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SOUL PURPOSE - JULY 2021

Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Ephesians 4: 31 - 32

I think it was Mark Twain who famously said, "Kindness is the language the deaf can hear and the blind can see." And yet everywhere we look today, it seems as though kindness is in short supply. We live in a contentious culture; one that you can see virtually anywhere you look. From the internet to cable news channels to bumper stickers and flags and yard signs, both Christians and non-Christians alike could use a lesson in being kind to others...

Every church has a its own brand of mission and ministry;

it's the kind of mission and ministry that the members of that church can easily embrace while at the same time live into the Truth of scriptures and the life of Jesus.

For Englewood UMC, the summer of 2021 has brought us into what we're calling our Summer of Service.

Like so many, I groan every time I get notice of another virtual meeting or Zoom gathering. The unfortunate reality of these meetings is that they usually end with no "meat on the bones"; lots of words but no concrete actions. So, these two hour gatherings often change nothing.

But, the more Savanna and I discussed and prayed about the Summer of Service the more excited we became. The idea of our moving further away from the past 15 months and into a season of mission and ministry where we could actually engage with people, friend and stranger, on a wide-ranging exploration of touching people where they live was something we knew the people of EUMC would connect with and that you would each embrace.

Think about it; rather than sitting passively, waiting for the world to implode around us, the Summer of Service invites us each to offer to others small acts of kindness in creating God's Kingdom in the here and now.

If we're honest, one of the most glaring things COVID-19 robbed from us was the thought of how these small acts of compassion and love were missing from not only our personal lives, but from the public platform as well. We spent over a year sitting in silence, staring at TV screens, unable to touch or feel the pulse of another breathing soul. Friends were dying and we couldn't even grieve their passing.

Our Summer of Service changes that. The Summer of Service invites you into the lives of people and gives them the opportunity in witnessing you be the hands, feet, and heart of Jesus.

What can we do? Simple things, like:

- ♦ Write someone a thank you note and tell them how special there are.
- ◆ As you fill up your gas tank, don't only clean the windshield of your car, but clean the windshield of the car behind you.
- ◆ As you prepare to pray for your lunch at the local restaurant, ask your server if there is a need in their life so that you might pray for them.
 - ◆ Hold the door open for the next person.
 - ♦ Let someone cut in traffic.
 - ♦ Give up a parking space to someone and park further away.
 - ♦ Send flowers to someone, just because.
 - ♦ Bake cookies or a cake for someone.
 - ♦ Give something away on Craigslist or Letgo.
 - ♦ Donate books to the local nursing home.
- ◆ Put away your phone and don't look at it when you're talking to others.
- ♦ Drop off dog or cat food to the local shelter.
- ♦ Leave a nice note for your garbage collectors.
- ◆ Tell a police officer how much you appreciate them.

And these are the SMALL things we can do. But, in small things we offer great hope which brings to us great peace.

It's the Summer of Service. Through this season may God's love, compassion, kindness, faithfulness, and self-control be the defining characteristics of our lives, our town, our nation, and our world.

Pastor Terry





Our Sympathy Is Expressed To:

Steve & Debbie High and family upon the death Steve's brother, Gary Brooks High on May 31, 2021.

Terry & Phyllis, Kenan & Stephen, Elliott and Sawyer Mills, Zachary & Deah and Blakely Woodley and family upon the death of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, **Maxine Boyd Woodley** on June 1, 2021.

Scotty & Ann Grant Winstead and family upon the death of their grandson, **John Thad "JT" Winstead, Jr.** on June 3, 2021. JT was the great-grandson of the late Dr. Boone Grant.

Betty Lewis and family upon the death of her brother, **Charles Edward Tant** on June 20, 2021.

To the Englewood Church Family,

Thanks so much for the cards, phone calls and flowers during this time of adjustment for both Robert and me. You have truly reflected God's love and I am so grateful for it.

Nancy Johnston

Dear Englewood UMC Family,

Thank you so much for your calls, cards, texts, food, and visits during this challenging time. Nancy and I are so thankful for your prayers, thoughtfulness and continued support. Also I thank the Flower Ministry for the pretty flowers delivery by Jo Lynn Wilson.

