

# Adelphi Presbyterian Church News



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

## The Session

### Class 2008

Renee Milligan, Charlotte Ojong, Ernestine Tebong

### Class 2009

Jennie Cardin, Jake Masters, Eric Yemoh

### Class 2010

Jerome Farley, Jessyna Mcdonald, Les Wattay

Pastor: Rev. Y. Eunice Yang

Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen

Treasurer: Charles Yancey

Assistant Treasurer: Jake Masters

We are striving to be

A **Praying** Congregation...

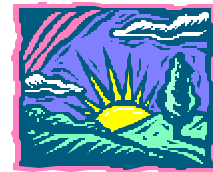
Deepening with God.

A **Caring** Congregation...

Deepening with one another.

A **Welcoming** Congregation...

Deepening with the world.



## A FEW WORDS FROM THE



## PASTOR

Summer is here! Adelphi has been “busy” since June. We received 3 baptisms and new members: Joshua Danso, Louise Melchizedek, Samanda Hawkins, Rose Tangham. We celebrated with some graduates: Sarah Milligan, Tambetta Ojong. We ordained and installed 4 new officers: Jake Masters, Jerome Farley, Jessyna Mcdonald, Les Wattay. We welcome our organist for the summer Simon Zaleski. We are also blessed with musical talents in our midst. The Ella and the Ewane families (relatives of the Ojongs) brought us earthy and enthusiastic praises and thanksgiving during worship. Evelyn is back with her soprano voice. Choir continues to come together and surprise us with beautiful hymns!! **Do Not Hesitate!** Please continue to volunteer to offer music for Sunday. We also heard some heart-moving and soul-shaking testimonies. We bid farewell to Comfort as she moved back to Nigeria and to Deana, Paul, and Nick as they moved to NC. I have preached a series of sermons on “gifts.” (not necessarily as planned... God helped me SEE!)

On July 14-15, Session and Transforming Congregation Project team leaders will have a retreat with Lois

Stovall at Meadow Kirk Camp and Conference Center in Middleburg VA. We hope this retreat will strengthen our leadership team, both lay and clergy, and will bring surprising goodness and newness to all of us! New things continue to happen in our faith community... marriages, new friendships, traveling adventures, new visitors, new stories ...

I will be taking 3 weeks off this summer. Rev. Wally Harman will preach in my absence. It is a way for me to learn to surrender and for you to trust God! I entrust you to God and to your able and caring elders! Have a great summer, my friends!!! See you soon!



## THE GIFT OF SEEING

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday (Year C) July 1, 2007 Adelphi  
2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Gal. 5:1, 13-25; Lu. 9:51-62

Y. Eunice Yang

Elijah and Elisha! The teacher and the student. The mentor and the disciple. The father and the son. There is so much to chew on in this story of Elijah and Elisha as they depart from each other. For 3 times, Elijah, the teacher, asks Elisha, the student to stay behind because the Lord wants him to go somewhere. For 3 times, the student, Elisha says, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." For 3 times, the student would not leave the teacher.

For 3 times, the student Elisha persists. Only after the third time, after they arrive at Jordan together, only after the student has demonstrated his determination, the teacher, Elijah makes an offer, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha asks for not just his spirit, but the double portion of his spirit.

I have read this story many times before. I am sure many of you have read it many times before too. Yet, this time, for the very first time, I am deeply struck by what Elijah says to Elisha when he asks for double portion of his spirit. Elijah says,

"This is a hard thing... You have asked a difficult thing... This is a hard one!"

"..if you're watching when I'm taken from you, you'll get what you've asked for. But only if you're watching." (Eugene Peterson's)

"..if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours – otherwise not." (NIV)

"... if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." (NRSV)

The different translations give you different take on this. Some seem to say, "watch, pay attention, as long as you pay attention, as long as you watch, you will get it."

But other translations have some nuance to it. "If you see me..." It almost sounds like "it is not only up to us!" We can watch. We can turn our eyes toward that direction; yet we may not be able to see it! Seeing here is a gift! It is not only something that you do!

Elijah is saying to Elisha, "It is not up to me. It is up to God. If God grants you the vision to see me being taken away, you will get double portion of my spirit."

