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DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT BEAR CREEK CAMP A GREAT SUCCESS!

Over 100 people from all over the district drove to Bear Creek near Marianna to attend District Conference. Everyone had an opportunity to view the renovations and see the natural beauty of the lake setting. The expected rain never came, but the temperature cooled down outside to below 80 degrees! Afterward the barbeque dinner put the finishing touches on a great afternoon.

Highlights of Conference:

- Reports from our two Wesley Foundations
- Reports from our two Church and Community Workers
- Martha Taylor, Conference Communications director, informed us of the new stewardship material from the conference “Sharing Together in Christ’s Name”
- The new DVD of the 2010 Annual Conference Journal was given to each pastor and lay delegate
- Watched a five minute video clip from the “Sharing Together” DVD
- Adopted the 2011 Budget (a 2.3% increase over 2010) as presented
- Elected the 2011 District Leadership of the various committees and board as presented
- Challenged churches and/or groups of churches to “adopt a cabin” and bring the camp facilities into top condition. (See related article)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT CHALLENGES CHURCHES TO ADOPT A CABIN

Two cabins at Bear Creek Camp have been renovated and were displayed at district conference. They included new wooden adult size bunk beds and mattresses, new wooden flooring to replace old carpet, and new lighting. The cost of these renovations comes to around \$5,000 per cabin.

The district superintendent has challenged the churches to participate in adopting the remaining eight (8) cabins and bring them up to the same standard. If one church alone is unable to raise \$5,000 for a cabin, form a cluster of churches that would step up to this challenge. Five churches could adopt a cabin for \$1,000 each, or ten small churches could even do it for \$500 each!

If adopting a cabin is not the answer for you, consider purchasing a new air conditioning and heating window unit for around \$1,100. These units allow the cabins to be used in the fall and spring when the nights can be cold. (During the winter months the water is turned off at the camp to protect the pipes.)

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STUTTGART HOSTING GUEST SPEAKER - DENNIS SWANBERG

Sunday, October 17 at 6:30 pm
Sunday, October 18 @ 10:30 am

Dr. Dennis Swanberg will be the guest speaker at First United Methodist Church in Stuttgart on Sunday, October 17th at 6:30 pm. Dennis may just be the funniest guy on the planet who has a heart for God as big as his talent. On October 18 at 10:30 am Dr. Swanberg will be the guest speaker for the Annual Arkansas Retired Ministers Day with a great meal to follow. Everyone is invited to attend both events.

CONFERENCE INGATHERING

Saturday, November 20, 2010
10:00 am—1:00 pm
Arkansas Rice Depot

Now is the time to be getting your kits together for ingathering. For a list of the types of Hunger Ingathering Kits, please visit the district website at www.umcsed.org or call the district office (870) 367-3365. Remember Bulk is Better! A list of drop off dates and locations for the Southeast District will be coming soon!

CHARGE CONFERENCE AGENDA AND FORMS

By now you should have received your charge conference forms either by email or snail mail, which include: Agenda and charge conference packet. If you were at District Conference you should have received your 2011 Local Church Leadership Form. If you were unable to attend, I will be mailing those out to you this week.

- If you are registered on our district website and have an email address listed, you were sent an email indicating that the documents were available on the district website for viewing/printing. To view/print the documents, you need to go the district website: umcsed.org and login using your username and password. Once logged in, you can click on Charge Conference to view the charge conference documents listed above (except for the local church leadership which was mailed to all churches/pastors).
- If you do not have an email, I mailed all documents to you.

If you have trouble printing these documents or need them mailed to you, please call the district office as soon as possible so I can get you the documents. **Remember ALL charge conference documents must be sent to the district at least one (1) week before your Charge Conference.** Review, update if necessary and sign your current Safe Sanctuary and Financial Policies. The Safe Sanctuary Policy needs to be signed by the Pastor, Church Council Chair and all paid staff and your Financial Policy needs to be signed by the Pastor, Finance Chair and Treasurer.

A 2010 Fall Cluster Charge Conference schedule is listed on the last page of the newsletter.

LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN PINE BLUFF CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Lakeside United Methodist Church in Pine Bluff will again be celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month during September 12th – October 12th. The initial event and annual fundraiser is set for Sunday, September 12th following the 10:50 am worship service. “Fiesta de Colores” is a meal of authentic Mexican food served by the constituents of “Mi Casa” and live entertainment is also provided. For more information or to purchase tickets to eat in or take out, please contact the church office at (870) 850-0142.



INFORMATION NEEDED

- If you are new in the district and have not done so, you need to sign up on the district website: umcsed.org. This information is very important because it allows us to have your most current contact information. Please be sure and include email.
- If you have already registered on the district website, please login and review/update your contact information.
- If there is anything you would like included in the newsletter, please email it to us at: audrea@umcsed.org



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Marty Reep
5	Boyd Savage
15	Mary Welch
20	Hammett Evans
21	Jonah Wayne Smith
23	L.T. Marks
23	George Crumbly
28	John Kidwell