In Christ, Allen Mooring

I would like to thank the EUMC congregation for all of the Get Well Cards and Prayers that were offered up for me during my surgical recovery. Thankfully the surgery went well and I have been released to resume normal activities.

It is times like these that having a church family really makes a difference. Thank you again.

Jimmy Hicks

Dear Members of the Flower Ministry,

The family of David Locke acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. The red and white carnations were lovely. More than that, we appreciate your caring concern.

Sincerely, Cheryl Locke

To the Ladies of the Flower Ministry,

Thank you all for the beautiful flowers you brought us. Everyone has been so generous to us during Jay's illness. Thanks to you all,

Sincerely, Sam & Carolyn Quigley



JULY BIRTHDAYS

01	Earl McIlwean, Jr.	21	Gerald Church
04	Patsy Dickens	22	Stephen Mills, Jr.
05	Ruby Hearne	23	Lu Czar
06	Michael James	23	Lee Dawson, Jr.
06	Sandra James	24	Brysun Hearne
07	Mya Cruz	25	Judy Overton
08	Christine Howell	26	Mattie Bullock
08	Eric Miller	26	Marie Lewis
09	James Hearne	26	Carolyn Quigley
10	Ingrid Dunn	29	Lisa Clark
12	Pat Bunn	30	W. B. Bullock
14	Teddy Miller	30	Jimmy Hicks
15	Gusty Coats	30	Lana VanderLinden
15	Robert James, Jr.	31	Rebecca Ceglia
15	Sharon Meade	31	Lisa Hicks

I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for the graduation service as well as all of the encouraging cards. Many of you remember when I was born and have

watched me grow throughout the years. I would like to thank everyone for being a Christ like influence in my life as I have grown up in the church. I have many great memories of church activities through the years that include many of you. Thank you to everyone for supporting me throughout the years, offering up prayers, and helping build me a solid foundation to live my life.

Sincerely Landon Quigley

I want to thank my EUMC family for the cards, prayers and flowers from The Flower Ministry delivered by Lu Czar.

Sally Spreder

Dear Church Family:

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Diane Marsh

We want to thank you for surrounding us with prayers and special deeds of love and kindness when Jim had his recent heart bypass surgery. All that you did in standing with us helped us so very much to get through each day.

The cards, phone calls, and flowers from the Flower Ministry delivered by Jeannie Gibbs and a second time by Pat Bunn gave us so much strength.

All your acts that bought encouragement uplifted us as we were enfolded in your love and care. It has been a difficult 3 years, and we thank you so much for all your love and support.

All of you are truly our brothers and sisters in Christ, and we celebrate all God has done for us through all of you. You have indeed been His hands and feet to us.

Love in Christ, Jim and Sharon Dunn

ENGLEWOOD UNITED METODIST WOMEN 2021 CANDLE BURNING DONATION FORM

Candle Burning is a special service observed each year by the United Methodist Women. Its purpose is to make the congregation aware of the total budget it takes to conduct UMW missions work in the local, national, and world communities. This money that is donated by each unit is sent to the North Carolina Conference for missions. The money is distributed as needed in mission fields worldwide. This fall, we will participate by burning the candle in honor or memory of our loved ones.

The UMW invites you, all members of Englewood United Methodist Church, to participate in Candle Burning. Please use this form to make donations in honor or in memory of your loved one. You may copy this form, use a copy of the form from our website, or there are copies of the form on the table in the hallway outside the church office. Copies are also be available in the church fellowship hall for your convenience when you attend the small group meetings during the week. You may drop off the forms with your money in the basket in the hall outside the church office or mail your form with check to EUMC, P. O. Box 7128, Rocky Mount, NC 27804. Please make checks payable to Englewood UMC and mark Candle Burning on the memo line.

Your Name:					
Amount of Donation:	_Cash:	_ Check:	(Payable to EUMC)		
In Honor of:					
In Memory of:					

Donations will be received over the next three weeks. The deadline for receiving contributions is Wednesday, July 7, 2021.

Your honorarium or memorial will be printed in the 2021 Heritage District UMW Candle Burning Handbook

ENGLEWOOD UMC SUMMER OF SERVICE

love God · serve neighbor · have fun

Englewood UMC is a church that loves to SERVE!