To be able to get double portion of Elijah's spirit, Elisha not only has to pay attention, has to watch, Elisha also has to depend on the gift of seeing from God! It takes two parts: Elisha has to watch; God has to grant the gift of seeing!

Today, I would like to especially lift up seeing differently at Adelphi Presbyterian Church. Our church has gone through many changes in the last 10 years. The demography of the neighborhood has changed. It is about 50% or more Hispanics now. I have heard more and more immigrants from other parts of the world are moving into this area!

It is not a poor neighborhood; yet, we are experiencing different types of crimes in this community. Rape, physical attack, break in, murder... just to name a few!

Our membership has changed too. There is no white pastor here at the current time. It is no longer a white church. We represent many different cultures and ethnic groups! It is a church. It is Adelphi Presbyterian Church. It is the church of Jesus Christ.

More and more of our current members continue to move out of this area. We are glad to have many visitors among us every Sunday to replace those who have left us.

However, many of our visitors are hard working immigrants who work 2 or 3 jobs and many work on the weekends. We have great opportunities to serve immigrants here. Yet, we only get to see these visitors once in a while! They may not be ready to join the church officially yet and take on the responsibility of stewardship and service of being a member of the church of Jesus Christ!

Frankly speaking, traditionally, the Presbyterian Church in this country does not do well in this kind of (what some may call) “declining” neighborhood.

Do you see this is the situation we are in? I am not sure what will happen to Adelphi in the near future as we lose more members due to relocation while our immigrant neighbors struggle with life’s difficulties day in and day out.

Yet, if we are granted the vision to see the width and the depth of God’s love, we may see this as a real and exciting place to serve God. We may see this as a real and exciting place to be the church of Jesus Christ. If Jesus Christ were to be born again, he would be born here in this neighborhood!

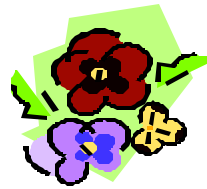
I pray that we are able to see clearly and accept where we are now in history and location. Only when we see, can we receive the gift that God wants to give us! As the older generation of Adelphi continues to be in our midst and gives us tremendous support, the newer generation of Adelphi is taking on more responsibility and ownership of the church!

As we work hard each day to make a living, I pray that you will also ask for spiritual gifts in your lives and trust that God can provide everything you need (not necessarily you want).

Elisha asks for “double portion” of Elijah’s spirit. What spirit is that? In short, the spirit that Elisha asks for is the

spirit to love and serve God. We must be able to see beyond what we can see in this world: cars, houses, money, education, social status..... There must be *something deeper, something larger, something more meaningful* than these material symbols that worth our pursuit!

If we are able to see beyond these material symbols, if we are able to ask for spiritual gifts, including the gift of seeing, our life will be happier and more meaningful!

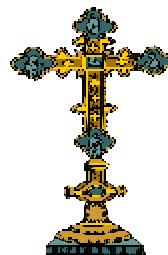


## SESSION

by Janet Dolen

At the June Session meeting, the Elders:

- approved a motion to pay the organists extra for working with the choir, rehearsal, picking/arranging music;
- examined and approved Jerome Farley, Jake Masters, Jessyna McDonald, and Les Wattay as Elders;
- discussed some of the big facilities projects, such as the electrical system;
- discussed the financial report and stocks and funds for the Pastor's salary increase; and
- discussed chapter 6 of Robinson’s Transforming Congregational Culture “Congregational Spirituality: From Givers to Receivers Who Give”
- approved scholarship of \$300 for Sarah Milligan



## MY JOURNEY TO ADELPHI

by Rose Nubia Tangham

Rose Nubia Tangham: I was born and raised in Bali Nyonga Northwest Province Cameroon, West Africa.

My first journey of becoming a Presbyterian Church Christain began back when I was baptized at Ntanfoang Presbyterian Church in Bali Nyonga. My baptism was significant because I was baptized on the same Sunday with our mother, my older sister and our two younger brothers. We went to church every Sunday after our baptism, and we attended church activities. Our mother became an elder of Ntanfoang Presbyterian church shortly after our baptism. She encouraged us to read bible verses. She coached us on how to be obedient and kind to people around us. Our mother continued to serve the lord until September of 1995 when she answered the lord's call.

