

# THE MESSENGER



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## Pastor Tammy's Ponderings

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### A New Thing

*"Look! I'm doing a new thing; now it sprouts up; don't you recognize it? I'm making a way in the desert, paths in the wilderness." (Isaiah 43:19, CEB)*

Happy New Year! We're already a few days into January and if you're anything like your pastor (smile), this time of year may bring talk of making resolutions. The good news is that, regardless of what 2026 brings, we can hold fast to the truth that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever!" (Hebrews 13:8). Our culture has long considered the new year as an opportunity to grow and to do things differently. For Christians the new year represents another 365 days to work towards fulfilling our God-given potential and toward strengthening an even closer relationship with God. A new year brings new opportunities. A new year brings new possibilities to start by progressing onward and upward.

We can choose to rise to a new version of ourselves. I think this is what Paul illustrates when he says, "change the former way of life that was part of the person you once were, corrupted by deceitful desires. Instead, renew the thinking in your mind by the Spirit and clothe yourself with the new person created according to God's image in justice and true holiness" (Ephesians 4:22-24).

So, for the remainder of this year, let's make moves that Jesus invites each one of us to take. Let's kick into overdrive and strive to do something new.

**Move 1: Be fruitful like Jesus.** To follow Jesus, we must emulate the spiritual principles He taught. <sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> <sup>g</sup>gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. (Gal. 5:22-23)

**Move 2: Be empowered like Jesus.** We are not to be hearers of good news only, but doers as well. Jesus authorizes us to do the very things He did. <sup>12</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." (John 14:12)

**Leap 5: Love like Jesus.** Jesus' love transformed the world. Discover the source of Jesus' love and how to share it with others. <sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God." (1 John 4:7)

One of the claims of the gospel is that God makes all things new, even us. By God's grace, we can have a truly New Year.

### Prayer

Lord, by Your grace we have been brought to the beginning of another new year. You lead us into a future, another tomorrow, fresh possibilities and potentialities. All this we claim as Your gift to us.

## Issue 47

Help us to lay hold of the future that You give us. Guide us through the coming days. Lead us into the future and help us to see tomorrow as a gift.

Gracious God of new beginnings, begin some great new work among us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen. Rev. Tamara Ingram

### Come and Join Us for Worship

Every Sunday with worship services at 8:30am & 11am with 5th Sundays @10am (In person & all social media platforms) See Social Media Links Below:

ZOOM Video: <https://us02web.zoom.us/s/82293573333>, passcode 583845

Audio: Dial [1-929-205-6099](tel:19292056099), ID [82293573333#](https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsgreensboro), passcode 583845

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# Pastor Haynes' Newsletter Addition

## "Transformed for God's Purpose"



As we embark on another year, I hope you will carry the excitement of Advent into a new season marked by joy and renewal. Jeremiah 29:11 reminds us, *"For I know the plans I have for you,"* declares the Lord, *"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."* This verse is often quoted, yet it holds profound spiritual truth: God is always involved in our journeys and deeply concerned about our spiritual walk. Though our paths include both mountains and valleys, God is with us. The plans God has for us are intended to encourage growth, deepen discipleship, and strengthen our love for our neighbors.

As we move into 2026, my prayer is that no matter your resolutions, plans, or visions, God will remain at the center of all your endeavors. It is through God's Word and by the power of the Holy Spirit that we are transformed into holy creatures, shaped for God's purpose. Let God's Word be your ultimate guide for transformation in the new year.

Remember, January 1st through December 31st does not have to be your timeline to accomplish all your goals or become your "best self." Transformation is a continuous process with no fixed deadline or final endpoint. We cannot fully comprehend all that God desires to do in our lives, nor can we contain God's work within the scope of a single year. Instead, let us shift our focus away from time pressure and deadlines and toward embracing each moment, living in constant communion with God and with one another. Our lives are not meant to be lived selfishly, but in service to our neighbors and to God, who does miraculous things every day.

This new year invites us to focus on becoming, not merely on completing tasks. When we become something, particularly disciples of Christ who love their neighbors, what we do flows naturally from who we are. Our actions are then shaped by the light of Christ shining through us. This is what points others not to ourselves, our talents, or our achievements, but to God, who is the ultimate transformer, calling men and women from lives centered on self to lives rooted in love for neighbor.

