

# Adelphi Presbyterian Church News



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**August-September 2008**

**Minister: Every member of Adelphi  
Presbyterian Church**

## The Session

### **Class 2009**

Janet Dolen, Bettye Miller, Eric Yemoh,

### **Class 2010**

Jerome Farley, Kathie James, Priscilla Lancaster,

### **Class 2011**

Jake Masters, Rose Tangham, Joan Tembunde

Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen

Treasurer: Charles Yancey

Assistant Treasurer: Jake Masters

God calls us at Adelphi Presbyterian Church to be a Christ-centered community of people experiencing spiritual awakening by praying, caring, welcoming, sharing the Word, and forming relationships with one another. At Adelphi Presbyterian Church, we are called to use our gifts and talents to serve God with energy and love.

~ Our Vision Statement adopted by Session,  
September 2007 ~



## **SESSION**

## **MEETING**

From Clerk of Session:

During the session meetings for the last couple of months, the Session approved 3 baptisms and the joining of a new member--Shima Prashad, and went over budget and facility issues. The Session also discussed how to make best use of the donations made in Verna Juska's memory (\$1400). Pew Bibles are a high option. Elder Farley volunteered to take the food donations to a food bank in Bowie so the donations are not just sitting in the basket for a long time. The nominating committee did an excellent job of filling the vacancies on the Session. They were elected at the September 7th congregational meeting.

The Session met with Executive Presbyter Wilson Gunn to discuss the next steps for Adelphi after Rev. Yang's departure. On Sept 7<sup>th</sup>, our moderator, Rev. Doty, informed the congregation about the process of finding an Interim Pastor and moving on to a called pastor. The session is moving forward on hiring an interim, and the nominating committee will be called upon to recommend a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC).

Janet Dolen



## Awakening Teen Camp

From Abigail Jembere

Between the 14th and the 29th of June I was in Kansas City, Missouri for Awakening Teen Camp. Awakening Teen Camp (ATC) is a Bible camp of teens age 13-18 and I would strongly recommend it.

We were able to stay in a hotel about a mile from our main meeting place for worship. ATC had floors 3-7 which was every floor except 2, which we deemed the "crazy floor". We would start the day with breakfast, which was from 7-8. Most of us went down in pajamas being the lazy teens we were. Afterwards we went to FSM, short for Forerunner School of Ministry. Inside there was a huge room that seated 2,000 people so there was plenty of room for the 300 of us. We would worship from 8:30 to about 11 depending on the speaker. Afterwards we had lunch and then intensives. Intensives were classes, which we picked in the beginning of camp. Classes such as Prophetic, Evangelism, or End Times to name a few. Afterwards we had dinner and went back to FSM for worship. We didn't get back to the hotel until 10 or 11. Lights out was midnight.

I liked hearing the testimonies of the many speakers and how God worked in their lives. Almost all of the speakers had a way of keeping us awake because by week two we got sleepy easily. One man made us shout about every half hour and I think that was successful.

We had a lot of fun between worship and intensives. For example, one Sunday night the counselors started a pillow fight. I was on floor 6 and floor 7 is a guy's floor so girls weren't allowed. Well, from floor six we could literally hear the sound of pillows hitting each other. I got to see a counselor covered in shaving cream. I later found out that it was the teen boys who had done that. This lasted till midnight and everyone talked about it the next day. And almost every night at FSM during announcements the director of ATC, Brent Steeno, or other counselors would have a new rule for us because someone would do something teen-like or in other words crazy and meaningless. There was a man named Zach who would tell us funny stories when we had to wait for shuttle transportation to the hotel from FSM. There was also a funny shuttle driver named Tony who

would sing really horribly in crazy accents.

All in all it was a fun and spiritually fulfilling experience and I can't wait till next year to go again.



## CHURCH FRIENDS

Probably because of our Spiritual bonding, church friends are indeed very special. You were our "first responders" following the death of my mother, Dorothy Fletcher, on June 28. Your prayers, cards, phone calls, visits, flowers, and other expressions of condolence were greatly appreciated and provided welcome support. Thank you so very much.

Also, we appreciate your prayers and concern for Jennie's husband, Tom Cardin, who was hospitalized in anticipation of possible abdominal surgery. Fortunately, however, he responded to treatment and was released within a few days, getting back to normal very quickly.

We are reminded of verses in the book of James, Chapter 5 in particular: "...pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." We are fortunate to have such loving Christian friends.

Sincerely,  
Kathie and Larry James

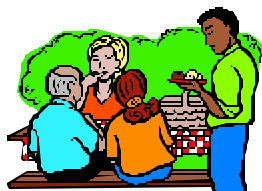


## BIBLE BREAKFAST CLUB and

By Kathie James

We have resumed our Bible Breakfast Club meetings, and our first gathering of the school year was delightful! Seven children and six adults attended and were treated to a magnificent breakfast prepared by Dr. Renee Milligan. Our Bible story featured Saul, a persecutor of

Christians, who experienced a light-blinding experience when confronted by the voice of Jesus. Saul went on to become a strong disciple of Christ and changed his name to Paul. BBC members made a craft, which depicted an angry Saul on one side, then a smiling Paul on the other side, with a little flashlight attached to signify the light of Christ. We sang “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” and “This Little Light of Mine”; the second one was sung during the worship service, with the congregation joining in. Thanks to Mrs. Joan Tembunde, Dr. Bettye Miller, and Ms. Cecilia Molongu for working with the children to make their crafts and sing out during the worship service! Our next BBC meeting will be on Sunday, October 19. All are welcome



## All-Church Picnic is a Success!

by Jake Masters

The Annual Church Picnic was held after worship and the Congregational meeting on September 7<sup>TH</sup>. It had been discontinued some years ago, but many long time members requested it be resumed once again. Adelphi Church members, along with the members of Iglesia de Dios, Pastor Baudilio Pagan’s church were in attendance. Rev. Francis George’s Seventh Day Church, who meet in Adelphi Presbyterian Church on Saturday’s, were invited too, but due to other church matters were unable to attend. They did donate many baked goods including hamburger buns, cupcakes, and cakes. Adelphi Church provided hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, baked beans, potato salad and condiments. Iglesia de Dios brought many Hispanic dishes including tacitos. It was a beautiful afternoon and many enjoyed eating on the church lawn under our beautiful trees. Good Fellowship was had by all attending and it was a great opportunity to meet our fellow Adelphi parishioners.



