

# Harrison Weekly News



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## This Week's Highlights - Jan. 17-24

For a current and complete listing of this calendar, please visit [www.harrisonumc.org](http://www.harrisonumc.org) and view our Harrison UMC Calendar link at the top of the home page. For Youth, Children, and Adult Sunday classes and other activities, please see the gray box to the left.

DAILY	5:00am	Korean Prayer (Sanctuary)
SUNDAY	8:00am	Men's Breakfast Program (101)
	9:00am	Harrison Coffee House ('til after 11am) (100)
	9:15am	Foundations (115)
	10:30am	Disciple I (Jim Collins) (301)
	11:00am	Alpha (115)
	11:00am	Blended Families Small Group (113)
	12:30pm	Children's Worship Band Practice (Hammill Hall)
	3:30pm	Youth Praise Band Practice (Multi-purpose Rm)
	5:00pm	Missions (103)
	5:00pm	Outreach (115)
	5:00pm	Youth Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)
	5:30pm	Disciple II (McCain) (113) / Disciple IV (McCoy) (102)
	5:45pm	Worship (100)
	6:00pm	Spiritual Growth & Fellowship (116)
	6:00pm	Trustees (Bldg. 500—front room)
	7:30pm	Men's Basketball (Hammill Hall)
MONDAY	9:45am	Exercise (Multi-purpose Rm.)
TUESDAY	10:00am	Pre-School Chapel (Sanctuary)
	7:00pm	Career Transition Ministry (115)
	7:00pm	Disciple I (Jan Zenner) (116)
	7:00pm	ESL Class (100-106)
	7:00pm	Finance Committee (114)
	7:30pm	Brazilian Leadership Trng. (Library, Nursery)
WEDNESDAY	9:30am	ESL Class (100-105)
	9:45am	Exercise (Multi-purpose Rm.)
	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Librarian (101)
	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Chapel (Sanctuary)
	6:30pm	Mid-Week Worship (Hammill Hall)
	7:00pm	Disciple II (Brenda Johnson) (113)
	7:00pm	Disciple III (Kevin Veith) (111)
	7:00pm	ESL Class (100-106)
	7:30pm	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
	8:00pm	Spiritual Secrets to Weight Loss (112)
THURSDAY	10:00am	Disciple III (Frances Ashley) (102)
	10:00am	ESL Tutoring (103)
	5:00pm	Room in the Inn (101)
	7:30pm	Praise Team Practice (Hammill Hall)
FRIDAY	9:45am	Exercise Classes (Multi-purpose Rm)
	6:30pm	Spanish Band Practice (101)
	7:00pm	Music Ministry & Staff Appreciation Dinner (101)
	7:30pm	Brazilian Band Practice (Multi-Purpose Rm)
SATURDAY	NO HARRISON EVENTS SCHEDULED	
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	10:30am	Disciple I (Jim Collins) (301)
	11:00am	Alpha (115)
	11:00am	Blended Families Small Group (113)
	12:30pm	Children's Worship Band Practice (Hammill Hall)
	1:30pm	Children's Council (104)
	3:30pm	Youth Praise Band Practice (Multi-purpose Rm)
	5:00pm	Youth Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)
	5:30pm	Disciple II (McCain) (113) / Disciple IV (McCoy) (102)
	7:30pm	Administrative Board (100)

### Counters

TODAY: Teresa Crawley and Anne Cullip  
January 24: Cathy Borst and Mike Poole

"Harrison at Ballantyne: Where the broken can become whole and wholly devoted to Christ."

### \*Regular Sunday Worship Times

\*except Christmas, Lent, Palm Sunday, and Easter

- 8:00 a.m. - Worship with Communion Service
- 9:15 a.m. - Contemporary
- 11:00 a.m. - "Somewhat Traditional"
- 11:00 a.m. - Children's Worship (*inkWELL*)
- 11:00 a.m. - Servicio en Español
- 1:00 p.m. - Korean Prayer Service & Lunch
- 7:00 p.m. - Brazilian Worship Service

### Sunday School Times: 9:15 & 11 a.m.

- Newborn-Kindergarten: Children's Wing next to Sanctuary
- 1st - 5th grades: 9:15 a.m. - Bldg. 100 - 1st floor
- 1st - 5th grades: 11 a.m. - Hammill Hall - *inkWELL* Worship
- 6th - 12th grades: Rooms 107-108, Building 100 - 2nd floor
- Adults: 9:15 a.m. - Rooms 116, 118, Bldg. 100 & Chapel & 11:00 a.m. - Rooms 115 and 118, Bldg. 100

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### Prayer Concerns

**Serving a Prison Term:** Michelle Olivares, Travis Helms, and Vince Chmura. **At Home:** Pastor Mark Plummer, Virginia Luckey, Leitner Hall, Lydia Jennings, Lorene and Glenn Withers, Julia Adams, Anne Kolbe, and Nancy Hawfield.

