

I will be part of a global leadership team to train pastors of all denominations as a part of the Second Billion emphases. The goal is to start five million churches and win one billion people for Christ in the next 10 years. I will participate in one-day seminars for pastors. The last three in which I participated in the U.S. had about 2,000 pastors at each one. This group is now assuming a global challenge by giving pastoral training in 14 different nations in 2009. Each of these training events will reach more than 5,000 pastors. I will participate in as many of these events as feasible and serve as the Co-Chair for the North America emphasis. I am the only United Methodist on the global leadership team. All participating pastors at these events pay their own expenses.

I will be involved with the United Methodist Publishing House in making presentations about *Transformed Living*, the stewardship program patterned after Frazer. Some of the Bishops might use me to promote the pension programs for African pastors. I will serve in leadership in the Confessing Movement, which started here at Frazer and has had a major impact on Methodism.

The pastors of the 20 largest United Methodist Churches have met a couple of times to determine how we could affect the Methodist Church. All of these pastors have worship attendance of over 2,000. We are expanding that to the pastors of the 50 largest and asking the original 20 to “coach” a pastor to help multiply the number of churches averaging over 2,000. Since I will be retired and the rest of these pastors are all actively serving, I have been asked to consider helping coordinate some of these efforts.

The Board of Directors of the John Ed Mathison Leadership Ministries met for the first time Wednesday, April 16, and clearly defined some things that would be a bit different from the way previously planned and reported. Let me share them with you.

1. From the beginning the John Ed Mathison Leadership Ministries has been designed to be a ministry entirely independent of Frazer or any local church or ministry. The bylaws are clear here.
2. Consideration was given to having an office on the Frazer campus, but I have decided and received unanimous support, that the office will be located somewhere else in Montgomery. This will be an even clearer statement of the independence of the ministry.
3. All related costs to the office, secretarial help, etc. will be covered by the JEM Leadership Ministries.

I am extremely excited about this new season of ministry for me. I have requested time at my last Board of Stewards meeting on May 4, at 7:15 p.m., to share even more opportunities and possibilities and answer questions. You are invited to attend this Board meeting. Also, Directors of the Leadership Ministries and elected leaders of the Frazer family will be available to answer specific questions.



The Messenger

April 27, 2008

New Season of Ministry

Over the past year many people have asked me what I plan to do in retirement. Several people, both members of Frazer and outside of Frazer, have helped me discern God's will for me. My passion is to preach, teach and train leaders who will train and teach others to help evangelize the world. I have a keen interest in being a change agent for renewal in the United Methodist Church.

I wanted a group of people to whom I would be accountable. From this, a non-profit ministry was established as the John Ed Mathison Leadership Ministries. The Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation define this non-profit ministry as being independent from Frazer and any other local churches or ministries. The Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation will be shared with anyone who desires them.

Here is the vision: To serve as a pastor beyond a local church by leading and participating in God's work to transform the world and reestablish the Methodist Church as an exciting, productive, Spirit-filled movement to fulfill biblical expectations.

This indicates that my work would be beyond the local church and will have as large a scope as God leads and I obey. It will involve preaching/teaching in local churches, conferences, seminars and participating with other people and groups who share the same vision.

I plan to continue full speed to carry out God's vision for me. Some of the doors of opportunity that God has already opened from August through October include preaching on 12 of the 13 Sundays in different local churches, ranging in attendance of 125 to 7,000; preaching and teaching at Lake Junaluska, NC, at two different conferences in which hundreds of churches will be represented; leading a stewardship conference here in Montgomery; preaching and leading stewardship workshops on two different occasions in churches in Atlanta; preaching and teaching pastors at the General Baptists General Conference in Springfield, MO; preaching at the Tygart Camp Meeting and teaching pastors and laity from the 70 churches in the Valdosta District; and preaching and teaching at a North Georgia missions conference in Powder Springs, GA, for a weekend.

There are other possibilities where God is opening doors with tentative plans for speaking at Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meetings and/or leading chapel services at a few Southeastern Conference (SEC) schools, other colleges and some high schools. I recently taught and spent time with about 40 FCA staff persons from Mississippi and Alabama.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

Call to Worship *I Believe in Miracles* Choir

Hymn No. 371 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* Congregation

This We Believe *The Apostles' Creed* No. 881

Morning Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Anthem *Sweeter as the Days Go By* Choir

Hymn No. 369 *Blessed Assurance* Congregation

Anthem *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Choir
Violin: Yvonne Collins

Notices and Registration of Worshippers

Offertory *In the Presence of Jehovah* Wilburn Ingram

Reading of the Scripture Romans 5:17-18 NLT

"The sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over us, but all who receive God's wonderful, gracious gift of righteousness will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ. Yes, Adam's one sin brought condemnation upon everyone, but Christ's one act of righteousness makes all people right in God's sight and gives them life."