## December Youth Group Meeting

The month of December has come and gone, and we are now embracing yet another year. December was a month filled with both service and celebration. Our youth spent time in youth group reflecting on the Christmas story, and in Sunday school, they created bags of essential goods to share with those in our community. We also gathered for a Christmas celebration. The youth choir came together for fellowship and bonding, thanks to Debi McClendon and Pastor Ingram for sponsoring their outing.

Although Advent has passed, it is always appropriate to reflect on the birth of Jesus Christ and on God's act of love in sending His Son into the world to be the Savior for all who are lost, oppressed, and weary in a chaotic world. The youth shared this story at their Youth Christmas gathering, offering their own perspectives on what it means to present our gifts to God, to be chosen for God's service, and to be part of the family of God, a family that is open to all people. They also invited some of our children to participate in the conversation, allowing them to practice their voices and encouraging them to be part of the evening. What an incredible sight it is when young people create safe and welcoming spaces for one another.

I would also like to thank all of the parents, volunteers, partners, and ministries for your commitment to engaging our youth and young adults throughout the year. Your generosity, care, and enthusiasm make a meaningful difference as we continue to grow together.



# Going Home a Different Way



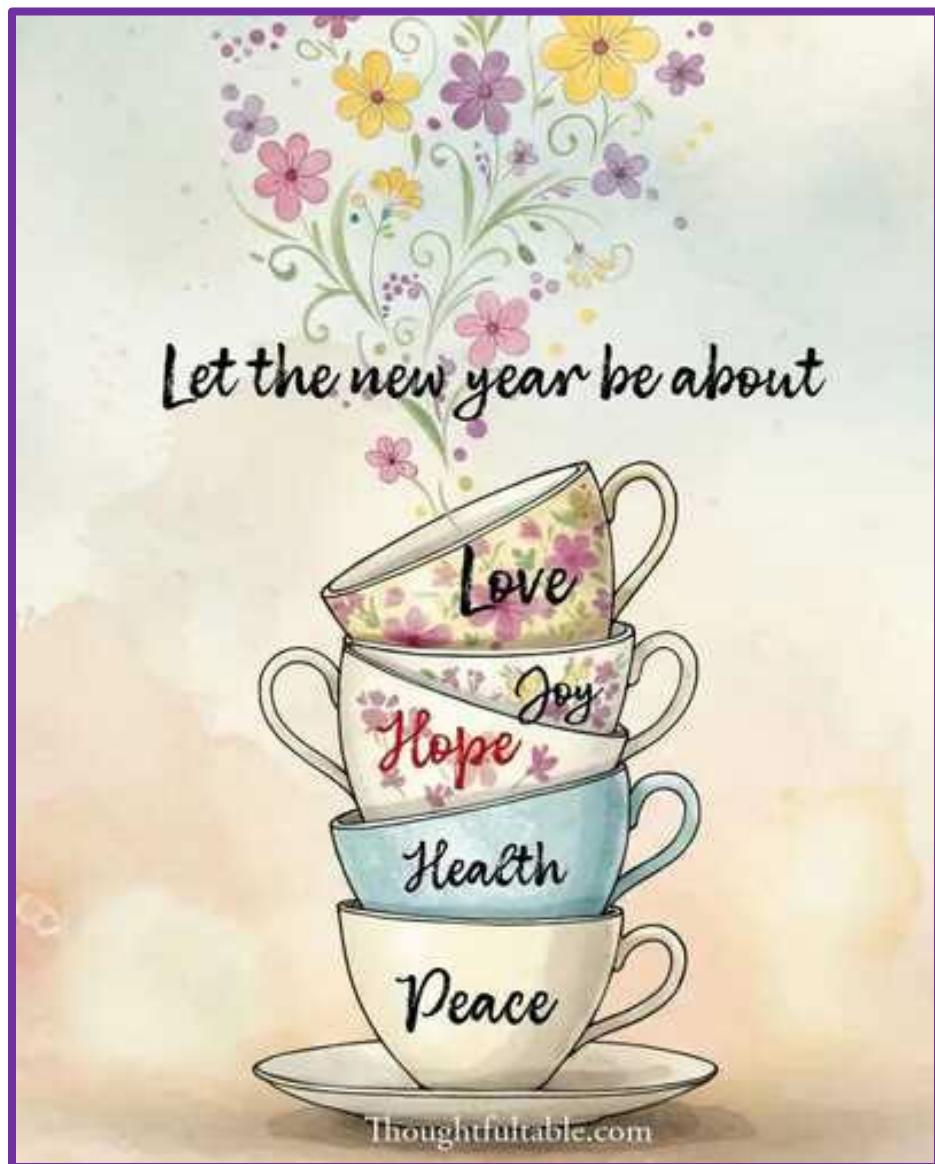
Every year, people make New Year's Resolutions. They plan to lose weight, save money, and give up unhealthy habits. Sadly, these resolutions are usually broken in a matter of days, and the unhealthy habits return for the remainder of the year. The idea behind these resolutions is that of transformation. The plan is to do better in the New Year than we have done previously. The hope is that we will do things differently.