**When you're confined and away from home and from your loved ones, a card or note from those who care means so much.**

Each week, we will select a member from our list of prayer concerns and shut-ins as a recipient for cards and notes from our Harrison family members. **This week, we encourage you to share your love by sending a card to:**  
Leitner Hall

10801 Providence Rd W., Charlotte, NC 28277-1536

If you would like to reach out via card, note, or calls to someone not featured this week, please call the Church Office for contact information - 704-541-3463.

### Harrison Ministry Leaders Join Us 2010 Charlotte District Leadership Conference This Saturday, Jan. 23 ~ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. St. Stephens UMC on Sardis Road, Charlotte "We Are A Fearless Church. Do Not Be Afraid!"

Keynote Presenter: Scott Bader-Saye,  
author of "Following Jesus in a Culture of Fear"

In a culture where fear causes us to withdraw, the Charlotte District Leadership Conference wants to remind churches that as followers of Christ we are called to do fearless ministries. Our church leaders are being called to be the non-anxious presence in the midst of uncertainty and to be bold Christians in the face of adversity.

**This evening's Administrative Board meeting has been rescheduled to Sunday, Jan. 24, at 7:30 p.m., Room 101**

### Girlfriends United Dinner ~ Jan. 26! 6:30 p.m. ~ No Child Care Provided

The Women's Council will present *An Evening of Hope*, another worship and fun-filled evening for women of Harrison and your guests on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 6:30 p.m. in Hammill Hall. Please purchase tickets after worship today after each service or this Wednesday, Jan. 20. Cost is \$20 per person.

#### Sign Up Today to Decorate a Table At This Event!

This year's GFU mission: to collect toiletries (travel size body wash, toothpaste, etc.) for homeless women. Monetary donations also will be accepted. For information, please contact Sylvia Melendez (sylviamelendez77@gmail.com) or Patsy Sheppard (psheppard1@carolina.rr.com). Tickets are available through January 20th! ~ **Please join us!**

### Moving On After Moving In . . .

Are you new to the area? Are you not so new, but still looking for a way to get connected? This group for women is a wonderful way to make new friends and work through the transition of moving. Over the weeks, friendships are formed, new discoveries are shared and we grow together as a group. The group will go through the book entitled "When the Boxes are Unpacked" by Susan Miller and we will laugh together, learn from one another, and at the end of it all, we will be ready to move on! **The class will be on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. – Noon in Room 115, Bldg. 100, starting Wednesday, February 3.** For more information or to register, please contact Anita King at 704-541-3486, ext. 213 // anita.king@harrisonumc.org.

### HAITI Earthquake ~ How you can help:

On January 12, a 7.0 earthquake hit near the capital of Haiti, Port-au-Prince. Our Conference Bishop, Larry Goodpaster, has sent us information on how we can help:

"Untold numbers are dead, injured and left homeless in and surrounding the capital, Port-Au-Prince. Major relief efforts are underway. We encourage churches and members of the Western North Carolina Conference to give generously as we work through our partner organizations, including the United Methodist Committee on Relief and our conference churches with established ties within Haiti. The United Methodist Church is known as a long-term disaster response organization. With our partners, we will be in Haiti for years-to-come helping to rebuild the lives of the persons affected by this 7.0 magnitude disaster. We do have persons from the WNC on the ground in Haiti and we are praying for them as they continue in the aftermath of the earthquake."

To make a donation, please make your check payable to **Harrison United Methodist Church**, note on the memo line **UMCOR/Haiti**, and place in today's offering plate or drop it by the Church Office during the week. Thank you.

### "Going To the Man Cave!"

(complete with snacks & movies!)

### Men's Weekend Getaway

At Camp Harrison (90 min. from Charlotte)

Jan. 29 / 7 pm. ~ Jan. 31 / Noon

Cost: \$80 ~ Scholarships Available

It will be a time to get to meet other guys at Harrison, listen to great music, enjoy good conversation, and have a great time recharging your battery. Camp Harrison has available zip lines, hiking trails, a fishing pond, among other things.

