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The Jot & Tittle

The newsletter of Central United Methodist Church

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.
(Matthew 5:18)

April 18, 2010

**Worship Services at Central
Dr. Rob Blackburn, Senior Minister**

Sunday Worship Services
at 8:45 and 10:55 am

April 25
New Member Sunday

Saturdays at Six Worship
6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

A nursery is provided
during all worship services.
Sunday School classes for
all ages at 9:45 am.

Sunday worship is broadcast
on 1310 WISE-AM at 9:00 am.

The Sunday worship service is also
available live on the church website:
www.centralumc.org (you must have
high-speed internet and Real Player).

The prior week's service is telecast
on Public TV Channel 20
at 11:00 am on Sunday.

Join us at the pancake breakfast April 18

Our Central UMC Scouting program—Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Venture Crew—will be preparing pancakes and sausages, with juice and coffee, from 8:00 to 11:00 am on Sunday, April 18, in the Fellowship Hall.

All proceeds will be used to purchase urgently needed equipment for our Scouting programs and to support our local Red Cross as part of the 2010 Hero's Campaign.

Any donations will be appreciated.



April 25 kicks off fundraiser for Haiti

In both worship services on April 25, Central's mission committee will hand out water bottles to everyone in the service. Your challenge: fill the bottles with money and bring them back to worship on May 16 when the bottles will be brought forward during the offertory and a special prayer said for those in Haiti that these gifts will benefit.

"Something Extra Sunday—Haiti"

Haitian pastor speaks on Sunday morning, April 25

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am on Sunday, April 25, for "Something Extra Sunday—Haiti." Haitian pastor Tamara Isidore will share stories from her recent trip following the earthquake and talk about relief efforts and the current situation in the country.

Tamara traveled with Central's mission team to the Dominican last year and continues to travel frequently to Haiti with mission teams.

You will also hear about our upcoming medical team trip to the Dominican to work with Haitian refugees there.

Spring Festival Sunday, April 25 from 4:00—7:00 pm Egg hunt, music, food—an event for ALL ages

Join your Central family Sunday, April 25, at Longmeadow Park in The Ramble for an afternoon of festival fun! The excitement begins at 4:00 with games, huge inflatables, and music by Allen Hayes and The Sons of Ralph.

A Post-Easter Egg Hunt will start at 4:30 with over 3,000 eggs, along with other prizes, hidden in three different hunting areas—one for toddlers – 3 year olds; another for 4-6 year olds; and another for 7 years old and up.

Dinner is served at 5:00 with BBQ and hot-dog plates for \$8 each. Lemonade and tea provided. **All proceeds benefit our summer medical work and other relief work for Haiti with Crossroads in the Dominican.**

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy some great music and fellowship as you dine and take in the beautiful spring evening.

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Central Happenings



Congratulations to



David and Linda Adams on the birth of their granddaughter, Abigail Grace Israel, on March 7. She is the daughter of Evan and Stacy Brown Israel of Asheville. Her great-grandmother is Helen Brown.

New Member Class begins Sunday, May 2

The next New Member Class begins Sunday, May 2. The group meets from 10:00 to 10:45 am in the Conference Room (Room 311) near the church office. The classes will be held May 2, 10, 17, and 24. This is a great opportunity to meet the ministers and other newcomers to the church, and to get detailed information on Central's programs, activities, and opportunities for service. We will learn about the history of Methodism and Methodist doctrine, plus take a tour of the church building. All are welcome to come learn more about Central.

Contact Suzanne Brown at 253-3316 ext 324 or sbrown@centralumc.org for details.

Widening the Circle



It was Easter Morning and the two girls were timely in their arrival. They had entered the north door of the Sanctuary and immediately saw the long rope. At the exact right time, they tightly held onto the handle and pulled the rope, thereby tolling the bell.

As young girls will do, they attacked their job with zeal and enthusiasm. So much so, that after a minute, they wondered aloud how much longer this job would last. As the congregation arrived, various church members and visitors would offer their comments. "I know everybody will want to come to church after hearing your bell ringing." "You girls are doing a fabulous job!" "I could hear that bell ringing from blocks and blocks away."