The Bible speaks of this transformation in the story of the Wise Men. When Jesus was born, Herod the king, sent wise men to find him. When Herod found that the child was born in Bethlehem, he sent the Wise Men there to search for him.

They did as they were commanded and went to Bethlehem. When they found the young child with Mary his mother, they fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

There are two symbolisms in this passage. Returning to King Herod would symbolize returning to the old ways. Departing into their own country another way symbolizes doing things differently. New Year's Resolutions represent the idea of leaving the old ways behind and moving in a different direction. It's not just about losing weight, saving money or giving up bad habits. It's about turning away from the old ways. In so doing, we will be transformed and come home as different people.

Submitted by Crystal McCombs



## SPPRC CORNER STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### Lisa Pyrtle



1. How long have you worked for SMUMC? Since February, 2014
2. What Church are you a member of? Draper Christian Church in Eden
3. Favorite Book? The Bible
4. Lucky Number? 3
5. Favorite Food? Prime Rib and anything Chocolate!
6. Favorite Sport? Dallas Cowboys Football
7. How many grandchildren do you have? 5 – 4 girls and 1 boy
8. Husband's name or nick name? Tim
9. Favorite City to visit? Arlington, TX to see the Dallas Cowboys or Delaware, OH to see two of our grandchildren.
10. Favorite singing artist? The Red Clay Strays

## SPPRC Corner Staff Spotlight

### Debi McClendon



- 1) How long have you worked for SMUMC? I started working at St. Matthews with an interim assignment in March – May 2019 to cover the maturity leave for Harmony Brinson. When she left in August, I filled in again. I applied and was awarded the position permanently in November 2019.
- 2) How long have you been married? I have been married to Stephen McClendon for 37 years; 38 years in June 2026
- 3) Favorite color? I have a variety of favorite colors: purple, red & royal blue.
- 4) First concert? The Jackson 5 with my dad and neighborhood kids.
- 5) Favorite Scripture? Psalm 91 – reminds me I am always protected.
- 6) Pet Peeve? All aspects of complaining; mine and others. When I think of the goodness of Jesus, the sacrifice He made for me, and God's unconditional love, I struggle hearing myself and others complain about life. I am learning to have a compassionate heart, be a good listener for those that need to vent and to reflect on His Word in all situations.
- 7) Breakfast food for dinner, yes or no? No way, that's like drinking cold coffee. To me coffee should be hot and breakfast should be in the early part of the day.
- 8) Favorite restaurant? My favorite restaurant of all time is a tossup between Emeril's restaurant in Las Vegas and Alfredo's at Disney World.
- 9) Favorite movie? Sound of Music
- 10) Favorite vacation so far? San Francisco, CA February 2015, St. Louis, MO September 2016 for Joyce Meyer Women's Conference and North Myrtle Beach, SC July 2025 for my Randall Family Reunion



### Group 3 Christmas Donation to Room at the Inn..

Jesus is the reason for the Season... and Sharing and Caring is the goal of Group 3's mission to help those in need of support and prayer. With this goal in mind each year Group 3 members have collected new baby clothes for children born to women who reside at Room at the Inn. Group 3 members visited the Inn and delivered the baby items during the Christmas holiday season. Staff was very appreciative of receiving the gifts and thanked Group 3 for remembering and providing continuous support and prayer for the mothers who currently reside at Room at the Inn.



