

Savannah Script
Savannah District UMW
October 2011

**South Georgia Conference UMW
Annual Meeting
October 15, 2011**

Vineville United Methodist Church

2045 Vineville Ave
Macon, GA 31204

Phone: (478) 745-3331

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.

Speaker: Cathy Snook

Director of Development

Vashti Center

Thomasville, GA

Finding Peace in a Busy World

Annual Meeting Scripture: Psalm 104

Online registration is available on the
conference website.

http://www.sgaumc.org/console/files/oEvent_Calendar_EUXQLB/2011UMWAnnualMeeting_XZWH9BD6.pdf for brochure

Mary Exley,
Vice President,

South Georgia Conference UMW

Mission Resources Needed

(Please bring to the Conference Annual Meeting)

OPEN DOOR COMMUNITY HOUSE

Children's gently used coats, sweaters,
gloves, hats and socks, chapstick

Feminine hygiene products

New and gently used Bibles (children and
large print for adults)

THE VASHTI CENTER

Gift Cards from Wal-Mart, Pizza Hut, and
McDonald's

WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Baby Wipes

**Fall Mission Study
*Joy to the World***

October 22, 2011

**Alpha United Methodist Church
Bloomingdale, GA**

**Presenter: Rev. Antoine Walker
Pastor of Canaan Community Church
Savannah, GA**

Morning Refreshments

Lunch on your own.

Childcare will be provided.

For information, contact Nicole Walker

Joy to the World is a wonderful history of women in mission. The study book gives the stories of many women who have helped to shape missions as they are today. The study shares the story of how women, and men, from all denominations have shaped missions for what we know today.

The book, *Joy to the World*, is available from the Mission Resource Center <http://www.missionresourcecenter.org/estore/> for \$10.00. plus shipping. There should be copies in the bookroom at the mission study.

Alpha UMC

Alpha is located at 5 Highway 80 E Bloomingdale, GA. The telephone number is (912) 748-4025. If traveling on I16, take Exit 152, Bloomingdale Road, Highway 17. Travel on Bloomingdale Road until it dead ends at Highway 80. Take a right; you will see the church on your right. Alpha is well-marked with a UMC sign.

News from Nicole

I want to thank everyone who attended the district annual meeting on 9/25. I would like to especially thank the Speedwell UMC UMW, you all out did yourselves and everything was wonderful, also to our District Superintendent and his wife Rev. Mike and Melinda Huling, our South Georgia Conference President Sara Bankhead, thank you all so much!

Thank you to everyone who filled out the annual meeting surveys. The district received some wonderful feedback regarding our meeting, but I would like to address some of those concerns. Location: we don't pick the location; units volunteer their church for the district events. I would love to have events all over the district, but we don't have units that volunteer. The day and time of day of the annual meeting: usually annual meeting is attended better on Sunday, just like our day apart service. Now if the day and the time of day is inconvenient please let the district officers know.

We are still in need of a few good women to fill our district secretary, social action coordinator, communications coordinator, and nominating committee members. If you know of someone, or, if you are that someone, please let me (Nicole Walker) or our president, Marilyn Page, know.

I want to say thank you to the few units that stepped up and offered to host some of our district events, but we are still in need of more units to host the remaining events, please consider hosting one of the district events. Let me know so I can put you on the calendar.

Nicole Walker
District Vice President

Wesley Centers of Savannah Current Need

Wesley Community Centers is in need of children's toothpaste and children's toothbrushes for their educational programs.

The children brush their teeth every day after lunch. Wesley serves up to 102 children each day. Obviously, these supplies need to be frequently replenished. They also like to give toothbrushes and toothpaste to children who do not have these items at home or the shelters.

Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, contact the Wesley Community Centers of Savannah, Inc. (912) 232-0965

Note: It was good to see the supplies that were brought to the District Annual Meeting for the Wesley Centers.

District Calendar for Remaining 2011
10/15/2011 Conference Annual Meeting
Vineville UMC, Macon, GA

10/22/2011 District Mission Study
Reg. 8:30 Study 9:00 a.m.
Alpha UMC Rev. Antoine Walker,
Presenter

11/12/2011 Local Leadership Training
Rincon UMC
Registration 8:30 a.m./
Training 9:00 -11:00 a.m.

12/03/2011 District Mission Team Meeting
TBA

2012 District Officers/Leadership Team

President: Nicole Walker (Canaan)

Vice President: Shirley Johnson (Wesley Oak)

Treasurer: Cathy Hickman (Bethesda)

Nominating Committee Chair:
Theodosia (Kitty) West (Speedwell)

Membership, Nurturing Coordinator:
Fran Stanley (Trinity Savannah)

Secretary of Program Resources:
Martha Jean Heinen (Bethesda)

Mission Coordinator of Education and Interpretation: Carol Hunt (Canaan)

Mission Coordinator of Spiritual Growth:
Mary Anne Kicklighter (Ellabell)

Vacant: Secretary, Communications Coordinator, Social Action Coordinator, 2014 Class for Nominating Committee.

Budget for 2012

District Operating Budget	\$3,475.00
District Pledge to Mission	\$32,000.00

Major Events in 2012

1/14	District/Local Officers Meeting
2/11	Wesley Love Walk
2/19	District Day Apart
3/11	UMW Day
3/23-25	Spiritual Growth Retreat
5/19	Mission Study: The Journey
6/10	District/Local Officers meeting
7/19-22	School of Christian Mission
8/4	Conference Social Issues Wkshop
8/12	District Social Issues Workshop
9/24	District Annual Meeting
10/20	Conference Annual Meeting
11/3	Mission Study: Haiti
11/17	Local Leadership Training

Program Book and Theme: 2012 *Walk With Wholeness*

Mission Study Books: 2012

Haiti: Challenges and Hope by the Rev. Dr. Jacques E. Pierre

the journey: forgiveness, restorative justice and reconciliation by Stephanie Hixon and Thomas Porter.

Look for these books, as well as the 2012 *Prayer Calendar* in the bookroom at our District events.

Leadership Training Opportunity

What - Savannah District Lay Speaking Ministries Basic Course

Who - Beginning lay speakers and renewing local church lay speakers (Also good for church leadership training)

When - Oct.16 through Nov.13 (5 Sunday afternoons) 3 - 5 PM (10 hours total)

Where - White Bluff UMC - Room 22

Cost - \$20 for book and materials

Contacts – Diane Wilhelm at jdwilhelm@planters.net

Reservations needed for books to be ordered

Lay speakers have many opportunities to serve within a congregation – not just speaking from a pulpit. Lay speakers teach Sunday School and Bible studies, help visit the sick or shut-ins, help with children's services, become church ministry or team leaders, have district or conference offices... the list goes on. If you would like to further explore leadership within your church, including UMW, you should investigate this course.