

July 2010

# Wesley Way Window

**“Working as God’s living water to win a world for Jesus Christ”**

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## *As Seen from the Meadows*

July 2010 begins our fourth year together. It is indeed an honor and a privilege to serve as your pastor. Bishop Watson, in his sermon during the ordination service, reminded the pastors how blessed we are to be invited into people’s lives to share the love and grace of God. Thank you for allowing me to do just that. You have blessed my life in so many ways.

As your pastor I am blessed to be a part of your life, I am also blessed to be an instrument of God that pushes and stretches your faith. On Sunday, July 20th I felt that I was used by God to do just that. I want to spend sometime sharing with those who were not able to be here so that you can be part of the challenge.

*“As the deer longs for streams of water, so I long for you, O God. I thirst for God, the living God. When can I go and stand before him?” - Psalm 42:1-2*

Have you ever been thirsty? Have you ever desired something or someone? Not a casual like, but a desire. The deer longs for water that will quench his thirst and nourish his body. This water must be a stream that is moving and not a stagnant pool. A stagnant pool is good for only one thing and that is to spread disease. The psalmist knows that we, in the same way, need the living water of God to nourish our souls and fill our need to be loved. The psalmist knows only God can calm our fear and heal our hurt. Life is best lived in the presence of God.

As I think about this, our mission statement came to mind. Do you know what it is? Have you ever noticed it on the bulletin or newsletter? This is how it reads; Wesley Way United Methodist Church “Working as God’s living water to win a world for Jesus Christ.” We are a vessel of God to help quench the thirst of the world. We also have members and visitors who come to be nourished as well. We have a community that is thirsty and a world that is parched and dying and need to experience God’s living water. Sadly our living water is slowing becoming a trickle of water. We are not yet stagnant. There is still life and nourishment here but it is not reaching the thirsty world. You see, we like most of our Christian brothers and sisters are struggling financially. Like it or not ministry takes money. The church needs money to insure that the living waters flow so that the thirsty world can find relief. This is true for us here at Wesley Way and as United Methodist around the world. Because we are struggling there are people who are going thirsty with no relief in sight. This congregation made a hard decision to pay 50% of the United Methodist

apportionments this year. This is money that goes to do ministry in Georgia and around the world. (If you want more information on apportionments come see me.) This has been hard on me because part of my responsibility is to encourage us to pay this at 100%. From the beginning this church has done just that. I have been in ministry for 21 years and never had a church pay less than 100%. This is breaking my heart. And honestly it has been a source of great stress on my life. We have to do something! Therefore; I am issuing a challenge to each of us. I want us to pool our change, our pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. If you want to throw dollars in we will take those as well. On July 20<sup>th</sup>, I gave everyone an 18 oz cup to take home and begin filling with change. On August 1<sup>st</sup>, I want us to bring them to church. What ever we bring in will go to make an extra payment on our apportionments for the year. Someone said they could fill that cup up before the month is over. If that is the case start filling another cup. Don’t stop at one. Allow that to be the beginning. There are five cups in my household we will do all we can to fill all of them. If you don’t have a cup, I have some in the office. Come by so we can talk about this and you can pick up a cup. On August 1st you can bring in your change or you can bring in a check for the amount your family collected. Let’s not allow our living water to continue to be a trickle. We need it to flow fast and bubble up strong. We are God’s people and we should not allow Satan to hold us back due to money. We can do this and we can see a difference made in our world, our community, our church and our own lives.

Every month I share with you our current membership and average worship attendance. It is important that we are aware of these two ministry areas. As of July 21st, 2010 we have 549 members. Our average worship attendance has been 274 for Sundays, May 23, 2010 – July 20, 2010. 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, send them an email or a 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. May God continue to bless us as we strive to be God’s people and God’s church.

Yours in Christ,

*Greg*



### Wonder-filled Wednesdays

Who: Children ages 4-5th grade  
What: A time for fun and fellowship. The Bible story theme will be the Fruits of the Spirit -Galatians 5: 22-23.  
When: Each Wednesday in July from 9am until 12noon at Wesley Way.

The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. A few volunteers are still needed; please sign up for one or more Wednesday mornings. Thank you for your support!

### Teacher Needed for 3rd and 4th Grade

After several years of dedicated service, Laura Patrick is going to take some time off of teaching Sunday School. Thank you Laura for your love and the many hours you have given to our children! We are in need of a Sunday School teacher for our 3rd and 4th grade class. If you would be willing to teach or team teach this class, please contact me. Substitute teachers are needed for all of our classes. Please prayerfully consider these service opportunities, you will be truly blessed!

### One Room Sunday School

Our first One Room Sunday School is underway and the children have adapted very well. It is such a blessing to see the children's eagerness to learn and to help each other.

### Rising 3rd Graders

Promotion Sunday is August 8th. Children going into the 3rd grade will be presented a Bible during our 10:30am worship service. Please let me know the name of your rising 3rd grader.

As always, please contact me with any questions or suggestions.