## A Guide to Health Awareness by Karlah Y. Burton, CNMT

May the Peace of Christ be with you! Happy New Year on behalf of the SMUMC Committee on Health and Welfare! It's hard to believe that we are entering 2026 with January having started off with a superabundance of Health Awareness Campaigns like,

- [Glaucoma](#) Awareness Month
- National Winter Sports [Traumatic Brain Injury](#) Awareness Month
- Stalking Awareness Month
- Substance Use Disorder Treatment Month
- [Thyroid](#) Awareness Month
- World Braille Day
- World Leprosy Day

Awareness and education are extremely important in the world of healthcare, providing patients with increased knowledge which can help provide more notice regarding the onset of medical conditions. This allows for the offering of added assistance from church members, friends, family, and the health care community. Increasing awareness may also substructure research and further trials for treatment options.

Leprosy is bacteria borne disease and is therefore easily curable yet presently occurs in more than 120 countries, with more than 200 000 additional cases reported every year. In 2026, World Leprosy Day is being observed on Sunday, January 25th to raise awareness about leprosy or Hansen's Disease, to combat its stigma, promote dignity for those affected, and encourage global action against the disease. The observance honors Mahatma Gandhi's compassion for leprosy patients and serves as a call for ongoing efforts in diagnosis, treatment, and prevention. In India, World Leprosy Day is observed on January 30th each year, coinciding with the actual death anniversary of Gandhi.

In the Old Testament, leprosy is often used as a metaphor for spiritual "uncleanliness" (Leviticus 13; II Kings 5; II Kings 15:5). The physical healing of the lepers by Jesus in the New Testament is seen as a physical manifestation of the spiritual cleansing that believers receive through faith in him (Mark 1:40-42; Luke 17:12-14; Matthew 10:8).

International Quality of Life Month is a global observance likewise celebrated every January. It was created for the improvement of overall well-being, happiness, and life satisfaction; to encourage positive changes in health, relationships, purpose, and daily habits.

This year, please make a resolution to take time to engage in activities such as exercise, mindfulness and make a point to live more fully!

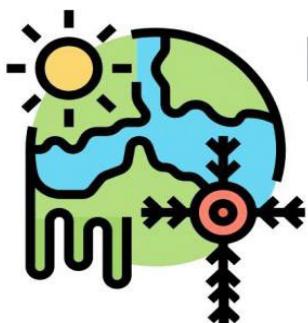
## COLLEGE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT – Ryan Edgerton



My first semester at North Carolina A&T State University has been outstanding academically, socially, and spiritually. I was able to acclimate quickly due to a close group of track friends who also attend the university. Orientation week included organized activities both on and off campus that encouraged interaction among students, which allowed my friend group to expand.

The coursework load was definitely an adjustment, as it required managing more assignments and adapting to several online, self-paced courses that demanded a different approach to learning. Time management proved to be essential for success in college, especially when balancing coursework, friendships, and participation in various organizational meetings.

Midway through the semester, I realized I had the capacity to take on additional responsibility and began working as a lifeguard at the YMCA. As the semester has come to an end and I reflect on my experiences, I am proud of my academic performance, personal growth, and overall development. I am also deeply appreciative of the educational scholarship I received from St. Matthew's UMC, which will continue to support me in my future endeavors. Above all, I remain committed to keeping God first, trusting that my path is guided by His vision.



# bishop's climate summit:

for such a time as this...

**save the date**

**april 18, 2026 9a-4p**

maple springs umc, winston-salem



Make a point to reserve the date now! This event is open to clergy, church staff, and laity. Three pre-summit, 60-minute webinars are planned for January, February, and March to aid in building a clear understanding of the *interconnectedness* of God's creation and the way climate shifts are affecting the people and places we love.