## Peace Notes – Things to Pray For --

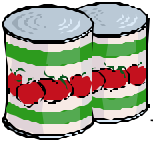
Pray for all those whose lives have been affected directly and indirectly by all the severe weather in the U.S. and for those working with them toward recovery.  
*Presbyterian Church (USA)*



## Facilities Committee

by Jake Masters, Elder

Now that the summer is over Facilities Committee is eagerly resuming much-needed tasks at Adelphi. A clean up day was held in the summer specifically to clean the Sanctuary and particularly the pews. Many members and friends donated their time and everyone deemed it a success. We will be refitting additional lights in the Sanctuary with new low power bulbs to save on electricity costs. Since the main lights are on dimmers, a special bulb is needed and we are pricing several sources. All spotlights are to be replaced too, inside and outside. The church sign on Riggs has been dark for months, but a new fixture and bulbs are in the works. A critical matter that must be addressed while the weather is mild is some patching of the Church Sanctuary roof and cleaning of the gutters. Also one of the pole lamps in the parking lot needs a new ballast and possibly other repairs. The Juska Memorial garden also badly needs a new bench and extensive trimming and fertilization and mulching of the azalea bushes. Anyone with time and talents who wishes to assist in the above chores is welcome to join us.



## FOOD SUNDAY – EVERY 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

Please bring your donations to Help-by-Phone on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday and bring forth your offerings during worship! Thanks.

### Help By Phone

In a letter from Help by Phone, Limited, dated September 2008, the following was included:

“Your help during the past three months made it possible for us to respond to many more people than during the first part of this year. Some agencies have been unable to keep their pantry doors open, so we find ourselves deluged with calls for help.

In addition, our cost from January to August for food has increased 10.6 percent. As you well know, from the list below, we do not pack frills! Everything is basic, stick-to-the-ribs. So, even with your good support, we need to ask you to dig a little deeper as you share a can of food each Sunday individually, and contribute financially as a congregation. We need both!!”

Please continue to choose from the list here to share your food item with your designated pantry. All foods must be canned or dried and in sealed containers to meet health department requirements.

Beef Stew Macaroni & Cheese Spaghetti Pork & Beans Dried Beans	Soups Tuna Peanut Butter Baby food	Dry Milk Coffee Tea Cocoa	Red, Green & Yellow Vegetables Fruit Apple sauce
Pasta Rice	Cold Cereals Grits Oatmeal	Pancake mix Pancake Syrup Jelly	Jell-o Pudding

*Help by Phone is a tax-exempt agency under Section 501 C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for those of you who contribute financially to it. For questions call Lois – 301-699-9009*



## Happy Anniversary

August 19 - Vida and Percy Agyei-Obese  
 August 26 - David and Renee Milligan  
 September 16 - Uzo and Comfort Anigboh  
 September 19 - Albert and Rhonda Nixon  
 October 14 - Tom and Jennie Cardin  
 October 19 - David and Sharon Anderson



## Happy Birthday

October 2 Bob Finzel  
 October 7 Priscilla Lancaster  
 October 17 Kathie James  
 October 20 Janet Dolen  
 October 27 Gail Rodman

## ***CALENDAR OF EVENTS***

September 28, Sunday 11:00AM Sunday Service  
Rev. Fuad Khouri preaching

October 5, Sunday 11:00AM Sunday Service  
Rev. Karen Doty preaching  
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 12, Sunday 11:00AM Sunday Service  
Rev. Fuad Khouri preaching

October 19, Sunday  
\*9:45AM Bible Breakfast Club  
\*11:00AM Sunday Service and  
Rev. Karen Doty preaching  
SESSION MEETING AFTER SERVICE

October 26, Sunday 11:00AM Sunday Service  
Rev. Fuad Khouri preaching



### **Children's Sunday School**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, 11:00AM (after children's moment)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 11:00AM (after children's moment)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 9:45AM Bible Breakfast Club



### ***Lectionary Reading***

September 28 (26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)  
Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16  
Philippians 2:1-13  
Matthew 21:23-32

## **October Lectionary**

**October 5 (27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20  
Psalm 19:1-14  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

**October 12 (28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
Exodus 32:1-14  
Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23  
Philippians 4:1-9  
Matthew 22:1-14

**October 19 (29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
Exodus 33:12-23  
Psalm 99:1-99  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
Matthew 22:15-22

**October 26 (30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
Deuteronomy 34:1-12  
Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17  
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8  
Matthew 22:34-46

# Sunday Servants

Date	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
OCTOBER 5	The Milligans	Paul Tembunde Chester Guild	Matilda Che
OCTOBER 12	Gail Rodman	Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong	Chester Guild
OCTOBER 19	The Lancasters	Jerome Farley Tad Jembere	Bob Finzel
OCTOBER 26	Vida Agyei-Obese	Jake Masters Gail Rodman	Kathie James

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