

February 2010

# Wesley Way Window

**“Working as God’s living water, winning a world for Jesus Christ”**

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## *As Seen From the Meadows*

I feel like it has been forever since I shared with you here in our newsletter. There are a number of things I want to share with you as we enter February 2010. Take the time to read through the thank you, the information concerning Ash Wednesday and Lent and the update on our membership and attendance.

I want to say thank you to everyone who is willing to serve as a leader in this congregation. Every one of us is called into ministry as a result of our acceptance of God’s grace. We have a gift to share with the world and we need leaders to guide us as we seek to share that gift. There are a few folks who rotated off the Administrative Council in 2010 and I want to thank them for their service to God and this congregation. Bob Jenkins served faithfully as our Administrative Council guide and I can not thank him enough for his leadership. Brian Bouts, what do you say, he has served as treasurer from the beginning of this congregation in 2001. Brian gave both leadership and service to the ministry of Wesley Way UMC. Dixie Rogers led the UMW with enthusiasm. Steve Bednarz led the UMM with a servants heart. Arch McGarity served as our guide for the Finance and Stewardship ministry team and kept us focused on the ministry during a hard financial time. Jim Braswell and Jamie Forster served as At-Large Members to the Council. They gave their time and energy to assure you had a voice in the decisions of the church. Helga Brassell co-guided the Nurture ministry team and shared Christian hospitality with all of us. Clara Jenkins guided our Worship Ministry team and made sure every detail of worship was covered and shared in a meaningful way. Julie Davies as Small Group guide made sure we continued to offer opportunities for Christian growth. Wendy Evans as Outreach guide kept us looking outside our walls for opportunities to share the gospel and our church with the community. Chris Dugan as guide of the Faith Sharing Ministry team brought it back into focus, making it once again an important part of our ministry. All of these folks gave of themselves so that Ministry could take place here. They helped us become what we are and they will be missed as members of the Administrative Council, when you see them thank them for their willingness to serve.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010 and ends on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010. Due to the fact that Ash Wednesday falls during the Henry County Schools winter break, February 15-19, 2010, we will observe Ash Wednesday on Sunday, February 21, 2010 at both the 8:30am Sweet Sunday Service and the 10:30am Traditional service. Lent is forty days, excluding Sundays because Sundays are understood as little Easters. The first words shared to begin Lent are “Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.” Lent is a time in our Christian year when we are reminded that we are mortal beings we have a beginning and we have an end. God is our only hope of living as we were created. That time between birth and death is only meaningful when we share it in relationship with the God who created us. God gave us life so that we could be in relationship with God. Lent’s beginning reminds us that we are simply dust and that it is God who gives us life.

Every month I close by sharing with you our current membership and average worship attendance. It is important that we are aware of these two ministry areas. As of December 31, 2009 we have 532 members. Our average worship attendance has been 301 for Sundays, November 22, 2009 – January 24, 2010. Always remember these numbers represent people. People we love and care about. Let’s try and encourage each other in our worship attendance. If someone is missing give them a call, email or card. We need to be in ministry to and for each other. If you don’t know how to contact them or feel uncomfortable doing so let me know I will help you and we can contact them together.

I am looking forward to all that 2010 holds for us here at Wesley Way UMC. Don’t miss the opportunity to be blessed by God or be used by God to be a blessing to someone else. Make your relationship with God a priority in your life because it will help you make the other relationships in your life better. See you this Sunday!!

Yours in Christ,

Greg



### Children's Choir

Our Children's Choir will be singing on Sunday February 14th at the 10:30am worship service. I know we will be richly blessed.

### Looking Ahead

Mark your calendars! Our Eggstravaganza will be Palm Sunday March 28th following worship.

VBS - Galactic Blast - will be June 7th - 10th

More detailed information regarding both of these events following our Feb 2nd planning meeting.

### Thank You

Just a word of thanks and appreciation to all of our wonderful Sunday School, Wednesday Night Bible Study, and Children's Music Teachers!

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The UMM will hold their monthly meeting Saturday, February 6th at 8:30am at the church.  
Chris Anderson



It is now time to plan for our fall program. We have begun registration for the fall 2010 school year. Be sure to get your child registered soon so their spot is guaranteed. We are offering 2, 3, 4, & 5 day classes from 9:00am-12:30pm. We will have classes available for 2, 3 & 4 year olds.

Our classes offer the following.:

- ◆ Our teachers use Saxon curriculum
- ◆ Learning activities are created to be fun
- ◆ Our students perform on stage during the year
- ◆ Our students participate in foreign language, Chapel & Bible Study
- ◆ Music and art are utilized daily in the classroom
- ◆ Gymnastics taught during school hours (add'l fee)
- ◆ Computers
- ◆ Our teachers are dedicated to your children

If you'd like to make an appointment to see our school or if you have any questions give Ms. Nadia a call at the church 770-898-3023 (mornings), home 770-957-2494 or email her at: nadia@wesleyway.org.