It is a blessing to know that I am now an official member of Adelphi Presbyterian Church USA. My journey on becoming a member of this church began in 2000 when I first visited the church. My visits were brief. This made it difficult for members to know who I was and the purpose of my visits to this church. However, my presence was well noticed, church members called me by my name each time that I visited. The friendliness of the church members to visitors and each other attracted my attention. The members were like a family. They called one another by their names, they shared ideas together, and they stayed after church services to talk with one another.

I was given an Adelphi Presbyterian Church mug on one of the visits. The mug was filled with little treasures. Again, I am blessed to have been given the opportunity to become a member of Adelphi Presbyterian Church.

Bible Verse: " We also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He had given us." ---ROMAN 5:3-5 NIV



## A REALIZATION

by Samantha Hawkins

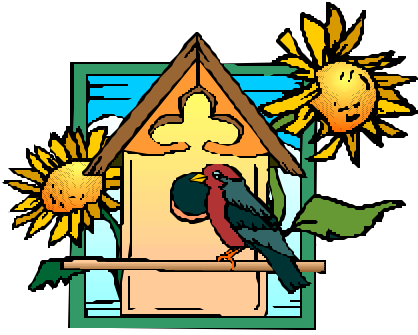
(May 27, 2007, Day of her baptism)

Since our time is limited, I wanted to share with all of you today what I would call more of a "realization," rather than my faith journey. Though I feel this day marks the beginning of my journey led by the Lord Jesus Christ, the journey I have been on is much more in depth than anything I can communicate to you all this morning.

My realization was brought about by the journey I have been on thus far. As I began making the decision to become baptized, I began moving away from what I think of now as my "old life." In my old life I depended on myself. I always went to God with my problems and always prayed, but I never truly let go. I wanted to control my life and I wanted Him to make things fall into place as I desired. I see now I was missing the point of "faith." I had to let go. I had to go to Him with my fears and weaknesses and not be ashamed, or scared that I was not perfect in his eyes. I had to let go of the mindset that I could handle everything alone. As I learned and truly believed that the God we worship is a loving, forgiving, and Almighty God it became very easy to let go.

So as I journey forward I strive to "let go and let God" order my life. I pray that I am able to be patient and to really listen to what He wants and desires for my life, and not be guided by my own selfish requests. What I have realized is that the more I let go of myself and give myself to the Lord, I get filled with a sense of security and peace that could never be self-produced or created by any man or woman that walks this Earth. I can only receive that peace when I walk with and trust in the Lord. I trust that there will be bumps along my journey, maybe even ditches, but more importantly I trust that I do not need to control my life, but rather put my full faith in the Lord that he will give me ALL the strength I need to get through anything. I realize that this is my "new life" and I cannot wait to begin.

Thank you for allowing me to share. Be blessed.



## ”JESSYNA” MOMENT

~ My Faith Journey ~ by Jessyna M. McDonald  
Sunday, July 1, 2007

Thank you Rev. Yang! Good Morning Adelphi family, members of the Session, Deacons and guests. Before beginning to share my faith journey with you, I am reminded of a poem by one of my favorite authors, Khalil Gibran:

Said a philosopher to a street sweeper, “I pity you... yours is a hard and dirty task” and the street sweeper smiled and said, “Sir tell me what is your task” and the philosopher answered saying, “I study man’s mind his deeds and his desires. The street sweeper went on with his sweeping and said, “I PITY YOU TOO.”

Now that I have your pity as a philosopher and a street sweeper sharing my faith journey will be a little easier.

When Rev. Yang asked me to share my Faith Journey, several questions came to mind:

How do I approach this topic, i.e. telling my story from birth to presence?

What is the definition of a journey, i.e. a means to an end, a destination to a place, the messages along the way: stop signs, caution signs, detours, roadblocks, highways, back roads, crashes?...and

What is faith: the absence of fear, belief without evidence?