Readers

8:00 Larry Bryant 9:30 Bobbi Smith Griswold 11:00 Jeanene Crenshaw

Sermon John Schmidt

TWO ADAMS

Fourth in a Series – From Guilt to Grace

Hymn No. 246 *Joy to the World* Congregation

Prayer volunteers are available to pray with you at the close of this service.
Fourth Sunday Workers



Sunday Family Worship Hour 6 p.m., Sanctuary

"How to pray so
your prayers get heard"

Matthew 6:9-13

John Schmidt

Solo: Joe Pat Cox
Gospel Singing • Altar Prayer Time

Wednesday Evening Children's Worship Arts 3rd - 6th grade choir "Rock Solid" Wesley Hall, 6 p.m.

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers are placed by Sylvia Richardson and Cindy Watson in loving memory of Ernest and Katherine Brown, in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary on April 30.

Flowers are placed in loving memory of Sharon Pelt by her mother, Jennie Boyer, and her sisters, Connie Sadler, Bonnie Mainor and Shirley Cutler.

To Our Visitors . . . Welcome from the Frazer Family!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. This is a schedule of our Sunday services. Look for a copy of the *Seasons* magazine or the *Frazer Family News* for more details on other ministries.

Sunday Worship

Sanctuary 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
Wesley Hall 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
East Sanctuary - Hispanic Service 10 a.m.
Chapel (2nd & 4th Sundays) Chinese 11 a.m.

Children's Services 9:30 a.m.
2-and 3-year olds - Building 5000
4-and 5-year olds - Under the Sea
Grades 1 - 3 - Discoveryland Aquarium
Grades 4 - 6 - Surge

Sanctuary 6 p.m.

Sunday School for all ages

8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.

Nursery for newborn through 3 years old is available during all worship services in Building 5000.

You are invited to tour Frazer's facilities.

Tours begin at the Welcome Center at 12:15 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month.

Our ministers would like to meet you!

They will remain at the front of the room or at one of the doors after each service.

Do you want more information?

The Welcome Center located in the Atrium is staffed after each service.

Acolytes This Week

Acolytes serving in the Sanctuary this week are Luke Lanning and Cade Horn at the 9:30 a.m. service, and Grace and Reid Parrish at the 11 a.m. service.

Welcome, New Members

Atlanta Highway Campus

CUNNINGHAM, Jack, Woodhaven Lane, Wetumpka, AL. Jack transferred from Munholland United Methodist Church in Metairie, LA. He is with Target.

GAMBOA, Mario, Eastern Bypass, Montgomery, AL. Mario joined on profession of faith. ¡Bienvenidos!

KALLIES, Kris, Taylor Road, Montgomery, AL. Kris joined on profession of faith.

LEDBETTER, Ryan and Dian, Grayson Grove, Montgomery, AL. Ryan and Dian transferred from Asbury United Methodist Church in Bossier City, LA. He is with Real Estate Funding, and she is with Steris Corporation. Their son, Carter, and their daughter, Catherine, are on our preparatory roll.

Asbury Campus

AGNEW, Carolyn, Peppertree Lane, Montgomery, AL. Carolyn transferred from Oak Grove United Methodist Church in Newbern, AL. She is with Meadhaven.

WASHINGTON, Reggie, Gaston Avenue, Montgomery, AL. Reggie joined on profession of faith. He is with Taco Bell.

Serve On A Family Mission Team

Make plans now for your family to serve on a mission trip together. During July 23-27, a group of 50 will serve Sonset Ministries in Kinston, NC, in construction and clearing trails. The cost is \$50 per person and will include food, lodging and transportation. Children in 4th grade and older may attend with their parents. To register, pick up a form at the Church Office, the Atrium or from the Men's, Women's, Children's or Missions Offices. For more information, call Rudy Heintzelman at 272-8622 or email rudyh@frazerumc.org.