Thanks,  
Nadia Bobo  
Preschool Director  
The School at Wesley Way

# Wesley Ramblers

Wesley Way Ramblers is a group of older members and visitors meeting together for Christian fellowship, food and fun. We meet at various times depending on our plans for the day, it may be the IMAX, some gardens, the rodeo or just to a new place to eat. Whatever we are doing you are welcome to join us. Watch the bulletins for the latest happenings.

Sunday, February 7 at 5:30pm - Super Bowl Party at the Brown's Home.

Tuesday, February 16th at 8:30am - Meet at church and go by van to Crawford Long Museum for tour, Jefferson, GA. Lunch at Chateau Elan. Afternoon tour of the Mayfield Dairy and lots of Ice cream. It will be a full fun filled day.

Thursday, February 18th at 6:00pm - Meet at church for Dinner at Sixth Street Pier in Griffin.

Friday, February 26th at 6:00pm - Game night Bette Jones Home in Griffin, co-host Sandra Hembree

Bette Jones is our February hostess please RSVP's to her at 678-603-1933. For more information on any of our dates contact Betty Brown at 770-914-6702.



The MOM's circle has changed their name!!! We are now the "Friendship" circle and we look forward to a year full of worthy mission work and fellowship with each other. If you do not have a UMW circle, please come check us out. We meet the third Thursday of each month (except for February, we will meet on the 25th due to the February break) at the home of Bethany Iddings. Your children are welcome! Snacks will be served, bring your calendar and lots of ideas! We look forward to seeing you. If you have questions or need directions, please contact Bethany at bethiddings@charter.net or 770-898-5949.

## Nurture Committee News

The nurture committee will be heading up coffee and snack time each Sunday morning in the kitchen. If you would like to take a Sunday and bring donuts, a Danish, "monkey bread" or any other yummy treat to share, please contact Bethany Iddings at bethiddings@charter.net or Belinda Privin at Belinda.privin@henry.k12.ga.us. Also, if you know of any special needs in our congregation, please do not hesitate to contact us.



## Find Your Fit

Our 12-week program will begin at 7:30pm, February 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be a time of looking into our health and ways to improve it. There will be a class on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, Roadway to Fitness, a time to look into and experience different types of exercise. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, Food to Fitness will look into diet, changing and improving eating habits.

# Servant Schedule

## February 7, 2010

Greeters: Front Door—Brenda Craig, Leigh Brannon and Pam Buckner

Side Door—Jack Brassell and Miriam Brassell

Ushers: Mike Craig (TL), John Webb, Steve Collins and Mark Howington

Liturgist: Mike Barr

Cookie Delivery: Barb and Bob Jessop; Janet Smith

## February 14, 2010

Greeters: Front Door—Sharon Anderson, Clyde Gaddy and Steve Bednarz

Side Door—David Brassell and Betty Moore

Ushers: Frank Bailey, Jr. (TL), Tim Godwin, Tony Baird and Jack Brassell

Liturgist: Jason Forster

Cookie Delivery: David and Shawn Anderson; David and Helga Brassell

## February 21, 2010

Greeters: Front Door—Shirley Hotch, Julie Davies and Arch McGarity

Side Door—Leon Going and Kathy Going

Ushers: Jim Braswell (TL), Chris Anderson, John Uessler and Nelson Fonville

Liturgist: Tommy Thompson

Cookie Delivery: Steve and Phyllis Abbott; Kathy and Leon Going

## February 28, 2010

Greeters: Front Door—Tom Jones, Pat Spieks and Chris Anderson  
Side Door—Bob Jenkin and Edie Coppolino

Ushers: Kim Alley (TL), Steve Bednarz, Mark Maycock and Doug Foreback

Liturgist: Cindy Jones

Cookie Delivery: Tom and Cindy Jones; Rob and Lisa Beall



## Happy Birthday!

2-2 Julie Davies	2-15 Cecily Pangburn
2-2 Melissa Richardson	2-16 Coweta Kopp
2-2 Emily Salter	2-16 Caitlyn Going
2-5 Shelby Long	2-17 Cathy Steckman
2-6 Ray DePew	2-17 Sarah Barr
2-7 Nathan Ross	2-19 Dick Parrish
2-8 Jason Forster	2-19 Kathy Thompson
2-8 Trevor Caldwell	2-21 Alexandra Davies
2-10 Emily Lukat	2-24 Susan Holmes
2-11 Billy Underwood	2-24 Jessica Graf
2-12 Glenn Kuhne	2-24 Kylie Scarzafava
2-13 Greg Parks	2-27 Thad Holmes
2-15 Anne Franklin	2-28 Bob Jessop
2-15 Amanda Wright	

## Financial Summary

Month	Contributions Received	Total
January	\$29,426.51	\$29,426.51
Needed for 1 month full ministry:		\$51,754.00
Mortgage Balance:		\$893,903.25