After pondering over these questions, I remember something my mother told me when I was in college. She said: “Girl you had better stop trying to analyze everything and put down those psychology books by

Freud, Piaget, Skinner and whoever and PICK UP YOUR BIBLE, EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW IS IN THERE!!!”

Well Mother was right as usual, and I picked up the bible and found the answer for sharing my faith journey. From Romans 1:17, For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith (Romans 1:17)

Within this framework, I shall share my journey by addressing the following questions.

1. How have I lived from Faith to Faith by God’s Grace?
2. Which biblical scriptures may be used as evidence of this Faith in my life? and
3. How is Faith transforming me to become a better servant and Christian?



### 1. Living from Faith to Faith by God’s Grace

In notes from one of her last sermons before she died, I found the following handwritten notes:

Important Points from Acts

Let nothing shake your faith or dim you’re Hope and then the most trouble journey shall have a blessed end. And your testimony will be “He does all things well 2 Co 5:7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight :)

Lu 17:6 And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

I believe Faith was with me before I was born. My ancestors from Africa and America had it. Our Biblical ancestors lived by Faith. In Hebrews 11, there are numerous examples of those living BY FAITH...Abel, Enoch, Cain Noah, Abraham, Sara, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, David, etc.

I was reared in a Christian home. Born in Washington, DC and later attending school in Hyattsville Maryland. One of my first recollections of developing the “Jessyna Plan for my day was when I was about 4 or 5 years old. . . . .At approximately 7:00 am one morning, I ran into my parents’ bedroom and said: “Wake-up mommy and daddy, may I have my spanking now?” My father pulled the covers over his head and my mother rose up and said, “Why, what have you done? I replied, “Nothing...yet, but I have a lot of plans for today and ran out of the room.... Someone once said you may get what you ask for... and I did... In retrospect, I don’t know what my agenda was for a toddler, but I did know the difference from right and wrong and the consequences—and perhaps that was the struggle between the Spirit and Flesh that plague me throughout my life (the perpetual planner in control of my life) . . . . Later in life through a near death experience, I came to realize that when/if I wake up in the morning, it is not about MY PLAN but God’s PLANS. On Lois Stoval Website [lois@congregationsalive.com](mailto:lois@congregationsalive.com), she writes: We need to prepare ourselves for whatever lies ahead, knowing that we cannot control or manage the unfolding mystery of God. This is different from our constant planning to reach a desired result which we have defined. God may have other ideas! The value of planning must not eclipse the necessity that we prepare. After all, the Biblical voice in the wilderness cried out "Prepare ye" not "plan ye."

During the transformation process, I hope to be dedicate most of time preparing for God’s purpose and not planning so much for my purpose. As previously mentioned, my faith was influenced by my family, particularly my mother and grandmothers. Who had that “mustard seed faith” (Lu 17:6)

My mother was the minister of music at a Baptist Church in Washington, DC. She was director of two choirs and played the organ for most of the services including weddings and funerals. My sister I went with her. Through Sunday School, Bible Study, we began to learn the scriptures.

One Sunday morning, I was probably 8 years old, and mother was playing the organ up in the pulpit similar to

this. Although her back was to the audience, she had a mirror so that she could see behind her. All of the children of the choir were seated on the first rows of the Church. All of a sudden they all started laughing and kicking their legs and lying on the pews. I was sitting there as a ‘Frozen Chosen’ perfectly still... My mother caught my eye and motioned with one hand, while still playing the organ to come up to the choir stand. I walked slowly up the stairs and my mother (still playing the organ whispered in my ear and said: “ I don’t know what’s going on down there, but whatever it is, I Know you started, and playing with one hand “Rock of Ages Clift for Me Let Me Hide Myself In Thee” she spanked me 2 or 3 times in front of the congregation. And at that time, I felt the meaning of “Hiding Myself in Thee...

I was baptized at 12 years old and have been a member of a church throughout college at the University of Maryland where I received a BS in German and a Ph.D. and Temple University where I received a Master’s Degree. During that time BY FAITH and WORK, I survived.