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The United Methodist Men want to personally invite all men 16 years and older to share in Christian fellowship and community outreach. Check the upcoming schedule and see when and where you can join us. We have

some great projects planned for the summer. Hope to see you there. For more information about UMM or upcoming events please contact Chris Anderson at 678-898-9518.

## 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. For more information on any of our dates contact Betty Brown at 770-914-6702.

**Thursday, July 3** -- 6:00pm Games, picnic and fireworks at the Breckenridge home.

**Tuesday, July 15** -- Dinner out.

**Tuesday, July 20 thru Wednesday, July 21** -- Georgia Mountain Fair at Hiwassee.

**Wednesday, July 30** -- Game night at the Brown's.

Our July hosts are The Brown's, please RSVP's to them at 770-914-6702.

## The School at Wesley Way News

### Summer Play Week

Once again we'll be having our annual Summer Play Week from July 12th - 16th, 9am - 12 noon. This is a time of seeing our friends again, making new friends and just have fun getting wet in the sprinkler, doing some crafts and singing silly songs.

This is a free event to all members of the church (potty trained through age 10) and for all past and currently registered Wesley Way Students.

For information contact the Church Office.

### Considering a Preschool for your Child?

The School at Wesley Way offers:

- Small classes
- Learning through Fun and Music
- Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum
- Loving Christian Care

Hours: 9am - 12:30pm

PK-2, PK-3, PK4

2, 3, 4, 5 day programs

For additional program and registration information please see our website at [www.wesleyway.org](http://www.wesleyway.org).



### Lucy Mayhue

One of our staff members is unknown to most of us except for those who have babies or young toddlers. This staff member is Lucy Mayhue. Lucy Mayhue has watched over the babies and toddlers in our church nursery while parents attend classes and services. Lucy is a very caring individual and has watched many children to grow up to be teens in the church.

Lucy attended Forest Park High School where her interests were in sports and water skiing on Jackson Lake. Lucy was married at her grandmother's house, Stately Oaks, in Jonesboro, GA. In 1972, Lucy's mother donated the home, Stately Oaks, to the Historical Society of Jonesboro. Lucy was married for 29 years to an airplane mechanic. Lucy has two sons, Al and Eddie, who have provided four grandchildren ages 7 to 14. Lucy lives in Locust Grove and currently takes care of some of her grandchildren full time.

After high school, Lucy worked at Forest Park Elementary School where she assisted the principal and worked in the classroom for six years. Lucy also worked for Snapper in McDonough for 25 years. Lucy's hobbies include: sewing and reading.

Lucy has worked with the church since it was located at the Ola Elementary School in the early days. She is hidden and out of sight to most of the members, but watches over the youngest children of the church. Lucy is dedicated and caring as she cares for our youngsters every Sunday morning and Wednesday night.

Stop by the nursery, introduce yourself and thank Lucy for her dedication to our youngsters next time you pass through the Narthex.

### Name Tags

If you feel it is right for you and your family please order a Name Tag to wear during church events. Order forms are available in the basket outside the church office. Fill out an order form, enclose payment and drop it into the offering plate or in the basket outside the church office. Check the credenza in the Narthax in about two weeks to pickup your Name Tag.

There is a magnetic board outside of Greg's office (across from the women's restroom) where you can place the Name Tag for safe keeping until the next week. If you have already received your Name Tag please don't forget to wear it.

# Stewardship Report



## June 6, 2010

Attendance	8:30 – 55
	10:30 – 217
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>272</b>
Regular	13,757.25
Building	17.00
Building (Principal)	270.00
Communion	68.46
VBS	150.00
MYF NLB	40.00
Missions	1,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,302.71</b>

## June 13, 2010

Attendance	8:30 – 66
	10:30 – 183
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>249</b>
Regular	5,688.00
Building	25.00
Building (Principal)	70.00
Mulch Donations	859.00
ROL	144.00
MYF NLB	40.00
Guatemala	267.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,093.00</b>

## June 20, 2010

Attendance	8:30 – 46
	10:30 – 175
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>221</b>
Regular	7609.00
Building	135.00
Building (Principal)	200.00
Designated Building	50.00
MYF NLB	40.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,034.00</b>

## June 27, 2010

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>350</b>
Regular	2,608.61
Guatemala	1,066.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,674.61</b>



# Servant Schedule

## July 4, 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

## July 11, 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

## July 18, 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

## July 25, 2010

Greeters: Front Door—Tom Jones, Pat Spieks and Chris Anderson  
Side Door—Bob Jenkins and Edie Coppelino  
Ushers: Kim Alley (TL), Steve Bednarz, Mark Maycock and Doug Foreback