We serve God. We serve one another. We serve the greater community and world.







This summer we're going to **CELEBRATE** the awesome ways our church engages in service, and we'll also find some new and exciting ways to serve both God and our neighbors. Are you excited yet? We are!

During the months of June and July, we're joining together as a church family for a SUMMER OF SERVICE!

- In WORSHIP, we'll share stories of service going on in our own community, as well as opportunities to get involved.
- ONLINE, we'll post challenges for serving in our daily lives and encourage you to share on your own social media pages.
- Our CHILDREN will engage in service projects during each of our Saturday Morning CAFE gatherings.
- Our YOUTH will participate in weekly service projects on our Workday Wednesdays.
- And we'll have church-wide WORKDAYS and other MISSION **PROJECTS** that we can all get involved in.

By the end of this Summer of Service, our community will be a better place because of Englewood United Methodist Church. Let's ALL contribute our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness to make this the BEST SUMMER EVER at Englewood UMC!

PROJECT AGAPE VIRTUAL MISSION TRIP

Whether you have traveled to Armenia in the past or simply would like to know more about the work being done by North Carolina Methodists in Armenia, please join a Virtual Mission on the evening of July 15th. You will learn about the history of Armenia and Project AGAPE, hear from past mission participants, have a live chat with the Project AGAPE board (our own Pastor Terry is a member of this Board) and get an update from the Project AGAPE Country Director, Nara Melkonyan. The event is FREE to everyone who registers.



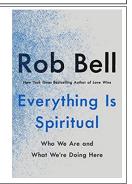
Please use the following link to register: https://wnc.reg.brtapp.com/VirtualMissionTripProjectAGAPE.

EUMC Book Club

Our EUMC Book Club will meet again on Monday, July 26th at 7:00 p.m. to discuss our next reading selection: *Everything Is Spiritual: Who We Are and What We're Doing Here* by Rob Bell.

There are three copies of each of our books for 2021 in the church library on the UMW shelf. Feel free to check them out to read and return them when finished. You can also purchase your own copy (the books are all available on Amazon).

Everyone is welcome to participate! Our July meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall.



AUTISM FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP



We have been trying to develop our Hispanic family group and the perfect person and place for our Southern Area group is developing. Please be in prayer as we make plans for all families to begin meeting in the fall.

Women of the Way



The Women of the Way Circle invites everyone to donate paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, etc. to The Lighthouse. You may bring them to the church on Sunday or during the week.

Please contact Jeannie Gibbs for more information. Thank You!



Rocky Railway VBS Update

Our children had such an AWESOME week at our Rocky Railway VBS!! We discovered together that no matter what we face in life, Jesus' power will always pull us through!

Thank you to everyone who prayed for us during VBS week, and especially to those who volunteered to make this experience possible for our children. We're already getting excited for next year's VBS! Mark your calendars for June 12-16, 2022 when we'll take another "Monumental" adventure together!



"Love CAN Make A Difference"



We hope by now you have all had a chance to see the new additions to our lobby area - the 2 "Love" cans turned into masterpieces by Lin Varney. They will be part of our food collections for Faith Christian Ministry and The Salvation Army. Over the past year due to the adjustments we needed to make because of the pandemic, our collections have been less than before. So we got this idea from a project Pastor

Terry and Jane had done some years ago and hope it will revitalize our donations each month. Please, as you do your grocery shopping each week, pick up a few extra items for the "Love Cans". It CAN make a difference in so many lives right here in our own back yards. Again, thank you for always being willing to help in our Outreach Ministry projects and A BIG THANK YOU to Lin for sharing her talent on this one!

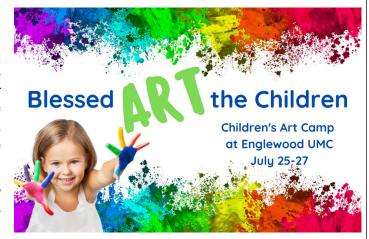
The Outreach Committee



Blessed ART the Children Children's Art Camp - July 25-27

All children 5th grade and younger are invited to join us for a fun-filled week of exploring our creativity together at our brand new children's art camp!! Each child will create beautiful pieces of art to take home with them, and we'll also collaborate on a work of art that will be displayed in the EUMC Fellowship Hall.