You are invited to attend as we create a shared foundation which will equip us to consider faithful, neighbor-loving responses in our churches:

***Welcome to Our Warming World: What Have We Done? What Can We Do?***

**Thursday, January 15, 2026**

**Noon to 1:00 pm online via Zoom**

***Our Warming Oceans: Swimming in Dangerous Waters***

**Thursday, February 12, 2026 Noon to 1:00 pm**

**online via Zoom**

***When Is Hot TOO Hot for Humans? What Are We Doing to Ourselves and Our World?***

**Thursday, March 12, 2026**

**7:00 pm to 8:00 pm online via Zoom**

For more details, follow the link, [Bishop's Climate Summit](#) .

*"Caring for God's creation is central to our Christian witness. I invite you to join me at the Bishop's Climate Summit as we seek faithful, practical ways to respond to the challenges of a warming world."*

*Kenneth H. Carter, Jr.*

*Resident Bishop Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church  
Wishing you a Happy and Sustainable 2026!*

*--Karlha Burton, Chairperson SMUMC Creation Care Ministry General Board  
of Global Ministries Earthkeeper  
Western NC Conference Creation Care Ministry*

**Thank you** all for your generosity in donating yarn or money for the scarves! The Loving Hands Ministry members made scarves for all 33 children and youth that participated in the UMC Christmas Program. Thank you all and have a blessed Christmas!



## Liturgical Arts Ministry



During the final Friends, Fellowship, and Faith of 2025, the audience was in awe as members of the **FirstFruits** Drama Ministry took to the stage. Olivia Brooks, Lena McNeill, Lydia McNeill, Mia Naylor, and Jillian Smith complemented their black-on-black attire with the Advent colors of purple, pink, and white. They each spoke boldly giving voice to each candle they represented identifying them by name, Love, Joy, Hope, Peace, and Christ, and their meaning.

Karlah Burton provided the narrative to the skit as an overview of the Advent season. Before closing, Amilliana Petteway positioned the flames to give light to each candle. What a sight to behold as the live dramatization gave more dept and understanding of the Advent season.

**"Christmas Reflections"** was the 2025 Annual Christmas Production by the Liturgical Arts Ministry. The audience enjoyed the pageantry and beauty of dances by the **DayStar** Ladies, the Teens, and Pre-Teens who brought us the story of the miraculous birth. They heard stories from "back-in-the-day" by some of our more seasoned members who shared their most memorable Christmases.

In **"The Reunion"** drama, the easy banter and shared stories by the **FirstFruits** Drama Male Ensemble captivated the audience's attention. As the men remembered their childhood Christmas experiences, the audience was transported back in time to see the unfolding of each story portrayed by the young children of the church. It gave the audience a glimpse of the men as young boys. What a joy it was to see the children's parade, hear them play handbells, recite poetry, quote Scripture, and of course, dance the Christmas Waltz. The last story was a reflection of a Christmas engagement followed by the wedding...bouquet toss and all. The weaving and layering of the remembered stories throughout the drama was amazing.

The production was presented by 51 outstanding performers including the production team of the writer/director, four choreographers, two stage managers, and two assistants. The team appreciates the efforts of Jasmine Williams for her "Food Pantry Push" which yielded approximately 20 pounds of donated non-perishable food items. God has truly blessed our Liturgical Arts Ministry!



## FOOD PANTRY 2025

January 2025	February 2025	March 2025	April 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	August 2025	September 2025	October 2025	November 2025	December 2025	2025 TOTAL
5,136	1,538	851	1,508	685	1,940	1,706	1,238	1,039	381	2,573	7,287	25,882
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Thank you for your Birthday donations and especially thanks to those who give above and beyond their birthday amount. Your donations help to support a growing number in our community who need assistance.

# Embrace the New Year

As we prepare to embrace the new year, let us approach it with open hearts and a deep commitment to spiritual growth. By intentionally seeking God's guidance, reflecting on His teachings and nurturing our faith, we lay a strong foundation for a spiritually fulfilling year ahead. May the journey of spiritual preparation lead us to a closer relationship with God and empower us to live out His love and grace in our daily lives.

