need of prayer warriors! Join us this week by praying for **First Baptist Church of Clyde**.
- **Parents of infants/toddlers:** If you need to have your child with you during worship there is a monitor in the gathering area where you can hear and see the service without concern of disrupting others' worship experience. We appreciate your consideration.
- **Publication Deadlines:** Bulletin and verbal announcement requests **for the weekly Chapel Connection are due in the church office on Tuesdays by 4 pm.** **Article requests** for the monthly **Chapel Chatter** newsletter are due in the church office by 12 noon on the 8th of every month.



**ACTS 2:42 Wednesday Night Family Fellowship Dinners**  
**Dinner:** 5:00-6:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall; classes after dinner. No reservations required (first-come, first-served)!!  
**Pricing** is \$6 adults/children 12 & older; \$4 children ages 5-11 (children 4 & under free) or \$18 family maximum. *If published menu runs out, an alternate will be offered so that no one will be turned away.*

~Menu for Feb. 10~

**Adults:** Shepherd's Pie, peas/carrots, biscuit and pineapple cake or peanut butter pie. **Kids:** Hamburger, chips and a cookie. Iced tea (sweet & unsweet), water and regular and decaf coffee are offered at every meal. Sugar-free dessert available on request.

**“WESLEY” THE MOVIE!**

The historical movie “Wesley” about the co-founder of the Methodist church will premiere at Western Carolina University in high definition in the Fine and Performing Arts Center at 7 PM, Feb. 27. The screening will be followed by a Q&A session with a panel featuring Dir. John Jackman from Foundry Pictures and actors Keith Harris, a WCU alumnus who played John Wesley's brother Charles in the movie, and Terry Nienhuis, WCU retired professor of English who played gardener James Locke. Tickets are \$10 and are on sale at WCU.



**Presence and Gifts on January 31, 2010**

**Our Sacrifices Please God**

“And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.”

Hebrews 13:16

Worship Participation.....*No #- Church canceled due to snow*

Sunday school Attendance.....*No #- Church canceled due to snow*

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
General Ministry Giving	\$ 0	\$ 74,078.34
Building Fund	\$ 0	\$ 8,519.00
Special Generous Giving	\$ 0	\$ 20,153.52

*A complete financial statement may be obtained by contacting Gary Arrington in the church office at 456-3993 ext. 14.*

**LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READING FOR THIS WEEK:**

<i>Exodus 34:29-35</i>	<i>Psalm 99 (UMH 819)</i>
<i>2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2</i>	<i>Luke 9:28-36 (37-43)</i>

**Oasis is taking a break!** We finished our series on prayer with Dr. Jim Warren; we thank him for being with us in January. Oasis will now be on an extended break. We hope those who have regularly attended Oasis will sign up for a Lenten “Hope Lives” small group study. Please watch your bulletin for Oasis updates in the future.

**DO YOU HAVE WHAT THEY’RE LOOKING FOR?**

Boy Scout Troop 370 is establishing a friends and family resource list and we want YOU to be a part of it. We are seeking to establish a group of Long’s Chapel folks who are former scouts, have a current interest in scouting, or simply want to know how to get involved in helping our young men develop essential leadership skills.



If you have a special skill, interest, hobby, or profession that you would consider sharing with our young men, let us know. There is no commitment right now. All we need is your name, contact information, skill or interest, and to what extent you may be willing to contribute your knowledge. We may be calling on you in the future. Please contact Mark Teague at 231-4920 and get your info to us.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sun., Feb. 7

- 6:00 PM Disciple I #210
- 7:00 PM Youth Superbowl Party Venue

### Mon., Feb. 8

- 11:00 AM Quiet Prayer/Bible Read. #204
- 12:00 PM Intercessory Prayer #202
- 1:00 PM Hoyle Bible Study #108
- 5:00 PM SNL Rehearsal Venue
- 5:00 PM Brownies #210
- 5:00 PM Daisy Scouts #102/5
- 5:00 PM Jr. Girl Scouts #108
- 5:15 PM Trustees #503
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts #100+
- 6:15 PM Sr. High Girls group #502
- 7:00 PM Scout Sunday Rehrsl. Sanct.

### Tues., Feb. 9

- 10:30 AM Disciple IV #102/5
- 4:00 PM VITL Rehearsal Sanct.
- 5:15 PM Finance Mtg. #503
- 5:30 PM Men's Prayer Group #MH
- 6:00 PM Spirit Bldrs Men's Grp #210
- 6:00 PM SNL Rehearsal Venue
- 6:30 PM Men's CR Step Study #MH
- 7:00 PM Called Church Council #101

### Wed., Feb. 10

- 10:00 AM UMW Yes Link #102/5
- 10:00 AM CEC Dance Class #101
- 12:00 PM Admin. Team Mtg. #503
- 5:00 PM Acts 2:42 Meal & Programs #100/101+
- 5:30 PM Women's CR Step Study #502
- 7:15 PM Wedding Dir. Mtg. Sanct.
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal #413

### Thurs., Feb. 11

- 9 AM - 4 PM Day of Prayer Sanct.
- 9:30 AM Beth Moore Study #102/5
- 10:00 AM Knitting Ministry #210
- 4:30 PM Grief and Beyond #210
- 5:15 PM Get Out of Debt Mtg. #503
- 6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery #100/101/202/3/4/Venue
- 6:30 PM Praise Band Sanct.

### Fri., Feb. 12

- 5:00 PM SNL Band Practice Venue

### Sat., Feb. 13

- 6:00 PM SNL Worship Venue

### **What to do when it snows on Sunday...**

On Sundays when winter weather is a factor we will post any changes in the worship schedule on the church answering system. Just call 456-3993, ext. 25. Those with computer access are asked *not to call* the church office but to visit our website  
([www.longschapel.com](http://www.longschapel.com))

or tune into WLOS and watch for church closings. Any changes will be posted after 7:40 am on any given Sunday.



## **COUNSELING WITH DR. MARKS**



**Counseling offered at Long's Chapel.** Dr. Jim Marks of Life Counseling Center offers free individual, marriage and family counseling on Fridays from 9:00 am to 11 am. Dr. Marks is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist with expertise in mental health issues as well as marriage or family issues. For appointments, call the church at 456-3993.