### Questions? Please contact . . .

Mike Kendall at 704-572-7031 / kend664@bellsouth.net  
or Joe Montgomery at 704-904-6505 /  
jmontgomery@monogramfoods.com

### The Enneagram Personality

### Small Group Begins Feb. 1

Great for the Winter Blahs!

9 Classes over 9 Weeks:

Mondays 7-9 p.m. // February 1- March 29

Cost: \$30 for Book and Materials

Non-Bible based, Level 1

Great fun! Very helpful for all relationships!

For more information, contact:  
Andrea Crowell at 704-541-4842  
or akirby@carolina.rr.com

**Join Us This Morning for Coffee  
at the Harrison Coffee House  
Room 100, Plummer Education Center, Bldg. 100  
Opens at 9 a.m.**

**The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, Jan. 18, in honor of Martin Luther King Day.**

**"Harrison United Methodist Church is a family that invites everyone into a relationship with Christ to Worship, Discover, and Serve Christ."**

"Worship"

# What's Happening at Harrison

## S.H.A.P.E. Small Group Class Postponed

The S.H.A.P.E. Small Group Class, scheduled to start Jan. 20th, has been postponed to a later date. Please stay in touch with the *Harrison Weekly* newsletter for updates.

## Buttons Needed

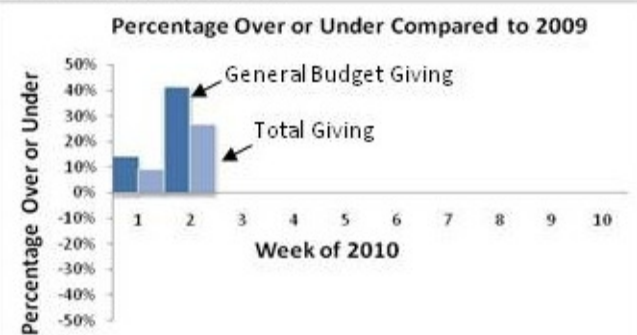
If you have loose nickel-size buttons that you want to share, please drop them off by the Church Office. We'd love to use them for children's sweaters that we are making. Thank you!

## Want to share your favorite recipe with Harrison? . . .

The Friendship Circle is sponsoring a Harrison cookbook and would like to include recipes of appetizers, main dishes, salads, breads, or desserts. If you'd like to have your favorite dish included, please **send your recipes** by February 1st to Maureen Cosper, 9325 Seamill Road, Charlotte, NC 28278, or to Melissa Ralston at [gralston@carolina.rr.com](mailto:gralston@carolina.rr.com). The cook books will be sold at church beginning in April. For more information, call Maureen at 704-504-3884. In case of duplicates, all names of submitters will be published with their recipes.

## 10% in 2010!

### Stewardship News



Happy New Year - Rejoice in Promises Kept!

If you want to still give to reduce the debt on the Plummer Education Center—Note 'Debt Reduction' on your contribution in 2010

How will you serve others this year?

The Tithe is Right, The Tithe is Now  
10% in 2010

## Want to share your news?

Please email newsletter articles and photos (.jpg) to [vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org](mailto:vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org) by **5 p.m. on Mondays**.

## Children's News, Infant-5th Grade

### WANTED

**We need teachers for our children! Could that be YOU?**

We are currently lining up teachers for our Children's Sunday School and Mid-Week Worship class for the new year. If you are interested, please call Sally Ainslie at 704-541-3486, ext. 208.

You will love the children and they will love YOU!

## Harrison Preschool Fall Registration News!

It's time to register for next year! On Monday & Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, Harrison Preschool will be giving church members an opportunity to register their children for the upcoming 2010-11 school year. Public registration will follow soon after so please don't hesitate. Classes will fill-up fast! Look for our pamphlet in any of the Information Centers throughout the church campus for more information on our programs and rates. The doors will open Feb. 8 & 9 at 9:30 a.m., so don't be late!

## Serving at Harrison

### Room In The Inn at Harrison

We have had a huge response to this ministry and have filled the Thursday night calendar. As a result, we will be adding Saturday nights to our schedule. This special housing program is conducted with Urban Ministries of Charlotte and provides a warm, safe place to sleep, a dinner, breakfast and a sack lunch. The Missions Committee is looking for people, families, and small groups who want to help. There is something for everyone – drivers, people to prepare and serve dinner or breakfast, to spend the night (both men and women) or to pack lunches. If you or your group would like to serve, please contact Laura Clark at [lalyc2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lalyc2000@yahoo.com) or Ron Sheppard ([ronls@carolina.rr.com](mailto:ronls@carolina.rr.com)).