## Reflect on the Past Year:

Begin your spiritual preparation by taking time for introspection. Reflect on the blessings, challenges, and lessons learned over the past year. Consider journaling or prayerfully contemplating the ways in which God has worked in your life.

## Seek Divine Guidance Through Prayer:

Dedicate moments of prayer to seek God's guidance for the upcoming year. Offer prayers of gratitude for His faithfulness and ask for wisdom, direction, and strength as you navigate the path ahead.

## Set Spiritual Goals:

Consider setting spiritual goals that align with your faith journey. These goals could include committing to regular prayer and meditation, delving deeper into scripture, volunteering for community service, or fostering a spirit of forgiveness and compassion.

## Establish a Time for Scripture Study:

Make a conscious effort to prioritize scripture study in your daily routine. Set aside a specific time each day to immerse yourself in the Word of God. Engage in meaningful reflection on the scriptures and allow their teachings to guide your thoughts and actions.

## Embrace a Spirit of Gratitude:

Cultivate a heart of gratitude by reflecting on God's goodness and faithfulness in your life. Start a gratitude journal or practice daily expressions of thanksgiving. Gratitude opens our hearts to God's blessings and fosters a positive mindset.

## Practice Mindfulness and Silence:

Create moments of stillness and silence in your daily life. Embrace mindfulness through practices like meditation or simply by allowing yourself moments of quiet reflection to connect with God's presence.

## Engage in Spiritual Community:

Participate actively in your church community or spiritual groups. Join discussions, attend services, and engage in fellowship with others. Community support and shared experiences can strengthen your spiritual journey.

## Let Go and Forgive:

Release any burdens or grudges from the past year. Forgiveness is a powerful act that frees the spirit and allows for healing. Extend grace to yourself and others, embracing the opportunity for a fresh start.

## Embrace Service and Compassion:

Engage in acts of service and kindness towards others. Volunteer in your community, extend a helping hand to those in need, and exemplify Christ's love through compassionate actions.

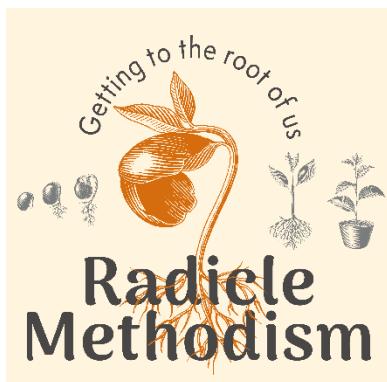
## Create a Spiritual Vision Board:

Consider creating a vision board or a visual representation of your spiritual goals for the new year. Include images, quotes, or verses that inspire and remind you of your aspirations.



Boy Scout Troop 441 partnered with North State Law Enforcement Officers' Association on October 25<sup>th</sup> assisting with a street cleaning of E. Washington Street. The troop also assisted with setting up luminaries at St James Baptist Church on December 7<sup>th</sup> for a Candlelight Service.





## IT IS HISTORY

Year 2026 Marks  
Saint Matthews United Methodist Church (SMUMC)

### 160<sup>TH</sup> CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

REVEREND MATTHEW ALSTON was the first minister for Warnersville Mission African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in America, Greensboro, NC. With assistance from the Freedman's Bureau, it was incorporated in Philadelphia, PA, and registered by Rev. Alston in Guilford County's Book of Deeds. This action occurred three years after our founders separated from Market Street Methodist Church in 1866 when churches were not the most segregated institution in America, and it was illegal to teach enslaves how to read and write. According to A.I., the southern Caucasian literacy rate was over 50% and enslaves around 1-5% through the 1850's. Rev. Alston literacy is not verifiable, but he was informed and left us an important written September 6, 1869 (p-152) record of our official church existence. Olúfémí O. Táíwò's a Georgetown philosopher and university professor quote comes to mind re SMUMC beginnings, "Our ancestors did more, with less, against worse. Lock in", The quote is a mantra or a call to action for resilience during difficult times we experience.