#### My Grandmothers’ Influence and the Presbyterian Faith

Because of my maternal Grandmother, I am a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Presbyterian and college graduate. Her husband, my grandfather was a pastor and she a teacher. When she was nineteen and a nanny for a White family in South Carolina, she was sent to Barber Scotia Seminary a HBCU Presbyterian school where she received her teaching certificate. After marrying my Grandfather, my grandmother taught the Black farmers how to read and count their money so they wouldn’t be cheated when selling cotton, tobacco, etc. While both grandmother and grandfather were religious, grandmother believed in education as the way for African Americans (W.E.B Dubois) and grandfather believed in work and owning land. Before he died he had over 75 acres of land in South Carolina. Now I would trade my PHD for a part of that land, if they still owned it. But they sold it to send each of their 12 children to college.

My paternal grandmother, only had a 5<sup>th</sup> grade education, but she was also active in her church which we attended with her during the summers. Although she

was a janitor with the federal government until retirement, she saved her money and had owned 5 houses, including one in Atlantic City. From my grandparents and mother, I learned the value of Faith, Education, Hard Work and Service to Others.



Which biblical scriptures may be used as evidence of this Faith in my life?

Faith is fed by the word... If you don't know it...you can't use it. My faith-based foundation was the bases for several faculty positions at the University of Maryland, Missouri, Purdue and Clemson where I took an early retirement as Associate Dean of Economic and Community Development.

While a faculty member at the University I was married, however later divorced. As some of you may know, divorce and separations are painful periods. However, by faith we can make it through....

Isa 41:9 *Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.*

Isa 41:10 *Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.*

Isa 41:13-14 *For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee. Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.*

Well my faith was tested in 1994 while a faculty member at Clemson University where I had a cerebral aneurysm and was in a coma for 5 weeks. When I did not report to my 8:00 am class on Wednesday and Friday, my students reported it to my Department Chairman. My home was called but there was no answer. A female faculty was sent to my home...My

car was in the driveway... She rang the bell several times... and there was no response. She returned to the university with the information and the Clemson police department was called. I was found unconscious on my bedroom floor. The doctor's said I had been there 3 or four days. My mother who had been called to the ministry and had her own church was called to come to SC immediately, because I may be dying. She came and stayed the entire 5 weeks, anointed my head with oil and prayed for me. After awakening from the coma, I had to learn to walk again and had some short term memory loss. As a result, my mother brought me home where I had therapy at the National Rehabilitation Center I was blessed by God's Grace and Mother's Faith! From this portion of my journey, I learned that "anything and everything can be lost in the "twinkling of an eye." While I had the degrees positions, and status, before the aneurysm, none of it counted when I could not remember. *Only, what you do for Christ Counts.*

When I returned to my faculty position at Clemson University, I changed membership to a Presbyterian Church. (Throughout my graduate school years I returned to my Presbyterian roots). After a 6 months sabbatical with the WHO in Geneva Switzerland, there were some budget cuts at the University and my position as Associate Dean of Economic and Community Development was eliminated. Although I was a tenured faculty member, I decided not to return and moved to Cary, North Carolina and worked with my cousin in our publishing company in Durham NC. Again, I joined a Presbyterian Church in Durham.

In July of 2005, while visiting my mom in Maryland, she had a massive stroke. I stayed with her in her home where she had full time medical care and health aids. She made the transition in October of 2005. Between July and October, I visited several Presbyterian Churches in the Maryland area and one day I found Adelphi and I fell in love with the warm and gracious fellowship and spirit.



### Finally, How is Faith

transforming me to become a better servant and Christian? I hope that I will have the Courage, Conviction and Commitment to be transformed by the renewing of my mind and spirit:

\*The COURAGE to put my faith into action by my words and deeds.

\*The CONVICTION to be prepared through reading and studying his word. And

\*The COMMITMENT to be of service to the Church and Community.

In conclusion, I am reminded of the words from my Grandmother's favorite hymn.

Let the work I do speak for me  
Let the service I give speak for me  
Let the life I live speak for me.