And so it continued until the girls' first "bell duty" ended with the arrival of Rob at the pulpit. Two young girls doing a simple job on a beautiful day. Doing their job so well, in fact, that one man came by and could not resist the temptation to help the girls make that bell ring.

Throughout the morning the scene was one of Easter glory. The girls working hard, greeters wishing all who entered a welcome and a handshake, and the

ushers assisting with bulletins and seating. This 100 square foot area of Central was a hubbub of Christian ac-

tivity!

Other areas of Central United Methodist—most much larger—also see the body of Christ at work, too. From Sunday School Classes to Journey Groups to Disciple Classes to Wednesday Night Suppers to folks simply milling about in the Fellowship Hall before a church service, these are all places where we see the living Christ at work.

It starts with a simple pull and soon the bell is tolling for all to come see, to hear, and to do. The bell has been pulled for us as a downtown church to have an effect on our community.

Our Church is full of wonderful volunteers like Miss Shirley Dobbs, who just retired after many years of bellringing on Sunday morning, and others who faithfully work in many areas of ministry. As all will tell you, it is not always easy, and you might get tired, but oh, to hear that melodic peel—how worth the effort!

— Leigh Young

IT IS CENTRAL FOR US ALL!

A Community for Christ in the Center of the City

All are invited to the Community Lunch on Monday, April 19

Everyone is invited to the Community Lunch that will be held at Haywood Street campus on Monday, April 19, from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm. A delicious meal is planned and the Bowmans from Givens Estates will be bring our entertainment.

Candy and plastic eggs are needed for Post-Easter Egg Hunt on April 25

We are currently collecting small, individually wrapped candies and plastic eggs for our Spring Festival and Easter Egg Hunt at Longmeadow Park in the Ramble. Please bring your donation by the church office as soon as possible so we will have time to do the stuffing. We will be stuffing over 3,000 eggs and need lots of goodies!



Attention: Women 60+ A new Journey Group is forming for you

Bi-monthly meetings (during school year) will be held in member homes the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. This is a grand way to enrich our lives and others through friendship, study, and service. Please call Kitty McKeithen (828-257-4018) to sign on or to ask questions. Hope to see you as we begin our “Journey”!

Foods for ABCCM:

sugar, dry milk, grits

spaghetti and sauce, hot and cold cereal

Bring food items to the Fellowship Hall to help feed the hungry in our area

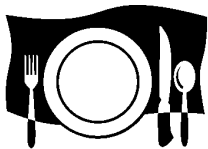
2010 budget update

As of March 28, our Central congregation has given \$384,988 toward the 2010 financial goal of \$1,727,158 needed to support our ministries and the operating budget. Thank you!

Haywood Street Happenings

All are invited to the Welcome Table on Wednesdays

The Haywood Street Congregation is the place to be every Wednesday. Why not “treat” your favorite group to lunch and join us at the Downtown Welcome Table from 11:30 - 1:00? Your Journey Group, your Sunday School class, your Bible Study group, your office friends—choose a Wednesday and get your buddies together for a great lunch and even better company! At 12:30 pm, your group can attend the worship service in the sanctuary.



Are you looking for your volunteer niche?

Volunteer opportunities abound at Haywood Street Congregation. We do food preparation on Tuesdays at 5:15 pm and are working in the kitchen on Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. We need dedicated groups of 5 to volunteers on Tuesdays and groups of 10 for Wednesdays to work once a month.

We can give your group a set volunteer time, i.e., the first Wednesday. A group from Fletcher United Methodist comes every first Wednesday. A Central Sunday School class has committed to monthly Tuesday nights.

Come visit us and we guarantee you, too, will want to find your place at the Downtown Welcome Table.

Our wall of crosses is growing

And then there were 16! Our crosses are wooden, they are handmade, they are ceramic, they are clay, and one still lights up. We are have space for more! Contact Amy Gaston (amy@jggaston.com/253-5188) or Shelly Arnold (shellyarnold99@gmail.com/299-8528) if you have a donation.

Learning and Growing

Visit the New Morning Sunday School Class to experience John 3:16

“John 3:16”—we smile when we see it on signs at football games. We cherish it as one of the most well-known verses in the Bible. The apostle who penned those now familiar words called himself “the one whom Jesus loved.”