The camp will be on Sunday, July 25^{th} from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Monday and Tuesday, July 26^{th} and 27^{th} from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Reserve your spot today! Sign up at www.englewood-umc.com/art-camp

School Supply Collection

During the month of July, our church will be collecting school supplies, which will be donated to local schools for students in need. We are awaiting a full list of supplies that may be needed from some of our partner schools, but we know the following items are always useful! When the school supplies come out in the next few weeks, pick up a few extra items and drop them off in the church lobby. Thank you for helping the students in our community have the best school year possible!

- No. 2 pencils
- Notebooks
- Erasers
- Sharpeners
- Pocket folders

- Zippered pencil cases
- Backpacks
- Markers
- Crayons
- Glue sticks

- Protractors
- Tissues
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Colored pencils





Congratulation
to
Gary Green & Linda May
upon their marriage
on June 5, 2021
at Englewood UMC

Happy 50th

Wedding Anniversary

to

Allen & Nancy

Mooring

on June 27, 2021



Caring Card Outreach Ministry Needs You!

The Caring Card ministry is successfully reaching out with comforting connections. In order for our volunteers to address each card correctly, please call Barbara Batts with the address of your loved one listed in our bulletin or with info of someone who needs a word of love.

We are a church of caring members and we hope that we can support members and families who need a note of kindness. You may call Barbara Batts at 252-450-5000 or the church office (252-443-2926).

Our volunteers are very special thoughtful church members graciously sharing kind words to members and loved ones. Thank you for your faithfulness as we grow this mission!



<u>FAITH CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES OF NASH</u> COUNTY - JULY NEEDS

Faith Christian Ministries continues to serve all who need them in Nash County. They are so grateful for the monthly food donations that this church provides. Remember hunger is still thriving in many areas with people still out of work. Faith Christian Ministries is doing its part, with your help, to aid those in need. Starting Sunday, July 4th, the "Meals of the Month" donation will be **Spam and Macaroni and Cheese**. So when you shop for your family's groceries this month, just

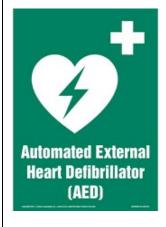


throw an extra box or three in your cart. Then bring them to EUMC and drop them in the new Love Can under the name tags in the area adjacent to the narthex. Since we, as a church, have a service theme this summer, this is just another way you can serve others by providing food for those in need.



The deadline for receiving information to be included in the AUGUST Newsletter is July 20th!

Defibrillator / CPR Training



For those who signed up to take the heart defibrillator training, the class will be held on Thursday, July 8th at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

If you did not sign up and would be interested in the training, please call the church office (252-443-2926) or email nporter@englewood-umc.com and we will include you in the next training class.

Note: This is not a certification class for CPR. You will learn how to used the AED and the basics of CPR.

OUR YEAR-TO-DATE RECORD

(Thru June 24, 2021)

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Ministry Needs

 Monthly Actual
 YTD

 Receipts
 \$23,055.49
 \$202,578.89

 Goal
 \$35,260.00
 \$211,560.00

Our 2021 General Budget includes our Missional Giving

No matter how you give



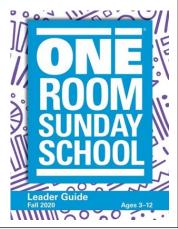


Children's Sunday School

Children 5th grade and younger are invited to join us on the children's hall for a time of learning, fellowship, and fun on Sunday mornings! Our younger children will have a special lesson and activity in our nursery, while our older children journey through the Bible one week at a time. Sunday School will meet from 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Our theme for July is "Old Testament Leaders". Here's what we'll be learning about each week:

•July 4 Ruth [Book of Ruth]
•July 11 Josiah [2 Kings 22-23]
•July 18 Esther [Book of Esther]
•July 25 Jonah [Book of Jonah]





Saturday Morning CAFE (Children And Families @ Englewood)

Our next Saturday Morning CAFE will be on **August 21**st we will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. for a Bible Treasure Hunt!! Families will go on a scavenger hunt together around the church and learn about the treasure waiting for us inside God's Word: the Bible! We hope all our EUMC families with children will join us!