**The District Office
will be closed on
Monday, September 6th
for Labor Day!**



SOUTHEAST DISTRICT 2011 BUDGET

January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011

	2011 Budget
INCOME:	
4001 District Funds (Apportioned)	114,700
4005 Interest on Accounts	500
TOTAL	115,200
EXPENDITURES:	
 Missional:	
6002 Church and Community Work	20,800
6010 Wesley Foundations	12,000
6011 Youth	3,500
6015 Bear Creek	15,000
Sub-Total	51,300
 Programs:	
6101 AAC Delegates	2,400
6102 Awards, Memorials, Gifts, etc.	2,000
6109 Background Systems	200
6103 Educational (Lay Speaking)	1,200
6104 District Programming	1,500
6107 Local Pastors School	1,200
6108 Meetings, Meals, Ministry, Etc..	1,500
Sub-Total	10,000
 Administration:	
6201 Administrative Assistant (full-time)	28,644
6202 F.I.C.A.	2,191
6203 Pension Contribution	1,146
6204 Insurance (HRA)	4,620
Sub Total	36,601.36
 Office Operations:	
6301 Communications (Telephone, Internet, etc.)	6,299
6304 Contingency Fund	1,000
6307 Equipment (Maintenance and Supplies)	3,000
6305 Postage	1,400
6306 Printing (letterheads, envelopes, cards)	300
6308 Utilities (office area)	1,800
6309 Annual Office Audit	1,500
6310 Parsonage Maintenance	2,000
Sub-total	17,299
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	115,200

**TO VIEW THE NOMINATIONS APPROVED AT DISTRICT CONFERENCE,
PLEASE VISIT THE DISTRICT WEBSITE AT WWW.UMCSED.ORG AND CLICK
ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.**

2010 SOUTHEAST DISTRICT CONFERENCE MINUTES

The 2010 Southeast District Conference was held Sunday, August 29, 2010, at Bear Creek Camp. District Superintendent Rev. Dennis Spence opened with prayer.

Reports were made by the District's two Church and Community Workers, Allyne Solomon and Evelyn Shackelford. Reports were also given by representatives from the Wesley Foundation at UAM and the Wesley Foundation at UAPB. Both groups thanked the district for their continued support.

Martha Taylor, Conference Communications Director, informed everyone of the new stewardship material from the conference "Sharing Together in Christ's Name". The District Superintendent emphasized the importance of the churches to use these materials because at the pastor's consultation in January they will be asked how their church/churches used these materials.

A five minute video from the "Sharing Together in Christ" materials was shown.

Nominations for 2011: After no changes, questions or comments, the Nominations for 2001 were reviewed and approved.

Presentation of District Budget: The proposed budget for 2011 came to \$115,200.00 representing a 2.3% decrease. The budget was voted on and approved.

Bear Creek Camp Report: Given by Ike Mohr, caretaker of Bear Creek, and David Moore, chair of Bear Creek. The District Superintendent challenged churches and/or groups of churches to "adopt a cabin" and bring the camp facilities into top condition.

Blessing of the food was given by the District Superintendent and the Conference was adjourned.

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU"

A special thanks to all those who helped prepare Bear Creek Camp for District Conference. Thanks for all your hard work in preparing the food, serving the food and cleaning up. You did a great job! Thanks so much!

2010 Fall Cluster Charge Conference Schedule

Oct. 17	2:30 pm	Carthage	Tulip / Waverly / Carthage / Hunter's Chapel / New Hope
	5:00 pm	Dalark	Sparkman/Dalark/Bethlehem
Oct. 24	2:30 pm	Chambersville	Fordyce 1st / Kingsland / Chambersville / Hebron /Mt. Olive / Bethel / Wilson Chapel /Good Hope /New Edinburgh/ St. Francis
	5:30 pm	Prosperity	Mt. Olivet / Prosperity / Union / Rison / Mt. Carmel
Oct. 27 Wed.	5:00 pm	Elaine	West Helena / Elaine / Helena / Marvell / Lexa / Marianna 1st
Oct. 31	2:30	Taylor Chapel- Cotton Plant	Wesley Chapel / Taylor Chapel / Brinkley 1st / Brasfield / Kynette / Scruggs Chapel / Livingston Chapel
Nov. 3	6:30 pm	Roe	Holly Grove / Clarendon / Roe
Nov. 7	2:00 pm	St. Charles	Bayou Meto / Lodges Corner / DeWitt / St. Charles / Gillett / DeLuce / Pleasant Grove / Almyra / Hunter's Chapel
	5:00 pm	Alzheimer	Alzheimer / Wabaseka /Sherrill / Humphrey
Nov. 10 Wed.	6:30 pm	Grand Avenue	Stuttgart 1st / Stuttgart-Grand Avenue
Nov. 14	2:00 pm	Wilmot	Parkdale/ Eudora/ Lakeside-Lake Village/ Montrose/ Portland / Dermott/ Wilmot
	4:30 pm	Trinity –Warren	Warren 1st / Hermitage / Wagon / Martin's Chapel /Palestine / Trinity
	7:00 pm	Andrew's Chapel	Mt. Pleasant / Rock Springs/ Wilmar / Andrew's Chapel / Lacey / Greenhill / Monticello 1st
Nov. 16 Tuesday	6:30 pm	Faustina	Faustina/ Hampton / Harrell
Nov. 21	2:00 pm	Hamburg UMC	Fountain Hill / Waller's Chapel/ Zion/ Crossett / Hamburg / Extra
	5:00 pm	Arkansas City	McGehee-Wesley / McGehee 1st / Arkansas City / Dumas / Tillar / Watson / Mt. Tabor
Dec. 1 Wed	7:00 pm	Star City	Bailey Chapel/ Star City / Grady / Trinity
Dec. 5	2:00 pm	Redfield	Redfield
	4:30 pm	Good Faith Carr	Wesley-PB / Hawley Memorial / Sulphur Springs / St. Mark / Lakeside-PB/ Good Faith Carr
	7:00	Pine Bluff 1st	Pine Bluff 1st / St. James / St. Luke / White Hall