## Stewardship Report



### January 3, 2010

Attendance 8:30 — 20  
10:30 — 187  
7:30pm — 60

**Total Attendance 267**

Regular 8,482.00  
Building 170.00  
Communion 84.00  
MYF 115.00  
**Total 8,851.00**

### January 10, 2010

Attendance 8:30 — 53  
10:30 — 214

**Total Attendance 267**

Regular 6,803.75  
Building 270.00  
**Total 7,073.75**

### January 17, 2010

Attendance 8:30 — 58  
10:30 — 214

**Total Attendance 272**

Regular 6,931.76  
Building 91.00  
UMCOR 1,325.00  
MYF NLB 100.00  
Human Relations Day 5.00  
Missions 25.00  
Advertising 100.00  
**Total 8,577.76**

### January 24, 2010

Attendance 8:30 — 52  
10:30 — 216

**Total Attendance 268**

Regular 7,209.00  
Building 70.00  
UMCOR 425.00  
MYF NLB 40.00  
Missions 25.00  
**Total 7,769.00**

### January 31, 2010

Attendance 8:30 —  
10:30 —

**Total Attendance**  
Regular 000  
Building 0.00  
**Total 0.00**



## February 7, 2010

Crib Room — Jean Bouts

Toddler Room — Wendy Evans

4 to 5 yrs — Dena Norris and Jessica Morgan

1st and 2nd — Dave and Karla

Scarzafava

## February 14, 2010

Crib Room — Georgette Underwood

Toddler Room — Blake and Joy Sims

4 to 5 yrs — Kevin and Amy Lemelin

1st and 2nd — Darla Pantelakis and

Laura May

## February 21, 2010

Crib Room — Tim and Amy Leeth

Toddler Room — Jane Orendorff

4 to 5 yrs — Chris and Amanda

Anderson

1st and 2nd — Susan Holmes and daughters

## February 28, 2010

Crib Room — Edie Coppolino

Toddler Room — Elizabeth Graf

4 to 5 yrs — Buck and Lori Treadwell

1st and 2nd — Doug and Pam Foreback



## Church Sextons for February

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jason Forster
8 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Blanton
15 <sup>th</sup>	Fred and Eleanor Breck
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kim Alley

Ash Wednesday

## Church Staff

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## Church Council Ministry Teams

Church Council Ministry Team Guide  
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# UMW News

## Upcoming Events:

**District Mission Study** on "Food and Faith" will be held at Stockbridge First UMC on February 6<sup>th</sup>. See Jean Bouts for information.

**Haven House Loose Change Sunday** will be on February 21<sup>st</sup> and will be collected by the Martha Anderson Circle.

**Wednesday Night Supper** will be on March 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Circle Meetings:

**Mary Martha Circle** will meet on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. For more information contact Sonia Forster at 678-412-5920.

**Ruth Circle** will meet on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 11am at Empson's Deli on Rock Quarry Road. For more information contact Mary Poore at 404-402-7833.

**Martha Anderson Circle** will meet on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the church. For more information contact Jean Bouts at 770-957-6645.

**Wesley Women Circle** will meet on Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Yvonne Baldwin's house. For more information contact Yvonne Baldwin at 770-898-5458.

**Friendship Circle** will meet on Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Bethany Iddings house. For more information contact Bethany Iddings at 770-898-5949.



## Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>:

5:30 Sr. High Feeding the Homeless in Atlanta

## Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>:

12:00 Youth Leadership Team Meeting  
4:30 - 6:00 Someday Salvation Practice  
4:30 - 6:00 Work on Ski Retreat Devotions  
4:30 - 5:00 Ski Retreat Parent's Meeting in the Library  
6:00 Super Bowl Parties  
Sr. High: Godwin's House  
Jr. High: Iddings House

## Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>:

3:30 - 5:30 Someday Salvation Practice  
3:30 - 5:30 Work on Ski Retreat Devotions  
5:30 - 8:30 Hoe Down at Timberidge Presbyterian

## Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

### Ski Retreat to West Virginia

## Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>:

3:00 - 5:00 Someday Salvation Practice  
5:00-7:00 MYF - Jr. High Program: Helpful / Hurtful Words - Natalie Ross  
Sr. High Program: Serving Others - Mathew Halvorson

## Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>:

6:30 - 7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>:

3:00 - 5:00 Someday Salvation Practice  
5:00-7:00 MYF - Praise and Worship Night  
Speaker: Mitch Parker



## Altar Flowers for February

- 7<sup>th</sup> By Leon and Kathy Going in Honor of their 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
14<sup>th</sup> By Ruby Bastian in Honor of Haleigh Bastian's 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday and Happy Valentine's Day to All  
21<sup>st</sup> By Steve and Cindy Bednarz in Honor of Carrie Bednarz's Birthday  
28<sup>th</sup> By Jamie Lyons in Honor of William's 36<sup>th</sup> Birthday

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