The 2024 UMC General Commission on Archives and History (GCAH) approved worldwide changes and yes, we are part of this connectional body as illustrated in our November '25 A&H newsletter article. Please "Lock in" to changes Saint Matthews should implement as retrieved from *UMC Guidelines 2025-2028: Remember the Past and Inspire the Future.*

**One. Maintain Electronic Records** and decide the number of operating systems needed (page-13).

- Migrate the records when operating systems or software are upgraded,
- Organize our computer's file system.
- Make backups, and
- Follow government guides regarding onsite and offsite computer protocols and records maintenance.

**Two. Tell SMUMC'S Story to the Future and DEPOSIT YOUR RESPONSES IN THE ARCHIVES & HISTORY MAILBOX LOCATED IN THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM BY FEB. 28, 2026.**  
**SELECT YOUR QUESTION/s BELOW:**

- What was the congregation like from 1930 to 2025? (Identify your most memorable year/s).
- How did we worship (Specify year/s you recall)?
- What social issues most concerned SMUMC?
- What were our mission and evangelism outreaches? (Specify activity, event and year/s)
- What was Sunday school like? (Specify year/s and teachers)
- What music did we sing (List 1-3 song titles and composer/s)
- Who were the people active in our church life and ministry (Explain why so and by whom)?
- How did we have fun? (Specify activity/event and year)

GCAH mandated that local A&H committees would update/write our church history annually, and its committee chair would serve as member of the church council. A history update is a worthy 2026 goal for SMUMC 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary (pages 5, 18 and 19).

**Three Update on SMUMC Blueprint.** Two pages of four of the original blueprints was found by Debi McClendon on a high shelf. To date pages **one and four are missing**. Because of its poor, torn, greased, taped and humidity exposed conditions, it was taken to the Greensboro Historical Museum for expert handling. The curator, Ms. Allison, unrolled it, took photographs and referred me to the HFGGroup: ESC-Conservation vendor (the only Southeast USA business for preservation and restoration) and I did so on 10/17/2024. A GCAH grant was submitted on 3/17/25 to underwrite the restoration cost, \$2700.00. The \$1500.00 grant request is pending due to budgetary and the reorganization of GCAH offices. The need for our blueprint extends beyond its historical significance, it would save repair assessment dollars because it identifies roof, electrical and plumbing specifications, expansion plans, evacuation exits, etc. Having conversed with Dr. DeWitt Sanford Dykes, Jr., university professor, and the original architect's son, informed me that he forwarded his father's materials to the Black History Museum, (Beck Cultural Exchange Center), in Knoxville TN. The center's archivist confirmed that there are at least 11 boxes of materials to cull through so this may be a valid lead to attain missing pages (1 and 4). Because Dr Joseph Bethea was minister during our church's construction, his daughter, Josepha Bethea Wall, confirmed she too possesses file boxes of SMUMC related items. This may prove to be a second lead. Mr. Willie Edwards "Blue" Jenkins, the local architect who oversaw the construction of SMUMC, daughter lives locally and may have a complete copy of our blueprint so this is a possible third lead. Regardless the GCAH award decision shall dictate SMUMC actions going forward. We MAY need to sponsor a fundraising event to accomplish this restoration cost from \$1200.-\$2700.00.