Liturgist: Cindy Jones

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



7-1 Janet Smith	7-24 Lisa Beall
7-1 David Gonsman	7-24 Natalie Ross
7-3 Mitchell Evans	7-24 Elizabeth Morris
7-4 Alex Williams	7-25 Shelley Korb
7-6 Jim Braswell	7-25 Ashley Fender
7-8 Julia Thomas	7-25 Branham Morris
7-10 Chloe Elliott	7-26 Helga Brassell
7-11 TV Wasson	7-26 Marcus Freeman
7-12 Susan Walden	7-27 Annabelle Berwald
7-12 Eric Graf	7-27 Hayne Parks
7-12 Karla Scarzafava	7-27 Beth Hammerstone
7-13 Charlene Salter	7-28 Troy Scarzafava
7-16 Mark Matthews	7-29 Linda Clowdis
7-16 Michaela Osborne	7-29 Steve Collins
7-17 Kat Godwin	7-29 Alyson Fowler
7-17 Matthew Salter	7-29 Abigail Treadwell
7-17 Riley Wilson	7-29 Travis Treadwell
7-19 John Ellis	7-30 Midge Breckenridge
7-19 Jamie Forster	7-30 Cathy Kasych
7-22 Sarah Orendorff	7-30 Mark Maycock
7-23 John Dodsworth	7-30 Sam Maycock
7-23 Nicholas Loughner	7-31 Paul Halvorson
7-24 Bette Jones	
7-24 Barbara Dixon	



## July 4, 2010

Crib Room — Stephanie Gordon  
Toddler Room — Lisa Wilson  
4 to 5 yrs — Carrie Spainhour and Carol Braswell  
1st and 2nd — Gabe and Michelle Cerie

## July 11, 2010

Crib Room — Steve and Alyson Fowler  
Toddler Room — Christina Pike  
4 to 5 yrs — William and Jamie Lyons  
1st and 2nd — David and Helga Brassell

## July 18, 2010

Crib Room — Eleanor Breck  
Toddler Room — Pam Buckner  
4 to 5 yrs — Dody Morris  
1st and 2nd — Kurt and Cathy Steckman

## July 25, 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



## Pictorial Directory

Dear Church Family,

We are excited to create a new pictorial directory of our church. The directory will help us to connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool and will capture the life and ministry here at Wesley Way UMC. The program is available at no cost to the church budget. Please participate! All that we ask is that you have your picture taken by the professional photographer. Every participating family/household that selects a pose for the directory will receive a free directory and a complimentary 8x10 custom color portrait. Additionally, we will be able to use and update this directory on-line! We are negotiating several portrait sessions over the last few weeks of August and will have more info out soon! Please take advantage of this opportunity. Our new pictorial directory just won't be complete without you!

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# UMW News

Executive Board Meeting to be announced.

Haven House Loose Change Sunday will be on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Circle Meetings:

No circle meetings in July.

## Food Pantry Donation Items for July

- 4<sup>th</sup> Diapers, Wipes and Baby Food
- 11<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta
- 18<sup>th</sup> Beans and Rice
- 25<sup>th</sup> Peanut Butter and Jelly

## Wednesday Night Supper

Start thinking now if your ministry team would like to sponsor/host an upcoming Wednesday Night Dinner. If so please contact Pat Spieks or the Office. Dinners begin again on August 11<sup>th</sup>.



## Church Sextons for July

- 4<sup>th</sup> Carol Music
- 11<sup>th</sup> Steve Abbott
- 18<sup>th</sup> Brenda Craig
- 25<sup>th</sup> Shawn Anderson



## Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>:

No Youth or By Grace Practice

## Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>- Sr. High

### Got Tuesday:

1:00-5:00 Tubing at Lake Jackson

## Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>:

No By Grace Practice

3:00-6:00 Skate Party at "Skate Galaxy" in Jackson with Timberidge Presbyterian

## Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup>- Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup>:

Jr./Sr. Beach Retreat

## Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>- Jr. High Got Tuesday:

Laser Show at Stone Mountain Park bring a sack supper

## Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>:

3:00-5:00 By Grace Practice

5:00-7:00 MYF - Program: "Too soon: I'm In Love With You"

## Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>- Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Sr. High

10:00am Meet at the church to go White-water rafting Nantahala and Ocoee River

## Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>:

3:00-5:00 By Grace Practice

5:00-7:00 MYF - Program: "World vs. Christian: The Bible"

## Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>- Jr. High Got Tuesday:

11:30 Lunch and a Movie (Cost: \$15)

## Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>:

6:30-7:30 Youth Bible Study

## Ink Cartridges

Many of you do not know but your PC ink cartridges can be recycled. For every cartridge you recycle at Staples or Office Depot they credit you \$3. If you do not want to recycle them yourselves, please drop them off at the church office and the office will turn them in for credit towards paper or office supplies. Last month we recycled 20 and received a check for \$60 that was used to purchase paper and office supplies.



## Altar Flowers for July

- 4<sup>th</sup> By Lillian and Austin Williams in Honor of Alex's 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday
- 11<sup>th</sup> By Bob and Barb Jessop in Honor of their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- 18<sup>th</sup> By Arch and Sandy McGarity in Honor of their 17<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- 25<sup>th</sup> By Fred and Eleanor Breck in Honor of their 16<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

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