Have you ever thought of yourself as “the one whom Jesus loves”? Do you long to have that tender close relationship with your Lord and Savior? Examining God from the loving viewpoint of Jesus’ beloved disciple may open your eyes to the intimate relationship you desire. Come with us back to the first century. Answer the door to find Nicodemus outside. Sit awhile with a shamed woman by a well. Gasp in amazement as you see Jesus transfigured into a figure whiter than white.

Explore the Gospel of John through May 2 with the New Morning Class and Leigh Young on Sunday morning at 9:45 am in Room 223 (the room inside the Boy Scout Room under the Sanctuary). Call Leigh Young with questions, 691-0586.

Reconciling Ministry meets on April 28

Central’s Reconciling Ministry Group will meet on April 28 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Branches Sunday School room (Room 403). We are a group of Central members and friends whose goal is to transform our church and world into the full expression of Christ’s inclusive love, making both a place where all are welcome and accepted—including those who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered. We invite others who share that goal to join us.

Congregational Care Concerns

Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler is Central’s Minister of Pastoral Care.

She is interested in getting to know the members of Central. The best way to get to know you is to visit.

Please give her a call at 989-9659 or 253-3316 if you would like to schedule a time to talk.

Stephen Ministry News

“Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” Galatians 6:2

Stephen Ministers are ready to provide the emotional and spiritual care we need when faced with a crisis or difficulty. If you have experienced any of the following (other difficulties), please contact Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler. A Stephen Minister could be a blessing in your situation and provide a caring friend to be with you in your troubles.

- Loss of loved one • Hospitalization • Divorce or separation • Loneliness or discouragement
- Aging • Birth, adoption, miscarriage, or infertility • A terminal illness
- Unemployment or a job crisis
- Incarceration A chronic illness • Relocation • Recovery after an accident or disaster

We all experience challenges in life—times when we could benefit from the support of a caring Christian friend. **If you would like to be that caring friend for another, consider becoming a Stephen Minister.**



Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry: The identity of those receiving care and what takes place in each caring relationship remain private.

Every person in our congregation plays an important role in this ministry. We ask that you pray for this ministry and for God to bring hope and healing to hurting people through Stephen Ministry. You are important to this ministry when you accept care from a Stephen Minister during your time of need. God doesn’t expect you to bear your burdens alone. You can tell a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who is hurting about our Stephen Ministry. If you are a really good listener and a compassionate person, prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister.

If you are interested in any facet of Stephen Ministry, please contact Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler at 253-3316 ext. 304 or jwilburnpeeler@centralumc.org

Altar Flowers

The flowers are absolutely gorgeous each Sunday (thank you, donors and Clements Flower Shop!) and we want them to be shared. If you give the flowers for a particular Sunday, please let Lesli Hollowell in the church office know what your wishes are for the beautiful flowers that are given in honor/memory of your family and friends.

If the flowers are still in the Sanctuary by Tuesday they will be distributed among our homebound and members who are in the hospital, unless you let us know that you have other plans for them.

We give thanks to God for the flowers and hope that they will continue to bring joy to many others.

Extended Family (a.k.a. "homebound") News

When you are Unable to Attend Worship....

Thank you to all our volunteers who visit those who are unable to attend worship. Thank you also to our new members who have offered to visit and help the church stay connected to our homebound members. You help Central live out our mission to be community for Christ. Help us widen the circle of Central. You may know more members who are unable to come to church and would like to be seen by a visitor and Julie Wilburn Peeler. Please call the church office and speak with Julie. We care about our faith family and we do not want anyone to feel forgotten.



Other Ways to Feel Connected....

We want to keep you connected to the worship life of Central United Methodist Church! Bulletins have been sent to those individuals who are unable to attend worship. My hope is that when they are able to view the worship service on T.V. on a week delay, folks will have the bulletin with them so they can follow along. If you would like to receive a bulletin in the mail or email, please let Julie know at 828-253-3316 or jwilburnpeeler@centralumc.org.

Worship Opportunities

Lenten Sermon Series

Throughout the season of Lent and into Easter the sermons preached at all the worship services will be focused around themes appropriate for the season aiding us in our preparation and worship of God.