Attention, Parents Of High School Seniors

The deadline to RSVP for the family dinner is April 30. Please call the Student Ministry at 272-8622 to make your reservation. The cost is \$5 per person. There is no cost for the graduating senior. Also, the two photos of your student (one baby and one senior picture) and any candid photos of your child throughout the years are due by Wednesday, April 30. Write the name of your student on the back of each picture so they can be returned to you. No reservation or pictures will be accepted after this time.

Get Your Frazer Coffee Cup

Stop by the Common Grounds Coffee Cafe and buy a coffee cup for \$10. With your new cup, get refills for 50¢ each for the rest of 2008.

Church-wide Prayer Vigil Thursday, May 1, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

You are invited to participate in a time of prayer for two upcoming events. The General Conference of the United Methodist Church will be held in Fort Worth, Texas, April 28 to May 2. Also, National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 1. Frazer will hold a 12-hour prayer vigil Thursday, May 1, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to lift up all conference delegates and the important decisions that will be made, and in observance of the National Day of Prayer. Participate by choosing a 30-minute time period and praying at home or at the church. Sign up in your Sunday School class or at the table in the Atrium on Sunday. Prayer guides will be available. There also will be a community prayer service at 12 p.m. on May 1, on the Capitol steps in observance of the National Day of Prayer.

November Holy Land Trip

Interested in going to Israel this fall? Come to Room 8114 at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 4, to learn details. The 10-day trip will depart Nov. 15.

Family Night Supper - April 30

Adult meal: ___ regular ___ heart healthy
 Child meal (ages 12 and under only): ___ regular meal
 ___ hamburger ___ cheese pizza ___ pepperoni pizza
 Signed: _____

Family Night Supper

Wednesday, April 30, 5:15 p.m.

Cost: \$4 per adult • \$2 per child • \$12 per family
 All Carry-Outs \$4.50

Menu: ham and turkey croissant, broccoli salad, potato salad, fruit salad and ice cream

Heart-healthy meal: grilled chicken salad, sugar-free Jell-o pudding

Child's Menu: cheese or pepperoni pizza or hamburger

Reservations are necessary. Call the Church Office by Monday, or place the tear-out in an offering plate. No exceptions. Take-outs may be purchased after 5:45 p.m. if food is available.

Missionary of the Week Roger and Mary Lou Skinner

4054 Lucky Lane
 Greenwood, IN 46142

OMS International

email: rskinner@omsinternational.org

Join Us For Sunday Morning Prayer Time

Pastors and staff will meet in the Atrium on Sunday mornings at 7:30 a.m. to pray for the worship services. All are welcome to participate.

A LOOK AT OUR FAITHFULNESS April 20, 2008

Attendance:

Worship Services 4,559
 Sunday School 2,161

Offering:

Budget \$138,523.82
 Building \$4,688.50
 Debt Retirement \$5,431.00
 In Christ's Way \$535.00
 Broadcast Ministries \$360.00
 Missions \$3,120.00
 Miscellaneous Specials \$4,719.08



A New Look For Your Bulletin

Starting next Sunday, May 4, your bulletin will have a fresh new look. Watch for yours in the mail or your inbox next week.

Frazer Calendar April 27 - May 3

ADULTS

Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Older Adult Social Time - Parlor Step Four - Room 7207
	8:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Library Open
Tues.	1:15 p.m.	Speeders Choir - Choir Room
	5:30 p.m.	Grief Support - Room 3105
Wed.	9:30 a.m.	Chinese Women's Bible Study - Room 3108
	7:00 p.m.	Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal - Sanctuary Hispanic Bible Study - Room 3202
Thurs.	9:30 - 12 p.m.	Dementia Daycare - Room 3106
	11:00 a.m.	Alzheimer Dementia Caregivers group - Room 3103
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery - Room 7207/09
Fri.	7:30 p.m.	Chinese Bible Study - Room 3103

ACTIVITY MINISTRY

Mon.	8:00 a.m.	Senior Adult Aerobics
	9:00 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	6:00 p.m.	Aerobics
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Pick-Up Volleyball
Tues.	8:00 a.m.	Senior Adult Aerobics
	9:00 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	6:00 p.m.	Aerobics
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Pick-Up Basketball
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Gym Night, must attend student services
Thurs.	8:00 a.m.	Senior Adult Aerobics
	9:00 a.m.	Step Aerobics
	6:00 p.m.	Aerobics
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Pick-Up Volleyball
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Step Aerobics

SINGLES

Sun.	12:15p.m.	Anchor - Lunch at Ming's Garden Unity - Lunch at Eastdale Food Court Journey - Lunch at Moe's (EastChase)
Tues.	5:30 p.m.	Divorce recovery, miniseries, Fellowship Hall
	6:55 p.m.	TNT - Rhon Carleton, speaker; Fellowship Hall
	8:15 p.m.	Line dancing, 7207-09
Wed.	6:00 p.m.	Young singles Bible study, 7203
Thurs.	6:30 p.m.	Journey - Bowling at Bama Lanes
Fri.	6:30 p.m.	All Singles 301 Club.