Let nothing shake your faith or dim your hope and then the most troubled journey shall have a blessed end. And your testimony will be "He does all things well."  
(Rev. Helen B. Buckmon, 2003)

## BIBLE BREAKFAST CLUB



by Kathie James

In June, our prayer for growth was answered: we increased our usual dozen by one, as thirteen came to our meeting. We opened with prayer, and we then studied about Simon the Zealot and Martha of Bethany. We read from Matthew, Luke, John, Acts, and James. Our emphasis was on doers of the Word and being like Simon, full of energy and passion for Christ, as well as like Martha, who enjoyed serving others. We then made cheesecake pies to be given to the dads on Fathers' Day. First, each person decorated a bag with To Dad, From (name) and added drawings. Then each young person had a part in preparing the pies—pouring

the mixture into the bowl, adding milk, stirring, beating, distributing the pie crust, and handing out the strawberries for topping. The pies were then bagged and placed in the refrigerator until after church. Our meeting culminated in a lovely summer breakfast (thanks to Candace Philander for food and to Bettye Miller for arranging). This was our last meeting for the summer; but mark you calendars for September 16 at 9:30 a.m. and come out with your friends and family!



## WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

by Kathie James

On Saturday, June 23, the Women's Prayer group met at the home of Dr. Bettye Miller. After feasting on delicious breakfast foods and tasty drinks on the lovely sun porch, the group studied Chapters 22-24 of A Purpose-Driven Life. Among the many points gleaned and experiences shared from Scripture were that (1) we were created to be like Christ, who is the human form of God; (2) we must make a conscious decision to be a disciple of Christ, to study Him and follow Him; (3) Christianity is not a religion or a philosophy but a relationship and a lifestyle; (4) by believing the Bible through receiving the Word, reading the Word, researching (studying) the Word, remembering the Word, and reflecting on the Word, we can become transformed by the Holy Spirit with the truth, and thus grow to become more like Christ; (4) that once we have done all these things with the Word of God, we must be doers of that Word, not This group will recess for the rest of the summer. We will meet on Saturday, September 15, at 10:30 a.m. at Bettye's house. Rose Tangham will lead the study on that day. Please read Chapters 25, 26, and 27 for our discussion and meditation. All women of the church are invited to attend. We hope to see you!



*Happy Anniversary*



July 7 Chester and Ruby Ruild  
 July 8 Jake and Patti Masters  
 July 17 Hudson and Priscilla Lancaster  
 July 17 Frank and Helen Longen  
 August 19 Vida and Percy Agyei-Obese  
 August 26 David and Renee Milligan

**July 14-15, Sat-Sun: Leadership Training Retreat (Led by Lois Stovall) at Meadowkirk Camp and Conference Center in Middleburg VA.**

**July 15, Sunday – 11:00AM**

**Sunday Service and Communion**

(Rev. Wally Harman preaches while Eunice is with the leadership retreat)

**July 22, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**Coffee Hour – Mission & Evangelism**

**July 29, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**August 5, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**August 8-12<sup>th</sup> – Camping at the Smiths**

**August 12, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**August 18, Saturday – Teacher’s Formation and Training (More details later)**

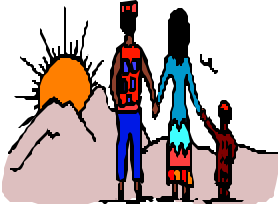
**August 19, Sunday – 11:00AM**

**Sunday Service and Communion**

**August 26, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**Coffee Hour –Congregational Care**

***Deadline for September Newsletter***



## CAMPING FUN

Cherry and Dick Smith invite everyone to go camping **August 8th-12th** ! All you need is a tent, sleeping bag, bathing suit and the clothes you will be wearing. All the food will be provided. We will be camping on the top of our mountain in Liverpool, Pennsylvania. The view from the top is spectacular and the night sky is filled with stars every night.

Activities will include: exploring, swimming, visiting a farm, a taxidermy museum, and talking to a live turkey. The group will worship at Terry Valley Presbyterian Church on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Details on what kind of clothes to pack and directions will be provided later. If interested please call us at 301-384-0775. We’re going to have a good time!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**July 1, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**

**July 8, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service**



## REV. WALLY HARMAN

Rev. Harman will be preaching at Adelphi in the absence of Eunice on July 15 and 29, and August 5 and 12. Pastor Harman has been a minister member of National Capital Presbytery for over 20 years. He was the founding pastor of New Hope in Olney, MD and has served three churches in Virginia. He is a trained Interim Minister, specializing in congregations facing change. He is a member of the Presbytery’s Committee on Ministry serving on the Transitions Team and presently serves as the COM liaison to Gaithersburg’s Associate Pastor Nominating Committee.