### Harrison Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry in the White Bldg. 300

Operating Hours: **Tuesdays and Thursdays; 10 a.m. -1 p.m.**  
Priority needs: **Saltine crackers. Harrison UMC fed 18**

**clients for a total of 72 people in December.** Having fed 100,000 people in Mecklenburg County in 2009, *Loaves & Fishes* provides a week's worth of nutritious groceries to individuals and families in crisis through a network of 19 emergency food pantries. One of those pantries is located at Harrison UMC. We need boxes of saltine crackers dropped off at Hammill Hall or at the pantry during operating hours. Thank you and God bless your generosity. For more information, please contact Kathy Sims at [ksims@comporium.net](mailto:ksims@comporium.net).

### Return to Red Bird Mission ~ April 18 - 24, 2010

We are once again taking a team to Red Bird Mission in Eastern Kentucky. We will be working with the Community Outreach Project team there to improve the lives of those less fortunate than us. Come be a part of this exciting mission opportunity. If you would like to be a part of our team or learn more about the opportunity, please contact Bob Gourlay at [regourlay@carolina.rr.com](mailto:regourlay@carolina.rr.com) or 704-443-0038.

## Your Harrison Staff Ministry Team Covenant

On January 5, 2010, your Harrison Church Ministry Team signed the following covenant for 2010:

"As the ministry team of Harrison United Methodist Church we aim to follow John Wesley's three simple rules: to do all the good we can, to avoid harm, and to seek the presence of God. We covenant together, in our daily walk with Christ as individuals and as staff, to be aware that we must model community, respect, integrity and accountability for the congregation. We will consider the staff as our first team and these relationships as of primary importance to the work of the church. We invite members of the congregation to join us by abiding by the spirit of this covenant. Thank you.

### In order to DO GOOD, we will:

- Strive for excellence in everything we do, especially worship.
- Remain flexible and positive when the unexpected happens.
- Encourage one another in his/her calling, gifts and ministry.
- Assume confidence of sensitive information. When in doubt about confidentiality, we will ask.
- Seek and offer forgiveness; attempt to resolve problems/conflicts with respect, in a timely manner, and as Christians we profess to be (see Matthew 18:15-20).
- Not allow anyone to continue to vent to you about another staff person. Encourage them to take their issues directly to the person with whom they disagree. Actively listen to them for a short time, but don't encourage them and don't advocate for their position. For serious or potentially divisive issues, observe the "48 Hour Rule." Let them know that if they don't share their concern with the person within 48 hours, you will follow up, and you'll let the staff person know who has the concern.
- Not hurry to criticize, seeking first to understand. If we should then feel that constructive criticism is warranted, we will offer it in love. We will in turn respond to constructive criticism thoughtfully and in a spirit of good will.
- Be good stewards of one another's time, cheerfully understanding when requests may be inconvenient or unreasonable.
- Strive to maintain boundaries between our personal and professional lives, and encourage other staff members to maintain their own boundaries.
- Understand and abide by the necessity for discussing our own or others' job performance(s) only with the involved individual or his/her supervisor.
- Come to staff meetings on time and without laptops and cell phones and with a willingness to share briefly.

### In order to AVOID HARM, we will:

- Not bury problems that may arise among us, or allow them to fester.
- Avoid "Us" versus "Them" language.
- Strive to avoid speaking uncharitably and unhelpfully of others. Avoid piling on personal or otherwise irrelevant criticism.
- Not employ e-mail to communicate subject matter of an emotionally charged nature.
- Not seek sympathizers by sharing one-sided information regarding disputes or conflicts.
- Not get triangled into others' agenda.
- Avoid the pitfall of trying, above all else, to please everyone.

### In order to SEEK HIS PRESENCE ALWAYS, we will:

- Offer Christ and witness to our faith in all we do.
- Model servant leadership for the congregation.
- Expect, anticipate and look for signs where God is moving and celebrate them.
- Be intentional as individuals to our growth in grace and knowledge of God.
- Approach the work of staff as ministry and start each meeting with prayer and devotion.

## Staying In Touch

If you've moved or recently changed your contact numbers (telephone, cell, or email address), please let us know. We'd love to stay in touch, but need your updated information to do so. Please send your updated information to: [vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org](mailto:vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org).