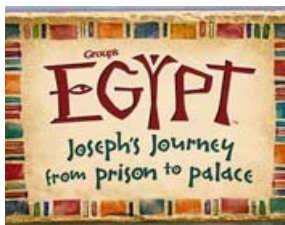
Easter Season Sunday—April 18

Church: Why Bother?

Children's Ministry

Confirmation Class "Day of Service" is April 17

Confirmands and Mentors will meet at Central at 9:30 am and travel out to the Presbyterian Home for Children in Black Mountain to participate in a community wide day of "Worship, Work & Play." We will serve from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Lunch will be served. Parents can pick up at Central at 2:30.



Register for VBS in "Egypt" this summer

We're looking forward to another exciting VBS this summer on June 21-25! Registration will begin on April 1 and will run until June 1. The registration table will be located at the top of the stairs leading to the church offices.

You can also access a form at centralumc.org. Registration will be open to children age 2 (must be age 3 by August 31, 2010) through 5th grade. Registration for 2's and 3's is limited to 32 children.



Camp Tekoa June 28-July 2 — You must register online at Camptekoa.org

Once you have registered you may call the church to sign your child up to ride in the church van to and from camp. Parents who sign their children up for transportation must assist with the transportation by driving the van on a morning or afternoon that week. Pick up and drop off for those riding in the church van will be at the church and at the South Asheville Long Shoals road location.

Youth Ministry

UMYF—United Methodist Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

For more info, contact Stephen Brown, Youth Director, at 253-3316 or email Stephen@centralumc.org

Take a Hike

Saturday April the 24th , 9:30-3:30. Meet at the Church.

It's here, and this is the month, I know everyone has been working real hard to raise money for this wonderful ministry and the day has finally come, where we get to dust off our hiking boots and stretch our legs for some good ole fashion hiking. Lunch will be provided. Anyone and everyone is welcome to participate in this event, make sure you wear your favorite Wilderness Trail shirt.

Spring Festival

Sunday April the 25th, 4:00-7:00. Longfellow Park at the Ramble

There will be no youth on Sunday the 25th because Central United Methodist Church is having a Party!! Come and Join us at Longmeadow Park in the Ramble for a day of games, food and great music. My favorite bluegrass band of all time is playing the spring festival, The Sons of Ralph, and the picking will be awesome. We will feast on BBQ and just enjoy the day. I hope to see you all out there.



Calling all 6th Graders!!

Sunday May the 9th , 5:00-7:00. In the Fellowship Hall

Calling all 6th graders, you are invited to a special evening event filled with food, games and T-shirts. It is our gift to you on this special day. We would like to welcome you to our UMYF family by throwing you all a party.

Senior Sunday is May 16

High School Mission Trip

June 20 – 26: Inner City Cincinnati, OH Cost \$269

Middle School Mission Trip

(Rising 9th graders are still considered Middle School Participants for the summer.
Confirmants are welcome to join us on the Middle School Mission Trip.)

August 1-7 Cleveland, Georgia Cost \$269

Wilderness Trail

(All Youth and Confirmants—rising 7th graders—are welcome to join us on the Wilderness Trail.)

July 17- 24 Troutdale, Virginia Cost \$260

Sign-ups begin now. Permission Forms for all of these trips can be picked up at the Central Reception Desk in a folder labeled "Summer Trips." Please call or email Stephen Brown at 828-421-0340 or stephen@centralumc.org

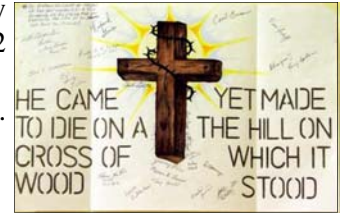
with your reservations and questions.

Prison Ministry

You can make a poster to support Kairos Prison Ministry

Making a simple poster to encourage someone at MCI is not hard, but it means a lot to those incarcerated. This poster was sent to the recent Marion Correctional Institution (MCI) Kairos participants by inmates from another penitentiary. Would there be any of Central's youth group, Circle, Sunday School Class or Journey group members willing to make a poster and that exhibits the love of Central UMC to the 42 Kairos MCI # 5 participants?

The Marion Correctional Institution Kairos will take place from May 20 thru May 23. Posters should be at Jessica Tripp's office no later than Tuesday, May 19.