The Saturday Morning CAFE is designed for children to participate with their family, whether that is parents, a grandparent, or any adult who wants to share this special time with them!

Children's Church

Our children and adult leaders are having such a wonderful time learning about God's Word in Children's Church during worship on Sunday mornings! Children are invited to join us in worship with their families at 10:30 a.m. After a special children's message just for them, our children can go back to the children's hall for more awesome activities! Parents can pick up children on the children's hall after worship ends.





Parents' Hour

Kids shouldn't have ALL the fun! While our children are enjoying their time in Sunday School, parents can come to the college room in the youth suite for some coffee, breakfast treats, and good company! Parents' hour is open to anyone who would like to come.

SUPERBOWL OF CARING 2021 UPDATE



If you were in church Sunday or watched online, you saw the pictures below. But I wanted to be certain everyone could see what your donations made possible in this year's Super Bowl of Caring. Two of the three K9) dogs, Maya and Sneak have received their bullet and stab protective vests. You can't see it in these pictures, but in the front of each vest, across the dog's chest, is embroidered "Gifted by Englewood United



Methodist Church". K9 Kaiser will turn 2 this August and his vest will be ordered then. What an awesome response everyone, to let our Nash County Sheriff's Office know how much we care about them and their K9 companions.

Sharon Roth, Outreach Committee



UMYF JULY SCHEDULE

Sunday	July 4		No UMYF - Holiday
Wednesday	July 7		Workday Wednesday
Sunday	July 11	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	UMYF - Daniel Series Finale & Trivia
MTWTF	July 12-16	8:00 am - 1:00 pm	Gatekeepers Workcamp
Sunday	July 18	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	UMYF - Choices Week 1
Wednesday	July 21		Workday Wednesday
Sunday	July 25	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	UMYF - Choices Week 2
Wednesday	July 28		Workday Wednesday

UMYF Dinners

Our UMYF is continuing to meet on Sundays from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for dinner, Bible study, games, and fellowship. If you are able to provide a meal for our UMYF one Sunday evening, our group would really appreciate your help! You can either bring the meal or donate financially toward our meal fund. Thank you for your ongoing support of our UMYF!

Workday Wednesdays

We're getting so excited about our Workday Wednesdays for our youth group this summer!! Each Wednesday our youth group will participate in a mission project right here in eastern North Carolina—from working at an animal rescue to packing school supplies to cleaning up our own church playground. [Don't worry—we'll have plenty of fun along the way! ③] To participate in Workday Wednesdays, let Savanna know by Sunday of each week to be sure we have enough supplies and transportation.

Here's what we will be doing each week:



July 7	St. Paul UMC (1217 Bethlehem Road, Rocky Mount, NC 27803) Sylvan Heights Bird Park (500 Sylvan Heights Park Way, Scotland Neck, NC 27874) Meet at EUMC at 9:00 a.m. Pickup at EUMC at 5:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided
July 12-16	Gatekeepers Workcamp (Various work sites throughout Rocky Mount) Meet at work site at 8:00 a.m. Pickup at work site at 1:00 p.m. Snack will be provided *You must have signed up by May 30 to participate.*
July 21	School Supply Packing (Englewood UMC, 300 S. Circle Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27804) Adventure Landing (3311 Capital Blvd, Raleigh, NC 27604) Meet at EUMC at 9:00 a.m. Pickup at EUMC at 6:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided and two hours of unlimited mini golf and laser tag (Optional: bring money to ride go-carts or purchase additional tickets)
July 28	Joyland Preschool (3951 Red Road, Nashville, NC 27856) Carolina Tiger Rescue Tour (1940 Hanks Chapel Road, Pittsboro, NC. 27312) Meet at EUMC at 9:00 a.m. Pickup at EUMC at 6:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided
August 4	Busch Gardens (1 Bush Gardens Blvd, Williamsburg, VA 23185) Meet at EUMC at 8:00 a.m. Pickup at EUMC at 10:00 p.m.

Tickets and dinner will be provided, please bring money for lunch