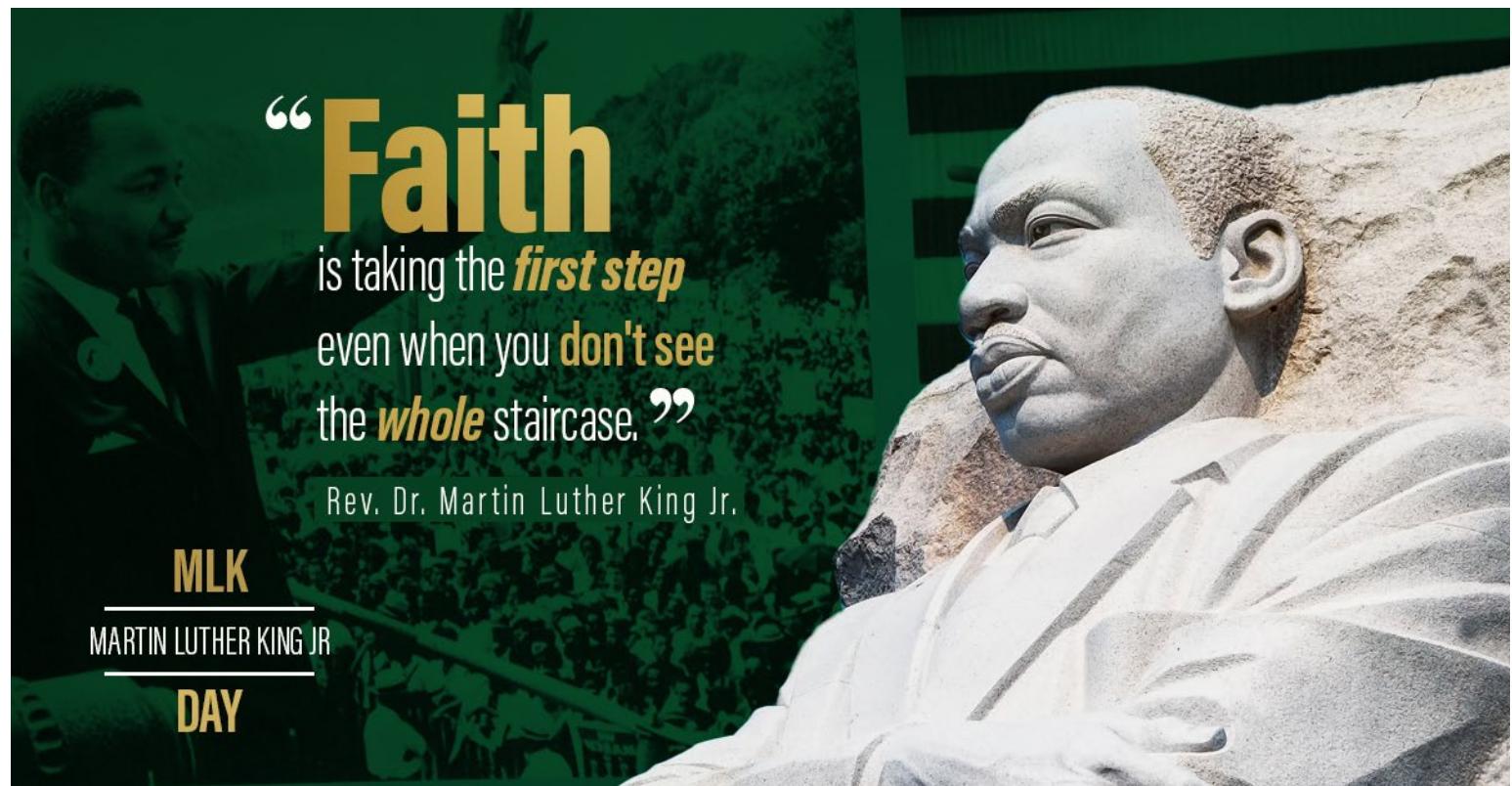
Finally, if "YOU" would like to join the A&H committee or serve by donating volunteer work hours, please contact Albertina McGirt at this cell number **919-914-1826** or E-mail me at [hefavorsme7@triad.rr.com](mailto:hefavorsme7@triad.rr.com) by January 31, 2026

*Submitted by E. A. McGirt, Archives & History chair*

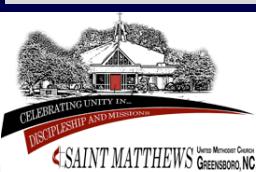
Congratulations to Betsy Brown for her Certificate of Achievement  
in honor of her Role as a Charter Member with vision and dedication  
laid the foundation of the ZETA AMICAE OF GREENSBORO.  
Betsy continues to build her legacy of friendship,  
Service, and sisterhood through the ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.



# January 26 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Deadline for February Newsletter articles is January 23, 2026. Theme is "Love as Jesus Loves -Small Acts of Kindness" Please send your articles & photos to Media Ministry at [smumcgreensboro@gmail.com](mailto:smumcgreensboro@gmail.com).



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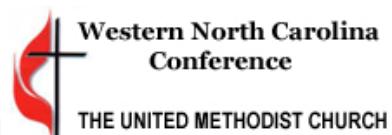
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