Maundy Thursday experienced at Buncombe Correctional

There were about as many of us as there as there was that Thursday night 2000 years ago. We gathered in a small room to celebrate The Lord's Supper. There we were—the imprisoned and the free—but all slaves to sin and needing forgiveness. We shared our confession and received the pardon from our sins, blessed the cup, broke the bread, and shared in the suffering and death of our Lord.

Two spoke enthusiastically about their being received into the Kingdom and the Church that very week. Another spoke of reconciliation with a daughter after many long years. He told us about how prison and all the wire seemed like a Briar Patch. How dreadful it looked, but how he had come to learn that in that Briar Patch he had come to learn of God's love for him. Though he would spend most of his life on earth in that Briar Patch, he would not spend it alone.

I don't know about where you were on Maundy Thursday, I am sure God was present wherever you were, but one thing is for certain: The Holy Spirit blessed that little room at Buncombe Correctional last Thursday night and I was glad to have been there. So indeed, in Christ there are no bond or free, rich or poor, ignorant or learned, in Christ we are all one.
—Stewart, Linda, John, Ali and Harry

*Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners,
and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. (Hebrews 13:3)*

Wonderful Wednesdays

April 28 is the final Wonderful Wednesday for this year.

Activities for all ages

Nursery from 5:30 to 8:30 pm for children two and under

Sunshine Arts from 6:00 to 7:00 pm for 2 and 3 year olds

Cherub Choir from 6:00 to 7:00 pm for 4-K — Children's Choir for grades 1-6

Cub Scouts from 6:00 to 7:00 pm for boys grades 1-5; Youth Bible Study from 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Adult programs begin at 6:00 (or you can choose to enjoy fellowship and conversation during this time)

Dinner starts at 5:00 pm. Prices are: Adults \$7.00 Children \$4.00. RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! So that we can be good stewards of our resources call the Church at 253-3316 no later than 4:00 pm Tuesday for dinner reservations on Wednesday.

Schedule for "Caring For Others" led by Julie Wilburn Peeler

This group is geared toward those who are caring for others. We will have different topics each week that will feed those who give so much to others whose health is failing. You can attend for all of the topics or just the ones that fit your situation.

- April 21 from 6:15-7:15 pm Rev. Jane Curran: "Share Your Care: Grief after Death"
- April 28 from 6:15-7:15 pm Sharon Jacques, RN, PhD: "Intimacy after 60"

Outreach

Spring Festival on Sunday, April 25, kicks off church-wide Haiti fundraiser

Join us on Sunday, April 25, at Longmeadow Park in The Ramble for a church-wide celebration. This is more than your typical family fun fest. **This will be a day of celebration for all ages as we kick off a church-wide fund raiser to benefit Haiti.**

That morning in worship, Haitian Pastor Tamara Isidore will deliver a message in a Mission Moment about the situation in Haiti as well as present a "Something Extra" Sunday at 10:00 am.

In worship that morning, Central's mission committee will hand out water bottles to everyone in the service. Your challenge: fill the bottles with money and bring them back to worship on May 16. Bottles will be brought forward during the offertory and a special prayer said for those in Haiti these gifts will benefit.

That afternoon we will gather at Longmeadow Park from 4:00 to 7:00 for a celebration with a post-Easter egg hunt, festival games, huge inflatables, BBQ and hot dog dinners, and performances by the Sons of Ralph and Allen Hayes. This will be a great event for the whole Central family. Invite your friends and neighbors for the fun!

BBQ and hot dog plates will sell for \$8.00. All money that is raised from food sales will go to Crossroads in the Dominican who will put our gifts into action as they provide food, water, shelter and medical care to Haitians suffering following the earthquake.

Central's intergenerational mission team will be on the ground working with them in July and will return with a first hand report of the blessings your gifts are providing.

Directions: The Ramble lies along the southern boundary of the historic Town of Biltmore Forest off Hendersonville Road, just 15 minutes from downtown Asheville. Once you enter the community, the guard at the gate will direct you to Longmeadow Park.



F. I. S. H. (Families In Service to Him)

F.I.S.H. is a family/intergenerational mission group that is open to all ages and meets the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 to 12:00 for a devotion, prayer, and service. If you are planning to participate, please contact Jessica Tripp at 253-3316 or jtripp@centralumc.org.