## TEACHERS' TRAINING AND FORMATION

Are you interested in teaching Sunday School but do not know if you are equipped to teach children or even adults? Come and join us on **Saturday, August 18** with Lynn Jostes of Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church! Lynn has been a Presbyterian Church (USA) Certified Christian Educator for more than 30 years working with children and youth and adults Christian formation. Lynn also will soon be ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament. We will possibly meet in the morning – details will be available soon. Interested – Please contact Candace Philander or pastor Eunice.



**Thoughtful**

**Christians!!!**

The Presbyterian Church (USA) last year launched this new website for the public. It provides materials for Christians who want to study the Word of God and to study critically the culture around us and how our faith in God in Jesus Christ shapes us to live faithfully in the dominant culture and how our faith can be a transforming presence in the society.

[“www.thethoughtfulchristian.com”](http://www.thethoughtfulchristian.com)

**S**piritual formation is the activity of the Holy Spirit that molds our lives into the

likeness of Jesus Christ. This likeness is one of deep intimacy with God and genuine compassion for all of creation. The Spirit works not only in the lives of individuals but also in the church, shaping it into the Body of Christ. We cooperate with this work of the Spirit through certain practices that make us more open and responsive to the Spirit's touch, disciplines such as sabbath keeping, works of compassion and justice, discernment, worship, Scripture study, hospitality, spiritual friendships, and contemplative silence.

*(FROM “Hungry Hearts” A publication of spiritual formation of PCUSA)*



***Lectioy Reading***

**July 1, 2007**

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14**

**Psalms 77:1-2, 11-20**

**Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

**Luke 9:51-62**

**July 8, 2007**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**2 Kings 5:1-14**

**Psalms 30**

**Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16**

**Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**

**July 15, 2007**

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Amos 7:7-17**

**Psalms 82**

**Colossians 1:1-14**

**Luke 10:25-37**

**July 22, 2007**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Amos 8:1-12**

**Psalms 52**

Colossians 1:15-28  
 Luke 10:38-42

Luke 13:10-17

July 29, 2007

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hosea 1:2-10

	Date	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
Psalms 85	JULY 1	The Milligans	Paul Tembunde Chester Guild	Matilda Che
Colossi ans 2:6- 15 (16- 19)	JULY 8	Gail Rodman	Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong	Bob Finzel
Luke 11:1-13	JULY 15	The Lancasters	Jerome Farley Tad Jembere	Chester Guild
August 5, 2007	JULY 22	Vida Agyei- Obese	Jake Masters Gail Rodman	Larry James
18 <sup>th</sup> Sunda	JULY 29	Bettye Miller	Winton Almas Hudson Lancaster	Charles Yancey

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Hosea 11:1-11  
 Psalms 107:1-9, 43  
 Colossians 3:1-11  
 Luke 12:13-21

August 12, 2007

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 1:1-10  
 Psalms 40:1-8, 22-23  
 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
 Luke 12:32-40

August 19, 2007

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 5:1-7  
 Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19  
 Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2  
 Luke 12:49-56

August 26, 2007

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-10  
 Psalms 71:1-6  
 Hebrews 12:18-29



*Happy Birthday*

July 4 Jake Masters  
 July 6 Rachel Milligan  
 July 7 Katie Rodman  
 July 11 Yazeem Tembunde  
 July 21 Joan Tembunde  
 July 29 Chester Guild  
  
 August 1 David Beard

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August 5 Paul Tembune	AUGUST 12	Gail Rodman	Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong	Bob Finzel
August 15 Chris Smith	AUGUST 19	The Lancasters	Jerome Farley Tad Jembere	Chester Guild
	AUGUST 26	Vida Agyei- Obese	Jake Masters Gail Rodman	Larry James

August

16 Jake Masters

August 18 Christine Wattay

August 25 Murielle Tembunde

August 29 Sharon Anderson

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