STUDENTS

Sun.	9:15 - 9:30 a.m.	Food and Fellowship
	9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Sunday School
Wed.	5:30 p.m.	Games Open
	5:50 p.m.	Adrenaline (middle school) - doors open
	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Adrenaline in C.R.A.V.E. Student Room (8251)
	6:20 p.m.	Elevate (high school) - doors open
	6:30 - 7:45 p.m.	Elevate in East Sanctuary
	8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Fellowship at Moe's at East Chase (7th - 12th grade) (students responsible for money and transportation)

COLLEGE

Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Sunday School - C.R.A.V.E. Student Room - 8251
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CHILDREN

Wed.	6:00 p.m.	No Lifesavers 4-year-olds - 6th grade Children's Activities 4-years-old - 6th grade, Discoveryland Aquarium Children's Worship Arts - 3-year-olds - 6th grade
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Storing Up The Word

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. -Psalm 119:11

Truthkeepers is a program designed to help the children hide God's Word in their hearts. The Children's Ministry will evaluate students on their Truthkeepers memory verses on Sundays, April 27 and May 4, during the 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Wavemakers Sunday School hours.

Have Good Mornings This Summer

The summer children's program for rising first through sixth graders is called Good Mornings. This fun time meets Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, June 2 - July 31 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. The cost is \$5 per day, with early drop off at 7:30 a.m. for an additional \$2 per day. Come join us for lots of morning fun at the John Ed Mathison Activity Center including games, a daily devotion, snack time, sports camps (with an additional fee), movie days, guest speakers, story time and lots more.

JEMAC Summer Programs

Sign-up begins Monday, May 5

Good Mornings - Rising 1st - rising 6th grade

Men's Basketball Leagues - 18 years and up

Three on three basketball - Young men, rising 6th grade - rising 12th grade

Volleyball - Young women, rising 6th grade - rising 12th grade

For more information call the Activity Center 495-6459.

Military Families, Please Register

Frazer's Military Ministry is currently updating its record of our military families. All military members; active, guard, reserve, retired, spouses and siblings are asked to stop by the table in the Atrium any Sunday in April to complete a short registration form.

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Send Care Items With Our Students

The C.R.A.V.E. Student Ministry Dominican Republic mission team will take children's clothing and sports equipment to share with the children they will serve on their trip. The group is collecting clothes appropriate in a tropical climate for children ages birth to 5 years and sports equipment such as basketballs, soccer balls, footballs, baseballs, bats, gloves and air pumps. All items will need to fit into standard luggage, and suitcases used to deliver the donations will be left in the Dominican Republic. Please bring any old luggage that can be donated for this project as well. Donations may be dropped off at the Clothes Closet marked for the Dominican Republic or in the C.R.A.V.E. Student Ministry Office until Friday, May 16. Please pray for our mission team, and the lives that will be touched. Thank you in advance for being His servants.

Sign Up For A Computer Class For Seniors

Mark your calendar for an older adult computer class, Mondays, May 12 and May 26 at 1 p.m. in the computer lab. The classes will cover Word, letters and mailing labels. For reservations call Sandy at 272-8622.

Give A Gift Of The Word

Help spread God's Word in a unique way by dedicating Bibles in memory or in recognition of a loved one or friend. Pick up a Gideon card in the Church Office or at the Atrium Information Desk to donate Bibles which will be distributed in one of 181 countries the Gideons serve.

Opportunities For Women

Memory Savors Meets Next Week

Memory Savors meets Monday, April 28, at 9 a.m. in the Atrium By the Sea. Join us as Sharon Weaver leads our devotional and discusses the many useful ways your scrapbooking tools can be used. The next meeting will be the very next Monday, May 5. Cathy Lynch will share some fun ideas for Cinco de Mayo and other May-themed photo layouts. Both events are from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with childcare by reservation. Call Jo-Ann Holston at 270-9472 with your nursery reservation, by the Wednesday before these meetings.