- **Saturday, May 1:** We will partner with River Link to continue the clean up of our adopted section of the Swannanoa River.
- **Saturday, June 5:** This is a special day of service throughout our district on the Methodist Community Impact Day. Many opportunities for service will be available this day.



Parish Nurse / Older Adult Ministry

How are your Blood Pressure numbers? Come and find out Sunday, April 25

There will be blood pressure screening on Sunday, April 11, from 9:30-10:45 am in the Senior Resource Center, located behind the Reception Desk. High blood pressure raises your heart disease risk, so remember:

- Normal blood pressure is less than 120/80.
- Pre-Hypertension is 120-139/80-89. If you have this reading, one should lose weight, reduce salt, eat diet high in fruit and vegetables, low in fat and exercise at least 30 minutes five or more days each week.
- Stage 1 Hypertension is 140-159/90-99. One should consult a physician/health care provider as you could be a candidate for drug treatment.

- 8 • Stage 2 Hypertension is 160 and higher/100 and higher. One should consult a physician right away.



Lipid Screening on Thursday, April 22

On Thursday, April 22, from 8:30-10:30 am, Maureen Carr, Parish Nurse performs Lipid Panel (Total Cholesterol, good and bad cholesterol, triglycerides, blood sugar) screenings in Senior resource Center (Room 318). You will get better results if you have been fasting 8-12 hours. There is a \$15 charge to cover supplies. No appointments are necessary. Just come and be informed of your cholesterol and blood sugar numbers.

AARP Driver Safety Course at Central on Wednesday, May 26

The AARP Driver Safety Course will be presented at Central on Wednesday, May 26, starting at 10:00 am. The AARP Driver Safety Course is a classroom-based refresher course for drivers 50 years old and older and is designed to keep older drivers on the road longer and safer. The new version of the course is just four hours. The fee, \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non members, covers the cost of delivering the program, including a Participant Workbook.

The AARP Driver Safety Program is designed to help you tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road; learn about normal age-related physical changes, and how to adjust your driving to allow for these changes; reduce your traffic violations, crashes, and chances for injuries; and drive safer. After completing the course, you'll develop a greater appreciation of driving challenges and how you can avoid potential collisions and injuries to yourself and others.



To assure an adequate supply of materials and comfortable classroom accommodations, the AARP requests that you preregister for the course at least one week in advance of the delivery date. You may register and get more information by calling Maureen Carr at 253-3316 ext 320 or email: mcarr@centralumc.org.

United Methodist Women

UMW Mission Study on Saturday, April 24

The Asheville District United Methodist Women Mission Study will be held Saturday, April 24, from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at Higgins Memorial United Methodist Church in Burnsville. If you are interested in attending contact Maureen Carr at 277-7065.

The United Methodist Women Executive Committee will meet Sunday, April 25, from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Martha Circle** will meet on Thursday, April 15, at 7:00 pm at the home of Callie Stinel. Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler will be our guest speaker. Contact Alexandra Holland (Alexandra@wncnature.com or 280-1480) for more information.

The **Rebekah Circle** will meet Tuesday, April 20, at 10:00 am at the home of Mary Smith. We will learn more about the ministry of UMCOR and Steadfast Home for Women.

The **Sarah Circle** will meet Tuesday, April 20, at 10:00 am at the home of Nancy Greene. Naomi Ray, a missionary, will present the program "A Window on India."

The **Ruth Circle** will meet Tuesday, May 3, at 11:00 am at the home of Vida Feemster, 3 Valley Trace Lane, Hamburg Crossing Club House, in Weaverville. This will be a covered dish luncheon and lots of fun. Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler will be our guest speaker. See you there!

The **Lydia Circle** includes young, professional Christian women who are sharing their faith journey through community service, devotion, mission outreach, prayer, and fellowship. We meet once a month for dinner and our meeting, which will have varying content. There are no set meeting dates—we pick the next date at our meeting, so contact Diane Robinson for meeting info if you are interested in becoming acquainted with the Lydia women. You can reach her via email at dianetrobinson@gmail.com or by phone 989-8097.

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April 21 is the deadline for the
May 2 issue

May 5 is the deadline for the
May 16 issue

Please mail articles and information
to Anne Frick at the church, leave no-
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Desk, or email info to her at:
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